

BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND)	CAUSE NO. 421
ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN)	
OPERATIONS FOR THE NIOBRARA, FORT HAYS,)	DOCKET NO. 181200890
CODELL, AND CARLILE FORMATIONS,)	
HEREFORD FIELD, WELD COUNTY, COLORADO)	TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.
Section 11: All
Section 14: All

APPLICATION

On September 12, 2018, (amended November 7, 2018), HighPoint Operating Corporation (Operator No. 10071) ("HighPoint" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S., for an order to:

- 1) Amend Order No. 421-99, which established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 11 and 14, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. for the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations, to approve up to 16 new horizontal wells, for a total of 17 horizontal wells within the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit, for the production of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations.
- 2) Provide for 150-foot productive interval setbacks as to the boundaries of the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for production from the Niobrara and Fort Hays Formations, 300-foot setbacks as to the boundaries of the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for production from the Codell and Carlile Formations, and 150-foot inter-well setbacks from any wellbore within the unit.
- 3) Provide for up to five well pad locations for the existing and new horizontal wells within the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations underlying the Application Lands.
- 4) Find that the proposed amendments for the development of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell and Carlile Formations on the Application Lands will prevent waste, protect correlative rights, and maximize the efficient and economic production of the Niobrara, Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations on the Application Lands.
- 5) 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 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. Sections 11 and 14, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. are subject to this Rule for the Codell, Carlile, and Fort Hays Formations.
- On October 21, 2010, the Commission entered Order No. 421-3 which, among other things, established 83 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units for certain lands, including Sections 11 and 14, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with no more than one horizontal well to be drilled in each unit from a surface location anywhere in the unit with the horizontal leg and bottom-hole location to be not closer than 600 feet from the boundaries of each unit.
- On December 11, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 421-99 which, among other things, (1) established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 11 and 14, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., (2) approved up to 15 new horizontal wells for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, (3) approved up to six new horizontal wells within the unit for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Fort Hays, Codell, and Carlile Formations, (4) excluded the Garden Creek #16-2314H Well (API No. 05-123-32661) from the unit, (5) maintained the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 421-3 for Section 11, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the existing production from the Garden Creek #06-11H Well (API No. 05-123-31221) only until the date of commencement of completion operations on the first new horizontal well approved by this Order for the Niobrara Formation, at which time the Garden Creek #06-11H Well (API No. 05-123-31221) shall be brought into the approximate 1,280-acre unit created by this Order, (6) provided that no additional wells shall be drilled in the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 421-3 for Section 11, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., (7) provided that upon bringing the Garden Creek #06-11H Well (API No. 05-123-31221) into the approximate 1,280 acre drilling and spacing unit established by this Order, the approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 421-3 for Section 11, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., shall be deemed vacated, and (8) provided that the productive interval of any horizontal wellbore will be located no closer than 300 feet from the unit boundaries, and no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of any other wellbore producing from the same source of supply within the unit, without exception being granted by the Director.
- On January 29, 2018, the Commission entered Order No. 421-104 which, among other things, vacated an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 421-3 for Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the production oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and established an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 14 and 23, Township 11 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M., for the operation of the Garden Creek #16-2314H Well (API No. 05-123-32661), for the production oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, and provided that no additional wells are authorized in the drilling

unit, and Applicant will utilize one well pad in the unit for the operation of Garden Creek #16-2314H Well.

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: December 17-18, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m.

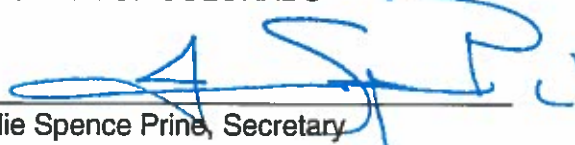
Place: Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, Colorado 80203

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 December 3, 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 December 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
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

By 
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: November 8, 2018

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