

**FORM
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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#: _____

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 standalone 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:

Expiration Date:

☐ 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: 10350

Name: RANCHERS EXPLORATION PARTNERS LLC

Address: 7257 W 4TH STREET #3

City: GREELEY State: CO Zip: 80634

3. Contact Information

Name: Mike Ward

Phone: (970) 356-5500

Fax: (970) 356-5996

email: mike@ranchers.co

4. Location**Identification:**

Name: Eaton Field Number: 2

County: WELD

QuarterQuarter: SESW Section: 30 Township: 7N Range: 65W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4853

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: 240 feet FSL, from North or South section line, and 2253 feet FWL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 40.539660 Longitude: -104.707740 PDOP Reading: 1.1 Date of Measurement: 03/31/2011

Instrument Operator's Name: Waddle

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

Special Purpose Pits: <input type="text"/>	Drilling Pits: <input type="text"/>	Wells: <input type="text" value="3"/>	Production Pits: <input type="text"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="text"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Separators: <input type="text"/>	Electric Motors: <input type="text"/>	Multi-Well Pits: <input type="text"/>
Gas or Diesel Motors: <input type="text"/>	Cavity Pumps: <input type="text"/>	LACT Unit: <input type="text"/>	Pump Jacks: <input type="text"/>	Pigging Station: <input type="text"/>
Electric Generators: <input type="text"/>	Gas Pipeline: <input type="text"/>	Oil Pipeline: <input type="text"/>	Water Pipeline: <input type="text"/>	Flare: <input type="text"/>
Gas Compressors: <input type="text"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="text"/>	Oil Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="text"/>	

Other: _____

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 05/01/2011 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 3.00
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 06/01/2011 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.00
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4853 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: A. Bruce Johnson Phone: _____
Address: 801 8th Street Suite 220 Fax: _____
Address: _____ Email: _____
City: Greeley State: CO Zip: 80631 Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation: _____
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: 20110018 ☐ 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: 560, public road: 225, above ground utilit: 210
, railroad: 1920, property line: 210

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: 32 Kim Loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

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: _____

List individual species: _____

Check all plant communities that exist in the disturbed area.

- ☐ Disturbed Grassland (Cactus, Yucca, Cheatgrass, Rye)
- ☐ Native Grassland (Bluestem, 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: 1200, water well: 1830, depth to ground water: 46

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 Supply 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:

1. All distances provided are from the Location Reference Point as shown on the attached exhibits. 2. Depth to groundwater was determined from static water level of nearest water well, permit number 6237-R. 3. Rule 306 surface owner consultation was waived, see surface use agreement. 4. The wells will be flowed back to the existing Ranchers Exploration Partners facility, Facility ID 421457.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 04/04/2011 Email: Dan.Hull@LRA-inc.com

Print Name: Dan Hull Title: Senior Project Manager

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: _____

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.

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Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
400148873	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400148898	PROPOSED BMPs
400148899	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400149041	HYDROLOGY MAP
400149045	LOCATION DRAWING
400149046	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400149050	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400149052	LOCATION PICTURES
400149058	LOCATION PICTURES
400150471	

Total Attach: 10 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>

Total: 0 comment(s)

BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
General Housekeeping	Site will be inspected for weed infested areas and prompt action will be taken to mitigate infested areas. All noxious weeds identified will not be allowed to reach the flowering or seed dispersal stage. Vehicles will not be allowed to drive through weed infested areas. Machinery will not be parked in weed infested areas. Vehicles sent off site regularly will be inspected to assure that undercarriages and grill works are kept free of weed seed. Undercarriages of vehicles or machinery potentially contaminated with noxious weed seeds will be washed before entry is made into non infested areas.
Interim Reclamation	Soil roughening will be utilized to reduce runoff velocity, increases infiltration, reduces erosion, and trap sediment.
Structural Practices	Graveled entries will be provided for vehicle tracking control.
Storm Water/Erosion Control	A sediment trap, in conjunction with a temporary berm, may be used if necessary to divert and control sediment laden stormwater runoff created on site.
General Housekeeping	The site will be cleaned of all trash and waste as soon as practical. All waste will be stored in sealed containers until it can be disposed of appropriately. Solid waste will be removed from the site and disposed of per state regulations for solid waste.
Material Handling and Spill Prevention	All materials, waste, and fluids kept on site will be stored in an appropriate manner to prevent contamination with the environment. If a spill occurs, it will be cleaned up using absorbent material and by removing the contaminated soil. Any contaminated soil will be disposed of appropriately. All efforts will be made to prevent the spill from migrating off-site or coming into contact with stormwater runoff. The Spill Control and Countermeasures plan, if applicable, will address and control all spill procedures
Final Reclamation	Interim and or final reclamation of the site will be completed per the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) rules and regulations.

Total: 7 comment(s)