

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, FORT) DOCKET NO. 180600471
HAYS, CODELL AND CARLILE FORMATIONS,)
UNNAMED FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 9 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M.

Section 7: All

Section 18: All

On April 12, 2018, 8 North, LLC (Operator No. 10575) ("8 North" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

1) Maintain the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit in Section 7 of the Application Lands, solely for the existing Noble Well (API No. 05-123-36738), and upon plugging and abandonment of the Noble Well Order No. 535-3 will be vacated;

2) Vacate Order No. 535-69, establishing an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 18 of the Application Lands;

3) Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approve up to 12 horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations, with the treated interval of any horizontal well permitted under this Application located not less than 300 feet from unit boundaries, and not less than 150 feet from any other well producing within the same unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director; and

4) Require that the wells be drilled from no more than four surface locations within the unit or on adjacent lands, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- COGCC Rule 318.a. provides that for any oil or gas well drilled to a common source of supply and drilled to a producing depth at least 2,500 feet below ground surface shall be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line and not less than 1,200 feet from any other producing or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same source of supply, unless

authorized by Commission order upon hearing. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule.

- On February 22, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 535-3 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 7, Township 9 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M., and authorized the drilling of one horizontal well within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of any permitted well located no closer than 600 feet from unit boundaries. Section 7 of the Application Lands is subject to this Order.
- On September 19, 2011, the Commission issued Order No. 535-69 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 18, Township 9 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M., and authorized the drilling of two horizontal wells within the unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of any permitted well located no closer than 600 feet from unit boundaries and an interwell setback no closer than 150 feet. Section 18 of the Application Lands is subject to this Order.
- On June 17, 2013, the Commission issued Order No. 535-356 which, among other things, pooled all interests within the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 7, Township 9 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M., for development and operation of the Niobrara Formation, and subjecting any interests belonging to nonconsenting owners to cost recovery and risk penalties associated with the drilling, completion and production of the Circle Ranch Federal LB07-62HN well. Section 7 of the Application Lands is subject to this Order.

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, CO 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 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 accommodations 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 25, 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 Spende Prine, Secretary

Dated: May 7, 2018

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