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State of Colorado  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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Oil and Gas Location Assessment

New Location  Amend Existing Location Location#: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit original plus one copy. This form is to be submitted to the COGCC prior to any ground disturbance activity associated with oil and gas development operations. This Assessment may be approved as a stand alone application or submitted as an informational report accompanying an Application for Permit-To-Drill, Form 2. Approval of this Assessment will allow for the construction of the below specified location; however, it does not supersede any land use rules applied by the local land use authority. This form may serve as notice to land owners and other interested parties, please see the COGCC web site at <http://colorado.gov/cogcc/> for all accompanying information pertinent to this Oil and Gas Location Assessment.

Location ID:

Expiration Date:

This location assessment is included as part of a permit application.

1. CONSULTATION

- This location is included in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan. CDP # \_\_\_\_\_
- This location is in a sensitive wildlife habitat area.
- This location is in a wildlife restricted surface occupancy area.
- This location includes a Rule 306.d.(1)A.ii. variance request.

2. Operator

Operator Number: 100322  
Name: NOBLE ENERGY INC  
Address: 1625 BROADWAY STE 2200  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

3. Contact Information

Name: KATE SHIRLEY  
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4. Location Identification:

Name: WELLS RANCH USX AE Number: 31-10P  
County: WELD  
Quarter: NWSE Section: 31 Township: 6N Range: 62W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4697  
Define a single point as a location reference for the facility location. This point should be used as the point of measurement in the drawings to be submitted with this application. When the location is to be used as a well site then the point shall be a well location.  
Footage at surface: 1983 feet, from North or South section line: FSL and 1893 feet, from East or West section line: FEL  
Latitude: 40.441250 Longitude: -104.363350 PDOP Reading: 2.3 Date of Measurement: 09/30/2009

5. Facilities (Indicate the number of each type of oil and gas facility planned on location):

Special Purpose Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Drilling Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Wells: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Production Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="checkbox"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Separators: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Electric Motors: <input type="checkbox"/>	Multi-Well Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>
Gas or Diesel Motors: <input type="checkbox"/>	Cavity Pumps: <input type="checkbox"/>	LACT Unit: <input type="checkbox"/>	Pump Jacks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Pigging Station: <input type="checkbox"/>
Electric Generators: <input type="checkbox"/>	Gas Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Oil Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Flare: <input type="checkbox"/>
Gas Compressors: <input type="checkbox"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Oil Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Fuel Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	

Other: 1 BURIED CEMENT PRODUCED WATER VAULT, 1 EFM METER

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 03/04/2010 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 3.00
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 05/04/2010 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 1.00
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4697 Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes
Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: Yes No X Is H2S anticipated? Yes No X
Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS Cl) or oil based muds be used: Yes No X
Mud disposal: Offsite X Onsite Method: Land Farming X Land Spreading Disposal Facility
Other:

7. Surface Owner:

Name: Wells Ranch LLLP Phone:
Address: 32010 WCR 63 Fax:
Address: Email:
City: Gill State: CO Zip: 80624 Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation: 09/22/2009
Surface Owner: X Fee State Federal Indian
Mineral Owner: X Fee State Federal Indian
The surface owner is: the mineral owner committed to an oil and gas lease
is the executor of the oil and gas lease the applicant
The right to construct the location is granted by: oil and gas lease X Surface Use Agreement Right of Way
applicant is owner
Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: \$2000 \$5000 Blanket Surety ID

8. Reclamation Financial Assurance:

X Well Surety ID: 20030009 Gas Facility Surety ID: Waste Mgmt. Surety ID:

9. Cultural:

Is the location in a high density area (Rule 603.b.): Yes No X
Distance, in feet, to nearest building: 5280 , public road: 5280 , above ground utilit: 5280
, railroad: 5280 , property line: 1839

10. Current Land Use (Check all that apply):

Crop Land: Irrigated Dry land Improved Pasture Hay Meadow CRP
Non-Crop Land: X Rangeland Timber Recreational Other (describe):
Subdivided: Industrial Commercial Residential

11. Future Land Use (Check all that apply):

Crop Land: Irrigated Dry land Improved Pasture Hay Meadow CRP
Non-Crop Land: X Rangeland Timber Recreational Other (describe):
Subdivided: Industrial Commercial Residential

12. Soils:

List all soil map units that occur within the proposed location. Attach the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) report showing the "Map Unit Description" report listing the soil typical vertical profile. This data is to be used when segregating topsoil.

The required information can be obtained from the NRCS web site at <http://soildatamart.nrcs.usda.gov/> or from the COGCC web site GIS Online map page found at <http://colorado.gov/cogcc>. Instructions are provided within the COGCC web site help section.

NRCS Map Unit Name: 72: Vona loamy sand, 0 to 3 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: 74: Vona loamy sand, 5 to 9 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### 13. Plant Community:

Complete this section only if any portion of the disturbed area of the location's current land use is on non-crop land.

Are noxious weeds present: Yes  No

Plant species from:  NRCS or,  field observation Date of observation: 09/22/2009

List individual species: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Check all plant communities that exist in the disturbed area.

- Disturbed Grassland (Cactus, Yucca, Cheatgrass, Rye)
- Native Grassland (Bluestern, Grama, Wheatgrass, Buffalograss, Fescue, Oatgrass, Brome)
- Shrub Land (Mahogany, Oak, Sage, Serviceberry, Chokecherry)
- Plains Riparian (Cottonwood, Willow, Aspen, Maple, Poplar, Russian Olive, Tamarisk)
- Mountain Riparian (Cottonwood, Willow, Blue Spruce)
- Forest Land (Spruce, Fir, Ponderosa Pine, Lodgepole Pine, Juniper, Pinyon, Aspen)
- Wetlands Aquatic (Bullrush, Sedge, Cattail, Arrowhead)
- Alpine (above timberline)
- Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

### 14. Water Resources:

Rule 901.e. may require a sensitive area determination be performed. If this determination is performed the data is to be submitted with the Form 2A.

Is this a sensitive area:  No  Yes Was a Rule 901.e. Sensitive Areas Determination performed:  No  Yes

Distance (in feet) to nearest surface water: 5280, water well: 6019, depth to ground water: 60

Is the location in a riparian area:  No  Yes Was an Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit filed  No  Yes

Is the location within a Rule 317B Surface Water Suppl Area buffer zone:

No  0-300 ft. zone  301-500 ft. zone  501-2640 ft. zone

If the location is within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer have all public water supply systems within 15 miles been notified:  No  Yes

### 15. Comments:

Nearest building greater than 5,280 feet. Nearest public road greater than 5,280 feet. Nearest above ground utility greater than 5,280 feet. Nearest railroad greater than 5,280 feet. Nearest surface water greater than 5,280 feet. Nearest water well is 1.07 miles away- permit #212215A, receipt #0432987B- no static water level. Next nearest water well is permit #62466, receipt #9064975- water level of 60'. Reference area is adjacent to and west of the location.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: kshirley@nobleenergyinc.com

Print Name: KATE SHIRLEY Title: REGULATORY  
SPECIALIST

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: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attachment Check List**

Att Doc Num	Name	Doc Description
400020171	LOCATION PICTURES	Wells Ranch USX AE 31-10P Location pictures.pdf
400020172	LOCATION DRAWING	Wells Ranch USX AE 31-10P Location drawing.pdf
400020173	HYDROLOGY MAP	Wells Ranch USX AE 31-10P hydrology map.pdf
400020174	ACCESS ROAD MAP	Wells Ranch USX AE 31-10P Access Road map.pdf
400020175	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC	Wells Ranch USX AE 31-10P NRCS map unit description.pdf
400020176	PROPOSED BMPs	Wells Ranch USX AE 31-10P Proposed BMP's.pdf

Total Attach: 6 Files