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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 ☐

Refile ☒

Sidetrack ☐

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

ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐

Well Name: DEHAAN Well Number: 8X-HNC-16-07-65  
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: SWSW Sec: 17 Twp: 7N Rng: 65W Meridian: 6

Footage at Surface: 1133 Feet FSL 591 Feet FWL

Latitude: 40.570846 Longitude: -104.694358

GPS Data: GPS Quality Value: 1.4 Type of GPS Quality Value: PDOP Date of Measurement: 12/07/2017

Ground Elevation: 4909

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: 17 Twp: 7N Rng: 65W Footage at TPZ: 775 FSL 460 FWL  
Measured Depth of TPZ: 7448 True Vertical Depth of TPZ: 7231 FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

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

Sec: 16 Twp: 7N Rng: 65W Footage at BPZ: 779 FSL 460 FEL  
Measured Depth of BPZ: 17009 True Vertical Depth of BPZ: 7233 FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

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

Sec: 16 Twp: 7N Rng: 65W Footage at BHL: 779 FSL 460 FEL  
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: 02/04/2019

Comments: WOGLA 18-0190

## 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 LEASE MAP ATTACHED TO ORIGINAL SUBMITTAL

Total Acres in Described Lease: 52 Described Mineral Lease is: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

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

## SAFETY SETBACK INFORMATION

Distance from Well to nearest:

Building: 780 Feet  
Building Unit: 1000 Feet  
Public Road: 576 Feet  
Above Ground Utility: 606 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: 87 Feet

## 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	407-2616	1280	Sec.16 & 17: 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: 291 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: 17009 Feet

TVD at Proposed Total Measured Depth 7233 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: 165 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	1850	550	1850	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	HCP110	20	0	17009	2340	17009	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	484	484	642	642	1001-10000	Other	CSU - Domestic Water Analysis Report - Larry Moore Well - 176559
Groundwater	UPPER PIERRE	810	810	1776	1772	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	1776	1772	4669	4644			
Hydrocarbon	SUSSEX	4669	4644	5230	5201			
Hydrocarbon	SHANNON	5230	5201	5249	5230			
Confining Layer	PIERRE SHALE	5249	5230	7131	7051			
Hydrocarbon	NIOBRARA	7131	7051	17009	7233			Btm MD=TD, Btm TVD=TVD @ BHL

**OPERATOR COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL**

Comments	<p>This location has not yet been built, associated Form 2A expires on 1/8/2022. The following changes from the previously approved Form 2 are being made via this refire:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Offset Well Evaluation: updated list of wells attached</li> <li>- Offset well distances: updated to reflect recent activity</li> <li>- BMPs: Updated to reflect current requirements</li> <li>- Casing / Cement Program: Setting depth for surface casing and cement top for First String (Production String) Updated</li> </ul> <p>No other changes to this Form 2 are proposed at this time. Attachments have not been provided except as identified above as no changes are proposed.</p> <p>This Form 2 was originally approved as a Rule 603.a.(2) (Property Line) exception location. Exception location waiver and request letter provided with original submittal.</p> <p>Distance from completed portion of proposed wellbore to nearest completed portion of wellbore permitted/completed in the same formation and subject to the proposed spacing order measured to the proposed DeHaan 7X-HC-16-07-65. Distance measured in 3D anti-collision.</p> <p>Distance to nearest wellbore belonging to another operator measured to the East Ault #16-18-19HNA (Bayswater, PR, 05-123-47072). There are no other operator wells with treated interval less 175' from the treated interval of the proposed well. Distances measured in 2D map view.</p>
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This application is in a Comprehensive Area Plan No CAP #: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil and Gas Development Plan Name \_\_\_\_\_ OGD ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Location ID: 460600

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 &amp; ENV

Date: 1/29/2021

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: 6/3/2021

Expiration Date: 06/02/2024

**API NUMBER**

05 123 49464 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.

**Condition of Approval****COA Type****Description**

Drilling/Completion Operations	If location is not built by 2A expiration 1/08/22, Operator must Refile Form 2A for approval prior to location construction.
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 408.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.
3 COAs	

## **Best Management Practices**

<b>No</b>	<b>BMP/COA Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
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>
402576396	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
402586713	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
402707991	OFFSET WELL EVALUATION

Total Attach: 3 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
OGLA	Operator submitted Sundry Notice Form 4 (Doc# 402623875) to supply additional information and update BMPs for the Location (Location ID 460600).  Following additional analysis, the Director determined that this application meets the standard for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare and the environment, including wildlife resources set by SB 19-181. The OGLA Technical Review Memo (Doc# 1347851) can be found in the document file for Location ID 460600.	06/03/2021
OGLA	IN PROCESS - received requested information from Operator on 4/7/2021; COGCC review will resume and be conducted within 60 days (by 6/6/2021).	04/16/2021
OGLA	In compliance with § 24-65.1-108(1), C.R.S., the COGCC is providing this written request for all additional information necessary for the COGCC to respond to this application. The applicant may provide all requested additional information to COGCC via email. Upon receipt of all requested information, the COGCC will have 60 days in which to approve, deny, or request all additional information necessary to complete the regulatory review. If the applicant no longer requires this application be approved, the applicant may request to withdraw the application.  In addition to all standard required information and attachments, the COGCC hereby confirms the following information is necessary for review: 1. Dust – BMP Provided. Discussion potentially needed. 2. Lighting: Provide a BMP/BMPs that considers lighting through all phases of construction, drilling, completions, and regular production operations. Consider light impact to nearby residential building unit as traffic turns onto the access road. 3. Noise: BMP should consider the direction of individuals impacted, hours of operations, types of equipment and noise generated during construction, drilling, completions, and production. 4. Odor. BMP provided. Discussion potentially needed. 5. Request information on Air Monitoring 6. Request authorization to attach the provided Emergency Action Plan provided on 3/9 to the Form 4, to provide information for emergency response. 7. Residential Building Unit resident communication (within 2,000 feet of the Location). Please provide information on how Nickel Road plans to meet Rule 412.b.  ON HOLD: This application has been reviewed by COGCC staff and cannot be approved based on the information submitted; therefore, the COGCC is placing this form ON HOLD until additional information is received from the applicant. First information requests on 3/9.	03/26/2021
OGLA	Location was considered by staff post SB-181 and rulemaking. Staff requested a Form 4 to address dust, lighting, noise, and odor. Staff also requested information on Emergency Response Plan, communication with Residential Building Units, and if any air monitoring is planned for the location.	03/09/2021
Permit	Final Review Completed.	03/01/2021
Permit	With operators concurrence corrected TPZ to 7448'. Permitting Review Complete.	02/22/2021
Engineer	Offset Wells Evaluated	02/02/2021

Total: 7 comment(s)