

**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:

**423325**

Expiration Date:

**05/22/2014**

☐ 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: 57667

Name: MINERAL RESOURCES, INC.

Address: PO BOX 328

City: GREELEY State: CO Zip: 80632

### 3. Contact Information

Name: Collin Richardson

Phone: (970) 352-9446

Fax: (800) 850-9334

email: collin@mineralresourcesinc.com

### 4. Location Identification:

Name: Bestway Directional Project Number: 1

County: WELD

QuarterQuarter: SENE Section: 2 Township: 5N Range: 66W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4702

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: 286 feet FSL, from North or South section line, and 1019 feet FEL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 40.431150 Longitude: -104.739369 PDOP Reading: 1.9 Date of Measurement: 08/31/2010

Instrument Operator's Name: David Berglund

### 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="40"/>	Production Pits: <input type="text"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="text"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="text" value="5"/>	Separators: <input type="text" value="10"/>	Electric Motors: <input type="text"/>	Multi-Well Pits: <input type="text"/>
Gas or Diesel Motors: <input type="text" value="1"/>	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" value="1"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="text" value="1"/>	Oil Tanks: <input type="text" value="10"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="text"/>	

Other: Gas motor and compressor are part of VRU

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 03/30/2011 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 8.00  
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 07/30/2011 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 3.00  
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4702 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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: 20090133 ☐ 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: 400, public road: 305, above ground utilit: 325  
, railroad: 4500, property line: 69

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 be 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: Otero Sandy 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: 1600, water well: 590, depth to ground water: 10

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. The Bestway Directional Location Reference Point was set in the field as a permanent reference point outside of the limits of construction of the well pad. The intention being that the reference point will not be destroyed during drilling/construction and can be used through the life of this project. 2. All distances and bearings provided on the location drawing, in Section 9: Cultural, and in Section 14: Water Resources are from the Well Reference Point. 4. The depth to ground water is based on a near by water well, receipt #9059495, Permit #: 6065-R - .

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 02/15/2011 Email: dan.hull@lra-inc.com

Print Name: Dan Hull Title: Senior Project Manager

**IMPORTANT: SOME DATA FIELDS HAVE BEEN MODIFIED.**

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: David S. Neslin Director of COGCC Date: 5/23/2011

**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
1694095	PROPOSED BMPs
1694096	VARIANCE REQUEST
1694097	MULTI-WELL PLAN
2085921	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
400104401	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400133175	HYDROLOGY MAP
400133176	LOCATION DRAWING
400133178	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400133179	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400133180	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400133182	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400133185	LOCATION PICTURES
400133187	LOCATION PICTURES
400133419	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 14 Files

**General Comments**

User Group	Comment	Comment Date
Agency	Request for a 502.b. variance is attached. The variance is for the Form 2A approval without a Form 2, Application for Permit to Drill. This will allow the ongoing planning and approval of other entities involved in this forty well pad within the Greeley city limits.	5/23/2011 11:26:48 AM
Permit	Added, BMP's, New Multi-Well Plan & Request for Variance. plg.	5/23/2011 8:54:57 AM
Permit	ON HOLD: unable to process informational 2A without form 2's. Requesting reference point be moved to wellhead per Rule. which requires a new location drawing, corrected footages for the Cultural tab. Corrected Multi-Well Plan. plg.	3/15/2011 10:35:24 AM
OGLA	Changed sensitive area to yes due to likely shallow groundwater, removed plant community information and reference area comment due to "industrial" land use.	3/9/2011 9:57:23 AM

Total: 4 comment(s)

**BMP**

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