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

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR NOMENCLATURE SUBMITTED BY BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC

CASE NO. 25499 ORDER NO. R-24019

### **ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("OCD"), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on August 26, 2025, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing and Technical Examiners, issues the following Order.

## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. BTA Oil Producers, LLC ("Applicant") submitted an application to establish, expand, contract, or abolish pool(s) as described below ("Application"):

Expand the West Grama Ridge Bone Springs pool (Pool Code: 28432) to include the Bone Spring formation underlying the following lands:

Township 22 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 9: All Section 16: All

- 2. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable special pool order, the well spacing, location, and density requirements for oil wells are determined under 19.15.15.10 NMAC except for horizontal oil wells for which they are determined under 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC and 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.
- 3. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable special pool order, the well spacing, location, and density requirements for gas wells are determined under 19.15.15.11 NMAC except for horizontal gas wells for which they are determined under 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC and 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.
- 4. The West Grama Ridge Bone Springs pool (Pool Code: 28432) was expanded to include the W/2 of Section 9 of Township 22 South and Range 34 East by OCD under Order R-11818 issued on August 26, 2002.
- 5. Applicant provided evidence that notice of case 25499 was given to:

- a. division-designated operator(s) in the effected pool(s) within the effected lands and within one mile of the effected lands' outer boundary; and
- b. division-designated operator(s) of well(s) within the same formation(s) as the effected pool(s) within the effected lands and within one mile of the effected lands' outer boundary.
- 6. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner on the date specified above, during which Applicant presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 7. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-6, Section 70-2-11, and Section 70-2-12.
- 8. Applicant satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
- 9. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.
- 10. This Order will allow for efficient development which will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

#### **ORDER**

11. The West Grama Ridge Bone Springs pool (Pool Code: 28432) is hereby expanded to include the Bone Spring formation underlying the following lands:

Township 22 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 9: E/2 Section 16: All

- 12. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable special pool order, the well spacing, location, and density requirements for oil wells are determined under 19.15.15.10 NMAC except for horizontal oil wells for which they are determined under 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC and 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.
- 13. Unless otherwise provided in an applicable special pool order, the well spacing, location, and density requirements for gas wells are determined under 19.15.15.11 NMAC except for horizontal gas wells for which they are determined under 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC and 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.

- 14. The well spacing, location, and density requirements for wells within the pool(s) and within the effected lands shall be:
  - a. for the West Grama Ridge Bone Springs pool (Pool Code: 28432); the statewide requirements under 19.15.15.10 NMAC except for horizontal oil wells for which will be under 19.15.16.15(B) NMAC and 19.15.16.15(C) NMAC.
- 15. Applicant and any operator of a well within a pool affected by this Order shall submit a Form C-103 requesting all changes to its pool or spacing unit made necessary by this Order and shall include a Form C-102 amended to include those changes.
- 16. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO **OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION** 

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**DIRECTOR** 

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Date: 12/1/2025