

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 NIOBRARA, FORT HAYS, ) DOCKET NO. 180900639  
CODELL, AND CARLILE FORMATIONS, UNNAMED )  
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 24: All

Section 25: All

APPLICATION

On June 26, 2018, 8 North, LLC (Operator No. 10575) ("8 North" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1) Modify Order No. 535-768 to establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approve the drilling of 12 horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations, with the treated interval of any horizontal well permitted under this Application located not less than 300 feet from unit boundaries and not less than 150 feet from any other well producing or drilling from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, or Carlile Formations, without exception being granted by the Director.

2) Limit the drilling of any permitted wells under this Application to no more than four multi-well pads within the drilling and spacing unit, or on adjacent lands with surface owner consent, without exception being granted by the Director.

3) Maintain allocation of proceeds for the Krier GV25-62HN well, located within the proposed unit area and producing from the Niobrara Formation.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- COGCC Rule 318.a. provides that for any oil or gas well drilled to a common source of supply and drilled to a producing depth at least 2,500 feet below ground surface shall be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line and not less than 1,200 feet from any other producing or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same source of supply, unless authorized by Commission order upon hearing. Sections 23 and 26, Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., are subject to this Rule for production of oil and gas from the Fort Hays and Carlile Formations. The Codell Formation underlying Section 26, Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is also subject to this Rule. The Fort Hays and Carlile

Formations are non-target formations, however are included in the proposed drilling and spacing unit at the Commission's request in the event the horizontal wellbore of any permitted well under the approved Application deviates into these formations.

- On February 22, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-3 which, among other things, established approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for both Section 24 and 25, Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved the drilling of one horizontal well within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of any permitted well located no closer than 600 feet from unit boundaries.
- On August 20, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 535-201 which, among other things, pooled all interests in the approximate 580.67-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 25, Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On March 25, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 535-271 which, among other things, established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 23 and 24, Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved the drilling of one horizontal well within said unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell-Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of any permitted well located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries.
- On March 20, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-768 which, among other things: (1) vacated the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order 535-3 for Section 24, Township 9 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and (2) established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approved two horizontal wells within said unit, for production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of any permitted well located no closer than 200 feet from the north unit boundary and 600 feet from the east, west and south unit boundaries.

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: September 17-18, 2018  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Garfield County Sheriff's Annex - Rifle  
106 County Road 333-A  
Rifle, Colorado 81650

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 August 31, 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 September 3, 2018, 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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: August 8, 2018

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