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## State of Colorado

### 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: Federal

Well Number: 21C-14-496

Name of Operator: CAERUS PICEANCE LLC

COGCC Operator Number: 10456

Address: 1001 17TH STREET #1600

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Contact Name: Michelle Molinar Phone: (720)880-6347 Fax: (303)565-4606

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### RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20130021

### WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NESW Sec: 14 Twp: 4S Rng: 96W Meridian: 6

Latitude: 39.700787 Longitude: -108.136660

Footage at Surface: 1990 Feet FNL/FSL FSL 2395 Feet FEL/FWL FWL

Field Name: GRAND VALLEY Field Number: 31290

Ground Elevation: 7911 County: RIO BLANCO

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 12/20/2018 PDOP Reading: 1.4 Instrument Operator's Name: Dennis Petty

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

746 FNL 1240 FEL 776 FNL 1323 FEL  
Sec: 14 Twp: 4S Rng: 96W Sec: 14 Twp: 4S Rng: 96W

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

County: RIO BLANCO Municipality: N/A

Per § 34-60-106 (1)(f)(I)(A), the following questions pertain to the "local government with jurisdiction to approve the siting of the proposed oil and gas location."

The local government with jurisdiction is: County

Does the local government with jurisdiction regulate the siting of Oil and Gas Locations, with respect to this COGCC application? If the local government has waived its right to precede the COGCC in siting determination, indicate by selecting "NO" here and selecting "Waived" below.

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, in checking this box, I hereby certify that an application has been filed with the local government with jurisdiction to approve the siting of the proposed oil and gas location. ☐

The local government siting permit type is: \_\_\_\_\_

The local government siting permit was filed on: \_\_\_\_\_

The disposition of the application filed with the local government is: Waived

Additional explanation of local process:

Caerus Piceance LLC contacted Rio Blanco County and they have no siting regulations.

## 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: applicant is owner

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.)

Sec. 14, T4S-R96W - All, and other lands.

Total Acres in Described Lease: 1890 Described Mineral Lease is: ☐ Fee ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Indian

Federal or State Lease # COC57684

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Lease Line of described lease: 4414 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: 676 Feet

School Facility: 5280 Feet

School Property Line: 5280 Feet

Child Care Center: 5280 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, Designated Outside Activity Area, School Facility, and Child Care Center – 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: 265 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 4414 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): Liberity Unit

Unit Number: COC069926X

## SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

This well is subject to Order 1-229.

If this Form 2 is associated with a Drilling and Spacing Unit application, provide docket number: \_\_\_\_\_

## OBJECTIVE FORMATIONS

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
WILLIAMS FORK	WMFK	1-229		

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 12994 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: \_\_\_\_\_ 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? No

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 609

## DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE

Drilling Fluids Disposal Methods: Recycle/reuse

Cuttings Disposal: ONSITE

Cuttings Disposal Method: Beneficial reuse

Other Disposal Description:

Waste Management Plan submitted with Form 2A.

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	30	20	54#	0	100	218	100	0
SURF	14+3/4	9+5/8	36#	0	3000	994	3000	0
1ST	8+3/4	4+1/2	11.6#	0	12994	1710	12994	3000

☐ 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 \_\_\_\_\_

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan \_\_\_\_\_ 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: Michelle Molinar

Title: Drilling Regulatory Tech Date: 6/7/2019 Email: mmolinar@caerusoilandgas.co

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules, applicable orders, and SB 19-181 and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Director of COGCC Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

API NUMBER

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## **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.

<b><u>COA Type</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>1) Operator shall comply with the most current revision of the Northwest Notification Policy.</p> <p>2) Operator shall comply with the most current revision of the Garfield County Rulison Field Notice to Operators, with the following exception: All field notice requirements specified in that Notice to Operators are superseded by the requirements of the most current revision of the Northwest Colorado Notification Policy (see Condition of Approval #1).</p> <p>3) Operator shall provide cement coverage from the production casing shoe (4+1/2" FIRST STRING) to a minimum of 200' above all Mesaverde Group (and Ohio Creek Formation, if present) oil, gas, and water-bearing sandstone and coalbed formations. Verify production casing cement coverage with a cement bond log.</p> <p>4) The Operator shall monitor the bradenhead pressure of the proposed well and all offset wells under Operator's control which penetrate the stimulated formation and have a treated interval separation of 300 feet or less. Monitoring shall occur from 24 hours prior to stimulation and shall continue until 24 hours after stimulation is complete. Recording shall be at a frequency of at least once per 24 hours with the capability of recording the maximum pressure observed during each 24 hour period. Operator shall notify COGCC Engineering staff if bradenhead pressures increase by more than 200 psig.</p>

## **Best Management Practices**

<b><u>No</u></b>	<b><u>BMP/COA Type</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
1	Planning	Alternative Logging Program: The first well drilled on the ELU J14-496 Pad will be logged with an open-hole Resistivity Log and Gamma Ray Log from TD into the surface casing. All wells on the pad will have a Cement Bond Log with cased-hole Gamma Ray run on the production casing. The Form 5 Completion Report will list all the logs run in the subject well and identify the well that was logged with the open-hole Resistivity Log.
2	Drilling/Completion Operations	Closed loop system will be used. No pits will be built. Caerus will ensure 110 percent secondary containment for any potential volume of fluids that may be released.

Total: 2 comment(s)

## **Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators**

Piceance Rulison Field - Notice to Operators.

<http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/NoticeToOp-20060623-2.pdf>

NW Colorado Notification Policy.

[http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/nw\\_notification\\_procedures.pdf](http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/nw_notification_procedures.pdf)

Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.

[http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife\\_Notice.pdf](http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife_Notice.pdf)

## **Attachment Check List**

<b><u>Att Doc Num</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>
401972910	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
401972931	DIRECTIONAL DATA
401972936	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN

401972938	WELL LOCATION PLAT
401972940	LEGAL/LEASE DESCRIPTION
402063656	FED. DRILLING PERMIT

Total Attach: 6 Files

### **General Comments**

<b><u>User Group</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>	<b><u>Comment Date</u></b>
Permit (Rejected)	REJECTION: This APD has been rejected per the COGCC Rejection Process (updated May 21, 2019). Other APDs on the same pad had "The right to construct is incorrect and the distance to nearest lease line is incorrect. This APD has not been reviewed.	08/18/2019
Engineer	Offset water well check: COGCC evaluated offset water wells within one mile of this proposed well's surface hole location. This information was used in addition to locally-available geophysical logs and hydrogeologic information to evaluate the adequacy of the operator's proposed surface casing setting depth. There are no noncommercial water wells within 1 mile of the well surface hole locations on this pad.  Offset Well Evaluation: Planned wells are less than 300' apart. Added bradenhead monitoring COA. There are currently no existing offset wellbores within 1,500' of the wellbores planned on this pad. No mitigation is required.	06/20/2019
Permit	Passed completeness.	06/17/2019

Total: 3 comment(s)

## Public Comments

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

**REJECTED**