

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 NIOBARA FORMATION, ) DOCKET NO. 171000646  
UNNAMED FIELD, ADAMS COUNTY, COLORADO )  
) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 26: All  
Section 27: All

APPLICATION

On August 3, 2017, ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) and its wholly owned subsidiary Burlington Resources Oil & Gas LP (Operator No. 26580) (together, "Applicant" or "COPC"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Pool all interests in the Application Lands underlying an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation;
- 2) Subject any non-consenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., 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), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Florida #3-65 27-26 3AH Well and the Florida #3-65 27-26 5H\_D Well (API Nos. Pending) ("Wells").
- 3) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

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, on unspaced lands, 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.
- On October 31, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-89 which, among other things, (1) established 18 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units, including

Section 26, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, (2) approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, with surface locations being located anywhere within the unit or surrounding lands, and (3) providing that the lateral of such well may not enter the Niobrara Formation any closer than 300 feet from the section line, with the treated interval of the permitted wellbore to be located no closer than 460 feet from the boundary of the unit and no closer than 920 feet from the treated interval of any other well in the unit producing from the Niobrara, without exception being granted by the Director.

- On August 3, 2017, Applicant filed a verified application in Docket No. 171000645 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 26 and 27, Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approve up to two new horizontal wells in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation in the unit, (2) provide that the Reserve 3-65 26 #1H Well (API No. 05-001-09779) shall be excluded from the 1,280-acre unit and remain subject to the 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-89 for purposes of the payment of proceeds, (3) provide that the treated interval of any horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the treated interval of another well within the unit, and authorizing up to two well pads in the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director, (4) find that an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands, and (5) for such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter, on the Application Lands.

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: October 30-31, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
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 October 16, 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 October 16, 2017, if a prehearing conference is requested by the Applicant, or any person who has filed a protest or intervention.** 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  \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: September 18, 2017

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**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

TO THE Following interested parties: **Elma M. Welch or Heirs of Elma M. Welch, Carrie J. Hildreth, and All unknown persons who may claim any interest in the subject matter of this action**

You are hereby summoned and may appear and respond to the Application filed with the Commission in this docket. Pursuant to Sections 34-60-101 – 130, C.R.S., ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) and its wholly owned subsidiary Burlington Resources Oil & Gas LP (Operator No. 26580) (together, "Applicant"), filed an Application for an order to pool all interests in an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Florida #3-65 27-26 3AH Well and the Florida #3-65 27-26 5H\_D Well (API Nos. Pending) in the Niobrara Formation, 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 Wells in the Niobrara Formation on the following lands ("Application Lands"):

Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.  
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1,280 acres, more or less, Adams County, Colorado.

The Commission scheduled this matter for hearing on:

Dates: October 30-31, 2017  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
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To oppose the Application, you must file with the Commission Secretary a protest pursuant to Commission Rule 509. You must file your protest on or before **October 16, 2017**. One electronic (cogcc.hearings\_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies of the protest shall be filed with the Commission. You must also serve a copy of the protest upon Applicant's attorney, listed below.

If you fail to file a timely protest, the Commission may enter an order affecting your

interests in the Application Lands without further notice. This matter may be continued to a future Commission hearing date, but that does not change your protest deadline.

A copy of the Application may be obtained from the Commission Secretary or Applicant's attorney.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By   
James P. Rouse, Acting Secretary

Dated: August 3, 2017

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