

# NSL Initial Application

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March 23, 2020

Adrienne Sandoval, Director  
Oil Conservation Division  
New Mexico Department of Energy  
Minerals and Natural Resources  
1220 South Saint Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Copy to: Leonard Lowe, Division Hearing Examiner

**Re: Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 711H Well located in the W/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.**

Dear Director Sandoval:

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., (“Devon”), OGRID No. 6137, is seeking administrative approval of an unorthodox well location (“NSL”) for the Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 711H Well, (the “Well”) to be completed within the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool (Pool Code 98220) underlying the W/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. A C-102 for the Well is attached as Exhibit A. This is a horizontal well that will be drilled as follows:

- First Take Point: 100’ from the South line and 1716’ from the West line of Section 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East;
- Last Take Point: 100’ from the North line and 1716’ from the West line of Section 23, Township 23 South, Range 29 East.

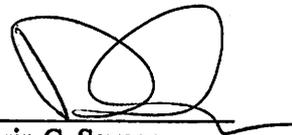
Devon has included as Exhibit B a letter explaining why this application is needed. This well will produce from the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 98220). There are special pool rules for this pool under Order No. R-14262, that establish 330’ foot setback requirements. The completed interval for the proposed well is closer than 330’ from the boundary of the spacing unit.

The unorthodox location will encroach towards the (1) SW/4 of Section 14, Township 23 South, Range 29 East; and (2) the NW/4 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 29 East.

Devon attests that, on or before submission of this application, it provided notice to the affected persons in the (1) SW/4 of Section 14, Township 23 South, Range 29 East; and (2) the NW/4 of Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 29 East; copies of the application and required plat maps were furnished. Devon also provided notice to the Bureau of Land Management to the extent that they own interest with respect to offsetting areas. Devon provides herein a sectional map of this area, attached as Exhibit C. Proof of mailing, along with a copy of the notice letter sent to listed affected persons and parties, is attached hereto as Exhibit D. This NSL Application is submitted to satisfy the provisions for the unorthodox well locations as requested by Applicant in Compulsory Pooling Case No. 21123.

Your consideration in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a horizontal line at the end, positioned above the printed name.

**Darin C. Savage**  
**Attorney for Applicant**

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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**  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170

**District IV**  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505  
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State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department  
**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**Form C-102**  
Revised August 1, 2011

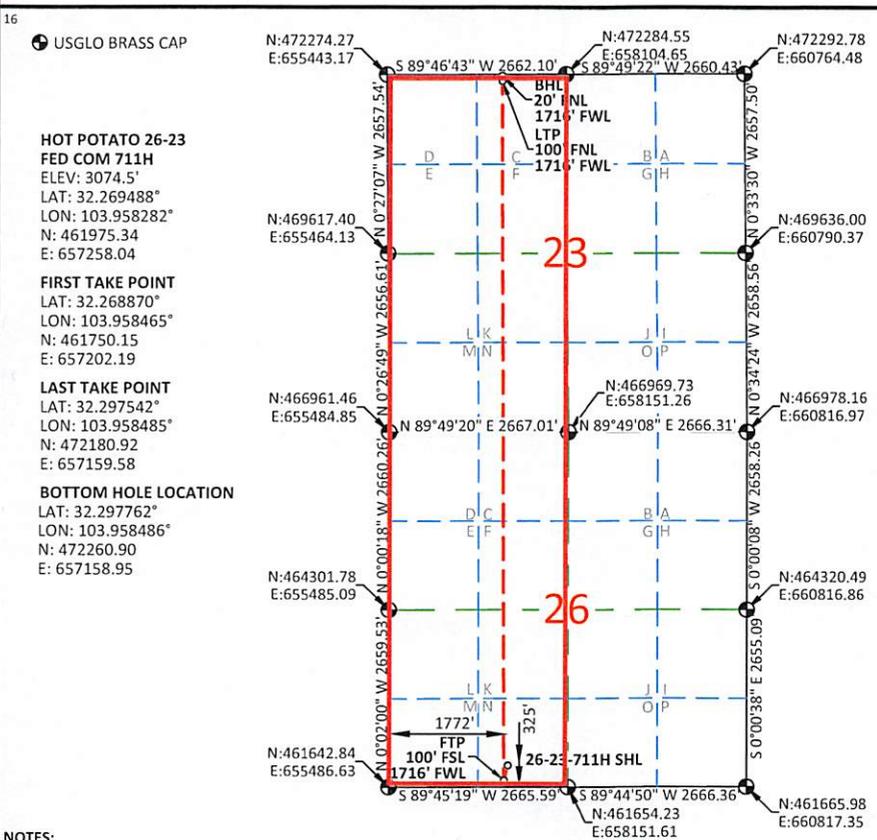
Submit one copy to  
appropriate District Office

AMENDED REPORT

**WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

<sup>1</sup> API Number		<sup>2</sup> Pool Code		<sup>3</sup> Pool Name					
<sup>4</sup> Property Code		<sup>5</sup> Property Name HOT POTATO 26-23 FED					<sup>6</sup> Well Number 711H		
<sup>7</sup> OGRID No. 6137		<sup>8</sup> Operator Name DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.					<sup>9</sup> Elevation 3074.5'		
<sup>10</sup> Surface Location									
UL or lot no. N	Section 26	Township 23-S	Range 29-E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 325	North/South line SOUTH	Feet from the 1772	East/West line WEST	County EDDY
<sup>11</sup> Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface									
UL or lot no. C	Section 23	Township 23-S	Range 29-E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 20	North/South line NORTH	Feet from the 1716	East/West line WEST	County EDDY
<sup>12</sup> Dedicated Acres 640	<sup>13</sup> Joint or Infill	<sup>14</sup> Consolidation Code	<sup>15</sup> Order No.						

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.



**NOTES:**  
1. BEARINGS SHOWN ARE GRID BASED ON THE NEW MEXICO STATE PLANE EAST ZONE COORDINATE SYSTEM (3001), NAD 83 (2011), BASED FROM GPS OBSERVATIONS, OCCUPYING A WHS CONTROL POINT (5/8" REBAR), LOCATED AT NORTH: 456034.443, EAST: 653560.641, ELEVATION: 3101.4, DETERMINED BY AN OPUS SOLUTION ON NOVEMBER 9TH, 2019.  
2. DISTANCES DEPICTED HEREON ARE REPORTED AS GROUND DISTANCE IN US SURVEY FEET USING A COMBINED SCALE FACTOR OF 1.000220989  
3. ELEVATIONS ARE OF NAVD 88 COMPUTED USING GEIOD 12B.

**<sup>17</sup> 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 unleased 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.

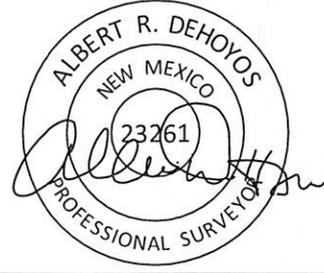
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

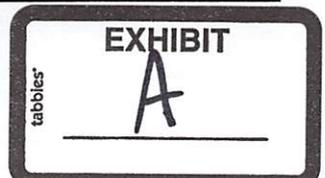
E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**<sup>18</sup> 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 and correct to the best of my belief.

10/02/2019  
Date of Survey  
Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor:



Certificate No. 23261      Albert Dehoyos  
Drawn by: KGH      Checked by: ARD      Date: 10/01/2019





Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
333 West Sheridan Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102-5015

January 5, 2020

Mr. Leonard Lowe  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Application for Nonstandard Locations  
Engineering Statement  
Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 621H, 622H, 711H,  
and 712H wells  
Sections 23 & 26-23S-29E  
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Lowe:

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. respectfully requests administrative approval of a non-standard location for each of the Hot Potato Wells referenced above by decreasing the first and last take points from 330 feet to 100 feet from the horizontal plane outer boundary. The wells are located in the Purple Sage-Wolfcamp Gas Pool (Pool Code 98220). It is Devon's responsibility as a prudent operator to maximize lateral length and to minimize reserves left in the ground. Decreasing the first and last take point will increase the wells effective lateral length by 460 feet thereby increasing ultimate recovery of reserves and thereby preventing waste of natural resources.

Sincerely,

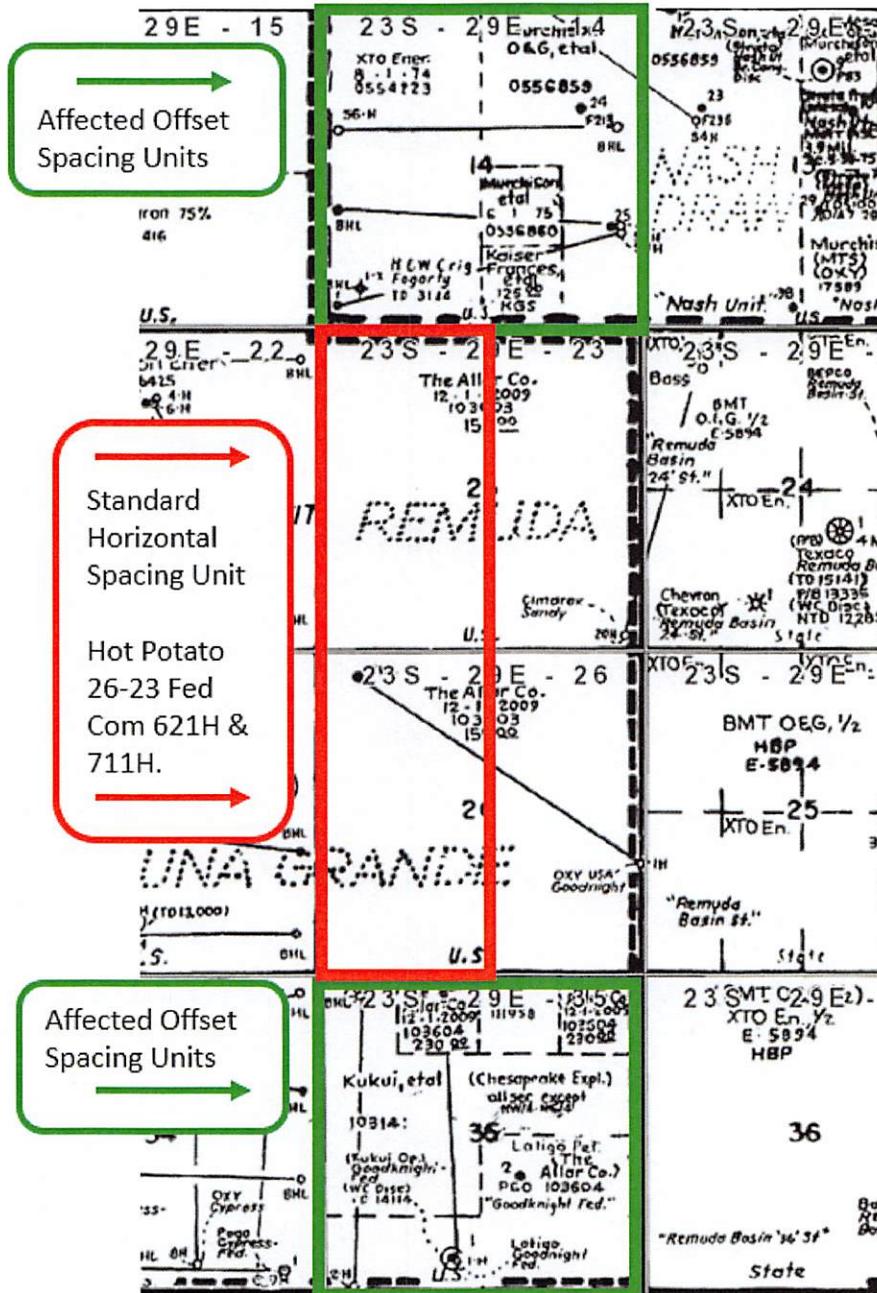
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Lauren Sykes  
Reservoir Engineer



Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.

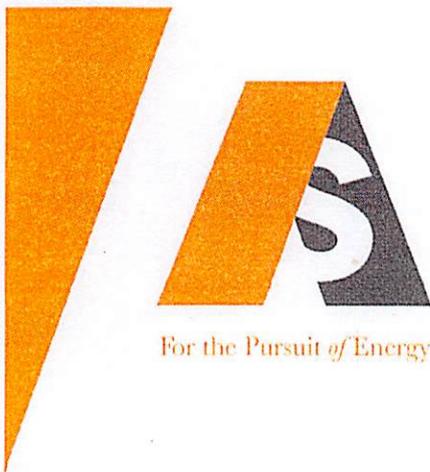
Unorthodox Location Notice Plat



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**EXHIBIT**

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March 23, 2020

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

**NOTICE TO AFFECTED PERSONS/PARTIES  
RE: APPLICATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE  
APPROVAL OF UNORTHODOX WELL LOCATIONS**

- 1) **Re: Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., for administrative approval of unorthodox well location for its Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 621H Well located in the W/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.**
- 2) **Re: Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., for administrative approval of unorthodox well location for its Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 622H Well located in E/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.**
- 3) **Re: Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 711H Well located in the W/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.**
- 4) **Re: Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P., for administrative approval of unorthodox well location for its Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 712 Well located in E/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.**

To the Parties/Persons this may concern:

Enclosed in this notice are copies of the above referenced applications filed with the New Mexico Conservation Division on the date referenced above. You are being notified in your capacity as a person or party in an adjoining section or unit pursuant to our request for approval of an unorthodox location of the above-referenced wells. Any objections that you have to one or

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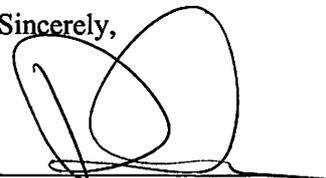
more of these applications must be filed in writing with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, within twenty (20) days from the date the Division receives the applications filed for administrative approval by the Division. Email correspondence for this matter can be sent to the Division at [OCD.Engineer@state.nm.us](mailto:OCD.Engineer@state.nm.us).

If you have any questions concerning this application, please contact:

Verl Brown  
Supervising Landman  
Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
(405) 228-8804  
[Verl.Brown@dvn.com](mailto:Verl.Brown@dvn.com)

If you have no objections to these applications, please sign the waiver as indicated below and return the original to the address listed on this letterhead. Your assistance and cooperation in this matter are appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Darin C. Savage', written over a horizontal line.

Darin C. Savage

Attorney for Devon Energy  
Production Company, L.P.

Waiver

\_\_\_\_\_ hereby waives objection to the above referenced Application for an Unorthodox Location for the Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 621H well, located in the W/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ hereby waives objection to the above referenced Application for an Unorthodox Location for the Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 622H well, located in the E/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ hereby waives objection to the above referenced Application for an Unorthodox Location for the Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 712H well, located in the E/2 of Sections 23 and 26, Township 23 South, Range 29 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
333 West Sheridan Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102-5015

Application Non-Standard Location - Address List  
Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 621H  
Hot Potato 26-23 Fed 711H

T23S-R29E

Section 14 - Units A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J,  
K, L, M, N, O, & P  
Eddy County, NM

XTO Holdings LLC  
22777 Springwoods Village PKWY  
Spring, TX 77389

T23S-R29E

Section 35 - Units A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J,  
K, L, M, N, O, & P  
Eddy County, NM

The Allar Company  
P.O. Box 1567  
Graham, TX 76450

Highland (Texas) Energy Company  
7557 Rambler Road, Suite 918  
Dallas, TX 75218

Animas Energy, LLC  
P.O. Box 369  
Ignacio, CO 81137-0369

Talus Inc.  
P.O. Box 1210  
Graham, TX 76450

Chesapeake Exploration, LP  
P.O. Box 18496  
Oklahoma City, OK 73154-0496

Twin Montana Inc.  
P.O. Box 1210  
Graham, TX 76450

OXY USA, Inc.  
5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110  
Houston, TX 77046-0506

**Additional Addresses:**

Bureau of Land Management  
620 E. Greene Street  
Carlsbad, NM 88220-6292

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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