

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND)	CAUSE NO. 407
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO)	
GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA)	DOCKET NO. 180300021
AND CODELL FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG)	
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO)	TYPE: SPACING
)	

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

AMENDED APPLICATION LANDS

Township 1 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 29: ~~S~~^S $\frac{1}{2}$ ~~E~~^E $\frac{1}{2}$

Section 32: All ~~E~~^E $\frac{1}{2}$

APPLICATION

On December 9, 2017, amended March 15, 2018, Verdad Resources, LLC, Operator No. 10651 ("Verdad" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate ~~640-acre~~ **960-acre** drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, for production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations;
- 2) Approve the drilling of up to 16 horizontal wells in the proposed unit;
- 3) Require that the treated interval of any well be no closer than 460 feet from the unit boundary, and no closer than 150 feet from the treated interval of any other well producing from the Niobrara or Codell Formation within the unit; and
- 4) Require that the wells will be drilled from no more than two multi-well pads on the surface of the drilling unit, or on adjacent lands.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A. which, among other things, allowed certain drilling locations to be utilized to drill or twin a well, deepen a well or recomplete a well and to commingle any or all Cretaceous Age Formations from the base of the Dakota Formation to the surface. Rule 318A. supersedes all prior Commission drilling and spacing orders affecting well location and density requirements of Greater Wattenberg Area wells. On December 5, 2005, Rule 318A. was amended, among other

things, to allow interior infill and boundary wells to be drilled and wellbore spacing units to be established. On August 8, 2011, Rule 318A. was again amended, among other things, to address drilling of horizontal wells.

- **On May 21, 2015, the Commission approved one Form 2 Application for Permit-to-Drill for the Highland 01N-65W-29-1N Well (API 05-123-41541). In doing so, the Commission administratively approved one horizontal wellbore spacing unit consisting of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29, Township 1 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. pursuant to Commission Rule 318A.**
- **On July 24, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 407-2151, which pooled all interests in an approximate 640-acre designated wellbore spacing unit established for the W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 29, the E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 30, the E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 31, and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 32, Township 1 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. and approved cost recovery against the nonconsenting owners in the Lehl 30-8 horizontal well (API No. 05-123-41051), for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from 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: **April 30 & May 1, 2018** ~~March 19 & 20, 2018~~
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln St., Ste. 801
Denver, Colorado 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 16, 2018** ~~March 5, 2018~~. 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 16, 2018** ~~March 5, 2018~~, 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.

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By  _____
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: March 23, 2018

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