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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#: 428367

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:

428367

Expiration Date:

02/25/2016

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: MARI CLARK
 Phone: (303) 228-4413
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4. Location Identification:

Name: Wells Ranch AA Number: 24-64HN
 County: WELD
 Quarter: SWSW Section: 24 Township: 6N Range: 63W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4831

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: 893 feet FSL, from North or South section line, and 239 feet FWL, from East or West section line.
 Latitude: 40.467190 Longitude: -104.393700 PDOP Reading: 1.7 Date of Measurement: 06/01/2012
 Instrument Operator's Name: Adam Kelly

5. Facilities (Indicate the number of each type of oil and gas facility planned on location):

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| Special Purpose Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> | Drilling Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> | Wells: <input type="text" value="10"/> | 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="10"/> | 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: 10 - 3 PHASE FLOW LINES FLOWING TO PRODUCTION FACILITY #427153.

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 03/22/2013 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 9.00
 Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 07/22/2013 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 2.00
 Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4831 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: 06/25/2012
 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: 5281, public road: 4395, above ground utility: 5281,
 railroad: 5281, property line: 239

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, 0-3 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: 74: Vona loamy sand, 5-9 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: 05/31/2012

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: 3260, water well: 5690, depth to ground water: 97

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 Suppl 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:

Ten well pad including new wells: Wells Ranch USX AA23-62-1HN, 63HN, 63-1HN, 64-1HN, and permitted wells: Wells Ranch AA24-62HN, 62-1HN, 63HN, 63-1HN, 64HN, 64-1HN. Wells Ranch AA24 wells placed 215 feet from fence per surface owner request. Wells Ranch AA23 wells placed on previously permitted pad per surface owner request. Nearest water well 5,690 feet North, Domestic, Receipt:#0495644, Permit: #243503, Depth: 366', Static Water Level: 97'. Nearest surface water is unnamed intermittent stream 3260' West. Production facility to be Wells Ranch AA24 Econode, #427153, to be located approximately 1500' North. Permitted. Use existing access road into Section 24. Surface owner is the same on both sides of the property line. NEI has permission to disturb on both sides of the property line. NEAREST BUILDING, ABOVE GROUND UTILITY & RAILROAD ARE ALL GREATER THAN 1 MILE. SEE FORM 2 DOC #400346211 FOR ASSOCIATED SUA. THE WELL WILL TEMPORARILY ENCOMPASS 9 ACRES DUE TO THE COMPLETION OF FRAC TANKS THAT WILL BE LOCATED TEMPORARILY ADJACENT TO THE WELL PAD WITH ONLY MINIMAL DISTURBANCE DURING THE COMPLETION PROCESS. THE SIZE OF THE LOCATION WILL THEN BE REDUCED TO THE NOTATED INTERIM RECLAMATION ACRES IN FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION, #2. THE REFERENCE AREA IS ON UNDISTURBED GROUND IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO AND WEST OF THE LOCATION AS SHOWN IN THE REFERENCE AREA PHOTO FACING WEST. Operator will participate in the Colorado Oil & Gas Association Voluntary Baseline Groundwater Quality Sampling Program.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 02/01/2013 Email: mclark@nobleenergyinc.com

Print Name: Mari Clark Title: Regulatory Analyst II

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: 2/26/2013

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 |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| 400346210 | FORM 2A SUBMITTED |
| 400376713 | ACCESS ROAD MAP |
| 400376714 | HYDROLOGY MAP |
| 400376715 | LOCATION DRAWING |
| 400376716 | LOCATION PICTURES |
| 400376717 | NRCS MAP UNIT DESC |
| 400376719 | REFERENCE AREA PICTURES |
| 400376721 | WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN |
| 400376781 | MULTI-WELL PLAN |

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

| <u>User Group</u> | <u>Comment</u> | <u>Comment Date</u> |
|--------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Permit | Final Review Completed. No LGD or public comment received. | 2/26/2013 9:38:21 AM |
| Permit | Initial review complete. Form 2A and 2's compared. | 2/11/2013 9:31:00 AM |
| OGLA | Initial review complete | 2/6/2013 1:11:02 PM |

Total: 3 comment(s)

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| Material Handling and Spill Prevention | Spill 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. |
| Drilling/Completion Operations | <p>Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed wellpath with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as-constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.</p> <p>During and Post stimulation: Noble Energy will comply with the COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated 5/29/12.</p> |
| Storm Water/Erosion Control | 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 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. |
| 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. |

Total: 4 comment(s)