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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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Oil and Gas Location Assessment

☐ New Location

☒ Amend Existing Location Location#: 335050

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:

335050

Expiration Date:

05/03/2015

☒ 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. Operator

Operator Number: 96850

Name: WPX ENERGY ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC

Address: 1001 17TH STREET - SUITE #1200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

3. Contact Information

Name: Greg Davis

Phone: (303) 606-4071

Fax: (303) 629-8268

email: Greg.J.Davis@Williams.com

4. Location Identification:

Name: Hoeppli

Number: RWF 33-36

County: GARFIELD

QuarterQuarter: SENW Section: 36 Township: 6S Range: 94W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 6528

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: 2573 feet FNL, from North or South section line, and 2559 feet FEL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 39.482416 Longitude: -107.835812 PDOP Reading: 2.0 Date of Measurement: 02/07/2011

Instrument Operator's Name: J. Kirkpatrick

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="29"/>	Production Pits: <input type="text"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="text"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="text" value="6"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="text" value="4"/>	Separators: <input type="text" value="29"/>	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" value="1"/>	Oil Pipeline: <input type="text"/>	Water Pipeline: <input type="text"/>	Flare: <input type="text"/>
Gas Compressors: <input type="text"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="text" value="1"/>	Oil Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="text"/>	
Other: _____				

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 08/01/2012 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 8.61
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 08/01/2013 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 2.06
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 6528 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: Re-use and evaporation

7. Surface Owner:

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Fax: _____
Address: _____ Email: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation: 04/18/2011
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: 20030107 ☐ 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: 1261, public road: 986, above ground utilit: 859
, railroad: 12529, property line: 991

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: 58 Potts-Ildefonso complex, 12 to 25% 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: 04/22/2011
List individual species: Wheatgrass, Sage, Juniper, Pinyon

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: 299, water well: 2159, depth to ground water: 50
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:

Although this location is located within 500 ft. of perennial, ephemeral, or intermittent surface water according to USGS mapped surface waters, the attached Sensitive Area Determination concludes that the location is not within a sensitive area due to the low potential for impacts to surface water in the case of a facility release. However, in order to satisfy COGCC guidance requiring that all locations within 500 ft. of mapped surface water incorporate BMPs to protect that surface water, Williams will employ the following BMPs at this location: • Williams will ensure 110 percent secondary containment for any volume of fluids contained at well site during drilling and completion operations. • Williams will implement best management practices to contain any unintentional release of fluids. • Either a lined drilling pit or closed loop system will be implemented.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 04/09/2012 Email: Greg.J.Davis@Williams.com
Print Name: Greg Davis Title: Supervisor Permits

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: 5/4/2012

**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.

SITE SPECIFIC COAs:

Operator must implement best management practices to contain any unintentional release of fluids, including any fluids conveyed via temporary surface pipelines.

Reserve pit, or any other pit used to contain/hold fluids, if constructed, must be lined or a closed loop system (as indicated on the Form 2A Permit) must be implemented during drilling.

Operator must ensure secondary containment for any volume of fluids contained at well site during drilling and completion operations; including, but not limited to, construction of a berm or diversion dike, diversion/collection trenches within and/or outside of berms/dikes, site grading, or other comparable measures (i.e., best management practices (BMPs) associated with stormwater management) sufficiently protective of nearby surface water. Any berm constructed at the well pad location will be stabilized, inspected at regular intervals (at least every 14 days), and maintained in good condition.

Flowback and stimulation fluids must be sent to tanks, separators, or other containment/filtering equipment before the fluids can be placed into any pipeline or pit located on the well pad or into tanker trucks for offsite disposal. The flowback and stimulation fluid tanks, separators, or other containment/filtering equipment must be placed on the well pad in an area with additional downgradient perimeter berming. The area where flowback fluids will be stored/reused must be constructed to be sufficiently impervious to contain any spilled or released material.

The moisture content of any drill cuttings in a cuttings pit, trench, or pile shall be as low as practicable to prevent accumulation of liquids greater than de minimis amounts. At the time of closure, the drill cuttings must also meet the applicable standards of table 910-1.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
2034322	CORRESPONDENCE
400231697	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400237132	LOCATION PICTURES
400237133	LOCATION DRAWING
400237134	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400237135	HYDROLOGY MAP
400237136	REFERENCE AREA MAP
400237137	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400237138	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400237139	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
400237140	PROPOSED BMPs
400237141	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400237169	OTHER
400237432	SENSITIVE AREA DATA
400268582	MULTI-WELL PLAN

Total Attach: 15 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Checked "committed to a lease" per operator.	5/4/2012 10:45:41 AM
Permit	Amended 2A due to pad expansion. Location built. CPW & LGD passed. Public comments waived. Final Review--passed.	5/1/2012 3:19:53 PM
DOW	This project is an expansion of an existing well site, and falls within a Mule Deer Critical Winter Range SWH and an Elk Winter Concentration SWH. It is located on private land about 3.7 miles SW of Rifle. The existing WMP for Williams/WPX SOR, and BMPs provided in the 2A application fully address CPW wildlife and wildlife habitat concerns. Comments by Bill Buchholz, 24 April 2012	4/24/2012 3:36:45 PM
OGLA	Initiated/Completed OGLA Form 2A review on 04-22-12 by Dave Kubeczko; placed fluid containment, spill/release BMPs, lined pits/closed loop, moisture content cuttings, and flowback to tanks COAs on 04-22-12; passed by CPW on 04-24-12 with operator agreed to BMPs acceptable; passed OGLA Form 2A review on 05-01-12 by Dave Kubeczko; fluid containment, spill/release BMPs, lined pits/closed loop, moisture content cuttings, and flowback to tanks COAs.	4/22/2012 5:03:55 PM
LGD	passed	4/19/2012 4:14:30 PM

Total: 5 comment(s)

BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Drilling/Completion Operations	DRILLING/COMPLETIONS BMP's <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use centralized hydraulic fracturing operations.• Install and maintain adequate measures to exclude all types of wildlife (e.g., big game, birds, and small rodents) from all fluid pits (e.g., fencing, netting, and other appropriate exclusion measures).• Conduct well completions with drilling operations to limit the number of rig moves and traffic.

Planning	<p>PLANNING BMP's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share/consolidate corridors for pipeline ROWs to the maximum extent possible. • Maximize the utility of surface facilities by developing multiple wells from a single pad (directional drilling), and by co-locating multipurpose facilities (for example, well pads and compressors) to avoid unnecessary habitat fragmentation and disturbance of additional geographic areas. • Minimize newly planned activities and operations within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of any reservoir, lake, wetland, or natural perennial or seasonally flowing stream or river. • Avoid new surface disturbance and placing new facilities in key wildlife habitats in consultation with CDOW. • Minimize the number, length, and footprint of oil and gas development roads • Use existing roads where possible • Combine and share roads to minimize habitat fragmentation • Place roads to avoid obstructions to migratory routes for wildlife, and to avoid displacement of wildlife from public to private lands. • Design roads with visual and auditory buffers or screens (e.g., topographic barriers, vegetation, and distance). • Maximize the use of directional drilling to minimize habitat loss/fragmentation • Maximize use of remote completion/frac operations to minimize traffic • Maximize use of remote telemetry for well monitoring to minimize traffic • Restrict oil and gas activities as practical during critical seasonal periods
Interim Reclamation	<p>PRODUCTION/RECLAMATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove well pad and road surface materials that are incompatible with post-production land use and re-vegetation requirements • Use only certified weed-free native seed in seed mixes, except for non-native plants that benefit wildlife • Williams will use certified, weed free grass hay, straw, hay or other mulch materials used for the reseeding and reclamation of disturbed areas. • Install exclusionary devices to prevent bird and other wildlife access to equipment stacks, vents and openings. • Reduce visits to well-sites through remote monitoring (i.e. SCADA) and the use of multi-function contractors. • Avoid dust suppression activities within 300 feet of the ordinary high water mark of any reservoir, lake, wetland, or natural perennial or seasonally flowing stream or river where possible. • Install and use locked gates or other means to prevent unauthorized vehicular travel on roads and facility rights-of-way.
Site Specific	<p>Although this location is located within 500 ft. of perennial, ephemeral, or intermittent surface water according to USGS mapped surface waters, the attached Sensitive Area Determination concludes that the location is not within a sensitive area due to the low potential for impacts to surface water in the case of a facility release. However, in order to satisfy COGCC guidance requiring that all locations within 500 ft. of mapped surface water incorporate BMPs to protect that surface water, Williams will employ the following BMPs at this location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Williams will ensure 110 percent secondary containment for any volume of fluids contained at well site during drilling and completion operations. • Williams will implement best management practices to contain any unintentional release of fluids. • Either a lined drilling pit or closed loop system will be implemented.

Construction	<p>CONSTRUCTION BMP's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structures for perennial or intermittent stream channel crossings should be constructed using appropriately sized bridges or culverts • Design road crossings of streams to allow fish passage at all flows and to minimize the generation of sediment. • Construct retention basins and ponds that benefit wildlife
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Total: 5 comment(s)