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State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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Oil and Gas Location Assessment

New Location Amend Existing Location Location#: 312739

Submit original plus one copy. This form is to be submitted to the COGCC prior to any ground disturbance activity associated with oil and gas development operations. This Assessment may be approved as a stand alone application or submitted as an informational report accompanying an Application for Permit-To-Drill, Form 2. Approval of this Assessment will allow for the construction of the below specified location; however, it does not supersede any land use rules applied by the local land use authority. This form may serve as notice to land owners and other interested parties, please see the COGCC web site at <http://colorado.gov/cogcc/> for all accompanying information pertinent to this Oil and Gas Location Assessment.

Location ID:
312739
Expiration Date:
03/05/2013

This location assessment is included as part of a permit application.

1. CONSULTATION

- This location is included in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan. CDP # _____
- This location is in a sensitive wildlife habitat area.
- This location is in a wildlife restricted surface occupancy area.
- This location includes a Rule 306.d.(1)A.ii. variance request.

2. Operator

Operator Number: 10150
Name: BLACK HILLS PLATEAU PRODUCTION LLC
Address: 1500 WYNKOOP ST STE 500
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

3. Contact Information

Name: Jessica Donahue
Phone: (720) 210-1333
Fax: (303) 566-3344
email: Jessica.Donahue@blackhillscorp.com

4. Location Identification:

Name: Horseshoe Canyon Number: 4-28
County: MESA
Quarter: NWSW Section: 28 Township: 9S Range: 97W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 5767
Define a single point as a location reference for the facility location. This point should be used as the point of measurement in the drawings to be submitted with this application. When the location is to be used as a well site then the point shall be a well location.
Footage at surface: 2327 feet, from North or South section line: FSL and 967 feet, from East or West section line: FWL
Latitude: 39.243720 Longitude: -108.229140 PDOP Reading: 1.8 Date of Measurement: 03/09/2007

5. Facilities (Indicate the number of each type of oil and gas facility planned on location):

Special Purpose Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Drilling Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Wells: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Production Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="checkbox"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Separators: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Electric Motors: <input type="checkbox"/>	Multi-Well Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>
Gas or Diesel Motors: <input type="checkbox"/>	Cavity Pumps: <input type="checkbox"/>	LACT Unit: <input type="checkbox"/>	Pump Jacks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Pigging Station: <input type="checkbox"/>
Electric Generators: <input type="checkbox"/>	Gas Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Oil Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Flare: <input type="checkbox"/>
Gas Compressors: <input type="checkbox"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="checkbox"/>	Oil Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	

Other: _____

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 05/03/2010 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 1.94
 Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 09/15/2010 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 0.52
 Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 5766 Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes
 Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: Yes No Is H2S anticipated? Yes No
 Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS Cl) or oil based muds be used: Yes No
 Mud disposal: Offsite Onsite Method: Land Farming Land Spreading Disposal Facility
 Other: _____

7. Surface Owner:

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____ Fax: _____
 Address: _____ Email: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation: 05/17/2007
 Surface Owner: Fee State Federal Indian
 Mineral Owner: Fee State Federal Indian
 The surface owner is: the mineral owner committed to an oil and gas lease
 is the executer of the oil and gas lease the applicant
 The right to construct the location is granted by: oil and gas lease Surface Use Agreement Right of Way
 applicant is owner
 Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: \$2000 \$5000 Blanket Surety ID _____

8. Reclamation Financial Assurance:

Well Surety ID: 20060007 Gas Facility Surety ID: _____ Waste Mgnt. Surety ID: _____

9. Cultural:

Is the location in a high density area (Rule 603.b.): Yes No
 Distance, in feet, to nearest building: 5628, public road: 7392, above ground utilit: 10220
 , railroad: 8395, property line: 2270

10. Current Land Use (Check all that apply):

Crop Land: Irrigated Dry land Improved Pasture Hay Meadow CRP
 Non-Crop Land: Rangeland Timber Recreational Other (describe): _____
 Subdivided: Industrial Commercial Residential

11. Future Land Use (Check all that apply):

Crop Land: Irrigated Dry land Improved Pasture Hay Meadow CRP
 Non-Crop Land: Rangeland Timber Recreational Other (describe): _____
 Subdivided: Industrial Commercial Residential

12. Soils:

List all soil map units that occur within the proposed location. Attach the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) report showing the "Map Unit Description" report listing the soil typical vertical profile. This data is to used when segregating topsoil.

The required information can be obtained from the NRCS web site at <http://soildatamart.nrcs.usda.gov/> or from the COGCC web site GIS Online map page found at <http://colorado.gov/cogcc>. Instructions are provided within the COGCC web site help section.

NRCS Map Unit Name: Barx Clapper Complex #4

NRCS Map Unit Name: _____

NRCS Map Unit Name: _____

13. Plant Community:

Complete this section only if any portion of the disturbed area of the location's current land use is on non-crop land.

Are noxious weeds present: Yes No

Plant species from: NRCS or, field observation Date of observation: 05/17/2007

List individual species: Cheatgrass, Canadian Thistle

Check all plant communities that exist in the disturbed area.

- Disturbed Grassland (Cactus, Yucca, Cheatgrass, Rye)
- Native Grassland (Bluestern, Grama, Wheatgrass, Buffalograss, Fescue, Oatgrass, Brome)
- Shrub Land (Mahogany, Oak, Sage, Serviceberry, Chokecherry)
- Plains Riparian (Cottonwood, Willow, Aspen, Maple, Poplar, Russian Olive, Tamarisk)
- Mountain Riparian (Cottonwood, Willow, Blue Spruce)
- Forest Land (Spruce, Fir, Ponderosa Pine, Lodgepole Pine, Juniper, Pinyon, Aspen)
- Wetlands Aquatic (Bullrush, Sedge, Cattail, Arrowhead)
- Alpine (above timberline)
- Other (describe): _____

14. Water Resources:

Rule 901.e. may require a sensitive area determination be performed. If this determination is performed the data is to be submitted with the Form 2A.

Is this a sensitive area: No Yes Was a Rule 901.e. Sensitive Areas Determination performed: No Yes

Distance (in feet) to nearest surface water: 1210, water well: 9240, depth to ground water: 235

Is the location in a riparian area: No Yes Was an Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit filed No Yes

Is the location within a Rule 317B Surface Water Suppl Area buffer zone:

No 0-300 ft. zone 301-500 ft. zone 501-2640 ft. zone

If the location is within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer have all public water supply systems within 15 miles been notified: No Yes

15. Comments:

Reference area is east of and adjacent to the well pad on undisturbed land. Location photos are reference area photos. No visible improvement within 400' of well pad. Gas and water pipelines will be co-located with the roads.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 01/15/2010 Email: Jessica.Donahue@blackhillscorp.com

Print Name: Jessica Donahue Title: Regulatory Technician

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

David S. Neshin

COGCC Approved: _____

Director of COGCC

Date: 3/6/2010

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for any and all subsequent operations on the location unless this Form 2A is modified by Sundry Notice, Form 4 or an Amended Form 2A.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name	Doc Description
2032894	CORRESPONDENCE	LF@2425571 2032894
2032896	PROPOSED BMPs	LF@2425574 2032896
2032898	CORRESPONDENCE	LF@2425575 2032898
400029086	ACCESS ROAD MAP	LF@2218792 400029086
400029087	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS	LF@2218793 400029087
400029088	HYDROLOGY MAP	LF@2218794 400029088
400029090	LOCATION DRAWING	LF@2218795 400029090
400029095	LOCATION PICTURES	LF@2218796 400029095
400029097	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC	LF@2218797 400029097
400029098	WELL LOCATION PLAT	LF@2218798 400029098
400029100	FORM 2A SUBMITTED	LF@2218799 400029100

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