

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

**APPLICATION OF WPX ENERGY PERMIAN, LLC
FOR A COMPULSORY POOLING,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

Case No. _____

APPLICATION

WPX Energy Permian, LLC (“WPX”), OGRID No. 246289, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this Application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation, designated as a gas pool, underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, spacing unit comprised of the S/2 of Sections 32 and 33, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of its Application, WPX states the following:

1. WPX is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing and proration unit (“HSU”) and has a right to drill a well thereon.
2. This Application competes with the Application filed by 3R Operating, LLC in case No. 25124.
3. WPX proposes and dedicates to the HSU the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 603H Well** and the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 604H Well**, as initial wells, to be drilled to a sufficient depth to test the Wolfcamp formation.
4. WPX proposes the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 603H Well**, a gas well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 32.

5. WPX proposes the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 604H Well**, a gas well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 32.

6. The wells proposed herein are unorthodox in their location; the take points do not comply with setback requirements in Order No. R-14262 governing the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp pool. WPX will be applying with the Division for administrative approval of the nonstandard locations.

7. WPX has sought in good faith, but has been unable to obtain, voluntary agreement from all interest owners to participate in the drilling of the wells or in the commitment of their interests to the wells for their development within the proposed HSU.

8. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation within the proposed HSU will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

9. In order to provide for its just and fair share of the oil and gas underlying the subject lands, WPX requests that all uncommitted interests in this HSU be pooled and that WPX be designated the operator of the proposed horizontal wells and HSU.

WHEREFORE, WPX requests that this Application be set for hearing on March 13, 2025, before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

A. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation, designated as a gas pool, underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, spacing unit comprised of the S/2 of Sections 32 and 33, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

B. Approving the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 603H Well** and the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 604H Well**, as the wells for the HSU.

- C. Designating WPX as operator of this HSU and the horizontal wells to be drilled thereon;
- D. Authorizing WPX to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the wells;
- E. Approving actual operating charges and costs of supervision, to the maximum extent allowable, while drilling and after completion, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedures; and
- F. Setting a 200% charge for the risk assumed by WPX in drilling and completing the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application of WPX Energy Permian, LLC, for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation, designated as a gas pool, underlying a standard 640-acre, more or less, spacing unit comprised of the S/2 of Sections 32 and 33, Township 23 South, Range 26 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The proposed wells to be dedicated to the horizontal spacing unit are the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 603H Well**, a gas well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the NW/4 SW/4 (Unit L) of Section 32; and the **Frontier 33-32 Fed Com 604H Well**, a gas well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location surface location in the NE/4 SE/4 (Unit I) of Section 33 to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 32. The wells are unorthodox in their locations; the take points do not comply with setback requirements in Order No. R-14262 governing the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp pool. Applicant will be applying with the Division for administrative approval of the nonstandard locations. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the wells and the allocation of the costs thereof; actual operating costs and charges for supervision; the designation of the Applicant as Operator of the wells and unit; and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells. The wells and lands are located approximately 11 miles South Southwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico.