

Public Comment Consideration Memo - Kerr McGee Oil & Gas Onshore LP

MAE J 8-6HZ Application for Permit to Drill (APD) - Doc# 401905152

MAE J 14-8HZ Pad - Location ID# 466612

Two public comments were received on the MAE J 8-6HZ -- Form 2 Application for Permit to Drill (APD) Doc# 401905152 on 2/25/19. Six public comments were received on the associated Form 2A (Doc# 401905163) between 2/22/2019 - 2/25/2019. The comments expressed specific concerns about waste, waste management, and proximity to neighborhoods and schools.

COGCC Response:

Waste & Waste Management - The Form 2A describes all approved waste and waste management processes for this Location. No fluids or cuttings will be disposed of at this Location. Water-based drilling fluids will be reused to the maximum extent possible, at which point they will be removed offsite for commercial land application or commercial disposal. Oil-based drilling fluids will be reused to the maximum extent possible, at which point they will be returned to the fluids manufacturer for reconditioning or disposed of at a licensed commercial disposal site. Water-based cuttings will be removed offsite and disposed of at a Centralized E&P Waste Management Facility or private spread field; oil-based cuttings will be removed offsite and disposed of at a licensed commercial disposal site.

Proximity to Neighborhoods - There are currently no residential or other Building Units within 1500' of the disturbed area of the MAE J Location. As of July 30, 2019, no homes have been built in the planned development (Colliers Hill Subdivision) to the south of the Location; building lots have not been sold to private individuals and are still owned by the developer. The operator has established a relationship with the Colliers Hill Homeowners Association (HOA), and has maintained ongoing communication with the HOA, including community meetings and schedule updates. The operator also coordinated with the town of Erie on the planning of this Location. BMPs included on the approved Form 2A include a sound wall on the south side of the Location, permanent visual mitigation as coordinated with Colliers Hill HOA, a traffic plan approved by Weld County, mitigation of nuisance issues (sound, light, dust, odor), leak detection plan, storm water plan, and fire prevention and protection plan.

Proximity to Schools - The Soaring Heights PreK-8 school parcel is approximately 3,900 feet southeast of the disturbed area of the MAE J Location. The Erie High School parcel is approximately 4,500 feet southeast of the disturbed area of the MAE J Location. The Erie School of Music is approximately 4,350 feet south of the disturbed area of the MAE J Location. No schools are within 2,000 of the Location; this Location does not meet Objective Criteria #4 (Oil and Gas Locations within 2000' of a school property line). The setback distances to the school properties are sufficiently protective of public health, safety, and welfare.