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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:

Expiration Date:

☒ 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: 10150

Name: BLACK HILLS PLATEAU PRODUCTION LLC

Address: 1515 WYNKOOP ST STE 500

City: DENVER    State: CO    Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Jessica Donahue

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email: Jessica.Donahue@blackhillscorp.com

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

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

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Winter Flats

Number: 10-31-99

County: MESA

Quarter: NWNE    Section: 10    Township: 9S    Range: 99W    Meridian: 6    Ground Elevation: 6096

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: 1115 feet FNL from North or South section line

2288 feet FEL from East or West section line

Latitude: 39.291940    Longitude: -108.424060

PDOP Reading: 1.4    Date of Measurement: 07/08/2013

Instrument Operator's Name: Paul Reid

## 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	4	Oil Tanks*	4	Condensate Tanks*		Water Tanks*	8	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	
Drilling Pits		Production Pits*		Special Purpose Pits		Multi-Well Pits*	1	Modular Large Volume Tanks	1
Pump Jacks		Separators*	4	Injection Pumps*		Cavity Pumps*		Gas Compressors*	
Gas or Diesel Motors*		Electric Motors		Electric Generators*		Fuel Tanks*		LACT Unit*	4
Dehydrator Units*		Vapor Recovery Unit*		VOC Combustor*		Flare*	1	Pigging Station*	1

## OTHER FACILITIES\*

Other Facility Type

Number

\*Those facilities indicated by an asterisk (\*) shall be used to determine the distance from the Production Facility to the nearest cultural feature on the Cultural Setbacks Tab.

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

One 10-inch poly pipeline may be installed for produced water removal.  
One 10-inch poly pipeline may be installed for water delivery to location.  
One 8-inch steel pipeline may be installed for gas transportation.

## CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 09/01/2015

Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 6.27

Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 09/15/2016

Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.26

Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 6094

## 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: Commercial Disposal

Cutting Disposal: ONSITE

Cuttings Disposal Method: Cuttings trench

Other Disposal Description:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted?

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: 970-244-3000

Address: 2815 H Road

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

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

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

City: Grand Junction State: CO Zip: 81506

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: No

The right to construct this Oil and Gas Location is granted by: Right of Way

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

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

	From WELL	From PRODUCTION FACILITY
Building:	5280 Feet	5280 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:	488 Feet	448 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Railroad:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Property Line:	5280 Feet	5280 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 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: 3-Barx loam- 3-12 % slopes

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

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: 07/24/2012

List individual species: Cheatgrass

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: 1134 Feet

water well: 5280 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 30 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

There are no water wells within several miles. The nearest one has a depth of 20', located in T8S R98W S7, approximately 7 miles away. The elevation at this well is ~5650'.

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 zone: No

If the location is within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer have all public water supply systems within 15 miles been notified:

Is the Location within a Floodplain? ☒ No ☐ Yes Floodplain Data Sources Reviewed (check all that apply)

☒ Federal (FEMA)

☐ State

☐ County

☐ Local

☐ Other

## 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 Reference area is directly adjacent to the proposed pad, therefore the reference area pictures are the same as the location pictures. The coordinates and footages used for this pad are for the Winter Flats 10-31-99AH.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 08/04/2015 Email: Jessica.Donahue@blackhillscorp.com

Print Name: Jessica Donahue Title: Regulatory Technician

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: \_\_\_\_\_

### 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.

### Best Management Practices

No BMP/COA Type

Description

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## Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
400861229	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400878921	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400878922	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
400878923	LOCATION DRAWING
400878933	FACILITY LAYOUT DRAWING
400878935	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400878936	LOCATION PICTURES
400878946	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400882513	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400882590	HYDROLOGY MAP
400882598	SURFACE OWNER CONSENT

Total Attach: 11 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	<p>Returned to draft.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.) Location Drawing attachment is mislabeled as "Other".</li><li>2.) Location Pictures attachment is mislabeled as "Reference Area Pictures".</li><li>3.) In the Water Resources tab at least one must be selected from the "Floodplain Data Sources Reviewed".</li><li>4.) Please add a comment in the Submit tab to define which well the coordinates/footages have been provided for the proposed location.</li><li>5.) Please add the Map Unit Symbol and the Slope Properties to the NRCS Map Unit Name in the Soil &amp; Plant Community tab.</li><li>6.) Reference Area Map attachment is missing.</li><li>7.) The right to construct is different than the submitted Form 2's.</li><li>8.) Reference Area Pictures attachment is missing.</li><li>9.) The Hydrology Map attachment does not follow the guidance document.</li></ol>	<p>8/10/2015 10:11:45 AM</p>

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