

# Clarifications of Rule Changes Effective September 30, 2014

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## Rule 303.a.(5)

### Information Requirements for the Form 2, Application for Permit-to-Drill

#### (5) Information Requirements.

The Form 2 requires the attachment of the following information:

- A. The distance between the wall or corner of the nearest Building Unit and the center of the proposed well.
- B. Details of the proposed work and a wellbore diagram.
- C. **Well Location Plat.** A Form 2 shall include a current 8½" by 11" scaled drawing of the entire section(s) containing the proposed well location with the following minimum information:

Rule 303.a.(5)A: The distance between the wall or corner of the nearest Building Unit and the center of the proposed well.

Q: What is this? How is it provided in the Form 2?

A: This is simply the Building Unit Distance in the Cultural Setbacks section of the Form 2.

Rule 303.a.(5)B: Details of the proposed work and a wellbore diagram.

Q: Does every Form 2 need to have the details of the proposed work and a wellbore diagram?

A: No, only a Form 2 to deepen, to re-enter, to recomplete to a different reservoir, or to drill a sidetrack of an existing well needs this information.

#### **NOTE:**

The rule changes proposed in the current Enforcement Rulemaking will clearly limit the requirements of the details of the proposed work and a wellbore diagram to **only** Form 2's to deepen, to re-enter, to recomplete to a different reservoir, or to drill a sidetrack of an existing well.

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## Rule 317. GENERAL DRILLING RULES

- c. **Requirement to post permit at the rig and provide spud notice.** A copy of the approved Application for Permit-to-Drill, Form 2, shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the drilling rig or workover rig. A notice shall be provided to the Director on a Sundry Notice, Form 4, no later than five (5) days following the spudding of a well. The Director may apply a condition of approval for Application for Permit-to-Drill, Form 2, requiring not less than twenty-four (24) hours nor more than seventy-two (72) hours verbal or written notice prior to spud.
- d. **Requirement to provide spud notice.** An advance notice shall be provided to the Director on a Field Operations Notice, Form 42, no less than 48 hours prior to spudding a well.

### Rule 317.c and Rule 317.d: Spud Notices

**Q:** Does a well require two spud notices? Do operators need to submit *both* a Field Operations Notice, Form 42 at least 48 hours in advance of spudding *and* a Sundry Notice, Form 4 within 5 days after spud?

**A:** No - Operators only need to submit the Field Operations Notice, Form 42 at least 48 hours in advance of spudding. The actual spud date will then be reported on the Drilling Completion Report, Form 5.

### NOTE:

The Clean-Up Rulemaking changes effective September 30, 2014 intended to remove the requirement for the Sundry Notice, Form 4 within 5 days after spud, but the published version included it. This has been addressed in the current Enforcement Rulemaking.