

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

Date Received:

Well Name: Gillham Well Number: 18X-102

Name of Operator: PDC ENERGY INC COGCC Operator Number: 69175

Address: 1775 SHERMAN STREET - STE 3000

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80203

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE
Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20090078

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: SESE Sec: 18 Twp: 5N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.394324 Longitude: -104.585099

Footage at Surface: 884 feet FNL/FSL FSL 474 feet FEL/FWL FEL

Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750

Ground Elevation: 4625 County: WELD

GPS Data:
Date of Measurement: 07/23/2015 PDOP Reading: 2.2 Instrument Operator's Name: Jason Dahlman

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

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

1179 FSL 233 FEL 1126 FSL 500 FEL

Sec: 18 Twp: 5N Rng: 64W Sec: 17 Twp: 5N Rng: 64W

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.)

T5N-R64W: Section 18: S2 SE

Total Acres in Described Lease: 80 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: 677 Feet
Building Unit: 677 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet
Public Road: 470 Feet
Above Ground Utility: 578 Feet
Railroad: 3987 Feet
Property Line: 439 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: 10/06/2015

SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Wellbore Permitted or Completed in the same formation: 103 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

T5N-R64W Section 17: S2, Section 18: E2 SE

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		400	GWA

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 12093 Feet

Distance to nearest permitted or existing wellbore penetrating objective formation: 103 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	12+1/4	9+5/8	36	0	875	830	875	0
1ST	8+3/4	7	26	0	7067	650	7067	500
1ST LINER	6+1/8	4+1/2	13.5	5936	12093			

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 7" casing string will be cemented to surface. CBL will only be run in the vertical section of the wellbore.

PDC requests an exception to rule 317.p.: PDC will run a cased hole log.

The proposed wells Gillham 18X-232, 18X-332, 18Y-202, 18Y-312 will have a treated interval less than 150' from the treated interval of the subject location. All wells are owned by PDC Energy, Inc. so no stimulation setback consent is needed.

Building Unit owners waived requirements per Rules 305.a., 305.c., 306.e, 604.c.(2).A-W., and the MIRU policy. Letter to Director and Waivers attached.

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

Location ID: _____

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? _____ Yes

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

Signed: _____ Print Name: Venessa Langmacher

Title: Senior Regulatory Tech Date: _____ Email: venessa.langmacher@pdce.co

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

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.

Best Management Practices

No	BMP/COA Type	Description
1	Drilling/Completion Operations	Bradenhead Operator will comply with COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated May 29, 2012. The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) has established this Policy Regarding Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments ("Treatment") in the Greater Wattenberg Area ("GWA") pursuant to COGCC 207.a. ("Policy"). This Policy applies to oil and gas operations in the GWA as defined by the COGCC Rules of Practice and Procedure.

2	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Anti-Collision 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 wellpath with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole 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.</p>
3	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>LOGGING One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with Cased hole Pulsed Neutron Log with Gamma Ray Log from TD 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 in that well and have those logs attached. The Form 5 for each well shall clearly state "No open-hole logs were run" and shall reference the Rule 317.p Exception granted for the well.</p>
4	Noise mitigation	<p>604c.(2).A. Noise: WELL PAD: PDC has conducted baseline noise surveys for all drilling rigs that are being contracted and has also conducted a baseline noise survey for hydraulic fracture stimulation operations on a representative horizontal well. These baseline surveys are utilized for site specific noise modeling to determine if any mitigation measures are warranted. A review was conducted to identify potential receptors within 1000 feet of the proposed pad site. There are three (3) building units of concern located 623' SE, 630' SE and 660' S. Light and sound mitigation will be installed to the South and Southeast of the proposed location. Methods of noise mitigation shall include but not be limited to hay bales, sound walls, or customized semi-trailers. PRODUCTION FACILITIES: It is not anticipated that noise mitigation will be necessary at the proposed tank battery location. After construction is completed, equipment installed and production begins, noise levels will be assessed to determine if mitigation measures will be required to be compliant with Rule 802.</p>
5	Planning	<p>604c.(2).S. Access Roads: PDC will utilize an improved lease access road off of WCR 51 (gravel) for all heavy truck traffic and rig moves along with drilling operations and maintenance equipment. The lease access road will be properly constructed and maintained to accommodate for local emergency vehicle access. Dust will be mitigated as necessary on lease access road.</p>
6	Planning	<p>604c.(2).V. Development From Existing Well Pads: An existing pad was not available to utilize to develop these wells.</p>
7	Planning	<p>604.c.(2).W. Site Specific Measures: Lights should be turned downward and away from building units within the 1,000 foot buffer area. Dust mitigation will be provided as necessary on lease access roads.</p>
8	Planning	<p>805.b(1)-(c) Odors and Dust: Oil and gas facilities and equipment will operate in a manner that odors and dust do not constitute a nuisance or hazard to public welfare. Odors: Oil and gas operations will be in compliance with the Department of Public Health and Environment, Air Quality Control Commission, Regulation No. 2 Odor Emission, 5 C.C.R. 1001-4, Regulation No. 3 (5 C.C.R. 1001-5), and Regulation No. 7 Section XVII.B.1 (a-c) and Section XII. Dust; PDC will employ practices for control of fugitive dust caused by operations include but not limited to the use of speed restrictions, regular road maintenance, restriction of construction activity during high-wind days, and silica dust controls when handling sand used in hydraulic fracturing operations. When necessary, PDC coordinates dust mitigation with the county on gravel roads, places road base where allowed by surface owner around tanks and wellheads to minimize dust, and will water the roads and locations when dry. In addition, automation is used on all new wells to minimize truck traffic.</p>

9	Planning	604c.(2).C. Green Completions: Flowlines, 48" HLPs, sand traps all capable of supporting green completions as described in rule 805 shall be installed at any Oil and Gas location at which commercial quantities of gas and or oil are reasonable expected to be produced based on existing wells. All green flow back equipment will be able to handle more than 1.5 times the amount of any know volumes in the surrounding field. First sign of salable gas will be put into production equipment and turned down line.
10	Planning	If required by the local government, a traffic plan shall be coordinated with the local jurisdiction prior to commencement of move in and rig up. Any subsequent modification to the traffic plan must be coordinated with the local jurisdiction.
11	Drilling/Completion Operations	Blowout prevention equipment for drilling operations in a Designated Setback Location shall consist of (at a minimum): i. Rig with Kelly. Double ram with blind ram and pipe ram; annular preventer or a rotating head. ii. Rig without Kelly. Double ram with blind ram and pipe ram. Mineral Management certification or Director approved training for blowout prevention shall be required for at least one (1) person at the well site during drilling operations.
12	Drilling/Completion Operations	Upon initial rig-up and at least once every thirty (30) days during drilling operations thereafter, pressure testing of the casing string and each component of the blowout prevention equipment including flange connections shall be performed to seventy percent (70%) of working pressure or seventy percent (70%) of the internal yield of casing, whichever is less. Pressure testing shall be conducted and the documented results shall be retained by the operator for inspection by the Director for a period of one (1) year. Activation of the pipe rams for function testing shall be conducted on a daily basis when practicable.
13	Drilling/Completion Operations	i. Adequate blowout prevention equipment shall be used on all well servicing operations. ii. Backup stabbing valves shall be required on well servicing operations during reverse circulation. Valves shall be pressure tested before each well servicing operation using both low-pressure air and high-pressure fluid.
14	Planning	Any material not in use that might constitute a fire hazard shall be removed a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from the wellhead, tanks and separator. Any electrical equipment installations inside the bermed area shall comply with API RP 500 classifications and comply with the current national electrical code as adopted by the State of Colorado.
15	Planning	All loadlines shall be bullplugged or capped.
16	General Housekeeping	All surface trash, debris, scrap or discarded material connected with the operations of the property shall be removed from the premises or disposed of in a legal manner.
17	Planning	All guy line anchors left buried for future use shall be identified by a marker of bright color not less than four (4) feet in height and not greater than one (1) foot east of the guy line anchor.
18	General Housekeeping	Within ninety (90) days after a well is plugged and abandoned, the well site shall be cleared of all non-essential equipment, trash, and debris. For good cause shown, an extension of time may be granted by the Director.

Total: 18 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
400929079	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
400932372	DIRECTIONAL DATA
400932374	OTHER
400932377	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
400932378	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT
400932379	WELL LOCATION PLAT
400932380	30 DAY NOTICE LETTER
400932381	OPEN HOLE LOGGING EXCEPTION
400932384	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
400932385	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
400932386	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
400932387	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
400932388	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 13 Files

General Comments

User Group	Comment	Comment Date

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