

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#: _____

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:

445862

Expiration Date:

05/25/2019

☒ 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: 1001 17TH STREET #1600

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Reed Haddock

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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: Mesa Number: P24-697

County: GARFIELD

QuarterQuarter: SESE Section: 24 Township: 6S Range: 97W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 8168

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: 630 feet FSL from North or South section line

676 feet FEL from East or West section line

Latitude: 39.502986 Longitude: -108.161794

PDOP Reading: 1.3 Date of Measurement: 12/14/2015

Instrument Operator's Name: Brian Baker

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	<u>31</u>	Oil Tanks*	<u> </u>	Condensate Tanks*	<u>4</u>	Water Tanks*	<u>8</u>	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	<u> </u>
Drilling Pits	<u> </u>	Production Pits*	<u> </u>	Special Purpose Pits	<u> </u>	Multi-Well Pits*	<u> </u>	Modular Large Volume Tanks	<u> </u>
Pump Jacks	<u> </u>	Separators*	<u>30</u>	Injection Pumps*	<u>1</u>	Cavity Pumps*	<u> </u>	Gas Compressors*	<u> </u>
Gas or Diesel Motors*	<u>1</u>	Electric Motors	<u> </u>	Electric Generators*	<u>1</u>	Fuel Tanks*	<u> </u>	LACT Unit*	<u> </u>
Dehydrator Units*	<u> </u>	Vapor Recovery Unit*	<u> </u>	VOC Combustor*	<u>1</u>	Flare*	<u>1</u>	Pigging Station*	<u> </u>

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" steel gas sales line will be installed.

CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 09/01/2016 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 7.74
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 03/01/2017 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 2.54
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 8150

DRILLING PROGRAM

Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes

Is H₂S 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: Puckett Land Company

Phone:

Address: 5460 South Quebec St.

Fax: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

City: Greenwood State: CO Zip: 80111
Village

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: oil and gas lease

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:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Railroad:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Property Line:	2095 Feet	2038 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 (onll 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: 57. Parachute-Rhone loams, 5 to 30 percent slopes.

NRCS Map Unit Name: 71. Utsa-rock outcrop complex, 40 to 90 percent slopes.

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: 1372 Feet

water well: 4195 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 200 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Permit # 271290 - Puckett Land Co. - TD 500' - Static Water Level 260';
Due to the highly fractured nature of the surface material in the area around the Roan Rim, this location will be designated a sensitive area.

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 No
zone:

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: There are a total of 31 well slots on this pad. There are 30 proposed fee gas wells and 1 proposed SWD well (which will be permitted at a later date); for a total of thirty-one (31) wells and thirty (30) separators.

The "Reference Area Photos" and the "Reference Area Plat" will be provided in the Spring of 2016 once snow has melted.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 03/01/2016 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: 5/26/2016

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
	<p>In addition to the notifications required by COGCC listed in the Northwest Notification Policy (Notice of Intent to Construct a New Location, Notice of Intent to Spud Surface Casing, and Notice of Intent to Commence Hydraulic Fracturing Operations) and Rule 316C. COGCC Form 42. FIELD OPERATIONS NOTICE (a. Notice of Intent to Conduct Hydraulic Fracturing Treatment and c. Notice of Construction or Major Change); operator shall notify the COGCC 48 hours prior to pipeline testing (flowlines from wellheads to separators to tanks; and/or any temporary surface lines used for hydraulic stimulation and/or flowback operations) using the Form 42 (as described in Rule 316C.m. Notice of Completion of Form 2/2A Permit Conditions). The appropriate COGCC individuals will automatically be email notified.</p> <p>Operator shall comply with all provisions of the NOTICE TO OPERATORS (NTO) DRILLING WELLS WITHIN ¾ MILE OF THE RIM OF THE ROAN PLATEAU IN GARFIELD COUNTY - PIT DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS, dated June 12, 2008.</p> <p>Operator shall submit, via a Form 4 Sundry Notice, the "Reference Area Map" and the "Reference Area Photos" attachments within 12 months of the date of approval of this Form 2A. The reference area pictures shall be taken during the growing season (after snow has melted).</p> <p>The operator shall submit, via a Form 4 Sundry Notice, and receive approval of, a reuse and recycling plan per Rule 907.a.(3), prior to any offsite reuse/recycling of cuttings.</p>
	<p>Operator must ensure secondary containment for any volume of fluids contained at the well site during drilling and completion operations (as shown on the Construction Layout Drawings, Location Drawing, Proposed BMPs, and Facility Layout Drawing attachments). These may include, but are not limited to, construction of a berm or diversion dike, diversion/collection trenches within and/or outside of berms/dikes, site grading, or other comparable measures sufficiently protective of nearby surface water. The proposed BMPs may be changed based on actual site conditions. Any berm constructed at the well pad location will be stabilized, inspected at regular intervals as required by CDPHE (at least every 14 days and after precipitation events), and maintained in good condition. The design/build of any perimeter berm shall be sized, constructed, and compacted sufficiently to contain fluids during drilling operations, as well as all fluids contained in temporary frac tanks during completion operations.</p> <p>The location is in an area of moderate to high run-on/run-off potential; therefore standard stormwater BMPs must be implemented prior to, during, and after access road and location construction, as well as during drilling, completion, and production operations at this location to insure compliance with CDPHE and COGCC requirements.</p> <p>The access road will be constructed and maintained as to not allow sediment to migrate from the access road to nearby surface water or any drainages leading to surface water.</p> <p>Strategically apply fugitive dust control measures, including encouraging established speed limits on private roads, to reduce fugitive dust and coating of vegetation and deposition in water sources.</p>

	<p>Due to the highly fractured nature of the surface and shallow subsurface geologic materials (within the Uinta Formation), the nearby hillsides below the well pad shall be monitored for any day-lighting of drilling fluids throughout the drilling of the surface casing intervals for all wells.</p> <p>Flowback and stimulation fluids must be sent to closed system (e.g. capable of containing under pressure any vapors, fumes, or gases) tanks, separators, or other containment/filtering equipment before the fluids can be placed into any pipeline, storage vessel, or other open top containment structures located on the well pad; or into tanker trucks for offsite disposal. No open top tanks can be used for initial flowback fluids containment. The flowback and stimulation fluid tanks, separators, or other containment/filtering equipment must be placed on the well pad in an area constructed to be sufficiently impervious to contain any spilled or released material. No additional downgradient berming of the fluid flowback containment equipment will be required if the operator constructs a sufficiently sized perimeter berm around the location.</p>	
	<p>Approval of this Form 2A and the subsequent Form 2 for the injection well (which will be permitted at a later date) does not authorize operator the right to inject. Authorization to inject into the selected Formation(s) requires approval of both the Form 31 and the Form 33.</p> <p>Operator will use qualified containment devices for all appropriate chemicals/hazardous materials and injection equipment (pumps) used onsite during the operation of the injection well.</p> <p>All tanks and aboveground vessels containing fluids for use during injection operations must have secondary containment structures. All secondary containment structures/areas must be lined. Operator must ensure a minimum of 110 percent secondary containment for the largest structure containing fluids within each bermed area at the facility during operations.</p> <p>Operator shall equip and maintain on all produced water storage tanks used during injection operations electronic level monitoring devices that will shut in all of the wells on the pad to prevent a tank release.</p> <p>Before hydraulic stimulation of the injection well, operator shall collect a groundwater sample(s) from the targeted injection formation(s) and analyzed in accordance with the parameters set forth in the injection well permit (Form 31 and Form 33) requirement(s); unless otherwise determined by COGCC engineering staff that a water sample of the proposed injection formation(s) is (are) not required; submit laboratory analytical results in electronic format to COGCC.</p>	

Best Management Practices

No	BMP/COA Type	Description
1	Planning	Use or modify existing roads where possible. Maximize the use of directional drilling to minimize habitat loss/fragmentation. Maximize use of remote telemetry for well monitoring to minimize traffic.
2	General Housekeeping	Caerus will comply with Rule 609 Statewide Groundwater Baseline Sampling and Monitoring. Caerus will comply with Rule 603.f statewide equipment, weeds, waste, and trash requirements.
3	Wildlife	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.
4	Storm Water/Erosion Control	Stormwater is addressed under a field-wide Stormwater Management Plan (CDPHE Certification #COR039527). Run-on protection and run-off controls will be installed prior to the beginning of construction activities, with consideration given to worker safety, wildlife, and site access.
5	Construction	Stockpiles for topsoil and excess cut material will be located in work areas surrounded by the BMPs as shown on the Construction Layout Drawings. Stormwater BMPs will be installed per details in the Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) and as shown on the Construction Layout Drawings. Disturbed area of site will be left in a surface roughened condition when feasible. BMPs will be protected, inspected and repaired as necessary. Dust mitigation practices will be utilized. New flowline installations will be performed in accordance with new flowline guidance provided by the COGCC concerning Rules 1101 and 1102. 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.
6	Drilling/Completion Operations	Closed loop system will be used. No pits will be built. An enclosed flare stack will be used. Caerus will ensure 110 percent secondary containment for any potential volume of fluids that may be released.
7	Interim Reclamation	Once all topsoil has been distributed across the site, the location is then seeded by drill seeding methods or broadcast seeding. 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. 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. Where possible, recountouring to help control run-on and run-off will be done.
8	Final Reclamation	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. 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. Noxious weeds will be treated in accordance with applicable COGCC rules.

Total: 8 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
2107776	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
2107784	ACCESS ROAD MAP
2107803	CORRESPONDENCE
2107825	CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT DRAWINGS
2107826	PROPOSED BMPs and RIG LAYOUT DRAWINGS
2107827	FACILITY LAYOUT DRAWING
400983779	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400983839	WAIVERS
400983842	LOCATION PICTURES
400983845	MULTI-WELL PLAN
400983846	LOCATION DRAWING
400985051	HYDROLOGY MAP
40098556	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Total Attach: 13 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Final review complete.	4/14/2016 12:47:01 PM
OGLA	Initiated/Completed OGLA Form 2A review on 03-30-16 by Dave Kubeczko; applicable Roan Rim NTO requirements and COAs apply to this Form 2A; requested acknowledgement of applicable Roan Rim NTO requirements and COAs, notification to COGCC if previously closed reserve pit is encountered during construction or drilling, notification, fluid containment and spill/release BMPs, construction stormwater BMPs, sediment and dust control access road, downgradient hillside monitoring, flowback to tanks, and injection well COAs from operator on 03-30-16; received concurrence of COAs from operator on 04-07-16; corrected distance from Wellhead to Property Line (Federal Surface) from 5280' to 2095' and Production Facility to Property Line (Federal Surface) from 5280' to 2038' per review of COGCC's Online GIS Map; not in SWH or RSO areas, no CPW consultation required; received verbal approval of revisions to operator's BMPs, revisions or deletions of COGCC COAs, and revised attachments from operator on 05-17-16; initially passed OGLA Form 2A review on 04-11-16 by Dave Kubeczko; took Form 2A off of "ON HOLD" and placed back into "IN PROCESS" on 05-17-16, changed OGLA's task to pending on 05-17-16 to revise Form 2A information, BMPs, and COAs by Dave Kubeczko; repassed OGLA Form 2A review on 05-24-16 by Dave Kubeczko; applicable Roan Rim NTO requirements and COAs, notification to COGCC if previously closed reserve pit is encountered during construction or drilling, notification, fluid containment and spill/release BMPs, construction stormwater BMPs, sediment and dust control access road, downgradient hillside monitoring, flowback to tanks, and injection well COAs.	3/30/2016 11:19:51 AM
Permit	Ready to pass pending OGLA approval.	3/22/2016 1:57:14 PM
Permit	Passed completeness.	3/3/2016 10:26:59 AM

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