

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

**APPLICATION OF MANZANO LLC FOR APPROVAL OF THE VINDICATOR
CANYON STATE EXPLORATORY UNIT, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. 21463

APPLICANT'S AMENDED PRE- HEARING STATEMENT

Manzano, LLC ("Manzano") (OGRID No. 231429) submits this amended pre-hearing statement as required by the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Manzano seeks an order approving the Vindicator Canyon State Exploratory Unit, a voluntary unit consisting of the following 6,000 acres of State lands situated in Lea County:

TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 36 EAST, N.M.P.M.

Section 14: SW/4
Section 15: ALL
Section 20: W/2
Section 23: S/2, NW/4
Section 26: ALL
Section 27: ALL
Section 28: ALL
Section 29: ALL
Section 30: E/2
Section 31: E/2 NE/4
Section 32: N/2, SW/4
Section 33: NE/4
Section 34: E/2 E/2
Section 35: ALL

The unitized interval for the Vindicator Canyon State Exploratory Unit is the Canyon formation, at the stratigraphic equivalent interval between 11,678 feet and 12,202 feet as found on the sonic log for the Deep Sparkling Muddler 15 State #1 well (API No. 30-025-22194) in Section 15, Township 17 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. Manzano has met with the State Land Office and received preliminary approval of the Unit Agreement. Manzano has discussed this proposed voluntary unit with the other working interest owners in the unitized area and expects to receive approval from a sufficient percentage of the working interest owners to provide effective control of unit operations.

PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESSES Name and Expertise	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Nick C. McClelland, Landman	Affidavit	Approx. 5
John Worrall, Geologist	Affidavit	Approx. 3

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Manzano has excluded the E/2 of Section 20 and all of Sections 21 and 22 from the proposed unit area in response to objections raised by other parties. Manzano has obtained preliminary approval from the State Land Office of the revised unit area. Since this is a voluntary unit, Manzano does not expect opposition at hearing and therefore intends to present this case by affidavit.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 15, 2020, I served a copy of the foregoing document to the following counsel of record via Electronic Mail to:

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