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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 ☐

Well Name: Raindance FC Well Number: 23-289HN  
Name of Operator: GREAT WESTERN OPERATING COMPANY LLC COGCC Operator Number: 10110  
Address: 1001 17TH STREET #2000  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202  
Contact Name: Toby Sachen Phone: (720)939-5377 Fax: ( )  
Email: tsachen@gwogco.com

RECLAMATION FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID: 20160041

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

QtrQtr: NENE Sec: 30 Twp: 6N Rng: 67W Meridian: 6  
Latitude: 40.462944 Longitude: -104.927333  
Footage at Surface: 744 Feet FNL/FSL FNL 243 Feet FEL/FWL FEL  
Field Name: WATTENBERG Field Number: 90750  
Ground Elevation: 4783 County: WELD  
GPS Data: GPS Quality Value: 1.3 Type of GPS Quality Value: PDOP Date of Measurement: 10/14/2016  
Instrument Operator's Name: CHAD MEIERS  
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  
1446 FSL 75 FEL 1446 FSL 2169 FEL  
Sec: 19 Twp: 6N Rng: 67W Sec: 23 Twp: 6N Rng: 68W

LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

County: WELD Municipality: Windsor

Per § 34-60-106 (1)(f)(I)(A), the following questions pertain to the "local government with jurisdiction to approve the siting of the proposed oil and gas location."

The local government with jurisdiction is: Municipality

Does the local government with jurisdiction regulate the siting of Oil and Gas Locations, with respect to this location? If the local government does regulate the siting, but has waived its right to precede the COGCC in siting determination, indicate by selecting "YES" here and selecting "Waived" for the disposition below. ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, in checking this box, I hereby certify that an application has been filed with the local government with jurisdiction to approve the siting of the proposed oil and gas location. ☒

The local government siting permit type is: Conditional Use Grant

The local government siting permit was filed on: 01/03/2017

The disposition of the application filed with the local government is: Approved

Additional explanation of local process:

## 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.)

Irregular mineral lease. See attached map.

Total Acres in Described Lease: 455 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: 1446 Feet

## CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Distance to nearest:

Building:	<u>337</u> Feet
Building Unit:	<u>912</u> Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	<u>2784</u> Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	<u>5280</u> Feet
Public Road:	<u>2664</u> Feet
Above Ground Utility:	<u>316</u> Feet
Railroad:	<u>5280</u> Feet
Property Line:	<u>238</u> Feet
School Facility:	<u>2342</u> Feet
School Property Line:	<u>2342</u> Feet
Child Care Center:	<u>2342</u> 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, Designated Outside Activity Area, School Facility, and Child Care Center – 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: 02/11/2016

## 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: 226 Feet

Distance from Completed Portion of Wellbore to Nearest Unit Boundary 470 Feet (Enter 5280 for distance greater than 1 mile.)

Federal or State Unit Name (if appl): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPACING & FORMATIONS COMMENTS

DSU:  
T6N-R67W (Weld County):  
Sec 19:S/2; Sec 20: W/2SW/4; Sec 29: W/2NW/4; Sec 30: N/2  
T6N-R68W (Larimer County):  
Sec 23:SE/4; Sec 24:S/2; Sec 25: N/2;Sec 26: NE/4

If this Form 2 is associated with a Drilling and Spacing Unit application, provide docket number: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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	407-1898	1716	S19,24:S2;S25,30:N2

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Proposed Total Measured Depth: 20262 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: 781 Feet ☐ No well belonging to another operator within 1,500 feet

Will a closed-loop drilling system be used? Yes

Is H<sub>2</sub>S gas reasonably expected to be encountered during drilling operations at concentrations greater than or equal to 100 ppm? No (If Yes, attach an H<sub>2</sub>S 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
SURF	13+1/2	9+5/8	36	0	1500	624	1500	0
1ST	8+1/2	5+1/2	17	0	20262	2161	20262	6785

☒ 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

Based on 3D calculation of difference in footages and depths, the nearest well permitted or completed in the same formation is Raindance FC 23-289HNX, proposed by Great Western Oil and Gas.

Nearest well belonging to another operator is Merlin 29E-10-2C, 123-47466, operated by Extraction. . The distance was measured in 3D.

Exception Location Waivers are written into the attached SUA on page 1, paragraphs 3 and 4.

This application is in a Comprehensive Drilling Plan \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ CDP #: \_\_\_\_\_

Location ID: 427917

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: Toby Sachen

Title: Contract Regulatory Speci \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 10/16/2019 Email: tsachen@gwogco.com

Based on the information provided herein, this Application for Permit-to-Drill complies with COGCC Rules, applicable orders, and SB 19-181 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

No BMP/COA Type	Description
1 Drilling/Completion Operations	Drill stem tests (Rule 604.c.(2)L) Conventional drill stem tests will not be conducted on DJ Basin horizontal wells currently being executed or planned by GWOC. If plans change in the future a well specific drill stem testing plan will be prepared for that particular well. Note that GWOC may elect to use one of several available wireline deployed tools for the purpose of measuring down hole formation pressures and/or collecting down hole fluid samples from the target formation(s) of a particular well.
2 Drilling/Completion Operations	Wellbore Collision Prevention – Rule 317.r Prior to drilling operations, GWOC 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 well path with its respective error of uncertainty. If current surveys do not exist for the offset wells, Operator may have gyro surveys conducted to verify bottom hole 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.
3 Drilling/Completion Operations	Stimulation Setback – Rule 317.s GWOC shall obtain signed written consent for any portion of the proposed wellbore's treated interval within 150' of an existing (producing, Shut-in, or temporarily abandoned) or permitted oil and gas well's treated interval belonging to another operator prior to completion of the well.
4 Drilling/Completion Operations	BOPE for well servicing (Rule 604.c.(2)J) A BOPE with a minimum pressure rating of 3,000 psi will be utilized. At a minimum it will consist of 2 ram preventers and 1 annular preventer. The blind rams will be positioned below the pipe rams. A backup system of pressure control will be onsite consisting of at a minimum 1,000 psi accumulator (backup pressure). Accumulator is tested to 1,000 psi. Operator may use fixed sized pipe rams matching the tubular size. The annular preventer will be pressure tested to 250 psi low and 2,000 psi high for 10 minutes each. The ram preventers will be tested to 250 psi low and 2,500 psi high for 10 minutes each. All remaining well control equipment will be tested to 250 psi low and 2,500 psi high for 10 minutes each. The pressure tests will be conducted when the equipment is first installed and every 30 days thereafter. Pipe rams and blind rams will be function tested before every well service operation. Annual BOP inspections and pressure tests will be performed by the service company and will be charted & retained for 1 year. Backup stabbing valves shall be used on operations that require reverse circulation. Valves will be pressure tested before each well service operation in low pressure and high pressure range. The GWOC onsite representative will be certified in Well Control Operations by a Well-Cap certified training service.
5 Drilling/Completion Operations	Bradenhead Monitoring GWOC will comply with the "COGCC Policy for Bradenhead Monitoring during Hydraulic Fracturing Treatments in the Greater Wattenberg Area", dated May 29, 2012.
6 Drilling/Completion Operations	Multi Well Open-Hole Logging – Rule 317.p One of the first wells drilled on the pad will be logged with an open-hole Resistivity 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 (intermediate casing or production liner if run) to the surface casing. The horizontal portion of every well will be logged with a MWD/GR 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 an open hole log shall clearly state "No open-hole logs were run" and shall clearly identify (by API#, well name and number) the well in which open-hole logs were run.

Total: 6 comment(s)

## Applicable Policies and Notices to Operators

Notice Concerning Operating Requirements for Wildlife Protection.  
[http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife\\_Notice.pdf](http://cogcc.state.co.us/documents/reg/Policies/Wildlife_Notice.pdf)

## Attachment Check List

<u>Att Doc Num</u>	<u>Name</u>
402080795	FORM 2 SUBMITTED
402088811	WELL LOCATION PLAT
402088812	DEVIATED DRILLING PLAN
402088813	DIRECTIONAL DATA
402101493	MINERAL LEASE MAP
402101494	SURFACE AGRMT/SURETY
402120026	OffsetWellEvaluations Data
402212282	EXCEPTION LOC REQUEST

Total Attach: 8 Files

## General Comments

<u>User Group</u>	<u>Comment</u>	<u>Comment Date</u>
Permit (Rejected)	REJECTION: This APD has been rejected per the COGCC Rejection Process (updated May 21, 2019). The lease acreage and attached lease map are inconsistent across all APDs. This applies to this APD and 36 other APDs on the pad. Other APDs on the pad also had a missing Buffer Zone acknowledgment and missing date of notification to building unit owners. This entire form was not reviewed by permitting staff.	09/25/2020
OGLA	COGCC staff reviewed and considered all public comments received for this Form 2.	09/03/2020
LGD	<p>DECISION OF</p> <p>THE WINDSOR PLANNING COMMISSION AND</p> <p>THE WINDSOR TOWN BOARD</p> <p>ZONING CERTIFICATE</p> <p>This certificate is evidence that on May 17, 2017, the Windsor Planning Commission and on June 12, 2017, the Windsor Town Board granted to:</p> <p>Great Western Oil Gas Company</p> <p>Applicant</p> <p>and</p> <p>Martin Lind</p> <p>Raindance Aquatic Investments, LLC</p> <p>owner(s) of property interests described as follows:</p> <p>Water Valley West Subdivision, Lot5</p> <p>Windsor, Colorado 80550</p> <p>A Conditional Use Grant for oil and gas facilities for fifty-nine (59) oil and gas wells located on Lot 5, Water Valley West Subdivision, approximately one mile west of 7th Street and approximately ¾ mile north of New Liberty Road in the Residential Mixed Use (RMU) zoning district.</p> <p>Approval of the Conditional Use Grant is subject to the following conditions:</p> <p>1. All Planning Commission and staff comments are addressed.</p> <p>2. The truck hauling route shall remain in accordance with Exhibit A attached hereto, unless otherwise approved by the Town.</p>	10/24/2019

3. Truck hauling periods shall avoid before and after school traffic (7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.), and avoid peak times of commuter traffic (7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.).
4. All landscape screening shown on plan shall be completed no later than 60 days after the initial drilling phase and shall not be postponed until development of the golf course. Irrigation shall be included to ensure establishment of all plant materials.
5. Sound walls shall be setback a minimum of 30 feet from the Poudre Trail temporary and permanent trails.
6. The Town's standard conditions of approval for oil and gas facilities, with amendments, as noted:
  1. Prior to the commencement of drilling, the applicant shall submit comprehensive "Drilling and Site Improvement Plans" for review and approval by the Town. Such plans shall address initial drilling activities, initial installation of site improvements and details, and on-going perpetual maintenance of the subject site including, but not limited to, the following:
    - a. Site access plan. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall address site access points and haul routes for review and approval.
    - b. Public street clean-up and tracking prevention. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall include a tracking pad for review and approval.
    - c. Site grading. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall address site grading, including any earth berms for emergency containment.
    - d. Site lighting. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans and supplemental information shall include details regarding site lighting fixtures and locations. Security and other site lighting shall utilize full cutoff light fixtures to mitigate light pollution.
    - e. Temporary screening. The applicant shall install a buffer to screen the initial drilling activities and installation of site improvements from surrounding neighborhoods and streets. The temporary buffer/sound walls shall enclose the drilling operations to provide screening and noise mitigation barriers in the direction of nearby homes, as appropriate.
    - f. Permanent screening. Given the close proximity to residential neighbors, the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans shall depict proposed long-term screening materials including landscaping, earth berms and any other screening methods to mitigate visual impacts.
    - g. Fencing. The Drilling and Site Improvement Plans shall depict fencing of the perimeter of the site. Fencing materials shall be reviewed for approval by the Town based upon the character of the surrounding neighborhood.
    - h. Oil and gas equipment.
      - (1) The applicant shall utilize electric motors in order to mitigate the noise impacts to the neighboring properties. The applicant shall utilize noise dampening methods consistent with the best management practices (BMPs) utilized in the basin. Such methods include, but are not limited to, sound walls, blankets, and other noise mitigation installed at the source of any equipment creating such noise. Noise mitigation methods known as "Quite Fleet Technology," utilized by Liberty Oilfield Services, shall be used as examples of BMPs to be replicated.
      - (2) The applicant shall ensure that the wells and tanks are of the minimum size required to satisfy present and future functional requirements to mitigate visual impacts.
      - (3) Low profile tanks shall be utilized and shall be installed in the least visible manner possible.
      - (4) All tanks and equipment shall be painted to blend-in with the surrounding landscape.
    - i. Air quality.



(1)The applicant shall participate in any required Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) air quality monitoring and/or testing by allowing EPA to install equipment on site for said monitoring and testing.

(2)The applicant shall install and operate an emissions control device (ECD) capable of reducing Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions on the subject oil and gas equipment in accordance with Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) and/or the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) rules and regulations.

(3)The applicant shall submit to the Town copies of all air emissions reporting as required by the COGCC and/or the CDPHE's Air Pollution Control Division.

j. Water quality.

(1)The applicant shall ensure that any hydrocarbon discharges from the site comply with all state and federal water quality requirements. Any hydrocarbon discharges shall be properly reported to COGCC, and remediated according to COGCC requirements in all cases. Reportable hydrocarbon discharges shall also be reported to the Windsor Local Government Designee (LGD).

(2)The applicant shall provide test results from Groundwater Baseline Sampling and Monitoring required by COGCC Rule 318A.e(4) to the Town. (condition updated 10/28/13 to reflect updated COGCC rule)

k. Emergency containment. The secondary containment berm surrounding all storage vessels shall be designed and constructed to contain a minimum of 110% of the volume of the largest vessel located within the containment area or to State of Colorado standards, whichever requirements are more stringent.

l. Waste disposal. The applicant shall submit to the Town copies of all waste management reports as required by the COGCC and/or the CDPHE rules and regulations.

m. The following certification blocks shall be included on the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans:

(1)A signed owner's acknowledgement certification block.

(2)A signed drilling operator's acknowledgement certification block.

n. The following notes shall be included on the Drilling and Site Improvement Plans:

(1)The applicant shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC).

(2)The applicant shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

(3)The applicant shall maintain on-going compliance with all conditions of the Town and Windsor-Severance Fire Rescue.

(4)The facilities shall be kept clean and otherwise properly maintained at all times.

(5)If access to the site is proposed from a Town of Windsor street, such access point(s) shall require approval from the Town of Windsor Engineering Department and any required access improvements, street clean-up, tracking pads, etc., shall be addressed accordingly.

2. The applicant shall address and comply with the conditions of Windsor-Severance Fire Rescue.

3. All trucks and equipment that are used by primary contractors of Great Western Oil and Gas Company (e.g. drilling, completions, roustabout services) exclusively on the location during drilling and completion activities will be equipped with white noise backup alarms. As per OSHA regulations, in cases where rear view cameras and/or spotters are used 100% of the time, the truck or equipment will not have a backup alarm. Some vehicles, other than

	those noted above, may have backup alarms.	
Permit	Changed right to construct to surface use agreement per operator request. Passed Completeness.	10/17/2019

Total: 4 comment(s)



## Public Comments

The following comments were provided by members of the public and were considered during the technical review of this application.

### No. Comment

### Comment Date

1	<a href="https://wfpl.org/orphan-wells-states-wrestle-with-soaring-costs-for-oil-gas-industry-mess/">https://wfpl.org/orphan-wells-states-wrestle-with-soaring-costs-for-oil-gas-industry-mess/</a>	11/05/2019
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Total: 1 comment(s)

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