BEFORE THE COLORADO OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION CO	MMISSION
STATE OF COLORADO	

Cause No	
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APPLICATION TO DESIGNATE BARR LAKE STATE PARK AS A DESIGNATED OUTSIDE ACTIVITY AREA PURSUANT TO RULE 603.d

Applicant Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (hereinafter the "Parks Board"), by and through the Office of the Attorney General and the undersigned counsel, hereby files this application to designate Barr Lake State Park as a "Designated Outside Activity Area" pursuant to Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Rule 603.d and in support of its Application states the following:

- 1. The Parks Board is the state agency with overall responsibility and authority for the acquisition, development and management of state parks in Colorado, including Barr Lake State Park.
- 2. The real property interests, including fee title and leasehold interests, that comprise Barr Lake State Park, are owned by the Parks Board and have been developed and are currently managed by the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation on behalf of the Parks Board.

- 3. Barr Lake State Park is a 2,715 acre parcel located in Adams County,
  Colorado. A map of the area depicting the boundaries of Barr Lake State Park is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as exhibit 1. Park facilities at Barr Lake include, but are not limited to, the park headquarters and shop complex, the Barr Lake Nature and Environmental Education Center, 32 individual picnic sites, a Group Picnic Area, boat ramp and boat docks, 9 miles of trails suitable for hiking, bicycling and equestrian use, boardwalks, restroom facilities, and waterfowl hunting blinds. Recreational activities occurring at Barr Lake State Park include, but are not limited to, trail use activities (hiking, biking, horseback riding), individual and group picnicking, environmental education, boat fishing, motorized and non-motorized boating, fishing, ice fishing, sightseeing, wildlife viewing, waterfowl hunting, and various special events.
- 4. Barr Lake State Park is valuable state park asset located within a short distance of the Denver metropolitan area and is heavily used both by residents of and nonresident visitors to Colorado. Annual visitation to Barr Lake State Park exceeds 85,000 visitors. A copy of the most recent Park Visitor Summary Report (July 2006 to June 2007) is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as exhibit 2.
- 5. Pursuant to Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Rules a "Designated Outside Activity Area" is a "well defined outside area (such as a playground, recreation area, outdoor theater, or other place of public assembly) that is occupied by twenty (20) or more persons on at least forty (40) days in any twelve (12) month period or by at least five hundred (500) or more people on at least three (days) in any twelve (12) month period. See Oil and

Gas Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations "Definitions" (100 Series), 2 CCR 404-1. Public usage of Barr Lake State Park satisfies both usage requirements for its designation as a "Designated Outside Activity Area."

- 6. Oil and gas development activity, which is otherwise subject to regulation by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, is occurring in and around Barr Lake State Park. Such oil and gas development activity adversely impacts public use and enjoyment of Barr Lake State Park.
- 7. Barr Lake State Park meets the requirements for and is entitled to designation as a "Designated Outside Activity Area" and the additional regulatory protections provided by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations including, but not limited to, minimum setback requirements for wellheads and production equipment and requirements regarding the development of multiple reservoirs and locations for existing well pads. See Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations "Definitions (100 Series) and Rules 903.d and e.
- 8. Pursuant to Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Rule 603.d, and upon application and hearing, the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission is authorized to determine the appropriate boundaries and setbacks and other regulatory requirements applicable to oil and gas development in proximity to a designated outside activity area.

WHEREFORE the Parks Board respectfully requests that the Oil and Gas

Conservation Commission set the Parks Board's Application for hearing at the earliest

possible date, that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission designate Barr Lake State Park as a "Designated Outside Activity Area" and otherwise establish minimum setbacks and other regulatory requirements applicable to oil and gas development in proximity to Barr Lake State Park that are sufficient to protect the public's use and enjoyment of Barr Lake State Park and that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission grant the Parks Board such other relief as the Commission determines to be just and appropriate.

Respectfully submitted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

JOHN W. SUTHERS Attorney General

/S/ Timothy J. Monahan

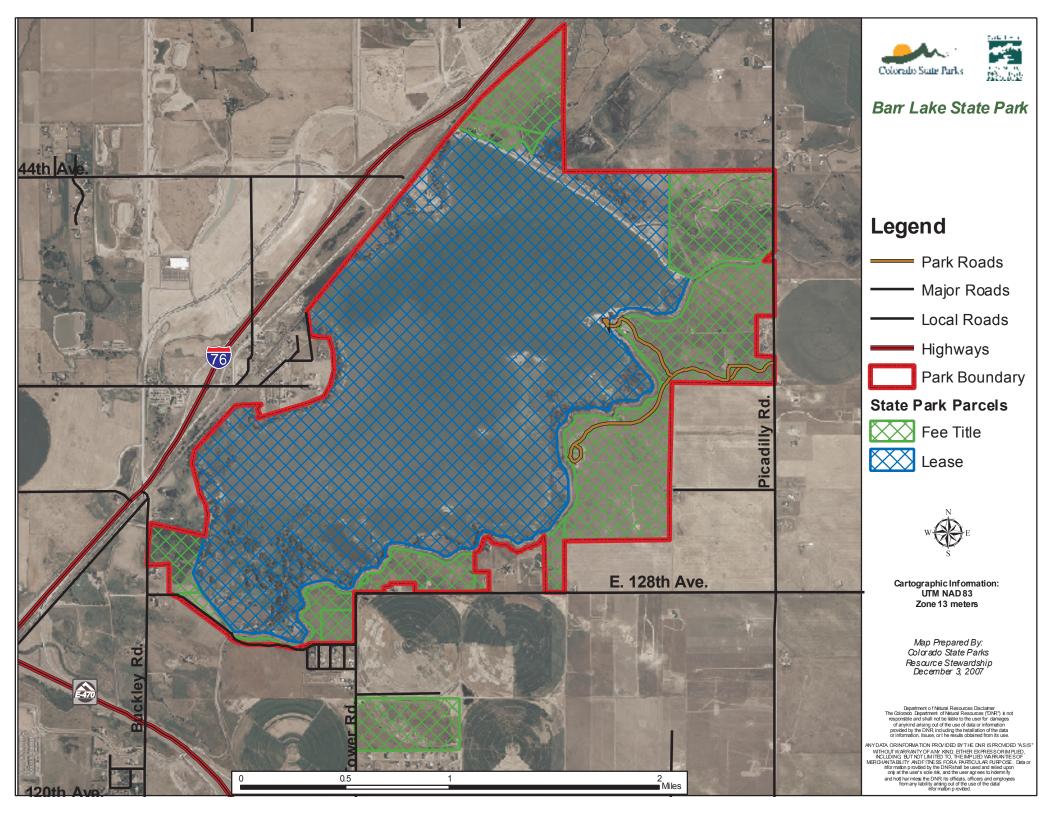
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## VERIFICATION OF APPLICATION

	for the High Plains Region, Division of Parks and half of the Parks Board that the facts asserted in best of my personal knowledge.
	/s/ David Giger
	David Giger Regional Manager High Plains Region Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation
STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss. COUNTY OF DENVER )	
	h day of December, 2007, by David Giger, ivision of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, on behalf tion.
Witness my hand and official seal.	
My commission expires:	

Notary Public



Park Period Visitor Summary Report Barr Lake July 2006 to June 2007

	Counter Readings				Visit	or Totals	S		
Month	Busses at Main Ent.	Main Entrance	West Side (Fishing)	CBO West Side	Bus	Vehicle	e Trail	Total	Total To Date
7/2006*	2	4,353	50	42	60	10,418	42	10,520	10,520
8/2006	1	3,276	61	50	30	7,535	50	7,615	18,135
9/2006	9	3,349	92	85	270	7,127	85	7,482	25,617
10/2006	14	3,052	20	96	420	5,436	96	5,952	31,569
11/2006*	3	2,020	30	110	90	3,415	110	3,615	35,184
12/2006*	0	855	0	110	0	1,471	110	1,581	36,765
1/2007*	0	1,311	10	55	0	2,181	55	2,236	39,001
2/2007*	0	2,211	15	101	0	3,501	101	3,602	42,603
3/2007	0	3,594	30	109	0	6,096	109	6,205	48,808
4/2007	10	5,307	30	161	300	10,578	161	11,039	59,847
5/2007	20	5,284	85	195	600	12,165	195	12,960	72,807
6/2007	25	4,835	155	225	750	11,772	225	12,747	85,554
Total	84	39,447	578	1,339	2,520	81,695	1,339	85,554	185,554

<sup>\*</sup> Park Manager Report has not been approved for this month

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## **List of Mineral Owners and Mineral Lessees**

## **Subject Property:**

Township 1 South, Range 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Adams County, Colorado Section 15: SE¼NE¼, SE¼SW¼, SE¼

Jane B. Shaw 31401 Via California, #37 San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Daphne S. Stegmaier 3205 Wake Drive Kensington, MD 20895

Colorado State Parks Department 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 618 Denver, CO 80203

Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Company 80 So. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc. 370 17th Street, Suite 1700 Denver, CO 80202

Section 21: SE¼NE¼, W½SE¼

Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Company 80 So. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

Section 22: All

Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Company 80 So. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

Section 23: All

Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Company 80 So. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

Crews & Zeren, LLC 970-351-0733 P.O. Box 336337

Greeley, CO 80633 Fax 303-484-2110 DGHL Corporation, a dissolved corporation c/o Lora B. Leech 745 So. Clinton Street Denver, CO 80231

Sovereign Energy, LLC 621 17th Street, Suite 1520 Denver, CO 80293

Section 26: NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4

Lora B. Leech 745 So. Clinton St. Denver, CO 80231

Farmers Reservoir and Irrigation Company 80 So. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue Brighton, CO 80601

The Henrylyn Irrigation District P.O. Box 85 Brighton, CO 80601

TARH E&P Holdings, L.P. 98 San Jacinto Blvd., Ste. 800 Austin, TX 78701

James W. Alexander, Trustee of the James W. Alexander Living Trust 85 Jeffrey Pine Lane Carson City, NV 89705

Alexander Energy 85 Jeffrey Pine Lane Carson City, NV 89705

Section 27: All except Parcels B and C of the SE1/4

Terry E. & Darlene M. Strahm Rt. 3, Box 193 Brighton, CO 80601

Ronald James Green Lka: Adams County 1988

Crews & Zeren, LLC 970-351-0733

P.O. Box 336337

Greeley, CO 80633 Fax 303-484-2110 DGHL Corporation, a dissolved corporation c/o Lora B. Leech 745 So. Clinton Street Denver, CO 80231

Colorado State Parks Department 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 618 Denver, CO 80203

Section 28: E½, SW¼, S½NW¼, NE¼NW¼

Colorado State Parks Department 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 618 Denver, CO 80203

Section 33: N½N½, SW¼SE¼

Anadarko E&P Company LP Attn: Manager Land, Western Division P.O. Box 9149 The Woodlands, TX 77387-9147

Noble Energy, Inc. 1625 Broadway, Suite 2000 Denver, CO 80202

Crews & Zeren, LLC, a mineral title company, states that to the best of its knowledge the foregoing is an accurate list of the names and last known addresses of the mineral owners and mineral leasehold owners having an interest in the Subject Property, based upon the real property records of Adams County, Colorado, as verified through June 13, 2008, and materials provided to Crews & Zeren, LLC by the Colorado State Parks Department. A photocopy or facsimile of this list shall, for all purposes, be as valid as the original hereof.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008.

Crews & Zeren, LLC

By: William G. Crews, CPL

Certified Professional Landman #3477

Crews & Zeren, LLC 970-351-0733 P.O. Box 336337

Greeley, CO 80633 Fax 303-484-2110 By acceptance and use of this list, the client agrees to all of the following:

William G. Crews ("Crews") and Cynthia A. E. Zeren ("Zeren") are Certified Professional Landmen certified by the American Association of Petroleum Landmen who have been asked by Client to provide listings of mineral owners entitled to notice pursuant to Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission rules. Such lists will be prepared by Crews or Zeren, although the Client's contract is with, and all payments are due to, Crews & Zeren, LLC ("C&Z"), a Colorado limited liability company of which Crews and Zeren are the only members. Neither Crews nor Zeren is an attorney licensed to practice law.

Crews and Zeren have agreed to prepare listings of mineral estate owners for the Client only if the Client agrees that the liability of Crews, Zeren and C&Z in connection with such services shall conclusively be limited to the amount paid by the Client to C&Z for such services. Crews, Zeren and C&Z make no warranty, express, implied or statutory, in connection with the accuracy, completeness or sufficiency of any such listing of mineral estate owners. In the event any such listing proves to be inaccurate, incomplete, insufficient or otherwise defective in any way whatsoever or for any reason whatsoever, the liability of Crews, Zeren and C&Z shall never exceed the actual amount paid by Client to C&Z for such listing.

In order to induce Crews, Zeren and C&Z to provide such services, Client does hereby agree to indemnify and hold Crews, Zeren and C&Z harmless from and against all claims by all persons (including but not limited to Client) of whatever kind or character arising out of the preparation and use of each such listing of mineral estate owners, to the extent that such claims exceed the actual amount paid by Client to C&Z for such listing.

Client specifically intends that both the foregoing limitation on liability and the foregoing indemnification shall be binding and effective without regard to the cause of the claim, inaccuracy or defect, including but not limited to, breach of representation, warranty or duty, any theory of tort or of breach of contract, or the fault or negligence of any party (including Crews, Zeren and C&Z) of any kind or character (regardless of whether the fault or negligence is sole, joint, concurrent, simple or gross).

Please note that this list EXCLUDES coal.