

**BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
EXAMINER HEARING AUGUST 7, 2025**

CASE No. 25458

CORRAL 22 405H BS WELL

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC.
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

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COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS

Case: 25458	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE
Date	August 7, 2025
Applicant	XTO Energy Inc.
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	XTO Energy Inc. (OGRID No. 5380)
Applicant's Counsel:	Holland & Hart LLP
Case Title:	APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Exhibit No. A Submitted by: XTO Energy, Inc. Hearing Date: August 7, 2025 Case no. 25458	
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	N/A
Well Family	Corral 22-27 Fed Com
Formation/Pool	
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Bone Spring
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil
Pooling this vertical extent:	N/A
Pool Name and Pool Code (Only if NSP is requested):	Willow Lake; Bone Spring, Southeast [96217]
Well Location Setback Rules (Only if NSP is Requested):	Statewide oil rules
Spacing Unit	
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal
Size (Acres)	320
Building Blocks:	40 acre
Orientation:	Standup
Description: TRS/County	E/2 E/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 25 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe and is approval of non-standard unit requested in this application?	Yes
Other Situations	
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	No
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	No
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibit C-3
Well(s)	
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-standard)	Add wells as needed

Well #1	Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H well API: 30-015-56574 SHL: 284' FNL, 925' FEL (Unit A) of Section 22 BHL: 50' FSL, 550' FEL (Unit P) of Section 34 Target: Bone Spring Orientation: Standup Completion: Standard
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	Exhibit C-2
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	Exhibit D-4
AFE Capex and Operating Costs	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	N/A
Production Supervision/Month \$	N/A
Justification for Supervision Costs	N/A
Requested Risk Charge	N/A
Notice of Hearing	
Proposed Notice of Hearing	Exhibit B
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	Exhibit E
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)	Exhibit F
Ownership Determination	
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit	Exhibit C-3
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	Exhibit C-3
If approval of Non-Standard Spacing Unit is requested, Tract List (including lease numbers and owners) of Tracts subject to notice requirements.	N/A
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	Exhibit C-3
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	N/A
Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & below)	N/A
Joinder	
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	N/A
List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	Exhibit C-3
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests	Exhibit C-4
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	N/A
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	N/A
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	N/A
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	N/A
Geology	
Summary (including special considerations)	Exhibit D

Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibit D-2
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	Exhibit D-2
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Exhibit D
Target Formation	Exhibit D & D-4
HSU Cross Section	Exhibit D-3
Depth Severance Discussion	N/A
Forms, Figures and Tables	
C-102	Exhibit C-2
Tracts	Exhibit C-3
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	Exhibit C-3
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit D-2
Well Bore Location Map	Exhibit D-2
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibit D-3
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	Exhibit D-3
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit D-4
Additional Information	
Special Provisions/Stipulations	N/A
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.	
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Paula M. Vance
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	
Date:	7/31/2025

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APPLICATION

XTO Energy, Inc (“XTO” or “Applicant”) (OGRID No. 5380), through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted record title owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 25 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its application, XTO states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has the right to drill thereon.
2. Applicant seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the initial **Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H** (API No. 30-015-56574), to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22, with a first take point in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22 and a last take point in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 34.
3. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain the signatory approval on the federal communization agreement from all the record title owners.
4. The pooling of the final record title owner will allow Applicant to obtain a just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

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WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on July 10, 2025, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted record title owners in the horizontal spacing unit; and
- B. Designating Applicant as operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEYS FOR XTO ENERGY, INC

CASE _____: **Application of XTO Energy, Inc for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted record title owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 25 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said unit will be initially dedicated to the initial **Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H** (API No. 30-015-56574), to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22, with a first take point in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22 and a last take point in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 34. Also to be considered will be designation of Applicant as operator. Said area is located approximately 8 miles southeast of Malaga, New Mexico.

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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF MATTHEW FLETCHER

1. My name is Matthew Fletcher, and I am employed by XTO Energy Inc. ("XTO") as a landman.
2. I have not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") as an expert witness in petroleum land matters. I have included a copy of my resume as **XTO Exhibit C-1** for the Division to review and respectfully request that my credentials be accepted as a matter of record, and that I be tendered as an expert in land matters.
3. I am familiar with the application filed by XTO in this case, and I am familiar with the status of the lands in the subject area.
4. XTO seeks an order pooling all uncommitted record title owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 22 and 27, and dedicate the unit to the **Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H** (API No. 30-015-56574), to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22, with a first take point in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22 and a last take point in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 34.
5. **XTO Exhibit C-2** contains a Form C-102 for each of the wells. This form demonstrates that each of the wells is in the Willow Lake; Bone Spring, Southeast [96217].

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6. **XTO Exhibit C-3** identifies the tracts of land comprising the spacing unit and the lateral trajectory of the wells. The acreage is comprised of federal lands.

7. XTO has reached a voluntary agreement with all working interest owners in this unit but seeks a pooling order for record title owners, which are non-cost bearing interest owners, who have yet to execute the necessary federal communitization agreements. The parties that XTO seeks to pool are highlighted in yellow in XTO Exhibit C-3.

8. XTO has reviewed public records, conducted online computer searches and, where applicable, contacted known relatives to locate contact information for all interest owners that it seeks to pool. XTO has been able to locate addresses for all the owners it seeks to pool.

9. **XTO Exhibit C-4** contains a chronology of the contacts with the record title holders that XTO seeks to pool and XTO's attempts to obtain signatory approval on the federal communization agreement from them. In my opinion, XTO has undertaken good faith, diligent efforts to reach agreement with each interest owner.

10. Because the interest XTO seeks to pool is a non-cost bearing interest, XTO is not requesting to assess a proportionate share of costs, risk charges, or overhead and administrative costs for drilling and producing the well.

11. XTO has provided the law firm of Holland & Hart LLP with the names and addresses of the record title owners XTO seeks to pool and instructed that they be notified of this hearing.

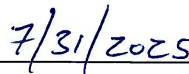
12. **XTO Exhibits C-1 through C-4** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

13. I affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the foregoing statements are true and correct. I understand that this self-affirmed statement will be

used as written testimony in this case. This statement is made on the date next to my signature below.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew Fletcher", written over a horizontal line.

Matthew Fletcher

A handwritten date "7/31/2025" in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

Date

Matthew Fletcher

Commercial & Land Advisor

Spring, TX | 346-502-0516 | matt.fletcher@exxonmobil.com

Professional Summary

Experienced Land Professional with over a decade in oil and gas, specializing in New Mexico operations. Proven expertise in title analysis. Demonstrated ability to collaborate with legal, geological, and engineering teams to support filings before the NMOCD. Recognized for leadership and technical accuracy in managing land responsibilities in both operated and non-operated asset environments.

Professional Experience**XTO Energy, Inc. – Commercial & Land Advisor**

Spring, TX | Feb 2024 – Present

- Prepared exhibits and supporting documentation for Compulsory Pooling Applications and Non-Standard Well Location Applications in accordance with NMOCD regulations.
- Drafted and submitted Communitization Agreements to the BLM and SLO, ensuring compliance with applicable lease terms and governing agency requirements.
- Collaborated with legal counsel and geologists to ensure technical and legal accuracy of regulatory filings.
- Reviewed and validated C-102 forms, confirming well location data and regulatory compliance.
- Drafted Exhibit A's for Exchange Agreements, ensuring accurate leasehold representation.
- Monitored drilling schedules and verified well locations to maintain lease and regulatory compliance.
- Negotiated Agreements for Operations and innovative Data Exchange Agreements to support technical evaluations.

XTO Energy, Inc. – Title Analyst

Spring, TX | Nov 2018 – Feb 2024

- Led New Mexico Delaware Basin Title Team, managing workflows and mentoring analysts.
- Developed and executed cross-functional projects to resolve ownership disputes and mitigate legal exposure.
- Created limited run sheets and performed title runs to update ownership records.
- Maintained and updated division of interest decks using title opinions, leases, assignments, and probate documents.

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Lime Rock Resources – Division Order Analyst

Houston, TX | Jun 2017 – Nov 2018

- Managed ownership decks for assets in NM, OK, AR, and TX.
- Completed North Dakota APO interest reconciliation project across 150+ wells.
- Trained new analysts and led marketing deck corrections for 40+ wells.

Southwestern Energy – Division Order Analyst

Spring, TX | Jan 2014 – Jun 2017

- Calculated GWI and NRI interests from title opinions, leases, and JOAs.
- Conducted due diligence on estate and title documents for ownership verification.
- Completed BLM and divestiture project involving federal lease and communitization agreement research.
- Trained analysts and served on the 2017 Process Improvement Committee.

United States Navy – Hospital Corpsman Second Class (HM2)

Multiple Locations | Jun 2005 – Jun 2010

- Provided medical support during deployments to Iraq and Africa.
- Certified 240+ troops in Combat Life Saver training.
- Managed \$190K medical supply budget and supervised junior personnel.

Education

- Master of Legal Studies – Oil, Gas, and Energy Law, University of Oklahoma College of Law, 2020
- MBA – Management, Sam Houston State University, 2016
- BBA – Finance, Sam Houston State University, 2013

Certifications & Honors

- Petroleum Land Management Certificate – Oklahoma City University, 2015
- Seabee Combat Warfare Designation
- Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medal (2008, 2010)
- Iraqi Campaign Medal – 2008

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	Submittal Type:	☐ Initial Submittal ☒ Amended Report ☐ As Drilled

WELL LOCATION INFORMATION

API Number 30-015-	Pool Code 96217	Pool Name WILLOW LAKE; BONE SPRING, SOUTHEAST
Property Code	Property Name CORRAL 22-27 FED COM	Well Number 405H
OGRID No. 005380	Operator Name XTO ENERGY, INC.	Ground Level Elevation 3085'
Surface Owner: ☐ State ☐ Fee ☐ Tribal ☒ Federal		Mineral Owner: ☐ State ☐ Fee ☐ Tribal ☒ Federal

Surface Location

UL	Section	Township	Range	Lot	Ft. from N/S	Ft. from E/W	Latitude	Longitude	County
A	22	25S	29E		284 FNL	925 FEL	32.121985	-103.966718	EDDY

Bottom Hole Location

UL	Section	Township	Range	Lot	Ft. from N/S	Ft. from E/W	Latitude	Longitude	County
P	27	25S	29E		50 FSL	550 FEL	32.093710	-103.965384	EDDY

Dedicated Acres 320.00	Infill or Defining Well DEFINING	Defining Well API	Overlapping Spacing Unit (Y/N) Y	Consolidation Code C
Order Numbers:			Well setbacks are under Common Ownership: ☒ Yes ☐ No	

Kick Off Point (KOP)

UL	Section	Township	Range	Lot	Ft. from N/S	Ft. from E/W	Latitude	Longitude	County
P	15	25S	29E		616 FSL	552 FEL	32.124464	-103.965519	EDDY

First Take Point (FTP)

UL	Section	Township	Range	Lot	Ft. from N/S	Ft. from E/W	Latitude	Longitude	County
A	22	25S	29E		100 FNL	550 FEL	32.122494	-103.965509	EDDY

Last Take Point (LTP)

UL	Section	Township	Range	Lot	Ft. from N/S	Ft. from E/W	Latitude	Longitude	County
P	27	25S	29E		100 FSL	550 FEL	32.093848	-103.965385	EDDY

Unitized Area or Area of Uniform Interest	Spacing Unit Type ☒ Horizontal ☐ Vertical	Ground Floor Elevation: 3085'
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OPERATOR CERTIFICATIONS I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and, if the well is a vertical or directional well, that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of a working interest or unleased mineral interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division. If this well is a horizontal well, I further certify that this organization has received the consent of at least one lessee or owner of a working interest or unleased mineral interest in each tract (in the target pool or formation) in which any part of the well's completed interval will be located or obtained a compulsory pooling order from the division. Vishal Rajan Signature _____ Date 5/9/2025 Vishal Rajan Printed Name vishal.rajan@exxonmobil.com Email Address	SURVEYOR CERTIFICATIONS I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief. BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION Santa Fe, New Mexico Exhibit No. C-2 Submitted by: XTO Energy, Inc. Hearing Date: August 7, 2025 Case no. 25458  Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor  23786 Certificate Number 04-15-2025 Date of Survey DB 618.013013.05-29
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Note: No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the division.

ACREAGE DEDICATION PLATS

This grid represents a standard section. You may superimpose a non-standard section, or larger area, over this grid. Operators must outline the dedicated acreage in a red box, clearly show the well surface location and bottom hole location, if it is directionally drilled, with the dimensions from the section lines in the cardinal directions. If this is a horizontal wellbore show on this plat the location of the First Take Point and Last Take Point, and the point within the Completed interval (other than the First Take Point or Last Take Point) that is closest to any outer boundary of the tract.

Surveyors shall use the latest United States government survey or dependent resurvey. Well locations will be in reference to the New Mexico Principal Meridian. If the land is not surveyed, contact the OCD Engineering Bureau. Independent subdivision surveys will not be acceptable.

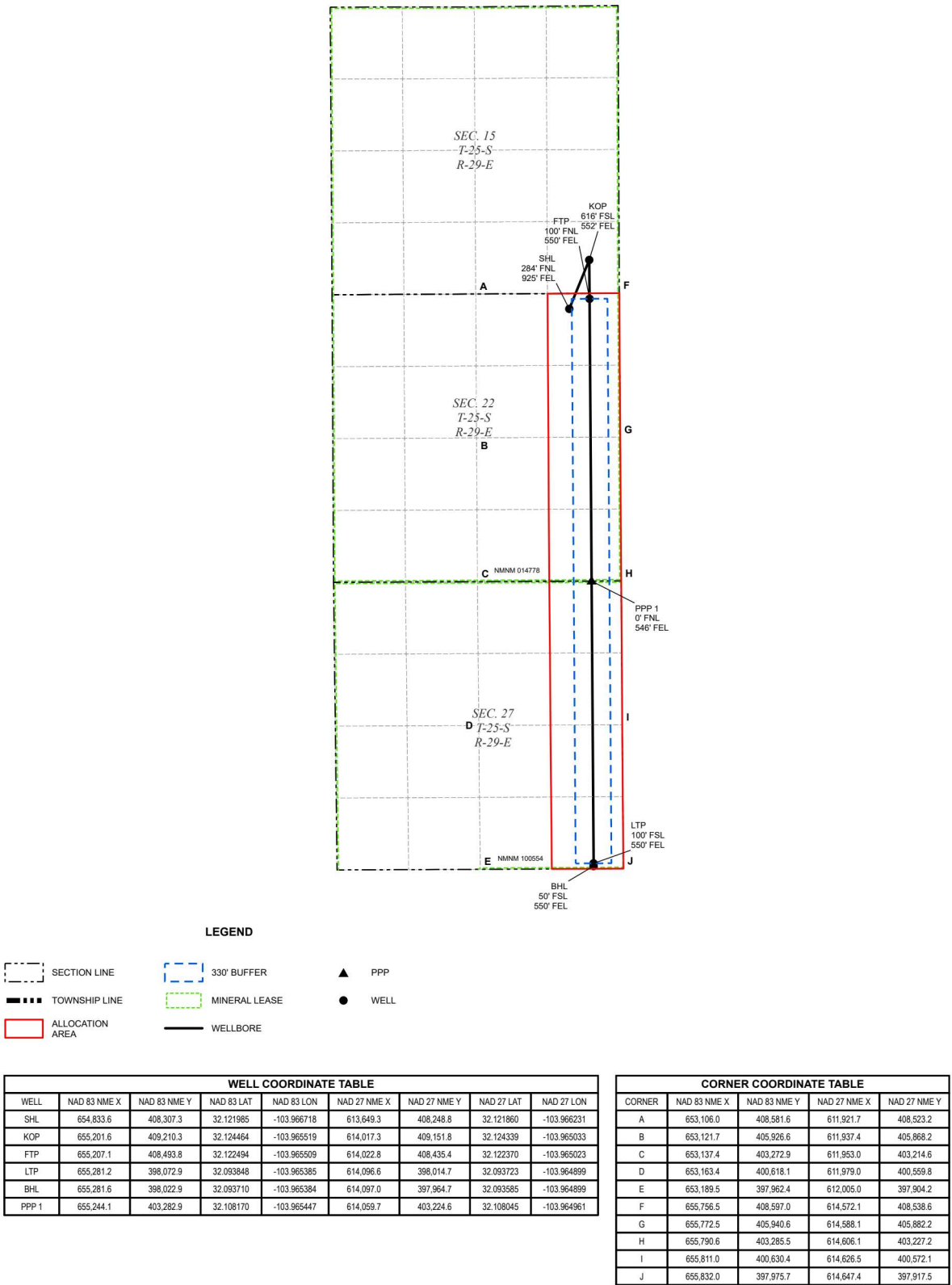
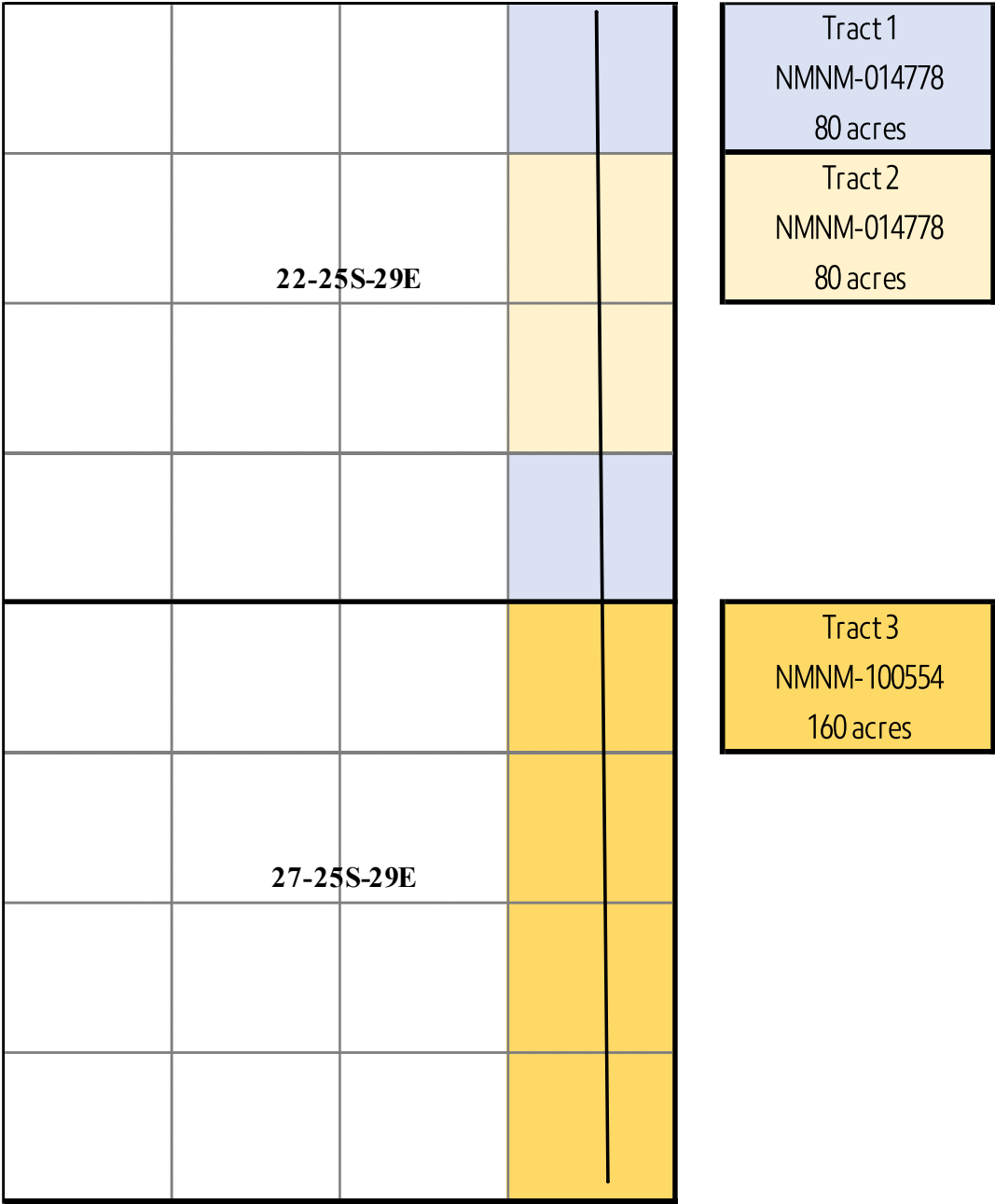


EXHIBIT “A”

Plat of communitized area covering **320.00** acres in Township 25 South, Range 29 East, E/2E/2 of Section 22 and E/2E/2 of Section 27, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico

Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H



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Surface and Bottom Hole Locations

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#405H SHL: 284' FNL & 925' FEL Sec. 22-T25S-R29E

#405H BHL: 50' FSL & 550' FEL Sec. 27-T25S-R29E

EXHIBIT “B”

To Communitization Agreement Dated March 1, 2026 embracing the following described land in Township 25 South, Range 29 East, E/2E/2 of Section 22 and E/2E/2 of Section 27, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico

Operator of Communitized Area: **XTO Energy Inc.**

DESCRIPTION OF LEASES COMMITTEDTract No. 1

Lease Serial Number: NMNM-014778

Description of Land Committed: Township 25 South, Range 29 East,
NMPM, Section 22: N/2N/2, S/2S/2

Number of Acres: 80.00

Current Lessee of Record Not Committed: CNX Gas Co LLC.....50.000000%

Tract No. 2

Lease Serial Number: NMNM-014778

Description of Land Committed: Township 25 South, Range 29 East,
NMPM, Section 22: S/2N/2, N/2S/2

Number of Acres: 80.00

Current Lessee of Record Not Committed: CNX Gas Co LLC.....50.000000%

Tract No. 3

Lease Serial Number: NMNM-100554

Description of Land Committed: Township 25 South, Range 29 East,
NMPM, Section 27: All; Section 34: W/2

Number of Acres: 160.00

Current Lessee of Record: XTO Holdings, LLC

RECAPITULATION

Tract No.	No. of Acres Committed	Percentage of Interest in Communitized Area
1	80.00	25.0000000%
2	80.00	25.0000000%
3	160.00	50.0000000%
Total:	320.00	100.0000000%

CNX GAS CO LLC	
Date	Comment
9.25.2024	Mailed Cover Letter, Communitization Agreement and x3 Signature pages for Lessee of Record signature. USPS Express Mail (PO BOX) EJ 437 518 050 US
10.3.2024	Mailed Cover Letter, Communitization Agreement and x3 Signature pages for Lessee of Record signature to updated address provided by Evan @ CNX. USPS Express Mail (1000 Horizon Vue Dr) EJ 911 521 917 US
10.1.2024	Emailed EvanMungai@cnx.com - Asking for CNX to execute Communitization Agreements for Corral 22-23 development.
10.2.2024	Emailed EvanMungai@cnx.com - Updated Evan that Originals were being mailed to address he provided on 10/1/2024 - (1000 Horizon Vue Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317)
10.22.2024	Emailed EvanMungai@cnx.com - Followed up with Evan. Trying to secure signatures.
10/29/2024 @ 1345	Spoke with Evan Mungai at CNX Gas Co. LLC. Phone: 724-485-4069. Evan mentioned that he was unable to find where CNX had any interest in the well outside of Record Title. I confirmed his findings that CNX only has Record Title per the BLM records. Evan mentioned that his Boss would not sign if CNX did not have any interest they would be paid on. I asked if there was any way to get his Boss to sign as we would have to go to a Force Pooling if CNX didn't sign, and Evan mentioned that they have received these Agreements in the past and have not signed due to them not being paid on the wells and his Boss wouldn't sign this one. I thanked him. MFletcher
10.29.2024	Emailed EvanMungai@cnx.com - Followed up with Evan after our phone call on this day noting CNX would not sign the Comm Agreements and thanking him for reviewing same.

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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF MATTHEW KEARNEY

1. My name is Matthew Kearney, and I am employed by XTO Energy Inc. ("XTO") as a geologist.
2. I have not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") as an expert witness in geology matters. I have included a copy of my resume as **XTO Exhibit D-1** for the Division to review and respectfully request that my credentials be accepted as a matter of record, and I be tendered as an expert in geology matters.
3. I am familiar with the application filed by XTO in this case, and I have conducted a geologic study of the lands in the subject area.
4. **XTO Exhibit D-2** is a regional map showing the location of the subject acreage outlined in red.
5. **XTO Exhibit D-3** is a subsea structure map that I prepared on top of the Bone Spring formation, with contour intervals of 100 feet. XTO's spacing unit is outlined in red, and the general location and trajectory of the drilled wells are identified with a thin red line and circle at the bottomhole location. This exhibit demonstrates that the targeted intervals dip gently to the east. The Bone Spring structure appears consistent across the wellbore path. I do not observe any faulting, pinchouts, or other geologic impediments in the spacing unit.

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6. XTO Exhibit D-3 also depicts a line of cross section through the horizontal spacing unit from A to A'. I chose the logs from these wells to create the cross section because they penetrate the targeted interval and are of good quality. In my opinion, these well logs are representative of the geology in the subject area.

7. **XTO Exhibit D-4** is a structural cross section that I prepared using the logs from the representative wells shown on XTO Exhibit D-3. Each well on the cross-section contains gamma ray, resistivity, and porosity logs. The target intervals for the wells are identified on the exhibit with red arrows. The cross-section demonstrates that the targeted interval is continuous across the proposed spacing unit.

8. My geologic study indicates the Bone Spring formation underlying the subject area is suitable for development by horizontal wells and the acreage comprising the horizontal spacing unit will be productive and contribute proportionately to the production from the wells.

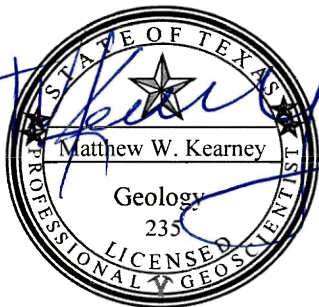
9. In my opinion, the standup orientation of the wells is consistent with existing development in this area and appropriate due to the geologic stress.

10. In my opinion, approval of this application is in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste, and protection of correlative rights.

11. **XTO Exhibits D-1 through D-4** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

12. I affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the foregoing statements are true and correct. I understand that this self-affirmed statement will be used as written testimony in this case. This statement is made on the date next to my signature below.

Matthew Kearney
Matthew Kearney

The seal is circular with a double border. The outer border contains the text "STATE OF TEXAS" at the top and "PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTIST" at the bottom, separated by two stars. The inner circle features a five-pointed star at the top. Below the star, the text "Matthew W. Kearney" is written. Further down, the word "Geology" is printed, followed by the number "235". At the bottom of the inner circle, the word "LICENSED" is printed.

7/31/25
Date

Matthew W. Kearney, P.G., C.P.G.*Geoscientist***ExxonMobil / XTO**

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Professional Geoscientist License #235 (P.G.), State of Texas, Texas Board of Professional Geoscientists (TBPG), issued 2003.

Certified Petroleum Geologist #4874 (C.P.G.), American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), issued 1992.

Certified Professional Geologist #8961 (C.P.G.), American Institute of Professional Geologist (AIPG), issued 1993.

Education:

Master of Science in Geology (M.S.) (1980 to 1983) Southern Methodist University (SMU), Dallas, Texas. Emphasis on Petroleum Geology, Stratigraphy, and Sedimentology

Thesis: Subsurface Geology of Medina Group (Lower Silurian) and Clinton Group (Lower to Upper Silurian) of New York

Bachelor of Science in Geology (B.S.) (1976 to 1980) University of Cincinnati (UC), Cincinnati, Ohio. Emphasis on Paleontology and Sedimentology

Employment History: - (46 years' experience as professional geologist)

Consolidated Resources of America: Cincinnati, OH (1 yr. 1979 to 1980) – Entry-Level Petroleum Geologist (part-time while attending UC), Appalachian Basin, Lower Silurian Clinton Sandstone, worked a “tight gas sands” drilling program in northeastern OH; assisting a senior geologist by gathering well information such as production data, printing well logs from a microfiche machine and hand tabulating formation tops to construct structure and isopach maps. Observed drilling operations in the field. *In summer 1980, attended geology field camp in Switzerland, completed the B.S. degree in geology, and received a full tuition paid scholarship from SMU to pursue a M.S. degree focused on petroleum geology.*

Maynard Oil Company: Dallas, TX (1.5 yr. 1980 to 1981) – Entry-Level Petroleum Geologist (part-time while attending SMU), Appalachian Basin, Silurian rocks subsurface characterization across New York (NY), state prospecting focused on the Grimsby and Whirlpool sandstones in Chautauqua County western NY. Duties included gathering well data on-site from three NY oil and gas agency field offices. Reviewed paper well files and copied regulatory documents, drilling reports, and paper well logs, to make working well files. Then constructed base maps, cross-sections, structure and isopach maps. *Work experience and college education led to a job as a petroleum geologist with a major oil company*

Sun Exploration and Production Company (SUN E&P) / ORYX Energy: Dallas, TX (10 yrs. 1982 to 1992) – part-time, Petroleum Geologist until completion of M.S. degree June 1983, then promoted to an Associate Geologist, Senior Geologist, and Staff Geologist. Conventional prospects, wells, and drilling projects worked are described below:

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- **Northern Appalachian Basin, Lower Silurian Sandstones** (1982 to 1984) – Associate Geologist worked Lower Silurian rocks across New York and Pennsylvania and generated prospects in central New York State resulting in acquisition of approximately 50,000 acres and 450 miles of 2D seismic. No wells were drilled during this time.
- **Northern Appalachian Basin, Upper Devonian Sandstones** (1983 to 1985) – Associate Geologist, worked subsurface characterization of Upper Devonian sandstones in Wetzel County, West Virginia. Industry partner Mobay Chemical Company was looking for a natural gas resource on-site to fuel its chemical production process. SUN E&P provided geology and drilling expertise to earn an interest in natural gas production from wells drilled. Prospects were generated using a structure map, isopach map, and hydrocarbon show map. **Seven wells were drilled; four of the seven wells were completed as natural gas wells.**
- **Eastern Overthrust Appalachian Basin, Lower Devonian Oriskany Sandstone** (1982 to 1986) – Associate Geologist worked Tioga County PA. and Grant County, W. Va. assisted a senior geologist with Oriskany Sandstone geology including Landsat imagery to identify lineaments interpreted to have fractured reservoir rock. Observed 2D seismic data showing thrust faulted structures also having potential fractured rock and hydrocarbon traps. The fractures were needed to enhance the low porosity and permeability in the Oriskany Sandstone. **Wells were drilled with industry partners including Union Drilling and Columbia Gas resulting in the discovery of the Jordan Run Field (Oriskany Sandstone), West Virginia.**
- **Fort Worth Basin / Bend Arch, Pennsylvanian Sandstones** (1986 to 1988) – Senior Geologist conducted subsurface characterization and prospect generation of the Pennsylvanian Strawn Sandstone, Bend Conglomerate, and Mississippian Duffer Limestone in Palo Pinto, Eastland, Erath, and Stephens counties, Texas. Also, well site supervision of wireline logging, and evaluation with recommendation to complete or plug the well. **Successfully generated numerous natural gas prospects, sold to industry partners, and executed the drilling of 29 wells resulting in 19 commercial wells.**
- **Mississippi Salt Basin, Smackover Carbonate and Norphlet Sandstone** (1988 to 1990) – Staff Geologist conducted subsurface characterization of these formations in the Nancy Field, Clark and Jasper counties Mississippi. Utilized 2D seismic data and well control to map facies of the eolian Norphlet Sandstone and noticed that higher porosity in Smackover Carbonate occurred over thicker Norphlet Sandstone deposits or paleo-topographic highs. **Provided geological oversight for the drilling of two successful Smackover development wells in the Nancy Field.**
- **East Texas Salt Basin, Paluxy, Rodessa, Travis Peak and Cotton Valley formations,** (1990 to 1992) – Staff Geologist prospected for hydrocarbons traps adjacent to salt diapirs using 2D seismic data to image salt diapirs across all 3 interior salt basins. The project included regional mapping to understand the deposition related to salt movement. Timing and formation of various salt structures such as salt ridges, salt diapirs, and turtle structures influenced deposition of carbonates and clastics as well as migration and trapping of the hydrocarbons. **Generated a turtle structure prospect, drilled the prospect, and the well discovered the Noonday Field. Well produced natural gas from the Rodessa and Travis Peak formations.**

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ): Dallas, TX (3.5 yrs. 1992 to 1995) – Hydrogeologist / Environmental Specialist - specialized in groundwater investigations, included subsurface characterization of near surface rocks to evaluate proper placement of groundwater monitoring wells, screening and installation. Inspected injection disposal wells to ensure compliance.

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Kearney Consulting Services: Dallas, TX (6 mos. 1995 to 1996) Petroleum Geologist, consulted for an oil and gas company Oklahoma Oil Company. Generated drillable oil and gas prospects on the eastern shelf in Nolan, Tom Green, and Coke counties TX including the Scrub Oaks prospect. **The Scrub Oaks Prospect was drilled and produced oil from the Ellenburger Formation.**

HBC Engineering, Inc.: Dallas, TX (2 yrs. 1996 to 1998) Project Hydrogeologist, conducted Phase 1 and Phase 2 environmental site assessments for commercial real estate transactions. Specialized in a Phase 1 evaluation of producing oil and gas properties in East Texas. Phase 2 investigations across the Dallas are included subsurface characterization and sampling of soil and groundwater from soil borings and groundwater monitoring wells.

DeGolyer and McNaughton: Dallas, TX (1.5 yrs. 1998 to 1999) Petroleum Geologist, assisted reservoir engineers to provide oil and gas reserve estimates and perform reservoir modeling of producing fields. Duties included subsurface characterization, well log correlation, and gridding formation surfaces using computer software new to industry at the time. **Worked several international fields in India, Saudi Arabia, and Algeria.**

Caldwell Engineering, Inc.: Dallas, TX (8 yrs. 1999 to 2007) Project Manager / Hydrogeologist managed a project engineer, and geological technician, conducted environmental and geological subsurface investigations of soil and groundwater contamination sites. Also worked numerous remediation, environmental compliance, and spill response projects.

Bass Exploration and Production Company (BEPCO, L.P.): Fort Worth, TX (9.7 yrs. 2007 to 2017) Petroleum Geologist prospected and successfully drilled conventional and company's first unconventional wells in North Louisiana Salt Basin and Delaware Basin: Big Eddy Unit (BEU), James Ranch Unit (JRU), and Poker Lake Unit (PLU) Eddy and Lea Counties NM. Projects included:

- **North Louisiana Salt Basin, Sligo/Pettit Limestone, Cotton Valley/Hosston Sandstone and Haynesville Shale** (2007–2010) generated several prospects and drilled successful wells near the Ruston Salt Dome, e.g. a Sligo Limestone, oil well, an oolite shoal structural-stratigraphic trap against salt ridge in Claiborne LA has produced over 34,214 BO. Drilled numerous vertical shallow gas wells in the Caspiana Field, Caddo Parrish LA, and initiated a Haynesville Shale mapping project resulting in several unconventional prospects. **Generated and drilled the company's first horizontal Haynesville Shale prospect, a 5K ft. lateral initially flowing more than 22 MMCFGD and produced over 5 BCF of gas**
- **Delaware Basin, 2nd Bone Spring Sandstone (2BSS)** (2010 - 2017) subsurface characterization, well planning, and drilling of 2BSS wells in BEU, Eddy County NM. Generated the company's first 2BSS horizontal well prospect, and successfully drilled the Penny Pincher #1H, this 5K lateral well and has produced 153,000 BO. The success initiated a 10 well drilling program in northernmost BEU. The wells were 5 to 7.5 K laterals that produced oil ranging from over approximately 250,000 to 550,000 BO per well. **Generated and drilled the first BEU 2BSS horizontal wells, two wells have cumulatively produced over 1/2 million barrels of oil each.**
- **Delaware Basin, Sold the Federal Units to ExxonMobil (XTO)** (2010 - 2017) – Part of a team that prepared and presented a sales package including the subsurface characterization and unconventional prospect potential of **Bone Spring sandstones and Wolfcamp formations**. Presented to Shell, Marathon, XTO Energy/ExxonMobil, and NAPE Expos. The presentations showcased the above horizontal 2BSS wells. **Played a key role in successfully selling the Bass Family's holdings (approximately 225,000 acres in BEU, JRU and PLU) to ExxonMobil (XTO Energy) for 6.6 billion dollars in 2017.**

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ExxonMobil Corporation (EM): (8.3 years, Mar. 2017 to current) (Fort Worth later Houston) - along with the acquisition of the BOPCO, L.P. acreage started a job with EM first working in Fort Worth March 2017 then transferred to Houston in March 2018, continued the unconventional appraisal and development of the federal units, and mentored geologists as Division Geologist for the XTO Energy subsidiary of EM.

XTO Energy (Subsidiary of EM): Fort Worth and Houston TX (Mar. 2017 to Jan. 2020)

- **Delaware Basin/ Big Eddy Unit, Avalon, 1st Bone Spring (1BSS) and 2BSS formations** (Mar. 2017 to Dec. 2018) - mentored geologists on the subsurface geology of the Bone Spring sandstones in BEU. Supervised the subsurface characterization, well planning, and drilling of Avalon Shale, 1BSS, 2BSS, and saltwater disposal wells. **Participated in XTO's first oil discovery in the BEU.**
- **Delaware Basin / James Ranch Unit, 3rd Bone Spring Sandstone (3BSS)** (Mar. 2017 to Dec. 2018) - subsurface characterization of the 3BSS and well execution in JRU. Drilled two of the first three 15k laterals in the federal units. The laterals were landed in the 3BSS, across a turbidite fairway prospect generated while working for BOPCO, L.P., **The JRU DI 2 192H, 193H, and 194Y wells have produced over a million barrels each and have been in the top ten producing wells in the Delaware basin for several years**
- **Delaware Basin / Remuda and Nash Units, Wolfcamp D/E** (Mar. 2017 to Dec. 2018) subsurface characterization, well planning, and execution of numerous horizontal wells in the Remuda / Nash Units. One well was drilled by re-entering an existing well to test a new reservoir, the Wolfcamp D/E. **Drilled the first exploratory horizontal Wolfcamp D/E well in the Remuda/Nash Units, the XTO Nash 3H has produced approximately 10 billion cubic feet of gas and close to half million barrels of oil.**
- **Delaware Basin / Saltwater Disposal (SWD), Siluro-Devonian Carbonates** (Dec. 2018- Jan. 2020) - Subsurface characterization of Devonian and execution of conventional Devonian SWD wells across three federal units. **Drilled 11 Devonian SWD wells holding to strict regulatory guidelines across all three federal units, and successfully received injection permits on all wells.**

ESSO, EEPGL, EMGL (Subsidiaries of EM): Houston TX (Jan. 2020 to Apr. 2025)

- **Guyana Offshore Deepwater, Maastrichtian and Campanian formations**, Geoscientist, subsurface characterization and well planning in the Liza Field, Guyana. Role expanded into supervising the preparation and submission of bi-annual government geological reports for all five fields, and well planning/budgeting for the Stabroek Block drilling program. Wrote all Joint Operating Agreement ballots to drill all exploration and appraisal wells and obtained JOA approval. **Supported the drilling of 42 exploration and appraisal wells resulting in 29 discovery wells and four new Guyana fields: Whiptail, Yellowtail, Payara, and Uaru.**

ExxonMobil - Integrated Permian (Pioneer and XTO Energy): Houston TX (Apr. 2025, to current)

- **Delaware Basin /Corral Canyon, Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations-** Geoscientist, southeastern NM focusing on the Corral Canyon Project in Eddy County. Responsible for well planning, subsurface characterization, and execution of 70 plus horizontal wells over the next 6 months. Other responsibilities include mentoring geologist on Delaware Basin geology, unconventional and conventional well execution.

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For Bone Spring well: 405H

Exhibit D-2

Locator Map

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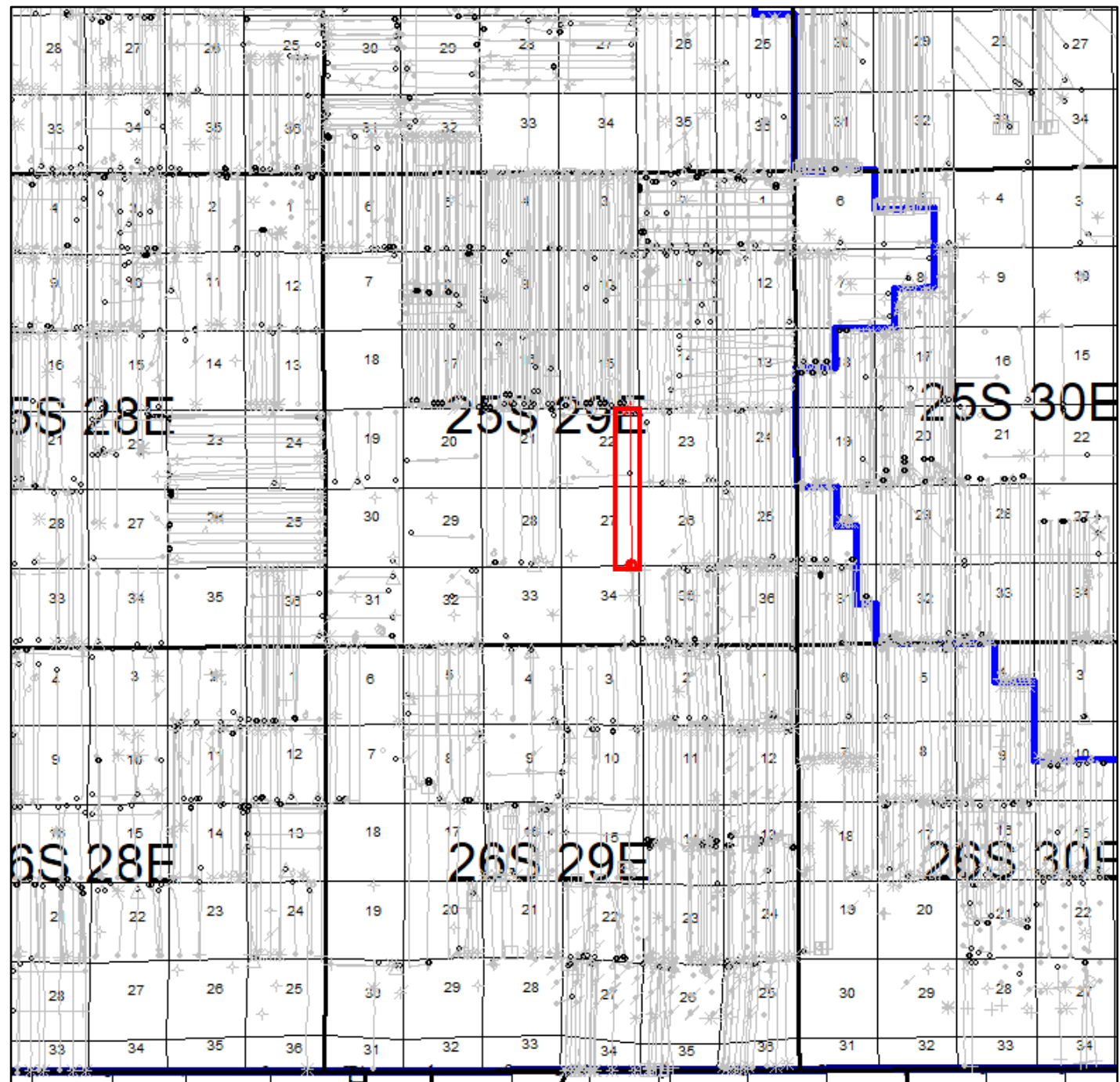
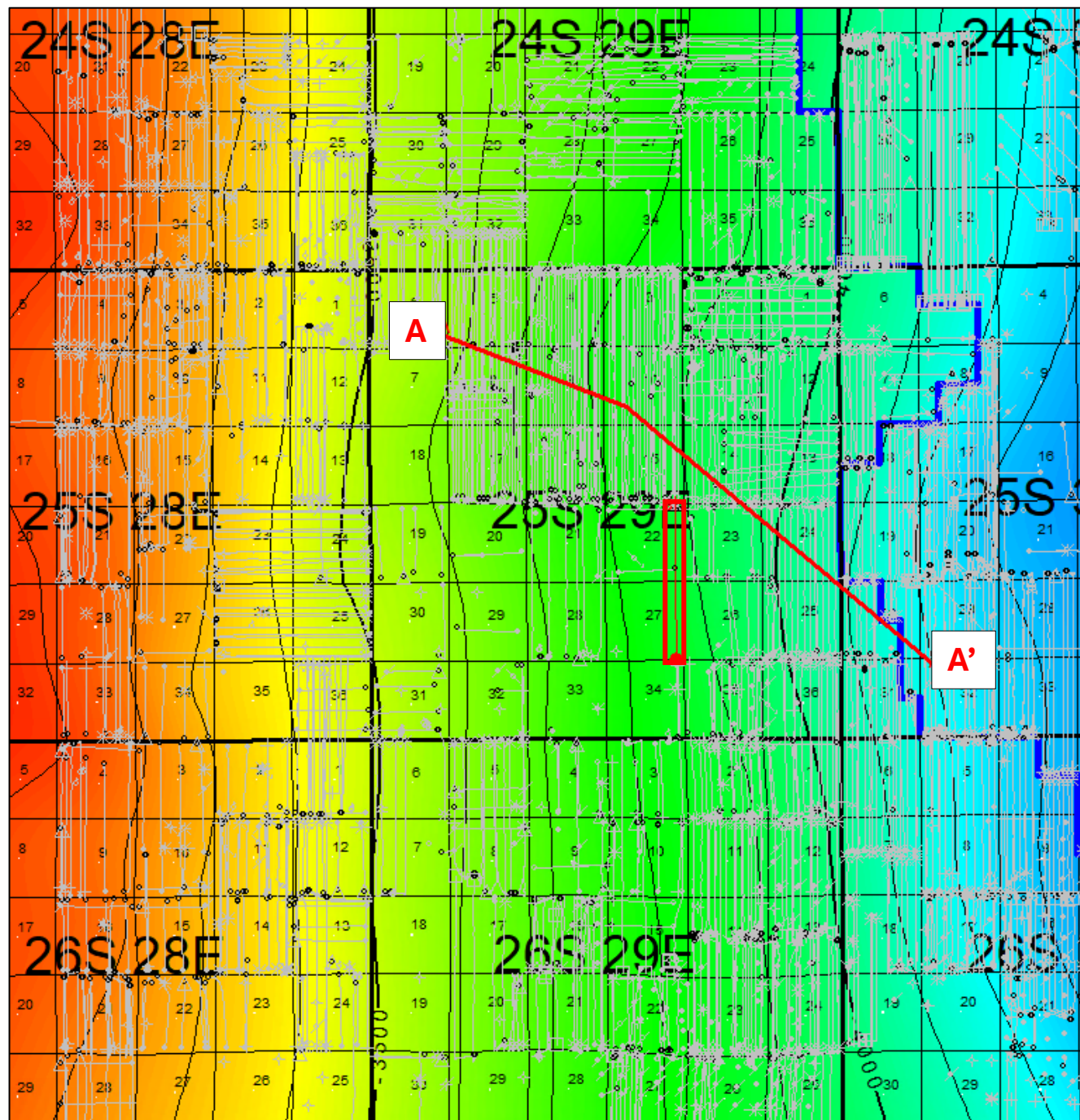
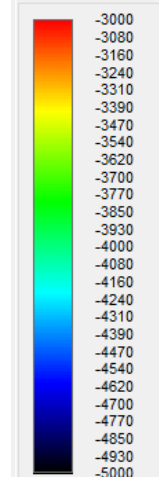


Exhibit D-3

EM/XTO Structure Map (tvdss)
Bone Spring
CI = 100'



1 mile



Start -3000
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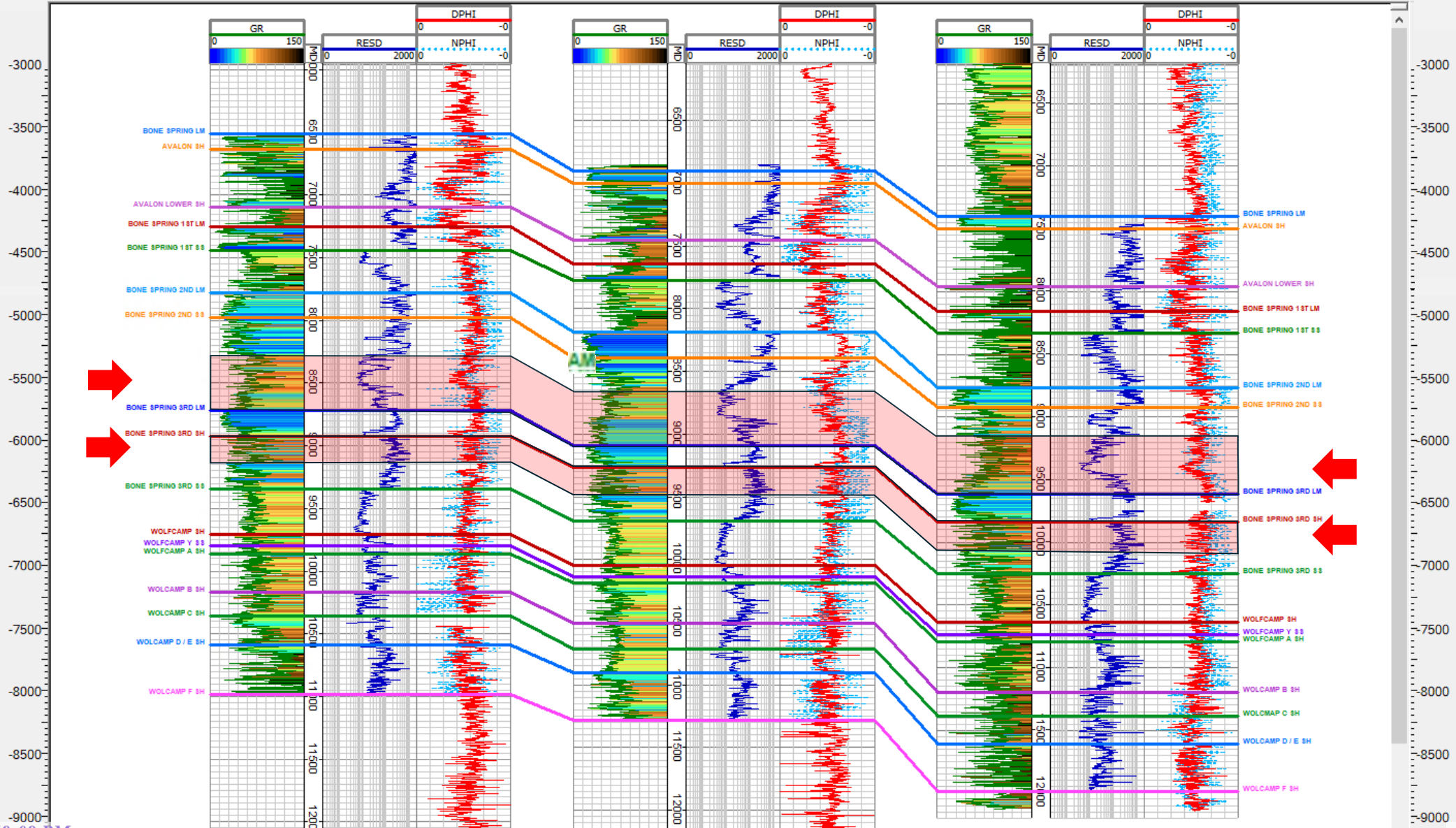
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Cross Section Bone Spring



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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. 25458

**SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF
PAULA M. VANCE**

1. I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of XTO Energy, Inc. ("XTO"), the Applicant herein. I have personal knowledge of the matter addressed herein and am competent to provide this self-affirmed statement.

2. The above-referenced application and notice of the hearing on this application was sent by certified mail to the locatable affected parties on the date set forth in the letter attached hereto.

3. The spreadsheet attached hereto contains the names of the parties to whom notice was provided.

4. The spreadsheet attached hereto contains the information provided by the United States Postal Service on the status of the delivery of this notice as of July 28, 2025.

5. I caused a notice to be published to all parties subject to these proceedings. An affidavit of publication from the publication's legal clerk with a copy of the notice of publication is attached herein.

6. I affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the foregoing statements are true and correct. I understand that this self-affirmed statement will be used as written testimony in this case. This statement is made on the date next to my signature below.

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Paula M. Vance

July 30, 2025

Date



Paula M. Vance
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June 20, 2025

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
CERTIFIED RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: ALL INTEREST OWNERS SUBJECT TO POOLING PROCEEDINGS

Re: Application of XTO Energy, Inc for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico: Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H well

Ladies & Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that XTO Energy, Inc has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. A hearing has been requested before a Division Examiner on July 10, 2025, and the status of the hearing can be monitored through the Division's website at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/>.

It is anticipated that hearings will be held in a hybrid format with both in-person and virtual participation options. The meeting will be held in the Pecos Hall Hearing Room at the Wendall Chino Building, 1st Floor, 1220 South St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico. To participate virtually in the hearing, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/>.

You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date. Parties appearing in cases are required to file a Pre-hearing Statement four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing that complies with the provisions of NMAC 19.15.4.13.B.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Matthew Fletcher at (346) 502-0516 or matt.fletcher@exxonmobil.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paula M. Vance".

Paula M. Vance
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Sherry Groves, being first duly sworn, says:

That she is the Agent of the the Carlsbad Current-Argus, a Weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

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That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.
SIGNED:

Sherry Groves

Agent

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 24th day of June 2025.

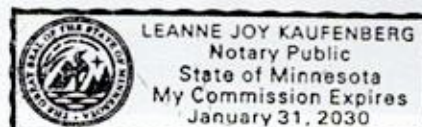
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Leanne Kaufenberg, Notary Public, Redwood County
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Case No. 25458: Application of XTO Energy, Inc for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Notice to all affected interest owners, including all heirs, devisees and successors of: CNX Gas Go LLC. The State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division ("Division") hereby gives notice that the Division will hold public hearing 8:30 a.m. on July 10, 2025, to consider this application. The hearing will be conducted in a hybrid fashion, both in-person at the Energy, Minerals, Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, 1st Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via the WebEx virtual meeting platform. To participate in the hearings electronically, see the instructions posted on the docket for the hearing date: <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/> or contact Freya Tschantz, at Freya.Tschantz@emnrd.nm.gov. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted record title owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 E/2 of Sections 22 and 27, Township 25 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said unit will be initially dedicated to the initial Corral 22-27 Fed Com 405H (API No. 30-015-56574), to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22, with a first take point in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 22 and a last take point in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 34. Also to be considered will be designation of Applicant as operator. Said area is located approximately 8 miles southeast of Malaga, New Mexico.

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