

Exhibit A

Article X, Section 410, Temporary Use Permits for Oil and Gas wells.

410.1 All drilling activities related to exploration and production of oil or natural gas in Rio Blanco County whether on Federally owned, Indian owned, State of Colorado owned or privately owned surface land require a Temporary Use Permit as follows:

- A. A separate Temporary Use Permit must be obtained for each new well before commencement of construction of the well pad. As to multi-well pads, a Temporary Use Permit must be obtained for the first well before commencement construction of the well pad. For each subsequent well on the multi-well pad, a Temporary Use Permit must be obtained before commencement of drilling. A Temporary Use Permit must be obtained for each new well notwithstanding the fact such well may be part of a Special Use License issued prior to the effective date of this Section 410 or issued subsequently.
- B. Temporary Use Permits issued pursuant to this Section 410 are for a period of six months. A six month extension of the Temporary Use Permit may be obtained by application pursuant to Section 225 LUR.
- C. Temporary Use Permits pursuant to this Section 410 are issued by the Planning and Development Department pursuant to an administrative review process.
- D. All applicable taxes and fees must be paid before a Temporary Use Permit can be issued.
- E. All drilling activities must be conducted in accordance with all applicable Federal, State of Colorado, and Rio Blanco County laws, rules, and regulations and including all required conditions of approval of the Temporary Use Permit.

410.2 Application Process

- A. A complete application for a Temporary Use Permit as required herein, must be filed with the Rio Blanco Planning and Development Department no later than thirty days prior to the date of estimated commencement of operations with heavy equipment.

- B. Application forms are to be provided by the Rio Blanco County Planning and Development Department.
- C. Required documentation for a Temporary Use Permit Application. For an application to be considered complete, applicants must provide the following documentation with the application:
1. A site plan and a vicinity map in both digital and hardcopy format.
 2. Proof of Legal Access to Private Lands and State Lands or the Approved Right of Way on Federal Lands.
 3. A copy of the approved Application for Permit to Drill (APD).
 4. A copy of the Environmental Assessment with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on Federal Mineral Lease or a copy of the Environmental Impact Statement, if required.
 5. Documentation of Notice and Consultation with the surface owner as required pursuant to COGCC Rules 305 and 306.
 6. A traffic and transportation plan, including the anticipated volume and type of vehicle use, vanpooling or bussing plans, and best management practices to reduce/minimize traffic impacts.
 7. Plans for supplying potable water and for sewage disposal.
 8. Plans for disposal of produced waste and sewage.
 9. Emergency Response Map – a detailed map, both hard copy and digital, sufficient for emergency response purposes, including location of the drilling pad, private and public roadways accessing the site, marked as open, gated and/or locked, and detailed directions to the site from a major public right-of-way.
 10. Emergency Response Plan – a detailed plan for dealing with medical emergencies, extractions of personnel, and evacuation of the work site including levels of emergency response training and emergency contact telephone numbers for designated company personnel. The plan must address contingencies for emergency vehicle and helicopter access.

410.3 Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. Bear-proof refuse containers must be provided at all well pads for trash.
- B. By acceptance of a Temporary Use Permit, the Applicant grants permission to Rio Blanco County, its agents and employees, the right to inspect a site, without notice, to assess compliance with the Temporary Use Permit.
- C. The Terms and Conditions of a Temporary Use Permit may require compliance with additional provisions such as may be needed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Rio Blanco County.

410.4 Revocation and Penalties

Failure to comply with the requirements or conditions of approval for a Temporary Use Permit may be grounds for revocation pursuant to Section 105 of Article V of the Rio Blanco County Land Use Resolution or imposition of Penalties and Remedies pursuant to Section 104 of Article V of the Rio Blanco County Land Use Resolution.