



COLORADO

Oil & Gas Conservation
Commission

Department of Natural Resources

PRELIMINARY ABBREVIATED

HEARING AGENDA (AS OF 10/25/2017)

**COGCC offices
The Chancery Building
1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203**

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Monday, October 30, 2017

- ⌚ 9:00 a.m. Roll Call of Commissioners
- Approval of Minutes
- ⌚ 9:05 a.m. Report from the Executive Director's Office
- ⌚ 9:10 a.m. Report from the Director – Staff Report available
- ⌚ 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Comments
- ⌚ 10:00 a.m. Audience Comments
- ⌚ 11:30 a.m. Consent Agenda (TBD)

- ⌚ 12:00 p.m. Lunch Break/Executive Session: Rule 508 Local Public Forum – To receive legal advice and analysis, as authorized by 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), C.R.S., of the requirements of COGCC Rule 508 as applied to requests for local public forums.

Presentations

- ⌚ 1:00 p.m. Erie public complaints and staff response
Staff: Margaret Ash, Field Inspection Unit Manager
- ⌚ 1:15 p.m. Office of Pipeline Safety, Pipeline & Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA)
Presenter: Tom Finch, Community Liaison PHMSA
- ⌚ 1:30 p.m. COPUC Pipeline Safety Program
Presenter: Joe Molloy, Section Chief

General Hearings

🕒 1:45 p.m.

Docket No. 170700471, Unnamed Field, Weld County

Applicant: Extraction Oil & Gas, LLC
(Operator No. 10459)

Attorneys: Joseph C. Pierzchala

Hearing Officer: James P. Rouse

Protested by: Crestone Peak Resources Operating LLC
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

510 Statements: Various

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Establish an approximate 1,000-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and approve up to twelve horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Application lands: Township 1 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 31: N $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 32: N $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 33: NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

Docket No. 170900535, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Crestone Peak Resources Operating LLC
(Operator No. 10633)

Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

Hearing Officer: James P. Rouse

Protested by: Extraction Oil & Gas, LLC
Attorneys: Joseph C. Pierzchala & Geoffrey Storm

510 Statements: Various

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Establish an approximate 1,920-acre drilling and spacing unit for Sections 19, 30 and 31, Township 1 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M., and approve up to 54 horizontal wells in the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Application lands: Township 1 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 19: All
Section 30: All Section 31: All

Docket No. 170900596, Wattenberg Field, Broomfield & Weld Counties

Applicant: Extraction Oil & Gas, LLC
(Operator No. 10459)

Attorneys: Joseph C. Pierzchala & Stephen J. Sullivan

Hearing Officer: James P. Rouse

Protested by: Crestone Peak Resources Operating LLC
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

510 Statements: Various

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Establish an approximate 1,260-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and approve up to twenty horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Application lands: Township 1 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 31: S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 32: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Township 1 South, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 6: All Section 7: N $\frac{1}{2}$

Docket No. 170900598, Wattenberg Field, Broomfield County

Applicant: Extraction Oil & Gas, LLC
(Operator No. 10459)

Attorneys: Joseph C. Pierzchala & Geoffrey W. Storm

Hearing Officer: James P. Rouse

Protested by: Crestone Peak Resources Operating LLC
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

510 Statements: Various

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Establish an approximate 1,600-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations, and approve up to twenty horizontal wells within the unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations

Application lands: Township 1 South, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 7: S $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 18: All Section 19: All

Docket No. 171000749, Wattenberg Field, Broomfield & Weld Counties

Applicant: Extraction Oil & Gas, LLC
(Operator No. 10459)

Attorneys: Joseph C. Pierzchala & Geoffrey W. Storm

Hearing Officer: James P. Rouse

Protested by: Crestone Peak Resources Operating LLC
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

Protested By: Wildgrass Master Association & Wildgrass Oil & Gas Committee

Attorneys: Matt Sura

510 Statements: Various

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Allow 19 additional horizontal wells, for a total of 20 wells, within each of two drilling and spacing units to be created pursuant to amended applications previously filed in Docket Nos. 170900596 and 170900598.

Application lands: DSU No. 1 Township 1 North, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 31: S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 32: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ DSU No. 2 Township 1 South, Range 68 West, 6th P.M. Section 7: S $\frac{1}{2}$ Section 18: All Section 19: All

Adjournment TBD

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

🕒 **9:00 a.m.** Roll Call of Commissioners

Enforcement Hearings

🕒 **9:10 a.m.** Docket No. 171000765, Taylor* William M (Operator No. 10353)

Staff: Steven Mah, Enforcement Office

Subject: Staff request for an OFV against Taylor* William M imposing a \$388,703 penalty for violations of COGCC Rules 210.b, 309.a, 326.b, 605.a.(4), 605.d, and 1102.d in La Plata County, Colorado. Additional remedies sought include: 1) a declaration that Operator's wells are orphaned; 2) suspension of the Operator's Form 10s; 3) termination of the Operator's authorization to conduct oil and gas operations in Colorado; 4) foreclosure of the Operator's financial assurance; and 5) other relief.

🕒 **9:30 a.m.** Docket No. 171000766, Tudex Petroleum Inc. (Operator No. 90615)

Staff: Steven J. Kirschner, Enforcement Officer

Subject Staff request for an OFV against Tudex Petroleum Inc. imposing a \$765,756 penalty for violations of COGCC Rules 210.b, 302.b, 309.a, 310, 312, 603.f, 605.a.(4), 906.a, and 1102.d in Adams County, Colorado. Additional remedies sought include: 1) a declaration that the Operator's wells are orphaned; 2) suspension of the Operator's Form 10s; 3) termination of the Operator's authorization to conduct oil and gas operations in Colorado; 4) foreclosure of the Operator's financial assurance; and 5) other relief.

🕒 **9:50 a.m.** Docket Nos. 161200382 & 170500185, Northstar Gas Company Inc. (Operator No. 64310)

Staff: Scott Schultz, Assistant Attorney General

Subject Staff request for an OFV against Northstar Gas Company Inc. imposing a \$365,824 penalty for violations of COGCC Rules 309, 326.b, 605.d, 906.b, and 907.a (2) in Garfield County, Colorado. Additional remedies sought include: 1) a declaration that the Operator's wells are orphaned; 2) suspension of the Operator's Form 10s; 3) termination of the Operator's authorization to conduct oil and gas operations in Colorado; 4) foreclosure of the Operator's financial assurance; and 5) other relief.

🕒 **10:10 a.m.** **Break**

General Hearings

🕒 **10:25 a.m.**

Docket No. 170900537, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Bill Barrett Corporation
(Operator No. 10071)
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky
Hearing Officer: Jennifer E. Hazelton
Protester: Verdad Resources, LLC
Attorneys: James Parrot, Jillian Fulcher & Evan Bekkedahl

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Establish an approximate 1,280-acre drilling and spacing unit for Section 30, Township 1 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M., and Section 25, Township 1 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M., and approve up to 16 horizontal wells in the unit, for the production of the oil and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Application lands: Township 1 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M. Section 30: All
Township 1 North, Range 65 West, 6th P.M. Section 25: All

Docket No. 170900604, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Verdad Resources LLC
(Operator No. 10651)
Attorneys: James Parrot, Jillian Fulcher & Evan Bekkedahl
Hearing Officer: Jennifer E. Hazelton
Protester: Bill Barrett Corporation
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Establish an approximate 956.88-acre drilling and spacing unit for the Application Lands, and approve up to 16 horizontal wells in the proposed unit, for the production of oil, gas and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Application lands: Township 1 North, Range 64 West, 6th P.M. Section 19: S½
Section 30: All

🕒 **12:30 p.m.** Lunch Break

🕒 **1:30 p.m.**

Docket No. 170900562, Wattenberg Field, Weld County

Applicant: Bill Barrett Corporation
(Operator No. 10071)
Attorneys: Jamie L. Jost & Kelsey H. Wasylenky

Hearing Officer: Jennifer E. Hazelton

Protester: Verdad Resources, LLC
Attorneys: James Parrot, Jillian Fulcher & Evan Bekkedahl

Subject: Request for an order to among other things: Reduce setbacks to two hundred (200) foot for the eastern and western exterior boundaries and two hundred and fifty (250) foot subsurface setbacks for the northern and southern exterior boundaries of the governmental sections comprising the Application Lands and subject to a proposed United States Bureau of Land Management federal unit ("Riverside Federal Unit"), effective on the date the Riverside Federal Unit is established, for the production of oil, gas, and associated hydrocarbons from the Codell and Niobrara Formations.

Application lands: Township 4 North, Range 61 West, 6th P.M. Section 3: All Section 4: All Section 5: All Section 6: All Section 7: All Section 8: All Township 4 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M. Section 1: All Section 2: All Section 11: All Section 12: All Section 13: All

Adjournment TBD