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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:

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: 10656

Name: MORNING GUN EXPLORATION LLC

Address: 1601 ARAPAHOE ST

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Information

Name: Justin Dunn

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FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

- ☒ Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID (Rule 706): 20170040 ☐ Gas Facility Surety ID (Rule 711): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Waste Management Surety ID (Rule 704): \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: Castor 7-59 Number: 11

County: WELD

QuarterQuarter: SWSW Section: 11 Township: 7N Range: 59W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4947

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: 610 feet FSL from North or South section line

704 feet FWL from East or West section line

Latitude: 40.583818 Longitude: -103.951667

PDOP Reading: 1.6 Date of Measurement: 12/11/2018

Instrument Operator's Name: JAMES FRESHWATER

## 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	12	Oil Tanks*	24	Condensate Tanks*		Water Tanks*	12	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	
Drilling Pits		Production Pits*		Special Purpose Pits		Multi-Well Pits*		Modular Large Volume Tanks	2
Pump Jacks	12	Separators*	12	Injection Pumps*		Cavity Pumps*		Gas Compressors*	6
Gas or Diesel Motors*		Electric Motors	12	Electric Generators*	1	Fuel Tanks*		LACT Unit*	1
Dehydrator Units*		Vapor Recovery Unit*	6	VOC Combustor*	12	Flare*		Pigging Station*	

## OTHER FACILITIES\*

Other Facility Type

Number

Instrument Air Compressors	2
Vapor Recovery Towers	12

\*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:

2" Schedule 80 line steel pipe welded from the wellhead to the separator, one line per well.  
6" Schedule 80 line steel pipe for combined Gas sales.  
2" Schedule 40 line steel pipe will be set downstream of the separator for gas, oil and water.

## CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 04/01/2019 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 10.50

Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 10/01/2019 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 6.50

Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4919

## DRILLING PROGRAM

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

Is H<sub>2</sub>S anticipated? No

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: No

Will salt based mud (>15,000 ppm Cl) be used? No

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? No

## DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: 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: Wade Castor et al

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 22791 Highway 39

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

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

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

City: Weldona State: CO Zip: 80653

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: Surface Use Agreement

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

Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation 09/26/2018

## 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:	4547 Feet	4254 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Railroad:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Property Line:	460 Feet	334 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: 44—Olney fine sandy loam, 0 to 6 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: 45—Olney fine sandy loam, 6 to 9 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: 08/23/2018

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: 3920 Feet

water well: 385 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 147 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Closest downgradient surface water feature is a river/stream.

Basis for the depth to groundwater is the nearest water well is CDWR Permit #49905.

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 11/30/2018

### Operator Proposed Wildlife BMPs

No	Target Species	BMP Type	Description
1	PLAINS SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	Wildlife - Minimization	The operator agrees to preclude the use of aggressive non-native grasses in plains Sharp-tailed Grouse habitat reclamation
2	PLAINS SHARP-TAILED GROUSE	Wildlife - Minimization	The operator agrees to make use of tanks and other facilities designed such that they do not provide perches or nest substrates for raptors, crows and ravens

### 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 SHL of the Castor 7-59 11-2-6 was used as the lat/long for this pad.

There are no surface water features within 1000' of this Location, a Hydrology Map is not required.

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 - 2 160' 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: 01/10/2019 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**

**Best Management Practices**

<b>No</b>	<b>BMP/COA Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
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	Wildlife	<p>MGE is willing to move its Castor 7-59 11 pad location from the RSO in Section 11 to the far SWSW 1/4 of Section 11. While the pad is still within the SWH, we aim to locate the pad and any ancillary features (e.g., access roads) it as far as technically and economically feasible from the RSO and as much as possible outside the SWH.</p> <p>MGE is willing to have a third party conduct one PSTG survey in the spring of 2019.</p> <p>MGE is willing to use a closed-loop system and to have no open pits.</p> <p>MGE is willing to limit new noise sources during the breeding season of the PSTG by measuring baseline and development noise levels and save the new noise sources for 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</p>
3	Dust control	<p>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.</p>
4	Construction	<p>Light sources during all phases of operations will be directed downwards and away from occupied structures and public roads where possible. Permanent lighting shall be mounted at compressor stations on a pole or building and directed downward to illuminate key areas within the facility, while minimizing the amount of light projected outside the facility.</p>

Total: 4 comment(s)

**Attachment Check List**

<b>Att Doc Num</b>	<b>Name</b>
401893171	ACCESS ROAD MAP
401893175	LOCATION DRAWING
401893177	LOCATION PICTURES
401893181	MULTI-WELL PLAN
401893184	REFERENCE AREA MAP
401893187	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
401893359	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
401893360	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC
401895475	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY

Total Attach: 9 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
		Stamp Upon Approval

Total: 0 comment(s)



### **Public Comments**

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