

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 AND CODELL ) DOCKET NO. 180400345  
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 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Section 31: All

Section 32: All

APPLICATION

On March 1, 2018, Confluence DJ LLC (Operator No. 10518) ("Confluence" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1) Vacate the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-74 for Section 32, Township 8 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

2) Vacate the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-176 for Section 31, Township 8 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

3) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and approve up to 27 horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations.

4) Provide that the productive 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 productive interval of another well within the unit producing from the formation, unless an exception is granted by the Director; and

5) Find that an approximate 1280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Codell and Niobrara Formations on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Codell and Niobrara Formations on the Application Lands.

6) Applicant states that all horizontal wells permitted for this Application shall be drilled from the surface of the drilling unit, or on adjacent lands, with consent of the landowner, from no more than two wellpads, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

7) Providing that relief granted under this Application be effective on oral order by the Commission, relying on the Applicant's desire to be bound by said oral order.

8) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in the premises.

**APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES**

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

- On September 19, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-74 which, among other things, established two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for Sections 20 and 32, Township 8 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved one horizontal well within each unit for the production of oil, gas, and related hydrocarbons of the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 9, 2012, the Commission entered Order No. 535-176 which, among other things, established 12 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units, including Section 31, Township 8 North, Range 64 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and approved up to four horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and related hydrocarbons for the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

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

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
The Chancery Building  
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 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.

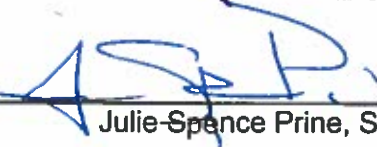
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

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.** 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](mailto: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, 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 22, 2018

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