

FORM
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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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Oil and Gas Location Assessment

☒ New Location ☐ Refile ☐ Amend Existing Location Location#: _____

Submit signed original form. This Oil and Gas Location Assessment is to be submitted to the COGCC for approval prior to any ground disturbance activity associated with oil and gas operations. Approval of this Oil and Gas Location Assessment will allow for the construction of the below specified Location; however, it does not supersede any land use rules applied by the local land use authority. Please see the COGCC website at <http://cogcc.state.co.us/> for all accompanying information pertinent this Oil and Gas Location Assessment.

Location ID:

441024

Expiration Date:

03/07/2018

☒ This location assessment is included as part of a permit application.

CONSULTATION

- ☐ This location is included in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan. CDP # _____
- ☐ This location is in a sensitive wildlife habitat area.
- ☐ This location is in a wildlife restricted surface occupancy area.
- ☐ This location includes a Rule 306.d.(1)A.ii. variance request.

Operator

Operator Number: 10311

Name: SYNERGY RESOURCES CORPORATION

Address: 20203 HIGHWAY 60

City: PLATTEVILLE State: CO Zip: 80651

Contact Information

Name: Jeff Annable

Phone: (303) 928-7128

Fax: (303) 218-5678

email: regulatory@petro-fs.com

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

☒ Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20090043 ☐ Gas Facility Surety ID: _____

☐ Waste Management Surety ID: _____

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Roberts Number: 12-E Pad

County: WELD

QuarterQuarter: SENE Section: 12 Township: 7N Range: 67W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 5138

Define a single point as a location reference for the facility location. When the location is to be used as a well site then the point shall be a well location.

Footage at surface: 2377 feet FNL from North or South section line

277 feet FEL from East or West section line

Latitude: 40.589538 Longitude: -104.832810

PDOP Reading: 1.3 Date of Measurement: 07/29/2014

Instrument Operator's Name: Owen Mckee

RELATED REMOTE LOCATIONS

(Enter as many Related Locations as necessary. Enter the Form 2A document # only if there is no established COGCC Location ID#)

This proposed Oil and Gas Location is:

LOCATION ID # FORM 2A DOC #

FACILITIES

Indicate the number of each type of oil and gas facility planned on location

Wells	8	Oil Tanks*	16	Condensate Tanks*		Water Tanks*	5	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	
Drilling Pits		Production Pits*		Special Purpose Pits		Multi-Well Pits*		Modular Large Volume Tanks	
Pump Jacks		Separators*	8	Injection Pumps*		Cavity Pumps*		Gas Compressors*	
Gas or Diesel Motors*		Electric Motors		Electric Generators*		Fuel Tanks*		LACT Unit*	
Dehydrator Units*		Vapor Recovery Unit*		VOC Combustor*		Flare*		Pigging Station*	

OTHER FACILITIES*

Other Facility Type

Number

Heater Treater	2
Emmission Control Device	5

Those facilities indicated by an asterisk () shall be used to determine the distance from the Production Facility to the nearest cultural feature on the Cultural Setbacks Tab.

Per Rule 303.b.(3)C, description of all oil, gas, and/or water pipelines:

From each wellhead there will be a 3" steel flowline leading to the production equipment for gas, oil and water.

CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 05/01/2015 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 3.65
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 11/01/2015 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.83
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 5138

DRILLING PROGRAM

Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes

Is H₂S anticipated? No

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: No

Will salt based mud (>15,000 ppm Cl) be used? No

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? No

DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE

Drilling Fluids Disposal Method: Land application

Cutting Disposal: OFFSITE

Cuttings Disposal Method: Other

Other Disposal Description:

Drilling Fluids & Cuttings will be disposed of off-site at Land Application locations to be determined. A permitted location will be in place prior to use.

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? No

Reuse Facility ID: or Document Number:

Centralized E&P Waste Management Facility ID, if applicable:

SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Name: Keith M. Roberts

Phone: _____

Address: 217 Chestnut St.

Fax: _____

Address: Unit B

Email: _____

City: Windsor State: CO Zip: 80550

Surface Owner: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Check all that apply. The Surface Owner: ☒ is the mineral owner

☒ is committed to an oil and Gas Lease

☒ has signed the Oil and Gas Lease

☐ is the applicant

The Mineral Owner beneath this Oil and Gas Location is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

The Minerals beneath this Oil and Gas Location will be developed from or produced to this Oil and Gas Location: Yes

The right to construct this Oil and Gas Location is granted by: oil and gas lease

Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: _____ Surface Surety ID: _____

Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation _____

CURRENT AND FUTURE LAND USE

Current Land Use (Check all that apply):

Crop Land: ☐ Irrigated ☒ Dry land ☐ Improved Pasture ☐ Hay Meadow ☐ CRP

Non-Crop Land: ☐ Rangeland ☐ Timber ☐ Recreational ☐ Other (describe): _____

Subdivided: ☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial ☐ Residential

Future Land Use (Check all that apply):

Crop Land: ☐ Irrigated ☒ Dry land ☐ Improved Pasture ☐ Hay Meadow ☐ CRP

Non-Crop Land: ☐ Rangeland ☐ Timber ☐ Recreational ☐ Other (describe): _____

Subdivided: ☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial ☐ Residential

CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Provide the distance to the nearest cultural feature as measured from Wells or Production Facilities onsite.

	From WELL	From PRODUCTION FACILITY
Building:	1708 Feet	1517 Feet
Building Unit:	1708 Feet	1517 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Public Road:	265 Feet	130 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	242 Feet	110 Feet
Railroad:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Property Line:	205 Feet	55 Feet

INSTRUCTIONS:

- All measurements shall be provided from center of nearest Well or edge of nearest Production Facility to nearest of each cultural feature as described in Rule 303.b.(3)A.
- Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.
- Building - nearest building of any type. If nearest Building is a Building Unit, enter same distance for both.
- Building Unit, High Occupancy Building Unit, and Designated Outside Activity Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.
- For measurement purposes only, Production Facilities should only include those items with an asterisk(*) on the Facilities Tab.

DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION INFORMATION

Check all that apply. This location is within a:

☐ Buffer Zone

☐ Exception Zone

☐ Urban Mitigation Area

- Buffer Zone - as described in Rule 604.a.(2), within 1,000' of a Building Unit.
- Exception Zone - as described in Rule 604.a.(1), within 500' of a Building Unit.
- Urban Mitigation Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

Pre-application Notifications (required if location is within 1,000 feet of a building unit):

Date of Rule 305.a.(1) Urban Mitigation Area Notification to Local Government: _____

Date of Rule 305.a.(2) Buffer Zone Notification to Building Unit Owners: _____

FOR MULTI-WELL PADS AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES WITHIN DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATIONS ONLY:

- ☐ Check this box if this Oil and Gas Location has or will have Production Facilities that serve multiple wells (onll or offsite) and the Production Facilities are proposed to be located less than 1,000 feet from a Building Unit. *(Pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)E.i., the operator must evaluate alternative locations for the Production Facilities that are farther from the Building Unit, and determine whether those alternative locations were technically feasible and economically practicable for the same proposed development.)*
- ☐ By checking this box, I certify that no alternative placements for the Production Facilities, farther from the nearest Building Unit, were available based on the analysis conducted pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)E.i.

In the space below, explain rationale for siting the multi-well Production Facility(ies) that supports your Rule 604.c.(2)E.i determination. Attach documentation that supports your determination to this Form 2A.

SOIL

List all soil map units that occur within the proposed location. attach the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) report showing the "Map Unit Description" report listing the soil typical vertical profile. This data is to be used when segregating topsoil.

The required information can be obtained from the NRCS web site at <http://soildatamart.nrcs.usda.org/> or from the COGCC web site GIS Online map page found at <http://colorado.gov/cogcc>. Instructions are provided within the COGCC web site help section.

NRCS Map Unit Name: 48 - Olney Fine Sandy Loam - 3 to 5 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: _____

NRCS Map Unit Name: _____

PLANT COMMUNITY:

Complete this section only if any portion of the disturbed area of the location's current land use is on non-crop land.

Are noxious weeds present: Yes ☐ No ☐

Plant species from: ☐ NRCS or, ☐ field observation Date of observation: _____

List individual species: _____

Check all plant communities that exist in the disturbed area.

- ☐ Disturbed Grassland (Cactus, Yucca, Cheatgrass, Rye)
- ☐ Native Grassland (Bluestem, Grama, Wheatgrass, Buffalograss, Fescue, Oatgrass, Brome)
- ☐ Shrub Land (Mahogany, Oak, Sage, Serviceberry, Chokecherry)
- ☐ Plains Riparian (Cottonwood, Willow, Aspen, Maple, Poplar, Russian Olive, Tamarisk)
- ☐ Mountain Riparian (Cottonwood, Willow, Blue Spruce)
- ☐ Forest Land (Spruce, Fir, Ponderosa Pine, Lodgepole Pine, Juniper, Pinyon, Aspen)
- ☐ Wetlands Aquatic (Bullrush, Sedge, Cattail, Arrowhead)
- ☐ Alpine (above timberline)
- ☐ Other (describe): _____

WATER RESOURCES

Is this a sensitive area: ☒ No ☐ Yes

Distance to nearest

downgradient surface water feature: 2371 Feet

water well: 395 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 49 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Nearest downgradient surface water feature is a ditch.
Nearest water well is CDWR Permit 168475 which is 435' SE, but nearest water well with SWL is CDWR Permit 166761 which is 1253' SE.

Is the location in a riparian area: ☒ No ☐ Yes

Was an Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit filed ☒ No ☐ Yes If yes attach permit.

Is the location within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer No
zone:

If the location is within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer have all public water supply systems within 15 miles been notified: _____

GROUNDWATER BASELINE SAMPLING AND MONITORING AND WATER WELL SAMPLING

Water well sampling required per Rule 318A

DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 604.a.(1)A. Exception Zone (within 500' of Building Unit)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(1)A. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location now within a Designated Setback as a result of Rule 604.a.)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(1)B. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location is within a Designated Setback due to Building Unit construction after Location approval)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(2) Exception Location (SUA or site-specific development plan executed on or before August 1, 2013)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(3) Exception Location (Building Units constructed after August 1, 2013 within setback per an SUA or site-specific development plan)

RULE 502.b VARIANCE REQUEST

☐ Rule 502.b. Variance Request from COGCC Rule or Spacing Order Number _____

ALL exceptions and variances require attached Request Letter(s). Refer to applicable rule for additional required attachments (e.g. waivers, certifications, SUAs).

OPERATOR COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL

Comments

I hereby certify that the statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct and complete.

Signed: _____ Date: 02/10/2015 Email: regulatory@petro-fs.com

Print Name: Jeff Annable Title: Regulatory Technician

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: Matthew Lee Director of COGCC Date: 3/8/2015

Conditions Of Approval

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for any and all subsequent operations on the location unless this Form 2A is modified by Sundry Notice, Form 4 or an Amended Form 2A.

COA Type

Description

	Drilling fluids and cuttings disposal shall not occur until an approved Form 4 Sundry is submitted for the Location with either the Facility ID# of the COGCC approved Land Application Site or Centralized Waste Management Facility, or a statement that a commercial disposal facility will be used. If the operator does not have a COGCC approved facility, a Waste Management Plan and Land Application Plan Checklist shall be submitted. The Waste Management Plan and proposed Land Application Site must be approved prior to drilling fluids and cuttings disposal.
	Operator shall provide notice to COGCC 48 hours prior to commencing construction of this Oil and Gas Location via Form 42.

Best Management Practices

No BMP/COA Type

Description

1	Planning	Multi-well Pads are located in a manner which allows for resource extraction while maintaining the highest distances possible from the offsetting residential areas and complies with the wishes of the surface owner. A meeting with the surface owner will determine the fencing plan. Tanks will be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with NFPA Code 30. The tanks are visually inspected once a day for issues, and recorded inspections are conducted once a month.
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2	Pre-Construction	<p>Anti-Collision: Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed wells. The anti-collision scan may include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed well path with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, operators may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottom hole location. The proposed well may only be drilled if the anti-collision review results indicate that the risk of collision is sufficiently low as defined by the anti-collision plan, with separation factors greater than 1.5, or if the risk of collision has been mitigated through other means including shutting in wells, plugging wells, increased drilling fluid in the event of lost returns or as is appropriate for the specific situation. In the event of an increased risk of collision, that risk will be mitigated to prevent harm to people, the environment or property. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed directional survey will be submitted to the COGCC with the Form 5.</p> <p>Identification of plugged and abandoned wells will be identified pursuant to 319.a.(5)</p>
3	Traffic control	<p>Access Roads: The access road will be constructed to accommodate local emergency vehicles. This road will be maintained for access at all times. Traffic will be routed to minimize local interruption.</p>
4	General Housekeeping	<p>Visual Impacts: Equipment, regardless of construction date, which are observable from any public highway shall be painted with uniform, non-contrasting, non-reflective color tones (similar to the Munsell Soil Color Coding System), and with colors matched to, but slightly darker than, the surrounding landscape.</p> <p>Maintain appearance with garbage clean-up; a trash bin will be located on site to accumulate waste by the personnel drilling the wells. Site will have unused equipment, trash and junk removed immediately. Operator shall keep the Surface Use Area as well as any roads or other areas used by Operator safe and in good order, including control of noxious weeds litter and debris.</p>
5	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	<p>Leak Detention Plan: Pumper will visit the location daily and visually inspect all wellheads, tanks and fittings for leaks. Additionally, monthly documented SPCCP inspections are conducted pursuant to 40 CFR 112.</p> <p>Control of fire hazards: All material that is considered a fire hazard shall be a minimum of 25' from the wellheads, tanks or separators. Electrical equipment shall comply with API IRP 500 and will comply with the current national electrical code.</p> <p>Operator shall comply with state and federal laws, rules and regulations governing the presence of any petroleum products, toxic or hazardous chemicals or wastes on the Subject lands.</p>
6	Dust control	<p>Operator shall employ practices for control of fugitive dust caused by their operations. Such practices shall include but are not limited to the use of speed restrictions, regular road maintenance, restriction of construction activity during high- wind days, and silica dust controls when handling sand used in hydraulic fracturing operations. Additional management practices such as road surfacing, wind breaks and barriers, or automation of wells to reduce truck traffic may also be required if technologically feasible and economically reasonable to minimize fugitive dust emissions.</p>
7	Construction	<p>Guy line anchors: All guy line anchors shall be brightly marked pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)Q.</p> <p>Berm Construction- Tanks berms shall be constructed of steel rings with a synthetic or engineered liner and designed to contain 150% of the capacity of the largest tank. All berms will be visually checked periodically to ensure proper working condition.</p>
8	Noise mitigation	<p>Sound walls and/or hay bales will be used to shield sensitive areas during drilling operations.</p>

9	Emissions mitigation	Green Completions - Emission Control System: Test separators and associated flow lines and sand traps shall be installed to accommodate green completions techniques pursuant to COGCC Rules. In the anticipated absence of a viable gas sales line, the flowback gas shall be thermally oxidized in an emissions control device (ECD), which will be installed and kept in operable condition for at least the first 90-days of production pursuant to CDPHE rules. This ECD shall have an adequate capacity for 1.5 times the largest flowback within a 10 mile radius, will be flanged to route gas to other or permanent oxidizing equipment and shall be provided with the equipment needed to maintain combustions where non-combustible gases are present.
10	Odor mitigation	Equipment shall be operated in such a manner that odors and dust do not constitute a nuisance or hazard to public welfare. Oil and gas operations shall be in compliance with the Department of Public Health and Environment, Air Quality Control Commission, Regulation No. 2 Odor Emission, 5 C.C.R. 1001-4, Regulation No. 3 (5 C.C.R. 1001-5), and Regulation No. 7 Section XVII.B.1 (a-c) and Section XII.
11	Drilling/Completion Operations	A closed –loop system will be used for drilling operations. Blowout Prevention Equipment (“BOPE”): A double ram and annular preventer will be used during drilling. Stabbing valves shall be installed in the event of reverse circulation and shall be prior tested with low and high pressure fluid. Lighting: Site lighting shall be directed downward and inward and shielded so as to avoid glare on public roads and Building Units within one thousand (1000) feet where possible. Once the drilling and completion rigs leave the site, there will be no permanently installed lighting on site. Bradenhead Monitoring: Operator acknowledges and will comply with COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated May 29, 2012.
12	Interim Reclamation	Operator shall be responsible for segregating the topsoil, backfilling, repacking, reseeding, and recontouring the surface of any disturbed area so as not to interfere with Owner’s operations and shall reclaim such area to be returned to pre-existing conditions as best as possible with control of all noxious weeds.
13	Final Reclamation	Within 90 days subsequent to the time of plugging and abandonment of the entire site, superfluous debris and equipment shall be removed from the site. The Operator shall restore the surface of the Land affected by such terminated operations as near as possible to the previous state that existed prior to operations.

Total: 13 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
2477549	CORRESPONDENCE
400683603	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400757944	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400788959	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400788960	HYDROLOGY MAP
400788961	LOCATION DRAWING
400788970	LOCATION PICTURES
400788971	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400788976	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Final Review Completed. No LGD or public comment received.	3/5/2015 11:01:53 AM
OGLA	No Public Comments. OGLA task passed.	3/5/2015 10:23:47 AM
OGLA	IN PROCESS - OPERator agreed to revising distance to nearest Building Unit and agreed to a Condition of Approval regarding drilling fluids and cuttings disposal. Waiting on Public Comment period.	2/27/2015 9:45:45 AM
Permit	Operator corrected drilling fluid disposal to "Land Application"	2/26/2015 1:06:17 PM
Permit	Drilling fluid disposal is selected as "other" but operator comments state drilling fluids will be disposed of at offsite land application location. Emailed operator to correct drilling fluid disposal to "Land Application".	2/26/2015 8:35:48 AM
OGLA	ON HOLD - The nearest Building is a large commercial facility which would also make it a Building Unit. Requested Operator to revise this distance. Also requested Operator's concurrence on a Condition of Approval regarding drilling fluids and cuttings disposal. Due by 3/25/15.	2/25/2015 8:48:20 AM
Permit	Passed completeness.	2/12/2015 10:54:37 AM

Total: 7 comment(s)