

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (date of earliest event reported): August 9, 2021**

**Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-35371**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**61-1630631**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**410 17th Street, Suite 1400**  
**Denver, Colorado**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**80202**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (720) 440-6100**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
<b>Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share</b>	<b>BCEI</b>	<b>New York Stock Exchange</b>

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

As previously announced, in connection with the merger transactions between Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. (“BCEI”) and Extraction Oil & Gas, Inc. a Delaware corporation (“XOG”) (the “XOG Merger”), and between BCEI and CPPIB Crestone Peak Resources America Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Crestone Peak”) and XOG (the “Crestone Peak Merger”, and, collectively, the “Mergers”), following the consummation of the XOG Merger, the combined company board of directors will increase to eight members, (i) four of whom will be designated by BCEI, which designees shall consist of Eric Greager, the President and Chief Executive Officer of BCEI, and three independent directors who shall be acceptable to XOG, who are expected to be, subject to election, Carrie L. Hudak, Brian Steck, and Jeffrey E. Wojahn, and (ii) four of whom will be designated by XOG, each of whom shall be independent and acceptable to BCEI, and one of whom shall be the chairman of the board of directors of the combined company, who are expected to be, subject to election, Benjamin Dell as chairman of the board, Morris Clark, Carrie M. Fox and Howard A. Willard, III. Following the consummation of the Crestone Peak Merger, the size of the combined company board will be increased from eight to nine directors, one of whom will be designated by Canada Pension Plan Investment Board, a Canadian Crown corporation (“CPP Investments”), and shall be reasonably determined to be independent and acceptable to BCEI. The independent director to be appointed by CPP Investments upon the closing of the Mergers is expected to be James Trimble, subject to approval by the BCEI board of directors. His biography is included below.

Mr. Trimble joined the Crestone Peak board of directors in 2016, and has served as its Chairman since 2018. He was previously the Interim Chief Executive Officer and President of Stone Energy Corporation from 2017 to 2018. Mr. Trimble was President and Chief Executive Officer of PDC Energy, Inc. (“PDC”) from 2011 to 2015. Prior to PDC, he founded and also led several oil and gas companies focused primarily on drilling in Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma. In addition, Mr. Trimble served as the Senior Vice President of Exploration and Production for Cabot Oil and Gas for 17 years. Mr. Trimble holds a Bachelor of Science in Petroleum Engineering from Mississippi State University. He is a registered Professional Engineer in the state of Texas. He is active and has served on the board of several professional organizations including the Independent Oil and Gas Association of Pennsylvania, the Independent Oil and Gas Association of West Virginia, the Independent Petroleum Association of America, the American Petroleum Institute, the Society of Petroleum Engineers and the Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association. He is an honorably discharged Officer from the United States Army after serving 10 years of active and reserve duties. Mr. Trimble currently serves on the Board of Directors for Callon Petroleum Corporation since March 2012 (NYSE: CPE), Crestone Peak since October 2016 (private E&P), Stone Energy from March 2017 to May 2018 (NYSE: SGY) until its merger with Talos Energy (NYSE: TALO) and on the Talos board until May 2021. He was formerly on the board of directors of C&J Energy Services (“CJES”) (NYSE: CJES), PDC (NASDAQ: PDCE), Grand Gulf Energy Limited (ASX: GGE), Seisgen Exploration, Inc. (private company), and Blue Dolphin Energy Company (NASDAQ: BDCO). Mr. Trimble was an officer of PDC in September 2013, when each of twelve partnerships for which PDC was the managing general partner filed for bankruptcy in the bankruptcy court, Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division, and was on the board of CJES when it filed for bankruptcy in the court of the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division in July 2016.

## ***No Offer or Solicitation***

This communication relates to the XOG Merger and the Crestone Peak Merger (collectively, the “Mergers” or the “Transactions”). This communication is for informational purposes only and does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to subscribe for or buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval, in any jurisdiction, with respect to the Transactions or otherwise, nor shall there be any sale, issuance or transfer of the securities referred to in this document in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. Offers of securities with respect to the XOG Merger shall be made only by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act. BCEI intends to issue the merger consideration in connection with the Crestone Peak Merger in reliance on the exemptions from registration requirements under the Securities Act, pursuant to Section 4(a)(2) thereof.

## ***Important Additional Information***

In connection with the Transactions, BCEI and XOG have filed materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), including (1) a joint proxy statement in preliminary form (the “Joint Proxy Statement”) and (2) a Registration Statement on Form S-4, Registration No. 333-257882, with respect to the XOG Merger (the “Registration Statement”), of which the Joint Proxy Statement is a part. After the Registration Statement is declared effective by the SEC, BCEI and XOG intend to send a definitive form of the Joint Proxy Statement to the shareholders of BCEI and the shareholders of XOG. These documents are not substitutes for the Joint Proxy Statement or Registration Statement or for any other document that BCEI or XOG may file with the SEC and send to BCEI’s shareholders or XOG’s shareholders in connection with the Transactions. **INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF BCEI AND XOG ARE URGED TO CAREFULLY AND THOROUGHLY READ THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT AND THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT, AS EACH MAY BE AMENDED OR SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME, AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED BY BCEI AND XOG WITH THE SEC, WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT BCEI, XOG, CRESTONE PEAK, THE TRANSACTIONS, THE RISKS RELATED THERETO AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the Registration Statement and Joint Proxy Statement, as each may be amended from time to time, and other relevant documents filed by BCEI and XOG with the SEC (when they become available) through the website maintained by the SEC at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Copies of documents filed with the SEC by BCEI will be available free of charge from BCEI’s website at [www.bonanzacrk.com](http://www.bonanzacrk.com) under the “Investor Relations” tab or by contacting BCEI’s Investor Relations Department at (720) 225-6679 or [slandreth@bonanzacrk.com](mailto:slandreth@bonanzacrk.com). Copies of documents filed with the SEC by XOG will be available free of charge from XOG’s website at [www.extractionog.com](http://www.extractionog.com) under the “Investor Relations” tab or by contacting XOG’s Investor Relations Department at (720) 974-7773 or [ir@extractionog.com](mailto:ir@extractionog.com).

## ***Participants in the Solicitation***

BCEI, XOG and their respective directors and certain of their executive officers and other members of management and employees may be deemed, under SEC rules, to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from BCEI’s shareholders and XOG’s shareholders in connection with the Transactions. Information regarding the executive officers and directors of BCEI is included in its definitive proxy statement for its 2021 annual meeting filed with the SEC on April 28, 2021. Information regarding the executive officers and directors of XOG is included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K/A filed with the SEC on April 30, 2021. Additional information regarding the persons who may be deemed participants and their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be set forth in the Registration Statement, Joint Proxy Statement and other materials when they are filed with the SEC in connection with the Transactions. Free copies of these documents may be obtained as described in the paragraphs above.

## ***Forward-Looking Statements and Cautionary Statements***

Certain statements in this document concerning the Transactions, including any statements regarding the combined company’s expected credit facility, expected timetable for completing the Transactions, the results, effects, benefits and synergies of the Transactions, future opportunities for the combined company, future financial performance and condition, guidance and any other statements regarding BCEI’s, XOG’s or Crestone Peak’s future

expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, financial conditions, assumptions or future events or performance that are not historical facts are “forward-looking” statements based on assumptions currently believed to be valid. Forward-looking statements are all statements other than statements of historical facts. The words “anticipate,” “believe,” “ensure,” “expect,” “if,” “intend,” “estimate,” “probable,” “project,” “forecasts,” “predict,” “outlook,” “aim,” “will,” “could,” “should,” “would,” “potential,” “may,” “might,” “anticipate,” “likely” “plan,” “positioned,” “strategy,” and similar expressions or other words of similar meaning, and the negatives thereof, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Specific forward-looking statements include statements regarding BCEI, XOG’s and Crestone Peak’s plans and expectations with respect to the Transactions and the anticipated impact of the Transactions on the combined company’s results of operations, financial position, growth opportunities and competitive position. The forward-looking statements are intended to be subject to the safe harbor provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

These forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated, including, but not limited to, the possibility that shareholders of BCEI may not approve the issuance of new shares of BCEI Common Stock in the Transactions or that shareholders of XOG may not approve the XOG Merger Agreement; the risk that a condition to closing of the Transactions may not be satisfied, that either party may terminate the XOG Merger Agreement or the Crestone Peak Merger Agreement or that the closing of the Transactions might be delayed or not occur at all; potential adverse reactions or changes to business or employee relationships, including those resulting from the announcement or completion of the transaction; the diversion of management time on transaction-related issues; the ultimate timing, outcome and results of integrating the operations of BCEI, XOG and Crestone Peak; the effects of the business combination of BCEI, XOG and Crestone Peak, including the combined company’s future financial condition, results of operations, strategy and plans; the ability of the combined company to realize anticipated synergies in the timeframe expected or at all; changes in capital markets and the ability of the combined company to finance operations in the manner expected; regulatory approval of the Transactions; the effects of commodity prices; the risks of oil and gas activities; and the fact that operating costs and business disruption may be greater than expected following the public announcement or consummation of the Transactions. Expectations regarding business outlook, including changes in revenue, pricing, capital expenditures, cash flow generation, strategies for our operations, oil and natural gas market conditions, legal, economic and regulatory conditions, and environmental matters are only forecasts regarding these matters.

Additional factors that could cause results to differ materially from those described above can be found in BCEI’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 and in its subsequently filed Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2021, each of which is on file with the SEC and available from BCEI’s website at [www.bonanzacrk.com](http://www.bonanzacrk.com) under the “Investor Relations” tab, and in other documents BCEI files with the SEC, and in XOG’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 and in its subsequently filed amended Annual Report on Form 10-K/A and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2021, each of which is on file with the SEC and available from XOG’s website at [www.extractionog.com](http://www.extractionog.com) under the “Investor Relations” tab, and in other documents XOG files with the SEC.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC.**

Dated: August 9, 2021

By: /s/ Cyrus D. Marter IV  
Cyrus D. Marter IV  
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary