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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

☒ **Drill** ☐ Deepen ☐ Re-enter ☐ Recomplete and Operate

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER ____ Refiling ☐

ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐ Sidetrack ☐

Well Name: Independence Well Number: D30-737

Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC COGCC Operator Number: 100322

Address: 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY

City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77070

Contact Name: Brittany McFadden Phone: (281)943-1940 Fax: ( )

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NENE Sec: 19 Twp: 3N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.217210 Longitude: -104.588500

Footage at Surface: 300 Feet FNL/FSL FNL 1135 Feet FEL/FWL FEL

Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750

Ground Elevation: 4769 County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 09/22/2017 PDOP Reading: 1.0 Instrument Operator's Name: Kyle Daley

If well is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone:	FNL/FSL	FEL/FWL	Bottom Hole:	FNL/FSL	FEL/FWL
60	FNL	1745 FEL	75	FSL	1765 FEL
Sec: 19	Twp: 3N	Rng: 64W	Sec: 30	Twp: 3N	Rng: 64W

LOCATION SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

The Surface Owner is: (check all that apply)
- ☐ is the mineral owner beneath the location.
- ☐ is committed to an Oil and Gas Lease.
- ☐ has signed the Oil and Gas Lease.
- ☐ is the applicant.

The Mineral Owner beneath this Oil and Gas Location is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

The Minerals beneath this Oil and Gas Location will be developed by this Well: Yes

The right to construct the Oil and Gas Location is granted by: Surface Use Agreement

Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: ____ Surface Surety ID: ____

LEASE INFORMATION

Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format, describe one entire mineral lease that will be produced by this well (Describe lease beneath surface location if produced. Attach separate description page or map if necessary.)

T3N-R64W, 6th P.M., Sec. 19: NE/4NE/4, and other leases

Total Acres in Described Lease: 40 Described Mineral Lease is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Federal or State Lease #

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Lease Line of described lease: 0 Feet

CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building:	540	Feet
Building Unit:	2296	Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	5280	Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	5280	Feet
Public Road:	288	Feet
Above Ground Utility:	1136	Feet
Railroad:	5280	Feet
Property Line:	300	Feet

INSTRUCTIONS:
- All measurements shall be provided from center of the Proposed Well to nearest of each cultural feature as described in Rule 303.a.(5).
- Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.
- Building - nearest building of any type. If nearest Building is a Building Unit, enter same distance for both.
- Building Unit, High Occupancy Building Unit, and Designated Outside Activity Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION INFORMATION

Check all that apply. This location is within a:

☐ Buffer Zone
☐ Exception Zone
☐ Urban Mitigation Area

- Buffer Zone – as described in Rule 604.a.(2), within 1,000' of a Building Unit
- Exception Zone - as described in Rule 604.a.(1), within 500' of a Building Unit.
- Urban Mitigation Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

Pre-application Notifications (required if location is within 1,000 feet of a building unit):

Date of Rule 305.a.(1) Urban Mitigation Area Notification to Local Government:

Date of Rule 305.a.(2) Buffer Zone Notification to Building Unit Owners:

SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from completed portion of proposed wellbore to nearest completed portion of offset wellbore permitted or completed in the same formation: 56 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 877 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): Unit Number:

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

T3N-R64W, 6th P.M., Sec. 18: S/2SE/4, Sec. 19: E/2, Sec. 30: E/2, Sec. 31: N/2NE/4

OBJECTIVE FORMATIONS

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
NIOBRARA	NBRR		800	GWA

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DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 17823 Feet

Distance from the proposed wellbore to nearest existing or proposed wellbore belonging to another operator, including plugged wells:

Enter distance if less than or equal to 1,500 feet: 651 Feet ☐ No well belonging to another operator within 1,500 feet

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H_2S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H2S Drilling Operations Plan)

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling? No

Will salt based (>15,000 ppm Cl) drilling fluids be used? No

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? Yes

BOP Equipment Type: ☒ Annular Preventor ☒ Double Ram ☒ Rotating Head ☐ None

GROUNDWATER BASELINE SAMPLING AND MONITORING AND WATER WELL SAMPLING

Water well sampling required per Rule 318A

DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE Drilling Fluids Disposal Methods: Commercial Disposal

Cuttings Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Other Disposal Description:

Drilling waste disposal information added to address non-oil based mud and fluids used in non-producing portion of wellbore.

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? Yes

Reuse Facility ID: or Document Number: 2614238

CASING PROGRAM

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
CONDUCTOR	26	16	42	0	80	144	80	
SURF	13+1/2	9+5/8	36	80	1850	658	1850	
1ST LINER	8+1/2	5+1/2	20	1850	17823	1968	17823	

☐ Conductor Casing is NOT planned

DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

☐ Rule 604.a.(1)A. Exception Zone (within 500' of Building Unit)

☐ Rule 604.b.(1)A. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location now within a Designated Setback as a result of Rule 604.a.)

☐ Rule 604.b.(1)B. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location is within a Designated Setback due to Building Unit construction after Location approval)

☐ Rule 604.b.(2) Exception Location (SUA or site-specific development plan executed on or before August 1, 2013)

☐ Rule 604.b.(3) Exception Location (Building Units constructed after August 1, 2013 within setback per an SUA or site-specific development plan)

GREATER WATTENBERG AREA LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

☒ Rule 318A.a. Exception Location (GWA Windows).

☒ Rule 318A.c. Exception Location (GWA Twinning).

RULE 502.b VARIANCE REQUEST

Rule 502.b. Variance Request from COGCC Rule or Spacing Order Number _____

OTHER LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

Rule 318.c. Exception Location from Rule or Spacing Order Number _____

Rule 603.a.(2) Exception Location (Property Line Setback).

ALL exceptions and variances require attached Request Letter(s). Refer to applicable rule for additional required attachments (e.g. waivers, certifications, SUAs).

OPERATOR COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL

Comments: Noble respectfully submits this application for a permit to drill, which is a part of a tweleve well pad producing to the D19-01 Tank (401553825). The distance to the nearest wellbore in the same formation is the Guttersen D30-68-1HN Well (API: 05-123-35611). The wellbore belonging to an outside operator within 1500' of our proposed well is, Hettinfwe C Unit 1, (API: 05-123-18786). The distance was determined by using the attached anti-collision report. The Exception Location and Twinning Waiver language is included in the attached SUA, (Page 5, Section 6). Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112. Noble Energy shall isolate both the Fox Hills and Upper Pierre Aquifers with surface casing from hydrocarbon bearing zones and exposures to oil based drilling fluid. Noble Energy also agrees to not expose the Upper Pierre Aquifer to oil based mud. Noble Energy will comply with the COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated 5/29/12.

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan _____ CDP #: _____

Location ID: _____

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? Yes

I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: _____ Print Name: Brittany McFadden

Title: Regulatory Analyst Date: 4/12/2018 Email: brittany.mcfadden@nblenergy.c

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules and applicable orders and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: _____ **Director of COGCC** Date: _____

API NUMBER
05

Expiration Date: _____

Conditions Of Approval

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

COA Type	Description

Best Management Practices

No	BMP/COA Type	Description
1	General Housekeeping	Housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with storm water runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pick up trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.
2	Storm Water/Erosion Control	The basis for the Sensitive Area Determination for the 19-01 pad is that (1) the depth to groundwater is less than 25' for a well that is more than 1,600 feet away from the pad, and (2) the location is in a mapped floodplain. Stormwater from the site is unlikely to have any negative impacts on the shallow groundwater identified. The location is within the mapped floodplain; however, the intermittent stream is 817 feet southeast and the area between the location and the stream is primarily open rangeland, which would allow for significant settling and infiltration. Therefore, stormwater contaminants would be unlikely to reach the intermittent stream if uncontrolled stormwater were to leave the location. In addition, Noble will implement stormwater BMPs to minimize erosion and transportation of sediment off-site. The planned stormwater BMPs include stabilizing soil stockpiles with tracking and/or hydromulch; the use of stormwater diversions such as ditches; and BMPs that will slow stormwater runoff and settle out sediment, such as sediment traps and ripping. However, BMPs may be changed or modified during or after pad construction, as needed.
3	Drilling/Completion Operations	DRILLING SKID: If a skid is performed for the subject well, then the only required BOPE tests are for the BOPE connection bonnet seal breaks, as long as a full BOPE test was performed at the beginning of the pad, and as long as all necessary BOPE tests are completed at least every 30 days during the pad operations.
4	Drilling/Completion Operations	LOGGING EXCEPTION: One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with Cased hole Pulsed Neutron Log with Gamma Ray Log from kick-off point into the surface casing. All wells on the pad will have a cement bond log with gamma-ray run on production casing (or on intermediate casing if production liner is run) into the surface casing. The horizontal portion of every well will be logged with a measured while-drilling gamma-ray log. The Form 5, Completion Report, for each well on the pad will list all logs run in that well and have those logs attached. The Form 5 for each well shall clearly state "No open-hole logs were run" and shall reference the Rule 317.p Exception granted for the well.
5	Drilling/Completion Operations	ANTI-COLLISION/BRADENHEAD: Anti-Collision & During and Post stimulation: Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed well path with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottom hole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.

Total: 5 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
401560357	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
401601375	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
401601376	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
401601377	DIRECTIONAL DATA
401601381	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT
401601382	WELL LOCATION PLAT
401620127	OPEN HOLE LOGGING EXCEPTION
401620130	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
401620132	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

User Group	Comment	Comment Date
		Stamp Upon Approval

Total: 0 comment(s)

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Public Comments

No public comments were received on this application during the comment period.

