

FORM  
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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#: \_\_\_\_\_

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:

**441841**

Expiration Date:

**05/19/2018**

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: 100322  
Name: NOBLE ENERGY INC  
Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Justin Garrett  
Phone: (303) 228 4449  
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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009     Gas Facility Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Waste Management Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: 70 Ranch State Number: BB18-655 Multi  
County: WELD  
Quarter: NESE Section: 17 Township: 5N Range: 63W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4668

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: 2330 feet FSL from North or South section line  
520 feet FEL from East or West section line

Latitude: 40.398440 Longitude: -104.452910

PDOP Reading: 1.0 Date of Measurement: 11/04/2014

Instrument Operator's Name: Trevor Daley



## DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE Drilling Fluids Disposal Method: Land application

Cutting Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Beneficial reuse

Other Disposal Description:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? Yes

Reuse Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_ or Document Number: 2614238

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

## SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Name: 70 Ranch, LLC

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 8301 East Prentice Ave.

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: Greenwood State: CO Zip: 80111

Village

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: Surface Use Agreement

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

Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation 11/18/2014

## 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**

Provide the distance to the nearest cultural feature as measured from Wells or Production Facilities onsite.

|                                   | <b>From WELL</b> | <b>From PRODUCTION FACILITY</b> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Building:                         | 5280 Feet        | 5126 Feet                       |
| Building Unit:                    | 5280 Feet        | 5280 Feet                       |
| High Occupancy Building Unit:     | 5280 Feet        | 5280 Feet                       |
| Designated Outside Activity Area: | 5280 Feet        | 5280 Feet                       |
| Public Road:                      | 5280 Feet        | 5280 Feet                       |
| Above Ground Utility:             | 5280 Feet        | 5192 Feet                       |
| Railroad:                         | 5280 Feet        | 5280 Feet                       |
| Property Line:                    | 520 Feet         | 282 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.
- For measurement purposes only, Production Facilities should only include those items with an asterisk(\*) on the Facilities Tab.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR MULTI-WELL PADS AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES WITHIN DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATIONS ONLY:**

- Check this box if this Oil and Gas Location has or will have Production Facilities that serve multiple wells (on or offsite) and the Production Facilities are proposed to be located less than 1,000 feet from a Building Unit. *(Pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)E.i., the operator must evaluate alternative locations for the Production Facilities that are farther from the Building Unit, and determine whether those alternative locations were technically feasible and economically practicable for the same proposed development.)*
- By checking this box, I certify that no alternative placements for the Production Facilities, farther from the nearest Building Unit, were available based on the analysis conducted pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)E.i.

In the space below, explain rationale for siting the multi-well Production Facility(ies) that supports your Rule 604.c.(2)E.i determination. Attach documentation that supports your determination to this Form 2A.

**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 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: 69: Valent Sand, 0 to 3 percent slopes  
 NRCS Map Unit Name: 70: Valent Sand, 3 to 9 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: 11/04/2014

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

## WATER RESOURCES

Is this a sensitive area:  No  Yes

Distance to nearest

downgradient surface water feature: 5280 Feet

water well: 5280 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 25 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Based on GIS data and field verification, this location neither fell within the COGCC definition for groundwater sensitivity nor presented any extraneous significant circumstances.

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 318A

## 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**

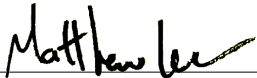
Comments

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 04/16/2015 Email: RegulatoryNotification@nobleenergyinc.com

Print Name: Justin Garrett 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: 5/20/2015

**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**

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|  | Operator shall minimize total area disturbed for this Oil and Gas Location disturbance size, consistent with Rule 1002.d. and 1002.e.  |
|  | Operator shall minimize post-completion disturbance per Rule 1003.   |
|  | Unnecessary or excessive flaring is prohibited. Operator shall direct all salable quality gas to a sales line as soon as practicable or be shut in and conserved per Rule 805.b.(3)B.v.    |
|  | Operator shall provide notice to COGCC 48 hours prior to commencing construction of this Oil and Gas Location via Form 42. Please note that this notice is now required under Rule 316C.c. |

## Best Management Practices

| <u>No</u> | <u>BMP/COA Type</u>                    | <u>Description</u>  |
|-----------|--|---|
| 1         | 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. |
| 2         | 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 Health 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 and maintained until the pad reaches final reclamation.  |
| 3         | 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.  |

Total: 3 comment(s)

## Attachment Check List

| <u>Att Doc Num</u> | <u>Name</u>             |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 400780141          | FORM 2A SUBMITTED       |
| 400824992          | SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY    |
| 400824993          | ACCESS ROAD MAP         |
| 400824995          | HYDROLOGY MAP           |
| 400824996          | LOCATION DRAWING        |
| 400824997          | LOCATION PICTURES       |
| 400824998          | MULTI-WELL PLAN         |
| 400825001          | REFERENCE AREA MAP      |
| 400825002          | REFERENCE AREA PICTURES |
| 400825004          | NRCS MAP UNIT DESC      |
| 400825007          | WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN   |

Total Attach: 11 Files

## General Comments

| <u>User Group</u> | <u>Comment</u>   | <u>Comment Date</u>      |
|-------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Permit            | Final Review Completed. No LGD or public comment received. | 5/20/2015<br>8:49:33 AM  |
| OGLA              | No Public Comments. OGLA review complete and task passed.  | 5/15/2015<br>12:54:05 PM |
| Permit            | Permit review complete.                                    | 4/30/2015<br>11:18:19 AM |
| Permit            | Passed completeness.                                       | 4/20/2015<br>12:49:54 PM |

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