

**BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
EXAMINER HEARING OCTOBER 31, 2024**

CASE NO. 24897

JAMES RANCH UNIT POOL REASSIGNMENT

EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATION OF XTO PERMIAN OPERATING LLC TO
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APPLICATION

XTO Permian Operating LLC., (“XTO”) (OGRID No. 373075) through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division to contract the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] from acreage within the James Ranch Unit (“JRU” or “Unit”) and reassign said acreage to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336]. In support of this application, XTO states:

1. Applicant is the designated operator of the Unit.
2. The Unit currently consists of 30,718.09 acres of Federal, State and Fee lands in

Eddy County, comprised of the following acreage:

Township 21 South - Range 30 East N.M.P.M.

- Section 25: All
- Section 26: All
- Section 27: S/2
- Section 31: All
- Section 32: All
- Section 33: All
- Section 34: All

Township 22 South - Range 29 East N.M.P.M.

- Section 1: All
- Section 11: All
- Section 12: All

Section 13: All
Section 14: All

Township 22 South - Range 30 East N.M.P.M.

Section 3: All
Section 4: All
Section 5: All
Section 6: All
Section 7: All
Section 8: All
Section 9: All
Section 10: All
Section 12: S/2 SW/4, SE/4
Section 13: All
Section 14: All
Section 15: All
Section 16: All
Section 17: All
Section 18: All
Section 19: All
Section 20: All
Section 21: All
Section 22: All
Section 23: All
Section 24: All
Section 25: All
Section 26: All
Section 27: All
Section 28: All
Section 29: All
Section 30: All
Section 33: E/2
Section 34: All
Section 35: All
Section 36: All

Township 22 South - Range 31 East N.M.P.M.

Section 7: Lot 2 (equivalent SW/4 NW/4)
Section 31: All

Township 23 South - Range 30 East N.M.P.M.

Section 1: All
Section 2: All

Township 23 South - Range 31 East N.M.P.M.

Section 5: Lot 4; SW/4NW/4; W/2SW/4 (equivalent W/2 W/2)

Section 6: All

Section 7: All

Section 8: W/2

Section 17: NW/4

Section 18: Lots 1, 2; E/2NW/4; NE/4 (equivalent N/2)

3. The unitized interval for the Unit includes all depths.
4. The E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, within the Unit is currently dedicated to the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] under Division Order No. R-11220. Portions of the surrounding acreage within the Unit are dedicated to the Los Medanos; Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96336]; however, based on current development, XTO expects oil production from this acreage.

5. Accordingly, XTO requests that the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] be contracted out of the E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, and that the acreage be assigned to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336]. For the portions of Unit acreage not under an order, XTO is applying administratively, on well-by-well basis, to re-dedicate its Unit wells to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336], per the Division's instruction.

6. Approval of the contraction and reassignment of pools as set forth herein will promote administrative and reporting efficiency.

7. All Division designated operators of wells within the affected pools, or within the same formation, within one mile of the E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, will be provided notice of this application and hearing. 19.15.4.12.A(4)(b) NMAC.

WHEREFORE, XTO requests that this Application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation on October 31, 2024, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order granting this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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**ATTORNEYS FOR XTO PERMIAN OPERATING
LLC.**

CASE _____: Application of XTO Permian Operating LLC. to Contract the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] From Acreage Within the James Ranch Unit and Reassign Said Acreage to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336], Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order to contract the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] from acreage within the James Ranch Unit (“JRU”), comprised of the E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, and reassign said acreage to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336]. This area is located approximately 16 miles east of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

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SELF AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF JOSHUA PRASATIK

1. My name is Joshua Prasatik, and I am employed by XTO Energy Inc. (“XTO”) 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 petroleum landman have been accepted by the Division and made a matter of record.

3. I am the landman responsible for the pool reassignment in the James Ranch Unit and I am familiar with the application filed by XTO Permian Operating LLC. (“XTO”) in this matter and the status of the lands in the subject area.

4. The Unit currently consists of 30,718.09 acres of Federal, State and Fee lands in Eddy County, comprised of the following acreage:

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Section 13: All
Section 14: All

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Section 4: All
Section 5: All
Section 6: All
Section 7: All
Section 8: All
Section 9: All
Section 10: All
Section 12: S/2 SW/4, SE/4
Section 13: All
Section 14: All
Section 15: All
Section 16: All
Section 17: All
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Section 7: Lot 2 (equivalent SW/4 NW/4)

Section 31: All

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Section 2: All

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Section 5: Lot 4; SW/4NW/4; W/2SW/4 (equivalent W/2 W/2)

Section 6: All

Section 7: All

Section 8: W/2

Section 17: NW/4

Section 18: Lots 1, 2; E/2NW/4; NE/4 (equivalent N/2)

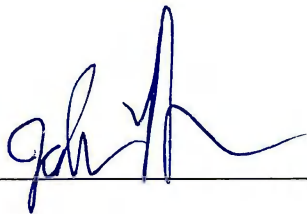
5. The unitized interval for the Unit includes all depths.
6. Division Order R-279-C approved the Unit. *See XTO Exhibit B-1.*
7. **XTO Exhibit B-2** is a general location map showing the location of the Unit Area.
8. The E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, within the Unit is currently dedicated to the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] under Division Order No. R-11220. Portions of the surrounding acreage within the Unit are dedicated to the Los Medanos; Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96336]; however, based on current development, XTO expects oil production from this acreage.
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10. **XTO Exhibit B-3** is a plat showing the boundaries of the existing Unit Area outlined in blue dashed line. Outlined in orange is the E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East. Outlined in red are the offsetting tracts XTO provided notice in accordance with 19.15.4.12.A(4)(b) NMAC.

11. Approval of the contraction and reassignment of pools as set forth herein will promote administrative and reporting efficiency.

12. **XTO Exhibits B-1 through B-3** 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.



Joshua Prasatik



Date

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
DIVISION TO CONSIDER:**

**Case No. 23935
Order No. R-279-C**

**APPLICATION OF XTO PERMIAN OPERATING LLC.
FOR APPROVAL OF EXPANSION OF THE JAMES
RANCH UNIT, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on November 2, 2023, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and the recommendations of the Hearing Examiner,

FINDS THAT:

- (1) Due public notice has been given, and the OCD has jurisdiction of this case and its subject matter.
- (2) The James Ranch Unit (“Unit”) was approved by the Oil Conservation Commission on March 17, 1953, though Order No. R-279 issued in Case No. 472. The Unit consisted of all formations underlying 20,656.98 acres (more or less) of the following lands situated in Eddy County, New Mexico:

Township 22 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

- Section 12: SE/4, S/2 SW/4
- Section 13: All
- Section 14: All
- Section 15: All
- Section 16: All
- Section 17: S/2, NE/4, E/2 NW/4
- Section 19: All
- Section 20: All
- Section 21: All
- Section 22: All

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Section 23: All

Section 24: All

Section 25: All

Section 26: All

Section 27: All

Section 28: All

Section 29: All

Section 30: All

Section 33: E/2

Section 34: All

Section 35: All

Section 36: All

Township 22 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 7: S/2, S/2 N/2

Section 8: SW/4, S/2 NW/4

Section 17: S/2, NW/4

Section 18: All

Section 19: All

Section 20: All

Section 29: W/2 W/2

Section 30: All

Section 31: All

Township 23 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 1: E/2, N/2 NW/4

Section 2: N/2 N/2

Township 23 South, Range 31 East N.M.P.M.

Section 5: W/2 W/2

Section 6: All

Section 7: All

Section 8: W/2

Section 17: NW/4

Section 18: N/2

(3) The Unit was contracted on November 30, 1979, because a portion of the original Unit was to be overlain by the Waste Isolation Pilot Project. The followed lands were excluded from the Unit:

Township 22 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 12: SE/4 SE/4

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Section 13: E/2, SE/4 NW/4, E/2 SW/4
Section 24: E/2, E/2 W/2, W/2 SW/4
Section 25: All

Township 22 South, Range 31 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 7: S/2, SE/4 NW/4, S/2 NE/4
Section 8: SW/4, S/2 NW/4
Section 17: S/2, NW/4
Section 18: All
Section 19: All
Section 20: All
Section 29: W/2 W/2
Section 30: All

(4) The Unit was approved by the OCD to be expanded on February 1, 2018, though Order No. R-279-B issued in Case No. 15844. The Unit was expanded to include all formations underlying the following lands, resulting in a total of 28,319.08 acres (more or less):

Township 21 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 25: All
Section 26: All
Section 27: S/2
Section 31: All
Section 32: All
Section 33: All
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Section 10: All
Section 17: W/2 NW/4
Section 18: All

(5) XTO Permian Operating, LLC (“Applicant”) is seeking approval from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) and New Mexico State Land Office (“SLO”), as applicable, of an expansion to the Unit to include all formations underlying 2,400 acres (more or less) of the following lands situated in Eddy County, New Mexico:

Township 22 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 12: SE/4 SE/4
Section 13: E/2, SE/4 NW/4, E/2 SW/4
Section 24: E/2, E/2 W/2, W/2 SW/4
Section 25: All

Township 23 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 1: S/2 NW/4, SW/4
Section 2: S/2 N/2, S/2

(6) The Unit with the proposed expansion will include all formations underlying 30,718.09 acres (more or less) of the following lands situated in Eddy County, New Mexico (“Unit Area”):

Township 21 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

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Section 7: SW/4 NW/4

Section 31: All

Township 23 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

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Section 8: W/2

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Section 17: NW/4

Section 18: N/2

- (7) Unitized Interval: The unitized interval for the Unit is all formations.
- (8) Applicant presented testimony and exhibits as follows:
- a. The Unit is a federal exploratory unit, and all formations are unitized.
 - b. The Unit is comprised of sixty-eight (68) tracts of which forty-eight (48) are federal tracts, sixteen (16) are state tracts, and four (4) are fee tracts.
 - c. The Unit obligation well will be a horizontal well with an approximately 10,000-foot lateral within the Bone Spring or Wolfcamp formations and a surface location at an approved drill island located in the E/2 E/2 of section 1 of Township 23 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.
 - d. Applicant presented the proposed Unit Agreement (“Unit Agreement”). The Unit Agreement designates Applicant as the Unit Operator and has provisions for expansion or contraction of the Unit.
 - e. Applicant has received a logical designation letter from the BLM, indicating the land proposed for unitization is logically subject to exploration and development. The BLM assigned NMNM 070765X and NMNM 105416673 as the case serial numbers to the Unit.
 - f. Notice of this application was provided to the lessors and overriding royalty owners within the Unit Area. Public notice was published in the newspaper of general circulation.
- (9) No other party appeared at the hearing or otherwise opposed this application.
- (10) All proposed unit acreage appears prospective for recovery of oil and gas from the target formations under the concept proposed by the Applicant. These acres should be unitized and should equally share in the benefits from future oil and gas recovery.
- (11) The approval of the Unit will serve to prevent waste and protect correlative rights within the lands assigned to the Unit Area.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- (1) OCD recommends approval of the Unit.
- (2) The Unit Area comprises 30,718.09 acres situated in Eddy County, New Mexico and described above.

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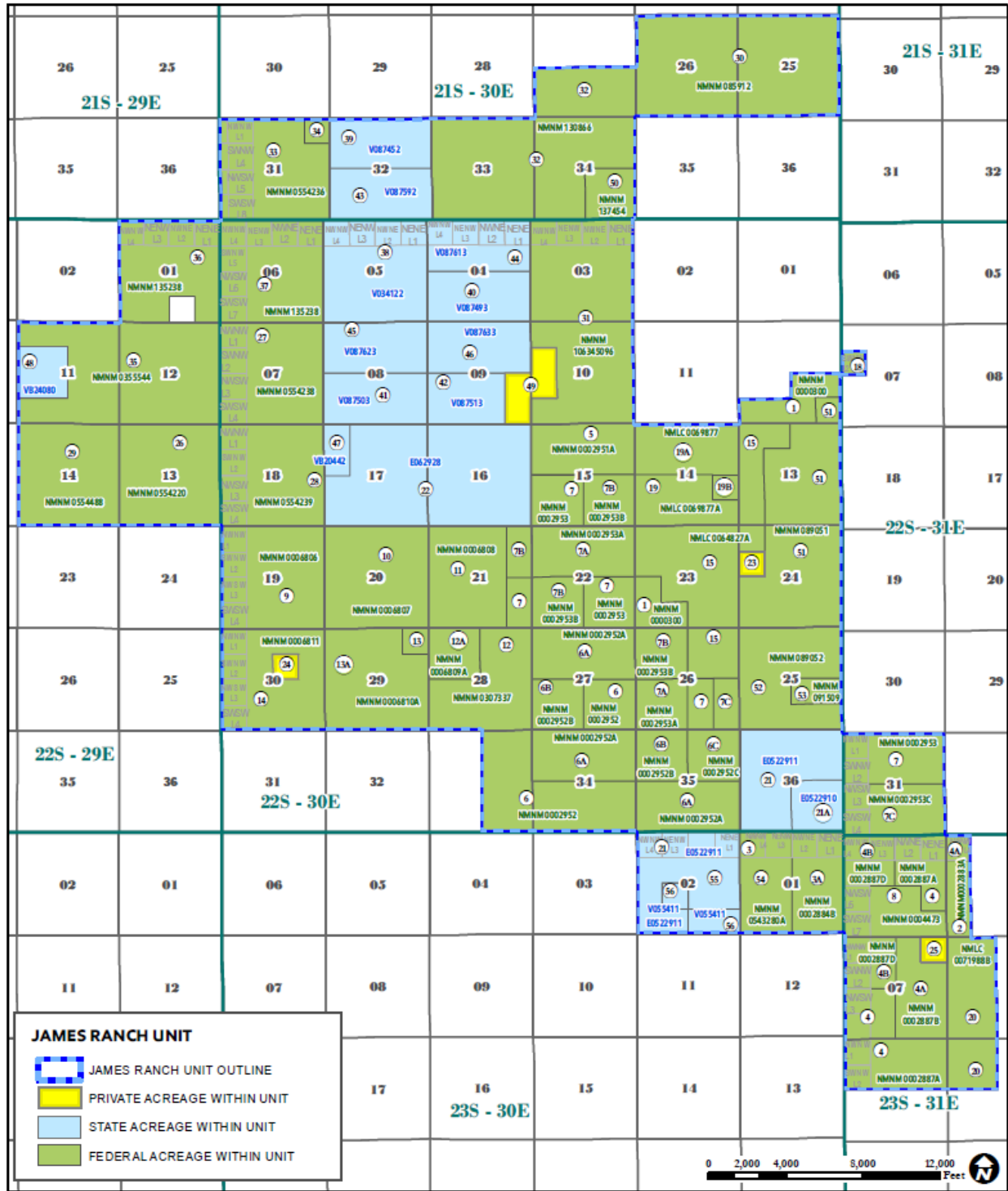
- (3) This Order shall become effective upon the signature of all parties to the Unit Agreement.
- (4) OCD recognizes that XTO Permian Operating, LLC (OGRID No. 373075) is designated the Unit Operator under the Unit Agreement.
- (5) Upon the approval of the Unit Agreement and filing of the Unit Agreement with the OCD, the Unit Area will be recognized by the OCD as a “unitized area” as provided in 19.15.16 NMAC.
- (6) The Unit Operator will ensure that the names of the Unit wells are uniform and include the name of the Unit.
- (7) The plan contained in the Unit Agreement for the development and operation of the above-described Unit Area is hereby approved in principle; provided, however, notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in the Unit Agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation that is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the OCD to supervise and control operations for the unit and production of oil and gas therefrom.
- (8) The Unit Operator shall file with the OCD the fully executed Unit Agreement within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Unit Agreement. In the event of (a) subsequent joinder by any other party, (b) expansion or contraction of the Unit Area, (c) change of Unit Operator, or (d) termination of the Unit or Unit Agreement, the Unit Operator shall file with OCD, within thirty (30) days after approval or notification of the BLM or SLO, the amended Unit Agreement or other documentation reflecting the changes.
- (9) All filings required by this Order shall be submitted to the OCD Engineering Bureau (OCD.Engineer@emnrd.nm.gov). OCD may notify the Unit Operator of any changes to the filing process without need to amend this Order.
- (10) Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of such further orders as the OCD may deem necessary.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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DYLAN M. FUGE
DIRECTOR (ACTING)

Date: 6/28/2024



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SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF COLE BONDO

1. My name is Cole Bondo, and I am employed by XTO Energy Inc. (“XTO”) as a Reservoir Engineer.

2. I have not previously testified before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) as an expert witness in petroleum land matters. I have included a copy of my resume as **XTO Exhibit C-1** for the Division to review and respectfully request that my credentials be accepted as a matter of record, and I be tendered as an expert in land matters.

3. I am familiar with the application filed by XTO in this case, and I have conducted an engineering study of the lands in the subject area.

4. XTO expects oil production from the E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East. **XTO Exhibit C-2** are samples of production reports from the James Ranch Unit DI 11 Ekalaka Wolfcamp wells, which border the subject acreage. These production reports demonstrate that the gas-oil ratio does not exceed 100,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil, which is the threshold designation for a “gas well” in New Mexico. *See* 19.15.2.7.G(6) NMAC. Based on these findings, the Wolfcamp wells in the subject acreage are expected to have a gas-oil ratio that does not exceed 100,000 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil, categorizing them as an “oil well” in New Mexico. *See* 19.15.2.7.O(4) NMAC.

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5. By contracting the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] out of the E/2 of Section 13, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, and assigning this acreage to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336], XTO will be able to utilize their preferred well spacing and development plans and increase total hydrocarbon recoveries.

6. Approval of the contraction and reassignment of pools as set forth herein will promote administrative and reporting efficiency.

7. **XTO Exhibits C-1** were either prepared by me or compiled under my direction and supervision.

8. 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.

Cole Bondo

10/24/2024

Cole Bondo

Date

Cole Bondo

Cole.bondo@exxonmobil.com

22777 Springwoods Village Pkwy Spring, Texas 77389 / 432-301-8550

ExxonMobil

Reservoir Engineer

March 2022 – Present

Development reservoir engineer primarily working unconventional assets in the Delaware Basin.

Responsible for asset development, volume and economic forecasting, and reserves reporting.

Production Engineer

Oct 2018 – March 2022

Production engineer primarily working unconventional assets in the Delaware Basin. Responsible for financially optimizing wells within an asset from initial production to abandonment (operating financials, workovers, artificial lift optimization).

Frac Tech Services

Field Engineer

Oct 2016 – Oct 2018

On-site engineer stimulating wells in unconventional assets in the Appalachia Basin (Marcellus and Utica Shale).

Education

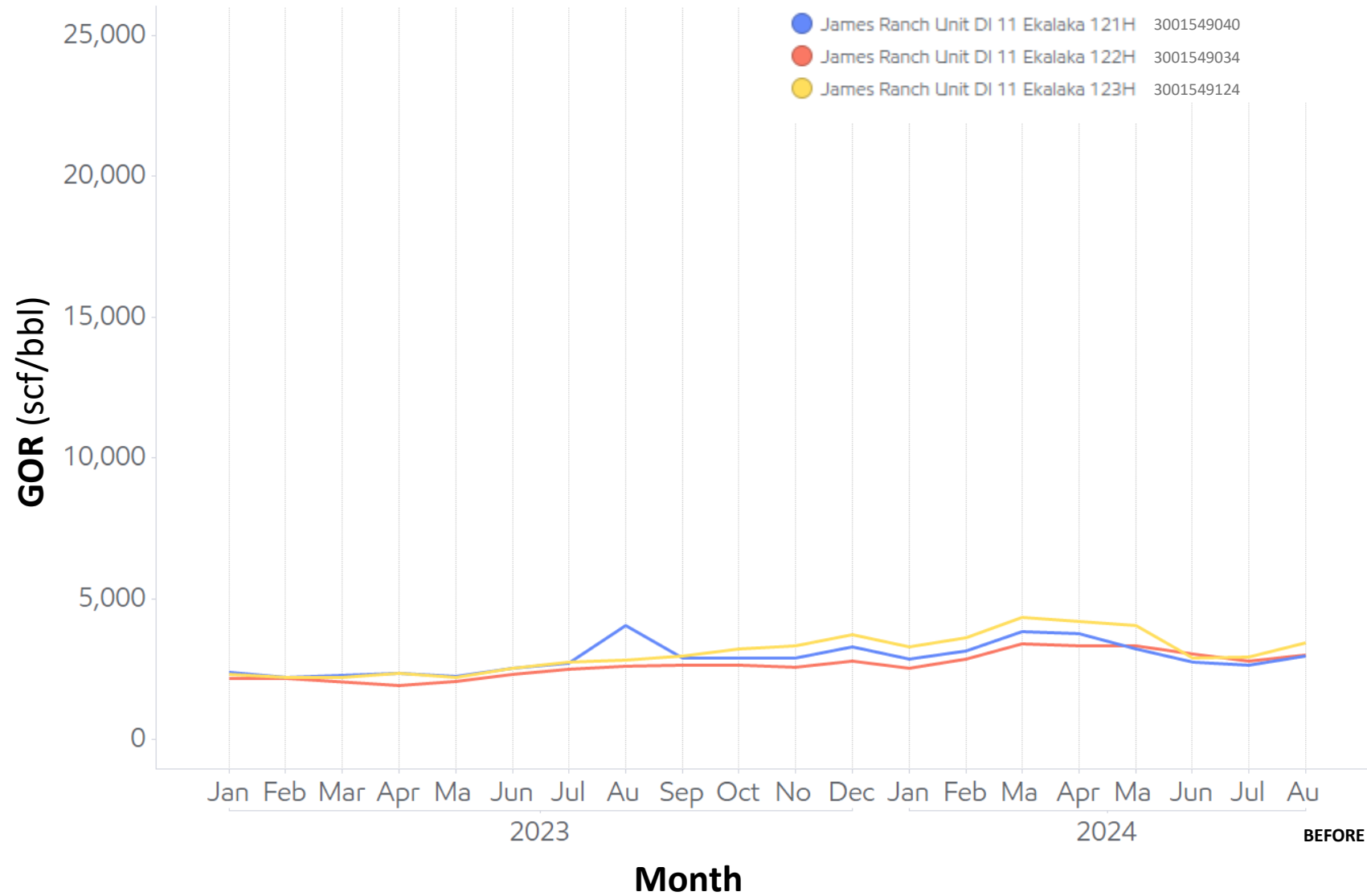
Pennsylvania State University

Bachelor of Science in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering

2016

Wolfcamp Wells Near Apache – GOR vs Month

Since Jan 2023. Uses State Submitted Monthly Vols.



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**SELF-AFFIRMED STATEMENT OF
PAULA M. VANCE**

1. I am attorney in fact and authorized representative of XTO Permian Operating LLC. (“XTO”), 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 21, 2024.

5. I caused a notice to be published to all parties subject to this 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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Paula M. Vance

10/24/2024

Date



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October 11, 2024

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
CERTIFIED RECEIPT REQUESTED

TO: ALL POOLED PARTIES

Re: Application of XTO Permian Operating LLC. to Contract the North Los Medanos-Wolfcamp Gas Pool [96921] From Acreage Within the James Ranch Unit and Reassign Said Acreage to the Los Medanos, Wolfcamp South Oil Pool [96336], Eddy County, New Mexico.

Ladies & Gentlemen:

This letter is to advise you that XTO Permian Operating LLC has filed the enclosed application with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division. A hearing has been requested before a Division Examiner on October 31, 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 Joshua Prasatik at (346) 502-0173 or at joshua.p.prasatik@exxonmobil.com.

Sincerely,

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Postal Delivery Report

9414811898765480337572	EOG Resources, Inc.	1111 Bagby St Lbby 2	Houston	TX	77002-2589	Your item arrived at the HOUSTON, TX 77002 post office at 12:02 pm on October 16, 2024 and is ready for pickup.
9414811898765480336254	OXY USA, Inc.	5 Greenway Plz Ste 110	Houston	TX	77046-0521	Your item has been delivered to an agent at the front desk, reception, or mail room at 12:59 pm on October 15, 2024 in HOUSTON, TX 77046.
9414811898765480336223	ConocoPhillips Company	600 W Illinois Ave	Midland	TX	79701-4882	Your item was picked up at a postal facility at 7:49 am on October 17, 2024 in MIDLAND, TX 79701.
9414811898765480336292	Southwestern Energy Production Company	2350 N Sam Houston Pkwy E	Houston	TX	77032-3100	Your item was delivered to the front desk, reception area, or mail room at 1:40 pm on October 15, 2024 in HOUSTON, TX 77032.
9414811898765480336230	Harvard Petroleum Co LLC	PO Box 936	Roswell	NM	88202-0936	Your item was picked up at the post office at 10:38 am on October 16, 2024 in ROSWELL, NM 88201.
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9414811898765480336865	Zorro Prtnrs LTD	616 Texas St	Fort Worth	TX	76102-4612	Your item was delivered to the front desk, reception area, or mail room at 1:57 pm on October 15, 2024 in FORT WORTH, TX 76102.

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9414811898765480336803	ARD Oil LTD	PO Box 101027	Fort Worth	TX	76185-1027	Your item has been delivered and is available at a PO Box at 2:04 pm on October 15, 2024 in FORT WORTH, TX 76109.
9414811898765480336841	Lindys Liv Tr	215 W Bandera Rd Ste 114 620	Boerne	TX	78006-2820	Your package will arrive later than expected, but is still on its way. It is currently in transit to the next facility.
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Ad Cost: \$94.94

Nicole Bitton, being first duly sworn, says:

That she is the Agent of the the Carlsbad Current-Argus, a Weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

October 17, 2024

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

N Bitton

Agent

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 24th day of October 2024.

[Signature]

Notary Public

County *[Signature]*

ID#: _____

My commission expires: *1-31-25*

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