

## DRAFT OIL & GAS RULES AUGUST 2020

### Administrative Process Improvements Related Rules

Draft Rule/Requirement	Why	Other Jurisdictions
Neighborhood Meeting required	Gives neighbors an early opportunity to learn about development and gives Operator an opportunity to respond to concerns	Adams (current rules) Aurora (proposed rules) Boulder (proposed rules) Thornton (current rules)
Written notification of application for all landowners of record and HOAs within one mile	Expands the notification radius from adjacent property owners to one mile because O&G development can affect neighbors within 1 or more miles.	Aurora (proposed rules) Boulder (proposed rules)
Sign posting	Serves as part of public notice; Clarifies and expands current requirement in LDC	Thornton (current rules)
Waiver requests	Allows a new process for waivers. Waiver examples: setbacks, neighborhood meetings, annual meeting between operator and County, termination date of approval, visual, noise and lighting mitigations	Adams (current rules) Thornton (current rules)
Regular meetings, at least annually, to discuss pertinent issues	Operators update County on their development plans, ERP and TRP, any health and safety issues and potential implementation of new technology.	Aurora (draft rules)
New technologies required if new technologies for surface operations are technologically sound, economically practical and reasonably available to the operator	Could apply to safety innovations, leak prevention or health and safety	Aurora (draft rules)
Revocation of Approval	Provides County a way to regulate failure to comply with requirements	Broomfield (proposed rules)
Recordation of Approval with C&R Office by PWD	Provides notice of potential O&G development to potential buyers	Unique to AC
PWD Director's Discretion to Refer to the Board	In our existing LDC	Thornton (current rules)
Expiration of approval in 3 years, unless the facility is substantially commenced. Operator can apply for a waiver.	The current expiration is 5 years. More than 3 years after approval the surrounding land uses and density of homes can change significantly.	Aurora (proposed rules) Thornton (current rules)