

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

**APPLICATION OF XTO ENERGY, INC.,
FOR APPROVAL OF A STANDARD
HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT AND
COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. 25945

XTO ENERGY, INC.’S PRE-HEARING STATEMENT

XTO Energy, Inc., (“XTO”), submits this Pre-Hearing Statement pursuant to the rules of the Oil Conservation Division.

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APPLICANT

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INTERESTED PARTY

None

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None

APPLICANT’S STATEMENT OF CASE

In this case, XTO seeks orders to approve standard 769.28-acre, more or less, horizontal spacing unit (“HSU”) composed of the E/2 of Sections 20, 29, and 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico (the “Application Lands”), and to pool all

uncommitted mineral interests in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool [98220], designated as a gas pool, underlying said HSU.

Under **Case 25945**, XTO seeks to pool the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool underlying the Application Lands and seeks to dedicate the HSU to the following proposed wells:

- A. **Sophia 20 Fed Com #300H** (API No. *Pending*), which is a gas well that will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, to a bottom hole location in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool in Lot 2 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East;
- B. **Sophia 20 Fed Com #302H** (API No. *Pending*), which is a gas well that will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, to a bottom hole location in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool in Lot 2 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East;
- C. **Sophia 20 Federal Com #303H** (API No. *Pending*), which is a gas well that will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, to a bottom hole location in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool in Lot 1 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East;
- D. **Sophia 20 Federal Com #304H** (API No. *Pending*), which is a gas well that will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, to a bottom hole location in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool in Lot 1 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East;
- E. **Sophia 20-29-32 Federal State Com #305H** (API No. *Pending*), which is a gas well that will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, to a bottom hole location in the

Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool in Lot 2 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, and;

- F. **Sophia 20 Federal Com #307H** (API No. *Pending*), which is a gas well that will be horizontally drilled from a surface location in the NW/4 NW/4 (Unit D) of Section 20, Township 26 South, Range 30 East, to a bottom hole location in the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool in Lot 1 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 30 East.

The wells are orthodox in their locations as defined by 19.15.16.15.(C) NMAC, and the take points and laterals comply with Special Pool Rules R-14262 setbacks for the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the Wells and the allocation of the cost, the designation of Applicant as the operator of the Wells, and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the Wells.

The wells and lands are located approximately 16.10 miles southeast of Malaga, New Mexico.

APPLICANT’S PROPOSED EVIDENCE

WITNESS Name and Expertise	ESTIMATED TIME	EXHIBITS
Chad Smith, Commercial and Land Advisor	Affidavit	Approx. 5
Matthew Kearney, Geologist	Affidavit	Approx. 5

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

If uncontested at the hearing, XTO intends to present these cases by affidavit.

Dated this 26th day of February, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

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QUESTIONS

Action 558459

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Testimony	
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Number of witnesses	2
Testimony time (in minutes)	10