# 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 AND CODELL	)	DOCKET NO. 180900661
FORMATIONS, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY,	)	
COLORADO	)	TYPE: POOLING

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

### APPLICATION LANDS

## Township 12 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 14: Lots 1 thru 4 (that portion of said Section lying

within the State of Colorado)

Section 23: All Section 26: All

### APPLICATION

On July 16, 2018, CCRP Operating, Inc. (Operator No. 10665) ("CCRP" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Confirming Order No. 535-712 which pooled all interests in the approximate 1,360-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for development and operation of the Codell Formation, and authorizing the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling, completion and operation of a certain approved Codell Formation well (namely, the True Ranch 502-2326H well, API No. 05-123-47413).
- 2) Pooling all interests in the approximate 1,360-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and authorizing the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling, completion and operation of a certain approved Niobrara Formation well (namely, the True Ranch 202-2326H well, API No. 05-123-47411.
- 3) Providing that the interests of any owners, with whom the Applicant has been unable to secure a lease or other agreement to participate in the drilling of certain approved wells, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from both Niobrara and Codell Formations, having been pooled by operation of statute, pursuant to §34-60-116(6) & (7), C.R.S., are made subject to cost recovery and risk penalties provided therein.

#### APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

On April 4, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-5 which, among other things, established an approximate 720-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 14 (Lots 1 thru 4) and Section 23, Township 12 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., with authority to drill two

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

- On October 27, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-569 which, among other things, established an approximate 1,360-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and authorized the drilling of one horizontal well within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation.
- On May 18, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 535-670 which, among other things: (1) vacated the approximate 720-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-5 for Sections 14 (Lots 1 thru 4) and 23, Township 12 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, (2) established an approximate 1,360-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and authorized the drilling of seven horizontal wells within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and (3) authorized the drilling of an additional five horizontal wells, for a total of up to six horizontal wells within the approximate 1,360-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-569 for the Application Lands, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell Formation.
- On December 8, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 535-712 which, among other things, pooled all interests in the approximate 1,360-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Codell Formation, and authorized the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling of the Resolution Fed 12-65-26-23-6NH well (API #05-123-41698). COGCC records indicate the Resolution Fed 12-65-26-23-6NH well was not drilled within the allotted two-year term of its Application for Permit-to-Drill ("APD").
- On January 26, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 535-723 which, among other things, confirmed Order No. 535-712 which pooled all interests in the approximate 1,360acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Codell Formation, and authorized the recovery of costs and statutory risk penalties from nonconsenting owners for the drilling of the Resolution Fed 12-65-26-23-6CH well (API #05-123-41705). COGCC records indicate the Resolution Fed 12-65-26-23-6CH well was not drilled within the allotted two-year term of its APD.

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

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Dated: August 8, 2018

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