

BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 407  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS FOR THE CODELL AND NIOBRARA ) DOCKET NO. 170300128  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 22: S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 23: S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 24: S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 25: All  
Section 26: All  
Section 27: All  
Section 34: N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 35: N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$   
Section 36: N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$

APPLICATION

On January 19, 2017 (amended February 3, 2017), Great Western Operating Company, LLC (Operator No. 10110) ("Great Western" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1) Vacate Order Nos. 407-1090, 407-1550, 407-1551, 407-1552, 407-1631, 407-1632, 407-1633, 407-1641, 407-1642, 407-1643, 407-1644, 407-1645, 407-1760, 407-1761, 407-1762, and 407-1763, which pooled all interests in various wellbore spacing units located within the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

(available online at: <http://cogcc.state.co.us>, under "Regulation," then select "Orders" or "Rules")

- On July 28, 2014 (corrected October 6, 2015) the Commission entered Order No. 407-1090 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 480-acre wellbore spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b), C.R.S. were first incurred for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 27-019HN Well (API No. 05-123-38908, re-named the Kodak North FD 28-002HN).

- On December 8, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1550 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 240-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 26 and 27, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 27-179HN Well (API No. 05-123-39344, re-named the Kodak North FD 28-162HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On December 8, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1551 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 480-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 26 and 27, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 27-179HC Well (API No. 05-123-39348, re-named the Kodak North FD 28-162HC), for the development and operation of the Codell Formation.
- On December 8, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1552 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 480-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 26 and 27, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 27-182HN Well (API No. 05-123-39345, re-named the Kodak North FD 28-199HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 26, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1631 which, among other things, pooled all interests in two approximate 480-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for portions of Section 26 and 27, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 27-299HN Well (API No. 05-123-40801, re-named the Kodak South FD 28-302HNX) and the Kodak South FD 27-339HN Well (API No. 05-123-40807, re-named the Kodak South FD 28-339HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 26, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1632 which, among other things, pooled all interests in two approximate 240-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for portions of Section 26 and 27, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 27-222HN Well (API No. 05-123-40805, re-named the Kodak South FD 28-222HN) and the Kodak South FD 27-259HC Well (API No. 05-123-40800, re-named the Kodak South FD 28-259HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On January 26, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1633 which, among other things, pooled all interests in two approximate 240-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for portions of Section 26 and 27, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 27-379HN Well (API No. 05-123-40821, re-named the Kodak South FD 28-379HN) and the Kodak South FD 27-339HC Well (API No. 05-123-40806, re-named the Kodak South FD 28-339HC), for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On March 7, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1641 which, among other things, pooled all interests in two approximate 560-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 25-202HC Well (API No. 05-123-40798, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-201HC) and the Kodak South FD 25-239HN Well

(API No. 05-123-40796, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-240HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

- On March 7, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1642 which, among other things, pooled all interests in three approximate 560-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing units established for portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 25-279HN Well (API No. 05-123-40804, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-280HNX), the Kodak South FD 25-282HC Well (API No. 05-123-40802, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-280HN), and the Kodak South FD 25-319HN Well (API No. 05-123-40799, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-320HC), for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations.
- On March 7, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1643 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 280-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 25-362HN Well (API No. 05-123-40797, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-361HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On March 7, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1644 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 560-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 25-399HN Well (API No. 05-123-40795, re-named the Kodak South FE 25-400HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On March 7, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1645 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 480-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 26, 27, 34 and 35, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to subject all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Kodak South FD 27-382HN Well (API No. 05-123-40803, re-named the Kodak South FD 27-381HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On August 29, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1760 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 560-acre designated wellbore spacing unit for portions of Sections 23, 24, 25, and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 25-039HC Well (API No. 05-123-39388, re-named the Kodak North FD 25-040HC), for the development and operation of the Codell Formation.
- On August 29, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1761 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 280-acre designated wellbore spacing unit for portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 25-039HN Well (API No. 05-123-39386, re-named the Kodak North FD 25-040HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.

- On August 29, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1762 which, among other things, pooled all interests in three approximate 560-acre designated wellbore spacing units for portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 25-079HN Well (API No. 05-123-39342, re-named the Kodak North FD 25-080HN), the Kodak North FD 25-119HC Well (API No. 05-123-39387 re-named the Kodak North FD 25-120HC), and the Kodak North FD 25-122HN Well (API No. 05-123-39346, re-named the Kodak North FD 25-121HN), for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations.
- On August 29, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1763 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 560-acre designated wellbore spacing unit for portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the drilling of the Kodak North FD 25-162HN Well (API No. 05-123-39343, re-named the Kodak North FD 25-161HN), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On October 24, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1824 which, among other things, established an approximate 1,120-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands in portions of Sections 25 and 26, Township 6 North, Range 67 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved up to 21 horizontal wells within the new unit for the efficient and economic production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, providing that there will be no more than two new well pads in the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director, and providing that the productive interval of each wellbore shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara or Codell Formations and no closer than 460 feet from a unit boundary.
- On January 30, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1880 which modified the setbacks for the approximate 1,120-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 407-1824, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations, such that the productive interval of any permitted well within the unit be no less than 460 feet from the northern, southern and western boundaries of the unit, and no less than 150 feet from the eastern boundary of the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §§ 34-60-101 to -130, C.R.S. and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: March 20-21, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: The Larimer County Conference Center at The Ranch  
 First National Bank Building  
 5280 Arena Circle  
 Loveland, CO

Additional information about the hearing on this Application will be in the Commission's Agenda, which is posted on the Commission website approximately 3 days before the hearing.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special

accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. **Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than March 6, 2017.** Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. One electronic (cogcc.hearings\_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies shall be filed with the Commission. **Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a prehearing conference during the week of March 6, 2017.** Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Murphy, Secretary

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