

**BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
EXAMINER HEARING AUGUST 22, 2024**

CASE No. 24289

ART SMITH BS 127H WELL

LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



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

**APPLICATION OF MRC PERMIAN COMPANY
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

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COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST

ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS

Case: 24289	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE
Date: August 22, 2024	
Applicant	MRC Permian Company
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Matador Production Company [OGRID 228937]
Applicant's Counsel:	Holland & Hart LLP
Case Title:	Application of MRC Permian Company for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	PBEX, LLC; E.G.L. Resources, Inc.
Well Family	Art Smith
Formation/Pool	
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Bone Spring
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil
Pooling this vertical extent:	N/A
Pool Name and Pool Code:	Airstrip; Bone Spring [960] for Section 34 acreage and Scharb; Bone Spring [55610] for Section 3 acreage
Well Location Setback Rules:	Statewide Rules
Spacing Unit	
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal
Size (Acres)	324.24-acres
Building Blocks:	Quarter-Quarter sections
Orientation:	North-South
Description: TRS/County	W2E2 of Section 34, T18S, R34E and W2E2 of Section 3, T19S, R34E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe and is approval of non-standard unit requested in the application?	Yes
Other Situations	
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	No
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	N/A
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	Exhibit A-3
Well(s)	
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-standard)	

Well #1	Art Smith State Com 127H (API No. pending) SHL: 235' FSL & 1130' FEL (Unit P) of Sec. 27, T18S, R34E BHL: 110' FSL & 1980' FEL (Unit O) of Sec. 3, T19S, R34E Completion Target: Bone Spring formation Well Orientation: North-South Completion Location expected to be: Standard
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	Exhibit A-1
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	Exhibit A-4
AFE Capex and Operating Costs	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$8,000
Production Supervision/Month \$	\$800
Justification for Supervision Costs	Exhibit A
Requested Risk Charge	200%
Notice of Hearing	
Proposed Notice of Hearing	See Application
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	Exhibit C
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)	Exhibit D
Ownership Determination	
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit	Exhibit A-2
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	Exhibits A-2 and A-3
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 A-3
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	Exhibit A-5
Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & below)	N/A
Joinder	
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	Exhibit A-4
List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	Exhibit A-3
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests	Exhibit A-5
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	Exhibit A-4
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	Exhibit A-4
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	Exhibit A-4
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	Exhibit A-4
Geology	
Summary (including special considerations)	Exhibit B
Spacing Unit Schematic	Exhibit B-2
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	Exhibit B-2
Well Orientation (with rationale)	Exhibit B
Target Formations	Exhibit B

HSU Cross Section	Exhibit B-3
Depth Severance Discussion	N/A
Forms, Figures and Tables	
A-102	Exhibit A-1
Tracts	Exhibit A-2
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	Exhibit A-3
General Location Map (including basin)	Exhibit B-1
Well Bore Location Map	Exhibits A-1, B-2
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	Exhibit B-2
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	Exhibit B-2
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	Exhibit B-3
Additional Information	
Special Provisions/Stipulations	
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.	
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Michael H. Feldewert
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	
Date:	15-Aug-24

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APPLICATION

MRC Permian Company (“MRC” or “Applicant”), through 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 a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W2E2 of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East and the W2E2 of Section 3, Township 19, South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. In support of its application, MRC 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 designate Matador Production Company (OGRID No. 228937) as the operator of the proposed horizontal well spacing unit.
3. Applicant seeks to initially dedicate the above-referenced horizontal spacing unit to the proposed **Art Smith State Com 113H**, the **Art Smith State Com 127H** and the **Art Smith State Com 133H** wells to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE4 of Section 27, with first take points in the NW4NE4 (Unit B) of Section 34 and last take points in the SW4SE4 (Unit O) of Section 3.
4. Applicant has sought and been unable to obtain voluntary agreement for the development of these lands from all interest owners in the subject spacing unit.

5. The approval of this horizontal spacing unit and the pooling of interests will allow Applicant to obtain a just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, will prevent waste, and will protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on April 4, 2024, and, after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

- A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the proposed horizontal well spacing unit;
- B. Designating Matador Production Company as operator of this spacing unit and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Applicant to recover its costs of drilling, completing, and equipping the wells;
- D. Approving the actual operating charges and costs of supervision while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and
- E. Imposing a 200% penalty for the risk assumed by Applicant in drilling and completing the wells against any working interest owner who does not voluntarily participate in the drilling of the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

HOLLAND & HART LLP

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ATTORNEYS FOR MRC PERMIAN COMPANY

CASE _____ : **Application of MRC Permian Company for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W2E2 of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East and the W2E2 of Section 3, Township 19, South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Said unit will be initially dedicated to the proposed **Art Smith State Com 113H**, the **Art Smith State Com 127H** and the **Art Smith State Com 133H** wells to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE4 of Section 27, with first take points in the NW4NE4 (Unit B) of Section 34 and last take points in the SW4SE4 (Unit O) of Section 3. Also, to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the cost thereof, actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Matador Production Company as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. The subject area is located approximately 22 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.

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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF ISAAC EVANS

Issac Evans, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, declares as follows:

1. My name Isaac Evans. I work for MRC Energy Company, an affiliate of MRC Permian Company (“MRC”), as a Vice President – Land.
2. I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division as an expert witness in petroleum land matters. My credentials as a petroleum landman have been accepted by the Division and made a matter of public record.
3. I am familiar with the application filed by MRC in this case, and I am familiar with the status of the lands in the subject area.
4. In this case, MRC is seeking an order pooling all uncommitted interests in the Bone Spring formation in the standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W/2 E/2 of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East and the W/2 E/2 of Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, and initially dedicate this Bone Spring spacing unit to the proposed **Art Smith State Com 127H** well to be horizontally drilled from a surface hole location in the SE/4 of Section 27, T18S-R34E with first take points in the NW/4 NE/4 of Section 34, T18S-R34E and last take points in the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 3, T19S-R34E .

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5. MRC understands this well will be placed in the Airstrip; Bone Spring [960] (for the Section 34 acreage) and Scharb; Bone Spring [55610] (for the Section 3 acreage) pools.

6. The completed intervals for the proposed well will remain within the standard setbacks required by the statewide rules set forth in 19.15.16.15 NMAC.

7. **MRC Exhibit A-1** contains the draft Form C-102 for the proposed well.

8. **MRC Exhibit A-2** identifies the tracts of land comprising the proposed horizontal spacing units. The land in the proposed spacing unit is comprised of state lands.

9. **MRC Exhibit A-3** identifies for the working interest owners that MRC is seeking to pool along with their respective ownership interest in the proposed horizontal spacing unit. **MRC Exhibit A-3** also identifies the record title and overriding royalty interest owners that MRC seeks to pool in this case.

10. There are no depth severances within the Bone Spring formation for this acreage.

11. While MRC was working to put this unit together, MRC proposed the above well to each of the working interest parties it seeks to pool. **MRC Exhibit A-4** contains a sample well proposal letter that was sent to those parties, along with the AFE sent to working interest owners for each well. The costs reflected in the AFE are consistent with what other operators have incurred for drilling similar horizontal wells in the area.

12. In addition to sending well proposal letters and AFEs, I have attempted to call or email each of the working interest owners MRC seeks to pool. As indicated in **MRC Exhibit A-5**, we have been able to contact and have discussions with each of the working interest owners we seek to pool.

13. **MRC Exhibit A-5** contains a summary chronology of MRC's contacts and attempted contacts with the uncommitted working interest owners. In my opinion, MRC has

undertaken good faith efforts to reach an agreement with the uncommitted working interest owners that MRC seeks to pool in this case.

14. MRC has made an estimate of overhead and administrative costs for drilling and producing the proposed well. It is \$8,000/month while drilling, and \$800/month while producing. These costs are consistent with what other operators are charging in this area for these types of wells. MRC respectfully requests that these administrative and overhead costs be incorporated into any order entered by the Division in this case.

15. I provided MRC’s outside counsel, Holland & Hart, a list of names and addresses for the parties that MRC is seeking to pool. In compiling this notice list, MRC conducted a diligent search of all public records in the county where the proposed wells are located and conducted computer searches.

16. **MRC Exhibits A-1 through A-5** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

17. 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.



Isaac Evans

8-13-24

Date

EXHIBIT A-1

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
Phone: (575) 393-6161 Fax: (575) 393-0720
District II
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210
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District III
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FORM C-102
Revised August 1, 2011
Submit one copy to appropriate
District Office

AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

¹ API Number		² Pool Code 9600		³ Pool Name Airstrip; Bone Springs	
⁴ Property Code		⁵ Property Name ART SMITH STATE COM			⁶ Well Number 127H
⁷ OGRID No. 228937		⁸ Operator Name MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY			⁹ Elevation 4000'

¹⁰Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
P	27	18-S	34-E	-	235'	SOUTH	1130'	EAST	LEA

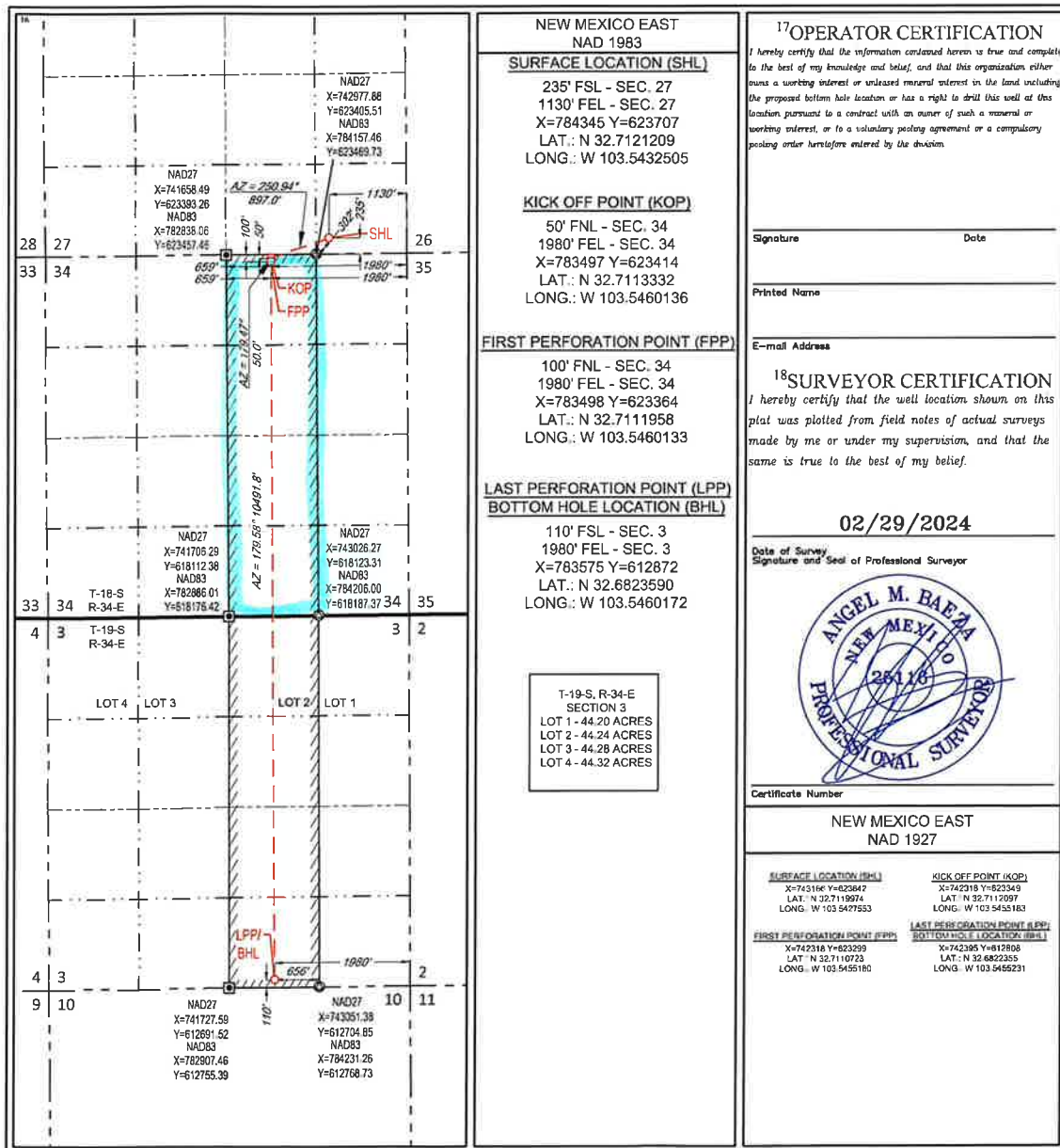
¹¹Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
O	3	19-S	34-E	-	110'	SOUTH	1980'	EAST	LEA

¹² Dedicated Acres 324.24	¹³ Joint or Infill	¹⁴ Consolidation Code	¹⁵ 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.



NEW MEXICO EAST
NAD 1983

SURFACE LOCATION (SHL)
235' FSL - SEC. 27
1130' FEL - SEC. 27
X=784345 Y=623707
LAT.: N 32.7121209
LONG.: W 103.5432505

KICK OFF POINT (KOP)
50' FNL - SEC. 34
1980' FEL - SEC. 34
X=783497 Y=623414
LAT.: N 32.7113332
LONG.: W 103.5460136

FIRST PERFORATION POINT (FPP)
100' FNL - SEC. 34
1980' FEL - SEC. 34
X=783498 Y=623364
LAT.: N 32.7111958
LONG.: W 103.5460133

LAST PERFORATION POINT (LPP)
BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION (BHL)
110' FSL - SEC. 3
1980' FEL - SEC. 3
X=783575 Y=612872
LAT.: N 32.6823590
LONG.: W 103.5460172

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 unassessed 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.

02/29/2024
Date of Survey
Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor

ANGEL M. BAEZA
NEW MEXICO
28118
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR

Certificate Number
NEW MEXICO EAST
NAD 1927

SURFACE LOCATION (SHL) X=743166 Y=623647 LAT.: N 32.7119974 LONG.: W 103.5479553	KICK OFF POINT (KOP) X=742318 Y=623349 LAT.: N 32.7112097 LONG.: W 103.5455163
FIRST PERFORATION POINT (FPP) X=742318 Y=623299 LAT.: N 32.7110723 LONG.: W 103.5455160	LAST PERFORATION POINT (LPP) / BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION (BHL) X=742395 Y=612808 LAT.: N 32.6822355 LONG.: W 103.5455231

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¹ API Number	² Pool Code 55610	³ Pool Name Schorb; Bone Spire
⁴ Property Code	⁵ Property Name ART SMITH STATE COM	
⁶ OGRID No. 228937	⁷ Operator Name MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY	⁸ Well Number 127H
		⁹ Elevation 4000'

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0	3	19-S	34-E	-	110'	SOUTH	1980'	EAST	LEA

¹² Dedicated Acres 164.24 324.24	¹³ Joint or Infill	¹⁴ Consolidation Code	¹⁵ Order No.
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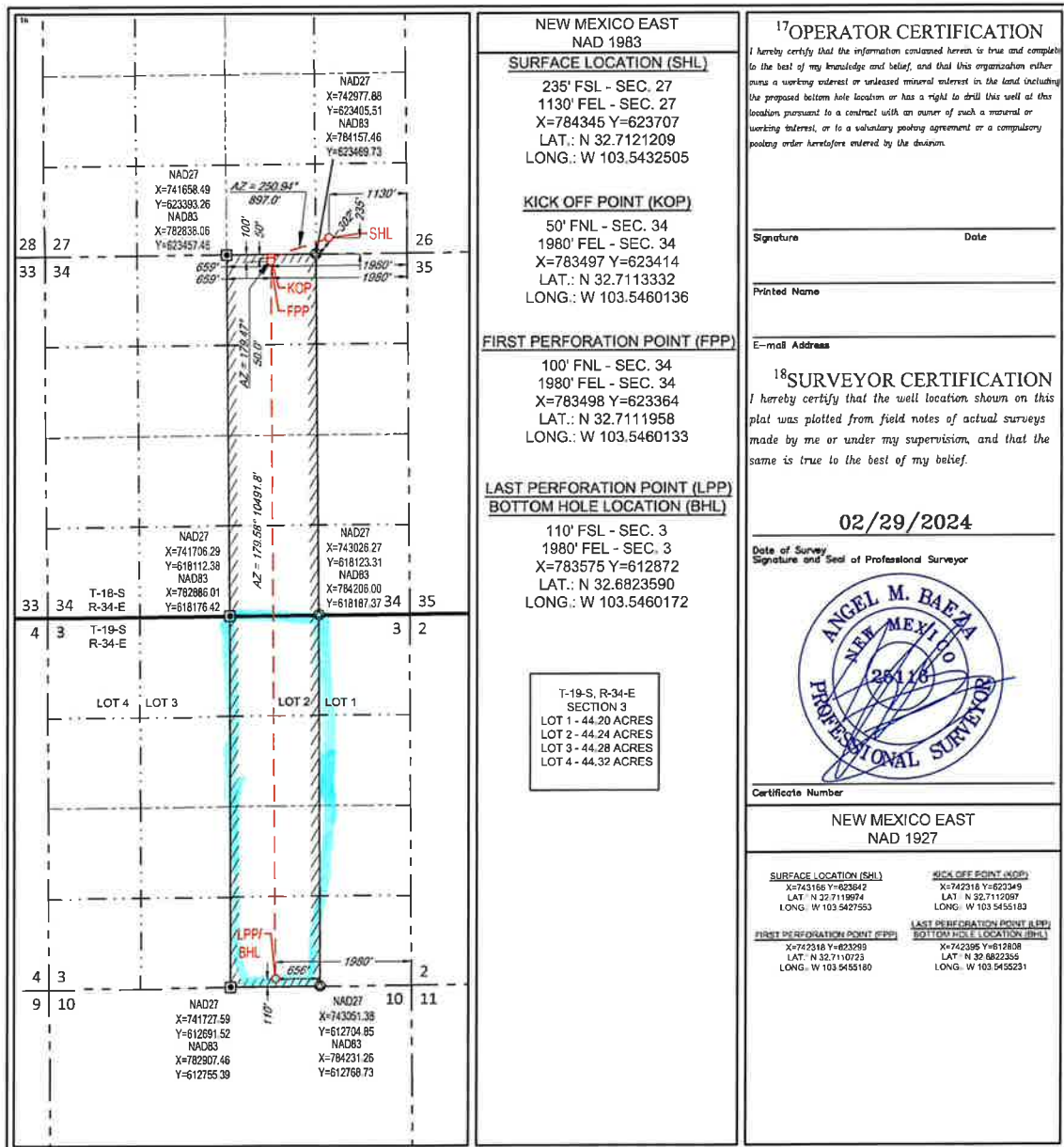
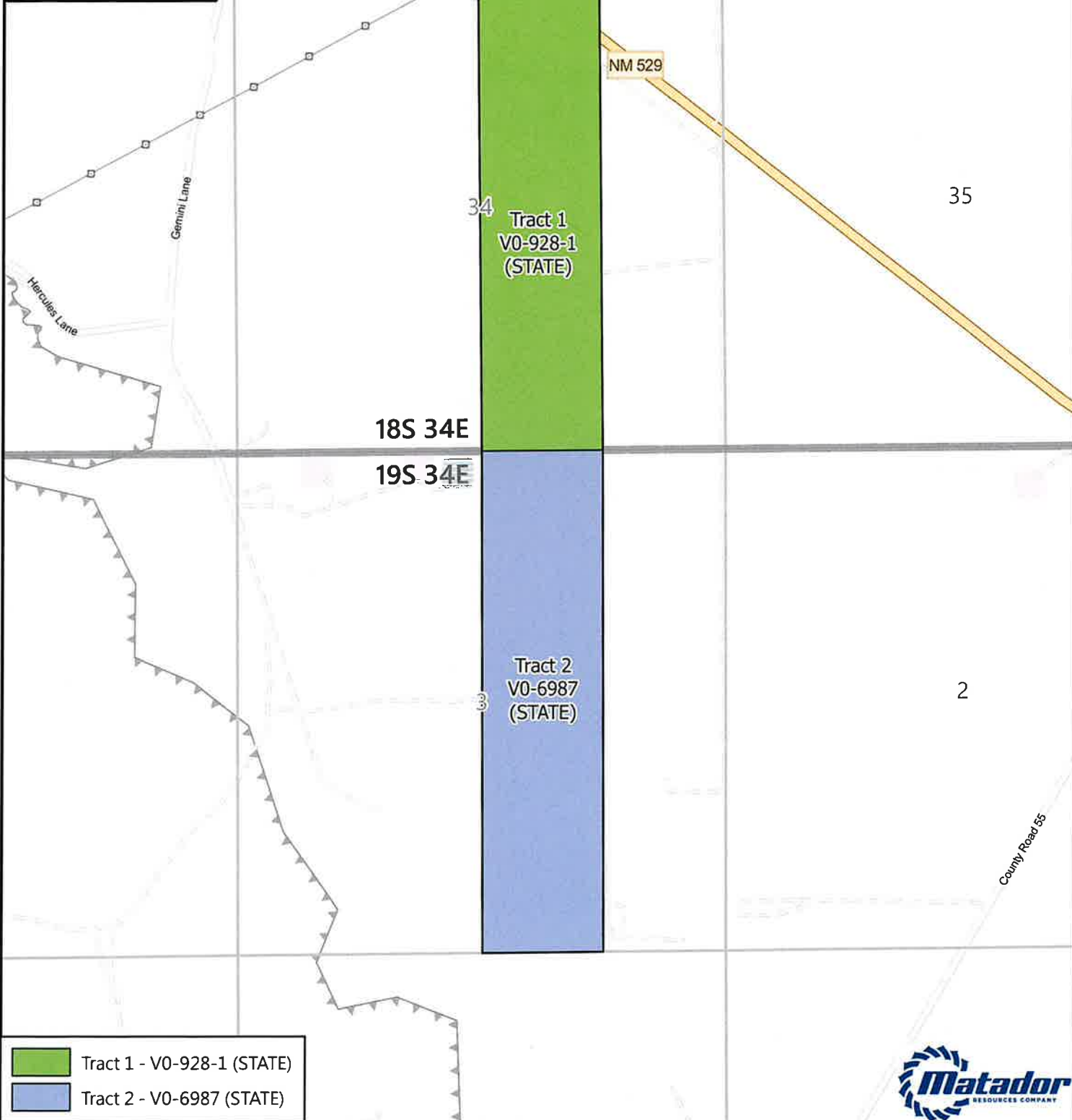


EXHIBIT A-2

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W2E2 Art Smith State Com Tract Map - Bone Spring

Date Published:
3/28/2024



Tract 1 - V0-928-1 (STATE)
 Tract 2 - V0-6987 (STATE)



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GIS Standard Map Disclaimer:
This cartographic product is for informational purposes and may not
have been prepared for, or be suitable for, legal, engineering, or surveying
purposes. Users of this information should review or consult the primary
data and information sources to determine the suitability of the information.
 0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet

1:18,000
 1 inch equals 1,500 feet

Map Prepared by: americo gamarra
 Date: March 28, 2024
 Project: \\gis\UserData\agamarra\temp\20240328 Art Smith Tract Map\Art Smith Tract Map.aprx
 Spatial Reference: NAD 1983 StatePlane New Mexico East FIPS 3001 Feet
 Sources: IHS; ESRI; US DOI BLM Carlsbad, NM Field Office; GIS Department;
 Texas Cooperative Wildlife Collection; Texas A&M University;
 United States Census Bureau (TIGER);

EXHIBIT A-3

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Summary of Interests

MRC Permian Company Working Interest			6.215097%
Compulsory Pool Interest Total:			93.784903%
Interest Owner:	Description:	Tract	Interest:
Marathon Oil Permian, LLC	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	2	14.056440%
OXY USA Inc.	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	2	15.196151%
The Allar Company	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	2	10.130767%
Strategic Growth Income Fund IV, LP	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	2	4.888095%
Highland (Texas) Energy Company	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	2	0.177288%
Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P.	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	1	23.686158%
PBEX, LLC	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	1	23.316062%
William J. Savage, and wife Amy Savage	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	1	2.220577%
David C. Cotner	Uncommitted Working Interest Owner	1	0.123365%
Amtext Energy Inc.	Record Title Owner	1	N/A
Echo Production Inc.	Record Title Owner	2	N/A



Summary of ORRI Owners – W2E2 Art Smith State Com – Bone Spring

ORRI

1. Cornerstone Family Trust, John Kyle Thoma, Trustee
2. Crownrock Minerals, L.P.
3. Zunis Energy, LLC
4. James Adelson & Family 2015 Trusts, Susannah D. Adelson, Trustee
5. CEP Minerals, LLC
6. Platform Energy IV, LLC
7. Charis Royalty Fund, LP

EXHIBIT A-4

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Matador Production Company

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Voice 972.587.4628 • Fax 214.866.4883
isaac.evans@matadorresources.com

Isaac C. Evans
Area Land Manager

March 5, 2024

VIA CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT MAIL

Marathon Oil Permian, LLC
990 Town and Country Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77024

Re: Art Smith State Com #111H, #112H, #113H, #114H, #121H, #122H, #127H, #128H, #131H, #132H, #133H, #134H, #241H, #242H, #243H & #244H (the "Wells")
Participation Proposal
Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico; and
Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Sir/Madam:

MRC Permian Company ("MRC") proposes the drilling of Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #111H, Art Smith State Com #112H, Art Smith State Com #113H, Art Smith State Com #114H, Art Smith State Com #121H, Art Smith State Com #122H, Art Smith State Com #127H, Art Smith State Com #128H, Art Smith State Com #131H Art Smith State Com #132H, Art Smith State Com #133H Art Smith State Com #134H, Art Smith State Com #241H, Art Smith State Com #242H, Art Smith State Com #243H & Art Smith State Com #244H, located in Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico & Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico.

In connection with the above, please note the following:

- The estimated cost of drilling, testing, completing, and equipping of the Art Smith State Com #111H, Art Smith State Com #112H, Art Smith State Com #113H, Art Smith State Com #114H, Art Smith State Com #121H, Art Smith State Com #122H, Art Smith State Com #127H, Art Smith State Com #128H, Art Smith State Com #131H Art Smith State Com #132H, Art Smith State Com #133H Art Smith State Com #134H, Art Smith State Com #241H, Art Smith State Com #242H, Art Smith State Com #243H & Art Smith State Com #244H is itemized on the sixteen (16) enclosed Authority for Expenditures ("AFE") dated December 5, 2023.
- **Art Smith State Com #111H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FWL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~9,530' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 19,584'.
- **Art Smith State Com #112H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FWL of Section 3-19S-

34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~9,530' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 19,584'.

- **Art Smith State Com #113H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~9,530' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 19,584'.
- **Art Smith State Com #114H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~9,530' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 19,584'.
- **Art Smith State Com #121H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FWL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,020' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 20,074'.
- **Art Smith State Com #122H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FWL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,020' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 20,074'.
- **Art Smith State Com #127H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,330' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 20,384'.
- **Art Smith State Com #128H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,330' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 20,384'.
- **Art Smith State Com #131H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,750' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 15,524'.
- **Art Smith State Com #132H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FWL of Section 34-

18S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,750' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 15,524'.

- **Art Smith State Com #133H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,750' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 20,804'.
- **Art Smith State Com #134H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Bone Spring formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Bone Spring (~10,750' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 15,524'.
- **Art Smith State Com #241H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FWL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Wolfcamp formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Wolfcamp (~12,060' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 22,114'.
- **Art Smith State Com #242H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the N/2NW/4 of Section 34-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FWL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FWL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Wolfcamp formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Wolfcamp (~12,060' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 22,114'.
- **Art Smith State Com #243H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 1,980' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 1,980' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Wolfcamp formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Wolfcamp (~12,060' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 22,114'.
- **Art Smith State Com #244H:** to be drilled from a legal location with a proposed surface hole location in the S/2SE/4 of Section 27-18S-34E, a proposed first take point located at 100' FNL and 660' FEL of Section 34-18S-34E, and a proposed last take point located at 100' FSL and 660' FEL of Section 3-19S-34E. The Well will have a targeted interval within the Wolfcamp formation and will be drilled horizontally in the Wolfcamp (~12,060' TVD) to a Measured Depth of approximately 22,114'.

MRC reserves the right to modify the locations and drilling plans described above in order to address topography, cultural or environmental concerns, among other reasons. MRC will advise you of any such modifications.

MRC requests that you indicate your election to participate in the drilling and completion of the Wells in the space provided below, sign and return one (1) copy of this letter to the undersigned.

MRC is proposing to drill the Wells under the terms of the modified 1989 AAPL form of Operating Agreement, which will be sent at a later date. The proposed Operating Agreement is dated January 1, 2024, by and between Matador Production Company, as Operator and MRC Permian Company, et al as Non-Operators, covers certain depths in Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico & Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, Lea County, New Mexico, and has the following general provisions:

- 100/300/300 Non-consenting penalty
- \$8,000/\$800 Drilling and Producing rate
- Matador Production Company named as Operator

If your election is to participate in the drilling and completion of the Wells, please sign and return a copy of the enclosed AFEs within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice. Please be aware that the enclosed AFEs are only an estimate of costs to be incurred and by electing to participate in the Wells, each working interest owner shall be responsible for its proportionate share of all costs incurred.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

MRC PERMIAN COMPANY



Isaac C. Evans

Marathon Oil Permian, LLC hereby elects to:

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #111H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #111H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #112H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #112H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #113H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #113H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #114H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #114H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #121H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #121H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #122H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #122H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #127H well.

_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #127H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #128H well.
_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #128H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #131H well.
_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #131H

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_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #134H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #241H well.
_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #241H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #242H well.
_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #242H

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_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #243H

_____ Participate for its proportionate share of the costs detailed in the enclosed AFE associated with Matador Production Company's Art Smith State Com #244H well.
_____ Not to participate in the Art Smith State Com #244H

Marathon Oil Permian, LLC

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Contact Number: _____

MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY
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ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

DATE:	12/05/2023	AFE NO.:	0
WELL NAME:	Art Smith State Com #127H	FIELD:	0
LOCATION:	Section 34-18S-34E & 3-19S-34E	MD/TVD:	20384/10330'
COUNTY/STATE:	Lea	LATERAL LENGTH:	about 10,000
MRC WI:			
GEOLOGIC TARGET:	2nd Bone Spring		
REMARKS:	Drill and complete a 2-mile 2nd Bone Spring horizontal well with about 45 frac stages.		

	DRILLING COSTS	COMPLETION COSTS	PRODUCTION COSTS	FACILITY COSTS	TOTAL COSTS
INTANGIBLE COSTS					
Land / Legal / Regulatory	\$ 17,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 27,500
Location, Surveys & Damages	134,500	13,000	15,000	20,000	182,500
Drilling	894,926	-	-	-	894,926
Cementing & Float Equip	307,000	-	-	-	307,000
Logging / Formation Evaluation	-	8,000	-	-	8,000
Mud Logging	24,750	-	-	-	24,750
Mud Circulation System	138,420	-	-	-	138,420
Mud & Chemicals	332,445	65,000	-	-	397,445
Mud / Wastewater Disposal	235,000	-	-	1,000	236,000
Freight / Transportation	22,500	33,500	-	-	56,000
Rig Supervision / Engineering	139,200	82,800	7,500	3,800	233,300
Drill Bits	130,000	-	-	-	130,000
Fuel & Power	168,000	473,620	-	-	641,620
Water	76,250	462,500	-	1,000	539,750
Drig & Completion Overhead	12,000	-	-	-	12,000
Plugging & Abandonment	-	-	-	-	-
Directional Drilling, Surveys	330,684	-	-	-	330,684
Completion Unit, Swab, CTU	-	170,000	25,000	-	195,000
Perforating, Wireline, Slickline	-	229,131	-	-	229,131
High Pressure Pump Truck	-	96,000	-	-	96,000
Stimulation	-	2,527,818	-	-	2,527,818
Stimulation Flowback & Disp	-	15,500	250,000	-	265,500
Insurance	12,842	-	-	-	12,842
Labor	203,000	57,750	85,000	5,000	350,750
Rental - Surface Equipment	130,289	336,590	60,000	5,000	531,879
Rental - Downhole Equipment	203,650	91,000	-	-	294,650
Rental - Living Quarters	44,634	44,115	-	5,000	93,749
Contingency	178,945	183,313	22,125	5,060	389,443
Operations Center	21,312	-	-	-	21,312
TOTAL INTANGIBLES >	3,757,846	4,868,637	484,625	55,660	9,146,768
TANGIBLE COSTS					
Surface Casing	\$ 106,850	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 106,850
Intermediate Casing	496,611	-	-	-	496,611
Drilling Liner	-	-	-	-	-
Production Casing	819,336	-	-	-	819,336
Production Liner	-	-	-	-	-
Tubing	-	-	183,750	-	183,750
Wellhead	83,500	-	45,000	-	128,500
Packers, Liner Hangers	-	64,258	5,000	-	69,258
Tanks	-	-	-	28,800	28,800
Production Vessels	-	-	-	152,620	152,620
Flow Lines	-	-	40,000	120,000	160,000
Rod string	-	-	-	-	-
Artificial Lift Equipment	-	-	275,000	-	275,000
Compressor	-	-	-	24,500	24,500
Installation Costs	-	-	-	88,000	88,000
Surface Pumps	-	-	-	4,200	4,200
Non-controllable Surface	400	-	-	2,000	2,400
Non-controllable Downhole	-	-	-	-	-
Downhole Pumps	-	-	-	-	-
Measurement & Meter Installation	-	-	16,000	70,291	86,291
Gas Conditioning / Dehydration	-	-	-	-	-
Interconnecting Facility Piping	-	-	-	80,500	80,500
Gathering / Bulk Lines	-	-	-	-	-
Valves, Dumps, Controllers	-	-	-	4,900	4,900
Tank / Facility Containment	-	-	-	12,250	12,250
Flare Stack	-	-	-	-	-
Electrical / Grounding	-	-	25,000	68,500	93,500
Communications / SCADA	-	-	2,500	8,450	10,950
Instrumentation / Safety	-	-	12,500	31,300	43,800
TOTAL TANGIBLES >	1,508,897	64,258	604,760	696,311	2,872,016
TOTAL COSTS >	5,266,743	4,932,895	1,089,375	751,971	12,018,784

PREPARED BY MATADOR PRODUCTION COMPANY:

Drilling Engineer:	Julio Mayol	Team Lead - WTX/NM	
Completions Engineer:	Will Slatten	APW	
Production Engineer:	Josh Bryant		

MATADOR RESOURCES COMPANY APPROVAL:

President	_____	Chief Geologist	_____
EVP, Co-COO	BEG	Co-COO, SVP Operations	NLF
EVP, Reservoir	CA		CC
	WTE		

NON OPERATING PARTNER APPROVAL:

Company Name:	_____	Working Interest (%):	_____	Tax ID:	_____
Signed by:	_____	Date:	_____		
Title:	_____	Approval:	Yes _____ No _____		(mark one)

The costs on this AFE are estimates only and may be subject to change on any specific item or the total cost of the project. Tying installation to ground under the AFE may be delayed up to a year after the well has been completed. In executing this AFE, the Participant agrees to give its operational share of actual costs the most favorable legal, economic, regulatory, insurance and well costs under the terms of the wellbore joint use agreement. Regulatory or other agreements covering this well. Costs shall be covered by wellbore joint use agreement for Operator's well control and general liability insurance unless participant provides Operator a certificate of bonding for such insurance in an amount acceptable to the Operator by the 31st of 10th.

EXHIBIT A-5

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Santa Fe, New Mexico
Exhibit No. A-5
Submitted by: Matador Production Company
Hearing Date: August 22, 2024
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Summary of Communications – W2E2 Art Smith State Com – Bone Spring

Uncommitted Working Interest:

1. Marathon Oil Permian, LLC

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with Marathon Oil Permian, LLC regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

2. OXY USA Inc.

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with OXY USA Inc. regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

3. The Allar Company

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with The Allar Company regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

4. Strategic Growth Income Fund IV, LP

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with Strategic Growth Income Fund IV, LP regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

5. Highland (Texas) Energy Company

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with Highland (Texas) Energy Company regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

6. Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P.

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P. regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

7. PBEX, LLC

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with PBEX, LLC regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

8. William J. Savage, and wife Amy Savage

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with William J. Savage, and wife Amy Savage regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

9. David C. Cotner

In addition to sending well proposals, Matador had discussions with David C. Cotner regarding this project and potential voluntary joinder and are continuing those discussions.

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

**APPLICATIONS OF MRC PERMIAN
COMPANY FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 24287, 24288, 24289, 24290
24291, and 24292**

SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF ANDREW PARKER

Andrew Parker, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, declares as follows:

1. My name is Andrew Parker. I work for MRC Energy Company, an affiliate of MRC Permian Company (“MRC”), as a Senior Vice President of Geoscience.
2. I have previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division as an expert witness in petroleum geology. My credentials as a petroleum geologist have been accepted by the Division and made a matter of record.
3. I am familiar with the applications filed by MRC in these cases, and I have conducted a geologic study of the lands in the subject area.
4. **MRC Exhibit B-1** is a locator map outlining the horizontal spacing units with a black box shaded in yellow, with the larger area identified in a red box.
5. In these cases, MRC intends to develop the Second Bone Spring of the Bone Spring formation (in Case Nos. 24287-24290) and the Third Bone Spring of the Bone Spring formation (in Case Nos. 24291-24292).
6. **MRC Exhibit B-2** is a subsea structure map prepared off the top of the Bone Spring formation. The contour interval is 200 feet. The structure map shows the Bone Spring formation

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gently dipping to the south. The structure appears consistent across the proposed wellbore paths. I do not observe any faulting, pinchouts, or other geologic impediments to horizontal drilling.

7. Also included on MRC Exhibit D-2 is a line of cross section from A to A'.

8. **MRC Exhibit B-3** is a structural cross-section prepared displaying open-hole logs run over the Bone Spring formation from the five representative wells denoted from A to A'. For each well in the cross-section, the following logs are included: gamma ray, caliper, resistivity, and porosity, where available. The proposed target intervals for each of the respective proposed wells is labeled and marked with a yellow shaded area. The logs in the cross-section demonstrate that the targeted intervals are consistent in thickness, across the entirety of the proposed spacing units.

9. In my opinion, the standup orientation is the preferred orientation for development in this area for these wells because the maximum horizontal stress is east-west in this area.

10. Based on my geologic study of the area, I have not identified any geologic impediments to drilling horizontal wells within the Bone Spring formation in the area of the spacing units proposed in these cases.

11. In my opinion, each quarter-quarter section will be productive and contribute more-or-less equally to production from each horizontal spacing unit.

12. 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.

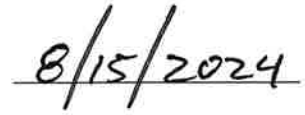
13. Approving MRC's applications will be in the best interest of conservation, the prevention of waste, and protection of correlative rights.

14. **MRC Exhibits B-1 through B-3** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

15. 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.

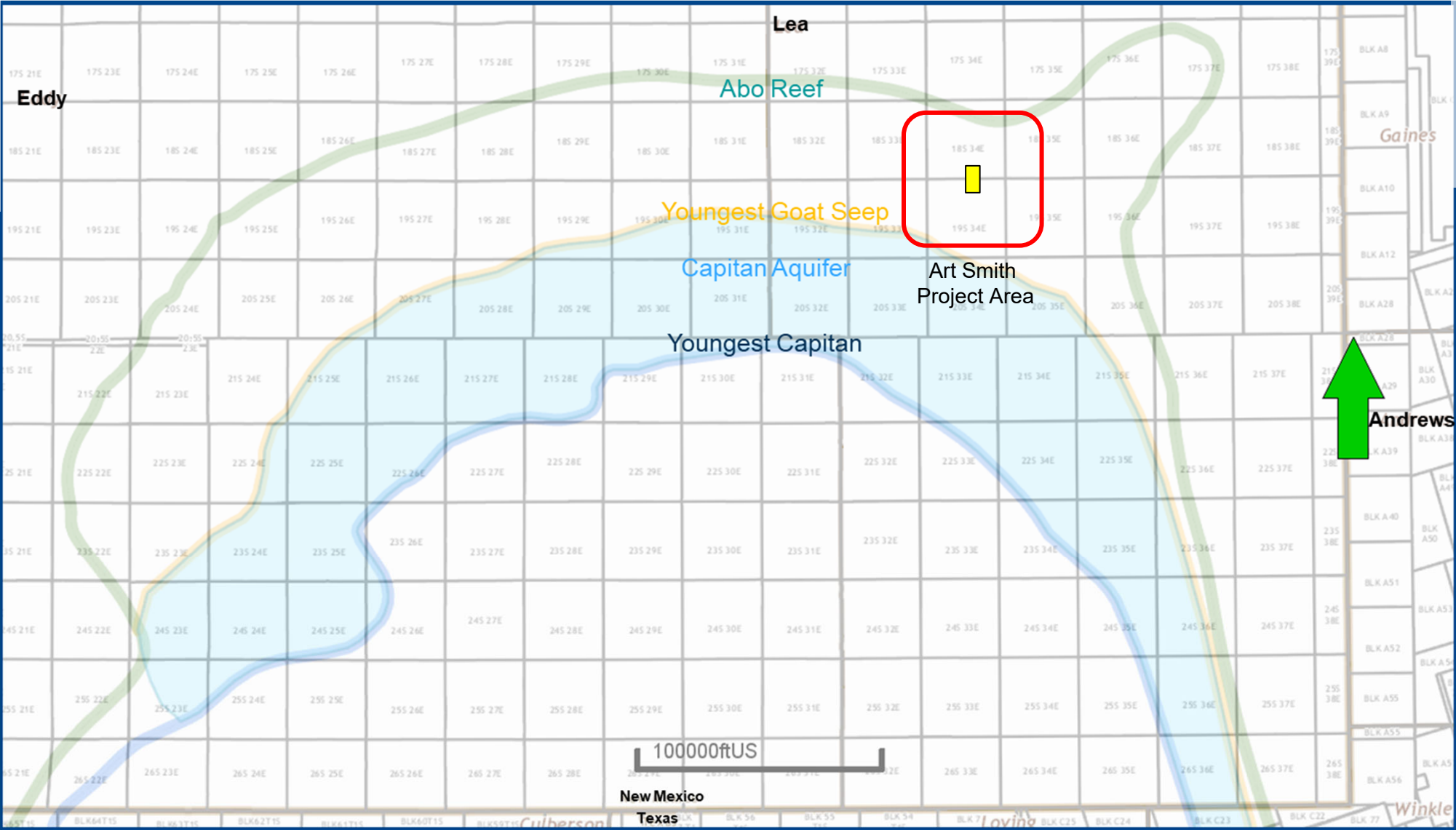
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Andrew Parker

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Date

Locator Map

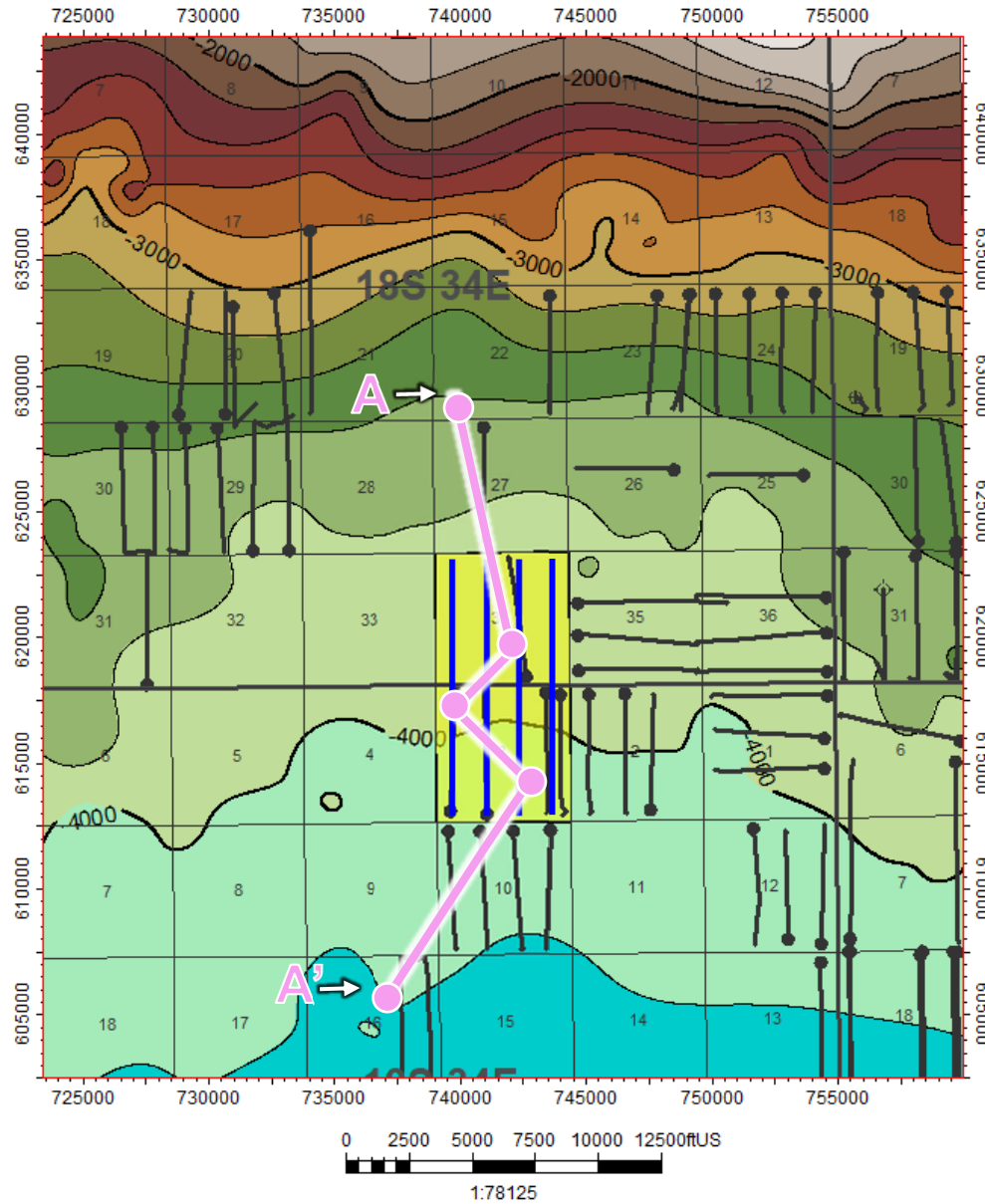


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Airstrip; Bone Spring [960] Scharb; Bone Spring [55610] Structure Map (Bone Spring Subsea) A – A' Reference Line

Exhibit B-2



Map Legend

Art Smith Wells



Bone Spring Wells



Project Area



C. I. = 200'



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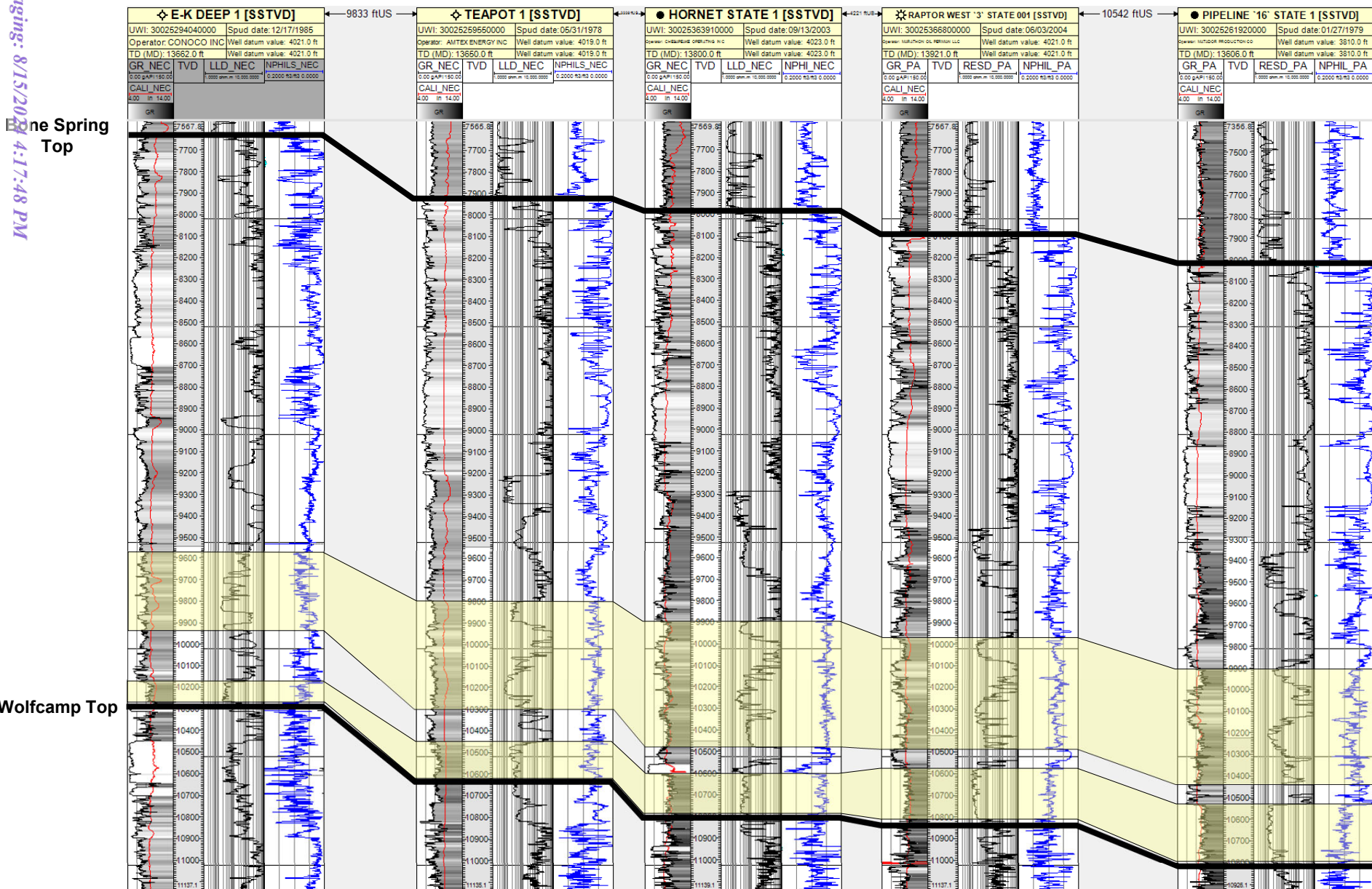


Airstrip; Bone Spring [960] Scharb; Bone Spring [55610] Structural Cross-Section A – A'

Exhibit B-3

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#121H, #122H,
#127H, #128H
Target

#131H, #132H
Target

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**SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF
MICHAEL H. FELDEWERT**

1. I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of MRC Permian Company (“MRC”), the Applicant herein. I have personal knowledge of this 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 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 August 12, 2024.

5. I caused a notice to be published to all parties subject to these proceedings. 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 statement 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: Matador Production Company
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Michael H. Feldewert

August 14, 2024

Date



Michael H. Feldewert
Partner
Phone (505) 988-4421
mfeldewert@hollandhart.com

March 29, 2024

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
CERTIFIED RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: ALL INTEREST OWNERS SUBJECT TO POOLING PROCEEDINGS

**Re: Application of MRC Permian Company for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County,
New Mexico: Art Smith State Com 113H, 127H and 133H wells**

Ladies & Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that MRC Permian Company has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. A hearing has been requested before a Division Examiner on April 18, 2024, and the status of the hearing can be monitored through the Division’s website at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/>.

It is anticipated that hearings will be held in a hybrid format with both in-person and virtual participation options. The meeting will be held in the Pecos Hall Hearing Room at the Wendall Chino Building, 1st Floor, 1220 South St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico. To participate virtually in the 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 Isaac Evans at (972) 587-4628 or at isaac.evans@matadorresources.com.

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Postal Delivery Report

9414811898765400770113	Marathon Oil Permian, LLC	990 Town And Country Blvd	Houston	TX	77024-2217	Your item was delivered to the front desk, reception area, or mail room at 11:59 am on April 2, 2024 in HOUSTON, TX 77024.
9414811898765400770151	OXY USA Inc.	5 Greenway Plz Ste 110	Houston	TX	77046-0521	Your item has been delivered to an agent for final delivery in HOUSTON, TX 77046 on April 2, 2024 at 10:36 am.
9414811898765400770168	The Allar Company	PO Box 1567	Graham	TX	76450-7567	Your item was picked up at the post office at 10:09 am on April 1, 2024 in GRAHAM, TX 76450.
9414811898765400770120	Strategic Growth Income Fund IV, LP	1521 N Cooper St Ste 400	Arlington	TX	76011-5537	Your item was delivered to an individual at the address at 10:22 am on April 1, 2024 in ARLINGTON, TX 76011.
9414811898765400770106	Highland Texas Energy Company	11886 Greenville Ave Ste 106	Dallas	TX	75243-3569	Your item has been delivered to an agent for final delivery in DALLAS, TX 75243 on April 3, 2024 at 12:23 pm.
9414811898765400770199	Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P.	110 N Marienfeld St Ste 200	Midland	TX	79701-4412	Your item was delivered to an individual at the address at 4:40 pm on April 2, 2024 in MIDLAND, TX 79701.
9414811898765400770144	PBEX, LLC	223 W Wall St Ste 900	Midland	TX	79701-4567	Your item was delivered to an individual at the address at 3:16 pm on April 2, 2024 in MIDLAND, TX 79701.

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9414811898765400770182	William J. Savage, and wife Amy Savage	PO Box 3418	Midland	TX	79702-3418	Your item has been delivered to the original sender at 12:34 pm on May 9, 2024 in SANTA FE, NM 87501.
9414811898765400770175	David C. Cotner	PO Box 2236	Midland	TX	79702-2236	Your item was picked up at a postal facility at 11:42 am on April 8, 2024 in MIDLAND, TX 79702.
9414811898765400770359	Amtex Energy Inc.	PO Box 470158	Fort Worth	TX	76147-0158	Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 9:48 am on April 2, 2024 in FORT WORTH, TX 76147.
9414811898765400770366	Echo Production Inc.	PO Box 1210	Graham	TX	76450-1210	Your item was picked up at the post office at 11:55 am on April 2, 2024 in GRAHAM, TX 76450.
9414811898765400770304	John Kyle Thoma, Trustee	PO Box 558	Peyton	CO	80831-0558	Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 5:36 am on April 1, 2024 in PEYTON, CO 80831.
9414811898765400770397	Crownrock Minerals, L.P.	PO Box 51933	Midland	TX	79710-1933	Your item was picked up at a postal facility at 1:56 pm on April 2, 2024 in MIDLAND, TX 79705.
9414811898765400770342	Zunis Energy, LLC	15 E 5th St Ste 3300	Tulsa	OK	74103-4340	Your item was delivered to the front desk, reception area, or mail room at 12:25 pm on April 2, 2024 in TULSA, OK 74103.

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9414811898765400770380	Susannah D. Adelson, Trustee	15 E 5th St Ste 3300	Tulsa	OK	74103-4340	Your item was delivered to the front desk, reception area, or mail room at 12:24 pm on April 2, 2024 in TULSA, OK 74103.
9414811898765400770335	CEP Minerals, LLC	PO Box 50820	Midland	TX	79710-0820	Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 9:51 am on April 2, 2024 in MIDLAND, TX 79705.
9414811898765400770373	Platform Energy IV, LLC	PO Box 2078	Abilene	TX	79604-2078	Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 8:03 am on April 2, 2024 in ABILENE, TX 79601.
9414811898765400770014	Charis Royalty Fund, LP	PO Box 470158	Fort Worth	TX	76147-0158	Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 9:48 am on April 2, 2024 in FORT WORTH, TX 76147.
9414811898765400770052	New Mexico State Land Office	PO Box 1148	Santa Fe	NM	87504-1148	Your item was picked up at a postal facility at 9:10 am on April 1, 2024 in SANTA FE, NM 87501.

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April 3, 2024

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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 case. The hearings will be conducted in a hybrid fashion, both in-person at the Energy, Minerals, Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino Building, Pecos Hall, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, 1st Floor, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and via the WebEx virtual meeting platform (sign-in information below) on Thursday, April 18, 2024, beginning at 8:15 a.m. To participate in the hearings, see the instructions posted below. The docket may be viewed at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/> or obtained from Sheila Apodaca, at Sheila.Apodaca@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 Sheila.Apodaca@emnrd.nm.gov, or the New Mexico Relay Network at 1-800-659-1779, no later than April 7, 2024.

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: Marathon Oil Permian, LLC; OXY USA Inc.; The Allar Company; Strategic Growth Income Fund IV, LP; Highland (Texas) Energy Company; Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P.; PBEX, LLC; William J. Savage, and wife Amy Savage, their heirs and devisees; David C. Cotner, his heirs and devisees; Amtex Energy Inc.; Echo Production Inc.; Cornerstone Family Trust John Kyle Thoma, Trustee; Crownrock Minerals, L.P.; Zunis Energy, LLC; James Adelson & Family 2015 Trusts Susannah D. Adelson, Trustee; CEP Minerals, LLC; Platform Energy IV, LLC; Charis Royalty Fund, LP, and New Mexico State Land Office.

Case No. 24289: Application of MRC Permian Company for Compulsory Pooling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order pooling a standard 320-acre, more or less, horizontal well spacing unit in the Bone Spring formation comprised of the W2E2 of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 34 East and the W2E2 of Section 3, Township 19, South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Said unit will be initially dedicated to the proposed **Art Smith State Com 113H**, the **Art Smith State Com 127H** and the **Art Smith State Com 133H** wells to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the SE4 of Section 27, with first take points in the NW4NE4 (Unit B) of Section 34 and last take points in the SW4SE4 (Unit O) of Section 3. Also, to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the cost thereof, actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Matador Production Company as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. The subject area is located approximately 22 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.
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Submitted by: Matador Production Company
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