

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 AND CODELL ) DOCKET NO. 180600390  
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, WELD )  
COUNTY, COLORADO ) TYPE: POOLING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

**WSU #1 (Vertical):**

*Wells Ranch AF #06-12 (API No. 05-123-30336)*

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.

Section 6: W½SW¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #2 – WSU #3 (Horizontal):**

*Wells Ranch #BB01-638 (API No. 05-123-41987)*

*Wells Ranch #BB01-624 (API No. 05-123-41991)*

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.

Section 6: S½

Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: S½

640-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #4 – WSU #5 (Horizontal):**

*Wells Ranch #BB01-615 (API No. 05-123-41988)*

*Wells Ranch #BB01-611 (API No. 05-123-41990)*

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.

Section 6: S½S½

Section 7: N½N½

Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.

Section 1: S½S½

Section 12: N½N½

640-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #6 – WSU #7 (Horizontal):**

*Wells Ranch #BB01-655 (API No. 05-123-41971)*

*Wells Ranch #BB01-649 (API No. 05-123-41976)*

**Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.**

Section 6: S½N½, N½S½

**Township 5 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M.**

Section 1: S½N½, N½S½

640-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #8 (Vertical):**

*Wells Ranch AF #06-09 (API No. 05-123-30332)*

**Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.**

Section 6: E½SE¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #9 (Vertical):**

*Wells Ranch AF #06-10 (API No. 05-123-30335)*

**Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.**

Section 6: W½SE¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #10 (Vertical):**

*Wells Ranch AF #06-11 (API No. 05-123-30334)*

**Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.**

Section 6: E½SW¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #11 (Vertical):**

*Wells Ranch AF #06-13 (API No. 05-123-30333)*

**Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.**

Section 6: W½SW¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #12 (Vertical):**

*Wells Ranch AF #06-14 (API No. 05-123-30331)*

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 6: E½SW¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU 13 (Vertical):**  
*Wells Ranch AF #06-015 (API No. 05-123-30330)*

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 6: W½SE¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

**WSU #14 (Vertical):**  
*Wells Ranch AF #06-16 (API No. 05-123-30337)*

Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.  
Section 6: E½SE¼

80-acres, more or less, Weld County, Colorado.

#### APPLICATION

On March 20, 2018, as amended March 28, 2018, Noble Energy, Inc. (Operator No. 100322) ("Noble" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Pool all interests in eight approximate 80-acre designated vertical wellbore spacing units, and six approximate 640-acre horizontal wellbore spacing units established for the Application Lands, for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell Formations; and
- 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 each well approved in WSU #1, WSU #2, WSU #3, WSU #4, WSU #5, WSU #6, WSU #7, WSU #8, WSU #9, WSU #10, WSU #11, WSU #12, WSU #13 and WSU #14.

#### APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- On April 27, 1998, the Commission adopted Rule 318A, the Greater Wattenberg Area, Special Well Location, Spacing and Unit Designation Rule. The Application Lands are within the Greater Wattenberg Area ("GWA") and thus are subject to Rule 318A.
- On August 12, 2010, the Commission entered Order No. 407-375 which, among other things, pooled all nonconsenting interests in eight designated approximate 80-acre

standup drilling and spacing units consisting of the W½ W¼, E½SW¼, W½SE¼, E½SE¼ of Section 6, Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of the Codell and Niobrara Formations. Portions of the Application Lands are subject to this Order.

- On May 16, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 407-429 (as corrected) which, among other things, vacated the pooling order entered in Order No. 407-375, for the S½ of Section 6, Township 5 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the development and operation of 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: June 11 - 12, 2018  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Place: Lindou Auditorium  
Michener Library  
University of Northern Colorado (UNC)  
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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By   
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: May 7, 2018.

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