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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

Date Received:

10/01/2015

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____Refilling ☒ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐Sidetrack ☐

Well Name: Thornton

Well Number: 15E-332

Name of Operator: PDC ENERGY INC

COGCC Operator Number: 69175

Address: 1775 SHERMAN STREET - STE 3000

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80203

Contact Name: Kelsi Welch

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20090078

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NWNW Sec: 15 Twp: 7N Rng: 66W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.581750

Longitude: -104.772500

Footage at Surface: 270 feet FNL/FSL FNL 285 feet FEL/FWL FWL

Field Name: WATTENBERG

Field Number: 90750

Ground Elevation: 4967

County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 07/21/2015 PDOP Reading: 1.4 Instrument Operator's Name: Brian Rottinghaus

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

 189 FNL 820 FWL 200 FNL 500 FEL
 Sec: 15 Twp: 7N Rng: 66W Sec: 15 Twp: 7N Rng: 66W

LOCATION SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Surface Ownership: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ IndianThe 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: oil and gas lease

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.)

N2 of Section 15 T7N R66W

Total Acres in Described Lease: 320 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: 189 Feet

CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building: 603 Feet

Building Unit: 603 Feet

High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet

Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet

Public Road: 257 Feet

Above Ground Utility: 313 Feet

Railroad: 5280 Feet

Property Line: 231 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: 07/14/2014

SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Wellbore Permitted or Completed in the same formation: 455 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 500 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

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

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

N2N2 of Sec. 15 and S2S2 of Sec. 10, T7N R66W

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		320	GWA

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 11904 Feet

Distance to nearest permitted or existing wellbore penetrating objective formation: 455 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? No

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: Land application

Cuttings Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Beneficial reuse

Other Disposal Description:

Drill cuttings will be land applied at PDC spread fields with COGCC Facility ID 429629, 430649, 431183, 434889, or 436033.

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? Yes

Reuse Facility ID: 429629 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
SURF	13+3/4	9+5/8	36	0	875	830	875	0
1ST	8+3/4	7	26	0	7893	650	7893	0
1ST LINER	6+1/8	4+1/2	13.5	6682	11904			

☒ 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	<p>Please note the well name change (formally Thornton 15E-232).</p> <p>7" casing string will be cemented to surface. CBL will only be run in the vertical section of the wellbore. Distance to nearest well, Thornton 15E-432, measured to via the Anti-Collision Report in the Deviated Drilling plan.</p> <p>I certify that there has been no changes on land use, lease description. This pad and access road has been built. There will be no additional surface disturbance. The location does not require a variance from any of the rules listed in Rule 306.d.(1).(A).(ii). The location is not within a wildlife Restricted Surface Occupancy Area. No Form 2A required.</p> <p>Pre-Application Notice Certification attached as other.</p>
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This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan _____ CDP #: _____

Location ID: 432093

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: Kelsi Welch

Title: Regulatory Analyst Date: 10/1/2015 Email: kelsi.welch@pdce.com

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: _____

Expiration Date: _____

API NUMBER

05 123 36948 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

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Best Management Practices

No BMP/COA Type

Description

1	Drilling/Completion Operations	One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with openhole Resistivity Log and Gamma Ray Log from the kick-off point into the surface casing. All wells on the pad will have a cement bond log with gamma-ray run on production casing (or on intermediate casing if production liner is run) into the surface casing. The horizontal portion of every well will be logged with a measured-while-drilling gamma-ray log. The Form 5, Completion Report, for each well on the pad will list all logs run and have those logs attached. The Form 5 for a well without open-hole logs shall clearly state "No open-hole logs were run" and shall clearly identify (by API#, well name & number) the well in which openhole logs were run.
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Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
400909635	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
400909637	WELL LOCATION PLAT
400909640	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
400909641	DIRECTIONAL DATA
400909644	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT
400909708	OTHER
400910963	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
400910968	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST

Total Attach: 8 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Passed completeness.	10/6/2015 8:45:38 AM
Permit	Returned to Draft: Missing Exception Location Request and Waiver	10/2/2015 1:03:06 PM

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