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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
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402405996

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 ☐

Date Received:  
08/19/2020

Well Name: Roth Well Number: A32-760  
Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC COGCC Operator Number: 100322  
Address: 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY  
City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77070  
Contact Name: Craig Richardson Phone: (303)228-4232 Fax: ( )  
Email: Denverregulatory@nbleenergy.com

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NENE Sec: 30 Twp: 6N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6  
Latitude: 40.461420 Longitude: -104.584660  
Footage at Surface: 1017 Feet FNL/FSL FNL 270 Feet FEL/FWL FEL  
Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750  
Ground Elevation: 4697 County: WELD  
GPS Data: GPS Quality Value: 1.2 Type of GPS Quality Value: PDOP Date of Measurement: 01/30/2020  
Instrument Operator's Name: Duncan Hotchkiss

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

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FNL 460 FNL 1980 FNL 460 FSL 1977 FNL 460 FSL 1977 FNL 460 FSL 1977 FNL 460 FSL 1977 FNL 460 FSL 1977  
Sec: 29 Twp: 6N Rng: 64W Sec: 32 Twp: 6N Rng: 64W

LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

County: WELD 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 location? If the local government does regulate the siting, but has waived its right to precede the COGCC in siting determination, indicate by selecting "YES" here and selecting "Waived" for the disposition 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: 1041 WOGLA

The local government siting permit was filed on: 03/11/2020

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

Additional explanation of local process:

1041WOGLA20-0021 approved 4/30/2020.

## 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: No

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.)

T6N-R64W, 6th P.M., Sec 32: NW/4

Total Acres in Described Lease: 160 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:	<u>882</u> Feet
Building Unit:	<u>882</u> Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	<u>5280</u> Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	<u>5280</u> Feet
Public Road:	<u>257</u> Feet
Above Ground Utility:	<u>243</u> Feet
Railroad:	<u>5280</u> Feet
Property Line:	<u>270</u> Feet
School Facility:	<u>5280</u> Feet
School Property Line:	<u>5280</u> Feet
Child Care Center:	<u>5280</u> 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: 03/02/2020

## 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: 650 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 460 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

Drilling and Spacing Unit configuration: T6N-R64W, 6th P.M., Sec 28: W2, W2E2; Sec 29: All; Sec 32: All; Sec 33: W2, W2E2

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.)
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NIOBRARA	NBRR	407-2909	2240	S28,W2,W2E2, S29All
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## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 17620 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: 28 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? 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:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? No

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	6	80	0
SURF	13+3/4	9+5/8	36	0	1850	658	1850	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	17	0	17620	1964	17620	2500

☐ 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 six well pad producing to pad A19-11.

The Roth A32-770 [Doc#: 402405986], permitted by Noble Energy, is the nearest well in the same formation, the distance was measured in 2D.

The nearest wellbore belonging to another operator was measured to the Anderson 3-29 [API #: 123-13191], operated by EXTRACTION OIL & GAS INC. The distance was measured in 3D (from anti-collision report). The well status is currently PA. 317.s not required. An additional well within 150' is the Andy 29-1 [API 123-13684, PA], operated by PDC Energy Inc, distance was calculated in 3D. 317.s not required.

The Exception Location and Twinning Waiver language is included in the attached SUA, (Page 4, Section 5).

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: 477361

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

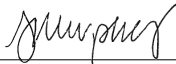
I hereby certify all statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: Julie Webb

Title: Sr. Regulatory Analyst Date: 8/19/2020 Email: julie.webb@nbenergy.com

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, applicable orders, and SB 19-181 and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved:  Director of COGCC Date: 11/13/2020

Expiration Date: 11/12/2022

**API NUMBER**

05 123 51330 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.**

<u>COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Per COGCC Order 1-232, Bradenhead tests shall be performed according to the following schedule and Form 17 submitted within 10 days of each test:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Within 60 days of rig release, prior to stimulation. If any pressure greater than 200 psi, must contact COGCC engineer prior to stimulation.</li> <li>2) If a delayed completion, 6 months after rig release and prior to stimulation. If any pressure greater than 200 psi, must contact COGCC engineer prior to stimulation.</li> <li>3) A post-production test within 60 days after first sales, as reported on the Form 10, Certificate of Clearance.</li> </ol>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>3) Oil-based drilling fluid is to be used only after all aquifers are covered.</li> </ol>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>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.</p> <p>Blehm 30-1 (API NO 123-13685)Uhrich 33-30 (API NO 123-14679)</p>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Operator acknowledges the proximity of the 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.</p> <p>Uhrich 1 (API NO 123-12152)Roth A 30-7 (API NO 123-17294)</p>
Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>This Permit to Drill is approved subject to all the BMPs and COAs on the most recently approved Form 2A and any subsequently approved Form 4 for the Oil and Gas Location (Location ID # 477361). The most recently approved Form 2A and any subsequent Form 4s containing applicable COAs for this location shall be posted on site during construction, drilling, and completions operations.</p>

## **Best Management Practices**

<b>No</b>	<b>BMP/COA Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	Planning	Upon initial rig-up and at least once every thirty (30) days during drilling operations thereafter, pressure testing of the casing string and each component of the blowout prevention equipment including flange connections shall be performed to seventy percent (70%) of working pressure or seventy percent (70%) of the internal yield of casing, whichever is less. Pressure testing shall be conducted and the documented results shall be retained by the operator for inspection by the Director for a period of one (1) year. Activation of the pipe rams for function testing shall be conducted on a daily basis when practicable.
2	Planning	Adequate blowout prevention equipment shall be used on all well servicing operations. Backup stabbing valves shall be required on well servicing operations during reverse circulation. Valves shall be pressure tested before each well servicing operation using both low-pressure air and high-pressure fluid.
3	Planning	Closed chamber drill stem tests shall be allowed. All other drill stem tests shall require approval by the Director.
4	Drilling/Completion Operations	Bradenhead Monitoring Operator will comply with the "COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area", dated May 29, 2012.
5	Drilling/Completion Operations	Alternative Logging Program: One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with an open-hole resistivity log and gamma-ray, from the kick-off point into the surface casing. All wells on the pad will have a cement bond log (CBL) with gamma-ray run on production casing (or on intermediate casing if production liner is run) into the surface casing. The horizontal portion of every well will be logged with a measured-while-drilling gamma-ray log. The Form 5, Completion Report, for each well on the pad will list all logs run and have those logs attached. The Form 5 for a well without open-hole logs shall clearly state "Alternative Logging Program - 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.
6	Drilling/Completion Operations	Blowout prevention equipment for drilling operations in a Designated Setback Location shall consist of (at a minimum): - Rig with Kelly. Double ram with blind ram and pipe ram; annular preventer or a rotating head. - Rig without Kelly. Double ram with blind ram and pipe ram. Mineral Management certification or Director approved training for blowout prevention shall be required for at least one (1) person at the well site during drilling operations.
7	Drilling/Completion Operations	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. Notice shall be given to all offset operators prior to drilling.

Total: 7 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](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 List**

<b>Att Doc Num</b>	<b>Name</b>
402405996	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
402406870	DIRECTIONAL DATA

402406871	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
402406873	WELL LOCATION PLAT
402427415	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
402432099	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
402458742	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
402532653	OFFSET WELL EVALUATION

Total Attach: 8 Files

### General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit	Final Review Completed.	11/12/2020
Permit	Permitting review complete.	11/12/2020
Permit	COGCC conducted the technical review for the related Oil and Gas Location Assessment permit, Form 2A document #402354497 under the statutory authority provided through SB 19-181, including the Objective Criteria. The Director approved the Form 2A on 7/24/2020, establishing Location ID #477361 subject to conditions included in the permit. The well proposed by this related Form 2 was contemplated during COGCC's review of the Form 2A. The Objective Criteria Review Memo (Doc# 2479397) can be found in the document file for this Location.	11/12/2020
Engineer	Offset Wells Evaluated	09/23/2020
Permit	Surface Use Agreement has waivers for Rule 318A.a & 318A.c. See page 4, Section 5.A.6	09/16/2020
Permit	Passed Completeness.	09/16/2020
Permit	Corrected unit acreage with operator concurrence.	08/20/2020
Permit	Unit acreage does not match order 407-2909. Emailed operator.	08/20/2020

Total: 8 comment(s)