

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION) CAUSE NO. 535
AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO)
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA) DOCKET NO. 171200817
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.
Section 2: All
Section 3: All

APPLICATION

On or before October 12, 2017, ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) and its wholly owned subsidiary Burlington Resources Oil & Gas LP (Operator No. 26580) (together "COPC" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Maintain Order No. 535-395 which pooled all interests within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation;
- 2) Maintain the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-246 for Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., for the existing production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation;
- 3) Vacate an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-477, for Section 3, Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation;
- 4) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and to approve up to four new horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; with the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet

from the boundaries of the unit (regardless of the lease lines within the unit) and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well producing from the same source of supply within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

5) Applicant states that the permitted wells will be located on no more than two new well pads within the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On December 12, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-100, which granted a well location exception to the requirements of Commission Rule 318.a., with the lateral of a horizontal well to enter the Niobrara Formation no closer than 300 feet from the section line; allowed for the treated interval within the Niobrara Formation to be located not closer than 460 feet from the section line; and allowed for the distance between the treated interval of Niobrara wells to be not less than 920 feet, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 7, 2013 (Amended March 25, 2013), the Commission entered Order No. 535-246 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit, and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 29, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 535-395 which pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit and subjected all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery penalties in Section 34-60-116(7), C.R.S., to accommodate the drilling of the Cline 4-64 2-3 1H Well (API No. 05-005-07212), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On April 28, 2014 (Corrected on June 24, 2014), the Commission entered Order No. 535-477 which among other things, established an approximate 640-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for Section 3, Township 4 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbores to be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 960 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in 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:

Date: December 11-13, 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, Colorado 80203

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 November 27, 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 November 27, 2017, if a prehearing conference is requested by the Applicant, or any person who has filed a protest or intervention.** Pursuant to Rule 511, if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

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By 
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: November 2, 2017

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