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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:

422345

Expiration Date:

03/29/2014

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: 100322

Name: NOBLE ENERGY INC

Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

3. Contact Information

Name: Justin Garrett

Phone: (303) 228-4449

Fax: (303) 228-4286

email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.com

4. Location Identification:

Name: Wells Ranch Number: AE05-12

County: WELD

Quarter: NWSW Section: 5 Township: 6N Range: 62W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4966

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: 1836 feet FSL, from North or South section line, and 565 feet FWL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 40.513490 Longitude: -104.353940 PDOP Reading: 2.5 Date of Measurement: 02/08/2011

Instrument Operator's Name: Brian T. Brinkman

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="checkbox" value="1"/>	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="checkbox"/>	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: 1 3-phase flowlines

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 04/01/2011 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 3.00
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 07/01/2011 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.00
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4966 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: Wells Ranch LLLP Phone: _____
Address: 32010 CR 63 Fax: _____
Address: _____ Email: _____
City: Gill State: CO Zip: 80624 Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation: 02/04/2011
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 _____

8. Reclamation Financial Assurance:

Well Surety ID: 20030009 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: 3900, public road: 3455, above ground utilit: 3440
, railroad: 5280, property line: 565

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: 72 Vona loamy sand, 0 to 3 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: 74 Vona loamy sand, 5 to 9 percent slopes

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: 02/04/2011

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: 5281, water well: 2764, depth to ground water: 215

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:

COGCC map shows nearest surface water at 2462', but nearest surface water is actually greater than 5280'. Most streams shown on COGCC map in Wells Ranch are dry gulches. Permit #36787- - used for static H2O level. The reference area is on undisturbed ground immediately adjacent to and North of the facility location as shown in the location photo facing North. The production facilities will be located 905' SE of well site, doc #400136339.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 03/01/2011 Email: JDGarrett@nobleenergyinc.com

Print Name: Justin Garrett Title: Regulatory Specialist

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: 3/30/2011

**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.

Notify the COGCC Oil and Gas Location Assessment (OGLA) specialist for South Eastern Colorado (Arthur Koepsell; email arthur.koepsell@state.co.us) 48 hours prior to initiating pad construction.

Notify the COGCC Oil and Gas Location Assessment (OGLA) specialist for South Eastern Colorado (Arthur Koepsell; email arthur.koepsell@state.co.us) 48 hours prior to spudding the well.

Notify the COGCC Oil and Gas Location Assessment (OGLA) specialist for South Eastern Colorado (Arthur Koepsell; email arthur.koepsell@state.co.us) 48 hours prior to commencing frac operations.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
400136324	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400136327	PROPOSED BMPs
400137897	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400138676	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400138677	HYDROLOGY MAP
400138679	LOCATION DRAWING
400138680	LOCATION PICTURES
400138682	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400138684	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

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OGLA	Ready to pass 3/24/2011.	3/4/2011 10:37:14 AM

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