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**NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**  
 - Engineering Bureau -  
 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



30-045-TBD  
 Ropco 16 - LH  
 XTO Energy

**ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

**Application Acronyms:**

[NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]  
 [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]  
 [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]  
 [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]  
 [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]  
 [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1] **TYPE OF APPLICATION** - Check Those Which Apply for [A]

[A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication  
☐ NSL ☒ NSP ☐ SD

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

[B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement  
☐ DHC ☐ CTB ☐ PLC ☐ PC ☐ OLS ☐ OLM

[C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery  
☐ WFX ☐ PMX ☐ SWD ☐ IPI ☐ EOR ☐ PPR

[D] Other: Specify \_\_\_\_\_

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[2] **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply

[A] ☐ Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners  
 [B] ☒ Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner  
 [C] ☐ Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice  
 [D] ☒ Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO  
 U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office  
 [E] ☐ For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,  
 [F] ☐ Waivers are Attached

[3] **SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.**

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

Cy Zimmerman  
 Print or Type Name

Cy Zimmerman  
 Signature

Landman  
 Title

03/01/13  
 Date

Cy-Zimmerman@XTOenergy.com  
 e-mail Address



**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

March 4, 2013

Mr. David Brooks  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

**RE: Application of XTO Energy Inc. for administrative approval of 240 acre non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool (97232) consisting of the NE/4 and the N/2NW/4 of section 16, T29N, R14W, and approval of 160 acre non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool (97232) consisting of the NE/4 of section 17, T29N, R14W, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico**

Dear Mr. Brooks:

XTO energy Inc. plans to drill the Ropco 16-1H well as a horizontal well with a project area that makes up the N/2 of section 16 and the NE/4 of section 17, T29N, R14W, at a surface hole location 978 feet from the North line and 1,005 feet from the East line (Unit A) in section 16 and a bottom hole location 1,950 feet from the North line and 1,925 feet from the East line (Unit G) in section 17.

The NE/4 of section 17 is located in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool and subject to the special rules created under Order R-12984. The S/2NW/4 of section 16 is located in the Cha Cha Gallup Pool an oil pool that is not listed in paragraphs (3) and (4) of Order 12984, and subject to the special rules for that pool created under Order R-1800. The remainder of the N/2 of section 16 is located in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool. I have been informed by you that because of the peculiar nature of the special rules for the Basin Mancos Gas Pool, XTO needs to seek approval of (1) a non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool comprised of the NE/4 of section 17, (2) a non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool comprised of the NE/4 and the N/2NW/4 of section 16. Both non-standard spacing units will be coupled with the S/2NW/4 of section 16 to make up the project area of the Ropco 16-1H that will comprise of the N/2 of section 16 and the NE/4 of section 17 containing 480 acres, more or less.

The special rules for the Basin- Mancos Gas Pool require that an oil well drilled within the area encompassed by these rules that is near an oil pool not listed in paragraphs (3) and (4) of Order 12984 must conform to the special rules for the Basin-Mancos Gas Pool. *See* Appendix A to Order R-12984 (special rules) at Rule 1. These special rules require 320 acre spacing and that wells remain 660 feet from the outer boundary of the spacing unit. *Id.* At Rule 2.

Accordingly, to allow XTO an opportunity to efficiently and economically recover the reserves in these adjacent pools underlying the N/2 of section 16 and the NE/4 of section 17, XTO respectfully request that the Division issue one or more administrative orders granting the following relief:

- 1) Pursuant to NMAC 19.15.15.11.B(2), the Division approve an 240-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool comprise of the NE/4 and the N/2NW/4 of section 16;
- 2) Pursuant to NMAC 19.15.15.11.B(2), the Division approve an 160-acre non-standard spacing and proration unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool comprise of the NE/4 of section 17.

As further support for the application, XTO has provided the following exhibits with this letter:

- **Exhibit A** is a land plat showing the project area of the Ropco 16-1H in the N/2 of section 16 and the NE/4 of section 17 and the adjoining sections in relation to the Cha Cha Gallup Pool.
- **Exhibit B** is the Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat (Form C-102).
- **Exhibit C** is a list of the affected parties for both requests for approval of the non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool. A copy of this application with all attachments has been sent by certified mail to each of these affected parties advising them that if they have an objection they must file it in writing with the division within 20 days from the date the division receives this application.

Please contact me if you need any further information on this application at (817) 885-1130 or [Cy\\_Zimmerman@xtoenergy.com](mailto:Cy_Zimmerman@xtoenergy.com).

Very truly yours,



Cy Zimmerman  
Associate Landman  
XTO Energy Inc.



# SECTION PLAT OF 9 SQUARE MILES

Exhibit "A"

STATE: New Mexico

COUNTY: San Juan

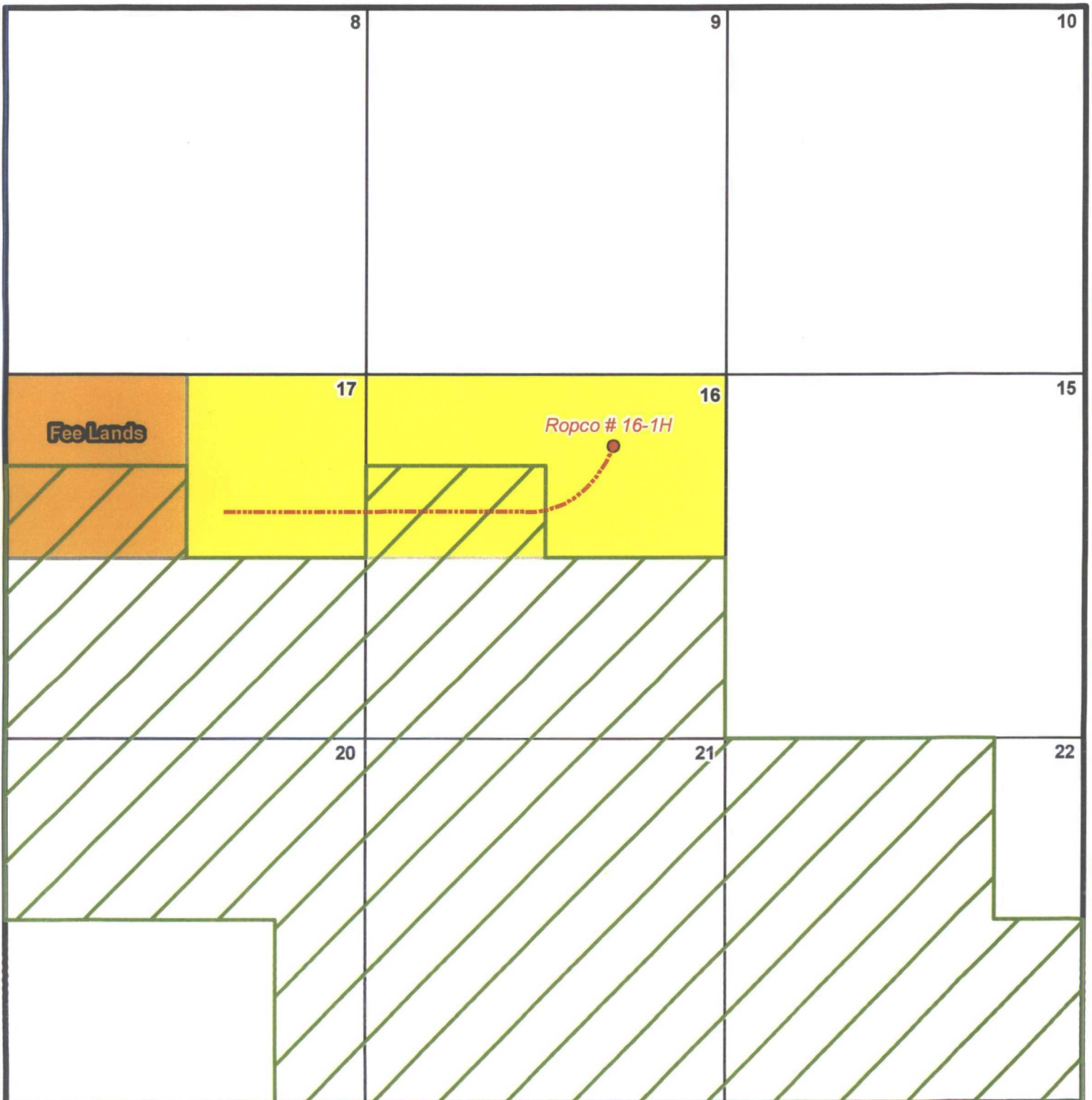
PROSPECT: Ropco 16-1H

DATE: February 28, 2013

SECTION: 16 & 17 TOWNSHIP: 29 North

RANGE: 14 West

SCALE: 1"=2000'



 Cha Cha Gallup Pool  Offset Lessee  Ropco 16-1H Project Area

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
Phone: (575) 393-6161 Fax: (575) 393-0720

District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
Phone: (575) 748-1283 Fax: (575) 748-9720

District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170

District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505  
Phone: (505) 476-3460 Fax: (505) 476-3462

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Revised August 1, 2011  
Submit one copy to appropriate  
District Office

☐ AMENDED REPORT

## WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

<sup>1</sup> API Number 30-045-35455	<sup>2</sup> Pool Code 97232	<sup>3</sup> Pool Name
<sup>4</sup> Property Code	<sup>5</sup> Property Name ROPCO 16	<sup>6</sup> Well Number 1H
<sup>7</sup> OGRID No. 5390	<sup>8</sup> Operator Name XTO ENERGY INC.	<sup>9</sup> Elevation 5,217

<sup>10</sup> Surface Location

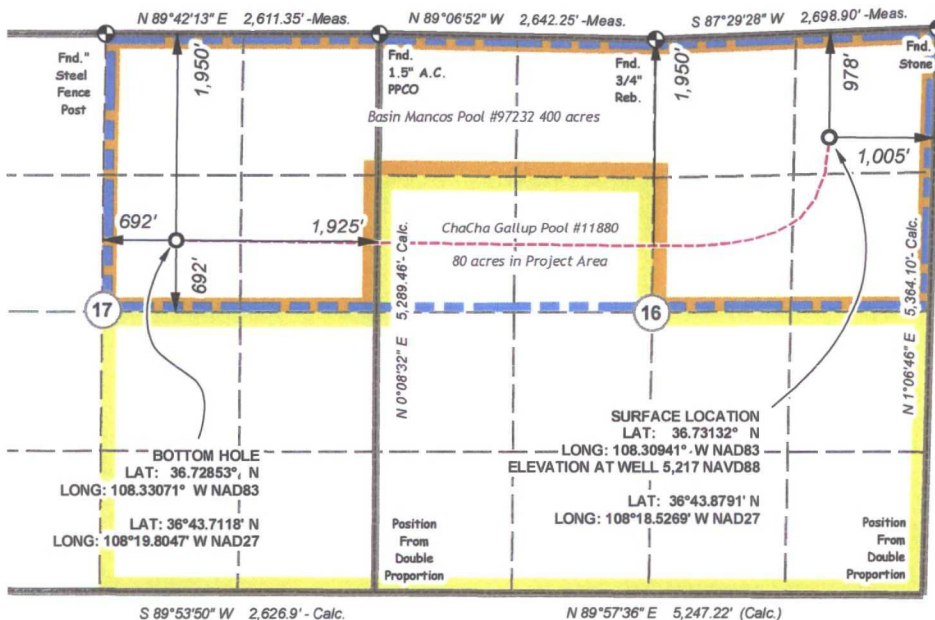
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
A	16	29 N	14 W		978	NORTH	1005	EAST	SAN JUAN

<sup>11</sup> Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
G	17	29 N	14 W		1950	NORTH	1925	EAST	SAN JUAN

<sup>12</sup> Dedicated Acres	<sup>13</sup> Joint or Infill	<sup>14</sup> Consolidation Code	<sup>15</sup> Order No.

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.



- Project Area 480 acres
- mancos\_pool
- chacha\_gallup

Note:  
Acreages shown based on record values  
from G.L.O. plat approved May 26, 1881.

= Found Monument

<sup>17</sup> OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and 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 such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>18</sup> SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

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.

October 9, 2012

Date of Survey

Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor:



Certificate #14827

**Exhibit C**  
**XTO Energy Inc.**  
**Ropco 16-1H Well**

**NW/4 Section 17 Mineral Owners**

Billie Sue Berg  
5512 Prince Edward Avenue  
El Paso, TX 79924-3411

Rachel L. Seiferle  
363 A CR 6100  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Karen Brimhall  
372 CR 6100 NBU #13  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Dawn M. Torres  
1118 West Apache #3  
Farmington, NM 87401

Mary I. Caston Joint Tenant with Lockey Caston  
P.O. Box 22  
Kirtland, NM

William L. Flack and Constance Flack,  
Trustees of the William L. and  
Constance Flack Living Trust dated 9/19/1991  
1030 Walnut Drive  
Farmington, NM 87401  
or  
P.O. Box 422  
Kirtland, NM 87417

William Mathew Flack and  
Rebecca Lynn Flack as  
Trustees of the Matthew and  
Rebecca Flack Trust UTAD 3/17/2004  
342A CR 6100  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Daniel T. Flack and Kristine R. Flack,  
Trustees of the Daniel T. Flack and  
Kristine R. Flack Living Trust UTAD 8/8/2008  
P.O. Box 1063  
Kirtland, NM 87417

David D. Clifton and Deanne C. Clifton  
363 CR 6100  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Sherry L. Blodgett, aka Sherry L. Myers and Raymond W. Myers  
PO Box 272  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Barney Lucero and Lisa Lucero  
10 Rd 6291  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Danny K. Kimball and Carla Kimball  
#371 CR 6100, 13  
Kirtland, NM 87417

James R. Allcorn and Jacqueline Allcorn  
6 Rd 6291  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Colby D. Cockrell and Sunny L. Cockrell  
453 CR 6100  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Phylis Combs  
PO Box 626  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Gary D. and Geogianna A. Childers  
PO Box 203  
Kirtland, NM 87417

**NW/4 of Section 17 Unleased Mineral Owners**

West American Corporation  
Unable to locate - Bankrupt 1960s

State Highway Dept., State NM  
PO Box 1149  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-1149

Norma Schmitt & C. Gregory Schmitt Co-Trustees  
of the Norma Schmitt Trust UTA June 1, 1999, et al  
PO Box 97  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Joel W. & Sherry Foutz  
PO Box 784  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Shaun C. Winn and Linn Johnson  
#341 CR 6100  
Kirtland, NM 87417

James Thomas Robbins and Heather Lee Robbins  
#3 CR 6285  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Sabiniano Jr. & Veronica E. Lobato  
4329 Cardinal St.  
Farmington, NM 87491

Roger N. & Janet L. Isham  
PO Box 1184  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Anne M. & Alan D. Youts  
PO Box 554  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Carl Gregory Schmitt and Donna Cole Schmitt, husband and wife  
PO Box 267  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Cloyde Bruce Beckstead and Nona P. Beckstead  
465 CR 6100  
Kirtland, NM 87417

Rodney B. Gwendolyn Warner  
PO Box 215  
Kirtland, NM 87417



Robert H. & Mary Eshom  
PO Box 895  
Capitan, NM 88316-0895

**NW/4 of Section 17 Working Interest Owners**

XTO Energy Inc.  
810 Houston Street  
Fort Worth, TX 76102

**S/2NW/4 of Section 16 Mineral Owners**

State of New Mexico  
NM State Land Office  
310 Old Santa Fe Trail  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

**S/2NW/4 of Section 16 Working Interest Owners**

XTO Energy Inc.  
810 Houston Street  
Fort Worth, TX 76102

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**Firmbook Report**

BSWANSON : TLB 13 LAND - BLS

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1	CMN	NAME	ADDRESS		TS
2	7112 4369 4680 2639 5158	ANNE M.	& ALAN D. YOUTS PO BOX 554	KIRT	tion
3	7112 4369 4680 2639 5165	BARNEY LUCERO	& LISA LUCERO 10 RD 6291	KIRT	tion
4	7112 4369 4680 2639 5172	BILLIE SUE BERG	5512 PRINCE EDWARD AVENUE	EL PA	tion
5	7112 4369 4680 2639 5189	CARL GREGORY SCHMITT	& DONNA COLE SCHMITT PO BOX 267	KIRT	tion
6	7112 4369 4680 2639 5196	CLOYDE BRUCE BECKSTEAD	& NONA P. BECKSTEAD 465 CR 6100	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
7	7112 4369 4680 2639 5202	COLBY D. COCKRELL	& SUNNY L. COCKRELL 453 CR 6100	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
8	7112 4369 4680 2639 5219	DANIEL T. FLACK	& KRISTINE R. FLACK & KRISTINE R. FLACK LIVING TRUST P.O. BOX 1063	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
9	7112 4369 4680 2639 5226	DANNY K. KIMBALL	& CARLA KIMBALL 371 CR 6100, 13	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
10	7112 4369 4680 2639 5233	DAVID D. CLIFTON	& DEANNE C. CLIFTON 363 CR 6100	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
11	7112 4369 4680 2639 5240	DAWN M. TORRES	1118 WEST APACHE #3	FARMINGTON,,NM 87401	CZ application
12	7112 4369 4680 2639 5257	GARY D.	& GEOGIANNA A. CHILDERS PO BOX 203	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
13	7112 4369 4680 2639 5264	JAMES R. ALLCORN	& JACQUELINE ALLCORN 6 RD 6291	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
14	7112 4369 4680 2639 5271	JAMES THOMAS ROBBINS	& HEATHER LEE ROBINS #3 CR 6285	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
15	7112 4369 4680 2639 5288	JOEL W.	& SHERRY FOUTZ PO BOX 784	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
16	7112 4369 4680 2639 5295	KAREN BRIMHALL	372 CR 6100 NBU #13	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
17	7112 4369 4680 2639 5301	MARY I. CASTON	JOINT TENANT WITH LOCKEY CASTON P.O. BOX 22	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
18	7112 4369 4680 2639 5318	NORMA SCHMITT	& C. GREGORY SCHMITT CO-TRUSTEE OF NORMA SCHMITT TRUST PO BOX 97	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
19	7112 4369 4680 2639 5325	PHYLIS COMBS	PO BOX 626	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
20	7112 4369 4680 2639 5332	RACHEL L. SEIFERLE	363 A CR 6100	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
21	7112 4369 4680 2639 5349	ROBERT H.	& MARY ESHOM PO BOX 895	CAPITAN,,NM 88316	CZ application
22	7112 4369 4680 2639 5356	RODNEY B. GWENDOLYN WARNER	PO BOX 215	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application

Copy of letter  
sent to Affected  
parties.

Total Records: 30

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BSWANSON : TLB 13 LAND - BLS

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23	7112 4369 4680 2639 5363	ROGER N.	& JANET L. ISHAM PO BOX 1184	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
24	7112 4369 4680 2639 5370	SABINIANO JR.	& VERONICA E. LOBATO 4329 CARDINAL ST.	FARMINGTON,,NM 87491	CZ application
25	7112 4369 4680 2639 5387	SHAUN C. WINN	& LINN JOHNSON #341 CR 6100	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
26	7112 4369 4680 2639 5394	SHERRY L. BLODGETT	AKA SHERRY L. MYERS & RAYMOND W. MYERS PO BOX 272	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
27	7112 4369 4680 2639 5400	STATE HIGHWAY DEPT.	STATE NM PO BOX 1149	SANTA FE,,NM 87504	CZ application
28	7112 4369 4680 2639 5417	STATE OF NEW MEXICO	NM STATE LAND OFFICE 310 OLD SANTA FE TRAIL	SANTA FE,,NM 87504	CZ application
29	7112 4369 4680 2639 5424	WILLIAM L. FLACK	& CONSTANCE FLACK TRUSTEES OF TRUST 1030 WALNUT DRIVE	FARMINGTON,,NM 87401	CZ application
30	7112 4369 4680 2639 5431	WILLIAM L. FLACK	& CONSTANCT FLACK TRUSTEES OF TRUST P.O. BOX 422	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application
31	7112 4369 4680 2639 5448	WILLIAM MATHEW FLACK	& REBECCA LYNN FLACK TRUSTEES OF MATHEW & REBECCA FLACK 342A CR 6100	KIRTLAND,,NM 87417	CZ application



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Cy Zimmerman  
Associate Landman  
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Fax (817) 885-1854  
Cy\_Zimmerman@xtoenergy.com

March 5, 2013

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**TO AFFECTED PARTIES:**

**Re: Application of XTO Energy Inc. for administrative approval of 240 acre non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool (97232) consisting of the NE/4 and the N/2NW/4 of section 16, T29N, R14W, and approval of 160 acre non-standard spacing unit in the Basin Mancos Gas Pool (97232) consisting of the NE/4 of section 17, T29N, R14W, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico**

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Enclosed is a copy of the above referenced application which was filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on this date. Any objection to this application must be filed in writing within twenty days from this date at the Division's Santa Fe office located at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505. If no objection is received within this twenty-day period, this application may be approved administratively by the Division.

If you have any questions about this application, please don't hesitate to contact me by email at Cy\_Zimmerman@xtoenergy.com or by phone at (817) 885-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Cy Zimmerman'.

Cy Zimmerman  
Associate Landman