

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 CODELL AND NIOBRARA) DOCKET NO. 170700430
FORMATIONS, UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY,)
COLORADO) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M.
Section 9: All
Section 16: All

APPLICATION

On May 25, 2017, Noble Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 100322) ("Noble" 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 9 and 16, Township 8 North, Range 59 West, 6th P.M., and approve up to 12 horizontal wells in the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations; and
- 2) Provide that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 200 feet on the northern and southern boundaries of the proposed unit and 300 feet on the eastern and western boundaries of the proposed (regardless of lease lines within the unit), unless an exception is granted by the Director, no closer than 150 feet from any other well producing from the Codell or Niobrara Formations; and approve up to three well pads within the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission requires that wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The Application Lands are subject to this Order for the Codell Formation.
- On September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-69 which, among other things, established 40 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for the Application Lands and allowed one horizontal well to be drilled, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Order No. 535-3 also established 600' setbacks from the boundaries of the drilling and spacing unit without an exception being granted by the Director of the Commission. The Application Lands are

subject to this Order for 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: July 24-25, 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 July 10, 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 July 10, 2017.** Pursuant to Rule 511, if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.

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By 
Peter Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: June 14, 2017

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