

Boulder County Open Space - Mineral Interests Encumbered by Oil & Gas Leases



2018

Area
Researched

Properties with
Oil & Gas
Leases

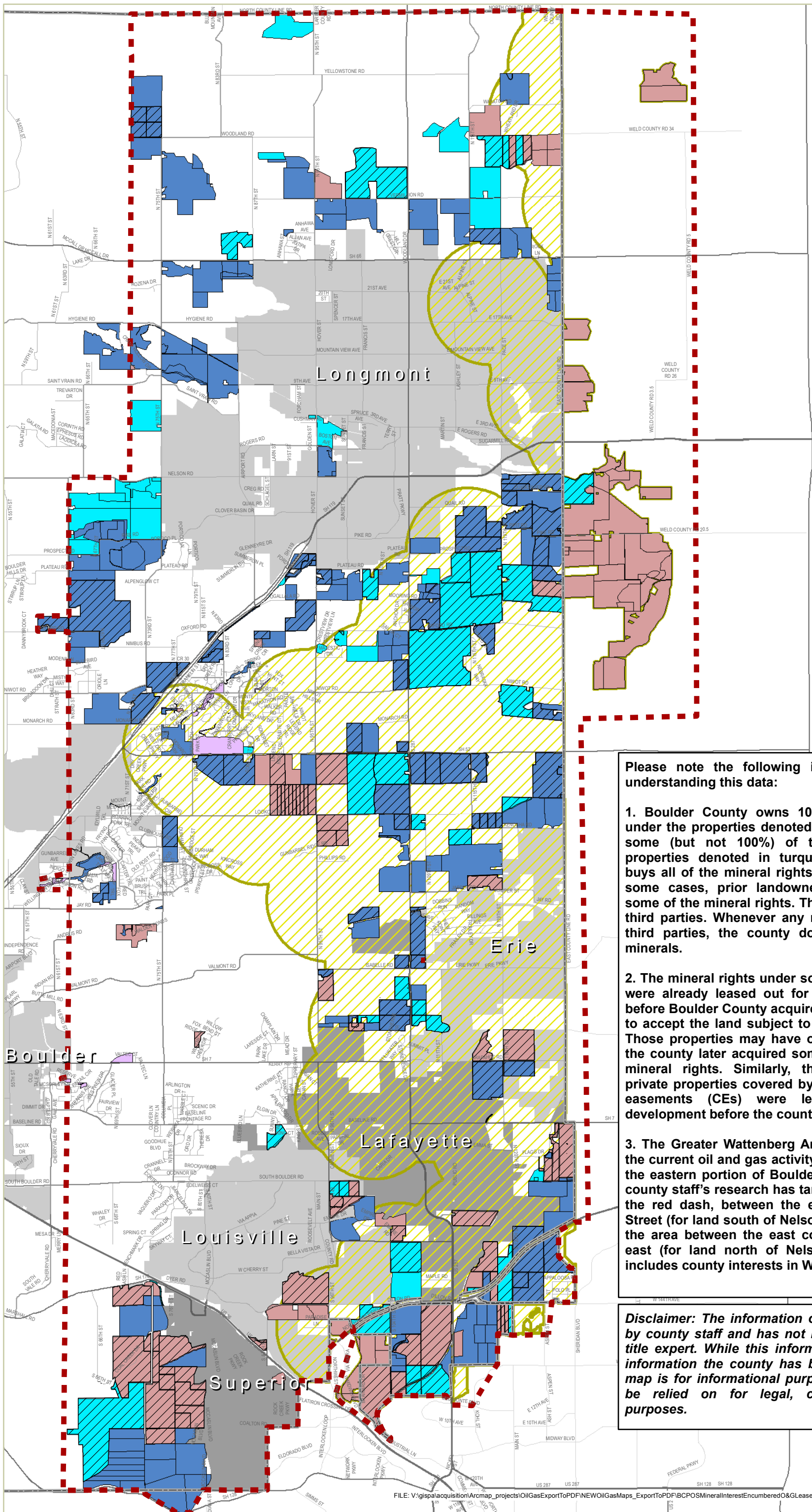
County Open
Space Where
County Owns
All Minerals

County Open
Space Where
County Owns
Some %
Minerals

County Open
Space Where
County Does
Not Own
Minerals

County Open
Space Where
No Title Work
Exists

Greater
Wattenberg
Area



Please note the following important information for understanding this data:

1. Boulder County owns 100% of the mineral rights under the properties denoted in blue. The county owns some (but not 100%) of the mineral rights under properties denoted in turquoise. The county always buys all of the mineral rights that a seller owns, but in some cases, prior landowners had already reserved some of the mineral rights. Those rights are still held by third parties. Whenever any mineral rights are held by third parties, the county doesn't control use of the minerals.
2. The mineral rights under some open space properties were already leased out for oil and gas development before Boulder County acquired them, so the county had to accept the land subject to those pre-existing leases. Those properties may have oil and gas activity even if the county later acquired some or all of the underlying mineral rights. Similarly, the minerals under some private properties covered by county-held conservation easements (CEs) were leased for oil and gas development before the county acquired the CE interest.
3. The Greater Wattenberg Area (GWA), where most of the current oil and gas activity occurs, extends only into the eastern portion of Boulder County. For this reason, county staff's research has targeted the area outlined by the red dash, between the east county line and 63rd Street (for land south of Nelson Road in Longmont), and the area between the east county line and 75th Street east (for land north of Nelson Road). Research also includes county interests in Weld County.

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