

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. 180900683
FORMATIONS, WATTENBERG FIELD, ADAMS)
COUNTY, COLORADO) TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M.

Section 4: All

Section 9: All

APPLICATION

On July 19, 2018, Great Western Operating Company, LLC (Operator No. 10110) ("Great Western" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1) Approve an additional five horizontal wells, for a total of up to 26 horizontal wells within an approximate 1,244.37-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 407-1842 for Sections 4 and 9, Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations;

2) Provide that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit (regardless of the lease lines within the unit), and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other well producing from the same source of supply within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director, and providing that the surface location for the additional wells shall be located on no more than one (1) pad location adjacent to the unit, subject to Rule 318A, unless an exception is granted by the Director;

3) Find that the additional wells for the development of the Niobrara and Codell Formations on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara and Codell Formations on the Application Lands; and

4) For such other findings and orders as the Commission may deem proper or advisable in this matter.

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.
- On February 19, 1992, the Commission entered Order No. 407-87 (amended August 20, 1993) which, among other things, established 80-acre drilling and spacing units for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, with permitted well locations in accordance with the provisions of Order No. 407-1.
- On December 12, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1842 which established a 1,244.37-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands for production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara and Codell Formations, approved up to 21 horizontal wells within the unit, and required that the productive interval of each wellbore shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the Niobrara or Codell Formations and no closer than 460 feet from a unit boundary.
- On December 12, 2016, the Commission entered Order No. 407-1843, which pooled all interests in an approximate 1,244.37-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands, and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Ottesen LE 09-379HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-374HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-370HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-367HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-378HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-374HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-369HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-365HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-377HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-373HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-369HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-364HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-377HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-372HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-368HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-364HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-376HN Well, Ottesen LE 09-372HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-367HC Well, Ottesen LE 09-363HN Well, or the Ottesen LE 09-362HC Well, for the development and operation of the Niobrara and Codell 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: September 17-18, 2018
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Garfield County Sheriff's Annex - Rifle
106 County Road 333-A
Rifle, Colorado 81650

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 August 31, 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 September 3, 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
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By  _____
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: August 8, 2018

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