



REGULATORY AUTHORITY

1990 December
COGCC
Cause 112 _ Order 85 _ Rule 10

2013 August
COGCC Rule 608 (e)

NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Braden Head Tests for 2014

Ignacio Blanco Field

May 2, 2014

(1) Conventional wells (2) conventional wells recompleted in the Fruitland coal and (3) water disposal/injection/pressure monitoring wells are required to be tested this year. Wells drilled specifically as a coal bed methane well (CBM) and not re-completed as a CBM will follow statewide rule 608 (e) for Braden head testing purposes. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC does require a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM for reporting purposes. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Submit a sundry notice pertaining to remedial action/mitigation within 30 days of the test
- Venting the Braden head access to atmosphere requires a Sundry Notice & approval for each well
- Shut in Braden head access valve(s) at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis *is not* required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the Braden head
(Access to remain ready/easily visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)
- BLM test procedures and tips are acceptable
- Submit all test results on COGCC form 17 (including BLM wells)
- Braden head test reports should be remitted to the COGCC-Denver office within 30 days of testing

- It is strongly recommend having tests completed by Oct 1 to avoid weather complications and area closures
- Tests submitted after February 1, 2015 are considered tardy

Mark Weems P.E.
Regional Engineer-SW Colorado

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us



REGULATORY AUTHORITY

1990 December
COGCC
Cause 112 _ Order 85 _ Rule 10

NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Braden Head Tests for 2013

Ignacio Blanco Field

February 14, 2013

Both conventional and CBM wells are required to be tested this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would still like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent Braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems P.E.
Regional Engineer-SW Colorado

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Braden Head Tests for 2011

Ignacio Blanco Field

September 27, 2012

Only CONVENTIONAL wells are required to be tested this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would still like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

DO NOT BRADENHEAD TEST ANY OF THE BP MONITORING WELLS SHOWN ON THE ATTACHED LIST!

THESE WELLS HAVE BEEN EXEMPTED FROM THE ORDER.

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

**Mark Weems P.E.
District Engineer-SW Colorado**

**Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us**



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Braden Head Tests for 2011

Ignacio Blanco Field

April 8, 2011

Both conventional and CBM wells are required to be tested this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would still like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems P.E.
District Engineer-SW Colorado

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Braden Head Tests for 2010

Ignacio Blanco Field

March 29, 2010

Just conventional wells are required to be tested this year and *no CBM wells*. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would still like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems P.E.
District Engineer-SW Colorado

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Braden Head Tests for 2009

Ignacio Blanco Field

March 27, 2009

It is required that both conventional & Fruitland Coal wells in the Ignacio Blanco Field be tested this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would still like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems P.E.
SW District Engineer

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Bradenhead Tests for 2008

Ignacio Blanco Field

May 30, 2008

It is required that only conventional wells in the Ignacio Blanco Field be tested this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems P.E.
SW District Engineer

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Bradenhead Tests for 2005

Ignacio Blanco Field

March 30, 2007

It is required that all wells in the Ignacio Blanco Field be tested this year (Fruitland and Conventional). State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems – Southwestern Area Engineer

**Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587**



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Bradenhead Tests for 2006

Ignacio Blanco Field

May 30, 2006

Authorization: December 7, 1990. Cause 112, Order 85, Rule 10.

Only Conventional gas wells and conventional gas wells re-completed to the Fruitland coal will require tests this year. **You do not need to test Fruitland coal wells this year.** State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to David Dillon in the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems – Southwestern Area Engineer

**Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587
mark.weems@state.co.us**



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Bradenhead Tests for 2005

Ignacio Blanco Field

March 15, 2005

It is required that all wells in the Ignacio Blanco Field be tested this year (Fruitland and Conventional). State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to David Dillon in the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & fittings that access the braden head
(Access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & fittings may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems – Southwestern Area Engineer

**Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587**



NOTICE TO OPERATORS

Bradenhead Tests for 2004

Ignacio Blanco Field

March 15, 2004

Only Conventional gas wells and conventional gas wells re-completed to the Fruitland coal** will require tests this year. You **do not** need to test **Fruitland coal wells** this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to David Dillon in the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & ftgs that access the braden head
(access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & ftgs may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Mark Weems – District Engineer

**Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587**



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Bill Owens, Governor
1120 Lincoln St., Suite 801
Denver, CO 80203
Phone: (303) 894-2100
FAX: (303) 894-2109
www.oil-gas.state.co.us

Bradenhead Tests for 2003

Ignacio Blanco Field

March 10, 2003

All wells will require tests this year. State and fee leases will be regulated by the COGCC. Federal and Indian leases will be regulated by the BLM. The COGCC would like to have a copy of the tests submitted to the BLM. Submit both COGCC and BLM tests to Bill McCaw in the COGCC-Denver office. **Do not send any tests to the COGCC-Durango office.**

Instructions for State and Fee Leases Only

- Vent braden head access valves all year long
- Shut in braden head access valves at least one week prior to test
- Gas analysis not required unless requested
- Do not bury pipes & ftgs that access the braden head (access to remain visible to inspector at all times)
- Pipes & ftgs may be housed but remain visible via easy access opening(s)

Sincerely,

Mark Weems – District Engineer

Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
50 Long Hollow Lane
Durango, CO 81301
970-259-4587