



**Oil and Gas Permit Application**

**Section (21) COGCC Form 2A**

**Aurora Phase 1 Development**

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## **1.0 COGCC Form 2A**

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## Oil and Gas Location Assessment

☐ New Location ☐ Refile ☒ Amend Existing Location Location#: 460204

This Oil and Gas Location Assessment is to be submitted to the COGCC for approval prior to any ground disturbance activity associated with oil and gas operations. Approval of this Oil and Gas Location 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. Please see the COGCC website at <http://cogcc.state.co.us/> for all accompanying information pertinent this Oil and Gas Location Assessment.

Location ID:

**460204**

Expiration Date:

☐ This location assessment is included as part of a permit application.

## 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.

## Operator

Operator Number: 10646

Name: AXIS EXPLORATION LLC

Address: 370 17TH ST SUITE 5300

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

## Contact Information

Name: Kelsi Welch

Phone: (720) 354-4607

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email: kwelch@extractionog.com

## FINANCIAL ASSURANCE

- ☒ Plugging and Abandonment Bond Surety ID (Rule 706): 20160140 ☐ Gas Facility Surety ID (Rule 711): \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Waste Management Surety ID (Rule 704): \_\_\_\_\_

## LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

Name: ACM Highpoint Number: \_\_\_\_\_

County: ADAMS

Quarter: NWSW Section: 1 Township: 3S Range: 66W Meridian: 6 Ground Elevation: 5396

Define a single point as a location reference for the facility location. When the location is to be used as a well site then the point shall be a well location.

Footage at surface: 2042 feet FSL from North or South section line

470 feet FWL from East or West section line

Latitude: 39.818424 Longitude: -104.732638

PDOP Reading: 1.4 Date of Measurement: 02/18/2019

Instrument Operator's Name: Wimmer

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

County: ADAMS Municipality: Aurora

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: Oil & Gas Permit

The local government siting permit was filed on: 01/13/2020

The disposition of the application filed with the local government is: In Process

Additional explanation of local process:

Permit has been submitted and is in process with the City of Aurora staff.

## RELATED REMOTE LOCATIONS

(Enter as many Related Locations as necessary. Enter the Form 2A document # only if there is no established COGCC Location ID#)

This proposed Oil and Gas Location is: LOCATION ID # FORM 2A DOC #



## FACILITIES

Indicate the number of each type of oil and gas facility planned on location

Wells	<u>32</u>	Oil Tanks*	<u>8</u>	Condensate Tanks*	<u>      </u>	Water Tanks*	<u>2</u>	Buried Produced Water Vaults*	<u>      </u>
Drilling Pits	<u>      </u>	Production Pits*	<u>      </u>	Special Purpose Pits	<u>      </u>	Multi-Well Pits*	<u>      </u>	Modular Large Volume Tanks	<u>3</u>
Pump Jacks	<u>      </u>	Separators*	<u>32</u>	Injection Pumps*	<u>      </u>	Cavity Pumps*	<u>      </u>	Gas Compressors*	<u>6</u>
Gas or Diesel Motors*	<u>1</u>	Electric Motors	<u>      </u>	Electric Generators*	<u>1</u>	Fuel Tanks*	<u>      </u>	LACT Unit*	<u>2</u>
Dehydrator Units*	<u>      </u>	Vapor Recovery Unit*	<u>2</u>	VOC Combustor*	<u>      </u>	Flare*	<u>      </u>	Pigging Station*	<u>      </u>

## OTHER FACILITIES\*

Other Facility Type	Number
EDC	2
Maintenance Tank	1
Piping Station	2
Separator Skid	3
VRT	2

\*Those facilities indicated by an asterisk (\*) shall be used to determine the distance from the Production Facility to the nearest cultural feature on the Cultural Setbacks Tab.

Per Rule 303.b.(3)C, description of all oil, gas, and/or water pipelines:

Extraction will trench flowlines in one piping corridor that runs between the drill pad and the separator pad and be placed at 12" centers. These lines will most likely be 2" or 3" fusion bonded SCH160 steel pipe and have proper cathodic protection throughout the run. Extraction will then sweep up with a long radius that will tie off each line to the appropriate separator. All welds on these are 100% x-ray and hydro tested to the API and Manufactures specs for a class 1500 series flange. Also meets ASME code B31.4.

## CONSTRUCTION

Date planned to commence construction: 07/01/2020 Size of disturbed area during construction in acres: 17.60  
Estimated date that interim reclamation will begin: 04/01/2021 Size of location after interim reclamation in acres: 8.50  
Estimated post-construction ground elevation: 5396

## DRILLING PROGRAM

Will a closed loop system be used for drilling fluids: Yes

Is H<sub>2</sub>S anticipated? No

Will salt sections be encountered during drilling: No

Will salt based mud (>15,000 ppm Cl) be used? No

Will oil based drilling fluids be used? Yes

## DRILLING WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Drilling Fluids Disposal: OFFSITE Drilling Fluids Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Cutting Disposal: OFFSITE Cuttings Disposal Method: Commercial Disposal

Other Disposal Description:

Beneficial reuse or land application plan submitted? Yes

Reuse Facility ID: 449314 or Document Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Centralized E&P Waste Management Facility ID, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

## SURFACE & MINERALS & RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT

Name: ACM High Point VI LLC

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 4100 E Mississippi Ave, Ste 500

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City: Glendale State: CO Zip: 80246

Surface Owner: ☒ Fee ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Indian

Check all that apply. The Surface Owner: ☐ is the mineral owner

☐ 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 from or produced to this Oil and Gas Location: Yes

The right to construct this Oil and Gas Location is granted by: Surface Use Agreement

Surface damage assurance if no agreement is in place: \_\_\_\_\_ Surface Surety ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Rule 306 surface owner consultation \_\_\_\_\_

If this Form 2A is associated with Drilling and Spacing Unit applications, list docket number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## CURRENT AND FUTURE LAND USE

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

**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

## CULTURAL DISTANCE INFORMATION

Provide the distance to the nearest cultural feature as measured from Wells or Production Facilities onsite.

	From WELL	From PRODUCTION FACILITY
Building:	2571 Feet	2786 Feet
Building Unit:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
High Occupancy Building Unit:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Designated Outside Activity Area:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Public Road:	358 Feet	390 Feet
Above Ground Utility:	2052 Feet	2125 Feet
Railroad:	4150 Feet	3861 Feet
Property Line:	260 Feet	117 Feet
School Facility::	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
School Property Line:	5280 Feet	5280 Feet
Child Care Center:	5820 Feet	5280 Feet

### INSTRUCTIONS:

- All measurements shall be provided from center of nearest Well or edge of nearest Production Facility to nearest of each cultural feature as described in Rule 303.b.(3)A.  
- 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.  
- For measurement purposes only, Production Facilities should only include those items with an asterisk(\*) on the Facilities Tab.

## SCHOOL SETBACK INFORMATION

Was Notice required under Rule 305.a.(4)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 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.  
- Large UMA Facility – 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## FOR MULTI-WELL PADS AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES WITHIN DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATIONS ONLY:

☐ Check this box if this Oil and Gas Location has or will have Production Facilities that serve multiple wells (on or offsite) and the Production Facilities are proposed to be located less than 1,000 feet from a Building Unit. *(Pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)E.i., the operator must evaluate alternative locations for the Production Facilities that are farther from the Building Unit, and determine whether those alternative locations were technically feasible and economically practicable for the same proposed development.)*

☐ By checking this box, I certify that no alternative placements for the Production Facilities, farther from the nearest Building Unit, were available based on the analysis conducted pursuant to Rule 604.c.(2)E.i.

In the space below, explain rationale for siting the multi-well Production Facility(ies) that supports your Rule 604.c.(2)E.i determination. Attach documentation that supports your determination to this Form 2A.

## SOIL

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.org/> 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: PIB—Platner loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: WuE—Wiley-Adena-Renohill complex, 3 to 20 percent slopes

NRCS Map Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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): \_\_\_\_\_

## WATER RESOURCES

Is this a sensitive area: ☒ No ☐ Yes

Distance to nearest

downgradient surface water feature: 880 Feet

water well: 5005 Feet

Estimated depth to ground water at Oil and Gas Location 666 Feet

Basis for depth to groundwater and sensitive area determination:

Basis for depth to groundwater is the depth of the nearest exsisting water well. 5005 SW; Permit 129509-, Receipt 0233992

Is the location in a riparian area: ☒ No ☐ Yes

Was an Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit filed ☒ No ☐ Yes If yes attach permit.

Is the location within a Rule 317B Surface Water Supply Area buffer No 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Location within a Floodplain? ☒ No ☐ Yes Floodplain Data Sources Reviewed (check all that apply)

☒ Federal (FEMA)

☒ State

☒ County

☐ Local

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## GROUNDWATER BASELINE SAMPLING AND MONITORING AND WATER WELL SAMPLING

Water well sampling required per Rule 609

## WILDLIFE

☐ This location is included in a Wildlife Mitigation Plan

☐ This location was subject to a pre-consultation meeting with CPW held on \_\_\_\_\_

### Operator Proposed Wildlife BMPs

No BMP

## DESIGNATED SETBACK LOCATION EXCEPTIONS

Check all that apply:

☐ Rule 604.a.(1)A. Exception Zone (within 500' of a Building Unit) and is in an Urban Mitigation Area

☐ 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)

## RULE 502.b VARIANCE REQUEST

☐ Rule 502.b. Variance Request from COGCC Rule or Spacing Order Number \_\_\_\_\_

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 The reference footage and lat/longs are those of the proposed Elk 1E-15-16 well (doc #402283636).

Operator certifies that the MLVTs will be designed and implemented consistent with the COGCC Policy on the Use of Modular Large Volume Tanks in Colorado. MLVT Design Package, certified and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, is available upon request. MLVTs are 160' in diameter, manufactured by MWS Tanks and provided by Complete Energy Services. The anticipated duration of time they will be on location is approximately 90 days.

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: kwelch@extractionog.com

Print Name: Kelsi Welch Title: Regulatory Analyst

Based on the information provided herein, this Oil and Gas Location Assessment complies with COGCC Rules, applicable orders, and SB 19-181 and is hereby approved.

COGCC Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Director of COGCC Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Conditions Of Approval

**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

## Best Management Practices

No	BMP/COA Type	Description
1	Drilling/Completion Operations	<p>Operator has an MLVT Design Package, certified and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, which is on file in their office and available upon request. The site shall be prepared in accordance with the specifications of the design package prior to tank installation; including ensuring that proper compaction requirements have been met.</p> <p>The MLVT will be at least 75 feet from a wellhead, fired vessel, heater-treater, or a compressor with a rating of 200 horsepower or more. It will be placed at least 50 feet from a separator, well test unit, or other non-fired equipment.</p> <p>All liner seams will be welded and tested in accordance with applicable ASTM International standards.</p> <p>Operator will be present during initial filling of the MLVT and the contractor will supervise and inspect the MLVT for leaks during filling.</p> <p>Operator will comply with the testing and re-inspection requirements and associated written standard operating procedures (SOP) listed on the design package.</p> <p>Signs will be posted on the MLVT indicating that the contents are freshwater.</p> <p>The MLVT will be operated with a minimum of 1 foot of freeboard at all times.</p> <p>Access to the MLVT will be limited to operational personnel and authorized regulatory agency personnel.</p> <p>Operator or contractor will conduct daily visual inspections of the exterior wall and surrounding area for integrity deficiencies.</p> <p>Operator has developed a contingency plan/emergency response plan associated with the MLVT and it is on file at their office.</p> <p>Tanks will be filled using City of Aurora water source through temporary waterlines. No water will be trucked to location.</p> <p>A fabric reinforced liner will be utilized. In the event that a tank breach were to occur, the fabric reinforced liner will prevent a “zippering” failure from occurring. The liner will meet the specifications per the design package.</p> <p>Operator acknowledges and will comply with the Colorado Oil &amp; Gas Conservation Commission Policy on the Use of Modular Large Volume Tanks in Colorado dated June 13, 2014.</p>
2	Planning	<p>Permanent lighting will be installed around the facility to allow both the operator and haulers to conduct safe operations at night. All light sources during all phases of operations will be directed downwards and away from occupied structures as to avoid glare on neighboring roads and residences.</p>
3	Planning	<p>All long-term facility structures will be painted a color that enables the facilities to blend in with the natural background color of the landscape, as seen from a viewing distance and location typically used by the public.</p>
4	Planning	<p>Operator shall employ practices for control of fugitive dust caused by their operations. Mitigation practices planned for this location are the use of speed restrictions, regular road maintenance, restriction of construction activity during high- wind days, and silica dust controls when handling sand used in hydraulic fracturing operations. Additional management practices such as road surfacing, wind breaks and barriers may be used if necessary.</p>
5	Storm Water/Erosion Control	<p>Implement and maintain BMPs to control stormwater runoff in a manner that minimizes erosion, transport of sediment offsite, and site degradation. Co-locate flowlines and/or gathering lines whenever feasible and mitigate any erosion problems that arise due to the construction of any pipeline(s). Location will be covered under Extraction Oil &amp; Gas’s field wide permit, permit number COR03M013.</p>

6	Noise mitigation	Noise levels will be assessed as necessary and mitigation measures will be implemented to maintain compliance with Rule 802.
7	Emissions mitigation	Operator will bring a new or expand existing gas sales lines, prior to first gas sales, to send salable quality gas immediately down the sales line. If a sales line is unavailable or other conditions prevent placing the gas into a sales line, the operator shall not produce the wells without an approved variance per Rule 805.b.(3)C.
8	Odor mitigation	Oil & gas facilities and equipment shall be operated in such a manner that odors do not constitute a nuisance or hazard to public welfare. Operator will utilize advanced oil-based mud systems which target the reduction of aromatics.
9	Interim Reclamation	Operator shall be responsible for segregating the topsoil, backfilling, re-compacting, reseeding, and re-contouring the surface of any disturbed area so as not to interfere with Owner's operations and shall reclaim such area to be returned to pre-existing conditions as best as possible with control of all noxious weeds.

Total: 9 comment(s)

### **Attachment Check List**

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### **Public Comments**

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