

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 HAYS,	)	DOCKET NO. 181000749
CODELL, AND CARLILE FORMATIONS, UNNAMED	)	
FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO	)	TYPE: EXCEPTION
		LOCATION

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.  
Section 25: All

APPLICATION

On August 29, 2018, Mallard Exploration, LLC (Operator No. 10670) ("Mallard" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

- 1) Approve reduced productive interval setbacks of not less than 300 feet from the boundaries of an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Section 25, Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.; and
- 2) Find that the reduced setbacks on the unit boundaries of the Application Lands for the development of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara and Codell Formations on the Application Lands; and
- 3) 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 February 22, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-3 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 25, Township 8 North, Range 62 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., and allowed one horizontal well to be drilled from the unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Order No. 535-3 also established 600' setbacks from the boundaries of the drilling and spacing unit without an exception being granted by the Director.
- On August 1, 2018, the Commission entered Order No. 535-1049 which amended Order No. 535-3 to establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands and approve the drilling of 16 horizontal wells within the proposed unit, for production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort

Hays, Codell and Carlile 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: October 29-30, 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 October 15, 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 October 15, 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: September 24, 2018

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