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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:

**429828**

Expiration Date:

**08/02/2015**

☒ 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: Howard Harris

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4. Location Identification:

Name: Duggan Number: RWF 14-29

County: GARFIELD

Quarter: LOT 5 Section: 29 Township: 6S Range: 94W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 5415

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: 579 feet FSL, from North or South section line, and 582 feet FWL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 39.490206 Longitude: -107.918674 PDOP Reading: 1.8 Date of Measurement: 05/30/2008

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="13"/>	Production Pits: <input type="text"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="text"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="text" value="2"/>	Separators: <input type="text" value="13"/>	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" value="1"/>	Flare: <input type="text"/>
Gas Compressors: <input type="text"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="text"/>	Oil Tanks: <input type="text" value="2"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="text"/>	

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 08/01/2013 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 6.70  
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 09/01/2014 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.16  
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 5415 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, Evap & Backfill

## 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: 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: 1600, public road: 470, above ground utilit: 1700  
railroad: 2300, property line: 284

## 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, Potts Loam, 6 to 12 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### 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: 05/25/2011  
List individual species: Cheatgrass, Buffalograss, Brome, Sage

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: 644, water well: 491, depth to ground water: 241  
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:

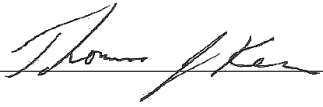
This Location Assessment is for the construction of the newly constructed RWF 14-29 well pad from which 13 new producing wells will be drilled. Surface and minerals are owned in fee. The location reference point for this pad is the RWF 513-29 well from which point all measurements are taken. Surface Use Agreement is attached to this form 2A.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 06/28/2012 Email: howard.Harris@WPXENERGY.com

Print Name: Howard Harris Title: Sr. 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:  Director of COGCC Date: 8/3/2012

**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:**

Location is in a sensitive area because of proximity to surface water; therefore, 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.

Operator must implement best management practices to contain any unintentional release of fluids, including any fluids conveyed via temporary surface pipelines or buried permanent pipelines. Additional containment shall be required where temporary pumps and other necessary equipment or chemicals are located.

Location is in a sensitive area because of the proximity to a water well; therefore either a lined drilling pit or closed loop system (which WPX has indicated on the Form 2A) must be implemented.

Location is in a sensitive area because of the proximity to a water well; therefore production pits, or any pit constructed to hold fluids, must be lined.

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, if the drill cuttings are to be left onsite, they must also meet the applicable standards of table 910-1.

The access road will be constructed to prevent sediment migration from the access road to nearby surface water or any drainages leading to other nearby surface waters.

The location is in an area of moderate to high runoff/run-on potential at the proposed pad area from steep areas to the north-northeast toward the Colorado River; therefore the pad shall be constructed as quickly as possible and appropriate BMPs need to be in place both during and after well pad construction, as well as during all drilling and well completion operations. Standard stormwater BMPs must be implemented at this location to insure compliance with CDPHE and COGCC requirements and to prevent any stormwater run-on and /or stormwater runoff. Slopes with potential for runoff should be stabilized immediately following pad construction.

**Attachment Check List**

Att Doc Num	Name
400284140	CORRESPONDENCE
400285495	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400285496	PROPOSED BMPs
400285497	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
400285498	HYDROLOGY MAP
400285499	LOCATION DRAWING
400285501	LOCATION PICTURES
400285502	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400285503	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400285504	REFERENCE AREA MAP
400285506	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400285507	SENSITIVE AREA DATA
400300926	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 13 Files

**General Comments**

<b>User Group</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Comment Date</b>
Permit	No LGD or public comments. Final Review-passed.	3/3/2012 2:47:58 PM
OGLA	Initiated/Completed OGLA Form 2A review on 08-03-12 by Dave Kubeczko; placed fluid containment, spill/release BMPs, flowback to tanks only, cuttings low moisture content, lined pit/closed loop, access road and pad sediment control/BMPs COAs; changed to sensitive area (<1320' from Colorado River and <660' from water well); passed by CPW on 07-09-12 with WMP and BMPs acceptable; passed OGLA Form 2A review on 08-03-12 by Dave Kubeczko; fluid containment, spill/release BMPs, flowback to tanks only, cuttings low moisture content COAs.	8/3/2012 12:48:59 PM
DOW	This new well pad is located about 6 miles SW of Rifle and 500 feet south of the CO River. It falls within the boundary of a CPW-Williams Wildlife Mitigation Plan (South of the River WMP). The site falls inside a Mule Deer Critical Winter Range and Bald Eagle Winter Night Roost Site SWH area. The BMPs as submitted by the operator and the BMPs contained in the Wildlife Mitigation Plan are appropriate for the site and species effected.  by Bill Buchholz on 9 July 2012.	7/9/2012 4:08:55 PM
LGD	Passed DB	7/2/2012 12:43:25 PM
Permit	Operator made corrections.	6/29/2012 8:30:37 AM
Permit	Returned to draft. Surface owner "is mineral owner" box not checked (the right to construct is given by O&G lease) Surface Use Agreement attachment is an Access Road Map	6/28/2012 2:57:45 PM

Total: 6 comment(s)

## BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Final Reclamation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove well pad and road surface materials that are incompatible with post-production land use and re-vegetation requirements</li> <li>• Use only certified weed-free native seed in seed mixes, except for non-native plants that benefit wildlife</li> <li>• Williams will use certified, weed free grass hay, straw, hay or other mulch materials used for the reseeding and reclamation of disturbed areas.</li> <li>• Install exclusionary devices to prevent bird and other wildlife access to equipment stacks, vents and openings.</li> <li>• Reduce visits to well-sites through remote monitoring (i.e. SCADA) and the use of multi-function contractors.</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>
Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Share/consolidate corridors for pipeline ROWs to the maximum extent possible.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Avoid new surface disturbance and placing new facilities in key wildlife habitats in consultation with CPW.</li> <li>• Minimize the number, length, and footprint of oil and gas development roads</li> <li>• Use existing roads where possible</li> <li>• Combine and share roads to minimize habitat fragmentation</li> <li>• Place roads to avoid obstructions to migratory routes for wildlife, and to avoid displacement of wildlife from public to private lands.</li> <li>• Maximize the use of directional drilling to minimize habitat loss/fragmentation</li> <li>• Maximize use of remote completion/frac operations to minimize traffic</li> <li>• Maximize use of remote telemetry for well monitoring to minimize traffic</li> <li>• Restrict oil and gas activities as practical during critical seasonal periods</li> </ul>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use centralized hydraulic fracturing operations.</li> <li>• 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).</li> <li>• Conduct well completions with drilling operations to limit the number of rig moves and traffic.</li> </ul>

Total: 3 comment(s)