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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

☒ Drill ☐ Deepen ☐ Re-enter ☐ Recomplete and Operate

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____

Refilling ☐

ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐

Sidetrack ☐

Well Name: WELLS RANCH STATE

Well Number: AA32-745

Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC

COGCC Operator Number: 100322

Address: 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY

City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77070

Contact Name: Holly Hill

Phone: (303)228-4232

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RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: Lot 3 Sec: 5 Twp: 5N Rng: 63W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 40.434880

Longitude: -104.462040

Footage at Surface: 300 Feet FNL 2275 Feet FWL

Field Name: WATTENBERG

Field Number: 90750

Ground Elevation: 4685

County: WELD

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 11/06/2017 PDOP Reading: 3.0 Instrument Operator's Name: Jake Stille

If well is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) **submit deviated drilling plan.**

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL 85 FNL 2272 FEL 0 FNL 2240 FEL 2240
Sec: 5 Twp: 5N Rng: 63W Sec: 29 Twp: 6N Rng: 63W

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.)

T5N-R63W, 6th P.M., Section 5: NE/4NW/4

Total Acres in Described Lease: 40 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: 5280 Feet

Building Unit: 5280 Feet

High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet

Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet

Public Road: 5280 Feet

Above Ground Utility: 5280 Feet

Railroad: 5280 Feet

Property Line: 300 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: 175 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 887 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

Unit Configuration: T6N-R63W, 6th P.M. Section 20: SE/4SW/4, SW/4SE/4; Section 29: W/2E/2, E/2W/2; Section 32: W/2E/2, E/2W/2; T5N-R63W, 6th P.M., Section 5: NW/4NE/4, NE4NW/4

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		801	GWA

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 17324 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: 199 Feet ☐ No well belonging to another operator within 1,500 feet

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H₂S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H₂S 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:

Drilling waste disposal information added to address non-oil based mud and fluids used in non-producing portion of wellbore.

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted?

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	26	16	42	0	80	173	80	0
SURF	13+3/4	9+5/8	36	0	1850	658	1850	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	20	0	17324	1901	17324	

☐ 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 Noble respectfully submits this application for a permit to drill, which is a part of a three well pad producing to pad BB-05-28.

Nearest well in the same formation is the Wells Ranch State BB05-690, the distance was calculated in 3D.

The nearest well belonging to another operator is State 6525 31-32, 05-123-20368, PA Operated by PDC Energy Inc distance was calculated in 3D using anti-collision report. 317.S consent is not required.

Noble Energy shall isolate both the Fox Hills and Upper Pierre Aquifers with surface casing from hydrocarbon bearing zones and exposures to oil based drilling fluid. Noble Energy also agrees to not expose the Upper Pierre Aquifer to oil based mud.

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

Location ID: _____

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? Yes

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

Signed: _____ Print Name: Julie Webb

Title: Sr. Regulatory Analyst Date: 10/12/2018 Email: jwebb@progressivepcs.net

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:  _____ Director of COGCC Date: 5/15/2019

Expiration Date: 05/14/2021

API NUMBER

05 123 50172 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.

COA Type

Description

	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, prior to stimulation. 2) 6 months after rig release, prior to stimulation. 3) Within 30 days of first production, as reported on Form 5A.
	1) Submit Form 42 electronically to COGCC 48 hours prior to MIRU (Spud Notice), for the first well/activity on the pad and provide 48 hour spud notice for all subsequent wells drilled on the pad. 2) Comply with Rule 317.j and provide cement coverage from the end of production casing to a minimum of 200' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 3) Oil-based drilling fluid is to be used only after all aquifers are covered.
	Operator acknowledges the proximity of the following non-operated listed wells: Operator agrees to: provide mitigation option 1 or 2 (per the DJ Basin Horizontal Offset Policy) to mitigate the situation, ensure all applicable documentation is submitted based on the selected mitigation option chosen, and submit a Form 42 ("OFFSET MITIGATION COMPLETED") for the remediated wells, referencing the API number of the proposed horizontal well(s) stating what appropriate mitigation occurred and that it has been completed, prior to the hydraulic stimulation of this well. State 23-32 (API NO 123-14081)J & L Farms 32-29D (API NO 123-21285)

Best Management Practices

No BMP/COA Type

Description

1	Drilling/Completion Operations	Bradenhead Monitoring: Noble Energy acknowledges and will comply with COGCC Policy for Braden-head Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated May 29, 2012.
2	Drilling/Completion Operations	Open Hole Logging Exception: A cased-hole neutron log with gamma-ray log will be run from the kick-off point into the surface casing. A cement bond log with gamma-ray will be run on the production casing (or intermediate casing if production liner is run). The horizontal portion of the wellbore will be logged with a measured-while-drilling log with gamma-ray. The Form 5, Completion Report, for this well will list all logs run and have those logs attached. The Form 5 shall state "Open-hole logging exception - No open-hole logs were run", and shall clearly identify the type of log and the well (by API#) in which open-hole logs were run.
3	Drilling/Completion Operations	Noble Energy 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. Notice shall be given to all offset operators prior to drilling.

Total: 3 comment(s)

Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators

Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.
http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife_Notice.pdf

Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area.
<http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/PolicyGwaBradenheadMonitoringFinal.pdf>

Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
401672646	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
401756880	DIRECTIONAL DATA
401763073	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
401763837	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
401783845	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
401792578	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
401793844	WELL LOCATION PLAT
401793846	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT
401793853	OPEN HOLE LOGGING EXCEPTION
401793929	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
402045474	OFFSET WELL EVALUATION

Total Attach: 11 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Final Review	•Final permitting review complete. Sent to Final Approval.	04/16/2019
Permit	•With concurrence from the operator, corrected the distance from the completed portion of proposed wellbore to the nearest completed portion of the offset wellbore permitted or completed in the same formation and the comment on the submit tab regarding the offset well. •Initial permitting review complete and task passed.	04/16/2019
Permit	•The offset well distance nearest to the completed portion of the proposed wellbore appears incorrect. Requesting concurrence on correction.	04/12/2019
Permit	•With concurrence from the operator, removed the Housekeeping, Stormwater Management Plans, and Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures BMPs, as these pertain to the surface location. •With concurrence from the operator, updated the open hole logging BMP. •State Land Board (SLB) has no objection to the permitting of this well.	04/10/2019
Engineer	Offset Wells Evaluated	10/26/2018
Permit	Changed the surface location to lot 3 as per COGCC GIS map Changed the location of the top of production as per well plat Passed Completeness	10/23/2018

Total: 6 comment(s)