

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

**APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL
PERMIAN, LLC FOR APPROVAL OF AN
OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT AND
COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

CASE NO. 25971

MARATHON'S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

Marathon Oil Permian, LLC ("Marathon" or "Applicant"), the applicant in the above-referenced matters, submits this consolidated Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

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APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Under **Case No. 25971**, Marathon seeks an order (a) approving a standard 640-acre, more or less, overlapping horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation (Red Tank; Bone Spring [51683]) underlying the E/2 of Sections 15 and 22, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and (b) pooling the uncommitted mineral owners in this acreage.

Marathon seeks to initially dedicate the unit to the following proposed initial wells:

- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 403H**, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15, with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 15 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 22;
- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 404H**, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15, with first take points in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15 and last take points in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 22;
- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 503H**, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NW/4 (Unit C) of Section 15, with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 15 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 22;
- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 504H**, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15, with first take points in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15 and last take points in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 22;
- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 505H**, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15, with first take points in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15 and last take points in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 22;

- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 602H**, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15, with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) of Section 15 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 22; and
- **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 603H** well, to be drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15, with first take points in the NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Section 15 and last take points in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 22.

This proposed horizontal well spacing unit will overlap the following existing Bone Spring spacing units:

- An existing 40-acre, more or less, spacing unit comprised of the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) of Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, dedicated to the Prize Federal #11 Well (API No. 30-025-34082), operated by OXY USA Inc. (OGRID 16696);
- An existing 40-acre, more or less spacing unit comprised of the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 22, Township 22 South, Range 32 East, dedicated to the Prize Federal #13 Well (API No. 30-025-32488), operated by OXY USA Inc. (OGRID 16696).

The completed interval of the proposed **Frizzle Fry Federal Com 504H** well is expected to remain within 330 feet of the adjoining quarter-quarter sections (or equivalent tracts) to allow inclusion of these proximity tracts within the proposed horizontal spacing unit under 19.15.16.15.B(1)(b) NMAC.

APPLICANT’S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS Name and Expertise	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Jess Ritter, Landman	Self-Affirmed Statement	Approx. 5
Ben Breyman, Geologist	Self-Affirmed Statement	Approx. 3

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Marathon intends to present this case by self-affirmed statement if there is no opposition at the time of hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTIONS

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