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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#: _____

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:

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: 10646

Name: BISON EXPLORATION LLC

Address: PO BOX 1168

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Abigail Wenk

Phone: (720) 644-6997

Fax: (303) 974-1767

email: awenk@bisonog.com

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

☒ Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20160140

☐ Gas Facility Surety ID: _____

☐ Waste Management Surety ID: _____

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Houlihan 4-64

Number: 22A

County: ARAPAHOE

QuarterQuarter: SENE Section: 22 Township: 4S Range: 64W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 5705

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: 1774 feet FNL from North or South section line

1005 feet FEL from East or West section line

Latitude: 39.690417 Longitude: -104.531206

PDOP Reading: 1.4 Date of Measurement: 02/13/2017

Instrument Operator's Name: Nigel Poll

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*	12	Condensate Tanks*		Water Tanks*	2	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	
Drilling Pits		Production Pits*		Special Purpose Pits		Multi-Well Pits*		Modular Large Volume Tanks	2
Pump Jacks		Separators*	20	Injection Pumps*		Cavity Pumps*		Gas Compressors*	
Gas or Diesel Motors*		Electric Motors		Electric Generators*		Fuel Tanks*		LACT Unit*	1
Dehydrator Units*		Vapor Recovery Unit*	4	VOC Combustor*		Flare*		Pigging Station*	

OTHER FACILITIES*

Other Facility Type

Number

Emission Control Device	6
Maintenance Tank	1
Vapor Recovery Tower	2

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:

Operator will trench flowlines in one piping corridor that runs between the drill pad and the separator pad and be placed at 12" centers. These lines will most likely be 2" or 3" fusion bonded SCH160 steel pipe and have proper cathodic protection throughout the run. Bison Exploration will then sweep up with a long radius that will tie off each line to the appropriate separator. All welds on these are 100% x-ray and hydro tested to the API and Manufactures specs for a class 1500 series flange. Also meets ASME code B31.4.

CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 11/01/2017

Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 13.76

Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 02/01/2018

Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 6.77

Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 5703

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? Yes

DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE

Drilling Fluids Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Cutting Disposal: OFFSITE

Cuttings Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Other Disposal Description:

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: John J. Houlihan IV

Phone:

Address: 29 East Huntwick Lane

Fax:

Address:

Email:

City: Englewood State: CO Zip: 80113

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:	1183 Feet	1011 Feet
Building Unit:	1221 Feet	1043 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Public Road:	821 Feet	651 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	3535 Feet	3499 Feet
Railroad:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Property Line:	855 Feet	685 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

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: _____

- 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.
- Large UMA Facility - as defined in 100-Series Rules.

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 (on 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: BvC-Bresser-Truckton sandy loams, 3 to 5 percent slopes, TrE-Truckton loamy sand, 5 to 20 percent,

NRCS Map Unit Name: NrB-Nunn-Bresser-Ascalon complex, 0 to 3 percent slopes, Lv-Loamy alluvial land,

NRCS Map Unit Name: and BvE-Bresser-Truckton sandy loams, 5 to 20 percent slopes

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: 14 Feet

water well: 1026 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 301 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Closest downgradient surface water feature is an ephemeral drainage to Box Elder Creek, southeast of the proposed pad.

Basis for depth to groundwater is the nearest water well CDWR #110031-A.

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

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

WILDLIFE

- ☐ This location is included in a Wildlife Mitigation Plan
- ☐ This location was subject to a pre-consultation meeting with CPW held on _____

Operator Proposed Wildlife BMPs

No BMP

DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Rule 604.a.(1)A. Exception Zone (within 500' of a Building Unit) and is in an Urban Mitigation Area
- ☐ 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 no building units within 1000' of this location, a Facility Layout drawing and Waste Management Plan are not required.

Operator certifies that the MLVTs will be designed and implemented consistent with the COGCC Policy on the Use of Modular Large Volume Tanks in Colorado. MLVT Design Package, certified and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, is available upon request.

MLVT Information:

Vendor - Complete Energy Services

Manufacturer - MWS Tanks

Number and Size - 1 160' diameter tank

Timeframe on location - approximately 30 days

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

Signed: _____ Date: _____ Email: awenk@bisonog.com

Print Name: Abigail Wenk Title: Consulting Regulatory Ana

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	General Housekeeping	<p>Visual Impacts: All long term facility structures will be painted a color that enables the facilities to blend in with the natural background color of the landscape, as seen from a viewing distance and location typically used by the public.</p> <p>Maintain appearance with garbage clean-up; a trash bin will be located on site to accumulate waste by the personnel drilling the wells. Site will have unused equipment, trash and junk removed immediately.</p>
2	Storm Water/Erosion Control	Implement and maintain BMPs to control stormwater runoff in a manner that minimizes erosion, transport of sediment offsite, and site degradation. Co-locate gas and water gathering lines whenever feasible, and mitigate any erosion problems that arise due to the construction of any pipeline(s).
3	Dust control	Operator shall employ practices for control of fugitive dust caused by their operations. Such practices shall include but are 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. Additional management practices such as road surfacing, wind breaks and barriers may be used.
4	Construction	Permanent lighting will be installed around the facility to allow both the operator and haulers to conduct safe operations at night. All lights will be directed down toward the location or shielded so no light pollution leaves the facility.
5	Odor mitigation	Oil & gas facilities and equipment shall be operated in such a manner that odors and dust do not constitute a nuisance or hazard to public welfare. Operator is in the process of implementing a new base fluid for Oil Base Mud systems. The aromatics and BTEX concentrations are much less than that of generic diesel. With these two things being the major contributors to the odor from diesel, this should lead to less odor at the drill site caused by OBM.
6	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Anti-collision: Operator will perform an anti-collision evaluation of all active (producing, shut in, or temporarily abandoned) offset wellbores that have the potential of being within 150 feet of a proposed well prior to drilling operations for the proposed well.</p> <p>Notice shall be given to all offset operators prior to drilling.</p>

7	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Operator has an MLVT Design Package, certified and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, which is on file in their office and available upon request. The site shall be prepared in accordance with the specifications of the design package prior to tank installation; including ensuring that proper compaction requirements have been met.</p> <p>The MLVT will be at least 75 feet from a wellhead, fired vessel, heater-treater, or a compressor with a rating of 200 horsepower or more. It will be placed at least 50 feet from a separator, well test unit, or other non-fired equipment.</p> <p>All liner seams will be welded and tested in accordance with applicable ASTM International standards.</p> <p>Operator will be present during initial filling of the MLVT and the contractor will supervise and inspect the MLVT for leaks during filling.</p> <p>Operator will comply with the testing and re-inspection requirements and associated written standard operating procedures (SOP) listed on the design package.</p> <p>Signs will be posted on the MLVT indicating that the contents are freshwater.</p> <p>The MLVT will be operated with a minimum of 1 foot of freeboard at all times.</p> <p>Access to the MLVT will be limited to operational personnel and authorized regulatory agency personnel.</p> <p>Operator or contractor will conduct daily visual inspections of the exterior wall and surrounding area for integrity deficiencies.</p> <p>Operator has developed a contingency plan/emergency response plan associated with the MLVT and it is on file at their office.</p> <p>A fabric reinforced liner will be utilized. In the event that a tank breach were to occur, the fabric reinforced liner will prevent a "zippering" failure from occurring. The liner will meet the specifications per the design package.</p> <p>Operator acknowledges and will comply with the Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission Policy on the Use of Modular Large Volume Tanks in Colorado dated June 13, 2014.</p>
8	Interim Reclamation	<p>Operator shall be responsible for segregating the topsoil, backfilling, re-compacting, reseeding, and re-contouring the surface of any disturbed area so as not to interfere with Owner's operations and shall reclaim such area to be returned to pre-existing conditions as best as possible with control of all noxious weeds.</p>

Total: 8 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
401255960	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
401256686	ACCESS ROAD MAP
401256688	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
401256691	HYDROLOGY MAP
401256692	LOCATION DRAWING
401256693	LOCATION PICTURES
401256704	MULTI-WELL PLAN

Total Attach: 7 Files

General Comments

User Group

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Comment Date

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Total: 0 comment(s)



Public Comments

No public comments were received on this application during the comment period.

