

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
September 12, 2025
Meeting Minutes

The Oil Conservation Commission special meeting was a hybrid meeting with both in person and virtual participation options. The meeting was held in the Pecos Hall Hearing Room at the Wendell Chino Building, First Floor, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

William Ampomah	Designee, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Appearing Remote on MS Teams Meeting platform
Baylen Lamkin	Designee, New Mexico State Land Office for the consolidated cases of Goodnight Midstream / Empire New Mexico; Case Nos. 23775, 23614-17, 24018-20, 24025, 24123 Appearing Remote on MS Teams Meeting platform

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

¹ Albert Chang	Director, Oil Conservation Division (OCD)
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OTHERS PRESENT:

Zachary Shandler	Commission Counsel
Sheila Apodaca	Commission Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Ampomah (acting as Chair for this meeting) at 9:00 a.m.

Item 1. Roll Call.

Action: Roll was taken; a quorum was present.

Item 2. Approval of the Agenda.

Action: Commissioner Lamkin moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Ampomah seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

Item 3. Pending cases:

¹ The consolidated cases on the agenda for this meeting were heard by the Oil Conservation Commission between February 20 and May 21, 2025. Albert Chang was appointed OCD Director effective June 23, 2025, and replaced Gerasimos Razatos on the OCC effective the same date. (“There is created an ‘oil conservation commission’, ... to be composed of ... [others, and] the director of the oil conservation division. The term of office of each member of the commission shall be concurrent with the other office.” NMSA § 70–2–4). Because the hearings for this matter concluded over a month before Mr. Chang joined the OCC, Mr. Chang abstained from participating in deliberations to decide this case.

Consolidated Cases by Goodnight Midstream and Empire New Mexico, as follows:

- **Case Nos. 24123, 23614-17:** Applications of Goodnight Permian Midstream, LLC for Approval of a Saltwater Disposal Well, Lea County, New Mexico;
- **Case No. 23775:** Application of Goodnight Midstream Permian, LLC to Amend Order No. R-22026/SWD-2403 to Increase the Approved Injection Rate in its Andre Dawson SWD #1, Lea County, New Mexico;
- **Case Nos. 24018-24020, 24025:** Application of Empire New Mexico to Revoke the Injection Authority Granted Under Order No. R-22026 for the Andre Dawson SWD #001, Lea County New Mexico;

➤ **Matter to be heard by the Commission: Approval of Final Order.**

Action: Cases introduced by Commissioner Ampomah. Commission Counsel announced that at the previous meeting the Commission made an oral decision and provided some written information to the parties. The final Order has been circulated to the Commissioners. If the Order meets with their approval, he will be looking for a motion to approve the final Order. Commissioner Lamkin moved for approval of the Commission's Order Denying Goodnight's Applications and Partially Granting /Partially Denying Empire's Applications. Commissioner Ampomah seconded the motion. With no objections, the Order was approved.

Goodnight's counsel Adam Rankin inquired as to the effective date of the Order as well as the effective date of the suspension of injection of Goodnight's four wells. Commission counsel informed him that the Order delegates implementation of the Order to the Division. The Commission will attempt to have the Order signed, filed and distributed today.

Item 4: Next Meeting

Action: Next meeting is on September 18-19, 2025

Item 5: Adjourn

Action: Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Ampomah at 9:09 a.m.



Albert Chang, Chair