

#### **Oil & Gas Monthly Update**

City Council Meeting November 2020

# **City Oil & Gas Permit Applications**

- Five applications are currently deemed complete and being processed by the city
- Eight Oil and Gas Permits had previously been submitted and deemed complete by the city all by Extraction
- One application (Condor) does not currently have complete information to begin processing
- Two applications (Harlo and Anteater) were withdrawn due to inactivity.

Site Name	Case Number	Operator	Council Action Required	Well Count
Pelican	OG-002-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Conditional Use Permit	28
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Heron	OG-003-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Conditional Use Permit	24
Blue Jay	OG-004-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	18
Owl	OG-005-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	18
Falcon	OG-006-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	18

- All operators have asked (at the request of the city) that holds be placed on the processing of all Form 2A's, with the additional request of a 2<sup>nd</sup> comment period.
- Oil and Gas Permits may not be approved until Council actions have occurred *and* a CUP for
  - a pipeline has been approved by Council, per the ROA.

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## **City Permits**

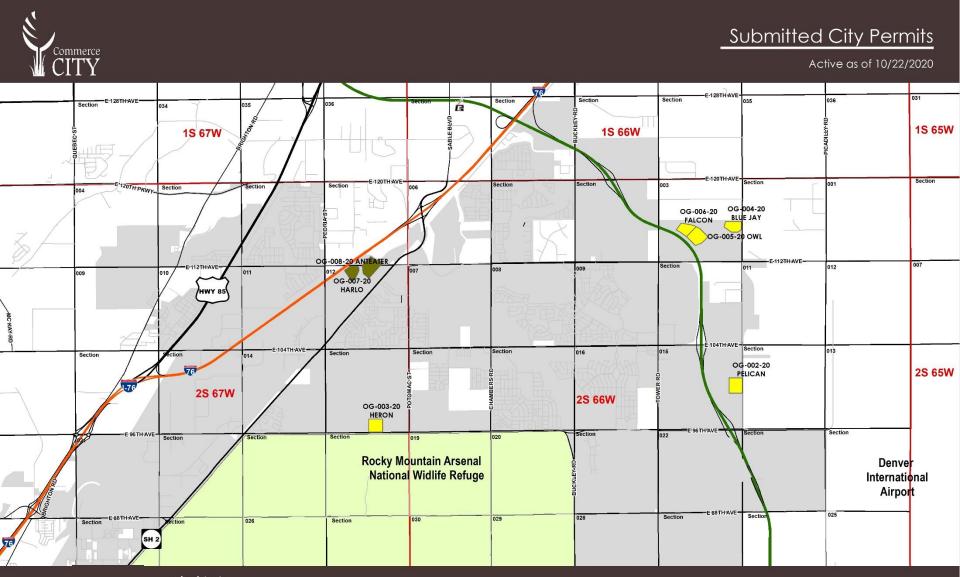
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1,100 2,200

NORTH

4,400

6,600



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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Under Review \_\_\_\_\_ City Limit Boundaries

Withdrawn

Denied

### **Review Schedule**

- Staff has submitted letter to Extraction Oil and Gas regarding inactive status of applications
  - Per LDC Section 21-3170, applicant has 30 days from issuance of letter to resubmit, before permit applications are deemed "withdrawn"

Site Name	Case Number	Date Permit Application Initially Submitted to City	Date Permit Application Deemed Complete By Staff	Application Resubmittal Date	Referral Agency Comments Due to Staff	Permit Status (Approved / Pending / Denied / Withdrawn / Completeness Review)
Condor	OG-001-19	10/8/2019				Completeness Review
Pelican	OG-002-19	10/8/2019	10/21/2019	10/21/2020	12/2/2020	Pending
Heron	OG-003-19	10/18/2019	11/4/2019	10/21/2020	12/2/2020	Pending
Blue Jay	OG-004-19	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	10/21/2020	12/2/2020	Pending
Owl	OG-005-19	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	10/21/2020	12/2/2020	Pending
Falcon	OG-006-19	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	10/21/2020	12/2/2020	Pending
Harlo	OG-007-19	10/21/2019	11/4/2019			Withdrawn
Anteater (Jacobson)	OG-008-19	12/10/2019	12/23/2019			Withdrawn

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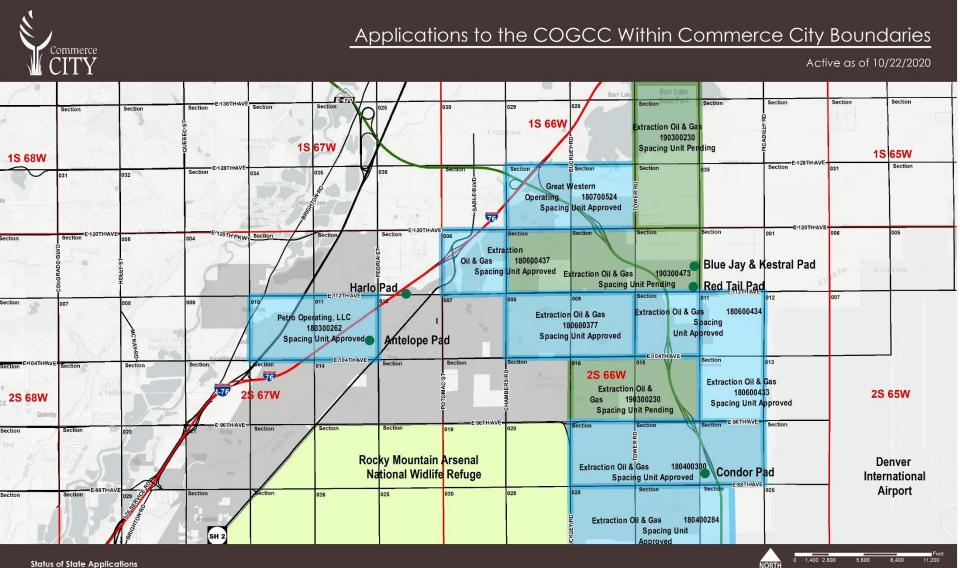
## **State Permit Applications**

- 3 spacing unit applications withdrawn by operators within municipal boundaries in October
  - Two by Extraction
  - One by Great Western
- One 2a application removed since last update



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## Map of COGCC Activity



Spacing Unit Approved Spacing Unit Pending City Limit Boundaries

Pending Form 2A

Approved Form 2A

\*This map represents all pending Form 2A applications, and spacing applications that have been submitted by Oil & Gas operators to the COGCC. Approval of a spacing unit by the COGCC does not constitute the ability to drill, unless Form 2's and 2a's within that section are also approved, and a city permit has been issued.

#### **General Updates**

- Release of Suncor SEP RFA Postponed
  - Originally scheduled for Mid-October
  - Timeline will be extended into November / December
  - Respondents will have 40 days from issuance date of RFA to craft proposal
- Recruitment for Environmental Consulting Services RFP Ongoing
  - Submission deadline closed on October 30th at 5PM
  - Staff will review proposals, and bring forward top application choices for Council interviews (scheduled on Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> study session)
- City joined as part of Local Government Coalition to December Air Quality Control Commission Rulemakings
  - Consists of 4 simultaneous rulemakings: 1) Serious Ozone Nonattainment Area SIP Elements, 2) Regulation Number 3, 3)
    Regulation Number 7, and 4) Air Quality Standards, Designations, and Emissions Budgets.
  - Rulemaking will generally address topics related to the Oil and Gas Sector (LDAR and Pneumatics Regulations), updated definition of CO<sub>2</sub>e, revision of Air Quality Standards Regulation to include Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets (MVEB's), and implementation elements of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) as it pertains to severe non-attainment of NAAQS standard for 8-hour ozone
  - Rulemakings are subsequent implementations of SB19-181, and HB19-1261
  - Commerce City is one of 40 Local Governments in the coalition
  - Rulemaking has relevance to the policy work and GHG inventory requested from eventual Env Consultant



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## **Oil and Gas LDC Updates**

- Discussion of Financial Assurances occurred during 10/19 council meeting
- Staff is proposing the following schedule for bringing the LDC updates back to Council for consideration:
  - Planning Commission: Tuesday, Jan 5
  - City Council 1st Reading (Ordinance): Monday, Feb 1
  - City Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Adoption): Monday, Mar 1



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#### **CDPHE Information on Suncor**

- On October 21, Suncor experienced power outage on internal transformer
  - Portions of Plant 1 and Plant 3 were offline for 48 hours for maintenance
- 1 <u>self reported</u> air quality exceedance by Suncor since September 14
  - Startup (various heaters and boilers): September 28
    - Exceedance of Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) limit of 162 ppm (3 hr avg): 300 ppm (Flare Gas)<sup>a</sup>

a. Maximum self-reported violation value during event window

b. These are draft emissions estimates and are subject to revisions and/or updates. The final emissions will be reported on CDPHE's quarterly excess emissions reports.

c. Information regarding the cause of the deviation may change based on the results of pending investigations.

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#### **Questions?**

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