

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

**APPLICATION OF FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN ENERGY, LLC  
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION**

Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC (“FME”), OGRID Number 373910, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the W/2W/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 24 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. In support of this application, FME states:

1. FME has an interest in the subject lands and has a right to drill and operate a well thereon.
2. FME seeks to dedicate the W/2W/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 24 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico to form a 320-acre, more or less, spacing unit.
3. FME plans to drill the **Elevate Fed Com 601H** well to a depth sufficient to test the Bone Spring formation.
4. The well will be horizontally drilled and will be drilled at orthodox locations under the Division’s rules.
5. FME sought, but has been unable to obtain, a voluntary agreement from all interest owners in the Bone Spring formation underlying the proposed spacing unit to participate in the drilling of the well or to otherwise commit their interests to the well.

6. The pooling of all interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the proposed unit will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, FME requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on January 6, 2022, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit within the W/2W/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 24 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico;

B. Designating FME as operator of this unit and the well to be drilled thereon;

C. Authorizing FME to recover its costs of drilling, completing, and equipping the well;

D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure;

E. Imposing a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling, completing, and equipping the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

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**CASE NO. \_\_\_\_: Application of Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted interests within a Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit underlying the W/2W/2 of Sections 14 and 23, Township 24 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the **Elevate Fed Com 601H** well to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the Elevate Fed Com 601H well will be orthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping said well, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision while drilling and after completion, designation of Franklin Mountain Energy, LLC as operator of the well, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 16 miles Northwest of Jal, New Mexico.