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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

Amend ☐

Refill ☐

Sidetrack ☐

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐

Well Name: BLEHM WEST Well Number: 6X-HC-07-07-67  
Name of Operator: NICKEL ROAD OPERATING LLC COGCC Operator Number: 10669  
Address: 1600 STOUT STREET SUITE 1850  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202  
Contact Name: JENNIFER LIND Phone: (303)406-1117 Fax: ( )  
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#### RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20200034

#### WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

##### Surface Location

QtrQtr: NENE Sec: 9 Twp: 7N Rng: 67W Meridian: 6  
Footage at Surface: 485 Feet FNL 659 Feet FEL  
Latitude: 40.594626 Longitude: -104.891003  
GPS Data: GPS Quality Value: 2.0 Type of GPS Quality Value: PDOP Date of Measurement: 11/14/2020  
Ground Elevation: 5088  
Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750

Well Plan: is ☐ Directional ☒ Horizontal (highly deviated) ☐ Vertical

If Well plan is Directional or Horizontal attach Deviated Drilling Plan and Directional Data.

##### Subsurface Locations

###### Top of Productive Zone (TPZ)

Sec: 8 Twp: 7N Rng: 67W Footage at TPZ: 1719 FSL 460 FEL  
Measured Depth of TPZ: 10082 True Vertical Depth of TPZ: 7135 FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

###### Base of Productive Zone (BPZ)

Sec: 7 Twp: 7N Rng: 67W Footage at TPZ: 1720 FSL 460 FWL  
Measured Depth of TPZ: 19294 True Vertical Depth of TPZ: 7130 FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

###### Bottom Hole Location (BHL)

Sec: 7 Twp: 7N Rng: 67W Footage at BHL: 1720 FSL 460 FWL  
FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERMITTING INFORMATION

County: WELDMunicipality: N/A

Is the Surface Location of this Well in an area designated as one of State interest and subject to the requirements of § 24-65.1-108 C.R.S.? Yes

Per § 34-60-106(1)(f)(I)(A) C.R.S., the following questions pertain to the Relevant Local Government approval of the siting of the proposed Oil and Gas Location.

SB 19-181 provides that when "applying for a permit to drill," operators must include proof that they sought a local government siting permit and the disposition of that permit application, or that the local government does not have siting regulations. § 34-60-106(1)(f)(I)(A) C.R.S.

Does the Relevant Local Government regulate the siting of Oil and Gas Locations, with respect to this Location? ☒ 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 disposition of the application filed with the Relevant Local Government is: Approved Date of Final Disposition: 09/03/2020

Comments: 1041WOGLA20-0076

## SURFACE AND MINERAL OWNERSHIP AT WELL'S OIL & GAS LOCATION

Surface Owner of the land at this Well's Oil and Gas Location: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Mineral Owner beneath this Well's Oil and Gas Location: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Surface Owner Protection Financial Assurance (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Surety ID Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

## MINERALS DEVELOPED BY WELL

The ownership of all the minerals that will be developed by this Well is (check all that apply):

- ☒ Fee  
☐ State  
☐ Federal  
☐ Indian  
☐ N/A

## LEASE INFORMATION

Using standard QtrQtr, Section, Township, Range format describe one entire mineral lease as follows:

\* If this Well is within a unit, describe a lease that will be developed by the Well.

\* If this Well is not subject to a unit, describe the lease that will be produced by the Well.

(Attach a Lease Map or Lease Description or Lease if necessary.)

SEE ATTACHED LEASE MAP

Total Acres in Described Lease: 142 Described Mineral Lease is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Federal or State Lease # \_\_\_\_\_

## SAFETY SETBACK INFORMATION

Distance from Well to nearest:

Building: 2083 Feet  
Building Unit: 2083 Feet  
Public Road: 473 Feet  
Above Ground Utility: 442 Feet  
Railroad: 5280 Feet

### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Specify all distances per Rule 308.b.(1).
- 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 – as defined in 100 Series Rules.

Property Line: 464 Feet

## OBJECTIVE FORMATIONS

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
CODELL	CODL	407-2769	1280	SEC.7&8: ALL

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl):

Unit Number:

## SUBSURFACE MINERAL SETBACKS

Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.

Is this Well within a unit? Yes

If YES:

Enter the minimum distance from the Completed Zone of this Well to the Unit Boundary: 460 Feet

Enter the minimum distance from the Completed Zone of this Well to the Completed Zone of an offset Well within the same unit permitted or completed in the same formation: 618 Feet

If NO:

Enter the minimum distance from the Completed Zone of this Well to the Lease Line of the described lease: Feet

Enter the minimum distance from the Completed Zone of this Well to the Completed Zone of an offset Well producing from the same lease and permitted or completed in the same formation: Feet

## Exception Location

☐ If this Well requires the approval of a Rule 401.c Exception Location, enter the Rule or spacing order number and attach the Exception Location Request and Waivers.

## SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 19294 Feet

TVD at Proposed Total Measured Depth 7130 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: 280 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 Plan unless a plan was already submitted with the Form 2A per Rule 304.c.(10).

Will there be hydraulic fracture treatment at a depth less than 2,000 feet in this well? No

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

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? No

Reuse Facility ID: or Document Number:

**CASING PROGRAM**

<u>Casing Type</u>	<u>Size of Hole</u>	<u>Size of Casing</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Wt/Ft</u>	<u>Csg/Liner Top</u>	<u>Setting Depth</u>	<u>Sacks Cmt</u>	<u>Cmt Btm</u>	<u>Cmt Top</u>
CONDUCTOR	24	16	N/A	42	0	80	100	80	0
SURF	13+1/2	9+5/8	K55	36	0	1500	415	1500	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	HCP110	20	0	19294	2500	19294	1000

☐ Conductor Casing is NOT planned

**POTENTIAL FLOW AND CONFINING FORMATIONS**

<u>Zone Type</u>	<u>Formation /Hazard</u>	<u>Top M.D.</u>	<u>Top T.V.D.</u>	<u>Bottom M.D.</u>	<u>Bottom T.V.D.</u>	<u>TDS (mg/L)</u>	<u>Data Source</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Groundwater	LARAMIE-FOX HILLS	0	0	139	139	1001-10000	Other	CSU - Domestic Water Analysis Report - Larry Moore Well - 176559
Groundwater	UPPER PIERRE	300	300	1314	1314	1001-10000	Other	Water Quality and the Presence and Origin of Methane in the Upper Pierre Aquifer in Northeastern Weld County, Morgan County and Logan County, Colorado COGCC Project Number 2141 October 2017
Confining Layer	PIERRE SHALE	1314	1314	4813	4216			
Hydrocarbon	SUSSEX	4813	4216	5428	4565			
Hydrocarbon	SHANNON	5428	4565	5430	4594			
Confining Layer	PIERRE SHALE	5430	4594	9331	6831			
Hydrocarbon	NIOBRARA	9331	6831	9865	7102			
Confining Layer	FORT HAYS	9865	7102	9969	7125			
Hydrocarbon	CODELL	9969	7125	19294	7130			Btm MD=TD, Btm TVD=TVD @ BHL

**OPERATOR COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL**

Comments: Revised distance to the nearest non-operated well from 517' to 280', per operator. Distance to nearest wellbore belonging to another operator measured to the BLACK WILLOW 1 (AMERICAN PETROFINA / 05-123-09381 / AB). There are no other operator wells with treated interval less 175' from the treated interval of the proposed well. Distance measured in 2D map view.

This application is in a Comprehensive Area Plan No CAP #: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil and Gas Development Plan Name \_\_\_\_\_ OGDID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Location ID: 478497

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: JENNIFER LIND

Title: VP REG & ENV Date: 1/27/2021 Email: JENNIFER.LIND@NICKELRO

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: 2/25/2021

Expiration Date: 02/24/2024

**API NUMBER**

05 123 51531 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**

Drilling/Completion Operations	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: 1) Within 60 days of rig release, prior to stimulation. If any pressure greater than 200 psi, must contact COGCC engineer prior to stimulation. 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. 3) A post-production test within 60 days after first sales, as reported on the Form 10, Certificate of Clearance.
Drilling/Completion Operations	1) Submit Form 42 electronically to COGCC 2 business days prior to MIRU (Spud Notice), for the first well/activity on the pad and provide 2 business days 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 500' above Niobrara. Verify coverage with cement bond log. 3) Oil-based drilling fluid is to be used only after all aquifers are covered.

**Best Management Practices**

**No BMP/COA Type**

**Description**

1 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.
2 Drilling/Completion Operations	Alternative Logging Program: One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with Open Hole Resistivity Log and Gamma Ray Log from the kick-off point to into the surface casing. All wells on the pad will have a cement bond log 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 (by API#, well name & number) the well in which open-hole logs were run.
3 Drilling/Completion Operations	Operator acknowledges and will comply with COGCC policy for Bradenhead Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated May 29, 2012.

Total: 3 comment(s)

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

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><u>Att Doc Num</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>
402576502	APD APPROVED
402584918	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
402584920	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
402584921	WELL LOCATION PLAT
402584922	LEASE MAP
402584923	DIRECTIONAL DATA
402610885	OFFSET WELL EVALUATION
402610895	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
402610904	PUBLIC COMMENT-0

Total Attach: 9 Files

### **General Comments**

<b><u>User Group</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>	<b><u>Comment Date</u></b>
Permit	Final Review Completed.	02/25/2021
OGLA	This Location and its associated materials was fully reviewed in the review of this APD in accordance with current Rules. See Sundry doc #402591420 in Location #478497 file for additional information. This APD complies with all COGCC Rules and is adequately protective of public health, safety, welfare, the environment, and wildlife resources. OGLA task passed.	02/24/2021
Engineer	Revised distance to the nearest non-operated well from 517' to 280', per operator.	02/24/2021
Permit	Permitting Review Complete.	02/02/2021
Engineer	Offset Wells Evaluated.	02/02/2021

Total: 5 comment(s)