

Operator Guidance: Form 2 Instructions
STATEWIDE WELLBORE COLLISION PREVENTION — NEW RULE 317.r
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Rule / Policy Citation

317.r Statewide Wellbore Collision Prevention

An operator will perform an anti-collision evaluation of all active (producing, shut in, or temporarily abandoned) offset wellbores that have the potential of being within 150 feet of a proposed well prior to drilling operations for the proposed well. Notice shall be given to all offset operators prior to drilling.

Purpose

The anti-collision evaluation required for any proposed well potentially within 150' of any active well establishes a statewide engineering control standard for operators.

Requirements for Form 2

1. A Form 2, Application for Permit to Drill for a proposed well that will be drilled within 150' of any active well must have a Best Management Practice (BMP) that addresses the operator's required anti-collision evaluation.
 - a. The BMP can restate the rule: Anti-collision: Operator will perform an anti-collision evaluation of all active (producing, shut in, or temporarily abandoned) offset wellbores that have the potential of being within 150 feet of a proposed well prior to drilling operations for the proposed well. Notice shall be given to all offset operators prior to drilling.
 - b. If the anti-collision BMP is not included on the Form 2 when submitted, a Condition of Approval (COA) addressing anti-collision will be added to the Form 2 by COGCC engineering staff.

Notes

1. The distance between wellbores measurement shall be based upon the directional survey for drilled wellbores and the deviated drilling plan for permitted wellbores, or as otherwise reflected in the COGCC well records.
2. No attachment is required on a Form 2 for a proposed well that will be within 150' of any active well.
3. Operators are expected to document and retain records of their compliance with this rule:
 - a. Anti-collision evaluation of all active (producing, shut in, or temporarily abandoned) offset wellbores that have the potential of being within 150 feet of a proposed well prior to drilling operations for the proposed well.
 - b. Notices given to all operators of offset wellbores within 150' of a proposed well prior to drilling.

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4. If the proposed well will be fracture stimulated within 150' of an adjacent wellbore's treated interval, it is subject to Rule 317.s.
5. This statewide rule replaces Rule 318A.n and eliminates the requirement of that rule for the "Anti-Collision Waiver" within the Greater Wattenberg Area.