

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

**APPLICATION OF DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION
COMPANY, L.P., FOR A HORIZONTAL SPACING UNIT
AND COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

Case No. _____

APPLICATION

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. (“Devon”), OGRID No. 6137, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this Application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17, for an order (1) establishing a standard 800-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the SW/4 of Section 35 and the S/2 of Sections 34 and 33, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and (2) pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation, designated as an oil pool, underlying said unit.

In support of its Application, Devon states the following:

1. Devon is a working interest owner in the proposed horizontal spacing and proration unit (“HSU”) and has a right to drill a well thereon.
2. Devon proposes and dedicates to the HSU the **Burton Flat 35-33 Fed Com 335H Well**, as the initial well. This is a Straddle-Com well within the Burton Flat Deep Unit.
3. Devon proposes the **Burton Flat 35-33 Fed Com 335H Well**, an oil well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 35, to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 33. The **Burton Flat 35-33 Fed Com 335H Well**

is the proximity well that is positioned in the unit to allow for the use of proximity tracts in the N/2 SW/4 of Section 35 and the N/2 S/2 of Sections 34 and 33.

4. The well is orthodox in its location, and its take points and lateral comply with Statewide Rules for setbacks.

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

6. The pooling of all interests in the Bone Spring formation within the proposed HSU, and creation of the spacing unit, will avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

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

WHEREFORE, Devon requests that this Application be set for hearing on March 3, 2022, before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter an order:

A. Approving the creation of a standard 800-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the SW/4 of Section 35 and the S/2 of Sections 34 and 33, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico;

B. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the proposed HSU.

C. Approving the **Burton Flat 35-33 Fed Com 335H Well** as the initial well for the HSU.

- D. Designating Devon as operator of this HSU and the horizontal well to be drilled thereon;
- E. Authorizing Devon to recover its costs of drilling, equipping, and completing the well;
- F. 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
- G. Setting a 200% charge for the risk assumed by Devon in drilling and completing the well in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the well.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application of Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. for a Horizontal Spacing Unit and Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order from the Division: (1) establishing a standard 800-acre, more or less, spacing and proration unit comprised of the SW/4 of Section 35 and the S/2 of Sections 34 and 33, Township 20 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico, and (2) pooling all mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation, an oil pool, underlying the unit. The proposed well to be dedicated to the horizontal spacing unit is the **Burton Flat 35-33 Fed Com 335H Well**, an oil well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location in NE/4 SW/4 (Unit K) of Section 35, to a bottom hole location in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 33. The **Burton Flat 35-33 Fed Com 335H Well** is the proximity well, and proximity tracts will be utilized for the unit. This is a Straddle-Com well within the Burton Flat Deep Unit. The well is orthodox in location and the take points and lateral comply with Statewide Rules for setbacks; also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing the well and the allocation of the costs thereof; actual operating costs and charges for supervision; the designation of the Applicant as Operator of the well and unit; and a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the well. The well and lands are located approximately 6 miles north of Carlsbad, New Mexico.