

Rio LC Pad 2A

LGD Comments / Responses

The Local Adams County Administrative Use by Special Review (AUSR) for this location was submitted on 2/1/2019. The County has processed it and indicated that it is before the Director for final review.

1) Great Western is engaged in an MOU agreement with Adams County.
Acknowledged.

2) Great Western is required to hold a neighborhood meeting allowing residents in the Community to attend and ask questions about the project. COGCC is encouraged to attend.
A neighborhood meeting was held and the summary was provided to the County with the AUSR. The summary was also sent to Melissa Housey on April 12, 2019.

3) Per the operators MOU with Adams County, baseline testing of all residential water wells located within 1/2 mile of the proposed location will be required upon the owner's request.
Acknowledged.

4) Remote well pressure monitoring and shut in controls should be required to minimize spills, or other emergencies from occurring.
Great Western's sites are programmed with remote shut in capabilities. This capability allows us to remotely access the Control System on site and shut in any or all wells within seconds. This also allows us to shut in the wells first and then dispatch someone to the site rather than having to go to the site to shut them in.

5) Multiple mobilizations for drilling and completions increase the impact to neighboring Communities. What is the planned drilling completions schedule for wells being permitted?
In our outreach for this pad, we have received no comments about this from neighbors. We are planning to drill up to 12 wells in the initial occupation scheduled for this summer. Future occupations may be between 8-12 wells over the next couple years. This schedule is subject to change.

6) What specifically is Great Western doing to maintain compliance with air quality? Regulations? What equipment will be installed, what phases will the equipment be installed, will there be onsite air monitors, at what frequency will the equipment be checked for performance standards (old unmaintained equipment may not function as effectively), How frequently will the facility be checked for leaking equipment?
Great Western conducts monitoring during drilling and completions and performs frequent inspections during production (AVO and LDAR) and maintains compliance with the permit and control provisions of the Colorado Air Quality Control Program, Title 25, Article 7, C.R.S. The additional questions in this comment are addressed in the AUSR that was submitted to the County for this location.

7) Electric drill and completions equipment would help meet local noise ordinances and reduce overall impacts to the neighboring communities and should be a required BMP.
We received only one question at our neighborhood meeting about what our sound mitigation would be during drilling and completions operations. We explained that we would install sound walls around location. Great Western will comply with the COGCC regulations for noise per the BMP listed on the 2A.

