

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 FORMATION,) DOCKET NO. 170300154
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY,)
COLORADO) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M.

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Section 11: N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$

APPLICATION

On January 19, 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) Modify Order No. 407-1184 to pool all interests within an approximate 320-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Codell Formation; and
- 2) Subject any non-consenting 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., are first incurred for the drilling of the Postle IC 11-002HC Well (API No. 05-123-39319) to the Codell Formation.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. Sections 2 and 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Codell Formation.
- On February 19, 1992 (amended August 20, 1993), the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 which established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, with the permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.
- On July 29, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 407-833 which established an approximate 640-acre horizontal drilling and spacing unit consisting of Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and approved up to twelve horizontal wells

within the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell-Niobrara Formation.

- On March 17, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-967 which, among other things, pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-4HN Well, for the development and operation of the Codell-Niobrara Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1091 which, among other things, pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-302HN Well, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1092 which, among other things, pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-342HC Well, for the development and operation of the Codell Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1093 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation; and subjected 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 Postle IC 11-379HN Well.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1094 which, among other things, pooled all interests within an approximate 320-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for Sections 11 and 14, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the drilling of the Postle IC 11-382HN Well, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On October 27, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1145 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations, and subjected 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 Postle IC 11-122HN Well, Postle IC 11-039HN Well, Postle IC 11-162HN Well, Postle IC 11-239HN Well, Postle IC 11-279HN Well, Postle IC 11-319HN Well, Postle IC 11-042HC Well, Postle IC 11-159HC Well, and the Postle IC 11-259HC Well.

- On December 15, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1184 which pooled all interests within an approximate 320-acre designated horizontal wellbore spacing unit established for portions of Sections 2 and 11, Township 3 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and to subject any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S. for the Postle IC 11-002HN Well, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation

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 80538

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
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By  _____
Julie Murphy, Secretary

Dated: February 8, 2017

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