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

## APPLICATIONS OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. FOR A HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT AND COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NOS. 23448-23455

## APPLICATIONS OF CIMAREX ENERGY CO. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE NOS. 23594-23601

## APPLICATIONS OF READ & STEVENS, INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

### CASE NOS. 23508-23523

## NOTICE OF EXHIBIT I, J & K

Read & Stevens, Inc. and Permian Resources Operating, LLC, applicant in the above-

referenced cases, gives notice that it is filing the attached rebuttal exhibits for acceptance into the

record.

Exhibit I, J and K are rebuttal exhibits.

Respectfully submitted,

#### HOLLAND & HART LLP



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ATTORNEYS FOR READ & STEVENS, INC. & PERMIAN RESOURCES OPERATING, LLC

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on August 8, 2023, I served a copy of the foregoing document to the following counsel of record via Electronic Mail:

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Blake C. Jones 1780 Hughes Landing Blvd., Suite 750 The Woodlands, TX 77380 blake.jones@steptoe-johnson.com

### Attorney for Northern Oil and Gas, Inc.

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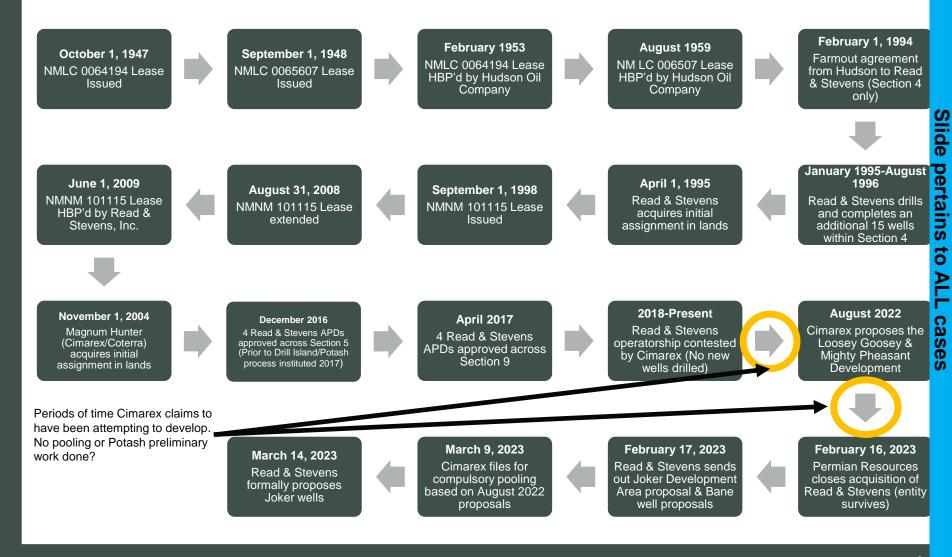
Attorneys for Sandstone Properties, LLC

Adam G. Rankin

## **Brief Historical Timeline**



# REBUTTAL EX



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## **Cimarex Brief Rebuttal**

# Read & Stevens Rebuttal Ex I

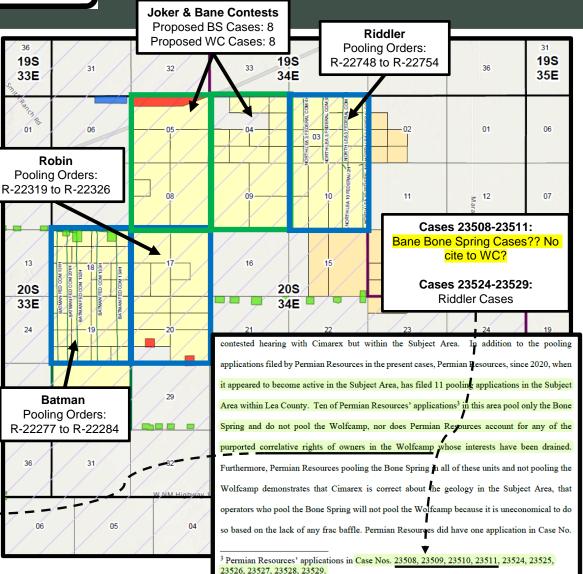




 WHEREAS, Cimarex cites ten (10) Permian Bone Spring Cases and one (1) Wolfcamp case since 2020 (*Factually Incorrect?*)

EXHIBIT

- Batman: (Orders R-22277 to R-22284)
  - 4 Bone Spring Cases
  - 4 Wolfcamp Cases
- <u>Robin</u>: (Orders R-22319 to R-22326)
  - 4 Bone Spring Cases
  - 4 Wolfcamp Cases
- <u>Riddler</u> (Orders R-22748 to R-22754)
  - 4 Bone Spring Cases being overlapping spacing units pooling <u>1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Bone</u> <u>Spring</u>
  - 2 Bone Spring Cases pooling 3<sup>rd</sup> Bone Spring
  - 1 Wolfcamp Case to be co-developed with the above 3<sup>rd</sup> Bone pooled wells
- Depth Severance Notes on existing Permian Bone Spring/Wolfcamp Orders: (Moot Point Regardless)
  - <u>Batman</u>: One depth severance in NE of Section 19 whereas only owner impacted is <u>Permian</u>, owning 16 more acres in the WC
  - <u>Robin</u>: No depth severances
  - Riddler: No depth severances



\*Page 6 of Cimarex Brief dated July 26, 2023

Owner

**MRC** Permian\*

HOG Partnership LP\*

Northern Oil & Gas\*

## Joker & Bane – Contractual vs. Leasehold Interest Summary

Joker & Bane - Leasehold Interest

Delta

-28.82

-24.00

-19.89

Wolfcamp

43.23

166.30

29.84

540.83

1287.03

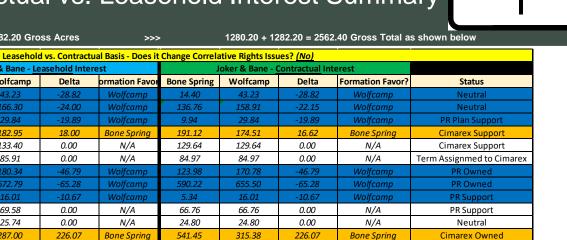
Joker = 1280.20 Gross Acres, Bane = 1282.20 Gross Acres

Bone Spring

14.40

142.30

9.94



Javelina Partners*	200.95	182.95	18.00	Bone Spring	191.12	174.51	16.62	Bone Spi	ring	Cimarex Support	
Zorro Partners, Ltd.*	133.40	133.40	0.00	N/A	129.64	129.64	0.00	N/A		Cimarex Support	
Delmar Hudson Trust*	85.91	85.91	0.00	N/A	84.97	84.97	0.00	N/A		Term Assignmed to Cimarex	
First Century	133.55	180.34	-46.79	Wolfcamp	123.98	170.78	-46.79	Wolfcar	тр	PR Owned	
Read & Stevens	607.51	672.79	-65.28	Wolfcamp	590.22	655.50	-65.28	Wolfcar	тр	PR Owned	
CBR Oil Prop*	5.34	16.01	-10.67	Wolfcamp	5.34	16.01	-10.67	Wolfcar	тр	PR Support	
Ard Oil*	69.58	69.58	0.00	N/A	66.76	66.76	0.00	N/A		PR Support	
Josephine Hudson Trust*	25.74	25.74	0.00	N/A	24.80	24.80	0.00	N/A		Neutral	
Magnum Hunter*	513.07	287.00	226.07	Bone Spring	541.45	315.38	226.07	Bone Spi	ring	Cimarex Owned	
CLM Production Co*	0.00	1.60	-1.60	Wolfcamp	0.00	1.60	-1.60	Wolfcar	тр	PR Support	
Highland (Texas) Energy*	4.80	1.60	3.20	Bone Spring	4.80	1.60	3.20	Bone Spi	ring	Neutral	
Diamond Star Prod.*	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A		PR Support	
Carolyn Beall*	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A		PR Support	
Tierra Encantada*	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A		PR Support	
David Luna*	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A	1.60	1.60	0.00	N/A		Neutral	
Warren Associates*	0.00	1.60	-1.60	Wolfcamp	0.00	1.60	-1.60	Wolfcar	тр	PR Support	
Cimarex Energy*	147.23	181.23	-34.00	Wolfcamp	148.73	182.73	-34.00	Wolfcar	тр	Cimarex Owned	
Moore & Shelton*	61.32	61.32	0.00	N/A	58.00	58.00	0.00	N/A		Cimarex Support	
Lindys Living Trust*	139.15	139.15	0.00	N/A	133.52	133.52	0.00	N/A		Term Assignmed to Jav/Zorro	
Challenger Crude*	51.36	51.36	0.00	N/A	51.36	51.36	0.00	N/A		Neutral	
Avalon Energy Corp	10.00	0.00	10.00	Bone Spring	10.00	0.00	10.00	Bone Spi	ring	PR Owned	
Marks Oil*	10.46	20.06	-9.60	Wolfcamp	10.46	20.06	-9.60	Wolfcar	тр	Neutral	
Prime Rock*	30.00	0.00	30.00	Bone Spring	30.00	0.00	30.00	Bone Spi	ring	Neutral	
Wilbanks Reserve*	55.56	106.56	-51.00	Wolfcamp	55.56	106.56	-51.00	Wolfcar	тр	Neutral	
Buccholz (Union Hill)*	16.00	16.00	0.00	N/A	41.35	41.35	0.00	N/A		Neutral	
Chase Oil Co*	33.43	33.43	0.00	N/A	33.43	33.43	0.00	N/A		PR Support	
Foran Oil Co	49.00	49.00	0.00	N/A	53.85	53.85	0.00	N/A		Neutral	
William A. Hudson II	6.00	0.00	6.00	Bone Spring	5.54	0.00	5.54	Bone Sp	ring	Assigned to Zorro	
Totals:	2562.40	2562.40		0.00	2562.40	2562.40					
	Total B	one Spring Ne	t Acres	Bone Spring WI%	(Full 4 Sections	s) Total	Wolfcamp Ne	t Acres	Wolf	camp WI% (Full 4 Sections)	
Total PR Owned:		751.06			31%		853.13			33.29%	
PR Supporters:		124.69		4.87%			158.45			6.18%	
Total PR Support:		875.74		34.18%			1011.59			39.48%	
Total Cimarex Owned:		746.21		29.1	29.12%		554.14			21.63%	

21.11%

50.23%

\*All ownership information obtained from 2023 title opinions and reports Wolfcamp formations **Released to Imaging: 8/9/20** 

**Cimarex Supporters:** 

**Total Cimarex Support:** 

\*Cimarex Ownership & Supporting Parties ownership heavily weighted towards Bone Spring formation (exposing the clear incentive/motivation to intentionally drain Wolfcamp with no account for owners as Cimarex's stated & filed plans have shown

516.83

1070.97

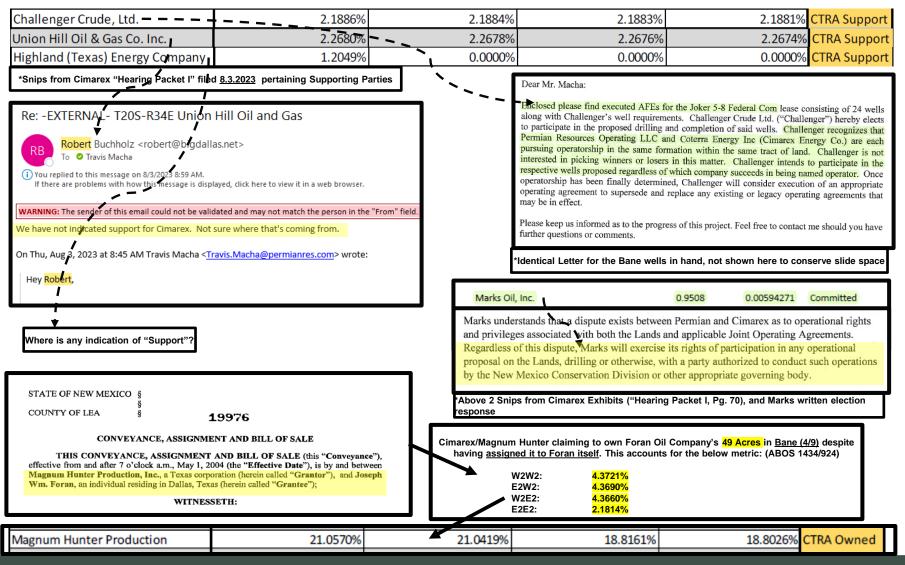
20.17%

41.80%

EXHIBIT

## Joker & Bane – Debunking Cimarex "Support"?





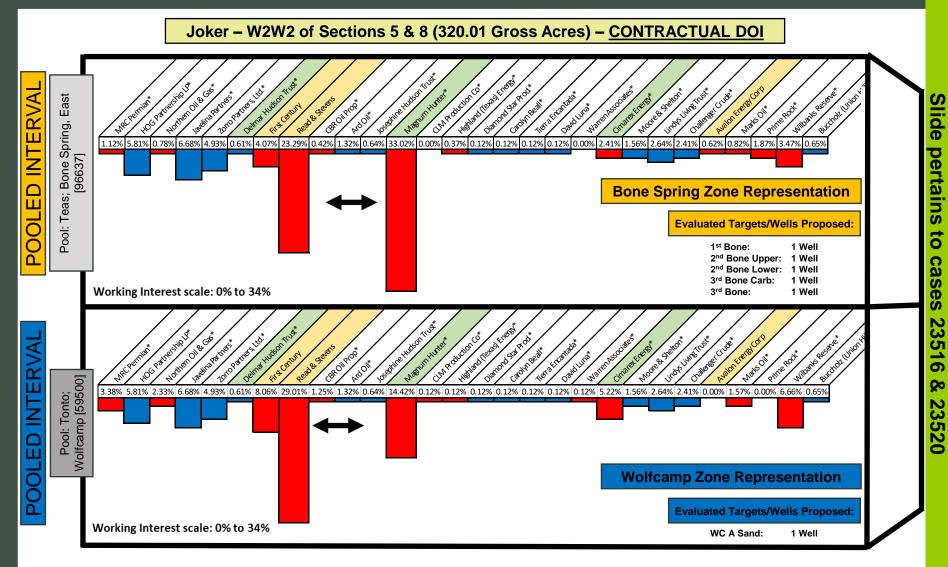
\*Appears Cimarex making bold assumptions when it comes to "Support"

Reldaseah Wm. Faran acaveys to Foren Oil Concerns, Mr assignments 1692/489 and 2128/489

\*While Cimarex Land Exhibits credit Foran Oil Company's interest to Magnum Hunter, Cimarex Engineering Exhibit D-23 accounts for Foran Oil Company Ownership.... Conflicting??

Joker – W2W2 Equivalent – Cases 23516 & 23520 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 5 & 8)



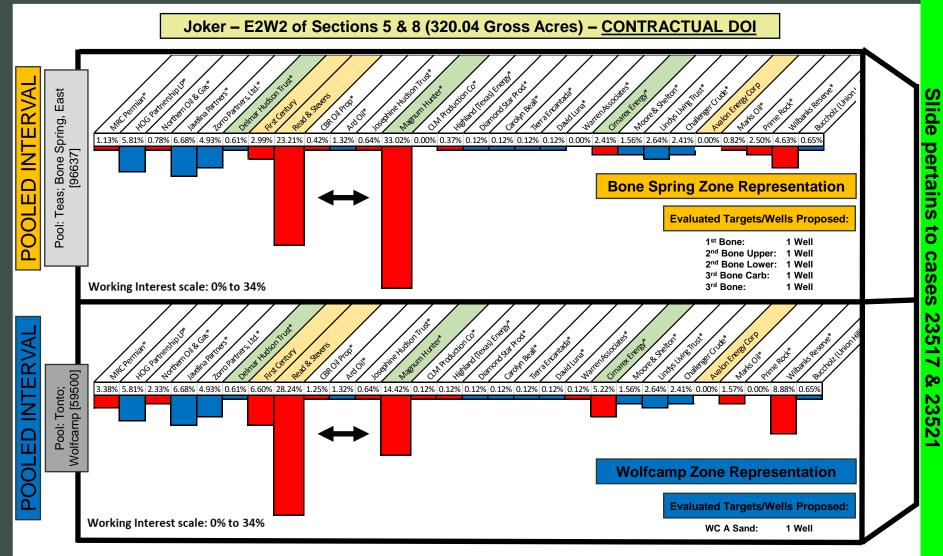


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Joker – E2W2 Equivalent – Cases 23517 & 23521 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 5 & 8)

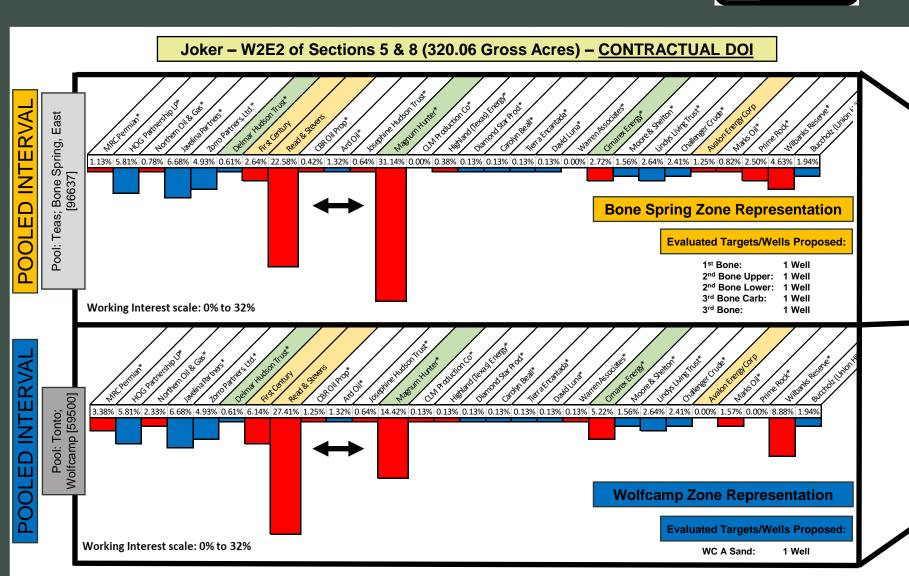




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Joker – W2E2 Equivalent – Cases 23518 & 23522 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 5 & 8)



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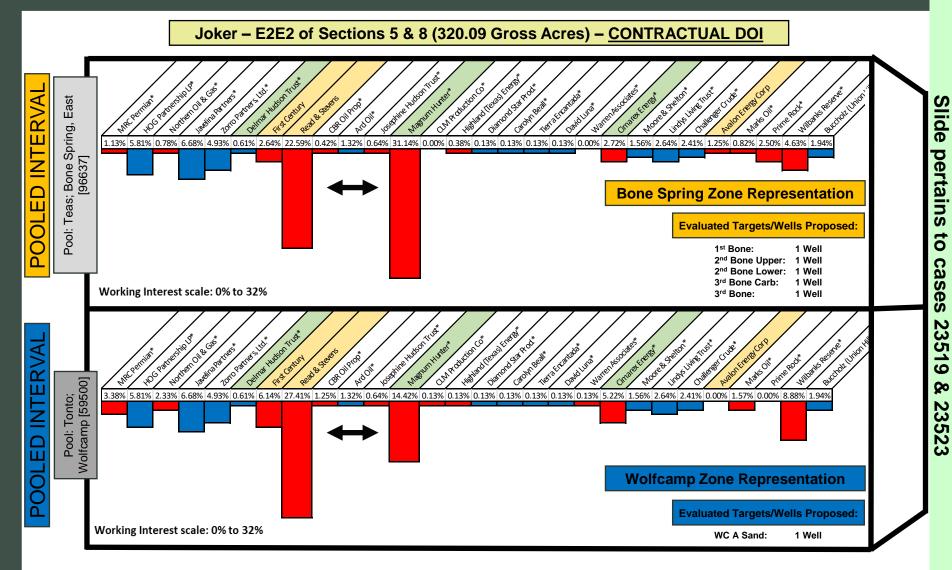
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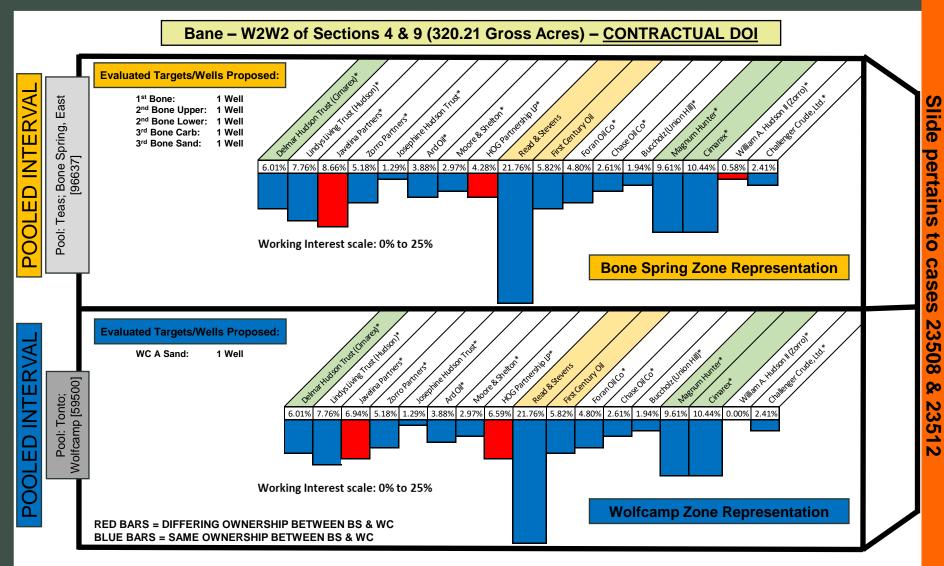


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## Bane – W2W2 Equivalent – Cases 23508 & 23512 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 4 & 9)



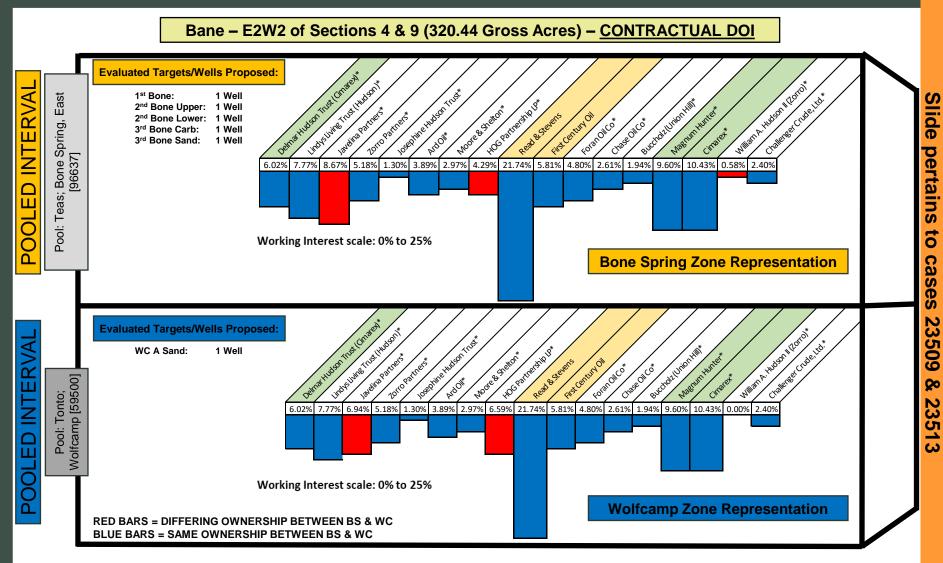


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## Bane – E2W2 Equivalent – Cases 23509 & 23513 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 4 & 9)

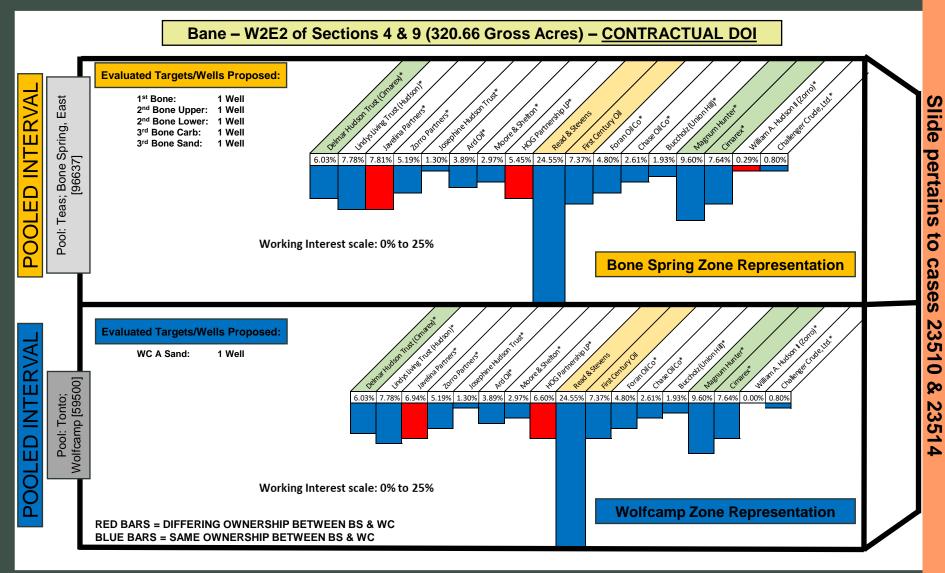




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## Bane – W2E2 Equivalent – Cases 23510 & 23514 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 4 & 9)

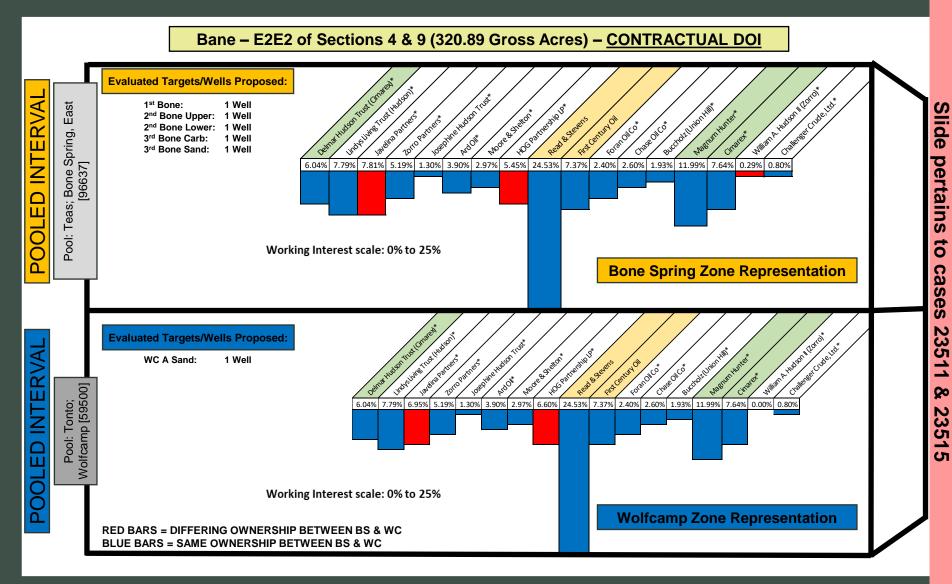




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## Bane – E2E2 Equivalent – Cases 23511 & 23515 Bone Spring & Wolfcamp Formations (Sections 4 & 9)





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## **CHASE OIL CORPORATION**



Post Office Box 1767 Artesia, New Mexico 88211-1767 Office (575) 746-9853 FAX (575) 748-7374

August 1, 2023

Read & Stevens, Inc. c/o Permian Resources LLC 300 N. Marienfeld Street, Suite 1000 Midland, Texas 79701

> RE: Bane Development Township 20 South, Range 34 East Sections 4 & 9

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is for Chase Oil Corporation, an impacted working interest owner in the above-referenced development, to adopt and ratify the statements and conclusions in the letter dated July 13, 2023 between Permian Resources LLC & Northern Oil & Gas, Inc. concerning the same.

Sincerely,

**Chase Oil Corporation** 

anders

Staci D. Sanders Vice President - Land



From:	Robert Buchholz <robert@bigdallas.net></robert@bigdallas.net>
Sent:	Thursday, August 3, 2023 7:49 AM
То:	Travis Macha
Subject:	Re: -EXTERNAL- T20S-R34E Union Hill Oil and Gas

WARNING: The sender of this email could not be validated and may not match the person in the "From" field.

We have not indicated support for Cimarex. Not sure where that's coming from.

On Thu, Aug 3, 2023 at 8:45 AM Travis Macha <<u>Travis.Macha@permianres.com</u>> wrote:

Hey Robert,

Looping back around to this, as you know the PR/Cimarex hearing is set for 8/9. They turned in some more stuff yesterday citing Union Hill as an active supporter of Cimarex's development. As of now our understanding Union Hill is a neutral party here. No hard feelings if you indeed are supporting Cimarex here but wanted to reach out your way and make that clarification.

Obviously we greatly value support here so if there's anything you need from me in the meantime feel free to let me know.

Thanks,



Travis Macha | NM Land Lead

O 432.400.1037 | travis.macha@permianres.com

300 N. Marienfeld Street, Suite 1000 | Midland, TX 79701

permianres.com

Permian Resources is a result of the merger of Centennial Resource Development and Colgate Energy effective September 1, 2022.





March 24, 2023

## VIA U.S. REGULAR MAIL AND EMAIL TO: <u>travis.macha@permianres.com</u>

Mr. Travis Macha Senior Landman Permian Resources Operating, LLC 300 N. Marienfeld Street, Suite 1000 Midland, TX 79701

RE: Bane 4-9 Federal Com – Well Proposals Sections 4 & 9, Township 20 South, Range 34 East Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Macha:

On February 22, 2023, Marks Oil, Inc. ("Marks") received a letter dated February 17, 2023, from Permian Resources Operating, LLC, as operator for Reed & Stevens, Inc. ("Permian") setting forth the proposal (the "Permian Proposal") to drill the following twenty-four (24) wells: Bane 4-9 Federal Com 111H, 112H, 113H, 114H, 121H, 122H, 123H, 124H, 125H, 126H, 127H, 128H, 171H, 172H, 173H, 174H, 131H, 132H, 133H, 134H, 201H, 202H, 203H, and 204H (collectively the "Wells") located in Sections 4 & 9, Township 20 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico (collectively the "Lands").

Marks has also received proposals from Reed & Stevens, Inc. dated September 15, 2022, Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex") dated August 25, 2022, and MRC Permian Company dated August 30, 2022, all of which propose drilling multiple horizontal wells located on the Lands and targeting the same formations in the Permian Proposal.

Marks understands that a dispute exists between Permian and Cimarex as to operational rights and privileges associated with both the Lands and applicable Joint Operating Agreements. Regardless of this dispute, Marks will exercise its rights of participation in any operational proposal on the Lands, drilling or otherwise, with a party authorized to conduct such operations by the New Mexico Conservation Division or other appropriate governing body. Mr. Travis Macha Permian Resources Operating, LLC March 24, 2023 Page 2

If you have any questions, please contact me at (303) 861-1974 or by email to <u>Steve.Marks@MarksOil.net</u>.

Sincerely,

MARKS OIL, INC. Stephen K. Marks

President

Permian Resources-Bane Proposals\_MOI ltr 032423\_SKM

## CHALLENGER CRUDE, LTD

3525 Andrews Highway Midland, TX 79703 (432) 694-3000

March 20, 2023

Permian Resources Operating LLC Attn: Travis Macha 300 N. Marienfeld Street, Ste 1000 Midland, TX 79701

RE: Well Proposal – Bane 4-9 Fed Com Lease (24 Wells) Section 4 & 9, T20S, R34E Lea County, NM

Dear Mr. Macha:

Enclosed please find executed AFEs for the Bane 4-9 Federal Com lease consisting of 24 wells along with Challenger's well requirements. Challenger Crude Ltd. ("Challenger") hereby elects to participate in the proposed drilling and completion of said wells. Challenger recognizes that Permian Resources Operating LLC and Coterra Energy Inc (Cimarex Energy Co.) are each pursuing operatorship in the same formation within the same tract of land. Challenger is not interested in picking winners or losers in this matter. Challenger intends to participate in the respective wells proposed regardless of which company succeeds in being named operator. Once operatorship has been finally determined, Challenger will consider execution of an appropriate operating agreement to supersede and replace any existing or legacy operating agreements that may be in effect.

Please keep us informed as to the progress of this project. Feel free to contact me should you have further questions or comments.

Thank you

Kymberly Holman, CPLTA, CPL Landman

EXHIBIT

#### CHALLENGER CRUDE LTD. WELL REQUIREMENT SHEET

- I. Prior to commencement of drilling:
  - A. One copy of all required governmental notices and regulatory forms
  - B. One copy of the Operator's well prognosis and drilling and completion program

Directed to: Challenger Crude Ltd. 3525 Andrews Highway

Midland, Texas 79703

Attn: **OBO** File

Reports to:

- reports@henryresources.com During the drilling, testing, completion and workover operations:
- A. Daily Reports:

B.

II.

Daily reports by email to (reports@henryresources.com) of all operations from spud through completion.

Reports will include present total depth, status, sample descriptions (if applicable), DST or testing details, rate of penetration, pertinent mud properties and other engineering data. Logs and formation Tests:

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C. Mudlogs:

If Mudlogs are run, Daily Mudlog and morning reports should be emailed to Patrick Cohorn (PCohorn@HenryResources.com) no later than 9:00 AM.

D. Well Logs:

Cased Hole Compensated Neutron-GR (Base of surface casing to TD) Minimum Requirement: Electric Logs- if run CNL-FDC w/GR and caliper - if run BHC Sonic w/GR and caliper - if run Any other logs Final Log copies required should be delivered to: Challenger Crude Ltd. 3525 Andrews Highway Midland, Texas Attn: Patrick Cohorn Number of Copies to Office: 4 Electric Logs (Final Prints) Digital Log LAS file with Final Log Tif images 1 2 Mud Logs (Final) 1 Drill Stem Test charts and results - if run 2

- Analyses (Core, Water, Fluid, Etc.) if run
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Forrest Collier Office: 432-694-3000 432-694-2999 Fax: FCollier@HenryResources.com

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J:Well Requirements/Challenger Revised 08-22-2017

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April 4, 2023

Permian Resources Operating LLC Attn: Travis Macha 300 N. Marienfeld Street, Ste 1000 Midland, TX 79701

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Kymberly Holman, CPLTA, CPL Landman

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EXHIBIT

## Challenger Crude, Ltd.

3525 Andrews Hwy. Midland, Texas 79703 432-693-3000

August 7, 2023

Darin C. Savage Attorney for Cimarex Energy Co. darin@abadieschill.com

Michael H. Feldewert Attorney for Read & Stevens, Inc. mfeldewert@hollandhart.com

Re: Application of Cimarex Energy Co., NMOCD Case Numbers 23594 through 23601 Application of Cimarex Energy Co., NMOCD Case Numbers 23448 through 23455 Application of Read & Stevens, Inc., NMOCD Case Numbers 23508 through 23523

Gentlemen:

In September of 2022, Cimarex Energy Co. ("Cimarex") presented to Challenger Crude, Ltd. ("Challenger") a proposal to drill and complete certain wells within Sections 5 & 8, T-20-S, R-34-E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. On September 28, 2022, Challenger elected to participate in the Cimarex proposed development plan by signing and returning a proposed operating agreement. Subsequent to Challenger's election to participate, Read & Stevens, Inc. through its designated operator, Permian Resources Operating, LLC (collectively referred to herein as "Read & Stevens"), approached Challenger with a competing plan of development. The competing plans of development by Cimarex and Read & Stevens are currently being contested in the above referenced Applications for Compulsory Pooling filed in the identified NMOCD Case Numbers.

Challenger wishes to express to the applicants and the NMOCD that Challenger prefers to remain neutral insofar as resolution of the competing applications is concerned. Challenger is committed to participating in development of the subject lands pursuant to whichever plan is determined by the NMOCD to prevail and will execute such agreements as may be necessary or appropriate, including without limitation voluntary Communitization Agreements and a mutually acceptable operating agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, Challenger is not by this letter repudiating the Cimarex operating agreement previously executed by Challenger on September 28<sup>th</sup> and will abide by the terms of such operating agreement should the NMOCD determine that the Cimarex plan of development prevails.

Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at <u>mcurry@henryresources.com</u> or direct line 432.681.7237.

Very truly yours, CHALLENGER CRUDE, LTD. By, Nichel E. Curry VP Land/Sr. Counsel





August 3, 2023

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Permian Resources 300 N. Marienfeld Street, Suite 1000 Midland, TX 79701

RE: NMOCD Case # 23508-23523 Joker Development

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to allow EGL Resources, Inc. ("EGL") as an impacted operator within the area the opportunity to make a reference to its opinion on the development strategy.

EGL, as an offset operator in similar geology, has been observing the ongoing cases between Permian Resources Operating and Cimarex Energy Company. EGL is presently exploring the co-development of the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations together and has concern for any precedent Cimarex is attempting to set by restricting the development of the Wolfcamp formation.

Respectfully,

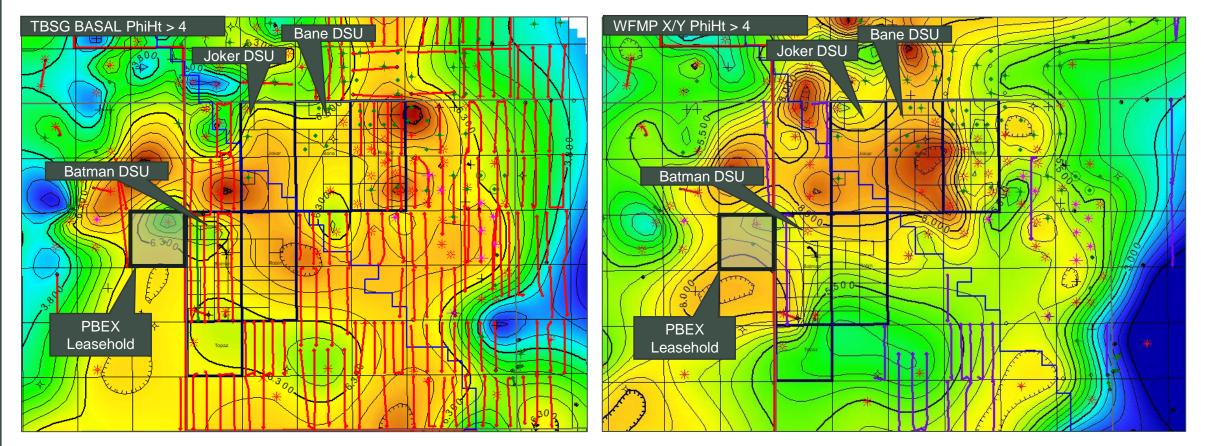
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# PBEX Offset Leasehold

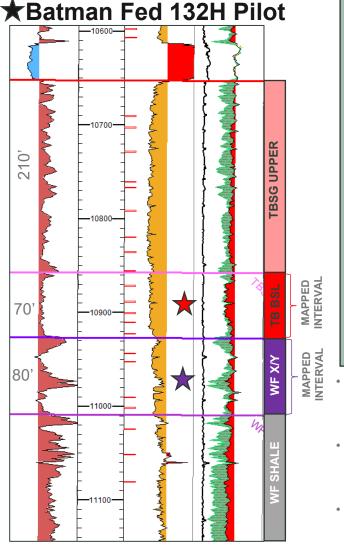


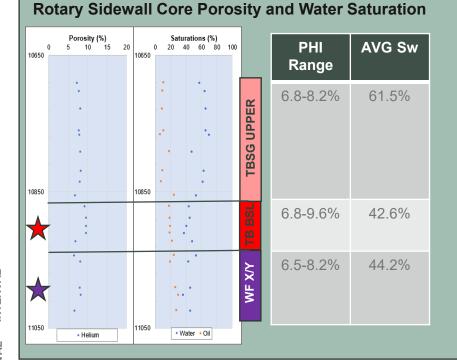


PBEX offset leasehold is in a similar geologic environment as the Bane/Joker units

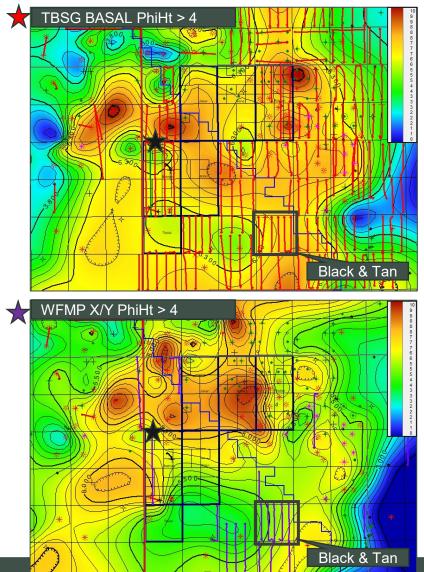
# Permian Resources Offset Study Pilot Hole and Core Support Wolfcamp XY as a High Quality Target







- WFMP X/Y sand target interval is a high-quality reservoir as evident in the offset production data which is further supported by log and core data.
- WFMP A shale is an organic rich, mature source-rock directly underlying the Wolfcamp X/Y and provides excellent hydrocarbon charge potential in the overlying sand target intervals.
- PHIHT mapping of both basal third bone spring and WFMP X/Y targets shows similar reservoir quality and thickness in this area allowing for codevelopment of both target zone intervals on subject acreage.



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# HFTS-2 is not a direct analog for Joker/Bane

Mississippian

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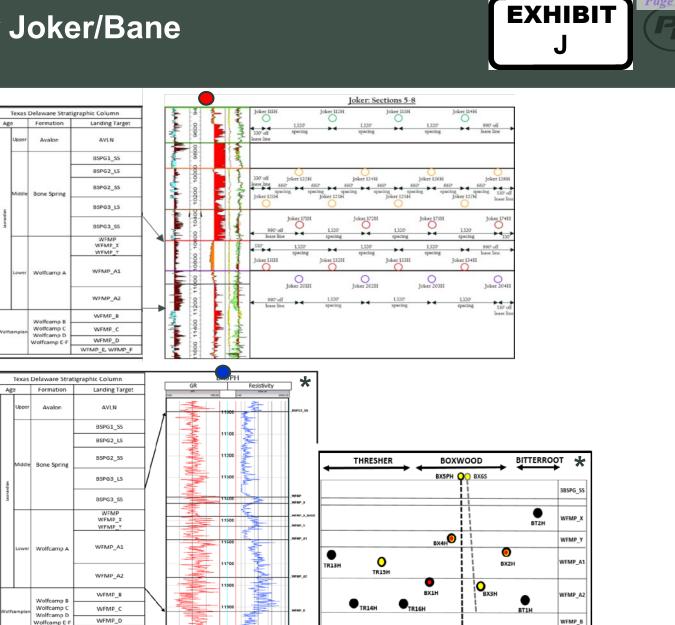
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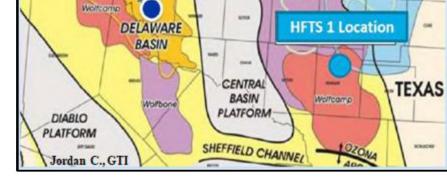
HFTS2 Study is 43.7 miles to the South

Joker/Bane

Location

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- The HFTS-2 Study is: .
  - 43.7 miles away •

**HFTS 2 Location** 

- In a different state ٠
- Does not include Third Bone Spring • development

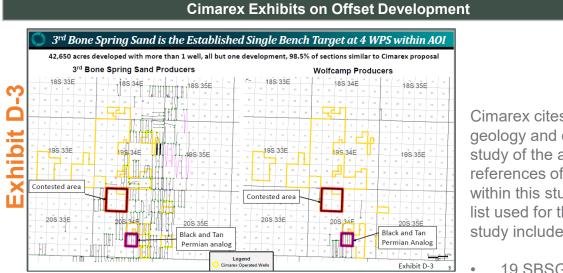
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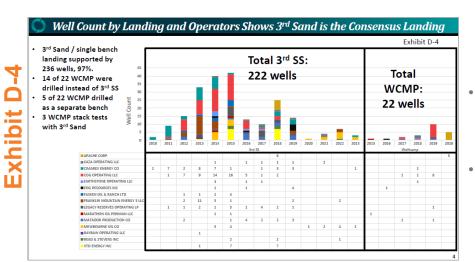
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## **Reconciling Offset Targeting** WFMP is Commonly Targeted, SBSG ≠ TBSG



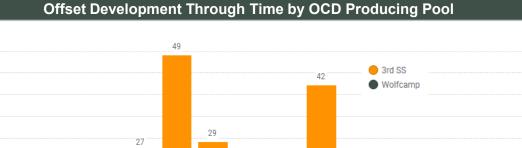




Cimarex cites its deep geology and engineering study of the area and references offset wells within this study. The well list used for this deep study includes:

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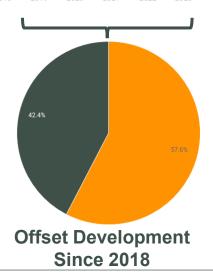
- 19 SBSG wells identified as TBSG that are likely landed in the SBSG
- Numerous missing or incorrectly identified WFMP wells
- Wells developed as far back as 2010





## Commentary

Offset development has decidedly shifted towards the appraisal and inclusion of the WFMP with >40%of wells drilled since 2018 targeting the WFMP

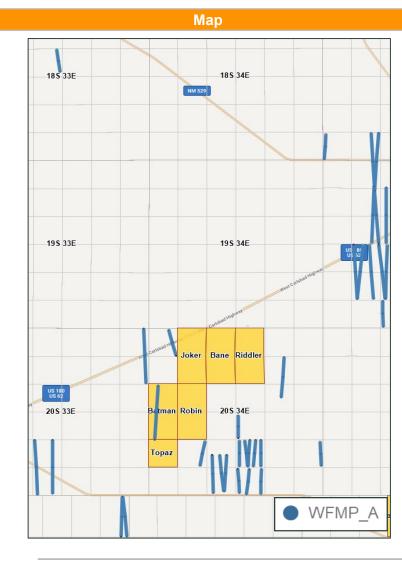


AOI assumed to be the extent of the maps in Exhibit C-3 (18S 33E-35E, 19S 33E-35E, 20S 33E-35E) 'WFMP' excludes Penn Shale

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WFMP Targeting Far More Pervasive Than Cimarex Asserts





## Well List

UWI	API_10	Well Official Name	Producing Pool	Formation	Cimarex Formation
30025433950000	3002543395	AIRSTRIP 31 18 35 RN STATE COM 201H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025458960000	3002545896	ANCHOR 19 35 33 STATE 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025509680100	3002550968	BATMAN FED COM 201H	WFMP	WFMP_A	N/A
30025460720000	3002546072	BLACK & TAN 27 FEDERAL COM 401H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025460730000	3002546073	BLACK & TAN 27 FEDERAL COM 402H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025461230000	3002546123	BLACK & TAN 27 FEDERAL COM 403H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025461240000	3002546124	BLACK & TAN 27 FEDERAL COM 405H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025460750000	3002546075	BLACK & TAN 27 FEDERAL COM 406H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025461400000	3002546140	CABLE 19 35 9 STATE COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025499040000	3002549904	CHAROLAIS 28 21 W1MD STATE COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025430530000	3002543053	DELLA 29 FEDERAL COM 701H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025501680000	3002550168	FOXTAIL E2 05 32 W1 STATE COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025501690000	3002550169	FOXTAIL E2 05 32 W1 STATE COM 002H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025478630000	3002547863	GAVILON FED COM 708H	WFMP	WFMP_A	N/A
30025465880000	3002546588	GAVILON FEDERAL COM 704H	WFMP	WFMP_A	N/A
30025496910100	3002549691	GRACE 16 STATE COM 901H	WFMP	WFMP_A	N/A
30025499350000	3002549935	HEREFORD 29 20 W1PA STATE COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025474830000	3002547483	HEREFORD 29-20 W1MD STATE COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025474840000	3002547484	HEREFORD 29-20 W1NC STATE COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025467680000	3002546768	HEREFORD 29-20 W1OB FED COM 001H	WFMP	WFMP_A	3rd SS
30025431100000	3002543110	LEA SOUTH 25 FEDERAL COM WCA 012H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025452110100	3002545211	LEA UNIT 100H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025451020000	3002545102	LITTLE BEAR FEDERAL COM 006H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
30025451030000	3002545103	LITTLE BEAR FEDERAL COM 007H	WFMP	WFMP_A	Wolfcamp
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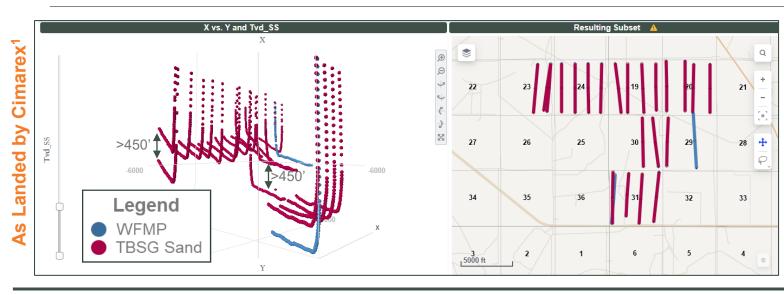
## Commentary

The WFMP A has been targeted more often than asserted by Cimarex ostensibly owing to a combination of:

- Incorrectly • identifying WFMP wells as TBSG
- Omitting WFMP wells entirely from well-set

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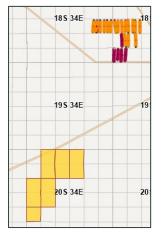


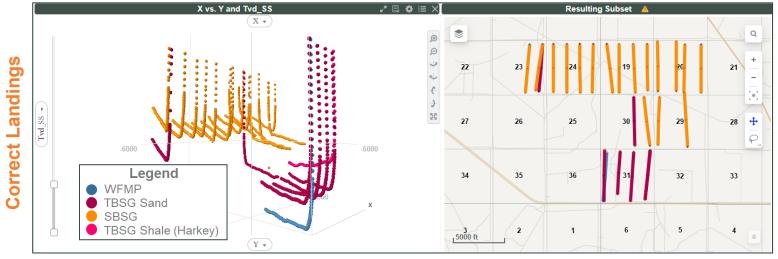


## Commentary

Cimarex supplied a well list used in the deep engineering and geology study (Exhibit D-24). A quick look at the directional surveys in the northern extents of the AOI show:

- '3<sup>rd</sup> SS' wells in the same unit have >450' of TVD separation
- There are WFMP wells shallower than the TBSG





Commentary

In reality, many of the '3<sup>rd</sup> SS' wells are most likely incorrectly identified and are actually landed in the **SBSG** 

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185 34E NM 5 195 34E US 180 US 62 Joker Bane Riddler 205 34E Batman Robin **SBSG** Topaz

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UWI	API_10	Well Official Name	Formation	Cimarex Formation
30025418090000	3002541809	ALBATROSS STATE COM 1H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025411480100	3002541148	CAPROCK 27 STATE FEDERAL COM 1H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025408140100	3002540814	CONDOR STATE 001H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025410250000	3002541025	CONDOR STATE 2H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025423770000	3002542377	IGGLES STATE COM 001H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025406760100	3002540676	IRONHOUSE 19 STATE COM 1H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025410940000	3002541094	IRONHOUSE 19 STATE COM 2H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025410500000	3002541050	IRONHOUSE 19 STATE COM 3H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025412450200	3002541245	IRONHOUSE 19 STATE COM 4H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025406110000	3002540611	IRONHOUSE 20 STATE 1H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025407480000	3002540748	IRONHOUSE 20 STATE COM 2H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025411630000	3002541163	IRONHOUSE 24 STATE COM 1H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025415950000	3002541595	IRONHOUSE 24 STATE COM 2H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025416960000	3002541696	IRONHOUSE 24 STATE COM 4H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025418360000	3002541836	KINGFISHER STATE COM 2H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025424720000	3002542472	KINGFISHER STATE COM 5H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025419500000	3002541950	NIGHTHAWK STATE COM 003H	SBSG	Wolfcamp
30025415190100	3002541519	NIGHTHAWK STATE COM 1H	SBSG	3rd SS
30025424990000	3002542499	PICKARD 20 18 34 RN STATE 124H	SBSG	3rd SS

Well List

## Commentary

19 of the wells identified by Cimarex as either TBSG or WFMP are likely SBSG wells

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Apache Black & Tan

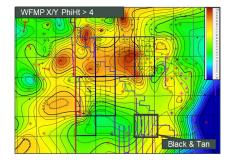


## Black & Tan, the Only Similar Development Plan...

27. There is only one development plan within the entire AOI similar to the plan

Permian Resources is proposing for its Joker and Bane Wells, the Black and Tan Wells drilled in

Section 27, Township 20 South, Range 35 East, located just 2 miles south of the Subject Lands.



	TBSG Sand WPS	WFMP A WPS	Total WPS
Black & Tan	6	5	11
PR Proposal	4	4	8



Analogous Geology?

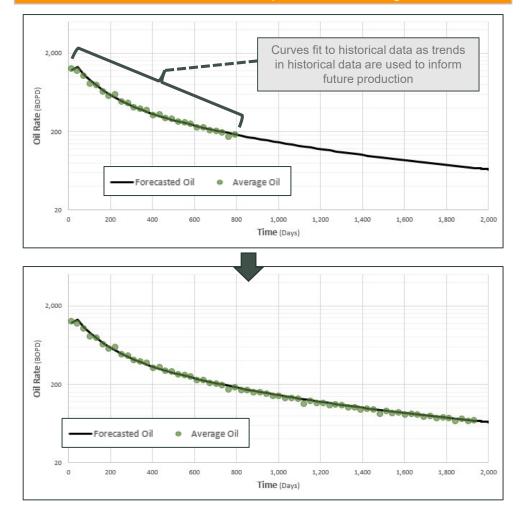
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Analogous Density? X Analogous Sequencing? Although Apache's Black & Tan development is NOT an analog to PR's proposal, Cimarex's analysis features so heavily in their materials, it requires additional rebuttal

# Black & Tan Learnings

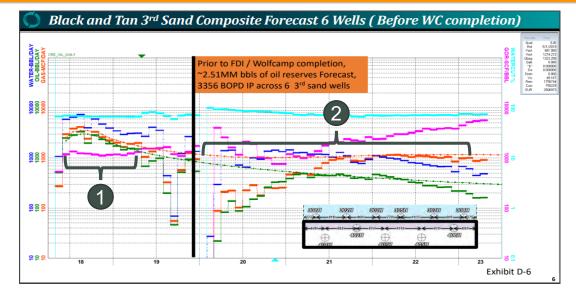
Cimarex's Analysis Fundamentally Flawed





#### Fundamentals Of Empirical Forecasting

Empirical Forecasting In Cimarex Analysis

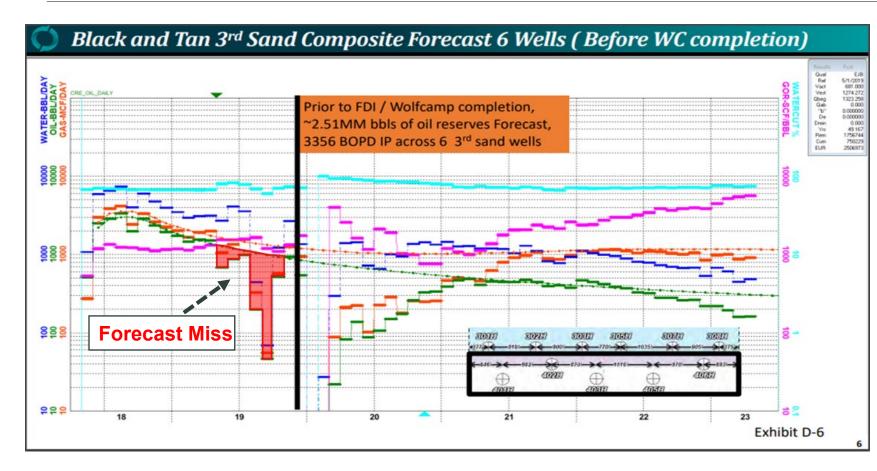


Cimarex uses Black & Tan TBSG production data through May 2019 1 to establish the expected future performance of the project if left as a TBSG only development and then uses the difference between this forecast and the actual TBSG production to establish the damage the development of the TBSG did 2

# Black & Tan Learnings

Cimarex's Analysis Fundamentally Flawed





The TBSG data to May 2019 used to generate the expected TBSG performance somehow lost the ability to predict future performance (June 2019- November 2019 highlighted in red)

## What Happened To The TBSG?

- Development of the WFMP?
  - 1<sup>st</sup> B&T WFMP spud August 2019
  - Last B&T WFMP spud October 2019
  - B&T Frac December 2019
- Changing operational conditions?
- Offset interference?

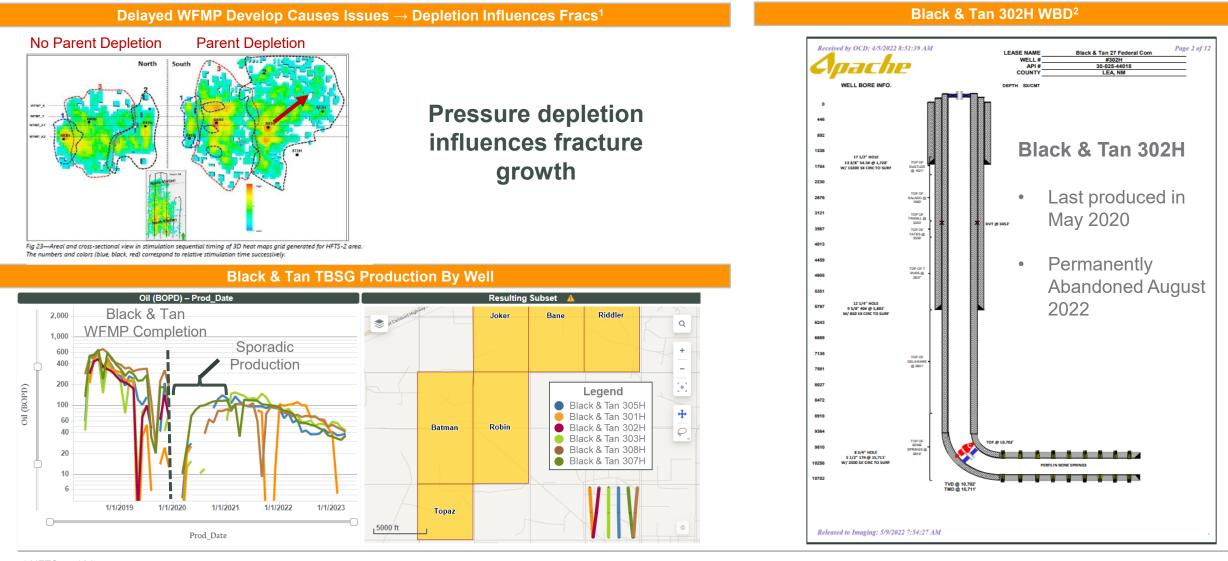


Concho Little Bear 2H (BSPG Pool) frac May 2019

# **Black & Tan Learnings**

Delayed WFMP Development Leads to Sporadic Production and Reduced Wellbores



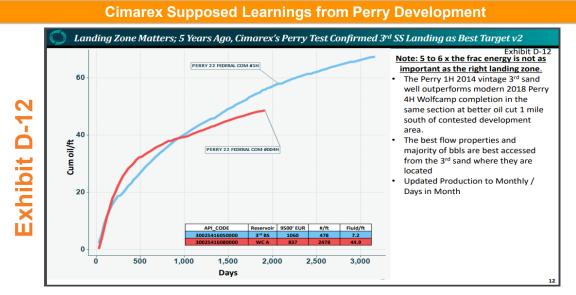


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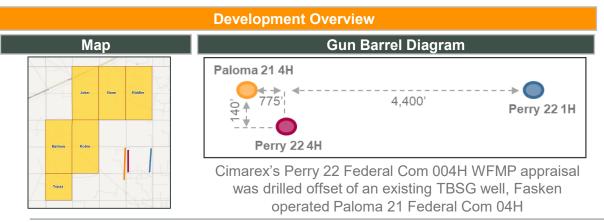
# **Cimarex's Appraisal of the WFMP**

Strong WFMP Results, TBSG not Damaged





Cimarex cites their Perry development as proof positive that "drilling the upper Wolfcamp is a waste of resources"





A Closer Look

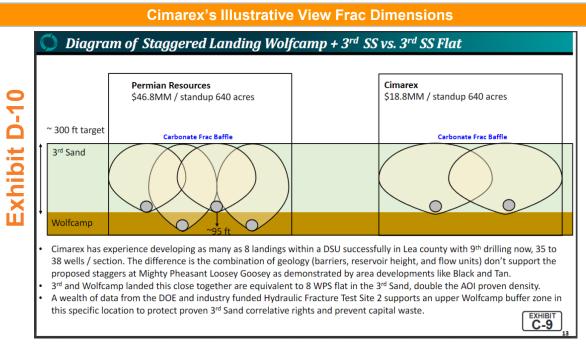
Far from destroying the TBSG, the Paloma 21 4H improves following offset completion of the Perry 4H

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# **Frac Dimensions**

HFTS2 Demonstrated Fracture Growth Upward AND Downward





Cimarex has provided a cartoon depiction of fracture dimensions for WFMP/TBSG development and vaguely asserts that this is based on leanings from HFTS2

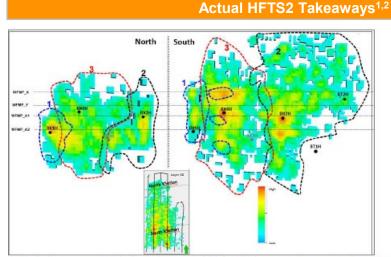
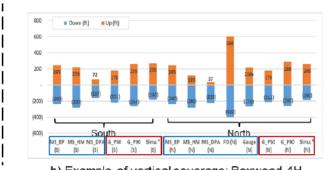


Fig 23—Areal and cross-sectional view in stimulation sequential timing of 3D heat maps grid generated for HFTS-2 area. The numbers and colors (blue, black, red) correspond to relative stimulation time successively.



#### b) Example of vertical coverage: Boxwood-4H

Diagnostics

Simulation

G\_P50, G\_P90: GOHFER statistical simulation results Simu.\*: Calibrated simulation results (N) - North; (S) - South

## HFTS2:

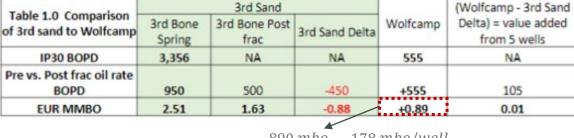
- Is more than 40 miles away and in very different geology
- Did not include the development of the TBSG
- Demonstrated upward AND downward fracture growth

# **Cimarex Perry WFMP Appraisal**

By Cimarex's Own Exhibits, the WFMP is Highly Economic







Wolfcamp Recovery (EUR) =  $\frac{890 \text{ mbo}}{5 \text{ wells}}$  =

178 mbo/well	_
4,600 <i>ft/well</i>	_

38.5 bo/ft

Black and Tan Analog Comparison To MP/LG Exhibit D-12								
	Table 1.2		Black and Tan		Mighty	/ Pheasant Loosey Goo	sey	
[	Analog Comparison	3rd Sand	Wolfcamp	3 <sup>rd</sup> SS % of total	3rd Sand	Wolfcamp	3 <sup>rd</sup> SS % of total	
[	PHIH	22	7	76	27	10	73	

- Contested acreage is expected to outperform Black and Tan 2.5MMbo / 640-acre Technical EUR by ~20%
- Over performance driven by improved PHIH of 3<sup>rd</sup> sand. 27/22 = 122%.

Table 1.3 Reserves Economic Comparison 10MM Technical EUR DSU

- Sensitivities highlight impact of capital waste given 0% uplift on Black and Tan Wolfcamp 3<sup>rd</sup> SS analog
- Table 1.3 Wolfcamp must add ~40% reserves to break even vs Cimarex Development at P90 reserves case
- Table 1.4 Wolfcamp must add ~31% reserves to break even vs. Cimarex Development at SM business case
- Neither Table 1.3 or 1.4 increase in performance is reasonable to expect given public data

\$65 flat analysis at Cimarex WI & NRI				Permian	(	Cimarex
Reserves	IP	Economic EUR MBO	PV10 \$MM	Payout months	PV10 \$MM	Payout months
100%	14,738	8,860	14.7	43	41.8	12
6 expected	16,212	9,820	21.4	33		
0% expected	17,685	10,780	28.2	26		
0% expected	19,159	11,740	34.9	23		
40% expected	20,633	12,700	41.5	21		
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	Table 1.4	Development Compa	arison 12N	MM Technical EUR	DSU	
\$65 flat anal	ysis at Cim	arex WI & NRI		Permian	(	Cimarex
12 MM EUR	IP	Economic EUR MBO	PV10 \$MM	Payout months	PV10	Payout months
100%	18,897	11,026	34.8	23	61.9	10
L0% expected	20,787	12,987	43.6	20		
20% expected	22,676	14,233	52.3	18		

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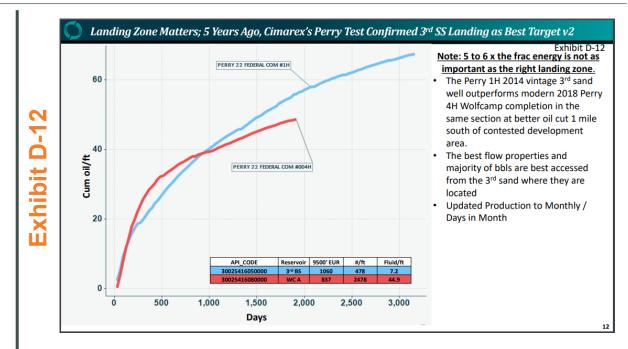
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order to create equivalent PV10, Wolfcamp landings st add ~40% more reserves vs reserves estimate ole 1.3) and 31% more reserves vs. P50 expectation ble 1.4). This outcome is unrealistic vs. observed ults. arex lower terminal fixed OpEx + less well

radation results in 9.1MM EUR vs. Permian 8.9MM at 100% reserves expectation.

- Cimarex plan self-funds annual drilling after first ch of wells supporting rapid development
- Permian plan supports slower development speed





Cimarex provides their internal EUR for the Perry 22 4H

837 mbo / 9,500 ft = 88 bo/ft

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API_CODE	Reservoir	9500' EUR	#/ft	Fluid/ft		
30025416050000	3rd BS	1060	478	7.2		
30025416080000	WC A	837	2478	44.9		
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Exceeding 54 bo/ft required by Cimarex economics

15,480

16,727

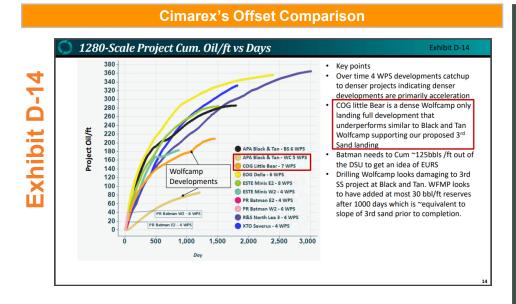
130% expected 24,566

140% expected 26.456

# **Cimarex Offset Development Comparison**

Selectively Breaking Out WFMP and TBSG is Misleading





Cimarex selects offset developments in an attempt to demonstrate that 4 WPS TBSG only development generates the most production. Some observations:

- Black & Tan WFMP are graphed separately than the WFMP defeating the purpose of this plot
- Even by this plot, through the first 5 years the Della development (6 WPS and includes a WFMP) is the strongest offset development



# A Closer Look

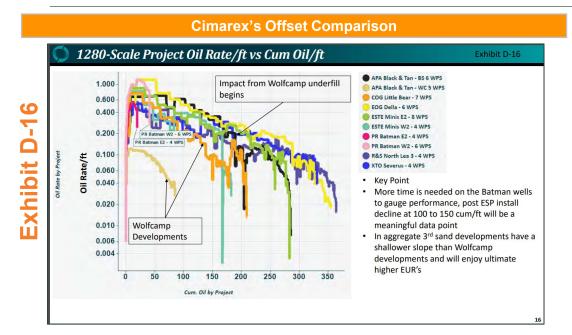
Months\_On\_Prod

When grouping the developments together instead of selectively separating out the WFMP, the top 2 projects are WFMP & TBSG co-developments at greater than 4 WPS

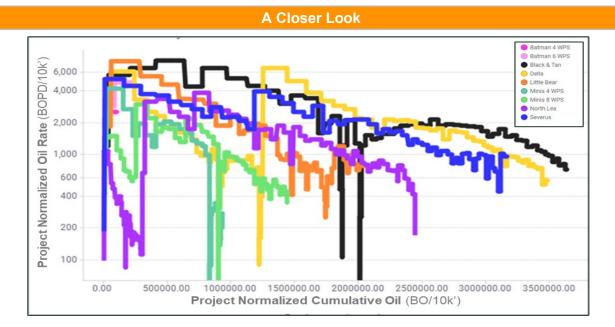
# **Cimarex Offset Development Comparison**

Selectively Breaking Out WFMP and TBSG is Misleading





- · Merging daily and monthly can be misleading
- Selectively separating out WFMP and TBSG is misleading

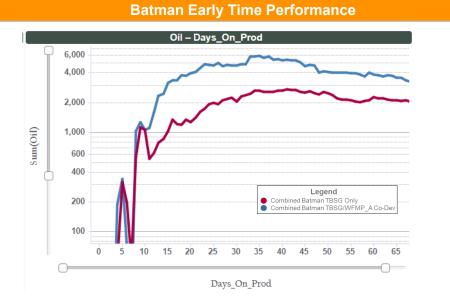


 Recreating the plot with the Black & Tan WFMP & TBSG yields very different results

# **A Note on Economics**

Batman Supports Material Economic Uplift with Co-Development





Cum\_Oil – Days\_On\_Prod 240,000 **125,000** bbl ∆ 200,000 over just 67 days 160,000 Sum(Cum\_Oil) 120,000 80.000 40,000 11 18 25 32 39 53 60 46 Ö Days\_On\_Prod

#### **PR Internal Expectations** Oil Total Actual **NPV 10** Production Forecasted IRR **Revenue to** (\$MM) EUR (MBO) Date (\$MM) (bbls) 251,000 78% Batman Co-Development 2,524 \$14.9 \$8.40 Batman TBSG Only 123,000 1,776 \$10.1 \$3.95 73% \$4.8 \$4.45 Delta 128,000 748 5%

Current internal expectations strongly support TBSG/WCA codevelopment and additional reserves with:

- Massively increased early time performance
- Increased EUR
- Increased NPV10



# **Coterra - 2Q23 Earnings Presentation**

Filed 8/7/2023 on Coterra Website



## **Permian Asset Overview**

## targeting prolific Wolfcamp & Bone Spring



## notable Permian projects

#### Larger-scale projects are driving capital efficiency by

- Focusing on concentrated areas & reducing mobilization time for drilling & completion services
- Spreading facilities and infrastructure across more wells

Culberson Mint Julep Row | Wolfcamp | 7.5 wps 11.4 net (23 gross) wells now online

Culberson Row | Wolfcamp | 7-9 wps 25.5 net (51 gross) wells spud 3Q23 Largest development to date

#### Lea County | Bone Spring, 4 Landing Zones | 14 wps 4.6 net (8 gross) wells coming online Q4 2023 Further testing multiple Bone Spring landing zones

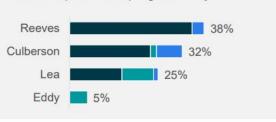
#### Culberson County | Wolfcamp & Harkey | 9 & 4 wps 9.0 net (18 gross) wells coming online 4Q23 Given project timing, production tilts toward 2024

- Coterra acreage ~307k net acres
- Wolfcamp
- Bone Spring

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## 2023 operational outlook

\$880mm -	\$980mm	D&C capex
	9,700'	avg. lateral length <sup>(1)</sup>
	\$1,200	avg. well cost per foot <sup>(1)</sup>
	\$1,250	Reeves
	\$1,000	Culberson
	\$1,400	Lea
	\$1,000	Eddy
- 08	90	net wells online:
<ul> <li>Wolfcamp</li> </ul>	Bone Spring	Harkey



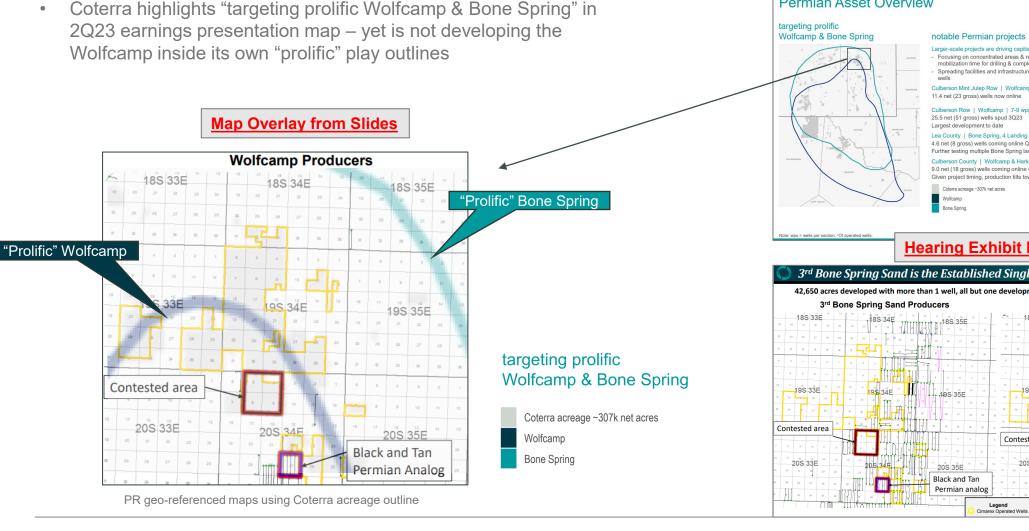
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Note: wps = wells per section. 1Of operated wells

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