

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ) CAUSE NO. 407  
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN )  
OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA AND CODELL ) DOCKET NO. 180900684  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD COUNTY, )  
COLORADO ) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 7 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 4: All

Section 5: All

APPLICATION

On July 19, 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 to:

1) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 4 and 5, Township 7 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and to approve up to 16 new wells in the proposed approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations;

2) Provide that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the proposed unit (regardless of lease lines within the unit), unless an exception is granted by the Director, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore within the unit producing from the same source of supply, unless an exception is granted by the Director and approve up to two new well pads within the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

3) Find that the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations underlying the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara and Codell Formations in Sections 4 and 5, Township 7 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area, Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. Sections 4 and 5, Township 7 North, Range 61 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. is subject to Rule 318A for the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

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 13, 2018

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