



# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Nearburg Producing Company  
c/o Montgomery & Andrews  
Attn: Mr. J. Scott Hall  
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**Administrative Order NSL-6416**  
**Administrative Application Reference No. pTWG11-17932549**

Nearburg Producing Company  
OGRID-15742  
Huber Federal Well No. 5H  
API No. 30-015

**Proposed Location:**

	Footages	Unit	Sec.	Township	Range	County
Surface	10 FSL & 1980 FWL	N	3	20-S	25-E	Eddy
Penetration Point	70 FSL & 1980 FWL	N	3	20-S	25-E	Eddy
Terminus	330 FNL & 1980 FWL	C	3	20-S	25-E	Eddy

**Proposed Project Area:**

Description	Acres	Pool	Pool Code
E/2 W/2 Sec. 3	160.61	North Seven Rivers; Glorieta-Yeso	97565

Reference is made to your application received on June 24, 2011.

You have requested to drill this horizontal well at an unorthodox oil well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. This location is governed by statewide Rule 15.9.A [19.15.15.9.A NMAC], which provides for 40-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary, and Rule 15.16.14.B(2) [19.15.16.14.B(2) NMAC] concerning directional wells in designated project areas. This location is unorthodox because portions of the proposed producing interval are less than 330 feet from an outer boundary of the project area.



Your application has been duly filed under the provisions of Division Rules 15.13 [19.15.15.13 NMAC] and 4.12.A(2) [19.15.4.12.A(2) NMAC].

It is our understanding that you are seeking this location for engineering reasons, in order to maximize the portion of the target zone penetrated by the wellbore lateral within the producing area.

It is also understood that you have obtained waivers from all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Rule 4.12.A(2), in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

Pursuant to the authority conferred by Division Rule 15.13.B, the above-described unorthodox location is hereby approved.

This approval is subject to your being in compliance with all other applicable Division rules, including, but not limited to Division Rule 5.9 [19.15.15.9 NMAC].

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jami Bailey", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jami Bailey  
Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia  
United States Bureau of Land Management