

**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:**

**Drill**       Deepen       Re-enter       Recomplete and Operate

Date Received:  
01/20/2015

TYPE OF WELL    OIL     GAS     COALBED     OTHER \_\_\_\_\_      Refiling

ZONE TYPE      SINGLE ZONE     MULTIPLE ZONES     COMMINGLE ZONES       Sidetrack

Well Name: Simpson FD      Well Number: 16-339HN

Name of Operator: GREAT WESTERN OPERATING COMPANY LLC      COGCC Operator Number: 10110

Address: 1801 BROADWAY #500

City: DENVER      State: CO      Zip: 80202

Contact Name: Callie Fiddes      Phone: (303)398-0550      Fax: ( )

Email: regulatorypermitting@gwogco.com

**RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE**

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20160041

**WELL LOCATION INFORMATION**

QtrQtr: SENE      Sec: 15      Twp: 6N      Rng: 67W      Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.488317      Longitude: -104.874122

Footage at Surface:      2136      Feet      FNL      1029      Feet      FEL

Field Name: WATTENBERG      Field Number: 90750

Ground Elevation: 4811      County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 03/13/2015      PDOP Reading: 1.3      Instrument Operator's Name: Dallas Nielsen

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

992      FSL      2141      FWL      992      FSL      470      FWL

                                 Sec: 15      Twp: 6N      Rng: 67W      Sec: 16      Twp: 6N      Rng: 67W

**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.)

Irregular lease description. Please see attached map.

Total Acres in Described Lease: 186 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: 405 Feet  
 Building Unit: 1242 Feet  
 High Occupancy Building Unit: 3275 Feet  
 Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet  
 Public Road: 1016 Feet  
 Above Ground Utility: 495 Feet  
 Railroad: 5266 Feet  
 Property Line: 500 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: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION**

Distance from completed portion of proposed wellbore to nearest completed portion of offset wellbore permitted or completed in the same formation: 50 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 470 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS**

Sec 15: W/2, NE/4; Sec 16: ALL

**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	407 - 1324	1120	S15:W2&NE,S16:All

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 14892 Feet

Distance from the proposed wellbore to nearest existing or proposed wellbore belonging to another operator, including plugged wells:

Enter distance if less than or equal to 1,500 feet: 151 Feet  No well belonging to another operator within 1,500 feet

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H<sub>2</sub>S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H<sub>2</sub>S 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? Yes

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: Commercial Disposal

Cuttings Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Other Disposal Description:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? No

Reuse Facility ID: \_\_\_\_\_ 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
CONDUCTOR	24	16	42	0	80	121	80	0
SURF	13+1/2	9+5/8	36	0	1700	707	1700	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	17	0	14892	1851	14892	0

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 Surface Use Agreement has waivers for Rule 318A.a & 318A.c.  
RBF#11-22D (API#05-123-32254) is the nearest well owned by another operator.  
The nearest well in the same formation is the Simpson FD 16-339HC.  
Distances were measured in 2D.  
This pad has a valid Form 2A.

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan       No       CDP #: \_\_\_\_\_

Location ID:       440858      

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:       Callie Fiddes      

Title:       Regulatory Tech       Date:       1/20/2015       Email:       regulatorypermitting@gwogco.c      

Operator must have a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use or purchased water from a seller that has a valid water right or permit allowing for industrial use, otherwise an application for a change in type of use is required under Colorado law. Operator must also use the water in the location set forth in the water right decree or well permit, otherwise an application for a change in place of use is required under Colorado law. Section 37-92-103(5), C.R.S. (2011).

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:       Matthew Lee       Director of COGCC Date:       2/15/2017      

Expiration Date:       02/14/2019      

**API NUMBER**  
05 123 44220 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.

<u>COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
	OH HOLD - SHL to be verified
	1) Submit Form 42 electronically to COGCC 48 hours prior to MIRU for the first well activity with a rig on the pad and provide 48 hour spud notice for each subsequent well drilled on the pad. 2) Comply with Rule 317.j and provide cement coverage from TD to a minimum of 200' above the Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 3) Oil-based drilling fluid is to be used only after all aquifers are covered.
	Bradenhead tests shall be performed and reported according to the following schedule and Form 17 submitted within 10 days of each test: 1) Within 60 days of rig release and prior to stimulation and 2) If a delayed completion, 6-7 months after rig release and prior to stimulation. 3) Within 30 days after first production, as reported on Form 5A.

## Best Management Practices

<u>No</u>	<u>BMP/COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Planning	Identification of P&A wells (Rule 604.c.(2)U  GWOC shall identify the location of the P&A wellbore with a permanent monument as specified in Rule 319.a.(5). The operator shall also inscribe or imbed the well number and date of plugging upon the permanent monument. P&A wellbores shall be cutoff well below ground surface in agricultural areas to provide for landowners to safely farm the reclaimed well area.
2	General Housekeeping	Drill stem tests (Rule 604.c.(2)L  Conventional drill stem tests will not be conducted on DJ Basin horizontal wells currently being executed or planned by GWOC. If plans change in the future a well specific drill stem testing plan will be prepared for that particular well. Note that GWOC may elect to use one of several available wireline deployed tools for the purpose of measuring downhole formation pressures and/or collecting downhole fluid samples from the target formation(s) of a particular well.
3	Emissions mitigation	Green Completions (Rule 604.c.(2)C.  As applicable, per COGCC Rule 805, GWOC will utilize all reasonable and cost-efficient best practices, including but not limited to those listed in Rule 805, to maximize resource recovery and mitigate releases to the environment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial frac and drill out effluent is routed through a sand catcher/trap and a junk/sand tank to remove sand and well frac debris.</li> <li>• Once any hydrocarbons are detected but prior to encountering salable quality combustible gas or significant volumes of liquid hydrocarbons (condensate or oil) (greater than 10 barrels per day average) the effluent is routed through a high-pressure separator and closed-top tanks to minimize emissions to the environment. Hydrocarbon liquids, produced water, and sand are separated utilizing the high-pressure separator.</li> <li>• The quality (combustibility) of the gas is typically monitored directly at the high-pressure separator. When salable (combustible) quality gas is measured/ detected the gas stream is immediately diverted to the sales pipeline or the well is shut in or a form 42 for flaring will be submitted for approval.</li> <li>• The separated produced water and hydrocarbon liquids (condensate/oil) are directed to specific tanks for storage until being unloaded and hauled to disposal or sales as appropriate.</li> </ul>

4	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Stimulation Setback (Rule 317.r and 317.s)  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 well path with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottom hole 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.</p>
5	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Great Western will comply with the "COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area", dated May 29, 2012</p>
6	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Multi Well Open Hole Logging  One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with open-hole 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 &amp; number) the well in which open-hole logs were run.</p>
7	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>BOPE for well servicing (Rule 604.c.(2)J)   A BOPE with a minimum pressure rating of 3,000 psi will be utilized. At a minimum it will consist of 2 ram preventers and 1 annular preventer. The blind rams will be positioned below the pipe rams. A backup system of pressure control will be onsite consisting of at a minimum 1,000 psi accumulator (backup pressure). Accumulator is tested to 1,000 psi. Operator may use fixed sized pipe rams matching the tubular size. The annular preventer will be pressure tested to 250 psi low and 2,000 psi high for 10 minutes each. The ram preventers will be tested to 250 psi low and 2,500 psi high for 10 minutes each. All remaining well control equipment will be tested to 250 psi low and 2,500 psi high for 10 minutes each. The pressure tests will be conducted when the equipment is first installed and every 30 days thereafter. Pipe rams and blind rams will be function tested before every well service operation. Annual BOP inspections and pressure tests will be performed by the service company and will be charted &amp; retained for 1 year. Backup stabbing valves shall be used on operations that require reverse circulation. Valves will be pressure tested before each well service operation in low pressure and high pressure range. The GWOC onsite representative will be certified in Well Control Operations by a Well-Cap certified training service.</p>

Total: 7 comment(s)

**Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators**

Policy
<p>Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.  <a href="http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife_Notice.pdf">http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife_Notice.pdf</a></p>
<p>Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area.  <a href="http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/PolicyGwaBradenheadMonitoringFinal.pdf">http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/PolicyGwaBradenheadMonitoringFinal.pdf</a></p>

**Attachment Check List**

<b>Att Doc Num</b>	<b>Name</b>
400773533	FORM 2 RESUBMITTED
400791111	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400791112	FORM 2 REJECTED
400791787	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400791788	MINERAL LEASE MAP
400791790	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
401114242	DIRECTIONAL DATA
401114243	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
401114244	WELL LOCATION PLAT
401114252	OTHER
401114579	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
401114580	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
401121541	FORM 2 RESUBMITTED
401212050	OFFSET WELL EVALUATION

Total Attach: 14 Files

### General Comments

<b>User Group</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Comment Date</b>
Permit	Surface hole locations verified. Final Review Completed.	02/15/2017
Permit	Per operator changed: Surface Latitude = 40.488317 Surface Longitude = -104.874122 Permitting Review Complete.	12/21/2016
Permit	Final Review Completed.	12/15/2016
Permit	Per spacing order corrected unit description. Permitting Review Complete.	12/15/2016
Permit	Open Hole Logging BMP submitted by operator.	12/15/2016
Engineer	Offset wells evaluated.	12/07/2016
Engineer	Changed "Distance from proposed wellbore to nearest existing or permitted wellbore belonging to another operator" at the operator's request to reflect the distance to 123-32254. 3d distance is > 150'	12/07/2016
Permit	Checked attachments.	10/20/2016
LGD	<p>Please be advised that the subject property is located within the Town's Growth Management Area (GMA). The Town's Comprehensive Plan states, "The GMA is intended to define those specific areas within the planning area where it is most logical to extend urban services in the near term, that is, within the next five to ten years."</p> <p>Below please find the conditions of approval that are typically applied to conditional use grants for oil and gas operations located within Town. Therefore, the Town recommends the following conditions be placed on the subject oil and gas facilities:</p> <p>CONDITIONS:</p> <p>1. Prior to the commencement of drilling, the applicant shall submit comprehensive "Drilling and Site Improvement Plans" for review and approval by the Town. Such plans shall address initial drilling activities, initial installation of site improvements and details, and on-going perpetual maintenance of the subject site including, but not limited to, the following:</p>	10/12/2016

a. Site access plan. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall address site access points and haul routes for review and approval.

b. Public street clean-up and tracking prevention. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall include a tracking pad for review and approval.

c. Site grading. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall address site grading, including any earth berms for emergency containment.

d. Site lighting. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall include details regarding site lighting fixtures and locations. Security and other site lighting shall utilize full cutoff light fixtures to mitigate light pollution.

e. Temporary screening. The applicant shall install a buffer to screen the initial drilling activities and installation of site improvements from surrounding neighborhoods and streets. The temporary buffer shall include hay bales to enclose the drilling operations to provide noise mitigation.

f. Permanent screening. Given the close proximity to residential neighbors, the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans shall depict proposed long-term screening materials including landscaping, earth berms and any other screening methods to mitigate visual impacts.

g. Fencing. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans shall depict fencing of the perimeter of the site. Fencing materials shall be reviewed for approval by the Town based upon the character of the surrounding neighborhood.

h. Oil and gas equipment.

(1) The applicant shall utilize electric motors in order to mitigate the noise impacts to the neighboring properties.

(2) The applicant shall ensure that the wells and tanks are of the minimum size required to satisfy present and future functional requirements to mitigate visual impacts.

(3) Low profile tanks shall be utilized and shall be installed in the least visible manner possible.

(4) All tanks and equipment shall be painted to blend-in with the surrounding landscape.

i. Air quality.

(1) The applicant shall participate in any required Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) air quality monitoring and/or testing by allowing EPA to install equipment on site for said monitoring and testing.

(2) The applicant shall install and operate an emissions control device (ECD) capable of reducing Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions on the subject oil and gas equipment in accordance with Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) and/or the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) rules and regulations.

(3) The applicant shall submit to the Town copies of all air emissions reporting as required by the COGCC and/or the CDPHE's Air Pollution Control Division.

j. Water quality.

(1) The applicant shall ensure that any hydrocarbon discharges from the site comply with all state and federal water quality requirements.

	<p>(2)The applicant shall provide test results from Groundwater Baseline Sampling and Monitoring required by COGCC Rule 318A.e(4) to the Town. (condition updated 10/28/13 to reflect updated COGCC rule)</p> <p>k.Emergency containment.The secondary containment berm surrounding all storage vessels shall be designed and constructed to contain a minimum of 110% of the volume of the largest vessel located within the containment area or to State of Colorado standards, whichever requirements are more stringent.</p> <p>l.Waste disposal.The applicant shall submit to the Town copies of all waste management reports as required by the COGCC and/or the CDPHE rules and regulations.</p> <p>m.The following certification blocks shall be included on the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans:</p> <p>(1)A signed owner’s acknowledgement certification block.</p> <p>(2)A signed drilling operator’s acknowledgement certification block.</p> <p>n.The following notes shall be included on the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans:</p> <p>(1)The applicant shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC).</p> <p>(2)The applicant shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).</p> <p>(3)The applicant shall maintain on-going compliance with all conditions of the Town and Windsor-Severance Fire Rescue.</p> <p>(4)The facilities shall be kept clean and otherwise properly maintained at all times.</p> <p>(5)If access to the site is proposed from a Town of Windsor street, such access point(s) shall require approval from the Town of Windsor Engineering Department and any required access improvements, street clean-up, tracking pads, etc., shall be addressed accordingly.</p> <p>2.The applicant shall address and comply with the conditions of Windsor-Severance Fire Rescue.</p> <p>ACCESS COMMENTS:</p> <p>If access to the site is proposed from a Town of Windsor street, such access point (s) shall require approval from the Town of Windsor Engineering Department and any required access improvements, street clean-up, tracking pads, etc., shall be addressed accordingly.</p>	
--	---	--

Permit	Passed completeness.	10/11/2016
Permit	Returned to Draft: * Unit Configuration Box: Remove "see above" and add spacing description from spacing & formations comments. * Need comment explaining how the distance to nearest completed portion of offset wellbore in same formation 50' was measured and the name of the well. * If an amended Form 2A is not being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment Application, the drop-down should be NO. * Please add the related Form 2A DocNum.	09/30/2016
Permit	Corrected ground elevation typo per operator request.	09/30/2016

Permit	Three anti-collision waivers and one well plat will need to be replaced or added and 19 PSU letters will need removed on this pad. This APD is being rejected per the COGCC rejection policy which states that a pad of Form 2's that requires 4 or more attachments to be added or replaced will be rejected.  Discussion with COGCC staff resulted in their concurrence with rejection of this APD.  Discussion with Great Western regulatory staff resulted in their concurrence with rejection of this APD per COGCC rejection policy.	02/12/2015
Permit	Distanct to nearest wellbore in formation incorrect. RBF #15B well is about 100' away.	02/09/2015
Permit	Passed Completeness	01/27/2015
Permit	TD of Deviated drilling plan does not match imported directional data or proposed TD in Drilling & Waste Plans. 17343 vs. 17359	01/21/2015

Total: 16 comment(s)