

Notice of Public Hearing and Comment Period
STATE OF ALASKA
ALASKA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

RE: Docket No. CO 21-023

By application dated November 18, 2021, Hilcorp Alaska, LLC (Hilcorp) requests that the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC) approve the commingling of production from the Beluga and Tyonek Gas Pools in the Beaver Creek Unit 24 well in the Beaver Creek Field.

Downhole commingling regulations (20 AAC 25.215) are in place to prevent waste and to protect correlative rights. Operators are prohibited from producing from, or injecting into, more than one pool (a rock formation where oil and/or gas has accumulated) in the same wellbore without the AOGCC approving the downhole commingling of two or more pools. It is not uncommon for a well to encounter multiple pools. In these situations, normally an operator will first produce from the deepest pool in the well until it is depleted, then plug off that pool and move up to the next pool and repeat the process until all the pools have been depleted. Sometimes one or more of these pools is not large enough to warrant production/injection operations on its own, or there are other reasons to allow commingled production/injection. In these instances, an operator will apply to the AOGCC for an order approving the downhole commingling of two or more pools. The AOGCC reviews the application to assure waste will not occur and all owners receive their share of the production.

This notice does not contain all the information filed by Hilcorp. You may obtain more information about this filing by contacting the AOGCC's Special Assistant, Grace Salazar, at (907) 793-1221 or grace.salazar@alaska.gov.

The AOGCC has tentatively scheduled a **virtual** public hearing on this matter for Wednesday, **December 29, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.** via MS Teams. The audio call-in information is (907) 202-7104, conference ID no. 286 721 309#. Anyone who wishes to participate remotely using MS Teams video conference should contact Ms. Salazar at least two business days before the scheduled public hearing to request an invitation for the MS Teams. Please note, the hearing will be held if AOGCC receives written request by 4:30 p.m., December 23, 2021. If a request for a hearing is not timely filed, the AOGCC may consider the issuance of an order without a hearing. To learn if the AOGCC will hold the hearing, call (907) 793-1221 or visit the AOGCC Events webpage after December 23, 2021.

To comment on Hilcorp's filing, please submit your comments by 4:30 p.m., December 27, 2021, to the AOGCC at 333 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501, or via:

Email: aogcc.customer.svc@alaska.gov

Fax: (907) 276-7542

Online: State of Alaska Public Notices System (use the "comment" link).

Individuals or groups of people with disabilities who require special accommodations to comment or attend the hearing should notify the AOGCC no later than December 27, 2021.

Jessie L. Chmielowski
Commissioner