

**FORM
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04/01**State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**

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Oil and Gas Location Assessment☐ New Location☒ Amend Existing Location Location#: 427198

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:

427198

Expiration Date:

02/09/2015☒ 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. OperatorOperator Number: 100322Name: NOBLE ENERGY INCAddress: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202**3. Contact Information**Name: JAN KAJIWARAPhone: (303) 228-4092Fax: (303) 228-4286email: jkajiwara@nobleenergyinc.com**4. Location Identification:**Name: BALL RANCH ACNumber: 15-65HNCounty: WELDQuarterQuarter: SWNW Section: 15 Township: 7N Range: 63W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4870

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: 2225 feet FNL, from North or South section line, and 661 feet FWL, from East or West section line.Latitude: 40.575280 Longitude: -104.429510 PDOP Reading: 1.3 Date of Measurement: 11/01/2011Instrument Operator's Name: ROBERT DALEY**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"/>	Wells: <input type="text" value="2"/>	Production Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="checkbox"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Separators: <input type="checkbox"/>	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="text" value="2"/>	Pigging Station: <input type="checkbox"/>
Electric Generators: <input type="checkbox"/>	Gas Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Oil Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	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: 2-THREE PHASE FLOWLINE TO LOCATION 427188**6. Construction:**

Date planned to commence construction: 03/01/2012 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 8.00
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 07/01/2012 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 2.00
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4870 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: 12/13/2011
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 20030012

8. Reclamation Financial Assurance:

☐ Well Surety ID: 20030009 ☐ Gas Facility Surety ID: _____ ☐ Waste Mgmt. Surety ID: _____

9. Cultural:

Is the location in a high density area (Rule 603.b.): Yes ☐ No ☒
Distance, in feet, to nearest building: 2769, public road: 5280, above ground utilit: 3177
_____, railroad: 5280, property line: 661

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: 56-RENOHILL CLAY LOAM, 6-9% 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: 11/01/2011
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: 4537, water well: 2360, depth to ground water: 110
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:

Nearest public road and railroad greater than 5,280'. Nearest water well depth to ground water was taken from Receipt 0428550 Permit 209537. The reference area is on undisturbed ground immediately adjacent to and north the location as shown in the reference area photo facing northeast.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 01/18/2012 Email: jkajiwar@nobleenergyinc.com

Print Name: JAN KAJIWARA Title: REGULATORY ANALYST

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: 2/10/2012

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
2613929	LOCATION DRAWING
2613930	MULTI-WELL PLAN
2613934	CORRESPONDENCE
400238565	FORM 2A SUBMITTED

Total Attach: 4 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	No LGD or public comment received; final review completed.	2/9/2012 10:01:34 AM
OGLA	Ready to Pass 2/9/2012	2/8/2012 7:53:26 AM
OGLA	Changed form from new location to Amend Location 427198. Attached a revised Location Drawing and Multi-Well Plan from the operator. Revised the facilities list to include 2 wells, 2 flowlines, and 2 pump jacks. Changed size of disturbance during construction to 8 acres, and interim reclamation size to 3 acres to accomodate 2 wells on this location. The production facilities are planned to be placed on Location 427188.	2/2/2012 1:03:40 PM
OGLA	ON HOLD - asked the operator to withdraw and resubmit. A Form 2A and associated Form 2 APD were approved for one well at this location on December 30, 2011 – see the Ball Ranch AC15-05 (Location ID 427198 / Form 2A 400227447). A review of the Form 2A 400238565 for the Ball Ranch AC 15-65HN shows that the proposed Ball Ranch AC 15-65HN will be on the same location as the Ball Ranch AC15-05. This Form 2A should have been submitted to amend Location ID 427198 to a two-well pad. The only required attachments are the multi-well plan and a revised Location Drawing.	1/31/2012 7:31:14 AM
OGLA	This should be an amend location to add 1 well. Requires a multi-well plan.	1/23/2012 4:18:33 PM

Total: 5 comment(s)

BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Material Handling and Spill Prevention	Spill Stormwater management plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil & Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) General Permit No. COR-038637. BMP's will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. BMP's used will vary according to the location, and will remain in place until the pad reaches final reclamation.
Storm Water/Erosion Control	Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112.
General Housekeeping	Housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with stormwater runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pickup trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.

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