

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MALLARD
EXPLORATION, LLC, FOR AN ORDER MODIFYING
ORDER NO. 535-3 TO ESTABLISH AN APPROXIMATE
640-ACRE DRILLING AND SPACING UNIT FOR
SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 61 WEST,
6TH P.M., AND AUTHORIZE 16 HORIZONTAL WELLS
WITHIN SAID UNIT, FOR PRODUCTION FROM THE
CODELL, FORT HAYS, CARLILE AND NIOBRARA
FORMATIONS, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY,
COLORADO

CAUSE NO. 535

DOCKET NO. 180700_____

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APPLICATION

COMES NOW Mallard Exploration, LLC (“Mallard” or “Applicant”), Operator #10670, by and through its undersigned attorneys, and respectfully submits this application to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Colorado (“COGCC” or “Commission”) for an order amending Order No. 535-3 to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 19, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M., and authorize the drilling of 16 horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell, Fort Hays, Carlile, and Niobrara Formations. In support of this verified application (“Application”), Applicant states and alleges as follows:

1. Applicant is a limited liability company duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Colorado, and is a registered operator in good standing with the Commission.
2. Applicant is an Owner and/or Operator as defined by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Act, § 34-60-103(7) and the Commission 100 Series Rules, and owns leasehold interests and/or has the right to drill and produce on the following lands (hereafter “Application Lands”):

Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M.
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640 acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

Exhibit A, which depicts the Application Lands, is attached hereto.

3. 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. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Codell, Fort Hays and Carlile Formations.

4. On February 22, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 535-3 which, among other

things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approved one horizontal well within each unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the bottomhole location of any permitted not less than 600 feet from the boundaries of the unit.

5. Applicant herein seeks to amend Order No. 535-3 to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and the authority to drill 16 horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell, Fort Hays, Carlile, and Niobrara Formations. The establishment of the drilling and spacing unit is not smaller than the area which can be efficiently and economically drained by the drilling of the requested horizontal wells to be drilled within said unit.

6. Applicant further states that the productive interval of any permitted well under an approved Application shall be located not less than 600 feet from the boundaries of the 640-acre unit (regardless of lease lines within the unit), unless an exception is granted by the Director, and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well producing from the same supply within the unit, unless a waiver or consent is obtained from the operator of such well.

6. Further, Applicant herein requests any permitted wells drilled under this Application should be located on no more than two multi-well pads within the drilling and spacing unit, or on adjacent lands with surface owner consent, without exception being granted by the Director.

7. The granting of this Application is in accord with the Oil and Gas Conservation Act found at §34-60-101, et seq., C.R.S., and the COGCC rules.

8. Applicant requests that relief granted as result of this Application should be effective on oral order by the Commission, and Applicant hereby agrees to be bound by the oral order of the Commission.

9. That the names and addresses of interested parties (owners within the Application Lands) according to the information and belief of the Applicant are set forth in Exhibit B. The Applicant shall submit a certificate of service for the Application within seven days as required by Rule 503.e. accompanied by Exhibit B.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests this matter be set for hearing, notice be given as required by law, and that upon such hearing the Commission enter its order:

A. Amending Order No. 535-3 to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and authorizing the drilling of 16 horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell, Fort Hays, Carlile, and Niobrara Formations, with the treated interval of any horizontal well permitted under this Application located not less than 600 feet from unit boundaries and not less than 150 feet from any other well

producing or drilling from the Codell, Fort Hays, Carlile, and/or Niobrara Formations, without exception being granted by the Director.

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

C. For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable given the premises.

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DATED May 24, 2018.

Respectfully submitted:

MALLARD EXPLORATION, LLC

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss.
CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER)

Jordan Mattson, VP of Land for Mallard Exploration, LLC, upon oath deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and that the statements contained therein are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

MALLARD EXPLORATION, LLC
Jordan Mattson
Jordan Mattson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of May, 2018, by Jordan Mattson, VP of Land for Mallard Exploration, LLC.

Witness my hand and official seal.

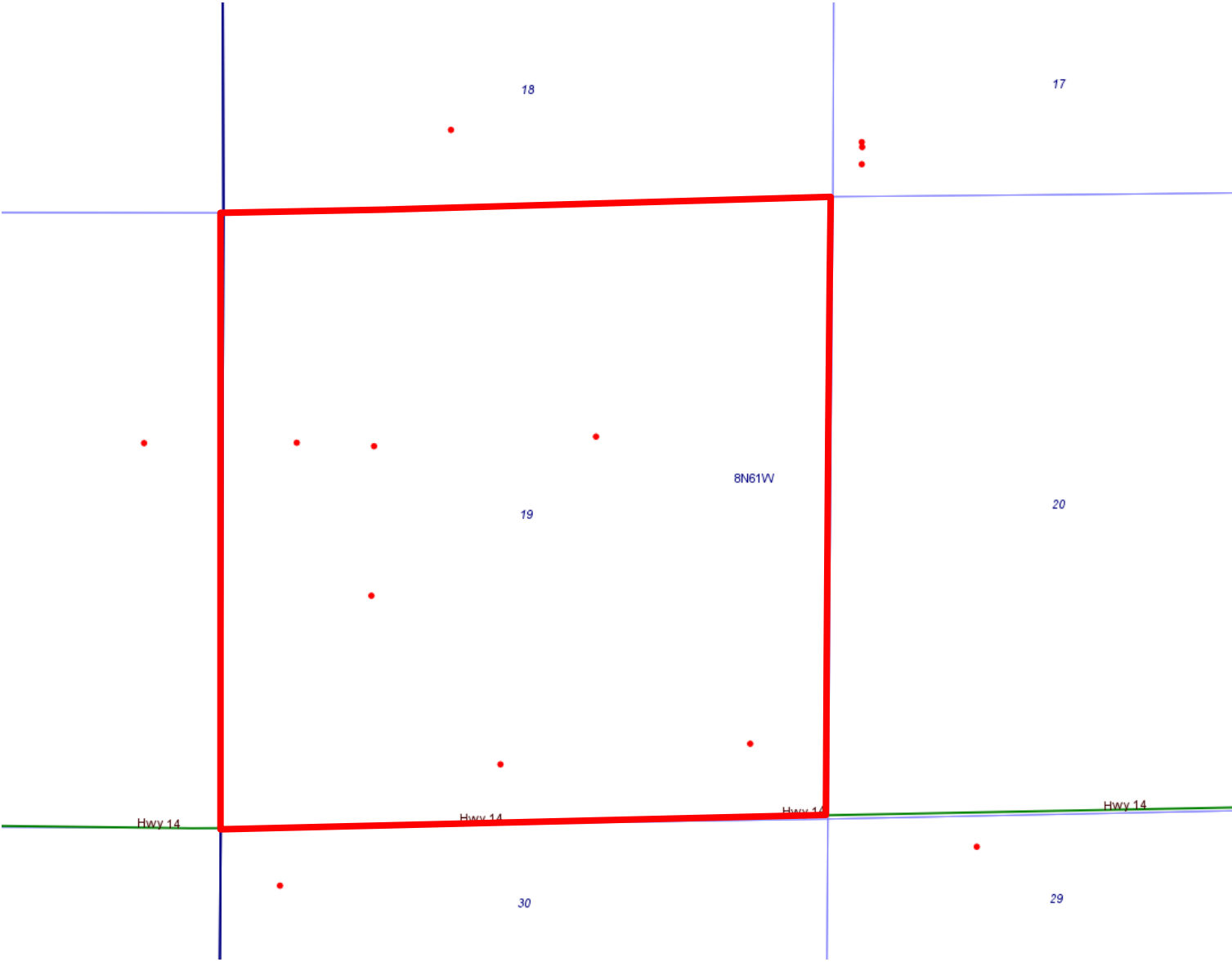
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Reference Map
Mallard Exploration.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I, Bridget Wittrock, hereby certify that on the 7th day of June, 2018, I caused a copy of the Application in the above-referenced Docket Number to be deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties listed on Exhibit B attached hereto.

DATED this 7th day of June, 2018.



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EXHIBIT B

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Witness my hand and official seal.

My commission expires: 8/29/21

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