

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 FORMATION,) DOCKET NO. 181000797
UNNAMED FIELD, ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO)
) TYPE: SPACING

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 6 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
Section 23: S½
Section 26: All

APPLICATION

On August 30, 2018, GMT Exploration Company LLC (Operator No. 10243) ("GMT" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1. Vacate an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-54 for Section 36, Township 6 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
2. Vacate an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-515 for Section 23, Township 6 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.
3. Establish an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the S½ of Section 23 and Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approve up to ten horizontal wells in the unit in order to efficiently and economically develop and recover the oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation in the unit.
4. Provide that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 600 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 another well within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
5. Applicant states that the permitted wells will be located on no more than two well pads within the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
6. Find that the approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the development of the Niobrara Formation on the Application Lands, will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara Formation in the Application Lands.
7. 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")

- Rule 318.a. of the Commission Rules requires that, on unspaced lands, wells drilled in excess of 2,500 feet in depth be located not less than 600 feet from any lease line, and located not less than 1,200 feet from any other producible or drilling oil or gas well when drilling to the same common source of supply. The Application Lands are subject to this Rule for the Niobrara Formation.
- On August 8, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-54 which, among other things, established a 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approved one horizontal well within the unit for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.
- On July 28, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-515 which, among other things, established an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 23, Township 6 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approved one horizontal well within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

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 three 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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