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**ADMINISTRATIVE NON-STANDARD LOCATION**

**Administrative Order NSL – 8775**

**Cimarex Energy Co. [OGRID 215099]**  
**James 20 29 Federal Com Well No. 42H**  
**API No. 30-025-52015**

Reference is made to your application received on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Proposed Location**

	<u>Footages</u>	<u>Unit/Lot</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Twsp</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>County</u>
Surface	280 FNL & 840 FWL	D	20	23S	32E	Lea
First Take Point	100 FNL & 1386 FWL	C	20	23S	32E	Lea
Last Take Point/ Terminus	100 FSL & 1386 FWL	N	29	23S	32E	Lea

**Proposed Horizontal Units**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Pool Code</u>
E/2 W/2 of Section 20	320	Sand Dunes; Bone Spring, South	53805
E/2 W/2 of Section 29			

You have requested to drill this horizontal well at an unorthodox well location described above in the referenced pool or formation. 19.15.16.15(B)(1)(a) NMAC governs this proposed well and provides that the operator shall dedicate to each horizontal **oil** well a standard horizontal spacing unit that comprises of one or more contiguous tracts that the horizontal well's completed interval penetrates, each of which consists of a governmental quarter - quarter section or equivalent. 19.15.16.15(C)(1)(a) NMAC governs the distance in the horizontal plane from any point in the completed interval to any outer boundary of the horizontal spacing unit, measured along a line perpendicular to the completed interval or to the tangent thereof, shall be a minimum of 330 feet for an **oil** well. 19.15.16.15(C)(1)(b) NMAC governs the first and last take point of a horizontal

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well shall be no closer than 100 feet in the horizontal plane, to any outer boundary of the horizontal spacing unit.

The request to deviate from an orthodox location has met all requirements of 19.15.16.15 (C)(5)(a) NMAC. It is understood that you are seeking this exception in order to create a non-standard location, comprised of Take Points referenced above, within the described Horizontal Spacing Unit.

This well's completed interval is as close as 66 feet to the western edge of the horizontal spacing unit. Encroachment will impact the following tracts.

Section 20, encroachment to the W/2 W/2  
Section 29, encroachment to the W/2 W/2

The Division understands you have given notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in 19.15.2.7(A)(8) NMAC, in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

Division understands you are seeking this unorthodox location for optimal recovery of resources, thus preventing waste and protecting correlative rights within the Bone Spring formation underlying the E/2 W/2 of Section 20 and the E/2 W/2 of Section 29.

Your application has been filed under 19.15.16.15(C)(6) NMAC, 19.15.15.13 NMAC and 19.15.4.12 (A)(2) NMAC.

Per 19.15.15.13 (B) NMAC, **Division approves this unorthodox location.**

Reference this NSL order number on the As Drilled C-102 submitted with the Authorization to Transport, to place this well into production.

The above approvals are subject to your following all other applicable Division rules.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of further orders as Division deems necessary.



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Action 376297

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