

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. 171200834
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, ADAMS)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 3 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 32: All

Section 33: 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) Pool all interests in the Application Lands underlying an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara 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 Fraser 3-64 33-32 3AH well and the Fraser 3-64 33-32 3DH well (API Nos. Pending) ("Wells").

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply.

- On September 15, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-531, which, among other things, vacated a well location exception established by Order No. 535-101 for Section 31, Township 3 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., established an approximate 1,280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for Sections 31 and 32, Township 3 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit, and provided that the productive interval of the wellbore shall be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 960 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- On or around March 2, 2017, COPC filed an Application in Docket No. 170500294 for an order to 1) vacate Order No. 535-531; 2) establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and to allow up to two (2) horizontal wells in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation in the unit; 3) providing that the treated interval any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and authorizing up to one (1) well pad in the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director; 4) finding that an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands; and 5) for such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter. COPC's Application in Docket No. 170500294 is scheduled to be heard at the Commission's October 30-31, 2017 hearing.
- On March 20, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-769 which, among other things, (1) vacated an approximate 1280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-531 for Sections 31 and 32, Township 3 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; (2) vacated an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-702 for Section 36, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; and (3) established an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 36, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and Section 31, Township 3 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and approved one horizontal well in the unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from 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:

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 Prihe, Secretary

Dated: November 2, 2017

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