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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:

453032

Expiration Date:

11/14/2020

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: 10110
 Name: GREAT WESTERN OPERATING COMPANY LLC
 Address: 1801 BROADWAY #500
 City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Geoff Lee
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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

- Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20160041 Gas Facility Surety ID: _____
- Waste Management Surety ID: _____

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Pierce DE Number: 26-054
 County: WELD
 Quarter: SESW Section: 23 Township: 8N Range: 66W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 5047

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: 1289 feet FSL from North or South section line
2354 feet FWL from East or West section line

Latitude: 40.643922 Longitude: -104.745511

PDOP Reading: 1.7 Date of Measurement: 10/12/2017

Instrument Operator's Name: Greg Weimer

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: Cliff E. Simpson Phone:

Address: P.O. Box 211 Fax:

Address: Email:

City: Ault State: CO Zip: 80610

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: No

The right to construct this Oil and Gas Location is granted by: Surface Use Agreement

Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: Surface Surety ID:

Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation 10/06/2017

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:	1259 Feet	1146 Feet
Building Unit:	1320 Feet	1157 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	3195 Feet	3162 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Public Road:	1214 Feet	1041 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	239 Feet	64 Feet
Railroad:	2571 Feet	2466 Feet
Property Line:	280 Feet	106 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.
 - Large UMA Facility – 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 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: Nunn loam, 0 to 6 percent slopes

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: 62 Feet

water well: 901 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 28 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Well is being drilled in an Aquifer Zone (Confined GW in the Lyons SS) and down gradient water feature is Drainage 61' to the north.

The nearest water well (permit #333-RDA) has a static water level of 28' and is located 901' NE of well and pad.

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

WILDLIFE

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

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 The well on this location is not being fraced so there will not be a MLVT placed on this site.

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

Signed: _____ Date: 10/19/2017 Email: Regulatorypermitting@gwogco.com

Print Name: Geoff Lee Title: Regulatory Analyst

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: 11/15/2017

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.

<u>COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>

Best Management Practices

<u>No</u>	<u>BMP/COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Traffic control	An access route from the highway or county road to the proposed oil and gas location has been prearranged. Required access road permits will be obtained before construction begins and any special requirements outlined by the municipality will be followed. Emergency routes will be chosen prior to the commencement of operations and will be clearly marked and maintained throughout drilling and production activities.

2	General Housekeeping	<p>General Housekeeping: General housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur cleanup will be implemented within 24-48 hours, as appropriate, to minimize any commingling of waste materials with storm water runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadways, access areas, and other work areas to pick up trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.</p>
3	General Housekeeping	<p>Fencing requirements At a minimum GWOC installs appropriate fencing to restrict access by any unauthorized persons. This fencing may vary depending on site-specific situations, such as reasonable security, local government or surface owner concerns. Fencing will be properly noted on facility. Fencing will be properly noted on facility layout diagrams for both drilling and the production phases of operations.</p>
4	General Housekeeping	<p>Control of Fire Hazards GWOC constructs and operates our facilities to meet state and API codes, as appropriate, including API RP 500 electrical classifications inside bermed areas. Any unused potentially flammable materials are moved a minimum distance of 25-feet from wellhead, tanks, and separator areas. In addition, GWOC implements a Hot Work Permit Program for employees and contractors doing any defined 'Hot Work' activities on GWOC locations.</p>
5	General Housekeeping	<p>Load lines In any designated setback zone all load lines are capped or bull-plugged or locked shut to reduce the likelihood of a release occurring. In addition, GWOC places all load line receivers/valves inside secondary containment areas or in a proper load line containment device or both.</p>
6	General Housekeeping	<p>Removal of Surface Trash All surface debris, trash, unusable scrap, or solid waste from the facility will be properly temporarily stored on location in a secure container and ultimately removed and disposed of in a legal manner.</p>
7	Storm Water/Erosion Control	<p>Storm Water Management Plans (SWMP) Storm Water Management Plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil and Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). Storm water controls will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to construction. Typically, GWOC utilizes a ditch and berm system of storm water control at its sites. BMP's used are determined just prior to construction by a third party storm water contractor and may vary according to the location. Storm water controls will remain in place until the pad is stabilized or reaches final reclamation.</p>
8	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	<p>Material Handling and Spill Prevention Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans in place to address any possible spills associated with Oil and Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112. In accordance with COGCC Rule 1002.f.(2)A. & B., shall provide a designated storage area for dry bulk chemicals and miscellaneous fluids. The dry chemicals in the storage area shall be adequately protected to prevent contact with precipitation, shall be elevated above storm- or standing water, and shall provide sufficient containment for liquid chemical storage to prevent release of spilled fluids from impacting soil, surface water or groundwater and will prevent the co-mingling of spilled fluids or chemicals with other E&P Waste.</p>

9	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	<p>Leak Detection Plan</p> <p>GWOC designs its new facilities to both avoid leaks or releases as well as to help detect them in a time-efficient manner to minimize potential impacts. Tanks and all visible pipelines and valves etc. are inspected informally on a daily basis by company lease operators. In addition, GWOC also conducts formal annual SPCC inspections, and formal site specific and random audits, by third-party consultants to inspect for general site conditions as well as condition of tanks, pipelines, and containment structures. In addition, our company lease operators and Production staff review production records, including volumes and pressures, looking for irregularities that may indicate a problem with a tank or pipeline. If an irregularity is detected that may indicate a potential release the suspect tank and/or pipeline(s) are removed from service, isolated, and either pressure tested or visibly inspected for indications of a potential leak.</p>
10	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	<p>Berm Construction</p> <p>A minimum containment capacity of 150% of the single largest storage vessel inside the containment will be constructed around any liquids storage area within a designated setback zone. For this location, steel containment with sealed liners will be utilized at all storage facilities on this location.</p> <p>Tanks and all visible pipelines and valves etc. will be inspected informally on a daily basis by company lease operators. In addition, GWOC also conducts formal annual SPCC inspections, and formal site specific and random audits, by third-party consultants to inspect for general site conditions as well as condition of tanks, pipelines, and containment structures.</p>
11	Dust control	<p>Dust Control</p> <p>Dust control measures may include surface stabilization, or dust control with appropriate chemical or later applications.</p>
12	Noise mitigation	<p>Sound and Light Mitigation</p> <p>Light sources will be directed downwards, and away from occupied structures where possible. Once the drilling and completion rigs leave the site, there will be no permanently installed lighting on site.</p>
13	Noise mitigation	<p>Noise -</p> <p>Great Western Operating Company, L.L.C. (GWOC) will operate in accordance with permissible noise levels per COGCC Rule 604.c.(2)A. and 802, as applicable. Where possible, drilling rig equipment engine exhaust will be directed away from occupied buildings to assist with noise mitigation. These practices will be implanted upon initiation of drilling and production.</p>
14	Odor mitigation	<p>Odors Mitigation:</p> <p>Where possible, drilling rig equipment engine exhaust will be directed away from occupied buildings to assist in mitigating potential odors. Sealed tanks with pressure relief valves and emissions controls will be utilized for the production phase. Great Western will use an invert based drilling fluid with diesel or a similar fluid for the base oil. If odor complaints are received and it is determined that they are caused by the invert drilling fluid, then Benzaco Scientific's Odor Armor odor neutralizing agent or similar product will be added to the mud system to eliminate the odor. This product and other similar products have been used by other operators in the DJ Basin and have been successful in eliminating odor attributed to invert drilling fluids.</p>
15	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Closed Loop Drilling</p> <p>Great Western Operating Company, LLC (GWOC) will be utilizing a closed loop drilling system.</p>

16	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>BOPE for well servicing -</p> <p>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 & 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>
17	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Pit level indicators</p> <p>GWOC does not typically utilize pits in any of its operations. No pits will be used for this facility.</p>
18	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Guy line anchors</p> <p>Great Western will primarily utilize Base Beams to stabilize the rig and removed after drilling. In the event Great Western is unable to use a rig with Base Beams, Guy Line Anchors will be utilized. In the event guy line anchors are utilized and left buried for future use shall be identified by a brightly colored marker at least 4-foot in height and within 1-foot to the east of the anchor.</p>
19	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Access Roads</p> <p>All access roads are designed, constructed, and maintained such that heavy equipment, including emergency response vehicles, can readily access and exit the location. The pad has all weather access roads to allow for operator and emergency response. In addition, GWOC will implement manual mud mitigation measures (eg. tracking control rock aprons) at location exits onto paved roads as necessary and in conjunction with county requirements.</p>
20	Final Reclamation	<p>Well site cleared</p> <p>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.</p>
21	Final Reclamation	<p>Identification of P&A wells</p> <p>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.</p>

Total: 21 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
2473150	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
2478437	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
2478438	CORRESPONDENCE
401426540	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
401434201	LOCATION PICTURES
401434205	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
401434216	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
401435092	ACCESS ROAD MAP
401435093	CONST. LAYOUT DRAWINGS
401435095	FACILITY LAYOUT DRAWING
401435096	HYDROLOGY MAP
401435097	LOCATION DRAWING
401435569	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 13 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Final review complete.	11/14/2017
OGLA	IN PROCESS - Operator resolved the quarter-quarter location difference between the Form 2A and the attachments, updated the Facility section, updated the distance to the nearest railroad, & provided additional Waste Management Plan attachment that discusses disposal of oil based drilling fluids. OGLA review complete and task passed.	11/14/2017
Permit	Added SUA map attachment (labeled Surface Agrmt/Surety) provided by Operator. Permitting review complete.	11/13/2017
LGD	This proposed oil and gas facility is in the Agricultural Zoned District of unincorporated Weld County. A Weld Oil and Gas Location Assessment (WOGLA) was noticed and applied for and is currently in process. A building permit is required for the production facilities (tank battery, separators, pump jacks, compressors, generators, etc.) from the Department of Planning Services. Access points from County roads require an Access Permit from the Department of Public Works, which includes any necessary traffic control plans and Improvement Agreements. The use of County right-of-way requires a permit from the Department of Public Works. Troy Swain, Weld Oil/Gas Liaison and LGD (970) 400-3579.	11/13/2017
OGLA	ON HOLD - Requested operator resolve the quarter-quarter location difference between the Form 2A and the attachments, update the Facility section, update the distance to the nearest railroad, & update the Waste Management Plan attachment to include oil based drilling fluids. Due by 12/9/17.	11/09/2017
Permit	Status Pending - Contacted Operator to request a revised map showing the surface lands as described in the SUA.	11/03/2017
Permit	Passed completeness.	10/24/2017

Total: 7 comment(s)