

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND) CAUSE NO. 535
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)
OPERATIONS FOR THE FORT HAYS, CARLILE,) DOCKET NO. 180700541
CODELL AND NIOBRARA FORMATIONS,)
WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY,) TYPE: SPACING
COLORADO)

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M.
Section 22: All

APPLICATION

On May 29, 2018, Mallard Exploration, LLC (Operator No. 10670) ("Mallard" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order:

- 1) Amend Order No. 535-69, in part, as to Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M., to include Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations;
- 2) Approve an additional 14 horizontal wells for a total of up to 16 horizontal wells within an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations in the unit.
- 3) Provide that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit (regardless of lease lines within the unit), unless an exception is granted by the Director, and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well producing from the same supply within the unit.
- 4) Provide that all horizontal wells shall be drilled from no more than two pads, unless the Director grants an exception.
- 5) Finding that the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations underlying the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations in Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M.
- 6) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-69 which, among other things, established forty approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units, and approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M. is subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On August 20, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 535-199 which pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M., to accommodate the Washburn LE 22-78HN 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:


Date: July 30 – August 1, 2018
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 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 July 16, 2018.** 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 July 16, 2018.** 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

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