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State of Colorado  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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Oil and Gas Location Assessment

☐ New Location ☐ Refile ☒ Amend Existing Location Location#: 316519

Submit signed original form. This Oil and Gas Location Assessment is to be submitted to the COGCC for approval prior to any ground disturbance activity associated with oil and gas operations. Approval of this Oil and Gas Location 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. Please see the COGCC website at <http://cogcc.state.co.us/> for all accompanying information pertinent this Oil and Gas Location Assessment.

Location ID:

**316519**

Expiration Date:

**05/20/2017**

☒ This location assessment is included as part of a permit application.

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.

Operator

Operator Number: 96850  
Name: WPX ENERGY ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC  
Address: 1001 17TH STREET - SUITE #1200  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Angela Neifert-Kraiser  
Phone: (303) 606-4398  
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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

☐ Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Gas Facility Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Waste Management Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Federal Number: RGU 41-8-298  
County: RIO BLANCO  
QuarterQuarter: NENE Section: 8 Township: 2S Range: 98W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 6753  
Define a single point as a location reference for the facility location. When the location is to be used as a well site then the point shall be a well location.  
Footage at surface: 1155 feet FNL from North or South section line  
710 feet FEL from East or West section line  
Latitude: 39.895523 Longitude: -108.408255  
PDOP Reading: 1.9 Date of Measurement: 03/14/2013  
Instrument Operator's Name: J KIRKPATRICK

## RELATED REMOTE LOCATIONS

(Enter as many Related Locations as necessary. Enter the Form 2A document # only if there is no established COGCC Location ID#)

This proposed Oil and Gas Location is:

LOCATION ID # FORM 2A DOC #

## FACILITIES

Indicate the number of each type of oil and gas facility planned on location

Wells	<u>9</u>	Oil Tanks	<u>3</u>	Condensate Tanks	<u>      </u>	Water Tanks	<u>5</u>	Buried Produced Water Vaults	<u>      </u>
Drilling Pits	<u>      </u>	Production Pits	<u>      </u>	Special Purpose Pits	<u>      </u>	Multi-Well Pits	<u>      </u>	Temporary Large Volume Above Ground Tanks	<u>      </u>
Pump Jacks	<u>      </u>	Separators	<u>9</u>	Injection Pumps	<u>      </u>	Cavity Pumps	<u>      </u>		
Gas or Diesel Motors	<u>      </u>	Electric Motors	<u>1</u>	Electric Generators	<u>      </u>	Fuel Tanks	<u>      </u>	Gas Compressors	<u>      </u>
Dehydrator Units	<u>      </u>	Vapor Recovery Unit	<u>      </u>	VOC Combustor	<u>1</u>	Flare	<u>      </u>	LACT Unit	<u>      </u>
								Pigging Station	<u>      </u>

## OTHER FACILITIES

Other Facility Type

Number

<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
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Per Rule 303.b.(3)C, description of all oil, gas, and/or water pipelines:

Existing gas infrastructure is adequate.  
1-4" flexsteel completions water supply line from Mautz ranch to pad. (8,430ft)  
1-4" flexsteel produced water supply line from pad to tie into 8" gas line at county road 83 & 24 Y. (8,430ft)  
Electricity will come Cty Rd 83 right up Cty Rd 68.

## CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 11/01/2015 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 6.50  
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 03/01/2016 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.12  
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 6752

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes

Is H<sub>2</sub>S anticipated? No

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: No

Will salt based mud (>15,000 ppm Cl) be used? No

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? No

## DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE Drilling Fluids Disposal Method: Recycle/reuse

Cutting Disposal: ONSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Cuttings trench

Other Disposal Description:

Spent drilling fluids are treated with a de-watering unit. Separated mud solids are disposed with the drill cuttings at a well pad location, or at an approved disposal trench. Separated water is re-used for drilling, or disposed at a permitted inj. well.

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? No

Reuse Facility ID:        or Document Number:       

Centralized E&P Waste Management Facility ID, if applicable:

## SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Name: BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Phone: 970-878-3800

Address: WHITE RIVER FIELD OFFICE

Fax: 970-878-3805

Address: 220 EAST MARKET STREET

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City: MEEKER State: CO Zip: 81641

Surface Owner: ☐ Fee ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Indian

Check all that apply. The Surface Owner: ☒ is the mineral owner

☒ is committed to an oil and Gas Lease

☒ has signed the Oil and Gas Lease

☐ is the applicant

The Mineral Owner beneath this Oil and Gas Location is: ☐ Fee ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Indian

The Minerals beneath this Oil and Gas Location will be developed from or produced to this Oil and Gas Location: Yes

The right to construct this Oil and Gas Location is granted by: oil and gas lease

Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: \_\_\_\_\_ Surface Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation \_\_\_\_\_

## CURRENT AND FUTURE LAND USE

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

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

## CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building: 5280 Feet  
Building Unit: 5280 Feet  
High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet  
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet  
Public Road: 517 Feet  
Above Ground Utility: 5280 Feet  
Railroad: 5280 Feet  
Property Line: 2633 Feet

### INSTRUCTIONS:

- All measurements shall be provided from center of nearest Well or edge of nearest Production Facility to nearest of each cultural feature as described in Rule 303.b.(3)A.  
- Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.  
- Building - nearest building of any type. If nearest Building is a Building Unit, enter same distance for both.  
- Building Unit, High Occupancy Building Unit, and Designated Outside Activity Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

## DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION INFORMATION

Check all that apply. This location is within a: ☐ Buffer Zone  
☐ Exception Zone  
☐ Urban Mitigation Area

- Buffer Zone - as described in Rule 604.a.(2), within 1,000' of a Building Unit.  
- Exception Zone - as described in Rule 604.a.(1), within 500' of a Building Unit.  
- Urban Mitigation Area - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

Pre-application Notifications (required if location is within 1,000 feet of a building unit):

Date of Rule 305.a.(1) Urban Mitigation Area Notification to Local Government: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rule 305.a.(2) Buffer Zone Notification to Building Unit Owners: \_\_\_\_\_

## SOIL

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.org/> 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: 73. Rentsac channery loam, 5 to 50 percent slopes.

NRCS Map Unit Name: 75. Rentsac-Piceance complex, 2 to 30 percent slopes.

NRCS Map Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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: 10/28/2013

List individual species: Westernwheatgrass, Basin Big Sagebrush, Wyoming Big Sagebrush, Utah Juniper

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): \_\_\_\_\_

## WATER RESOURCES

Is this a sensitive area: ☒ No ☐ Yes

Distance to nearest

downgradient surface water feature: 1369 Feet

water well: 11631 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 82 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

See Sensitive Area Determination Report

Is the location in a riparian area: ☒ No ☐ Yes

Was an Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit filed ☒ No ☐ Yes If yes attach permit.

Is the location within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer No 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## GROUNDWATER BASELINE SAMPLING AND MONITORING AND WATER WELL SAMPLING

Water well sampling required per Rule 609

## DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 604.a.(1)A. Exception Zone (within 500' of Building Unit)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(1)A. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location now within a Designated Setback as a result of Rule 604.a.)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(1)B. Exception Location (existing or approved Oil & Gas Location is within a Designated Setback due to Building Unit construction after Location approval)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(2) Exception Location (SUA or site-specific development plan executed on or before August 1, 2013)
- ☐ Rule 604.b.(3) Exception Location (Building Units constructed after August 1, 2013 within setback per an SUA or site-specific development plan)

## RULE 502.b VARIANCE REQUEST

- ☐ Rule 502.b. Variance Request from COGCC Rule or Spacing Order Number \_\_\_\_\_

ALL exceptions and variances require attached Request Letter(s). Refer to applicable rule for additional required attachments (e.g. waivers, certifications, SUAs).

## OPERATOR COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL

Comments

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 03/17/2014 Email: Angela.Neifert-Kraiser@wpenergy.com

Print Name: Angela Neifert-Kraiser 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:  Director of COGCC Date: 5/21/2014

### **Conditions Of Approval**

**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.**

#### **COA Type**

#### **Description**

	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 storage vessel 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 constructed to be sufficiently impervious to contain any spilled or released material and with additional downgradient perimeter berming.
	Notify the COGCC 48 hours prior to start of pad reconstruction/regarding (if necessary), rig mobilization, spud, pipeline testing, and start of hydraulic stimulation operations using Form 42 (the appropriate COGCC individuals will automatically be email notified, including the LGD for hydraulic stimulation operations).
	<p>Operator shall pressure test pipelines in accordance with Rule 1101.e.(1) prior to putting into initial service any temporary surface or permanent buried pipelines and following any reconfiguration of the pipeline network.</p> <p>Operator must routinely inspect the entire length of the surface pipeline to ensure integrity. Operator shall conduct daily inspections of surface poly pipeline routes for leaks during active transfer of fluids and implement best management practices to contain any unintentional release of fluids along all portions of the surface pipeline route where temporary pumps and other necessary equipment are located. Inspections shall be conducted by viewing the length of the pipeline; operator will endeavor to minimize surface disturbance during pipeline monitoring. The operator shall maintain records of inspections, findings and repairs, if necessary, for the life of the pipelines. In addition, pump stations along the surface poly or steel pipeline route will be continuously monitored when operating in order to swiftly respond to such a failure.</p> <p>Operator must ensure no release of fluids at all stream, intermittent stream, ditch, and drainage crossings. For these crossings: operator will ensure appropriate containment by either installing over-sized pipe "sleeves" which extend the length of the crossing and beyond to a distance deemed adequate to capture and/or divert any possible release of fluids and prevent fluids from reaching the stream or drainage; or installing over-sized pipe "sleeves" which extend the length of the crossing and installing shut off valves on either side of crossing instead of catchment basins.</p> <p>Operator will utilize, to the extent practical, all existing access and other public roads, and/or existing pipeline right-of-ways, when placing/routing the surface pipelines.</p>
	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 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.

## **Best Management Practices**

<b>No</b>	<b>BMP/COA Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	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>* Locate roads outside of drainages where possible and outside of riparian habitat.</li> <li>* Minimize the number, length, and footprint of oil and gas development roads</li> <li>* Use existing roads where possible</li> <li>* Combine utility infrastructure (gas, electric, and water) planning with roadway planning to avoid separate utility corridors</li> <li>* Combine and share roads to minimize habitat fragmentation</li> <li>* Where possible, consolidate pipeline and existing roadways, or roadways that are planned for development</li> <li>* Maximize the use of directional drilling to minimize habitat loss/fragmentation</li> <li>* Maximize use of remote telemetry for well monitoring to minimize traffic</li> </ul>
2	Drilling/Completion Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </ul>
3	Interim 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>* WPX Energy will use certified, weed free grass hay, straw, hay or other mulch materials used for the reseeded 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> </ul>

Total: 3 comment(s)

## **Attachment Check List**

<b>Att Doc Num</b>	<b>Name</b>
2106964	CORRESPONDENCE
400529564	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400570216	SENSITIVE AREA DATA
400570217	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400570218	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400570220	LOCATION PICTURES
400570247	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400570252	HYDROLOGY MAP
400570260	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400570265	REFERENCE AREA MAP
400570273	OTHER
400573373	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
400573374	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400573375	LOCATION DRAWING

Total Attach: 14 Files

### General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Final review completed. No LGD comments.	5/14/2014 2:13:17 PM
DOW	CPW affirms that the BMPs supplied by the operator on the Form 2A along with BLM stipulations applied to the federal permit for this location adequately address wildlife concerns.  Approved: Taylor Elm, 3/19/2014, 13:50	3/19/2014 1:49:33 PM
OGLA	Initiated/Completed OGLA Form 2A review on 03-18-14 by Dave Kubeczko; placed notification, fluid containment, spill/release BMPs, flowback to tanks only, and pipeline COAs; sent email to operator indicating COAs; passed by CPW on 03-19-14 with BLM stipulations and COAs acceptable; passed OGLA Form 2A review on 04-29-14 by Dave Kubeczko; notification, fluid containment, spill/release BMPs, flowback to tanks only, and pipeline COAs.	3/18/2014 5:21:04 PM
Permit	Passed completeness.	3/18/2014 10:41:36 AM
Permit	Operator made corrections to the attachments.	3/18/2014 10:41:09 AM
Permit	Returned to DRAFT. Requested operator combine the reference area pictures, location drawings, and constr. layout drawings.	3/18/2014 9:29:10 AM

Total: 6 comment(s)