

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 FORMATION, ) DOCKET NO. 170500291  
UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE COUNTY, )  
COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: All

Section 2: All

APPLICATION

On March 2, 2017, ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) ("COPC" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1) Subject additional parties to Order No. 535-767, which pooled all interests in an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and subject the nonconsenting parties to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Prosper Farms 4-65 2-1 #4AH Well (API No. 05-005-07249) and the Prosper Farms 4-65 2-1 #4CH Well (API No. 05-005-07250); and

2) Provide that the Commission's order subjecting additional parties to Order No. 535-767, including the cost recovery provisions of C.R.S. §34-60-116(7), be made effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in §34-60-116(7)(b)(II), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Prosper Farms 4-65 2-1 #4AH (API No. 05-005-07249) or the Prosper Farms 4-65 2-1 #4CH (API No. 05-005-07250) in the Niobrara Formation.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On January 27, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-461 which, among other things, established an approximate 1280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit, and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On June 17, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-486 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Niobrara

Formation, effective as of the earlier of the date of the Application, or the date that any of the costs specified in C.R.S. §34-60-116(7)(b)(II) are first incurred for the drilling of the Prosper Farms 4-65 1-2 1H Well and one additional well. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

- On July 20, 2015, the Commission entered Order No. 535-685 which, among other things, approved an additional two horizontal wells, for a total of up to four horizontal wells, in the approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, providing that the productive interval of the wellbore shall be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception granted by the Director. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.
- On January 30, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-767 which, among other things, pooled all interests in an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Wells in the Niobrara Formation, and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date that the costs specified in C.R.S. § 34-60-116(7)(b) are first incurred for the drilling of the Prosper Farms 4-65 2-1 #4AH (API No. 05-005-07249) or the Prosper Farms 4-65 2-1 #4CH (API No. 05-005-07250) for the development of the Niobrara Formation.

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: May 1-2, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801  
Denver, CO 80203

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 April 17, 2017.** 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 April 17, 2017. 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

  
Peter Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: March 24, 2017

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