

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) DOCKET NO. 170700493
FORMATION, UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 5 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M.

Section 13: All

Section 14: All

APPLICATION

On May 25, 2017, Bison Exploration, LLC, Operator No. 10646 ("Bison" or "Applicant") filed a verified application, amended June 1, 2017, pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Amend Order No. 535-249 to approve an additional 14 horizontal wells for a total of up to 16 horizontal wells within an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation; and
- 2) Require the productive interval of the wellbore of any permitted wells in the unit to be located no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara Formation, and no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundary, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- 3) Applicant states that the wells be drilled from one well pad located within the unit and/or from a legal location on adjacent lands, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE RULES AND ORDERS

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

- On March 5, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 535-145 which established fourteen 640-acre drilling and spacing units and approved up to two horizontal wells within the units for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation with the treated interval of the wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundaries and no closer than 920 feet from the treated interval of any other wellbore located in the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.
- On January 7, 2013, the Commission entered Order No. 535-249 which vacated the

approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 14, Township 5 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., established by Order No. 535-145 and established two 1,280-acre drilling and spacing units, one of which covering Sections 13 and 14, Township 5 South, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and approved up to two horizontal wells within the units for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation with the bottomhole locations not less than 600 feet from the boundary of the proposed drilling unit and not less than 460 feet from any other well or treated interval of a well producing from the Niobrara Formation, without exception being granted by the Director. The Application Lands are subject to this Order.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 34-60-101 to -130, and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: 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 three (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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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By


Peter Gowen, Acting Secretary

Dated: June 15, 2017

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