

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

Drill

 Deepen

 Re-enter

 Recomplete and Operate

Date Received:
02/25/2014

TYPE OF WELL OIL <input type="checkbox"/> GAS <input type="checkbox"/> COALBED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____	Refilling <input type="checkbox"/>
ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE ZONES <input type="checkbox"/> COMMINGLE ZONES <input type="checkbox"/>	Sidetrack <input type="checkbox"/>

Well Name: <u>IGE</u>	Well Number: <u>129</u>
Name of Operator: <u>ELM RIDGE EXPLORATION CO LLC</u>	COGCC Operator Number: <u>26625</u>
Address: <u>12225 GREENVILLE AVE STE 950</u>	
City: <u>DALLAS</u>	State: <u>TX</u>
	Zip: <u>75243-9362</u>
Contact Name: <u>Terry Lindeman</u>	Phone: <u>(505)632-3476</u>
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Email: <u>tlindeman@elmridge.net</u>	

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20100130

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NWSW Sec: 9 Twp: 33N Rng: 8W Meridian: N

Latitude: 37.115280 Longitude: -107.728570

Footage at Surface: <u>1440</u> feet	FNL/FSL <u>FSL</u> <u>987</u> feet	FEL/FWL <u>FWL</u>
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Field Name: IGNACIO BLANCO Field Number: 38300

Ground Elevation: 6711 County: LA PLATA

GPS Data:

Date of Measurement: 01/10/2014 PDOP Reading: 2.2 Instrument Operator's Name: Scott Wiebe

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

Footage at Top of Prod Zone: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL Bottom Hole: FNL/FSL FEL/FWL

 Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____ Sec: _____ Twp: _____ Rng: _____

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: Yes

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.)

NE/4 SEC 8, NENW SEC 17, W/2 SEC 9, T33N, R8W NMPM

Total Acres in Described Lease: 520 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: 987 Feet

CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building: 229 Feet
Building Unit: 334 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet
Public Road: 987 Feet
Above Ground Utility: 334 Feet
Railroad: 5280 Feet
Property Line: 332 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, and Designated Outside Activity Area - 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: 01/25/2014

SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Wellbore Permitted or Completed in the same formation: 60 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 987 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): _____ Unit Number: _____

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

OBJECTIVE FORMATIONS

Objective Formation(s)	Formation Code	Spacing Order Number(s)	Unit Acreage Assigned to Well	Unit Configuration (N/2, SE/4, etc.)
FRUITLAND COAL	FRLDC	112-195	320	W/2

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 3300 Feet

Distance to nearest permitted or existing wellbore penetrating objective formation: 50 Feet (Including plugged wells)

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H₂S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H₂S 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? No
 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 608

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?

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
SURF	12+1/4	8+5/8	24	0	500	400	500	0
1ST	7+7/8	5+1/2	17	500	3300	475	3300	0

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 Please note that in the cultural distince information tab, the closest above ground utility is shown to be the utility drop to the existing residence on the property. La Plata Electric Service lines are along CR 311, approximately 975' from the surface location.

I have attached a Form 1A to this application to confirm my agency. Please copy me on any correspondence related to processing/approval of this application.

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan _____ CDP #: _____

Location ID: 311956

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? Yes

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

Signed: _____ Print Name: Robert D. Joyce

Title: Agent Date: 2/25/2014 Email: jlr@animas.net

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: _____

Expiration Date: _____

API NUMBER
05

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>

Best Management Practices

<u>No</u>	<u>BMP/COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Community Outreach and Notification	Rule 604.a (2)-All Noticing waived requirements were waived by surface owner
2	Pre-Construction	Rule 604.c.(2)W-Pre-construction consultation occurred at the time the Surface Damage Agreement was negotiated.
3	Traffic control	Rule 604.c.(2)D- Access is off County Road 311, approximately 1.2 miles North of it's intersection with County Road 318. Access gate is on the East side of the County Road. Access is granted in Surface Damage Agreement. Elm Ridge agrees to comply with any La Plata County traffic control measures required for this well.
4	General Housekeeping	Rule 604.c.(2)P- Trash containers will be maintained on site. Trash will be hauled to and disposed at a commercial landfill.
5	Storm Water/Erosion Control	Wattles will be placed, where necessary, around the perimeter of the site prior to, or at the beginning of construction. The size and quantity of the wattles used will vary according to the location to insure adequate protection of drainage areas.

6	Material Handling and Spill Prevention	<p>Rule 604.c.(2)F- Wells are monitored daily by the pumpers. Pressure monitoring is not necessary. Maximum reservoir pressure is approximately 1200 psig. These are low pressure gathering lines. All gathering lines are checked yearly for leaks.</p> <p>Per Rule 604.c.(2)G.- Berms will be constructed with corrugated metal sides and will be sufficient in height and area to contain 150% of the volume of the largest single tank. Synthetic liners are being and will be used under tanks on location.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)N-Any materials not in use that might constitute a fire hazard will be removed a minimum distance of twenty five feet from the wellhead, tanks and separator. No electrical equipment installations are planned inside the bermed area.</p>
7	Construction	<p>Rule 604.c.(2)V.- the IGE 129 well will be located in the immediate vicinity of and partially within the footprint of the existing Elm ridge IGE 128 well pad.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)B.- no fresh water pits are planned.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)E- The existing well access road will be used. No new disturbance is anticipated. Standard specifications for this access road include a driving surface constructed with with 6 inches of 3" minus gravel over a driving surface approximately 12 feet in width, crowned, with ditches and culverts where necessary for drainage.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)M.- The tract of land where the well pad is located is perimeter fenced with a cattle guard at entrance to well access on CR 311.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)V-The existing well pad for the IGE 128 well is being used for this location.</p>
8	Noise mitigation	<p>(Rule 604.c.(2)ADrilling and Completion: Noise levels will be monitored by operator and if exceeds acceptable levels operator agrees to install sound walls or, if necessary, provide reasonable motel accommodations for the affected party.</p> <p>Post-production: No necessity for engines or motorized equipment is anticipated. If such equipment becomes necessary, Elm Ridge will first try to electrify the location if it is practical and feasible. If not, they will orient exhaust away from the affected party and will use hospital grade mufflers, buried, in series. Elm Ridge will install sound walls if necessary</p>
9	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Rule 604.c.(2)B.- A closed loop system will be used. No fresh water pits are planned. Fresh water will be stored in above ground tanks</p> <p>Per Rule 604.c.(2)C.)-i.- There are producing wells within one mile of the location of the proposed IGE 127 well. It is anticipated that this will be a producing well and, if so, Elm Ridge will comply with applicable requirements under Rule 805.</p> <p>ii- No uncontrolled venting is anticipated (based on 500 mcf)</p> <p>iii-aa., bb. cc.- Elm Ridge will use a system capable of handling 1.5 Mmcf. Anticipated flowback is 0.5 Mmcf or less. No necessity for flaring is anticipated.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)H.- Elm Ridge will be using a 3M system per BLM specifications.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)I.- BOPE pressure testing will be performed weekly.</p> <p>604.c.(2)K.- Pit level indicators will be used.</p> <p>604.c.(2)L- Drill stem tests are not typically done and none are anticipated.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)O- Load lines will be bullplugged</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)Q- Guy line anchors will be identified per COGCC rules and are tested before each use.</p> <p>Rule 604.c.(2)S. – Existing well access road will be used and maintained for all weather use and will meet any safety requirements.</p>

Total: 9 comment(s)

Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators

Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.

Attachment Check List

Att Doc Num	Name
400474915	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
400561582	EXCEPTION LOC WAIVERS
400561585	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
400561708	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
400561725	DRILLING PLAN
400561748	ACCESS ROAD MAP
400561750	LOCATION PICTURES
400561751	WELL LOCATION PLAT
400568175	OTHER

Total Attach: 9 Files

General Comments

User Group	Comment	Comment Date
Permit	Returned to draft: 1) Submitter must be designated agent.	2/27/2014 9:43:50 AM

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