

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. 181200926
UNNAMED FIELD, ARAPAHOE COUNTY,)
COLORADO) TYPE: ADDITIONAL WELLS

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS

Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M.

Section 3: All

Section 4: All

APPLICATION

On October 15, 2018, ConocoPhillips Company (Operator No. 19160) and its wholly owned subsidiary Burlington Resources Oil & Gas LP (Operator No. 26580) (together, "COPC" or "Applicant"), filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

1. Approve an additional three horizontal wells, for a total of up to eight horizontal wells, in an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-460 for Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation.

2. Provide that the productive interval of each proposed horizontal well shall be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and all horizontal wells shall be no closer than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well producing from within the unit, unless an exception is granted by the Director.

3. Require 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.

4. Find that the approval of up to eight horizontal wells in an approximate 1,280-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.

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://coqcc.state.co.us>, under "Regulation," then select "Orders" or "Rules")

- On November 29, 2011, the Commission entered Order No. 535-97 which, among other

things, established 25 approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing units and approved up to two horizontal wells within each unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation. Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., are subject to this Order for the Niobrara Formation.

- On January 27, 2014, the Commission entered Order No. 535-460 which, among other things, vacated an approximate 640-acre drilling and spacing unit established by Order No. 535-97 for Section 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and established an approximate 1,280-acre exploratory drilling and spacing unit for Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approved up to two horizontal wells 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. 535-523 which, among other things, pooled all interests within an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. to accommodate the Property Reserve 4-65 3-4 Well (API No. 05-005-07226), for the development and operation of the Niobrara Formation.
- On December 11, 2017, the Commission entered Order No. 535-906 which approved an additional four horizontal wells, for a total of up to five horizontal wells, in the approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Niobrara Formation, with the productive interval of any horizontal well to be located be no closer than 460 feet from the boundaries of the unit and not less than 150 feet from the productive interval of another well within the unit, and authorizing up to two well pads in the unit, or adjacent thereto, unless an exception is granted by the Director.
- On January 29, 2018, the Commission entered Order No. 535-921 which pooled all interests within an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit established for Sections 3 and 4, Township 4 South, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and subjected any nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of §34-60-116(7), C.R.S., for the drilling of the Property Reserve 4-65 3-4 2AH Well, the Property Reserve 4-65 3-4 2BH Well, the Property Reserve 4-65 3-4 2CH Well, and the Property Reserve 4-65 3-4 2DH Well, for the development and operation of 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: 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.

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By 
Julie Spence Prine, Secretary

Dated: November 8, 2018

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