

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. 181000836
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 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M.
Section 1: All

APPLICATION

On August 30, 2018, Verdad Resources, LLC, Operator No. 10651 ("Verdad" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Establish an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit for Application Lands, and approve up to 16 horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations, with well location rules such that the treated interval of each wellbore within the unit shall be located no closer than 150 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore located within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director
- 2) Require that the wells be drilled and operated from no more than three surface locations within the unit or from legal locations on adjacent lands, without exception granted by the Director.

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES

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

- Rule 318.a. of the Rules and Regulations of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission 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.
- On March 8, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-3, which established 160 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands in Townships 8, 9, and 10, North, Ranges 58 through 61 West, 6th P.M., and approved one horizontal well in each unit, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the treated interval of the wellbores to be located no closer than 600 feet from the unit boundaries, without exception being granted by the Director.

- On November 28, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-892, which vacated two approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units established by Order No. 535-3 for Section 6, Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M., and Section 1, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M., and established an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit for the W½ of Section 6, Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M., and all of Section 1, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M., and approved up to a total of 20 horizontal wells within the unit of production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations.
- On January 29, 2018, the Commission entered Order No. 535-932, which, among other things, vacated an approximate 960-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order Nos. 535-892 covering the W½ of Section 6, Township 8 North, Range 60 West, 6th P.M., and all of Section 1, Township 8 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M.

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.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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By  _____
Julie Spence Price, Secretary

Dated: September 24, 2018

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