

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. 180300186
FORMATION, IN AN UNNAMED FIELD, ADAMS)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: POOLING

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 3 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
Section 19: All

Township 3 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.
Section 24: All

APPLICATION

On January 18, 2018 (**amended April 16, 2018, to notice previously unnoticed parties**), ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) and its wholly owned subsidiary Burlington Resources Oil & Gas LP (Operator No. 26580) ("COPC" or "Applicant"), 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; and
- 2) Subject 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 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 Bijou 3-65 19-24 3AH Well (API No. pending) and the Bijou 3-65 19-24 5H_D Well (API No. pending) (collectively, the "Wells").

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 18, 2016, the Commission entered order No. 535-730, which, among other things, established an approximate 1,280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approved up to two horizontal wells within the unit 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, without exception granted by the Director, and providing

that the productive interval of the wellbores shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore, without exception granted by the Director.

- On October 30, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-870, 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 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.

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: **June 11-12, 2018**

Time: **9:00 a.m.**

Place: **Lindou Auditorium
Michener Library
University of Northern Colorado
501 20th Street
Greeley, Colorado 80639**

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 May 25, 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 May 28, 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: May 1, 2018

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