BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION EXAMINER HEARING NOVEMBER 2, 2023

CASE No. 23939

FEW 16 21 FEDERAL COM #426H, #427H, #428H, & #429H WELLS

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



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

APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS

Case: 23939	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE
Date	November 2, 2023
Applicant	Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (OGRID No. 4323)
Applicant's Counsel:	Holland & Hart LLP
Case Title:	APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	N/A
Well Family	FEW 16 21 Federal Com
Formation/Pool	
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Wolfcamp
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Gas
Pooling this vertical extent:	N/A
Pool Name and Pool Code:	Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (gas) [98220]
Well Location Setback Rules:	Special Pool Rules for the Purple Sage
Spacing Unit	
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal
Size (Acres)	640
Building Blocks:	320 acres
Orientation:	North-South
Description: TRS/County	E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe and is approval of non-standard unit requested in this application?	Yes
Other Situations	
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	N/A BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	No Santa Fe, New Mexico
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A Submitted by: Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	C-2 Hearing Date: November 2, 2023 Case No. 23939
Well(s)	
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location,	Add wells as needed
footages, completion target, orientation, completion status	
(standard or non-standard)	

Woll #1:	FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H well Page 4
Wellettived by OCD: 10/31/2023 11:04:42 AM	FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H well SHL: 861' FSL, 1,097' FEL (Unit P) of Section 9
	BHL: 50' FSL, 2,310' FEL (Unit O) of Section 21
	Target: Wolfcamp
'	Orientation: North-South
	Completion: Standard Location
Well #2	FEW 16 21 Federal Com 427H well
,	SHL: 870' FSL, 1,079' FEL (Unit P) of Section 9 BHL: 50' FSL, 1,600' FEL (Unit O) of Section 21
	Target: Wolfcamp
	Orientation: North-South
	Completion: Standard Location
Well #3	FEW 16 21 Federal Com 428H well
'	SHL: 879' FSL, 1,061' FEL (Unit P) of Section 9
l	BHL: 50' FSL, 990' FEL (Unit P) of Section 21
l	Target: Wolfcamp Orientation: North-South
l	Completion: Standard Location
Well #4	FEW 16 21 Federal Com 429H well
	SHL: 889' FSL, 1,043' FEL (Unit P) of Section 9
l	BHL: 50' FSL, 330' FEL (Unit P) of Section 21
l	Target: Wolfcamp
l	Orientation: North-South
to the University of Table Bailet	Completion: Standard Location
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	Exhibit C-1 Exhibit D-5
Completion ranger (Formation, 145 and 1415)	באוווטונ ט-ס
AFE Capex and Operating Costs	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	N/A
Production Supervision/Month \$	N/A
Justification for Supervision Costs	N/A
Requested Risk Charge	N/A
Notice of Hearing	
Proposed Notice of Hearing	See Application
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	Exhibit E
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)	Exhibit F
Ownership Determination	
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit	Exhibit C-2
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	Exhibit C-2
If approval of Non-Standard Spacing Unit is requested, Tract List	
(including lease numbers and owners) of Tracts subject to notice	
requirements.	N/A
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	Exhibit C-2
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	N/A

Ownership/Depth Deverance/induding pargentage above & below)	N/A
Joinder	N/A
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	N/A
List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	Exhibit C-2
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests	N/A
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	N/A
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	N/A
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	N/A
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	N/A
Geology	
Summary (including special considerations)	Exhibit D
Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibit D-2
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	N/A
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Exhibit D
Target Formation	Exhibit D, D-5
HSU Cross Section	Exhibit D-4
Depth Severance Discussion	N/A
Forms, Figures and Tables	
C-102	Exhibit C-1
Tracts	Exhibit C-2
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	Exhibit C-2
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit D-2
Well Bore Location Map	Exhibit D-2
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibit D-3
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	Exhibit D-4, D-5
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit D-4, D-5
Additional Information	
Special Provisions/Stipulations	N/A
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provi	ided in this checklist is complete and accurate.
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Paula M. Vance
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Phon 1/2
Date:	10/31/2023

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CASE NO. 23939

APPLICATION

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron" or "Applicant") (OGRID No. 4323), through its undersigned

attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions

of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in the Wolfcamp

formation underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the

E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

In support of its application, Chevron states:

1. Applicant is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing unit and has

the right to drill thereon.

2. Applicant seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to

the proposed FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 427H, FEW 16 21 Federal

Com 428H, and FEW 16 21 Federal Com 429H wells, to be horizontally drilled from a common

surface location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9, with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit

B) and NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of said Section 16 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) and

SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of said Section 21.

3. Applicant owns 100 percent of the working interests in the proposed spacing unit and,

therefore, seeks to pool only non-cost-bearing interest owners, including overriding royalty interest

owners and bare record title owners, whose interests have not been pooled within the subject spacing

unit.

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WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on November 2, 2023, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Approving the horizontal well spacing unit and pooling the overriding royalty interests therein; and
- B. Designating Applicant operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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CASE :

Application of Chevron U.S.A. Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said unit will be initially dedicated to the proposed FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 427H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 428H, and FEW 16 21 Federal Com 429H wells, to be horizontally drilled from a common surface location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9, with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) and NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of said Section 16 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) and SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of said Section 21. Also, to be considered will be the designation of Applicant as operator of the well. Said area is located approximately 14 miles southwest of Malaga, New Mexico.

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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF GREGG PAZER

1. My name is Gregg Pazer. I work for Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron") as a Landman.

- 2. I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division") as an expert witness in petroleum land matters. My credentials as a landman have been accepted by the Division and made a matter of record.
- 3. I am familiar with the application filed by Chevron in this case, and I am familiar with the status of the lands in the subject area.
- 4. None of the uncommitted parties in this case has indicated opposition to proceeding by self-affirmed statement and, therefore, I do not expect any opposition at the hearing.
- 5. In Case No. 23939, Chevron seeks an order pooling all uncommitted interests in Wolfcamp formation, underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit comprised of the E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Chevron seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the proposed FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 427H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 428H, and FEW 16 21 Federal Com 429H wells, to be horizontally drilled from a common surface location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9, with first take points in the

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ederal Com 427H, FEW 16

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with first take points in the

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NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) and NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of said Section 16 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit O) and SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of said Section 21.

- 6. **Chevron Exhibit C-1** contains a draft Form C-102 for the wells in this horizontal spacing unit. These forms demonstrate that the completed interval for each well will comply with the Purple Sage Special Pool rules for gas wells. The exhibit shows that the wells will be assigned to the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (gas) [98220].
- 7. **Chevron Exhibit C-2** identifies the tracts of land comprising the horizontal spacing unit, the ownership interests in each tract, and ownership interests on a spacing unit basis. Chevron owns 100 percent of the working interests in the proposed spacing unit and is seeking to pool the overriding royalty interests and title record owners highlighted in yellow. The subject acreage is comprised of state and federal lands.
- 8. Chevron has provided the law firm of Holland & Hart LLP with the names and addresses of the parties that Chevron seeks to pool and instructed that they be notified of this hearing. Chevron has conducted a diligent search of all public records in the county where the property is located, reviewed telephone directories, and conducted computer searches to locate contact information for each interest owner.
- 9. **Chevron Exhibits C-1 through C-2** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.
- 10. I affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the foregoing statements are true and correct. I understand that this self-affirmed statement will be used as written testimony in this case. This statement is made on the date next to my signature below.

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Form C-102

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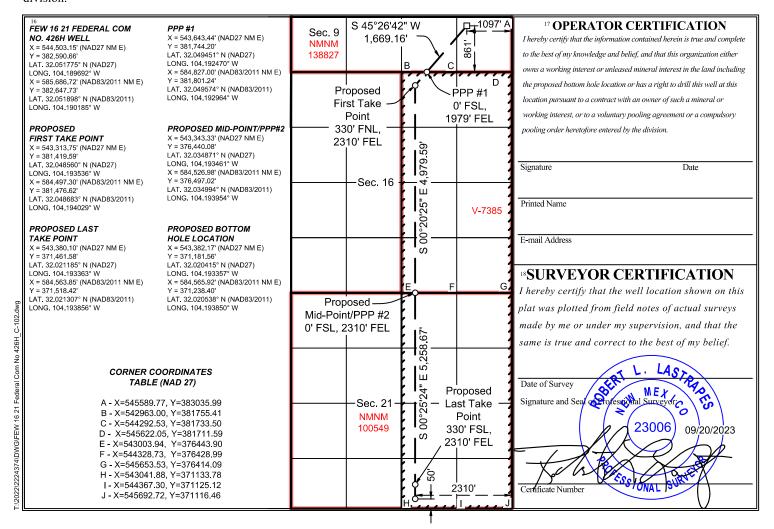
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	¹ API Number ² Pool Code ³ Pool Name										
	30-015-5	3731	982	20		PURPL	E SAGE; WOL	FCAMP (GAS)		
⁴ Proper	ty Code		•	5 P	roperty Name				6 Well Number		
				FEW 16 2	1 FEDERAL O	COM			426H		
⁷ OGR	ID No.			8 O	perator Name					⁹ Elevation	
43	23			CHEVE	RON U.S.A. IN	C.				3280'	
	¹⁰ Surface Location										
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/V	est line	County	
P	9	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.		861'	SOUTH	1097'	EAS	ST	EDDY	
			п Bottom I	Hole Locat	ion If Diffe	erent From S	Surface				
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/W	est line	County	
О	21	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.		50'	SOUTH	2310'	EAS	EDDY		
12 Dedicated A	cres 13 Joi	nt or Infill	¹⁴ Consolidation Code	¹⁵ Order No.							
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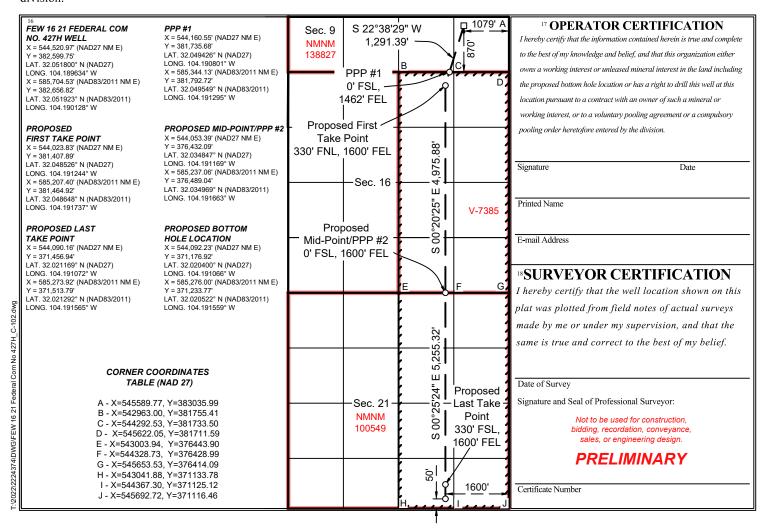
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	1 API Num	Number ² Pool Code ³ Pool Name								
	30-015-53	3699	9822	98220 PURPLE SAGE; WOLFCAMP (GAS)						
⁴ Proper	ty Code		•	⁵ P	roperty Name				⁶ Well Number	
				FEW 16 2	1 FEDERAL O	COM			427H	
⁷ OGR	ID No.			8 O	perator Name					⁹ Elevation
43	23			CHEVE	RON U.S.A. IN	C.			3281'	
	¹⁰ Surface Location									
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/V	West line	County
P	9	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.		870'	SOUTH	1079'	EA	ST	EDDY
			11 Bottom H	ole Locat	ion If Diffe	erent From S	Surface			
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/V	Vest line	County
О	21	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.	T, N.M.P.M. 50' SOUTH 1600' EAST ED				EDDY		
12 Dedicated A	12 Dedicated Acres 13 Joint or Infill 14 Consolidation Code 15 Order No.									



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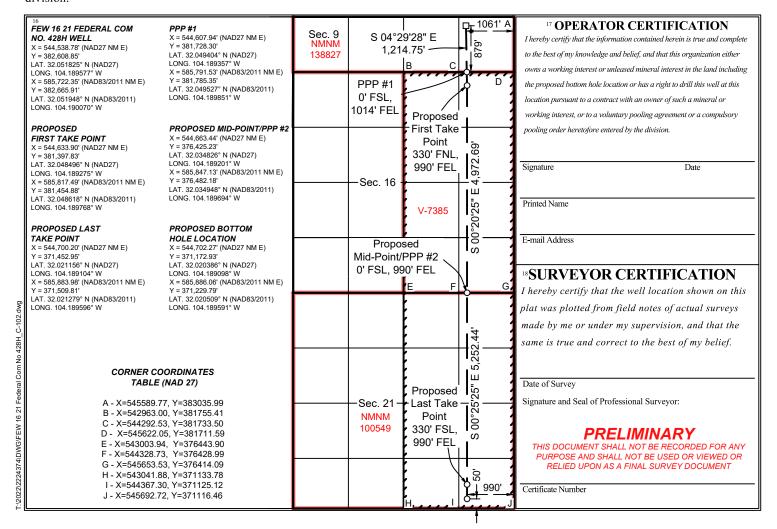
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	30-015-53	3516	982	20	PURPLE SAGE; WOLFCAMP (GAS)						
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P	9	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.	.	879'	SOUTH	1061'	EA	ST	EDDY	
			11 Bottom I	Hole Locat	ion If Diffe	erent From S	Surface				
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/V	West line	County	
P	21	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.	.	50'	SOUTH	990'	EA	ST	EDDY	
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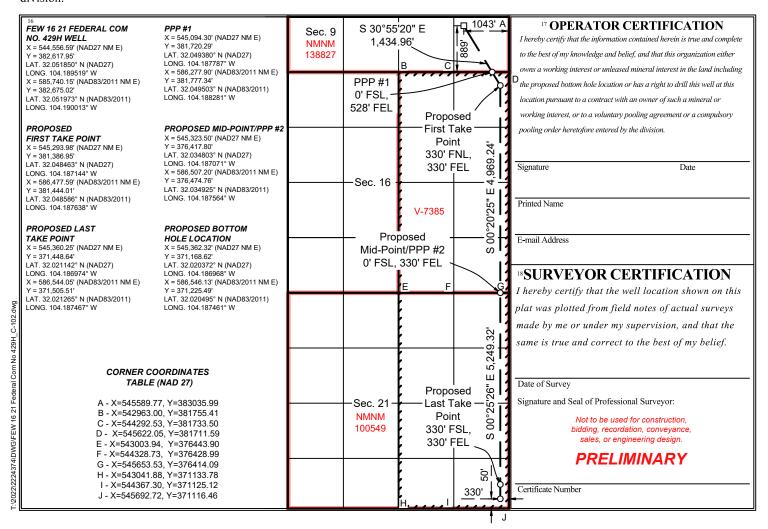
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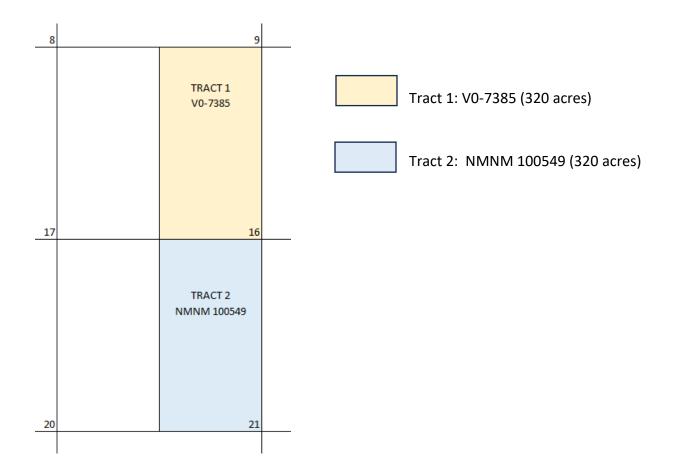
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43	23			CHEVE	RON U.S.A. IN	C.				3282'	
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UL or lot no.	Sectio	n Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/V	Vest line	County	
P	9	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.		889'	SOUTH	1043'	EAST		EDDY	
			11 Bottom I	Hole Locat	ion If Diffe	erent From S	Surface				
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/W	est line	County	
P	21	26 SOUTH	27 EAST, N.M.P.M.		50'	SOUTH	330'	EAST		EDDY	
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640		INFILL									



OWNERSHIP BREAKDOWN

FEW 16 21 FEDERAL COM

E/2 of Section 16 and Section 21, T26S, R27E, Eddy County, New Mexico, Wolfcamp Formation, 640 acres, Delaware Basin



Tract 1 Ownership (E/2 Section 16, T26S R27E, being 320 acres)

Owner	WI	Net Acres	Status
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.			
1400 Smith Street			
Houston, TX 77002	<u>100%</u>	<u>320</u>	Committed (Operator)
Total:	100.00%	320	

Tract 2 Ownership (E/2 Section 21, T26S R27E, being 320 acres acres)

Owner	WI	Net Acres	Status
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.			
1400 Smith Street			
Houston, TX 77002			
	69.4%	6 222.08	Committed (Operator)
Chevron Midcontinent,			
L.P.			
1400 Smith Street			
Houston TX 77002	30.6%	6 97.92	Committed
Total:	100.00%	6 320	

Overriding Royalty Interests (ORRI) seeking to Compulsory Pool:

ORRI Owners (Tract 1)

Nearburg Production Company P.O. Box 823085 Dallas, TX 75382

Nearburg Exploration Company, LLC P.O. Box 823085 Dallas, TX 75382-3085

Nestegg Energy Corporation 2308 Sierra Vista Road Artesia, NM 88210

ORRI Owners (Tract 2)

OXY Y-1 Company 5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110 Houston, TX 77046

Record Title Interests seeking to Compulsory Pool:

Tract 1

Chisholm Energy Operating, LLC 801 Cherry Street, Suite 1200, Unit 20 Fort Worth, TX 76102

Tract 2

OXY Y-1 Company 5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110 Houston, TX 77046

<u>Unit Recapitulation – Wolfcamp – 640 AC</u>

FEW 16 21 FEDERAL COM

E/2 of Section 16 and Section 21, T26S, R27E, Eddy County, New Mexico, Wolfcamp Formation, 640 acres, Delaware Basin

Owner	Unit WI
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.	84.7%
Chevron Midcontinent,	
L.P.	15.3%
Total	100.0000%

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APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC.

FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 23939

SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF ERIC SURRATT

1. My name is Eric Surratt. I work for Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron") as a

Geologist.

2. I have not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division

("Division") as an expert witness in petroleum geology matters. I have included a copy of my

resume as Chevron Exhibit D-1 for the Division to review and respectfully request that my

credentials be accepted as a matter of record, and that I be tendered as an expert in petroleum

geology matters.

3. I am familiar with the application filed by Chevron in this case, and I have

conducted a geologic study of the lands in the subject area.

4. Chevron has targeted the Wolfcamp formation in this case.

5. Chevron Exhibit D-2 is a project locator map depicting Chevron's proposed

spacing unit outlined in dark blue. Existing producing wells are also depicted, including Chevron

Wolfcamp wells in green. The approximate location for the well pad is depicted with a star.

6. **Chevron Exhibit D-3** shows a subsea structure map that I prepared on top of the

Wolfcamp formation, with a contour interval of 20 feet. The approximate wellbore paths for the

proposed initial wells are depicted with solid pink lines. The Wolfcamp dips gently to the east-

northeast and is consistent across the project area. I do not observe any faulting, pinchouts, or other

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Santa Fe, New Mexico Exhibit No. D geologic impediments to developing the targeted intervals with horizontal wells in the area of the proposed spacing unit. The location of wells shown in cross-section A-A' are depicted with red squares with red lines connecting the points.

- 7. **Chevron Exhibit D-4** shows cross-section A-A' consisting of four wells penetrating the Wolfcamp formation that I used to construct a stratigraphic cross-section from north-northwest to south-southeast. I chose the logs from these wells to create the cross-sections because they penetrate the targeted interval, are of good quality, and are representative of the geology in the subject area. The API number of the wells used to construct the cross-section are displayed above each well.
- 8. Chevron Exhibit D-5 is a well log cross-section using the representative wells depicted in the previous exhibit for the Wolfcamp formation. The top of the Wolfcamp formation is denoted by a blue line. It identifies the targeted intervals for this project in red. It also demonstrates that the targeted intervals are continuous across the proposed spacing unit. The API number of the wells used to construct the cross-section are displayed above each well. In the left well log track is the gamma ray (GR) log. In the right well log track is bulk density (RHOB) displayed with the black curve and neutron-porosity (NPHI) displayed with the red curve.
- 9. In my opinion, standup orientation of the proposed wells is the appropriate orientation for horizontal well development in this area because it is more near perpendicular to the maximum horizontal stress of the area.
- 10. Based on my geologic study, the Wolfcamp formation underlying the subject area is suitable for development by horizontal wells and the acreage comprising the proposed spacing unit will contribute more-or-less equally to the production from the wellbores. I have not identified any geologic impediments to drilling horizontal wells in the area of the spacing unit proposed.

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- 11. In my opinion, horizontal drilling will be the most efficient method to develop this acreage, to prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, and to result in the greatest ultimate recovery, and that approving Chevron's application will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste, and protection of correlative rights.
- 12. **Chevron Exhibits D-1 through D-5** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.
- 13. I affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the foregoing statements are true and correct. I understand that this self-affirmed statement will be used as written testimony in this case. This statement is made on the date next to my signature below.

Eric Surratt

Date

10/26/2023

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ERIC SURRATT, GIT

EXPERIENCE CHEVRON U.S.A. INC.

PERFORMANCE GEOLOGIST - MIDLAND, TX - 2022 - CURRENT

In my current role I am responsible for the permitting and planning of horizontal wells in the southern portion of Eddy County, New Mexico. This includes understanding any geologic trends which may create complexities during execution or lead to a degradation in ultimate recovery.

DEVELOPMENT GEOLOGIST - BAKERSFIELD, CA - 2021 - 2022

Key job responsibilities included understanding structural and stratigraphic styles of the Lost Hills oilfield near Lost Hills, CA to plan and permit both water injector and producing wells as part of the continued development strategy of the field.

EARTH SCIENCE INTERN - BAKERSFIELD, CA - SUMMER 2020

Refined surface geologic mapping near the Coalinga oilfield and created inputs for geologic overburden static model.

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY

TEACHING ASSISTANT - SAN DIEGO, CA - 2019 - 2021

In addition to my studies, I worked as a teaching assistant where I graded test and course work, held weekly office hours with students, and taught the laboratory portion of various lower and upper-level college courses including mineralogy, petrology, structure, and field methods and mapping.

EDUCATION SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN DEIGO, CA - 2019 - 2021

Master of Science in Geological Sciences: Structural Geology Concentration –

GPA 3.9 - Graduate research: Gypsum/Bassanite in a Major Southern California Fault Zone: Observations from the Clark Segment, San Jacinto Fault Zone, USA

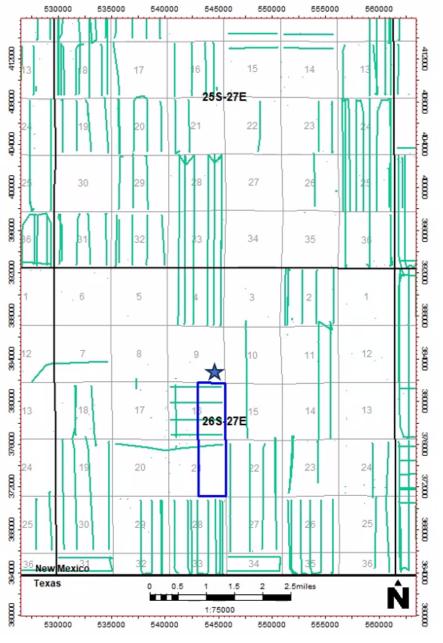
SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN DIEGO, CA – 2017 - 2019

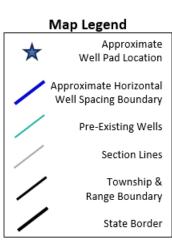
Bachelor of Science in Geological Sciences - GPA 3.7 - Undergraduate research: Paleoenvironments of the San Diego River Delta

HONORS & GEOLOGIST-IN-TRAINING (GIT) CERTIFICATION - 2019 - CURRENT

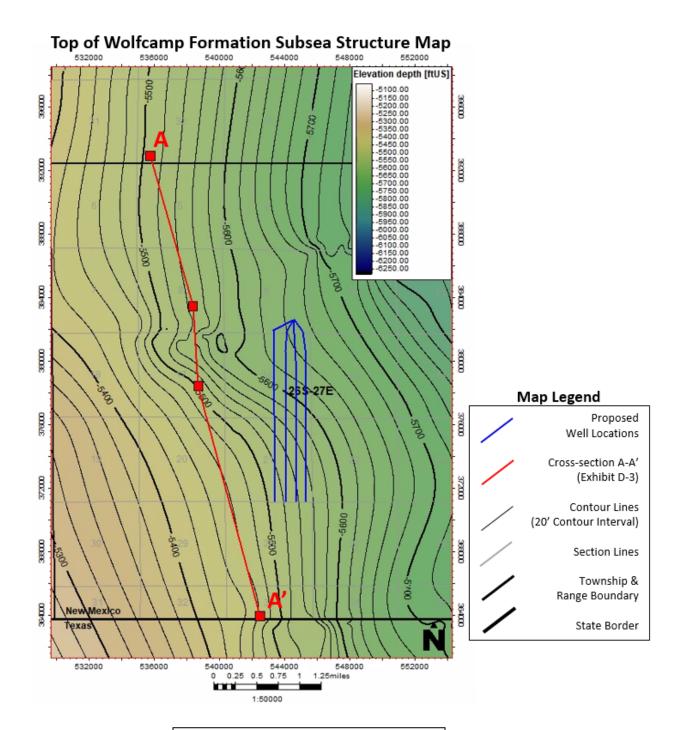
CERTIFICATIONS Successfully passed the National Association of State Boards of Geology – Fundamentals of Geology (FG) examination required for GIT certification in California. I currently plan to take the Practice of Geology (PG) and California Specific Exam (CSE), which are the final two requirements for certification as a Professional Geologist in California in October 2024.





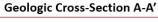


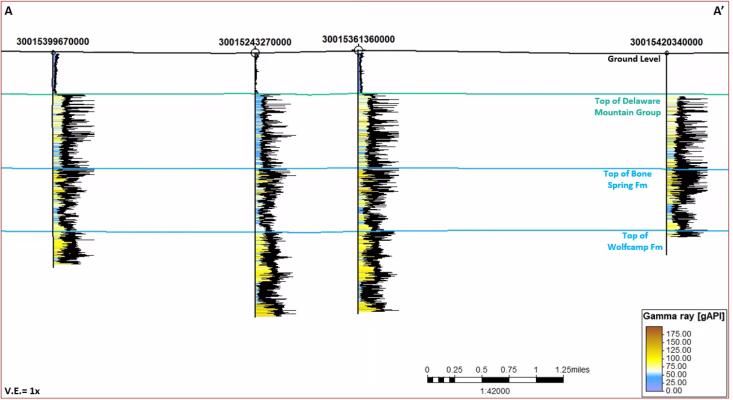
Chevron Exhibit D-1 –Few 16 21 Location Map



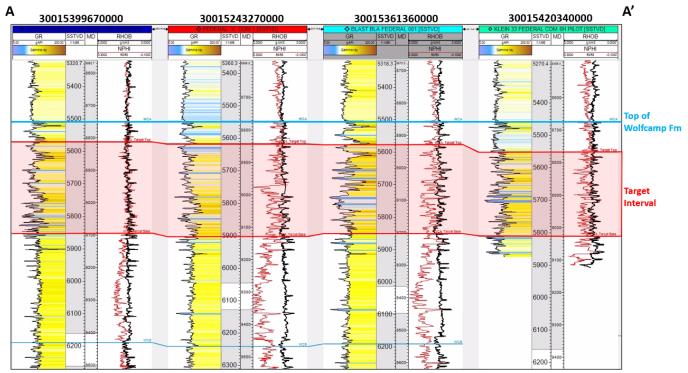
Chevron Exhibit D-2 – Top of Wolfcamp Subsea Structure Map

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Chevron Exhibit D-3 – Geologic Cross-Section A-A'



Cross-section is flattened on the top of the Wolfcamp Fm

Chevron Exhibit D-4 – Well Log Cross-Section A-A'

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APPLICATION OF CHEVRON U.S.A. INC. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF PAULA M. VANCE

1. I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.

("Chevron"), the Applicant herein. I have personal knowledge of the matter addressed herein and

am competent to provide this self-affirmed statement.

2. The above-referenced application and notice of the hearing on this application

was sent by certified mail to the locatable affected parties on the date set forth in the letter attached

hereto.

3. The spreadsheet attached hereto contains the names of the parties to whom notice

was provided.

4. The spreadsheet attached hereto contains the information provided by the United

States Postal Service on the status of the delivery of this notice as of October 30, 2023.

5. I caused a notice to be published to all parties subject to this compulsory pooling

proceeding. An affidavit of publication from the publication's legal clerk with a copy of the notice

publication is attached herein.

6. I affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that

the foregoing statements are true and correct. I understand that this self-affirmed statement will be

used as written testimony in this case. This statement is made on the date next to my signature

below.

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Submitted by: Chevron U.S.A. Inc. Hearing Date: November 2, 2023

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Paula M. Vance	Date



Paula M. Vance **Associate Attorney Phone** (505) 988-4421 Email pmvance@hollandhart.com

October 13, 2023

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL CERTIFIED RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: ALL INTEREST OWNERS SUBJECT TO POOLING PROCEEDINGS

Re: Application of Chevron U.S.A. Inc for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico: FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H, 427H, 428H, 429H wells

Ladies & Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that Chevron U.S.A. Inc. has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. A hearing has been requested before a Division Examiner on November 2, 2023, and the status of the hearing can be monitored through the Division's website at https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/.

Due to the remodeling of the state building where the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division is located, hearings will be conducted remotely beginning at 8:15 a.m. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the instructions posted on the OCD Hearings website: https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/.

You are not required to attend this hearing, but as an owner of an interest that may be affected by this application, you may appear and present testimony. Failure to appear at that time and become a party of record will preclude you from challenging the matter at a later date. Parties appearing in cases are required to file a Pre-hearing Statement four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing that complies with the provisions of NMAC 19.15.4.13.B.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Gregg Pazer at (713) 372-9915 or gpazer@chevron.com.

Sincerely,

Paula M. Vance

ATTORNEY FOR CHEVRON U.S.A. INC.

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I, a legal clerk of the Carlsbad Current Argus, a newspaper published daily at the City of Carlsbad, in said county of Eddy, state of New Mexico and of general paid circulation in said county; that the same is a duly qualified newspaper under the laws of the State wherein legal notices and advertisements may be published; that the printed notice attached hereto was published in the regular and entire edition of said newspaper and not in supplement thereof in editions dated as follows:

10/17/2023

Legal Clerk

Subscribed and sworn before me this October 17,

2023:

State of WI, County of Brown

NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires

KATHLEEN ALLEN Notary Public State of Wisconsin

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

The State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division ("Division") hereby gives notice that the Division will hold public hearings before a hearing examiner on the following cases. The hearings will be conducted remotely on Thursday, November 2, 2023, beginning at 8:15 a.m. To participate in the hearings, see the instructions posted below. The docket may be viewed at https://www.emmrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/or obtained from Marlene Salvidrez, at Marlene.Salvidrez@emnrd.nm.gov. Documents filed in these cases may be viewed at https://ocdimage.emnrd.nm.gov/Imaging/Default.aspx. If you are an individual with a disability who needs a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in a hearing, contact Marlene Salvidrez at Marlene.Salvidrez@emnrd.nm.gov, or the New Mexico Relay Network at 1-800-659-1779, no later than October 22, 2023.

Persons may view and participate in the hearings through the following link: https://nmemnrd.webex.com/nmemnrd/j.php?MTID=m2782857f226867528004f8664692193a

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: All named parties and persons having any right, title, interest or claim in the following case and notice to the public.

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.)

To: All affected interest owners, including: Nearburg Production Company; Nearburg Exploration Company, LLC; Nestegg Energy Corporation; OXY Y-1 Company; and Chisholm Energy Operating, LLC.

Case No. 23939: Application of Chevron U.S.A. Inc. for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling all uncommitted mineral owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit

unit comprised of the E/2 of Sections 16 and 21, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. Said unit will be initially dedicated to the proposed FEW 16 21 Federal Com 426H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 427H, FEW 16 21 Federal Com 428H, and FEW 16 21 Federal Com 429H wells, to be horizontally drilled from a common surface location in the SE/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of Section 9, with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 (Unit B) and NE/4 NE/4 (Unit A) of Said Section 16 and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 (Unit P) of said Section 21. Also, to be considered will be the designation of Applicant as operator of the well. Said area is located approximately 14 miles southwest of Malaga, New Mexico.
#5844998, Current Argus, October 17, 2023

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