

FORM
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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#: 423037

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 standalone 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:

423037

Expiration Date:

09/12/2016

☒ 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: SUSAN MILLER

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4. Location Identification:

Name: COPPERHEAD Number: LD14-04

County: WELD

QuarterQuarter: NWNW Section: 14 Township: 9N Range: 58W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 4668

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: 800 feet FNL, from North or South section line, and 700 feet FWL, from East or West section line.

Latitude: 40.756530 Longitude: -103.838250 PDOP Reading: 2.1 Date of Measurement: 06/26/2013

Instrument Operator's Name: Brian Brinkman

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"/>	Wells: <input type="text" value="2"/>	Production Pits: <input type="checkbox"/>	Dehydrator Units: <input type="checkbox"/>
Condensate Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Tanks: <input type="text" value="3"/>	Separators: <input type="text" value="3"/>	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="text" value="1"/>	Pump Jacks: <input type="text" value="1"/>	Pigging Station: <input type="checkbox"/>
Electric Generators: <input type="checkbox"/>	Gas Pipeline: <input type="text" value="1"/>	Oil Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Water Pipeline: <input type="checkbox"/>	Flare: <input type="checkbox"/>
Gas Compressors: <input type="checkbox"/>	VOC Combustor: <input type="text" value="2"/>	Oil Tanks: <input type="text" value="7"/>	Fuel Tanks: <input type="checkbox"/>	

Other: 2 EFM, 2 three-phase flowlines, 2 water vaults, 2 heater treaters. Amending form 2A for the Castor Federal LD14 -68HN, API No. 05-123-33493, Loc. ID No. 423037 to accomodate the additional equipment and disturbed acreage for the Copperhead LD14-04 well in order to create a 2-well multi-well pad.

6. Construction:

Date planned to commence construction: 09/15/2013 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 10.00
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 03/15/2014 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 3.00
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 4668 Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes ☒
Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: Yes ☐ No ☒ Is H2S anticipated? Yes ☐ No ☒
Will salt (>15,000 ppm TDS Cl) or oil based muds be used: Yes ☐ No ☒
Mud disposal: Offsite ☒ Onsite ☐ Method: Land Farming ☐ Land Spreading ☒ Disposal Facility ☐
Other: _____

7. Surface Owner:

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Fax: _____
Address: _____ Email: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation: 07/08/2013
Surface Owner: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian
Mineral Owner: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian
The surface owner is: ☐ the mineral owner ☐ committed to an oil and gas lease
☐ is the executer of the oil and gas lease ☐ the applicant
The right to construct the location is granted by: ☐ oil and gas lease ☐ Surface Use Agreement ☐ Right of Way
☐ applicant is owner
Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: ☐ \$2000 ☐ \$5000 ☒ Blanket Surety ID 20030012

8. Reclamation Financial Assurance:

☒ 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 ☒
Distance, in feet, to nearest building: 424, public road: 4570, above ground utility: 703,
railroad: 5280, property line: 622

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

Crop Land: ☐ Irrigated ☐ Dry land ☐ Improved Pasture ☐ Hay Meadow ☐ CRP
Non-Crop Land: ☒ 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: ☒ 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: 41: Nunn clay loam, 0-6% slopes
NRCS Map Unit Name: 57: Renohill-Shingle complex, 3-9% 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: 06/26/2013

List individual species: _____

Check all plant communities that exist in the disturbed area.

- ☒ Disturbed Grassland (Cactus, Yucca, Cheatgrass, Rye)
☒ Native Grassland (Bluestem, 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: 582, water well: 2839, depth to ground water: 23

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 Supply 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 railroad located over 1 mile from location. Nearest surface water is a pond located 582' SW of the location and was dry at the time of the field inspection on 6/23/13. Nearest water well permit no. 42938 (stock), located 2839' SE of location. Noble will utilize existing access roads. The existing production facility located on the north end of the disturbance area, Castor Federal LD14-68HN, Loc ID No. 423037, will be amended to include additional equipment and disturbance acreage for the Copperhead LD14-04 well which will be added to the location to create a 2-well pad. The existing fence situated around the Castor Federal LD14-68HN will be temporarily removed during drilling operations and reinstalled upon completion. Existing prod equipment: 5 oil tanks, 2 separators, 1 LACT unit, 1 VOC, 1 gas pipeline, 1 EFM, 2 heater treaters, 2 water tanks, 1 water vault, 1 three-phase flowline. New prod equipment: 2 oil tanks, 1 water tank, 1 separator, 1 VOC, 1 EFM, 1 water vault, 1 three-phase flowline. Total prod equipment: 7 oil tanks, 3 water tanks, 3 separators, 2 VOC, 1 gas pipeline, 2 EFM, 2 heater treaters, 2 three-phase flowlines, 1 LACT unit, 2 water vaults. Disturbance area overlaps onto adjacent Section. Noble secured the right for this disturbance area overlap from the surface owner (same sfc owner as noted on subject permit). Reference area located immediately adjacent to and south of the location on undisturbed land as shown on attached photo and map.

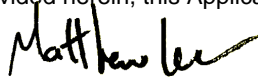
I hereby certify that the statements made in this form are, to the best of my knowledge, true, correct and complete.

Signed: _____ Date: 07/26/2013 Email: smiller@nobleenergyinc.com

Print Name: SUSAN MILLER Title: Regulatory Analyst III

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: 9/13/2013

**CONDITIONS OF
APPROVAL, IF ANY:**

All representations, stipulations and conditions of approval stated in this Form 2A for this location shall constitute representations, stipulations and conditions of approval for any and all subsequent operations on the location unless this Form 2A is modified by Sundry Notice, Form 4 or an Amended Form 2A.

COA Type

Description

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Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num

Name

1667766	CORRESPONDENCE
400453312	FORM 2A SUBMITTED
400453415	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400453419	HYDROLOGY MAP
400453426	LOCATION DRAWING
400453428	LOCATION PICTURES
400453431	WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
400453433	REFERENCE AREA MAP
400453435	REFERENCE AREA PICTURES
400453438	NRCS MAP UNIT DESC

Total Attach: 10 Files

General Comments

User Group

Comment

Comment Date

Final Review	Building at 424' is "out building (empty, no foundation)" [from location drawing] and is on the northern, existing portion of the location.	9/13/2013 9:35:28 AM
Permit	Final Review Completed. No LGD or public comment received.	9/4/2013 10:12:00 AM
Permit	Since both wells are vertical please see location drawing for multi-well plan.	9/4/2013 10:10:42 AM
OGLA	Added operator provided BMP on the partially buried water vault. OGLA review complete and task passed.	9/4/2013 8:15:17 AM
Permit	Initial review complete. Form 2 and 2A compared.	9/5/2013 1:36:23 PM
Permit	This form has passed completeness.	7/29/2013 1:54:36 PM

Total: 6 comment(s)

Best Management Practices

No	BMP/COA Type	Description
1	General Housekeeping	General housekeeping will consist of neat and orderly storage of materials and fluids. Wastes will be temporarily stored in sealed containers and regularly collected and disposed of at offsite, suitable facilities. If spills occur, prompt cleanup is required to minimize any commingling of waste materials with stormwater runoff. Routine maintenance will be limited to fueling and lubrication of equipment. Drip pans will be used during routine fueling and maintenance to contain spills or leaks. Any waste product from maintenance will be containerized and transported offsite for disposal or recycling. There will be no major equipment overhauls conducted onsite. Equipment will be transported offsite for major overhauls. Cleanup of trash and discarded materials will be conducted at the end of each work day. Cleanup will consist of patrolling the roadway, access areas, and other work areas to pick up trash, scrap debris, other discarded materials, and any contaminated soil. These materials will be disposed of properly.
2	Storm Water/Erosion Control	Stormwater management plans (SWMP) are in place to address construction, drilling and operations associated with Oil & Gas development throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and General Permit No. COR-038637. BMP's will be constructed around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. BMP's used will vary according to the location and will remain in place until the pad reaches final reclamation.
3	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures (SPCC) plans are in place to address any possible spill associated with Oil & Gas operations throughout the state of Colorado in accordance with CFR 112.
4	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	A contiguous spray liner will be installed and will underlay the entire tank battery. The location of a partially buried cement water vault will be excavated prior to liner install. A 60 bbl cement water vault will be utilized to collect excess produced water from oil tanks. Produced water in the vault will be removed as needed and disposed of in an approved UIC disposal well. The cement water vault is one piece with no seams designed to minimize potential for leaks. All piping associated with the use of the water vault will be aboveground and visually inspected on a regular basis. The partially buried cement water vault will be installed above the spray in liner. A sized steel secondary containment ring will be installed surrounding the entire tank battery. Sand and gravel bedding will be installed to protect the liner prior to placing equipment in the containment area.

Total: 4 comment(s)