

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#: 324310

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:

**324310**

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: 10456  
Name: CAERUS PICEANCE LLC  
Address: 600 17TH STREET #1600N  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

☐ Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20130021 ☐ Gas Facility Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Waste Management Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Battlement Mesa Number: 36B-795  
County: GARFIELD  
QuarterQuarter: NWNW Section: 36 Township: 7S Range: 95W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 8679  
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: 693 feet FNL from North or South section line  
2121 feet FWL from East or West section line  
Latitude: 39.398211 Longitude: -107.943966  
PDOP Reading: 1.9 Date of Measurement: 12/10/2015  
Instrument Operator's Name: Robert Wood

## 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	16	Oil Tanks*		Condensate Tanks*	4	Water Tanks*	8	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	
Drilling Pits		Production Pits*		Special Purpose Pits		Multi-Well Pits*		Modular Large Volume Tanks	
Pump Jacks		Separators*	15	Injection Pumps*	1	Cavity Pumps*		Gas Compressors*	
Gas or Diesel Motors*	1	Electric Motors		Electric Generators*	1	Fuel Tanks*		LACT Unit*	
Dehydrator Units*		Vapor Recovery Unit*		VOC Combustor*	1	Flare*	1	Pigging Station*	

## 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:

Sub surface flow-lines for new wells from wellhead to separators and from separators to water and oil tanks will be 2" steel. A 8" gas sales line was previously installed.

## CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 09/01/2016

Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 3.59

Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 03/01/2017

Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.48

Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 8675

## 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: ONSITE

Drilling Fluids Disposal Method: Recycle/reuse

Cutting Disposal: ONSITE

Cuttings Disposal Method: Beneficial reuse

Other Disposal Description:

Waste Management Plan attached to Form 2A.

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: Caerus Piceance LLC

Phone: 303-565-4600

Address: 600 17th Street, Suite 1600N

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

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

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

City: Denver State: CO Zip: 80202

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: applicant is owner

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): Existing Well Pad

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): Existing Well Pad

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:	2620 Feet	2634 Feet
Building Unit:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	1473 Feet	1527 Feet
Public Road:	1347 Feet	1400 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	3144 Feet	3167 Feet
Railroad:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Property Line:	564 Feet	552 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 (onl 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: Map Unit Description # 17 - Cochetopa loam, 9 to 50 percent slopes MLRA 48A

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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: 633 Feet

water well: 2622 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 40 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Permit # 201786 - Weldon, Cary - Aquifer: GW - Static Water Level 43'

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: This pad was previously built and has existing producing wells. Caerus Piceance LLC plans for minimal construction and will not do any expansion beyond the proposed area of disturbance.

There are a total of 16 well slots on this pad. There are 8 proposed fee wells. There is 1 SWD well which will be permitted at a later date.

Also, there are an additional 7 wells proposed for future planning (2017). Currently, there is 1 producing well operated by Caerus.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: rhaddock@caerusoilandgas.com

Print Name: Reed Haddock Title: Sr. Regulatory Specialist

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.

### COA Type

### Description

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## Best Management Practices

No	BMP/COA Type	Description
1	Planning	<p>Minimize the number, length, and footprint of oil and gas development roads. Use existing roads where possible.</p> <p>Maximize the use of directional drilling to minimize habitat loss/fragmentation.</p> <p>Maximize use of long-term centralized tank batteries to minimize traffic.</p> <p>Maximize use of remote completion/frac operations to minimize traffic.</p> <p>Maximize use of remote telemetry for well monitoring to minimize traffic.</p>
2	General Housekeeping	<p>Caerus will comply with Rule 609 Statewide Groundwater Baseline Sampling and Monitoring.</p> <p>Caerus will comply with Rule 603.f statewide equipment, weeds, waste, and trash requirements.</p>
3	Wildlife	<p>March 2015 - Caerus Piceance LLC (Caerus) formally requested and received authorization from Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) to transfer the Noble Energy, Inc. (Noble) Wildlife Mitigation Plan Agreement (WMPA) to Caerus' existing WMPA. Caerus is currently adhering to all aspects of both WMPAs through Caerus' current best management practices.</p> <p>All garbage and any food items will be placed in bear proof trash containers.</p>
4	Storm Water/Erosion Control	<p>Stormwater is addressed under a field-wide Stormwater Management Plan (CDPHE Certification #COR039527).</p> <p>Run-on protection and run-off controls will be installed prior to the beginning of construction activities, as practicable, with consideration given to worker safety, wildlife, and site access.</p>
5	Construction	<p>Stockpiles for topsoil and excess cut material will be located in work areas surrounded by a BMP.</p> <p>Stormwater BMPs will be installed per details in the Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP).</p> <p>Disturbed area of site will be left in a surface roughened condition when feasible.</p> <p>BMPs will be protected, inspected and repaired as necessary.</p> <p>Dust mitigation practices will be utilized.</p> <p>New flowline installations will be performed in accordance with new flowline guidance provided by the COGCC concerning Rules 1101 and 1102.</p> <p>Berms or other containment devices shall be constructed to be sufficiently impervious (corrugated steel with synthetic liner) to adequately contain any spilled or released material around crude oil, condensate, and produced water storage tanks, while also ensuring the adequate prevention of significant adverse environmental impacts.</p>
6	Interim Reclamation	<p>Once all topsoil has been distributed across the site, the location is then seeded by drill seeding methods or broadcast seeding.</p> <p>Re-vegetation is accomplished as soon as practical following the preparation of a site for final stabilization. Seeding will be done when seasonal or weather conditions are most favorable.</p> <p>On terrain where drill seeding is appropriate, seed may be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting.</p>
7	Final Reclamation	<p>Re-contouring: The disturbed areas surrounding the well location, including the access road will be re-contoured to blend as nearly possible with the natural topography. Final grading of back-filled and cut slopes will be done to prevent erosion and encourage establishment of vegetation. Existing drainages will be re-established.</p> <p>Re-vegetation: The long term objective is to establish a self-perpetuating plant community that is compatible with and capable of supporting the identified land use.</p> <p>Noxious weeds will be treated in accordance with applicable COGCC rules.</p>

Total: 7 comment(s)

## Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
400982424	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
400985772	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400985773	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
400985774	HYDROLOGY MAP
400985776	LOCATION PICTURES
400985778	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400985780	LOCATION DRAWING
400985781	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400985784	REFERENCE AREA MAP
400985793	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
400986012	FACILITY LAYOUT DRAWING
400986014	PROPOSED BMPS

Total Attach: 12 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>

Total: 0 comment(s)