

Case No.

179

Application, Transcript,
Small Exhibits, Etc.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The State of New Mexico by its Oil
Conservation Commission hereby gives
notice, pursuant to law, of the following
public hearings to be held March 31, 1949,
beginning at 10:00 o'clock A. M. on that
day in the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico,
in the Senate Chambers.
STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:
All named in the following case,
and notice to the public:
Case 179
In the matter of the application of
Franklin, Aston and Fair for approval of
an unorthodox well location 1210 ft. south
of the north line and 1270 ft. east of the
west line 18W NE 1/4 NW 1/4 in section 7,
T.18S. R. 20E. in the Loco Hills
pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.
Given under the seal of the Oil Con-
servation Commission of New Mexico, at
Santa Fe, New Mexico, on March 18, 1949.
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary.
Pub. March 21, 1949.

Affidavit of Publication

State of New Mexico }
County of Santa Fe } ss.

I, Will Harrison

being first duly sworn,
declare and say that I am the (~~Business Manager~~) (Editor) of the Santa Fe
New Mexican

a daily newspaper, published in the English
Language, and having a general circulation in the City and County of Santa Fe, State of
New Mexico, and being a newspaper duly qualified to publish legal notices and adver-
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publication, a copy which is hereto attached, was published in said paper ~~on the same day~~
for one time ~~on the same day of each week~~
the regular issue of the paper during the time of publication, and that the notice was
published in the newspaper proper, and not in any supplement, ~~on the same day~~
for one time ~~on the same day~~

21st day of March

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that payment
for said advertisement has been (duly made), or (assessed as court costs); that the
undersigned has personal knowledge of the matters and things set forth in this affidavit.

Will Harrison

Editor ~~Manager~~

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd
day of March, A.D., 194 9

Anna K. Orin
Notary Public

My Commission expires

June 14, 1949

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28 lines, one time at \$ 2.80

lines, times, \$

Tax \$

Total \$ 2.80

Received payment,

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Affidavit of Publication

State of New Mexico,
County of Eddy, ss.

~~Jack Sitton~~
~~Editor~~ being first duly sworn,
on oath says: EDITOR

That he is ~~publisher~~ of the Daily Current-Argus, a newspaper published daily at the City of Carlsbad, in said county of Eddy, State of New Mexico and of general paid circulation in said county; that the same is a duly qualified newspaper under the laws of this state wherein legal notices and advertisements may be published; that the printed notice attached hereto was published in the regular and entire edition of said newspaper and not in a supplement thereof on the dates as follows, to-wit:

March 20....., 1949.

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that the cost of publication is \$3.30,
and that payment therefor has been made
and will be assessed as court costs.

Jack Sitton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

26.....day of March....., 1949.

Fay B. King
Notary Public.

My commission expires July 1, 1950

March 20.

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(SEAL)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
R. R. SPURRIER
Secretary

March 18, 1949

Mr. Glenn Staley
Lea County Operators Committee
Drawer I
Hobbs, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Staley:

Enclosed please find additional Notice of Publication, concerning
Case No. 179, to be added to the hearing on March 31.

We are also enclosing herewith, copy of petition, for above mentioned
case.

Very truly yours,

R. R. Spurrier
Secretary and Director

RRS:bw
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Case 174

In the matter of the application of Southern Union Production Company for an order granting an exception to section 1 (c) of Order No. 748 to permit location of a well 200 ft. west of the boundaries specified in section 1 (c) because of the nature of the terrain. The drilling unit containing 160 acres substantially in the shape of a square, embraces the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 29, T.28N, R.10W, in San Juan County, New Mexico.

Case 175

In the matter of the application of Gulf Oil Corporation for an order to dually complete and produce from the Hobbs lime section and the Byers sand section from a single well bore in the West Grimes #15, located 990 ft. north of the south line and 2310 ft. east from the west line of section 32, T.18S, R.38E, Lea County, New Mexico.

Case 176

In the matter of the application of the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion to amend Paragraph 2 of Order No. 738, issued in Case No. 146, deleting therefrom the words at the end of the section to-wit: "Provided that a supplemental order is issued authorizing such production", and making said Paragraph 2 of said Order 738 read as follows:

"Paragraph 2. That any common purchaser is authorized to purchase 100% of the allowable from all units classified as marginal units on the monthly proration order. A marginal unit is a unit that is

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March 18, 1949

CARLSBAD CURRENT ARGUS
Carlsbad, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

RE: Case 179, Notice of Publication

Please publish the enclosed notice once, immediately. Please proof-read the notice carefully and send a copy of the paper carrying such notice.

PLEASE PROOF READ AND UPON COMPLETION OF THE PUBLICATION SEND PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT IN DUPLICATE.

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Very truly yours,

Secretary and Director

RRS:bw

COMMISSION OF REGULATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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incapable of producing the state top unit allowable for that particular month. Any amount of crude petroleum up to and including the top unit allowable for that particular month may be purchased from a marginal unit".

Case 177

In the matter of the application of the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion to rescind, revise, change or amend Order No. 573, which became effective as of June 1, 1944, and generally known as the "Bonus Discovery Allowable Order".

Case 178

In the matter of the application of the Oil Conservation Commission upon its own motion upon recommendation of the Nomenclature Committee for an order deleting from the Arrowhead pool as heretofore established, the following described lands: $S\frac{1}{2}$ of section 11, and the $W\frac{1}{2}$ of section 14, T.22S, R.36E, N.H.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. This deletion from the Arrowhead pool is necessary because of the extension of the South Eunice pool to include gas production in the west part of above described section.

Given under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on March 15, 1949.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

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Running Horizontal
Dry Gas Wells = top allowed

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R.R.S.

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assets

Director

March 18, 1949

SANTA FE NEW MEXICAN
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Very truly yours,

Secretary and Director

RRS:bw

April 22, 1949

Oil Conservation Commission
205 Boker Building
Artesia, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

We are enclosing herewith, copy of Order No. 818, issued by the Oil Conservation Commission, in connection with the hearing held on March 31, 1949, at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

This is for your records.

Very truly yours,

R. R. Spurrier
Secretary and Director

RRS:bw
encl.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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The State of New Mexico by its Oil Conservation Commission hereby gives notice, pursuant to law, of the following public hearing to be held March 31, 1949, beginning at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on that day in the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico, in the Senate Chambers.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

R. R. Spurrier
R. R. SPURRIER, Secretary

SEAL

April

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY
THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 179
ORDER NO. 812

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
FRANKLIN, ASTON AND FAIR FOR AN ORDER
APPROVING APPLICATION FOR AN UNORTHODOX
WELL LOCATION, 1270 FEET SOUTH OF THE
NORTH LINE AND 1370 FEET EAST OF THE WEST
LINE, SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH,
RANGE 30 EAST, N.M.P.M., IN THE LOCO
HILLS POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 10:00 o'clock A.M., March 31, 1949,
at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission of the State
of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".

NOW, on this 19th day of April, 1949, the Commission having before it
for consideration the testimony adduced at the hearing of said cause and
being fully advised in these premises:

FINDS:

1. That due public notice having been given as required by law, the
Commission has jurisdiction of this case.
2. That the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7, Township 18 South, Range
30 East, is Federal acreage and the Federal Oil and Gas Supervisor has approved
the application filed herein for an unorthodox well location.
3. That a regular and orthodox location on this acreage would be unecono-
mic for the reason that the evidence shows that the oil-water contact of the
pool indicated on the map introduced as "Exhibit B", filed in the cause, might
interfere with or prevent production.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the application of Franklin, Aston and Fair for an order is hereby
approved for an unorthodox well location 1270 feet south of the north line
and 1370 feet east of the west line of Section 7 (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$) Town-
ship 18 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., in the Loco Hills Pool, Eddy County,
New Mexico, and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should production be had at the location afore-
said, the well by itself or in conjunction with other wells on the same 40
acre tract shall not be produced in excess of the allowable now fixed or which
may hereafter be fixed by the Commission for the Loco Hills Pool.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Thomas J. Mabry
THOMAS J. MABRY, CHAIRMAN

GUY SHEPARD, MEMBER

R. R. Spurrer
R. R. SPURRER, SECRETARY

CHUCK ASTON
CONSULTING
PETROLEUM GEOLOGIST
SUITE 302, BOOKER BLDG.
ARTERIA, NEW MEXICO

March 17, 1949

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
Capital Office Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Frank Barnes, Geologist

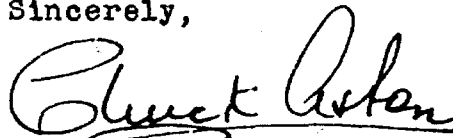
Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find three copies of a petition from Franklin, Aston & Fair covering the unorthodox location which the writer discussed with your Mr. Spurrier and Mr. Barnes citing as precedent case #147 heard before your commission and approved June 15, 1948.

As exhibit "A" you will find a map of the section in question, which I am sure you will find self explanatory; as exhibit "B" you will find a signed copy of a letter from the U. S. G. S. stating their position.

Thanking you for your consideration, I remain

Sincerely,



Chuck Aston, Agent

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF FRANKLIN, ASTON & FAIR FOR
APPROVAL OF AN UNORTHODOX WELL
LOCATION IN THE LOCO HILLS POOL,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

TO THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

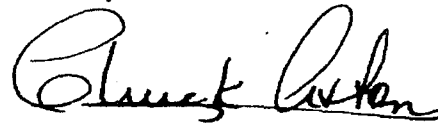
The petitioner hereby makes application for approval of an unorthodox well location in the SW NE NW Section 7, T. 18S, R. 30E, NMPM.

The petitioner presents the following data:

1. That this application covers the NE of the NW same being Las Cruces Lease No. 047269-A and is off-set on both sides by the same federal lease. All 40 acre units, as shown on the accompanying map, are under oil and gas leases assigned to the petitioner.
2. Said 40 acre tracts are subject to the rules and regulations of the United States Geological Survey of the Department of Interior and that said Department makes no objection to this request as shown by the attached letter.
3. Petitioner desires permission to drill well as follows:
 - a. Well to be located 1270' from the North line and 1370' from the West line of Section 7, T. 18S, R 30E, to test the Loco Hills pay sand at the approximate depth of 2850'.
4. The dashed line on the accompanying exhibit "A" map, is the water-oil contact which makes an orthodox location economically unsound.
5. Petitioner further requests that Loco Hills top allowable be granted to this 40 acre unit in order to make it an economic venture.
6. Petitioner cites case #147 as precedent for this application.

Respectfully submitted this 17 day of March, 1949

FRANKLIN, ASTON & FAIR



Chuck Aston, Agent.



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

P.O. Box 997
Roswell, New Mexico
March 17, 1949

Mr. Chuck Aston
Booker Building
Artesia, New Mexico

Lease Las Cruces 047269(a)

Dear Mr. Aston:

Reference is made to the petition of Franklin, Aston and Fair which you, as agent, propose to submit to the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico at the March 31st hearing for permission to drill an unorthodox well location in Sec. 7, T. 18 S., R. 30 E., Loco Hills pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The land involved in the application is embraced in Federal oil and gas lease Las Cruces 047269(a), now operated by Franklin, Aston and Fair.

The unorthodox well location set forth in the application is 1270 feet from the north line and 1370 feet from the west line of section 7, or 50 feet from the common intersections of the boundaries of 40-acre legal subdivisions. No encroachment of the outer boundaries of the leasehold is involved as the proposed location would be approximately 1270 feet from the nearest lease boundary.

No objection is offered by this office to the well spacing plan providing for the drilling of a well to test the producing reservoir of the Loco Hills pool expected at an approximate depth of 2850 feet at the location specified in the application. The drilling of this well may afford opportunity for additional recovery of oil and gas from the producing reservoir.

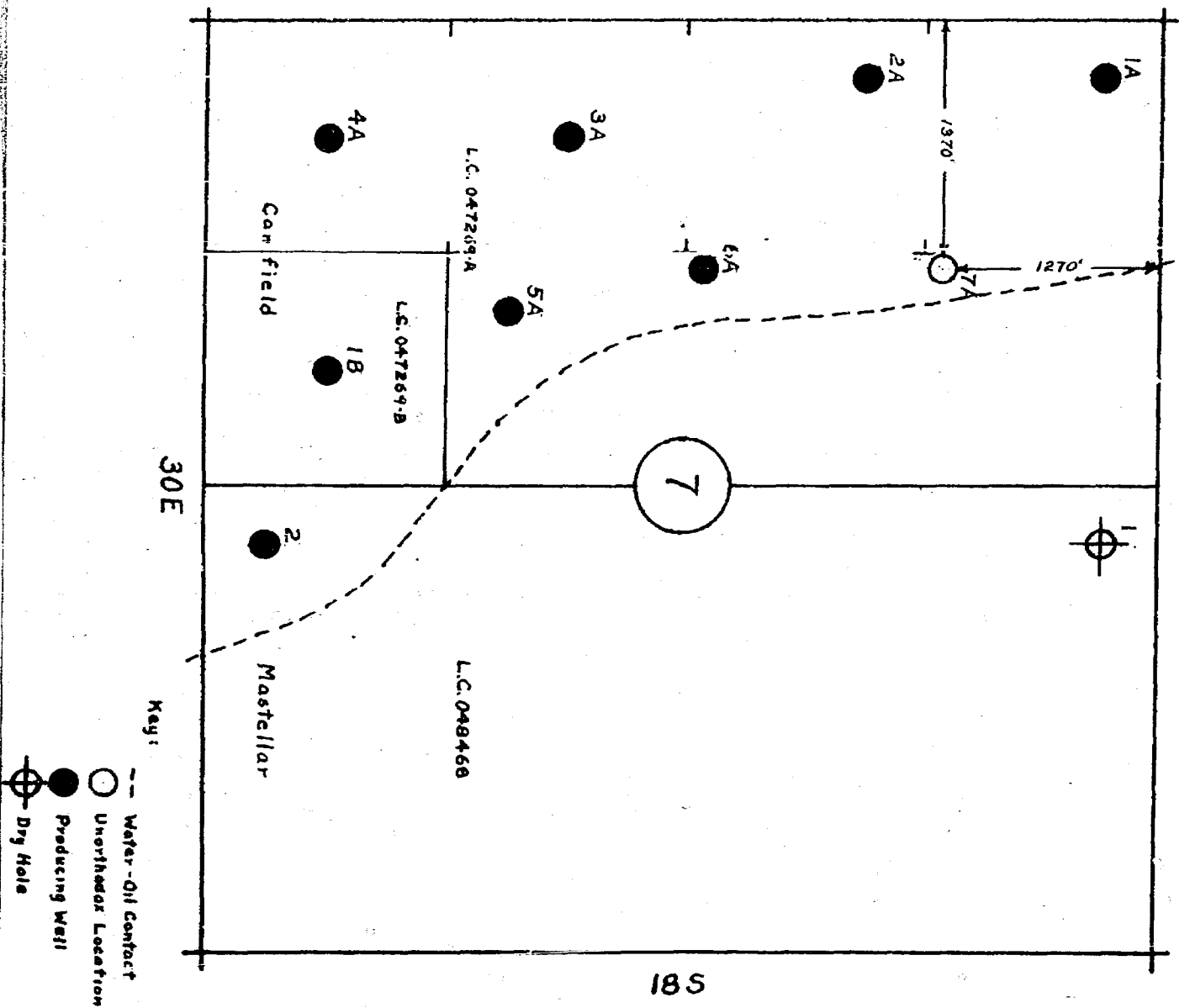
Approval to drill a well at the unorthodox location will be contingent upon approval of such location by the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico for proration purposes.

Very truly yours,

Foster Morrell
FOSTER MORRELL

Supervisor, Oil and Gas Operations.

Part of the Loco Hills Oil Field Eddy County, New Mexico



Drawn by:
Chas. A. Ston
Consulting Petroleum Geologist