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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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SUNDRY NOTICE

Submit original plus one copy. This form is to be used for general, technical and environmental sundry information. For proposed or completed operations, describe in full on Technical Information Page (Page 2 of this form.) Identify well or other facility by API Number or by OGCC Facility ID. Operator shall send an informational copy of all sundry notices for wells located in High Density Areas to the Local Government Designee (Rule 603b.)

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1. OGCC Operator Number: <u>66561</u>	4. Contact Name <u>Daniel I. Padilla</u>	Complete the Attachment Checklist OP OGCC
2. Name of Operator: <u>OXY USA Inc.</u>	Phone: <u>970.263.3637</u>	
3. Address: <u>760 Horizon Drive, Suite 101</u> City: <u>Grand Junction</u> State: <u>CO</u> Zip: <u>81506</u>	Fax: <u>970.263.3694</u>	
5. API Number <u>05- 077-09174</u>	OGCC Facility ID Number	Survey Plat
6. Well/Facility Name: <u>Currey</u>	7. Well/Facility Number <u>16-10</u>	Directional Survey
8. Location (Qtr/Qtr, Sec, Twp, Rng, Meridian): <u>NWSE, Sec 16, T9S, R94W, 6th PM</u>		Surface Eqpm Diagram
9. County: <u>Mesa</u>	10. Field Name: <u>Grand Valley</u>	Technical Info Page <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11. Federal, Indian or State Lease Number:		Other

General Notice

<input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE OF LOCATION: Attach New Survey Plat (a change of surface qtr/qtr is substantive and requires a new permit)																					
Change of Surface Footage from Exterior Section Lines:	<table border="1"><tr><td></td><td>FNU/FSL</td><td></td><td>FEL/FWL</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Change of Surface Footage to Exterior Section Lines:</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Change of Bottomhole Footage from Exterior Section Lines:</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Change of Bottomhole Footage to Exterior Section Lines:</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> attach directional survey		FNU/FSL		FEL/FWL					Change of Surface Footage to Exterior Section Lines:				Change of Bottomhole Footage from Exterior Section Lines:				Change of Bottomhole Footage to Exterior Section Lines:			
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Bottomhole location Qtr/Qtr, Sec, Twp, Rng, Mer																					
Latitude	Distance to nearest property line																				
Longitude	Distance to nearest bldg, public rd, utility or RR																				
Ground Elevation	Distance to nearest lease line																				
	Is location in a High Density Area (rule 603b)? Yes/No																				
	Distance to nearest well same formation																				
	Surface owner consultation date:																				
GPS DATA: Date of Measurement PDOP Reading Instrument Operator's Name																					
<input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE SPACING UNIT	<input type="checkbox"/> Remove from surface bond																				
Formation Formation Code Spacing order number Unit Acreage Unit configuration	Signed surface use agreement attached																				
<input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE OF OPERATOR (prior to drilling): Effective Date: Plugging Bond: <input type="checkbox"/> Blanket <input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE WELL NAME NUMBER From: To: Effective Date:																				
<input type="checkbox"/> ABANDONED LOCATION: Was location ever built? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Is site ready for inspection? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date Ready for Inspection:	<input type="checkbox"/> NOTICE OF CONTINUED SHUT IN STATUS Date well shut in or temporarily abandoned: Has Production Equipment been removed from site? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No MIT required if shut in longer than two years. Date of last MIT																				
<input type="checkbox"/> SPUD DATE:	<input type="checkbox"/> REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL STATUS (6 mos from date casing set)																				
<input type="checkbox"/> SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF STAGE, SQUEEZE OR REMEDIAL CEMENT WORK *submit cbl and cement job summaries Method used Cementing tool setting/perf depth Cement volume Cement top Cement bottom Date																					
<input type="checkbox"/> RECLAMATION: Attach technical page describing final reclamation procedures per Rule 1004. Final reclamation will commence on approximately <input type="checkbox"/> Final reclamation is completed and site is ready for inspection.																					

Technical Engineering/Environmental Notice

<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent Approximate Start Date:	<input type="checkbox"/> Report of Work Done Date Work Completed:	
Details of work must be described in full on Technical Information Page (Page 2 must be submitted.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Intent to Recomplete (submit form 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Request to Vent or Flare	<input type="checkbox"/> E&P Waste Disposal
<input type="checkbox"/> Change Drilling Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Repair Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Beneficial Reuse of E&P Waste
<input type="checkbox"/> Gross Interval Changed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rule 502 variance requested	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Update/Change of Remediation Plans
<input type="checkbox"/> Casing/Cementing Program Change	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	for Spills and Releases

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

Signed: [Signature] Date: 10/13/11 Email: daniel_padilla@oxy.comPrint Name: Daniel I. Padilla Title: Regulatory Advisor

COGCC Approved: Title: Date:

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:



FOR OGCC USE ONLY

1. OGCC Operator Number: 66561 API Number: 05-077-09174

2. Name of Operator: OXY USA Inc. OGCC Facility ID #

3. Well/Facility Name: Currey Well/Facility Number: 16-10

4. Location (QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng, Meridian): NWSE, Sec 16, T9S, R94W, 6th PM

This form is to be completed whenever a Sundry Notice is submitted requiring detailed report of work to be performed or completed. This form shall be transmitted within 30 days of work completed as a "subsequent" report and must accompany Form 4, page 1.

5. DESCRIBE PROPOSED OR COMPLETED OPERATIONS

OXY USA Inc. (Oxy) requests a variance (as permitted by COGCC Rule 502.b.) to Rule 1003.b. in order to permit Oxy to keep its lined reserve pit open until drilling activities have commenced for the Currey Federal A 15-4 well. This well has an APD permit that is scheduled to expire on August 5, 2012. The lined reserve pit is located at Oxy's Currey 16-10 pad in Mesa County, Colorado. Drilling activities have been delayed due to litigation that is not in OXY's control. Due to the unforeseen delay, Oxy has been unable to use the reserve pit for drilling activities. Granting Oxy's request would allow it to maintain the reserve pit for approximately an additional 10 months, with the expectation that the litigation will be favorably resolved during that period of time, permitting Oxy to drill and use the reserve pit for such drilling.

The Currey 16-10 pad and associated reserve pit was initially constructed by Plains Exploration & Production Company (PXP) in 2008. The reserve pit was initially unlined, but was not used; no drilling occurred under PXP. Effective December 1, 2008, Oxy acquired PXP's interest and had the reserve pit lined with a 36-mil reinforced poly-propylene single liner. Oxy conducted drilling activities on the Currey 16-10 from late 2008 through early 2009 and used the lined reserve pit. Completion activities for the three drilled wells was initiated and completed in early 2010. The pit was emptied of drilling and completion fluids after completion work concluded. The only fluids in the pit since that time has been precipitation. The pad was placed on standby in anticipation for additional drilling. A fence was maintained through drilling and completions activities on three sides and then extended to surround the entire reserve pit afterwards. The reserve pit and the fence has been monitored at least once a week ever since.

In early 2010, Oxy began permitting activities to drill an additional well from this location and submitted a COGCC APD on June 17, 2010. The COGCC granted approval on August 8, 2010 (Currey Federal A 15-4 (05-077-10099)). Since the proposed well was to be completed in federal minerals, Oxy sought and obtained approval from the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Grand Junction Field Office on October 10, 2010.

In addition to submitting the APD to the BLM, Oxy also submitted to the BLM a plan for Federal Unitization for the Collbran (Shallow) Unit (the "Unit"), pursuant to which Oxy combined approximately 5,700 acres of federal and fee lands under the Unit agreement. Oxy received preliminary approval of the Unit from the BLM in early 2010. Laramie Energy II (Laramie) filed a protest to the Unit with the BLM on August 26, 2010. The Unitization Agreement was subsequently approved by the BLM on December 17, 2010. Laramie then filed a request for the BLM State Director to review the determination on January 17, 2011. Oxy filed its response to Laramie's request for State Director Review on January 28, 2011, and filed a request for suspension of the Unit and its federal leases on the same day. The BLM State Director upheld the BLM's original approval of the Unit.

Laramie appealed the BLM State Director's decision to the Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA), which is currently under review. Oxy's request for suspension of the Unit was granted by the BLM until March 9, 2012, with six months to spud its well after that date, and suspension of the federal leases has also been granted. Oxy is now waiting for the IBLA's final determination.

Oxy had planned to begin additional drilling activities at the Currey 16-10 pad in 2010, but due to litigation resulting from Laramie's protests, Oxy has postponed its drilling activities for this pad until a determination from the IBLA is received. Oxy is requesting permission from the COGCC to keep the reserve pit open until the litigation surrounding the Unit is resolved and Oxy has had time to commence its well, but not beyond August 5, 2012 (APD permit expiration date) if no drilling activities have commenced by such date. Subject to the determination of the litigation and prior to August 5, 2012, Oxy plans to schedule drilling activities to begin as soon a reasonably practical or will make arrangement to close the reserve pit in compliance with COGCC rules. Prior to commencing drilling activities, Oxy will conduct a 72-hour hydrotest prior to the use of the reserve pit.

In the mean time, the reserve pit is fenced and Oxy monitors the pit at least weekly to ensure that accumulations of precipitation are kept below two feet of freeboard. The reserve pit is also inspected as part of Oxy's annual Form 36, Compliance Check List.