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State of Colorado

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

☒ Drill ☐ Deepen ☐ Re-enter ☐ Recomplete and Operate

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____

Refiling ☐

ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐

Sidetrack ☐

Well Name: Simpson FD

Well Number: 16-379HN

Name of Operator: GREAT WESTERN OPERATING COMPANY LLC

COGCC Operator Number: 10110

Address: 1801 BROADWAY #500

City: DENVER

State: CO

Zip: 80202

Contact Name: Callie Fiddes

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20090080

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: SENE Sec: 15 Twp: 6N Rng: 67W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.487906

Longitude: -104.874281

Footage at Surface: 2286 feet FNL/FSL FNL 1131 feet FEL/FWL FEL

Field Name: WATTENBERG

Field Number: 90750

Ground Elevation: 4806

County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 12/22/2014 PDOP Reading: 1.4 Instrument Operator's Name: Dallas Nielsen

If well is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FNL/FWL Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL
306 FSL 460 FEL 306 FSL 470 FWL
Sec: 15 Twp: 6N Rng: 67W Sec: 16 Twp: 6N Rng: 67W

LOCATION SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

The Surface Owner is: ☐ is the mineral owner beneath the location.
(check all that apply) ☐ 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 by this Well: Yes

The right to construct the Oil and Gas Location is granted by: Surface Use Agreement

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

LEASE INFORMATION

Using standard QtrQtr, Sec, Twp, Rng format, describe one entire mineral lease that will be produced by this well (Describe lease beneath surface location if produced. Attach separate description page or map if necessary.)

Irregular lease description. Please see attached map.

Total Acres in Described Lease: 186 Described Mineral Lease is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Federal or State Lease # _____

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Lease Line of described lease: 0 Feet

CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building: 575 Feet
Building Unit: 1408 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit: 3457 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet
Public Road: 1117 Feet
Above Ground Utility: 344 Feet
Railroad: 5089 Feet
Property Line: 350 Feet

INSTRUCTIONS:

- All measurements shall be provided from center of the Proposed Well to nearest of each cultural feature as described in Rule 303.a.(5).
- 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: _____

SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Wellbore Permitted or Completed in the same formation: 187 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 460 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

S/2S/2 Sec 15, S/2S/2 Sec 16, N/2N/2 Sec 21, N/2N/2 Sec 22

The nearest wellbore in the same formation is the RBF 14-15D and the nearest penetrating objective formation is the Simpson FD 16-379HC

OBJECTIVE FORMATIONS

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
NIOBRARA	NBRR		640	GWA

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 15181 Feet

Distance to nearest permitted or existing wellbore penetrating objective formation: 50 Feet (Including plugged wells)

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H₂S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than

or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H2S Drilling Operations Plan)

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling? No

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

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? Yes

BOP Equipment Type: ☒ Annular Preventor ☒ Double Ram ☐ Rotating Head ☐ None

GROUNDWATER BASELINE SAMPLING AND MONITORING AND WATER WELL SAMPLING

Water well sampling required per Rule 318A

DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE Drilling Fluids Disposal Methods: Commercial Disposal

Cuttings Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Other Disposal Description:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? No

Reuse Facility ID: _____ or Document Number: _____

CASING PROGRAM

Casing Type	Size of Hole	Size of Casing	Wt/Ft	Csg/Liner Top	Setting Depth	Sacks Cmt	Cmt Btm	Cmt Top
CONDUCTOR	24	16	42	0	80	121	80	0
SURF	13+1/2	9+5/8	36	0	1700	707	1700	0
1ST	7+7/8	5+1/2	17	0	15181	1887	15181	0

☐ Conductor Casing is NOT planned

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)

GREATER WATTENBERG AREA LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☒ Rule 318A.a. Exception Location (GWA Windows).
- ☐ Rule 318A.c. Exception Location (GWA Twinning).

RULE 502.b VARIANCE REQUEST

☐ Rule 502.b. Variance Request from COGCC Rule or Spacing Order Number _____

OTHER LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 318.c. Exception Location from Rule or Spacing Order Number _____
- ☐ Rule 603.a.(2) Exception Location (Property Line Setback).

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 Windows waiver included as part of SUA.

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan _____ CDP #: _____

Location ID: 440858

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? _____ No


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

Signed: _____ Print Name: Callie Fiddes

Title: Regulatory Tech Date: 1/20/2015 Email: regulatorypermitting@gwogco.c

Operator must have a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use or purchased water from a seller that has a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use, otherwise an application for a change in type of use is required under Colorado law. Operator must also use the water in the location set forth in the water right decree or well permit, otherwise an application for a change in place of use is required under Colorado law. Section 37-92-103(5), C.R.S. (2011).

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: 6/17/2015

Expiration Date: 06/16/2017

API NUMBER

05 123 41675 00

Conditions Of Approval

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in the Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for this Form 2 Permit-to-Drill and are enforceable to the same extent as all other representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Permit-to-Drill.

COA Type

Description

- 1) Note surface casing setting depth change from 1000' to 1700'. Increase cement coverage accordingly and cement to surface.
- 2) Submit Form 42 electronically to COGCC 48 hours prior to MIRU.
- 3) Comply with Rule 317.i and provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log.
- 4) Comply with Rule 321. Run and submit Directional Survey from TD to base of surface casing. Ensure that the wellbore complies with setback requirements in commission orders or rules prior to producing the well.

Best Management Practices

<u>No</u>	<u>BMP/COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	General Housekeeping	General 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 storm water 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 will consist of patrolling the roadways, access areas, and other work areas to pick up trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly and promptly.
2	Drilling/Completion Operations	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 well path with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottom hole 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.
3	Drilling/Completion Operations	Great Western will comply with the "COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area", dated May 29, 2012
4	Drilling/Completion Operations	Open hole resistivity and gamma logs shall be run to describe the stratigraphy of the entire well bore and to adequately verify the setting depth of surface casing and aquifer coverage. On a multi-well pad, these open hole logs are only required on one of the first wells drilled on the pad and the Drilling Completion Report - Form 5 for every well on the pad shall identify which well was logged.

Total: 4 comment(s)

Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators

Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.

Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area.

Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
2238394	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
2238395	Proposed Spacing Unit
2238416	WELL LOCATION PLAT
400769099	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400769509	MINERAL LEASE MAP
400769510	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
400769516	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400775595	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
400839936	DIRECTIONAL DATA

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Engineer	Surface casing set at 1700' per operator request.	6/16/2015 2:25:12 PM

Permit	Final Review Completed. No public comment received.	3/9/2015 1:43:17 PM
Permit	Operator revised wellbore and Proposed Spacing Unit to eliminate objection.	5/21/2015 9:30:36 AM
Permit	ON HOLD - GWOG is working with RBF to resolve objection to Proposed Spacing Unit. Expected resolution by 4/30/15.	3/26/2015 8:37:10 AM
Engineer	Evaluated offset wells. No wells within 150'.	3/20/2015 2:30:39 PM
Permit	Operator revised open hole logging BMP.	3/11/2015 12:36:31 PM
Permit	PSU letter states no objections were received regarding the proposed spacing unit. RBF filed a valid objection to the PSU. Contacted GWOG to clarify. Logging BMP is not sufficient to meet requirements of Rule 317.p. Contacted operator to revise or submit open hole logging exception letter.	3/9/2015 11:42:49 AM
LGD	<p>Please be advised that the subject property is located within the Town's Growth Management Area (GMA).The Town's Comprehensive Plan states, "The GMA is intended to define those specific areas within the planning area where it is most logical to extend urban services in the near term, that is, within the next five to ten years."</p> <p>Below please find the conditions of approval that are typically applied to conditional use grants for oil and gas operations located within Town.Therefore, the Town recommends the following conditions be placed on the subject oil and gas facilities:</p> <p>CONDITIONS:</p> <p>1.Prior to the commencement of drilling, the applicant shall submit comprehensive "Drilling and Site Improvement Plans" for review and approval by the Town.Such plans shall address initial drilling activities, initial installation of site improvements and details, and on-going perpetual maintenance of the subject site including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <p>a.Site access plan.The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall address site access points and haul routes for review and approval.</p> <p>b.Public street clean-up and tracking prevention.The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall include a tracking pad for review and approval.</p> <p>c.Site grading.The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall address site grading, including any earth berms for emergency containment.</p> <p>d.Site lighting.The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall include details regarding site lighting fixtures and locations.Security and other site lighting shall utilize full cutoff light fixtures to mitigate light pollution.</p> <p>e.Temporary screening. The applicant shall install a buffer to screen the initial drilling activities and installation of site improvements from surrounding neighborhoods and streets. The temporary buffer shall include hay bales to enclose the drilling operations to provide noise mitigation.</p> <p>f.Permanent screening. Given the close proximity to residential neighbors, the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans shall depict proposed long-term screening materials including landscaping, earth berms and any other screening methods to mitigate visual impacts.</p> <p>g.Fencing.The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans shall depict fencing of the</p>	2/26/2015 2:40:31 PM

	<p>perimeter of the site. Fencing materials shall be reviewed for approval by the Town based upon the character of the surrounding neighborhood.</p> <p>h. Oil and gas equipment.</p> <p>(1) The applicant shall utilize electric motors in order to mitigate the noise impacts to the neighboring properties.</p> <p>(2) The applicant shall ensure that the wells and tanks are of the minimum size required to satisfy present and future functional requirements to mitigate visual impacts.</p> <p>(3) Low profile tanks shall be utilized and shall be installed in the least visible manner possible.</p> <p>(4) All tanks and equipment shall be painted to blend-in with the surrounding landscape.</p> <p>i. Air quality.</p> <p>(1) The applicant shall participate in any required Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) air quality monitoring and/or testing by allowing EPA to install equipment on site for said monitoring and testing.</p> <p>(2) The applicant shall install and operate an emissions control device (ECD) capable of reducing Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions on the subject oil and gas equipment in accordance with Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) and/or the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) rules and regulations.</p> <p>(3) The applicant shall submit to the Town copies of all air emissions reporting as required by the COGCC and/or the CDPHE's Air Pollution Control Division.</p> <p>j. Water quality.</p> <p>(1) The applicant shall ensure that any hydrocarbon discharges from the site comply with all state and federal water quality requirements.</p> <p>(2) The applicant shall provide test results from Groundwater Baseline Sampling and Monitoring required by COGCC Rule 318A.e(4) to the Town. (condition updated 10/28/13 to reflect updated COGCC rule)</p> <p>k. Emergency containment. The secondary containment berm surrounding all storage vessels shall be designed and constructed to contain a minimum of 110% of the volume of the largest vessel located within the containment area or to State of Colorado standards, whichever requirements are more stringent.</p> <p>l. Waste disposal. The applicant shall submit to the Town copies of all waste management reports as required by the COGCC and/or the CDPHE rules and regulations.</p> <p>m. The following certification blocks shall be included on the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans:</p> <p>(1) A signed owner's acknowledgement certification block.</p> <p>(2) A signed drilling operator's acknowledgement certification block.</p> <p>n. The following notes shall be included on the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans:</p> <p>(1) The applicant shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC).</p> <p>(2) The applicant shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).</p>		
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	<p>(3)The applicant shall maintain on-going compliance with all conditions of the Town and Windsor-Severance Fire Rescue.</p> <p>(4)The facilities shall be kept clean and otherwise properly maintained at all times.</p> <p>(5)If access to the site is proposed from a Town of Windsor street, such access point(s) shall require approval from the Town of Windsor Engineering Department and any required access improvements, street clean-up, tracking pads, etc., shall be addressed accordingly.</p> <p>2.The applicant shall address and comply with the conditions of Windsor-Severance Fire Rescue.</p> <p>ACCESS COMMENTS:</p> <p>If access to the site is proposed from a Town of Windsor street, such access point (s) shall require approval from the Town of Windsor Engineering Department and any required access improvements, street clean-up, tracking pads, etc., shall be addressed accordingly.</p>	
Permit	Changed BMP language per operator request. Passed completeness.	2/25/2015 9:32:56 AM
Permit	Distance from east line does not match well location plat. Proposed Total Measured Depth (MD) on 'Drilling & Waste Plans', 'Casing', and imported data does not match MD of Deviated Drilling Plan. Location ID missing from submit tab. Missing open hole logging BMP or 317.p. exception request. Return to draft.	2/20/2015 10:23:36 AM
Permit	Operator Requested Return to Draft	1/20/2015 3:00:18 PM

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