

# NSL Initial Application

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



**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

**Applicant:** Tap Rock Operating, LLC **OGRID Number:** 372043  
**Well Name:** Blue Marlin Fed Com #216H well **API:** 30-025-48783  
**Pool:** Jal; Wolfcamp, West Pool **Pool Code:** 33813

**SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED BELOW**

- 1) **TYPE OF APPLICATION:** Check those which apply for [A]  
 A. Location – Spacing Unit – Simultaneous Dedication  
 NSL       NSP (PROJECT AREA)       NSP (PRORATION UNIT)       SD
- B. Check one only for [ I ] or [ II ]  
 [ I ] Commingling – Storage – Measurement  
 DHC    CTB    PLC    PC    OLS    OLM  
 [ II ] Injection – Disposal – Pressure Increase – Enhanced Oil Recovery  
 WFX    PMX    SWD    IPI    EOR    PPR

- 2) **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** Check those which apply.  
 A.  Offset operators or lease holders  
 B.  Royalty, overriding royalty owners, revenue owners  
 C.  Application requires published notice  
 D.  Notification and/or concurrent approval by SLO  
 E.  Notification and/or concurrent approval by BLM  
 F.  Surface owner  
 G.  For all of the above, proof of notification or publication is attached, and/or,  
 H.  No notice required

<b>FOR OCD ONLY</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice Complete
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Content Complete

3) **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.**

Kaitlyn A. Luck  
Date

Print or Type Name

Signature

09/5/2021  
Date

505-954-7286  
Phone Number

kaluck@hollandhart.com  
e-mail Address



**Kaitlyn A. Luck**  
Phone (505) 954-7286  
KALuck@hollandhart.com

September 5, 2021

**VIA ONLINE FILING**

Adrienne Sandoval, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

**Re: Application of Tap Rock Operating, LLC, for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its Black Marlin Fed Com #216H well in the E/2 E/2 of Sections 18 and 19, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.**

Dear Ms. Sandoval:

Tap Rock Operating, LLC (“Tap Rock”) (OGRID No. 372043) seeks administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its **Black Marlin Fed Com #216H well** (API No. 30-025-48783) to be completed within the Jal; Wolfcamp, West Pool (33813) underlying the 320 acre, more or less, spacing unit in the E/2 E/2 of Sections 18 and 19, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

This well is to be drilled at the following location:

- Surface location: 185 feet from the north line and 1,406 feet from the east line (Unit B) of Section 18;
- Bottom hole location: 5 feet from the south line and 1,210 feet from the east line (Unit P) of Section 19;
- First take point: 100 feet from the north line and 1,210 feet from the east line (Unit B) of Section 18;
- Last take point: 100 feet from the south line and 1,210 feet from the east line (Unit P) of Section 19.

Since this acreage is governed by the Division’s statewide rules, the completed interval for the **Black Marlin Fed Com #216H well** is unorthodox because the completed interval is closer than the standard offsets to the western boundary of the spacing unit. Approval of the unorthodox completed interval will allow Tap Rock to use its preferred well spacing plan for horizontal wells in this area and thereby prevent waste.

**Exhibit A** is a Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat (Form C-102), which shows that the completed interval of the proposed **Black Marlin Fed Com #216H well** encroaches on the spacing unit to the west in the W/2 E/2 of Sections 18 and 19.

**Exhibit B** is a land plat that shows the proposed **Black Marlin Fed Com #216H well** in relation to the adjoining spacing units to the west in the W/2 E/2 of Sections 18 and 19.

Ownership is diverse between the subject spacing unit and the affected spacing unit to the west. **Exhibit C** includes the tracking information that reflects the “affected parties” were sent a copy of this application with all attachments by certified mail advising that any objections must be filed in writing with the Division within 20 days from the date the Division receives the application. The following are the affected parties:

Type	Affected Party	Location	Date Sent
Operator	Tap Rock Resources II, LLC	NW/4NE/4, NW/4SE/4, SW/4SE/4, SW/4NE/4 of Section 18  and  W/2E/2 of Section 19	N/A
Working Interest	The Estate of Louise Heard Kincaid c/o Eileen Heard	NW/4NE/4, SW/4NE/4 of Section 18	8/27/21
Mineral Owner	The United States of America, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management	W/2E/2 of Section 19	8/27/21
Working Interest	The Ohio State University c/o Real Estate & Property Management	NW/4SE/4, SW/4SE/4 of Section 18	8/27/21
Working Interest	Allar Development Company LLC	NW/4SE/4 of Section 18	8/27/21
Working Interest	Advance Energy Partners Hat Mesa LLC	SW/4NE/4 of Section 18	8/27/21

**Exhibit D** is a statement from Tap Rock’s petroleum engineer confirming that Tap Rock’s requested unorthodox location is necessary to optimize well spacing, thereby preventing waste.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kaitlyn A. Luck", written over a horizontal line.

Kaitlyn A. Luck  
**ATTORNEY FOR TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC**

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

FORM C-102

Revised August 1, 2011

Submit one copy to appropriate

District Office

AMENDED REPORT

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 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

**WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

<sup>1</sup> API Number <b>30-025-48783</b>		<sup>2</sup> Pool Code	<sup>3</sup> Pool Name
<sup>4</sup> Property Code	<sup>5</sup> Property Name <b>BLACK MARLIN FED COM</b>		<sup>6</sup> Well Number <b>216H</b>
<sup>7</sup> OGRID No. <b>#372043</b>	<sup>8</sup> Operator Name <b>TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC.</b>		<sup>9</sup> Elevation <b>3180'</b>

<sup>10</sup>Surface Location

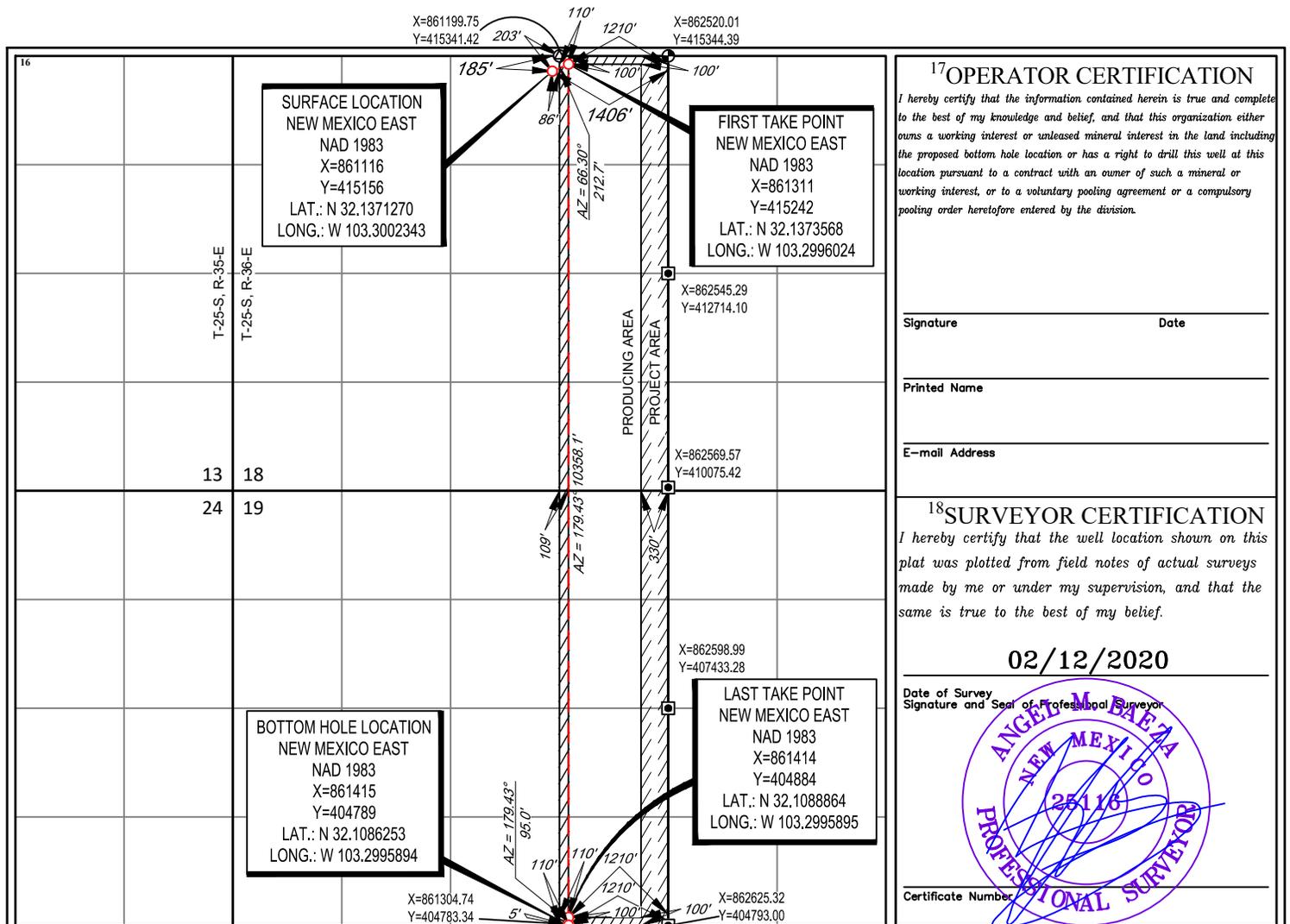
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
<b>B</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>25-S</b>	<b>36-E</b>	-	<b>185'</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>1406'</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>LEA</b>

<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
<b>P</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>25-S</b>	<b>36-E</b>	-	<b>5'</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>1210'</b>	<b>EAST</b>	<b>LEA</b>

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



**17 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**18 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 to the best of my belief.

02/12/2020

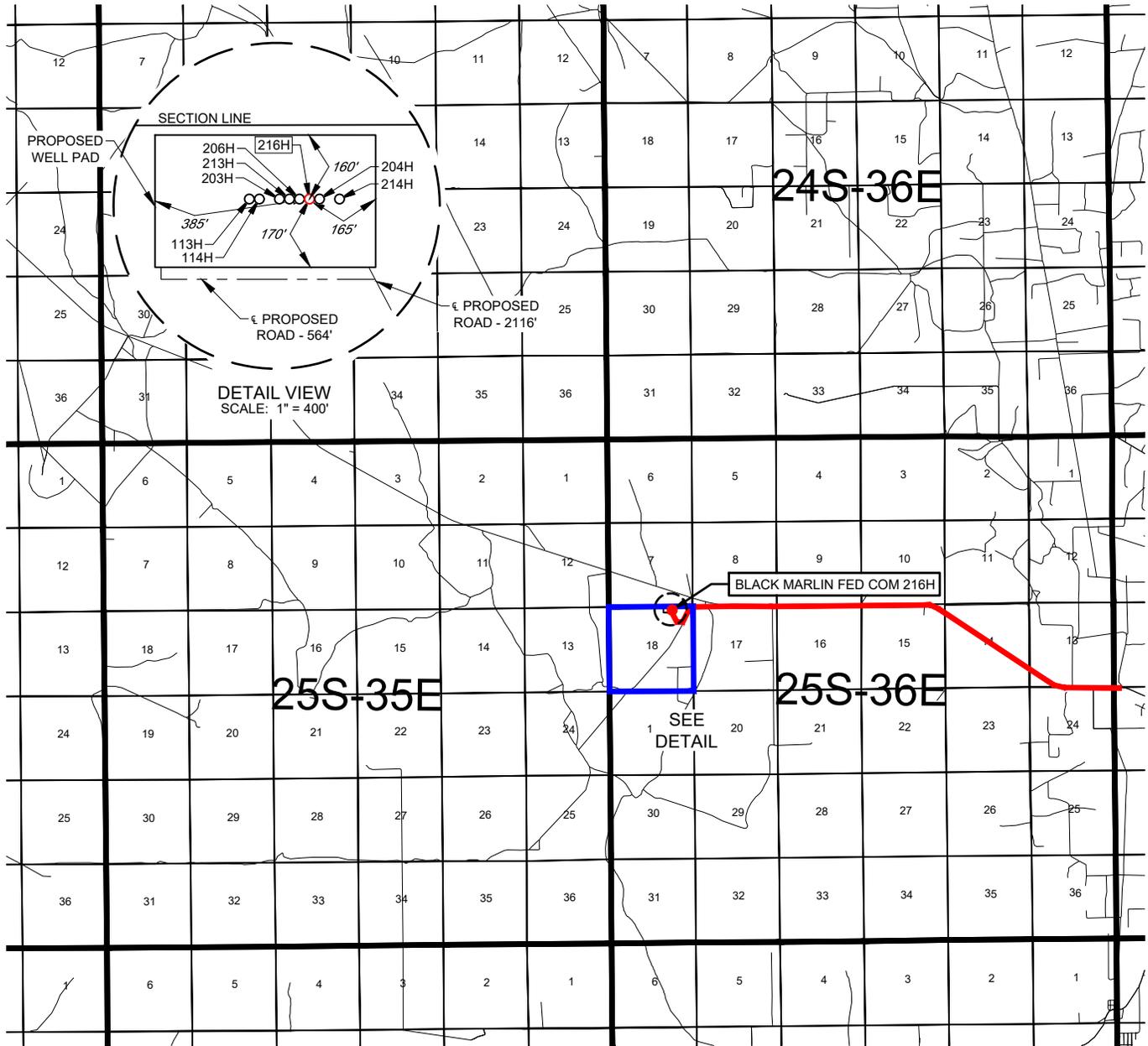
Date of Survey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor \_\_\_\_\_

**ANGEL M. BAEZA**  
 NEW MEXICO  
 25116  
 PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR

Certificate Number \_\_\_\_\_



EXHIBIT 2  
VICINITY MAP



LEASE NAME & WELL NO.: BLACK MARLIN FED COM 216H

SECTION 18 TWP 25-S RGE 36-E SURVEY N.M.P.M.  
 COUNTY LEA STATE NM  
 DESCRIPTION 185' FNL & 1406' FEL

DISTANCE & DIRECTION  
FROM INT. OF N 4TH ST. & NM-128, GO WEST ON NM-128 ±6.3 MILES.  
THENCE SOUTH (LEFT) ON A PROPOSED RD. ±2116 FEET TO A POINT  
±225 FEET SOUTHEAST OF THE LOCATION.

THIS EASEMENT/SERVITUDE LOCATION SHOWN HEREON HAS BEEN SURVEYED ON THE GROUND UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND PREPARED ACCORDING TO THE EVIDENCE FOUND AT THE TIME OF SURVEY, AND DATA PROVIDED BY TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC. THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE AND LIMITED TO THOSE PERSONS OR ENTITIES SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THIS PLAT AND IS NON-TRANSFERABLE. THIS SURVEY IS CERTIFIED FOR THIS TRANSACTION ONLY.

ALL BEARINGS, DISTANCES, AND COORDINATE VALUES CONTAINED HEREON ARE GRID BASED UPON THE NEW MEXICO COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 1983, EAST ZONE, U.S. SURVEY FEET.



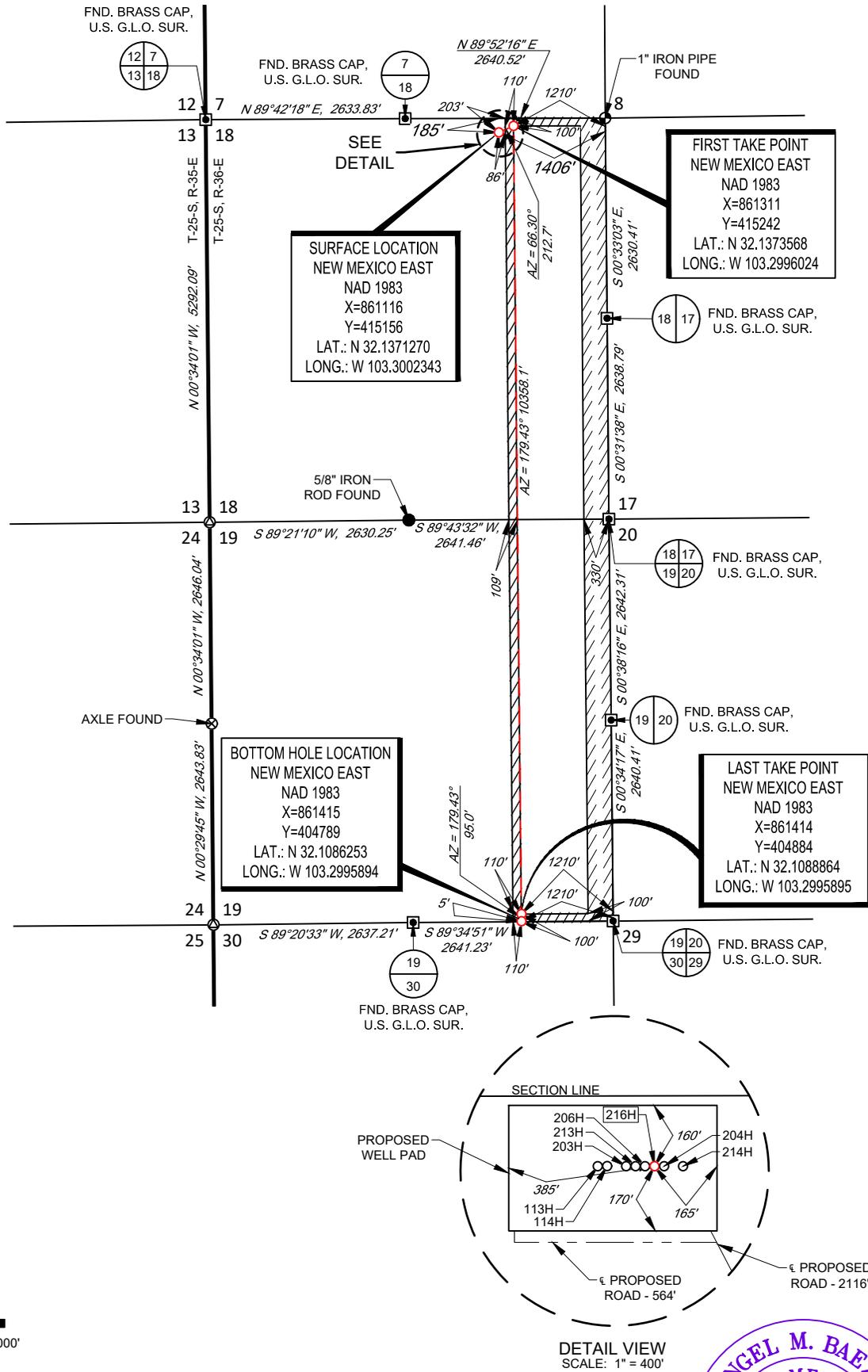
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# TAP ROCK EXHIBIT 2A

SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 25-S, RANGE 36-E, N.M.P.M.  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



LEASE NAME & WELL NO.: BLACK MARLIN FED COM 216H

SECTION 18 TWP 25-S RGE 36-E SURVEY N.M.P.M.  
 COUNTY LEA STATE NM  
 DESCRIPTION 185' FNL & 1406' FEL

DISTANCE & DIRECTION  
FROM INT. OF N 4TH ST. & NM-128, GO WEST ON NM-128 ±6.3 MILES,  
THENCE SOUTH (LEFT) ON A PROPOSED RD. ±2116 FEET TO A POINT  
±225 FEET SOUTHEAST OF THE LOCATION.

ALL BEARINGS, DISTANCES, AND COORDINATE VALUES CONTAINED HEREON ARE GRID BASED UPON THE NEW MEXICO COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 1983, EAST ZONE, U.S. SURVEY FEET.  
 THIS EASEMENT/SERVITUDE LOCATION SHOWN HEREON HAS BEEN SURVEYED ON THE GROUND UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND PREPARED ACCORDING TO THE EVIDENCE FOUND AT THE TIME OF SURVEY, AND DATA PROVIDED BY TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE AND LIMITED TO THOSE PERSONS OR ENTITIES SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THIS PLAT AND IS NON-TRANSFERABLE. THIS SURVEY IS CERTIFIED FOR THIS TRANSACTION ONLY.

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EXHIBIT 2B

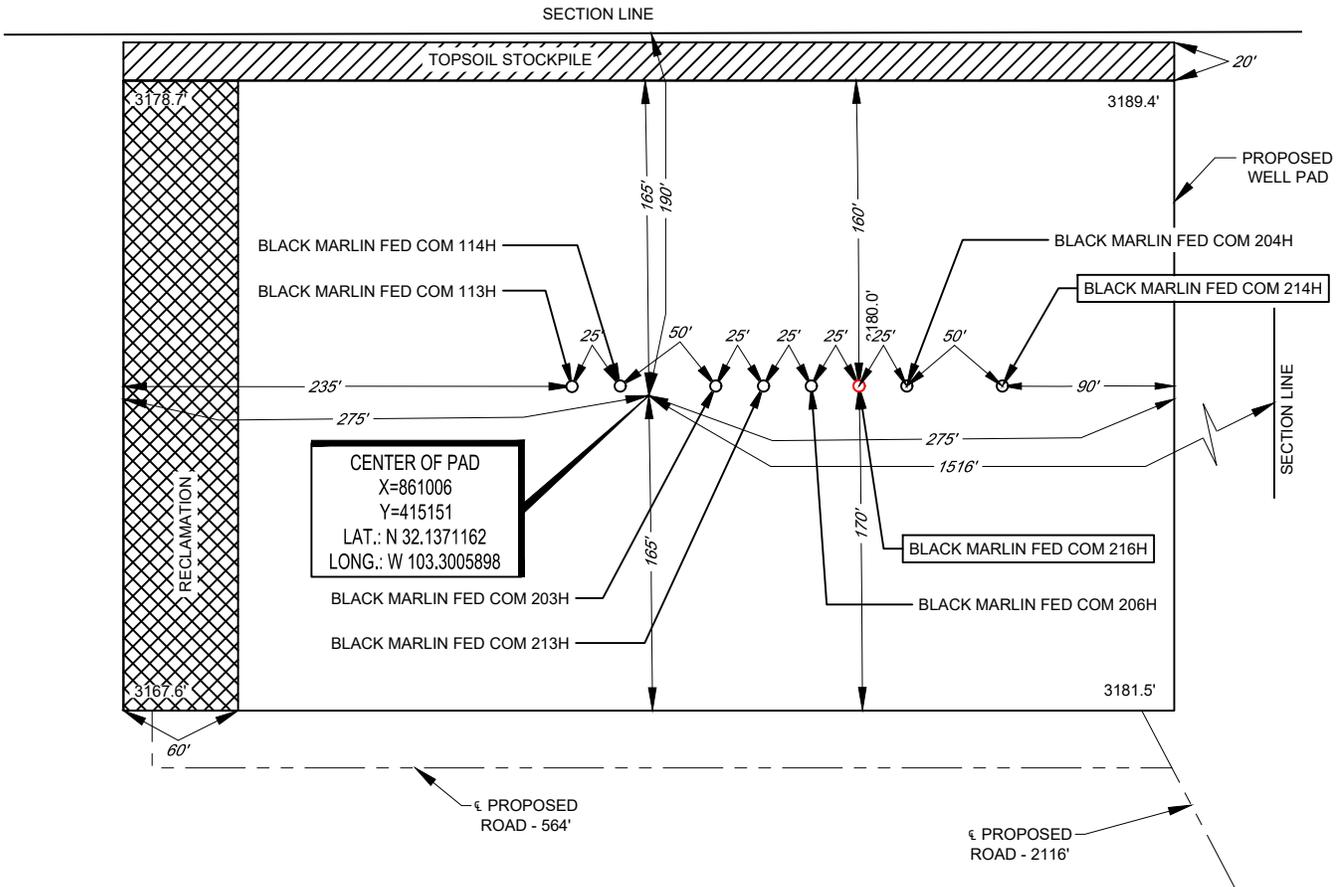


SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 25-S, RANGE 36-E, N.M.P.M.  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

LEGEND

- SECTION LINE
- PROPOSED ROAD

DETAIL VIEW  
SCALE: 1" = 100'



LEASE NAME & WELL NO.: BLACK MARLIN FED COM 216H  
 216H LATITUDE N 32.1371270 216H LONGITUDE W 103.3002343

CENTER OF PAD IS 190' FNL & 1516' FEL



Angel M. Baeza, P.S. No. 25116



SCALE: 1" = 100'  
 0' 50' 100'

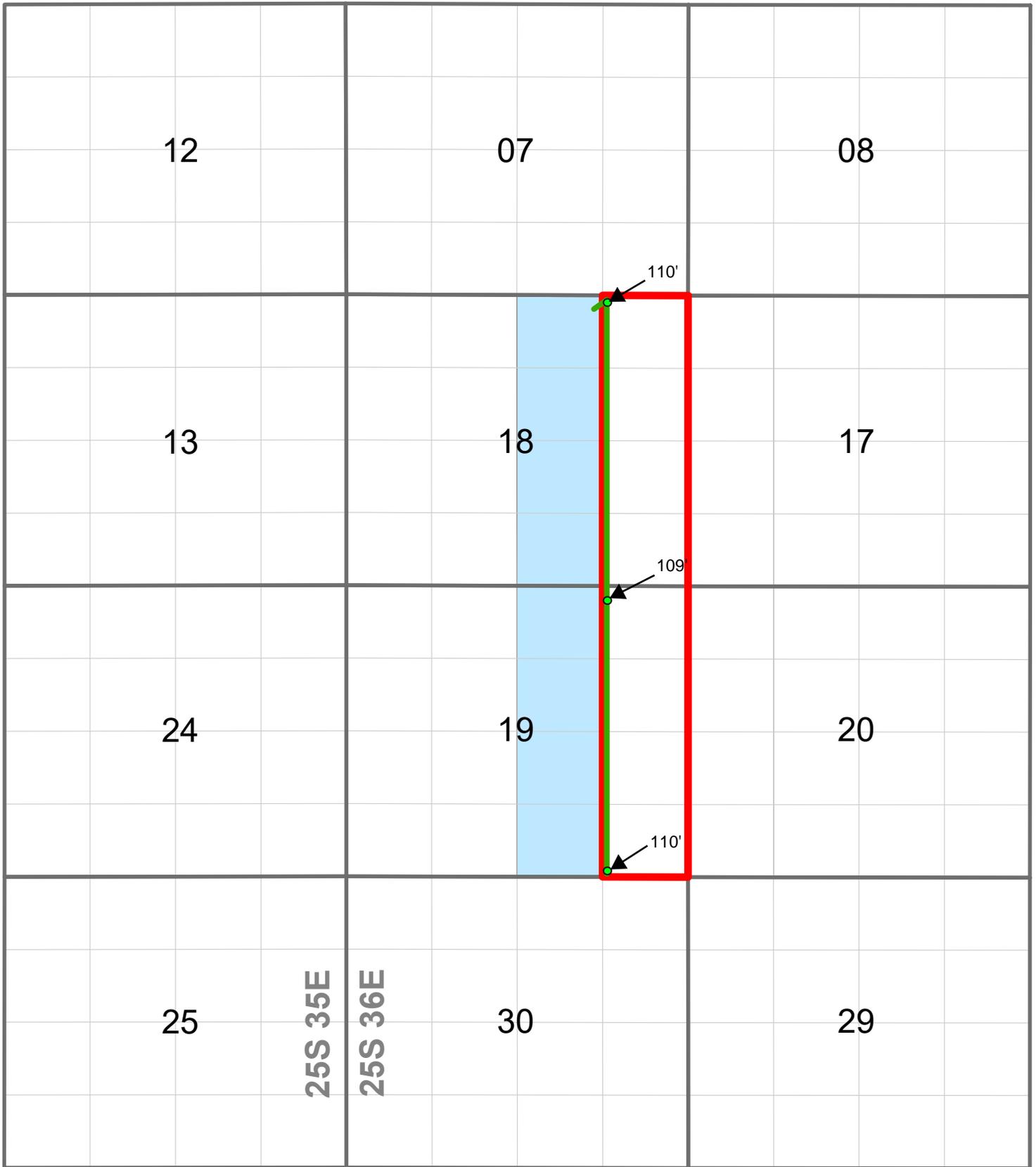
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THIS PROPOSED PAD SITE LOCATION SHOWN HEREON HAS BEEN SURVEYED ON THE GROUND UNDER MY SUPERVISION AND PREPARED ACCORDING TO THE EVIDENCE FOUND AT THE TIME OF SURVEY, AND DATA PROVIDED BY TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC. ONLY THE DATA SHOWN ABOVE IS BEING CERTIFIED TO, ALL OTHER INFORMATION WAS INTENTIONALLY OMITTED. THIS PLAT IS ONLY INTENDED TO BE USED FOR A PERMIT AND IS NOT A BOUNDARY SURVEY. THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE AND LIMITED TO THOSE PERSONS OR ENTITIES SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THIS PLAT AND IS NON-TRANSFERABLE. THIS SURVEY IS CERTIFIED FOR THIS TRANSACTION ONLY.



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# EXHIBIT B

**Legend**

- Black Marlin 216H Black
- Marlin Unit
- Tap Rock Resources, et al

**Black Marlin 216H Notice List**

Tracts in Section 18, T25S R36E, Lea County, NM

NW/4NE/4, SW/4NE/4, NW/4SE/4, SW/4SE/4

Tracts in Section 19, T25S R36E, Lea County, NM

W/2E/2

Parties to Notice:

**The Estate of Louise Heard Kincaid c/o Eileen Heard**

10317 DEL RAY DR

YUMA, AZ 85367

**Advance Energy Partners Hat Mesa LLC**

11490 WESTHEIMER ROAD SUITE 950

HOUSTON, TX 77077

**The Ohio State University c/o Real Estate & Property Management**

53 W 11TH ST

COLUMBUS, OH 43201

**Allar Development Company LLC**

PO BOX 1567

GRAHAM, TX 76450

**The United States of America, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management**

301 DINOSAUR TRAIL

SANTA FE, NM 87508

## EXHIBIT C



**Kaitlyn A. Luck**  
**Associate**  
Phone (505) 954-7286  
KALuck@hollandhart.com

September 2, 2021

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

**TO AFFECTED PARTIES:**

**Re: Application of Tap Rock Operating, LLC, for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its Black Marlin Fed Com #216H well in the E/2 E/2 of Sections 18 and 19, Township 25 South, Range 36 East, N.M.P.M., Lea 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 with the applicant and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 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 contact the following:

Taylor Ford  
Tap Rock Resources  
(720) 459-3726  
tford@taprk.com

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kaitlyn Luck", written over a horizontal line.

Kaitlyn A. Luck  
ATTORNEY FOR TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC

Parent ID	Mail Date	Company	Company2	Address	City	ST	Zip	Mail Class	TrackingNo	Well
31309	09/02/2021	c/o Eileen Heard	The Estate of Louise Heard Kincaid	10317 S Del Rey Dr	Yuma	AZ	85367-7315	Certified with Return Receipt (Signature)	94148118987658006904 17	70945 - Black Marlin 216H NSL - notice list - 1
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31309	09/02/2021	the Interior, Bureau of Land Management	The United States of America, Department of	301 Dinosaur Trl	Santa Fe	NM	87508-1560	Certified with Return Receipt (Signature)	94148118987658006904 00	70945 - Black Marlin 216H NSL - notice list - 5
31309	09/02/2021		Bureau of Land Management	620 E Greene St	Carlsbad	NM	88220-6292	Certified with Return Receipt (Signature)	94148118987658006904 93	70945 - Black Marlin 216H NSL - notice list - 6

TAP ROCK RESOURCES, LLC

523 PARK POINT DRIVE, SUITE 200 - GOLDEN, COLORADO 80401

CONNER WOOD  
ASSET MANAGER  
CWOOD@TAPRK.COM



August 25, 2021

Adrienne Sandoval, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy,  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

**Re: Non-Standard Location Request  
Black Marlin #216H (the "Well")**

Dear Ms. Sandoval:

Tap Rock Operating hereby requests administrative approval of a non-standard location for the Well referenced above by decreasing the East-West footages from 330 feet to 110 feet from the Drilling and Spacing Unit boundary within the E/2 of Section 19, T25S R36E. The Well is located in the Jal; Wolfcamp West (Pool Code 33813). It is Tap Rock's responsibility as a prudent operator to optimize well spacing. Decreasing the distance from the boundary of the Drilling Spacing Unit by 220 feet increases ultimate recovery of reserves and thereby prevents waste of natural resources.

Sincerely,

TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC

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Conner Wood  
Asset Manager and Reservoir Engineer

**EXHIBIT D**

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**State of New Mexico**  
**Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources**  
**Oil Conservation Division**  
**1220 S. St Francis Dr.**  
**Santa Fe, NM 87505**

CONDITIONS  
 Action 46492

**CONDITIONS**

Operator: TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC 523 Park Point Drive Golden, CO 80401	OGRID: 372043
	Action Number: 46492
	Action Type: [UF-NSL] Non-Standard Location (NSL)

**CONDITIONS**

Created By	Condition	Condition Date
llowe	None	9/8/2021