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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO:

☒ Drill ☐ Deepen ☐ Re-enter ☐ Recomplete and Operate

TYPE OF WELL OIL ☒ GAS ☐ COALBED ☐ OTHER _____ Refilling ☐
ZONE TYPE SINGLE ZONE ☒ MULTIPLE ZONES ☐ COMMINGLE ZONES ☐ Sidetrack ☐

Date Received:

Well Name: Independence Well Number: D18-725
Name of Operator: NOBLE ENERGY INC COGCC Operator Number: 100322
Address: 1001 NOBLE ENERGY WAY
City: HOUSTON State: TX Zip: 77070
Contact Name: Holly Hill Phone: (303)228 4232 Fax: ()
Email: CDPNBLPermitting@nblenergy.com

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20030009

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NENE Sec: 19 Twp: 3N Rng: 64W Meridian: 6
Latitude: 40.216800 Longitude: -104.588350
Footage at Surface: 450 Feet FNL/FSL FNL 1090 Feet FEL/FWL FEL
Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750
Ground Elevation: 4770 County: WELD
GPS Data:
Date of Measurement: 08/17/2017 PDOP Reading: 1.0 Instrument Operator's Name: Kyle Daley
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
200 FSL 1090 FEL 200 FNL 990 FEL
Sec: 18 Twp: 3N Rng: 64W Sec: 7 Twp: 3N Rng: 64W

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: No
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.)

All, Sec 8; W/2, Sec 18; NW/4, S/2, Sec 26; All, Sec 34, T3N, R64W

Total Acres in Described Lease: 2080 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: 0 Feet

CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building: 389 Feet
Building Unit: 1413 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit: 5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area: 5280 Feet
Public Road: 435 Feet
Above Ground Utility: 810 Feet
Railroad: 5280 Feet
Property Line: 450 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: _____

SPACING and UNIT INFORMATION

Distance from completed portion of proposed wellbore to nearest completed portion of offset wellbore permitted or completed in the same formation: 430 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 200 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

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

SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

Proposed Spacing Unit = T3N-R64W: Section 7: All; Section 18: All
Per the Comprehensive Drilling Plan (#11984) this well will be completed less than 460' from the boundary of the Wellbore Spacing Unit.

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		1280	GWA

DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 17456 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: 1331 Feet ☐ No well belonging to another operator within 1,500 feet

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? Yes

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 318A

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
CONDUCTOR	26	16	42	0	80	173	80	0
SURF	13+1/2	9+5/8	36	0	1850	663	1850	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	20	0	17456	1923	17456	

☐ 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	<p>Noble Energy shall isolate both the Fox Hills and Upper Pierre Aquifers with surface casing from hydrocarbon bearing zones and exposure to oil based drilling fluid. Noble Energy also agrees to not expose the UPAq to oil based mud.</p> <p>Nearest HZ well producing zone to producing zone per manual calculation is the proposed Independence D18-732.</p> <p>Nearest non-op per manual calculation is the Becker Ranch 5E-403 (API: 05-123-39075) PR Status.</p> <p>The following wells are all within 150'. All are Noble operated, therefore no 317.s is required: Scooter D18-4J (API: 05-123-17129) PR Status</p> <p>Wellbore to wellbore distances populated from attached anti-collision report unless otherwise indicated.</p> <p>Exception Location waiver language is included in attached SUA (Page 4, Section 6.A.).</p>
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This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan Yes CDP #: 11984

Location ID: 456408

Is this application being submitted with an Oil and Gas Location Assessment application? No

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

Signed: _____ Print Name: Ann Feldman

Title: Regulatory Manager Date: _____ Email: CDPNBLPermitting@nblenergy

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.

COA Type

Description

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Best Management Practices

<u>No</u>	<u>BMP/COA Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Drilling/Completion Operations	Anti-collision: Prior to drilling operations, Operator will perform an anti-collision scan of existing offset wells that have the potential of being within close proximity of the proposed well. This anti-collision scan will include definitive MWD or gyro surveys of the offset wells with included error of uncertainty per survey instrument, and compared against the proposed wellpath with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottomhole location. The proposed well will only be drilled if the anti-collision scan results indicate that there is not a risk for collision, or harm to people or the environment. For the proposed well, upon conclusion of drilling operations, an as constructed gyro survey will be submitted to COGCC with the Form 5.
2	Drilling/Completion Operations	During and Post stimulation: Noble Energy will comply with the COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring During Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area dated 5/29/12.
3	Drilling/Completion Operations	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 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 "No open-hole logs were run" and shall clearly identify (by API#, well name & number) the well in which open hole logs were run.

Total: 3 comment(s)

Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
401817492	WELL LOCATION PLAT
401817493	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
401817494	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
401817495	DIRECTIONAL DATA
401817496	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
401817497	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST
401817498	PROPOSED SPACING UNIT

Total Attach: 7 Files

General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
		Stamp Upon Approval

Total: 0 comment(s)

Public Comments

No public comments were received on this application during the comment period.