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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:

432093

Expiration Date:

03/07/2016

☒ 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: 69175

Name: PDC ENERGY INC

Address: 1775 SHERMAN STREET - STE 3000

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80203

3. Contact Information

Name: Liz Lindow

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4. Location Identification:

Name: Thornton Number: 15E-HZ Pad

County: WELD

QuarterQuarter: NWNW Section: 15 Township: 7N Range: 66W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4970

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: 360 feet FNL, from North or South section line, and 285 feet FWL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 40.581500 Longitude: -104.772500 PDOP Reading: 1.5 Date of Measurement: 05/16/2012

Instrument Operator's Name: Thomas Carlson

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="4"/>	Production Pits: <input type="text"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="text"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="text"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="text" value="4"/>	Separators: <input type="text" value="4"/>	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" value="12"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="text"/>	

Other: 4 three-phase flowlines, 1 VRU, 1 treater

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 03/08/2013 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 6.00
 Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 06/08/2013 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 2.00
 Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4970 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: 04/23/2012
 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: 20090078 ☐ 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: 648, public road: 271, above ground utility: 382,
 railroad: 5280, property line: 255

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: 32: Kim loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: 33: Kim loam, 3 to 5 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: _____

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: 346 , water well: 1763 , depth to ground water: 23

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:

Water well permit #259-RDB was used to find depth to ground water. Drill cuttings will be land applied at PDC spread fields with COGCC Facility ID 430649 or 429629. Rig height is 119'. The Thornton 15E-232, Thornton 15E-432, Thornton 15F-212, Thornton 15F-432 will be drilled from this pad.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 02/08/2013 Email: liz.lindow@pdce.com

Print Name: Liz Lindow 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:  Director of COGCC Date: 3/8/2013

**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
2614225	LOCATION DRAWING
400312528	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400312555	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400312556	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400379478	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
400381403	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400381404	HYDROLOGY MAP
400381406	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400381407	LOCATION PICTURES

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Final review complete.	3/8/2013 7:59:52 AM
OGLA	Building at 648 feet is northwest of the well pad, outside the 400 foot radius from the edge of the disturbance; OGLA review complete	3/6/2013 9:42:37 AM
OGLA	Attached revised Location Drawing; requesting clarification on building at 648 feet	2/28/2013 7:48:13 AM
OGLA	Requested a revised Location Drawing	2/15/2013 2:14:27 PM
Permit	Ready to pass pending public comment 3/7/13.	2/14/2013 10:50:09 AM
Permit	Operator added well name to attachments. This form has passed completeness.	2/14/2013 7:18:02 AM
Permit	Returned to draft. Access Road Map, Hydrology Map, Location Drawing, Location Pictures and Multi-Well Plan do not show name of the pad (Thornton 15E-HZ)	2/11/2013 10:00:28 AM

Total: 7 comment(s)

BMP

<u>Type</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Storm Water/Erosion Control	This Stormwater Management Plan contains required elements associated with PDC's construction activities for Area 3, as defined in the CDPS General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activity, Authorization to Discharge Under the Colorado Discharge Permit System (Permit No. COR-030000, re-issued and effective July 1, 2007).BMPs for sediment and erosion control will be accomplished through a combination of construction techniques, vegetation and re-vegetation, administrative controls, and structural features.

Total: 1 comment(s)