

# FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN ENERGY

Before the Oil Conservation Division  
Examiner Hearing October 5th, 2023

Compulsory Pooling

**Case No. 23831: Satellite State Com 703H**  
**Satellite State Com 803H**

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF**

**FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN ENERGY 3, LLC  
FOR COMPUSLORY POOLING AND NOTICE  
OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NO. 23831**

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**COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST****ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS**

<b>Case: 23831</b>	<b>APPLICANT'S RESPONSE</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>October 5, 2023</b>
Applicant	Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC OGRID No. 331595
Applicant's Counsel:	Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris, & Sisk, P.A.
Case Title:	Application of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC for Compulsory Pooling and Notice of Overlapping Spacing Unit, Lea County, New Mexico.
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	Armstrong Energy Corporation
Well Family	Satellite State
<b>Formation/Pool</b>	
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Wolfcamp
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil
Pooling this vertical extent:	Wolfcamp
Pool Name and Pool Code:	Airstrip; Wolfcamp Pool (Code 970)
Well Location Setback Rules:	State-Wide Rules Apply to Each Pool
<b>Spacing Unit</b>	
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal
Size (Acres)	360-acres
Building Blocks:	40-Acres
Orientation:	North/South
Description: TRS/County	W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe <u>and is approval of non-standard unit requested in this application?</u>	Yes.
<b>Other Situations</b>	
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	N/A
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	N/A
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N/A
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	See Exhibit B.5
<b>Well(s)</b>	
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-standard)	Add wells as needed
Well #1: Satellite State Com 703H	API (Not yet assigned) SHL: 1065' FNL & 2060' FEL, Section 36, T18S, R34E BHL: 130' FNL & 1680' FEL, Section 24, T18S, R34E Completion Target: Wolfcamp A (Approx. 10,911' TVD)

**Exhibit A**

Well #2: Satellite State Com 803H	API (Not yet assigned) SHL: 1065' FNL & 2110' FEL, Section 36, T18S, R34E BHL: 130' FNL & 2305' FEL, Section 24, T18S, R34E Completion Target: Wolfcamp B (Approx. 11,568' TVD)
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	See Exhibit B.4
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	See Exhibit B.7
<b>AFE Capex and Operating Costs</b>	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$9,000.00
Production Supervision/Month \$	\$900.00
Justification for Supervision Costs	See Exhibit B Paragraph 31
Requested Risk Charge	200%
<b>Notice of Hearing</b>	
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Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	Exhibit B.5
If approval of Non-Standard Spacing Unit is requested, Tract List (including lease numbers and owners) of Tracts subject to notice requirements.	N/A
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	See Exhibit B.5 & Exhibit B.9
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled	See Exhibit B.5 & Exhibit B.9
Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & below)	N/A
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Depth Severance Discussion	N/A
<b>Forms, Figures and Tables</b>	
OCD Examiner Hearing 10-5-23 No. 23851 Well supplement when finalized.	

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<b>Additional Information</b>	
Special Provisions/Stipulations	N/A
<b>CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information provided in this checklist is complete and accurate.</b>	
<b>Printed Name</b> (Attorney or Party Representative):	Deana M. Bennett
<b>Signed Name</b> (Attorney or Party Representative):	/s/ Deana M. Bennett
<b>Date:</b>	10/3/2023

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

**APPLICATIONS OF FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN  
ENERGY 3, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING  
AND NOTICE OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NOS. 23831 & 23832  
(Satellite E/2 Wolfcamp)**

**SELF AFFIRMED DECLARATION OF DON JOHNSON**

Don Johnson hereby states and declares as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18, I am a landman for Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC (“Franklin”), and I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein. I have previously testified before the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) and my credentials as an expert petroleum landman were accepted by the Division as a matter of record.
2. My area of responsibility at Franklin includes the area of Lea County in New Mexico.
3. I am familiar with the applications filed by Franklin in these cases, which are attached as **Exhibit B.1**.
4. I am familiar with the status of the lands that are subject to the applications.
5. I submit the following information pursuant to NMAC 19.15.4.12.A(1) in support of the above referenced applications.
6. The purpose of the applications is to force pool all uncommitted interests into the horizontal spacing units described below, and in the wells to be drilled in the units.

7. No opposition is expected because the interest owners being pooled have been contacted regarding the proposed wells, but have failed or refused to voluntarily commit their interests in the wells.

8. The spacing units and wells that Franklin is proposing in these cases are part of a comprehensive development plan, covering portions of multiple sections. Franklin's Development Overview is attached as **Exhibit B.2**. It is Franklin's intent to fully and efficiently develop all of the acreage included in its comprehensive development plan.

9. Exhibit B.2 identifies Franklin's plans to develop four well groups, the Gold wells, Satellite wells, Parallel wells, and the Cross wells. Exhibit B.2 also shows the overlapping areas between the four development areas. Franklin's acreage across these sections is identified by yellow shading.

10. As shown on Exhibit B.2, the Satellite wells and the Cross wells overlap in the N/2 of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East. Franklin's applications for the Satellite wells and the Cross wells identified on Exhibit B.2 included notice regarding the overlap of the units. There are no existing wells in Section 36 or existing units that encompass Section 36. However, to the extent notice to operators and working interest owners is required, Franklin satisfied the notice requirements of Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(9), which requires notice to "all operators and working interest owners of record or known to the applicant in the existing and new well's spacing units." Franklin's applications were sent to the working interest owners in each of the proposed Satellite and Cross units identified on Exhibit B.2. There are no operators of any wells in the N/2 of Section 36.

11. Franklin's overlapping development plans are intentionally designed to maximize the efficient production of hydrocarbons, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights. The plan

will allow oil and gas reserves located in the N/2 of Section 35 that could otherwise be unrecoverable due to drilling constraints and set-back requirements to be developed. Additionally, the proposed development will allow for consolidated well pads, facilities, and infrastructure, significantly minimizing surface disturbances and impacts to rangeland and habitat. Franklin has analyzed this concept internally, from both the drilling engineer perspective and reservoir engineer perspective, and Franklin's team has concluded that this layout will not result in waste or negatively impact correlative rights.

12. **Exhibit B.3** is a wellbore schematic showing Franklin's development plan for the Satellite wells, which involve Sections 24, 25 and 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East. Franklin has submitted a total of four applications to cover these sections as follows: Case Nos. 23829 and 23830 (W/2 Wolfcamp wells) and Case Nos. 23831 and 23832 (E/2 Wolfcamp wells).

13. In these two cases, Franklin is proposing four Wolfcamp wells as follows: Case No. 23831—Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 803H (W/2/E/2) and Case No. 23832—Satellite State Com 704H and Satellite State Com 804H (E/2E/2).

14. In Case No. 23831, Franklin seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25, and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

15. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 803H wells, to be horizontally drilled.

16. In Case No. 23832, Franklin seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit

comprising the E/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25, and the NE/NW of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico

17. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Satellite State Com 704H and Satellite State Com 804H wells, to be horizontally drilled.

18. Attached as **Exhibit B.4** are the proposed C-102s for the wells.

19. The C-102s identify the proposed surface hole locations and the bottom hole locations, as well as the first and last take points. The C-102s also identify the pool and pool code.

20. The wells will develop the AIRSTRIP; WOLFCAMP POOL [CODE 970].

21. This is an oil pool with 40-acre building blocks.

22. This pool is governed by the state-wide horizontal well rules.

23. The producing areas for the wells are expected to be orthodox.

24. There are no depth severances within the proposed spacing units.

25. **Exhibit B.5** includes a lease tract map outlining the units being pooled. Exhibit B.5 also includes a unit recapitulation for each unit.

26. I have conducted a diligent search of the public records in the county where the wells are located, and conducted phone directory and computer searches to locate contact information for parties entitled to notification, and mailed the unleased mineral interest owners well proposals, including an Authorization for Expenditure.

27. In my opinion, Franklin has made a good faith effort to obtain voluntary joinder of the unleased mineral interest owners in the proposed well.

28. **Exhibit B.6** is a summary of my contacts with the working interest owners.

29. **Exhibit B.7** are sample well proposal letters that were sent to all working interest owners. The proposal letters identify the proposed surface hole and bottom hole locations and approximate TVD/MD for the wells.

30. **Exhibit B.8** contains the Authorization for Expenditure for the proposed wells. The estimated costs of the wells set forth therein is fair and reasonable, and is comparable to the costs of other wells of similar depths and length drilled in this area of New Mexico.

31. Franklin requests overhead and administrative rates of \$9,000 month for drilling a well and \$900 month for a producing well. These rates are fair, and comparable to the rates charged by other operators for wells of this type in this area of Southeastern, New Mexico. Franklin requests that these rates be adjusted periodically as provided in the COPAS Accounting Procedure.

32. Franklin requests the maximum cost plus 200% risk charge be assessed against non-consenting unleased mineral interest owners.

33. Franklin requests that it be designated operator of the well.

34. The parties Franklin is seeking to pool were notified of this hearing.

35. Franklin seeks to pool overriding royalty interest owners, and they were also provided notice of this hearing.

36. **Exhibit B.9** is a list of the parties being pooled, for each case.

37. **Exhibit B.10** is an affidavit of notice prepared by counsel for Franklin that shows the parties who were notified of this hearing, the status of whether they received notice, and an affidavit of publication from the Hobbs News-Sun newspaper, showing that notice of this hearing was published on August 20, 2023.

38. The attachments to this declaration were prepared by me, or compiled from company business records, or were prepared at my direction.

39. In my opinion, the granting of this application is in the interests of conservation and the prevention of waste.

*[Signature page follows]*

I attest under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the information provided herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: September 27, 2023

  
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Don Johnson

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

**APPLICATION OF FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN  
ENERGY 3, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING  
AND NOTICE OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**CASE NO. 23831**

**APPLICATION**

Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC (“Franklin”), OGRID Number 331595, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. Franklin also hereby provides notice that the spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico. In support of this application, Franklin states as follows:

1. Franklin has an interest in the subject lands and has a right to drill and operate a well thereon.
2. Franklin seeks to dedicate W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico to form a standard 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit.

**Exhibit B-1**

3. Franklin plans to drill the **Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 803H wells** to a depth sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation. The wells will be horizontally drilled, and the producing area for the wells is expected to be orthodox.

4. Franklin also hereby provides notice that the spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico.

5. Franklin sought, but has been unable to obtain, a voluntary agreement from all interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed spacing unit to participate in the drilling of the wells or to otherwise commit their interests to the wells.

6. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed unit will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Franklin requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 5, 2023 and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

A. Pooling all uncommitted interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit within the W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico;

B. Approving, to the extent necessary, the proposed overlapping spacing unit;

C. Designating Franklin as operator of this unit and the wells to be drilled thereon;

D. Authorizing Franklin to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the wells;

E. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure; and

F. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the wells.

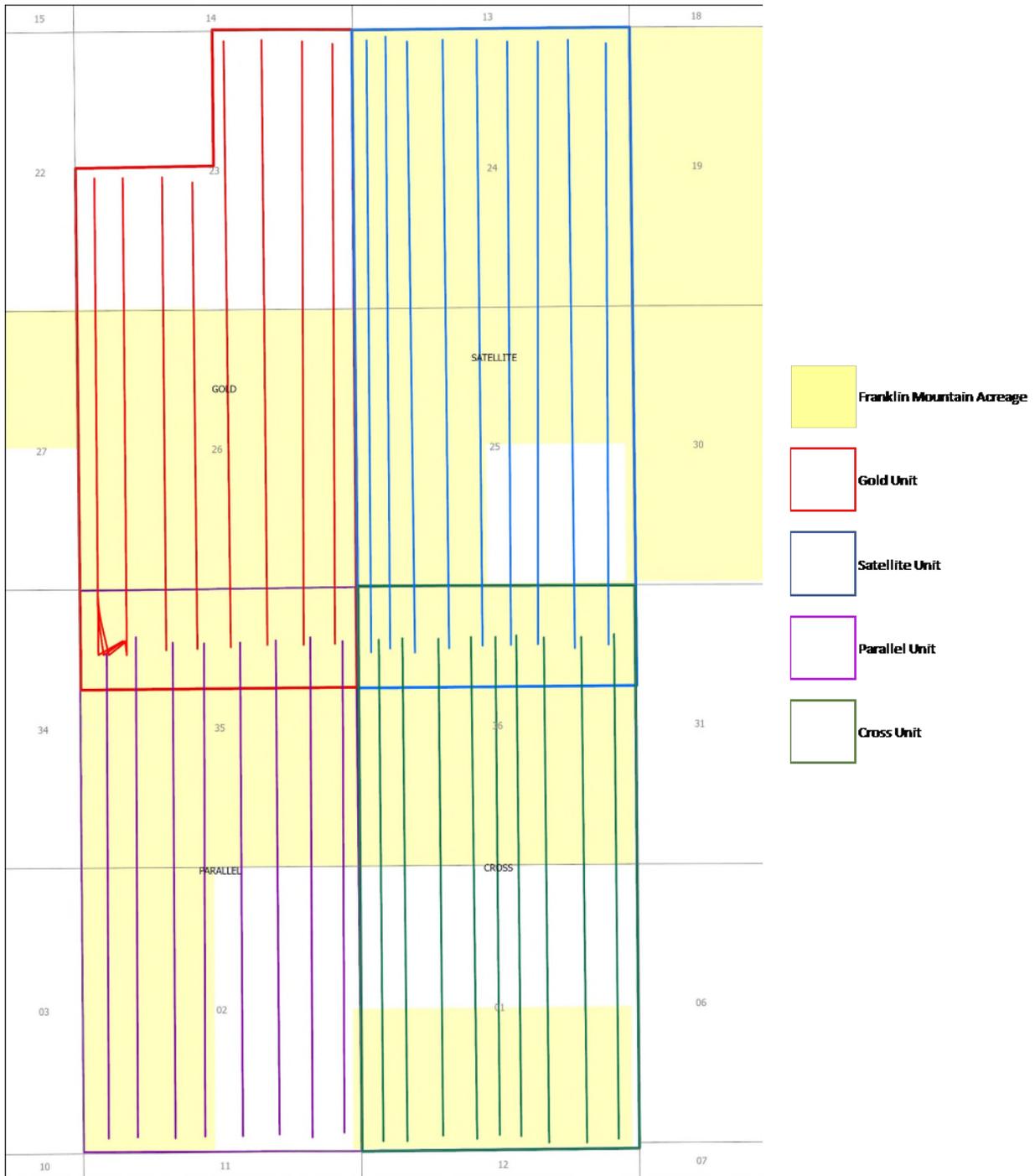
Respectfully submitted,

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS  
& SISK, P.A.

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**CASE NO. 23831** : Application of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC for compulsory pooling and notice of overlapping unit, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the **Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 803H wells**, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the wells is expected to be orthodox. The spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. Said area is located approximately 24 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.

# Field Development Overview

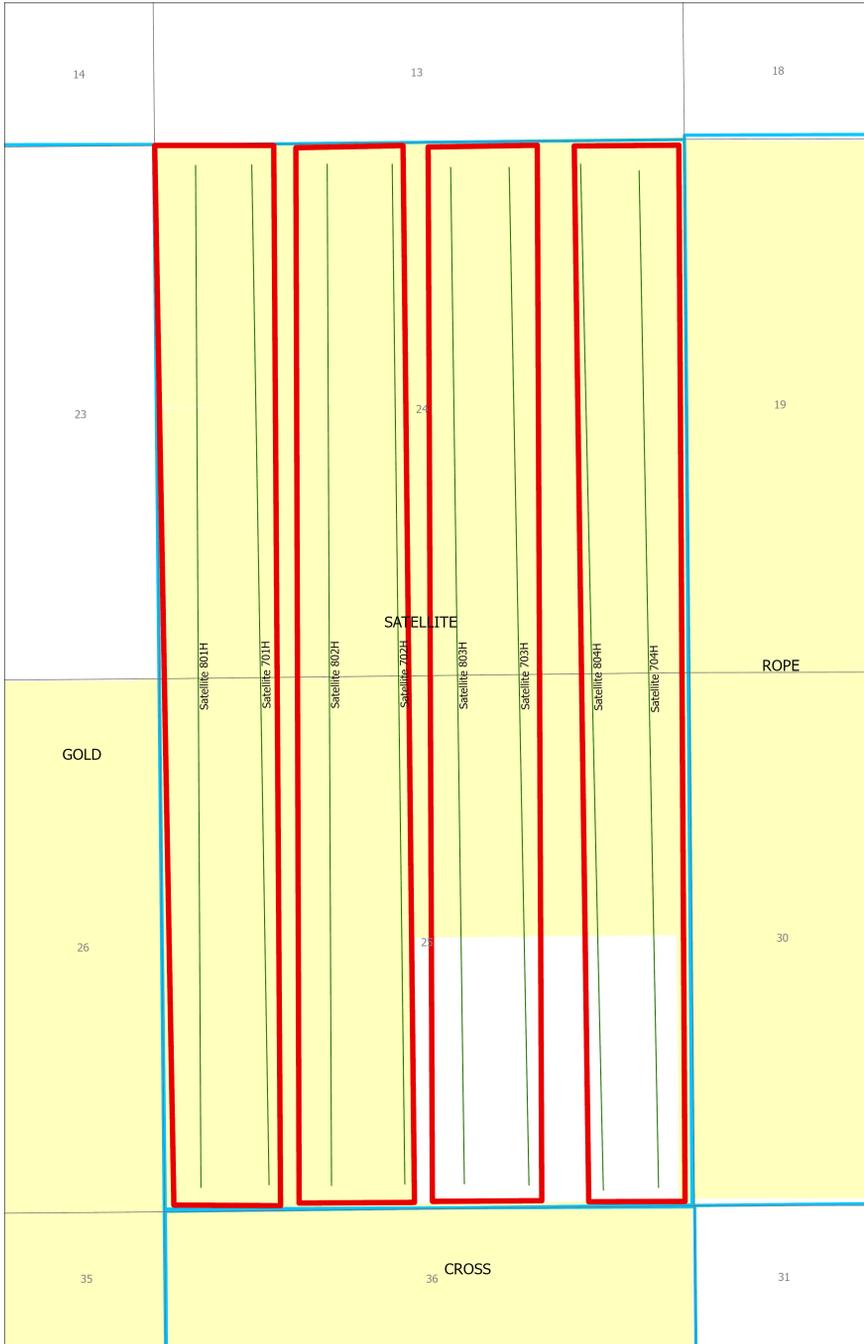


1 Mile



# Development Overview

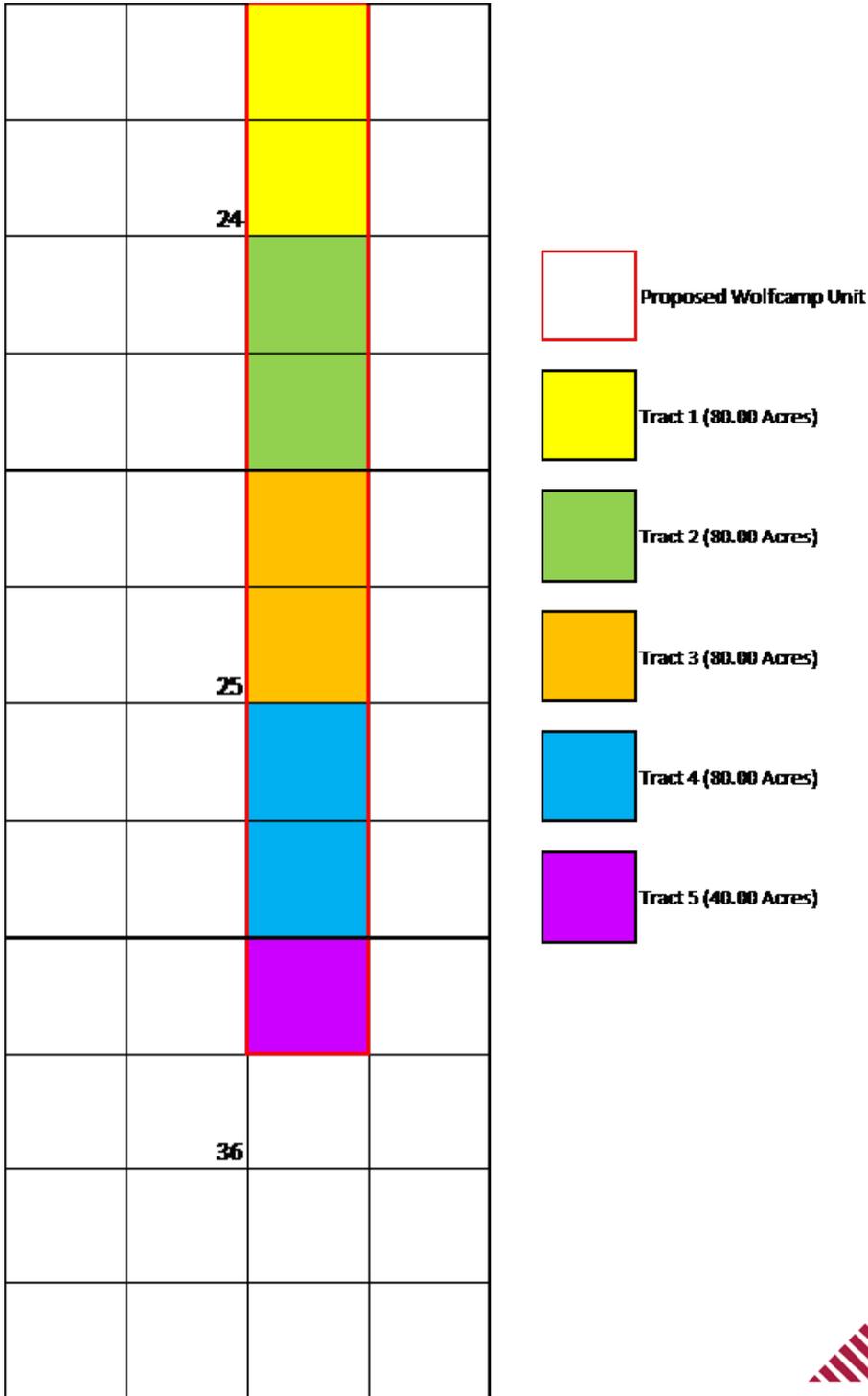
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1 Mile



**Lease Tract Map**  
**Case No. 23831**  
**W/2E/2 of Sections 24 & 25 NW/4NE/4 of Section 36 - T18S-R34E**  
**360.00 Acres**  
**Satellite State Com 703H**  
**Satellite State Com 803H**



**Summary of Interests**

**Case No. 23831**

**W/2E/2 of Sections 24 & 25 NW/4NE/4 of Section 36 -**

**T18S-R34E 360.00 Acres**

**Satellite State Com 703H**

**Satellite State Com 803H**

<b>Committed Working Interest</b>	
<b>Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC</b>	<b>56.369022%</b>
<b>Uncommitted Working Interest</b>	
<b>T.H. McElvain Oil &amp; Gas, LLP</b>	<b>11.382266%</b>
<b>Slash Exploration, LP</b>	<b>10.026490%</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>22.222222%</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>100.000000%</b>



**Unit Recapitulation**

Case No. 23831

W/2E/2 of Sections 24 & 25 NW/4NE/4 of Section 36 -T18S-R34E 360.00 Acres

Satellite State Com 703H

Satellite State Com 803H

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Slash Exploration, LP	10.026490%
Open	22.222222%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>100.000000%</b>

	24		
	25		
	36		

Tract	Lease	%
1	VB-1876	22.2222%
2	VB-1877	22.2222%
3	VB-1049	22.2222%
4	OPEN	22.2222%
5	LD-4883	11.1112%



## Summary of Contacts (W/2E/2: Case Nos. 23831)

- Franklin retained a broker who conducted extensive title work to determine the working interest owners and other interest owners.
- Franklin searched public records, phone directory, and various different types of internet searches.
- Franklin sent well proposal letters to the working interest owners on or around July 18, 2023.
- Franklin proposed general terms of a Joint Operating Agreements (JOA) within the well proposal letters sent to working interest owners.
- Franklin had multiple communications with the uncommitted working interest owners, which I have outlined in the chart below.
- Franklin filed the application to force pool uncommitted working interest owners who had not entered in to an agreement.
- Franklin’s counsel sent notices of the force pooling applications to the addresses of record for the uncommitted interest owners and also for overriding royalty interest owners.
- Franklin also published notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the wells will be located.

Name	Ownership Type	Date Proposal Letter Sent	Proposal Letter Received	Follow Up
T.H. McElvain Oil and Gas LLLP	WI	7/18/2023	7/20/2023	Communicating with TH McElvain, negotiating JOA
Slash Exploration LP	WI	7/18/2023	7/24/2023	Received email Sept 6 <sup>th</sup> acknowledging proposals, asking about pooling plans, continued communications with FME’s Director of Land



Sent via USPS: 9400109205568758357811

July 18, 2023

T.H. McElvain Oil & Gas LLLP  
 1819 Denver West Drive, Suite 260  
 Lakewood, CO 80401  
 Attn: Land Dept, Permian Basin

RE: **Well Proposals**  
 Township 18 South, Range 34 East  
 Section 24: W2E2, Section 25: W2E2, Section 36: NWNE  
 Lea County, New Mexico  
 360.00 acres, more or less

Dear Working Interest Owner:

Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC (“FME3”), as Operator, hereby proposes the drilling and completion of the following wells:

Well Name	Target Formation	Total Vertical Depth	Measured Depth	SHL	BHL	Total AFE	Order
Satellite State Com 703H	WCA	10911	20,911'	Sec 36-T18S-R34E 1065 FNL 2060 FEL	Sec 24-T18S-R34E 130 FNL 1680 FEL	\$11,650,592.43	N/A
Satellite State Com 803H	WCB	10568	20,568'	Sec 36-T18S-R34E 1065 FNL 2110 FEL	Sec 24-T18S-R34E 130 FNL 2305 FEL	\$11,783,083.07	N/A

FME3 reserves the right to modify the locations and drilling plans described above in order to comply with any requirements from a governing regulatory agency or to address any topography, environmental and/or cultural concerns.

FME3 is proposing to drill and complete the aforementioned wells under the terms of a modified, wellbore specific 1989 AAPL form Operating Agreement with the following general provisions:

- 100/300% Non-Consenting Penalty
- \$9,000/\$900 Drilling and Producing Rate
- Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC designated as Operator



Should you be interested in participating under an Operating Agreement, with your working interest, FME3 will send you our proposed form.

Please indicate your election in the space provided on the following page, sign and return this letter, along with a signed copy of the enclosed AFE. If you do not wish to participate, FME3 proposes a term assignment or lease at the following terms:

The foregoing offer is non-binding in nature until a definitive agreement and/or conveyance documents are negotiated and agreed to by each party. FME3 is under no obligation to negotiate, lease or purchase your interest.

Please return your signed documents to Don Johnson at [djohnson@fmellc.com](mailto:djohnson@fmellc.com) or to the address provided below at your earliest convenience.

FME3 looks forward to working with you or your company on this proposed development and encourages you to call with any questions pertaining to these plans. However, please be advised that, in the near term, FME3 will file an application for compulsory pooling to pool any uncommitted owners.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (720) 414-7863.

Respectfully,

Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC



Don Johnson  
Sr. Land Analyst



**Satellite State Com 703H:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We hereby elect to participate in the **Satellite State Com 703H** well.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We hereby elect **NOT** to participate in the **Satellite State Com 703H** well.

**Satellite State Com 803H:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We hereby elect to participate in the **Satellite State Com 803H** well.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We hereby elect **NOT** to participate in the **Satellite State Com 803H** well.

Owner: T.H. McElvain Oil and Gas LLLP

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





**Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC**  
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 Denver, CO 80206  
 Phone: 720-414-7868  
 franklinmountainenergy.com

**Well Name:** Satellite State Com 803H **Well #:** 803H  
**Location:** SHL: Sec 36-T18S-R34E 1065 FNL 2110 FEL **County/State:** Lea Co., NM  
 BHL: Sec 24-T18S-R34E 130 FNL 2305 FEL  
**Operator:** Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC **Date Prepared:** 6/21/2023  
**Purpose:** Drill and complete a 10,000' WCB well. **AFE #:** DCE230651  
 TVD 10,568', MD 20,568'.

Intangible Drilling Costs			Amount
Major	Minor	Description	
225	5	ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD	\$5,200
225	10	CASING CREW & EQPT	\$55,000
225	15	CEMENTING INTERMEDIATE CASING	\$40,000
225	16	CEMENTING PRODUCTION CASING	\$85,000
225	20	CEMENTING SURFACE CASING	\$36,000
225	25	COMMUNICATIONS	\$22,000
225	30	COMPLETION FLUIDS	\$6,000
225	34	CONSTRUCTION/LOCATION & ROAD	\$45,000
225	40	CONTRACT LABOR	\$60,000
225	45	DAMAGES	\$15,000
225	50	DAYWORK CONTRACT	\$650,000
225	55	DRILLING - DIRECTIONAL	\$230,000
225	60	DRILLING - FOOTAGE	\$90,000
225	65	DRILLING BITS	\$110,000
225	70	ELECTRICAL POWER/GENERATION	\$0
225	75	ENGINEERING	\$25,200
225	80	ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$220,000
225	84	EQUIPMENT RENTAL DOWNHOLE	\$60,000
225	85	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$60,000
225	90	FISHING TOOLS/SERVICES	\$0
225	95	HEALTH & SAFETY	\$11,000
225	100	HOUSING AND SUPPORT SERVICES	\$21,000
225	105	INSURANCE	\$2,200
225	106	INSPECTIONS	\$20,000
225	110	LEGAL, TITLE SERVICES	\$6,000
225	115	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	\$5,000
225	120	MISCELLANEOUS	\$5,000
225	125	MOUSE/RATHOLE/CONDUCT PIPE	\$31,000
225	130	MUD & CHEMICALS	\$200,000
225	140	OPENHOLE LOGGING	\$0
225	141	CASED HOLE LOGGING	\$0
225	145	PERMITS, LICENSES, ETC	\$20,000
225	150	POWER FUEL & WATER HAULING	\$180,000
225	155	RIG MOVE & RACKING COSTS	\$130,000
225	160	RIG UP TEAR OUT & STANDBY	\$0
225	163	SITE RESTORATION	\$0
225	165	STAKING & SURVEYING	\$6,000
225	170	SUPERVISION	\$88,200
225	175	SUPERVISION - GEOLOGICAL	\$48,300
225	180	TRANSPORTATION/TRUCKING	\$25,000
225	178	TAXES	\$143,721
225	35	CONTINGENCY COSTS 5%	\$130,655
<b>Total Intangible Drilling Costs:</b>			<b>\$2,887,476</b>

Tangible Drilling Costs			Amount
Major	Minor	Description	
230	10	INTERMEDIATE CASING & ATTACHMENTS	\$173,548
230	20	PACKERS/SLEEVES/PLUGS	\$66,000
230	25	PRODUCTION CASING & ATTACHMENTS	\$1,165,590
230	35	SURFACE CASING & ATTACHMENTS	\$173,758
230	45	WELLHEAD EQUIPMENT/CASING BOWL	\$70,000
230	40	TAXES	\$90,689
<b>Total Tangible Drilling Costs:</b>			<b>\$1,739,585</b>

Tangible Facility Costs			Amount
Major	Minor	Description	
270	10	FACILITY PIPE/VALVES/FITTINGS	\$180,000
270	15	CONTAINMENT	\$0
270	25	DEHYDRATION	\$0
270	30	PRIMARY POWER MATERIALS	\$56,000
270	50	FLOWLINES / PIPELINE / HOOKUP	\$47,000
270	60	H2S TREATING EQUIPMENT	\$0
270	65	SEPARATION EQUIPMENT	\$125,000
270	66	ROAD/LOCATION/FENCING/REPAIRS	\$0
270	75	PRE-FABRICATED SKIDS	\$0
270	86	FACILITY SURFACE EQUIPMENT	\$137,000
270	90	H2S SAFETY SYSTEM	\$4,000
270	100	CONTROL / INSTRUMENT / METERS / SCADA	\$86,000
270	110	TANKS & WALKWAYS	\$90,000
270	130	MECHANICAL BATTERY BUILD	\$154,000
270	132	EI&C BATTERY BUILD	\$45,000
270	134	CONTROLS AND SCADA BATTERY BUILD	\$5,000
270	136	PRIMARY POWER BUILD	\$56,000
270	138	FLOWLINE INSTALLATION	\$27,000
270	140	SIGNAGE	\$250
270	125	TAXES	\$55,674
<b>Total Tangible Facility Costs:</b>			<b>\$1,067,924</b>

Total Drill:	\$4,627,060.78
Total Completion:	\$5,957,045.54
Total Facility:	\$1,198,976.75
Total DC Intangible:	\$8,295,921.04
Total DC Tangible:	\$2,288,185.28

**Total AFE:** \$11,783,083.07

Intangible Completion Costs			Amount
Major	Minor	Description	
240	5	ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD	\$8,200
240	10	CASED HOLE LOGS & SURVEYS	\$6,635
240	15	CASING CREW & EQPT	\$0
240	20	COILED TUBING/SNUBBING UNIT	\$194,313
240	25	COMMUNICATIONS	\$1,896
240	30	COMPANY DIRECT LABOR	\$0
240	35	COMPLETION/WORKOVER RIG	\$75,000
240	45	CONTRACT LABOR/ROUSTABOUTS	\$23,697
240	50	DAMAGES/RECLAMATION	\$1,896
240	55	DISPOSAL SOLIDS	\$2,844
240	60	ELECTRICAL POWER/GENERATION	\$0
240	62	ENGINEERING	\$5,687
240	65	ENVIRONMENTAL/CLEANUP	\$0
240	70	FISHING TOOLS / SERVICES	\$0
240	71	FLUIDS/HAULING/DISPOSAL	\$180,000
240	72	FRAC WATER/COMPLETION FLUID	\$470,000
240	75	FUEL, POWER/DIESEL	\$550,000
240	80	HEALTH & SAFETY	\$4,700
240	85	HOUSING AND SUPPORT SERVICES	\$14,000
240	90	MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	\$0
240	95	MISCELLANEOUS	\$0
240	100	MUD & CHEMICALS	\$10,000
240	110	P&A/TA COSTS	\$0
240	115	PERFORATING/WIRELINE SERVICE	\$265,403
240	120	PIPE INSPECTION	\$0
240	125	ROAD, LOCATIONS REPAIRS	\$2,000
240	130	STIMULATION	\$2,616,000
240	135	SUBSURFACE EQUIPMENTAL RENTAL	\$37,915
240	140	SUPERVISION	\$90,047
240	145	SURFACE EQUIP RENTAL	\$189,573
240	150	TRANSPORTATION/TRUCKING	\$2,844
240	155	WATER TRANSFER	\$56,872
240	160	WELDING SERVICES	\$0
240	165	WELL TESTING/FLOWBACK	\$165,000
240	148	TAXES	\$269,199
240	40	CONTINGENCY COSTS 5%	\$244,726
<b>Total Intangible Completion Costs:</b>			<b>\$5,408,446</b>

Tangible Completion Costs			Amount
Major	Minor	Description	
245	5	ARTIFICIAL LIFT	\$175,000
245	15	FLOWLINES	\$20,000
245	25	FRAC STRING	\$0
245	40	PACKERS/SLEEVES/PLUGS/GL MANDRELS	\$0
245	45	PRODUCTION LINER	\$0
245	50	PRODUCTION PROCESSING FACILITY	\$0
245	55	PRODUCTION TUBING	\$150,000
245	60	RODS/PUMPS	\$0
245	65	SUBSURFACE EQUIPMENT	\$50,000
245	75	WELLHEAD EQUIPMENT	\$125,000
245	70	TAXES	\$28,600
<b>Total Tangible Completion Costs:</b>			<b>\$548,600</b>

Intangible Facility Costs			Amount
Major	Minor	Description	
265	5	CONSULTING	\$18,100
265	12	COMPANY DIRECT LABOR	\$0
265	20	DAMAGES/ROW/PERMITS, ETC	\$24,000
265	22	PAD/ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$50,000
265	25	ENGINEERING / SCIENCE	\$22,000
265	40	HEALTH/SAFETY/ENVIRONMENTAL	\$0
265	45	CONTRACT LABOR & SERVICES	\$0
265	60	OVERHEAD	\$3,000
265	80	SURVEY / PLATS / STAKINGS	\$1,500
265	85	TRANSPORTATION / TRUCKING	\$0
265	83	TAXES	\$6,523
265	10	CONTINGENCY COSTS 5%	\$5,930
<b>Total Intangible Facility Costs:</b>			<b>\$131,053</b>

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THIS AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE IS BASED ON COST ESTIMATES. BILLING WILL REFLECT YOUR PROPORINATE SHARE OF THE ACTUAL INVOICE COSTS.

Operator: Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC  
 Approved By:   
 Craig Walters  
 Chief Executive Officer

Date: 6/21/2023

WI Owner: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST CARRY THEIR OWN CONTROL OF WELL INSURANCE AND ATTACH A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE TO THIS ELECTION OR INSURE WITH FME3

Parties to Be Pooled  
Case No. 23831

TH McElvain Oil & Gas, LLLP	WIO
Slash Exploration LP	WIO
Featherstone Development Corporation	ORRI
Maroon Creek LLC	ORRI
The Taurus Corporation	ORRI
Broken Arrow Royalties LLC	ORRI
Blue Ridge Royalties, LLC	ORRI
Rocking H. Holdings, Ltd.	ORRI
Armstrong Energy Corporation	ORRI
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**SELF-AFFIRMED DECLARATION OF DEANA M. BENNETT**

Deana M. Bennett, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC, the Applicant herein, declares as follows:

- 1) The above-referenced Applications were provided under notice letter, dated September 14, 2023, and attached hereto, as Exhibit A.
- 2) Exhibit B is the mailing list, which show the notice letters were delivered to the USPS for mailing on September 14, 2023.
- 3) Exhibit C is the certified mailing tracking information, which is automatically complied by CertifiedPro, the software Modrall uses to track the mailings. This shows the names and addresses of the parties to whom notice was sent and proof of delivery.
- 4) Exhibit D is the Affidavit of Publication from the Hobbs News-Sun, confirming that notice of the October 5, 2023 hearing was published on September 20, 2023.
- 5) I attest under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the information provided herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: October 2, 2023



Deana M. Bennett

**Exhibit B-10**



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September 14, 2023

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**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

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TO: AFFECTED PARTIES

This letter is to advise you that Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC ("Franklin Mountain Energy 3") has filed the enclosed applications.

In Case No. 23831, Franklin Mountain Energy 3 seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the **Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 803H wells**, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the wells is expected to be orthodox. The spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. Said area is located approximately 24 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.

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**The hearing will be conducted remotely on October 5, 2023 beginning at 8:15 a.m. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the posted on the docket for the hearing date: <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/hearing-info/>.** This hearing is subject to continuance by the Division to a subsequent docket date.

As a party who may be affected by these applications, we are notifying you of your right to appear at the hearing and participate in these cases to the application. Failure to appear at the hearing may preclude you from any involvement in these cases at a later date.

You are further notified that if you desire to appear in these cases, then you are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division at least four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing before the Division or the Commission, but in no event later than 5:00 p.m. mountain time, on the Thursday preceding the scheduled hearing date, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Deana M. Bennett

*Attorney for Applicant*

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**CASE NO. 23831**

**APPLICATION**

Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC (“Franklin”), OGRID Number 331595, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the W/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. Franklin also hereby provides notice that the spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico. In support of this application, Franklin states as follows:

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6. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed unit will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, Franklin requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on October 5, 2023 and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

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B. Approving, to the extent necessary, the proposed overlapping spacing unit;

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D. Authorizing Franklin to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the wells;

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F. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the wells.

Respectfully submitted,

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS  
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By: /s/ Deana M. Bennett

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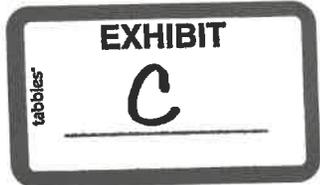
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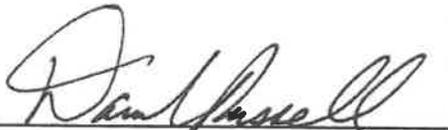


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**CASE NO. 23829:** Notice to all affected parties, as well as heirs and devisees of: TH McElvain Oil & Gas, LLLP; Featherstone Development Corporation; Broken Arrow Royalties; State of New Mexico by and through its Commissioner of Public Lands of the Application of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC for compulsory pooling and notice of overlapping unit, Lea County, New Mexico. The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice that the Division will conduct a public hearing at 8:15 a.m. on October 5, 2023 to consider this application. Information about accessing the electronic hearing is posted at "OCD NOTICES" at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/oce/hearing-info/>. This hearing is subject to continuance by the Division to a subsequent docket date. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the W/2W/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NW/NW of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Satellite State Com 701H and Satellite State Com 801H wells, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the wells is expected to be orthodox. The spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. Said area is located approximately 24 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.

**CASE NO. 23830:** Notice to all affected parties, as well as heirs and devisees of: TH McElvain Oil & Gas, LLLP; The Taurus Corporation; Featherstone Development Corporation; Broken Arrow Royalties LLC; Brazos Limited Partnership; Penroc Oil Corporation; Rocking H. Holdings, Ltd.; JKV Corporation; State of New Mexico by and through its Commissioner of Public Lands of the Application of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC for compulsory pooling and notice of overlapping unit, Lea County, New Mexico. The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice that the Division will conduct a public hearing at 8:15 a.m. on October 5, 2023 to consider this application. Information about accessing the electronic hearing is posted at "OCD NOTICES" at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/oce/hearing-info/>. This hearing is subject to continuance by the Division to a subsequent docket date. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the E/2W/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NE/NW of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Satellite State Com 702H and Satellite State Com 802H wells, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the wells is expected to be orthodox. The spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M. Lea County, New Mexico. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. Said area is located approximately 24 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.

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**CASE NO. 23832:** Notice to all affected parties, as well as heirs and devisees of: TH McElvain Oil & Gas, LLLP; Slash Exploration LP; Featherstone Development Corporation; Maroon Creek LLC; The Taurus Corporation; Broken Arrow Royalties LLC; Blue Ridge Royalties, LLC; Rocking H. Holdings, Ltd.; Armstrong Energy Corporation; Chimney Rock Oil & Gas, LLC; JKV Corporation; State of New Mexico, by and through its Commissioner of Public Lands of the Application of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC for compulsory pooling and notice of overlapping unit, Lea County, New Mexico. The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice that the Division will conduct a public hearing at 8:15 a.m. on October 5, 2023 to consider this application. Information about accessing the electronic hearing is posted at "OCD NOTICES" at <https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/oce/hearing-info/>. This hearing is subject to continuance by the Division to a subsequent docket date. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a 360-acre, more or less, Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit comprising the E/2E/2 of Sections 24 and 25 and the NE/NE of Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Satellite State Com 704H and Satellite State Com 804H wells, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for the wells is expected to be orthodox. The spacing unit proposed in this application will partially overlap a spacing unit in Section 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. Said area is located approximately 24 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.  
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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**APPLICATIONS OF FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN  
ENERGY 3, LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING  
AND NOTICE OF OVERLAPPING SPACING UNIT,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

**CASE NOS. 23831 & 23832  
(Satellite E/2 Wolfcamp)**

**SELF AFFIRMED DECLARATION OF BEN KESSEL**

Ben Kessel hereby states and declares as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18, I am a geologist for Franklin Mountain Energy 3, LLC (“Franklin”), and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein. I have previously testified before the Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) and my credentials as an expert petroleum geologist were accepted by the Division as a matter of record.

2. My area of responsibility at Franklin includes the area of Lea County in New Mexico.

3. I am familiar with the applications filed by Franklin in these cases.

4. **Exhibit C.1** is a locator map showing the approximate location of the proposed units in relation to the Capitan Reef.

5. **Exhibit C.2** is a wellbore schematic showing Franklin’s development plan for Sections 24, 25 and 36, Township 18 South, Range 34 East. Franklin has submitted a total of four applications to cover these sections as follows: Case Nos. 23829 and 23830 (W/2 Wolfcamp wells) and Case Nos. 23831 and 23832 (E/2 Wolfcamp wells).

6. In these two cases, Franklin is proposing four Wolfcamp wells as follows: Case No. 23831—Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 803H (W/2/E/2) and Case No. 23832— Satellite State Com 704H and Satellite State Com 804H (E/2E/2).

7. **Exhibit C.3** through **Exhibit C.6** are the geology study I prepared of the Wolfcamp A formation. The Satellite State Com 703H and Satellite State Com 704H wells are Wolfcamp A wells.

8. **Exhibit C.3** is a structure map of the Wolfcamp A formation. The proposed W/2E/2 unit is identified by a blue box and the proposed E/2E/2 unit is identified by a red box. The two Wolfcamp A wells proposed in these cases are the black-dashed lines. The contour interval used in this exhibit is 25 feet. This exhibit shows that the structure dips to the south.

9. **Exhibit C.4** is a cross-section reference map that identifies five wells in the vicinity of the proposed Wolfcamp A wells, shown by a line of cross-section running from A to A'.

10. **Exhibit C.5** is a stratigraphic cross-section, and the well logs shown on the cross-section give a representative sample of the Wolfcamp A formation in the area. The target zone is identified by a bracket and the words "Producing Interval". I have also identified where the proposed wells fall within the wells I used for the cross-section.

11. In my opinion, the gross interval thickness for the Wolfcamp A formation decreases slightly to the south.

12. **Exhibit C.6** is an Isopach map of the Wolfcamp A formation. The gross interval decreases slightly to the south.

13. **Exhibit C.7** through **Exhibit C.10** are the geology study I prepared of the Wolfcamp B formation. The Satellite State Com 803H and Satellite State Com 804H wells are Wolfcamp B wells.

14. **Exhibit C.7** is structure map of the Wolfcamp B formation. The proposed W/2E/2 unit is identified by a blue box and the proposed E/2E/2 unit is identified by a red box. The two Wolfcamp B wells proposed in these two case are the black-dashed lines. The contour interval used in this exhibit is 25 feet. This exhibit shows that the structure dips to the south.

15. **Exhibit C.8** is a cross-section reference map that identifies five wells in the vicinity of the proposed Wolfcamp B wells, shown by a line of cross-section running from A to A'.

16. **Exhibit C.9** is a stratigraphic cross-section, and the well logs on the cross-section give a representative sample of the Wolfcamp B formation in the area. The target zone is identified by a bracket and the words "Producing Interval". I have also identified where the proposed wells fall within the wells I used for the cross-section.

17. In my opinion, the gross interval thickness for the Wolfcamp B formation decreases slightly to the south.

18. **Exhibit C.10** is an Isopach map of the Wolfcamp B formation. The gross interval thickness decreases to the south.

19. I conclude from the geology studies referenced above that:

- a. The horizontal spacing unit is justified from a geologic standpoint.
- b. There are no structural impediments or faulting that will interfere with horizontal development.
- c. Each quarter-quarter section in the proposed unit will contribute more or less equally to production.

20. **Exhibit C.11** provides an overview of the stress orientation in the area based on the 2018 Snee-Zoback paper.

21. The preferred well orientation in this area is either north/south or south/north, nearly orthogonal to  $S_{Hmax}$ , optimal for induced fracture propagation. This is because the  $S_{Hmax}$  is at approximately 255 degrees ENE in this area of Lea County.

22. I attest that the information provided herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

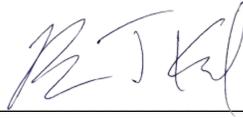
23. In my opinion, the granting of Franklin's application is in the interests of conservation and the prevention of waste.

24. The attachments to this declaration were prepared by me, or compiled from company business records, or were prepared at my direction.

*[Signature page follows]*

I attest under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Mexico that the information provided herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: September 29th, 2023

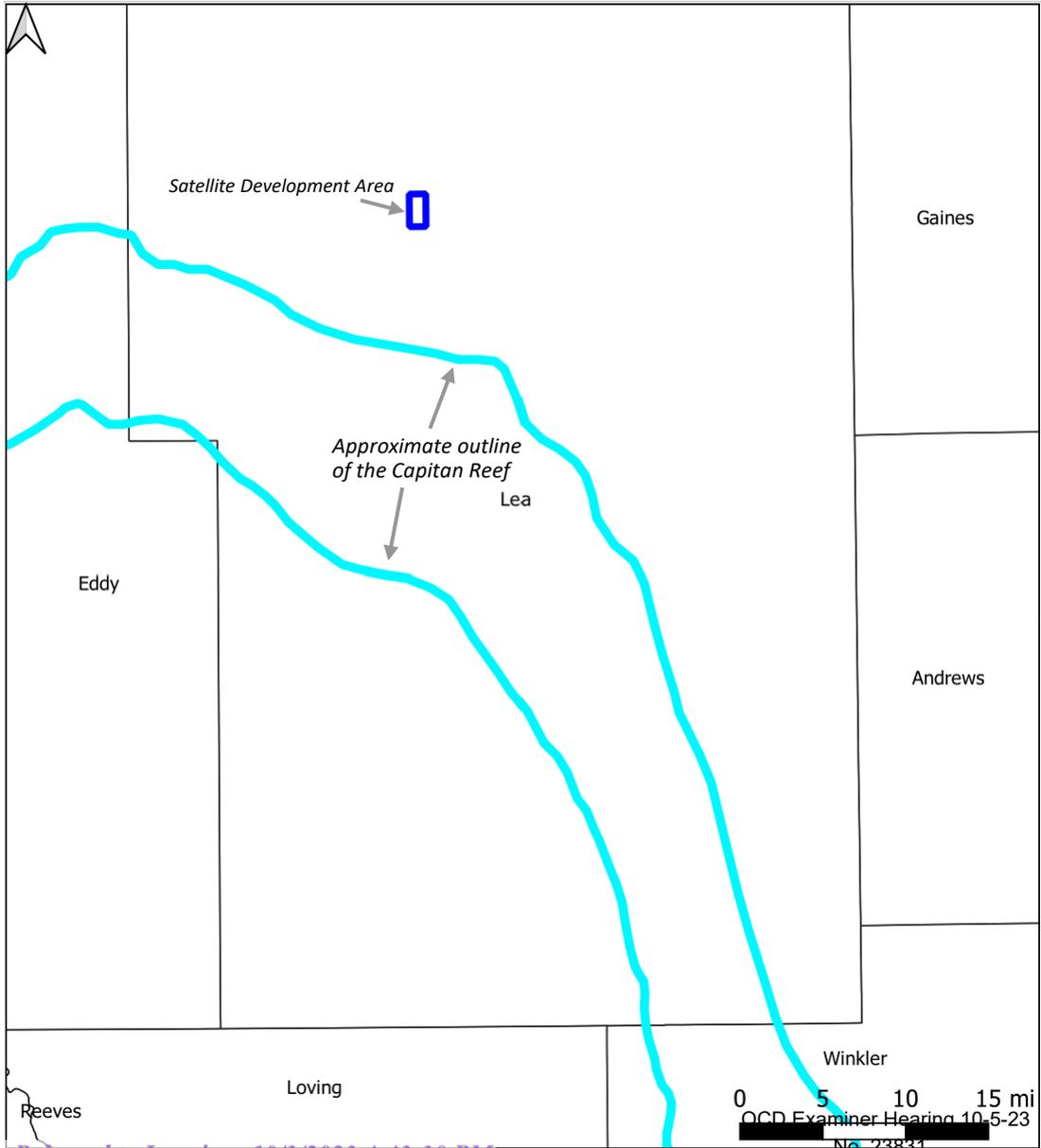


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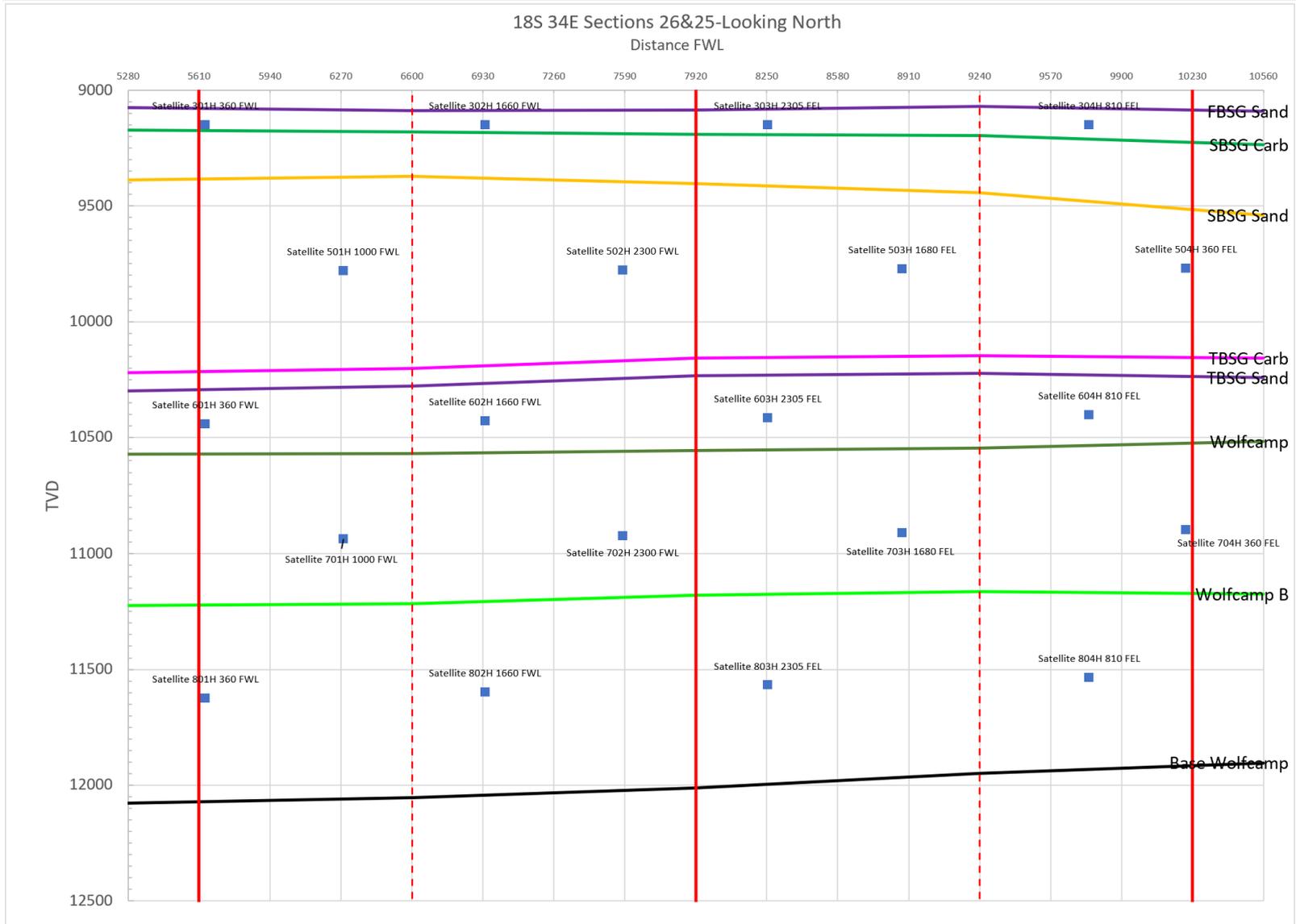
# Satellite Development

## Locator Map

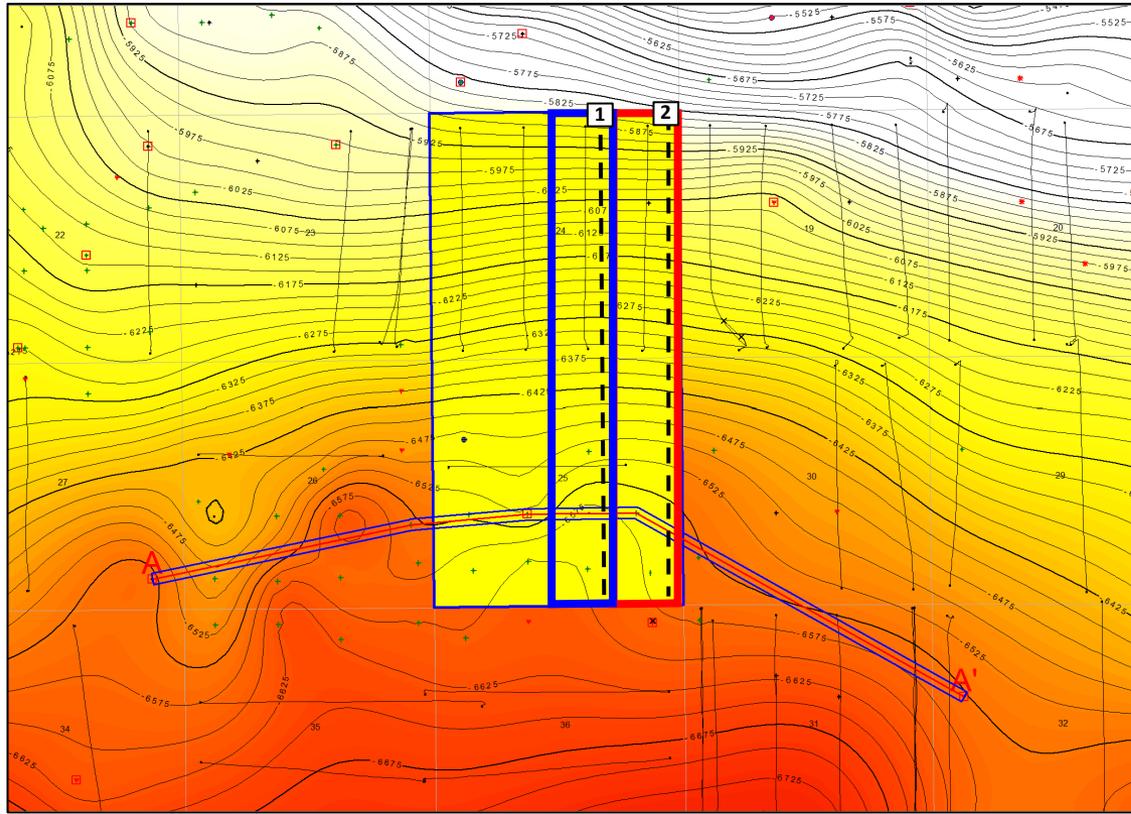


- Black box shows the location of Satellite development area
- Planned wells are located outside of the eastern edge of the Capitan Reef

# Wellbore Schematic



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-  Franklin Mountain Acreage
-  W2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit
-  E2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit

Proposed Horizontal Location

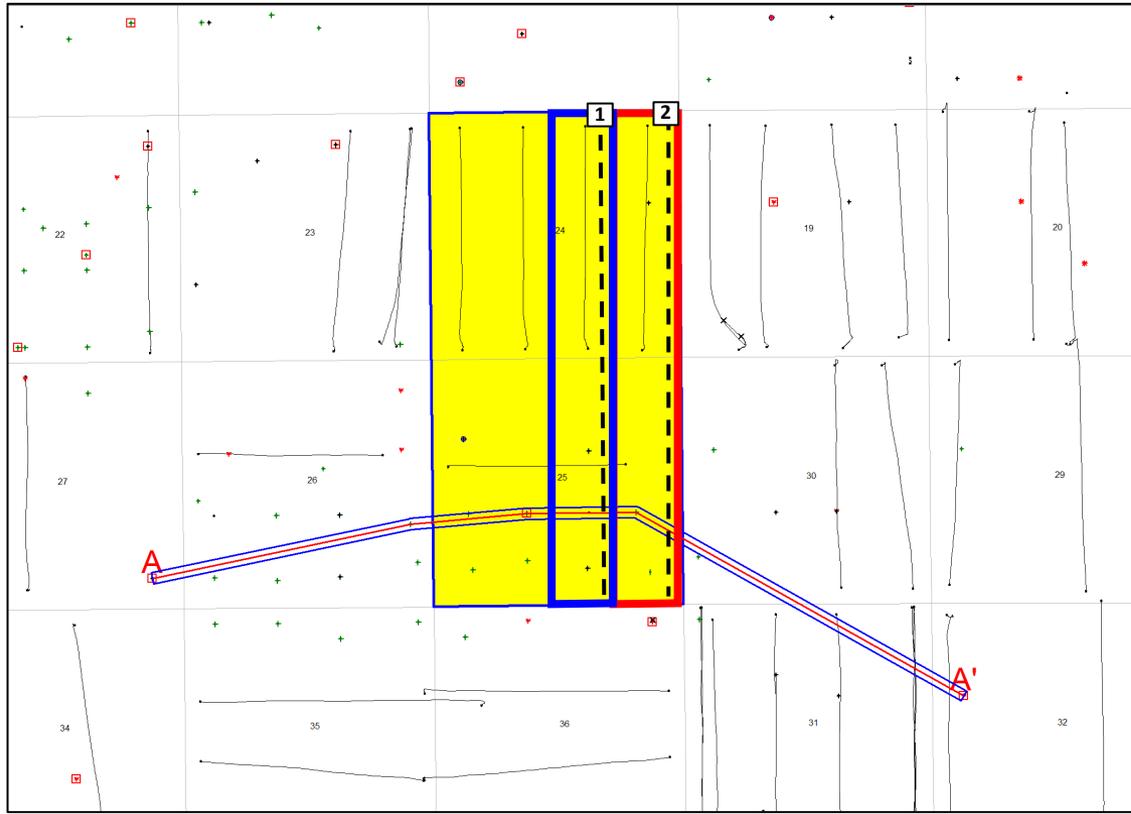
-  Satellite State Com 703H
-  Satellite State Com 704H

All wells shown

1 mile

### Exhibit C-3

# Cross Section Reference Map



- Franklin Mountain Acreage
- W2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit
- E2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit
- Proposed Horizontal Location
- 1 Satellite State Com 703H
- 2 Satellite State Com 704H

All wells shown

1 mile

## Exhibit C-4

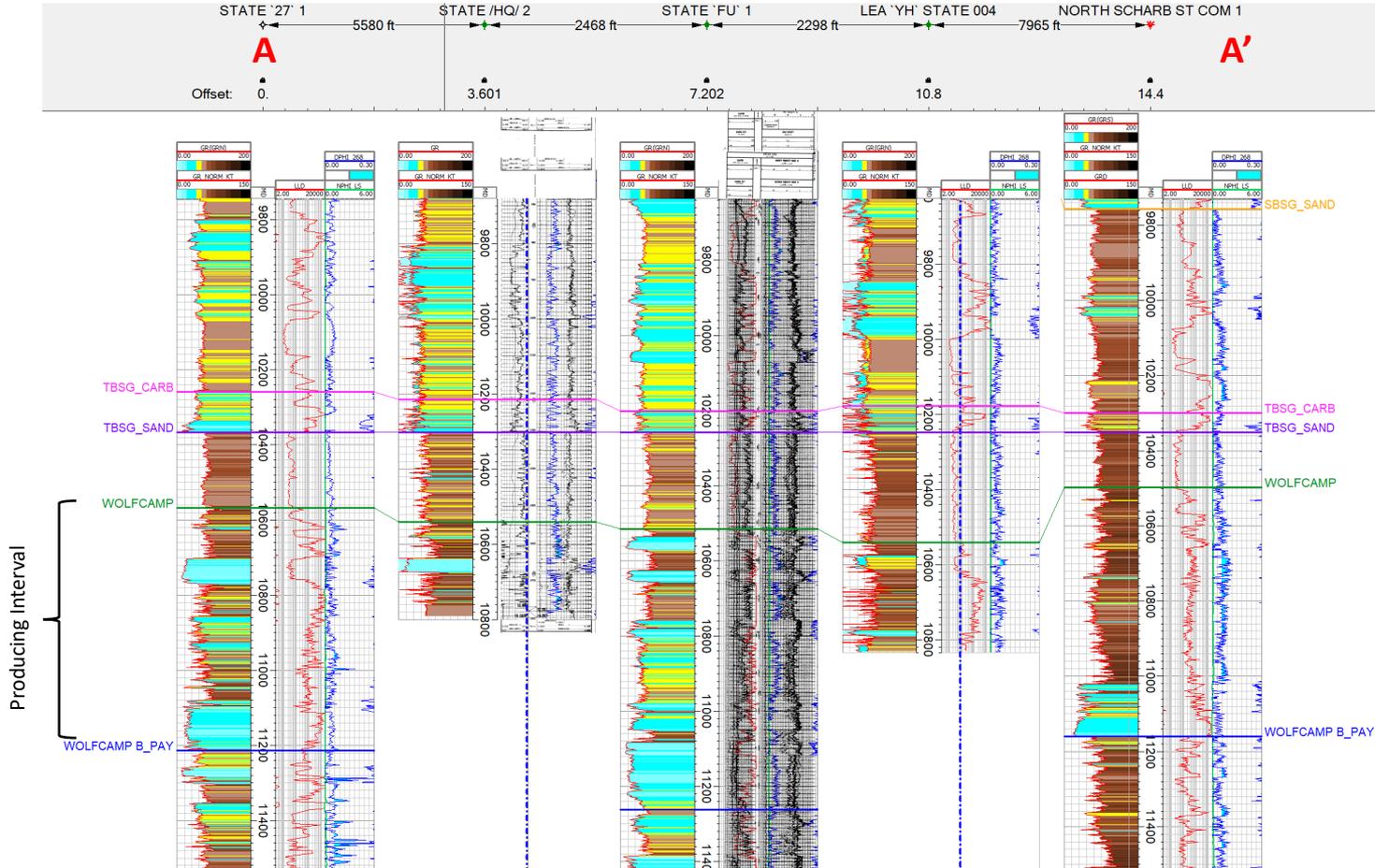
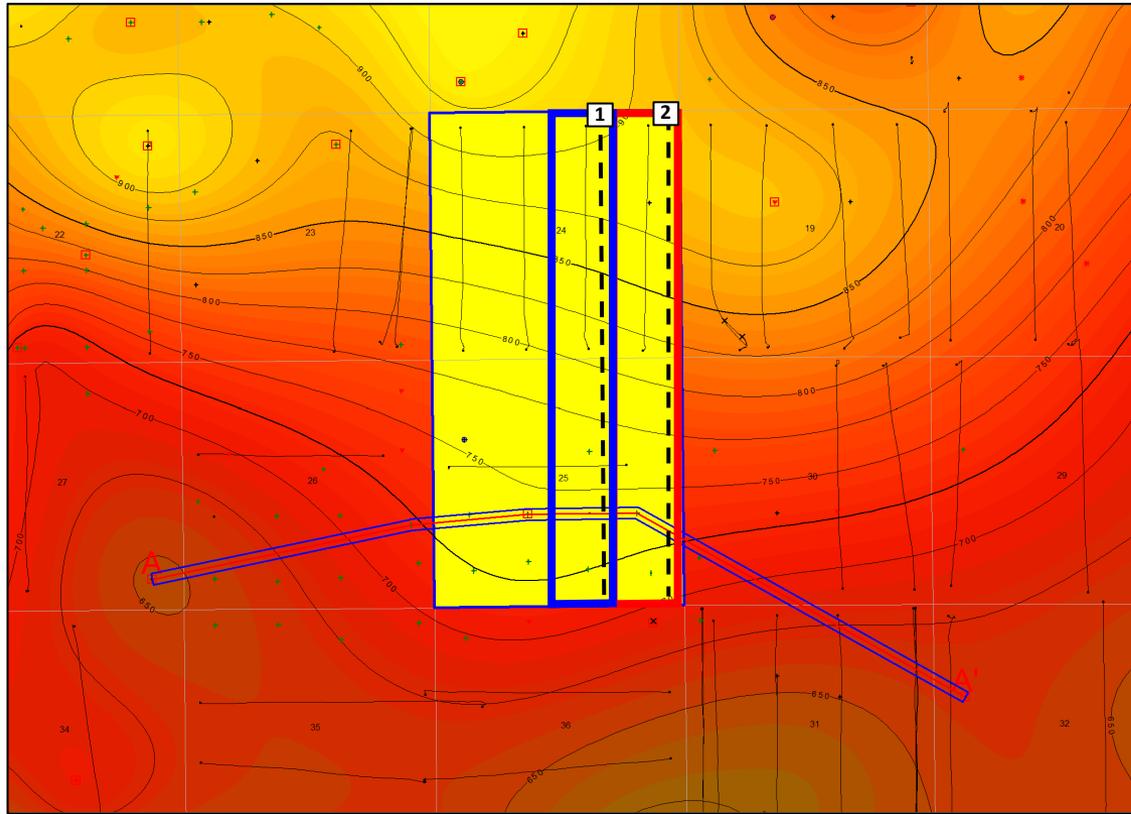


Exhibit C-5

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-  Franklin Mountain Acreage
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Proposed Horizontal Location

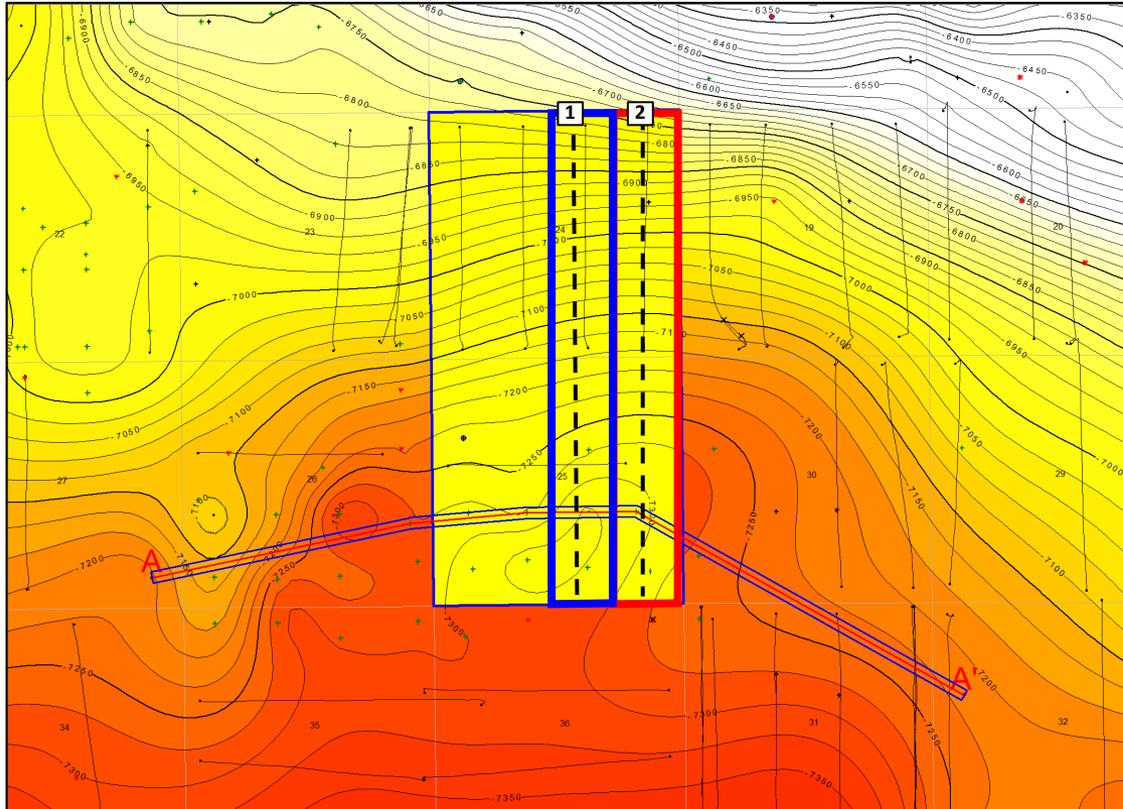
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-  Satellite State Com 704H

All wells shown

1 mile



# Wolfcamp B Structure Map



- Franklin Mountain Acreage
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- E2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit

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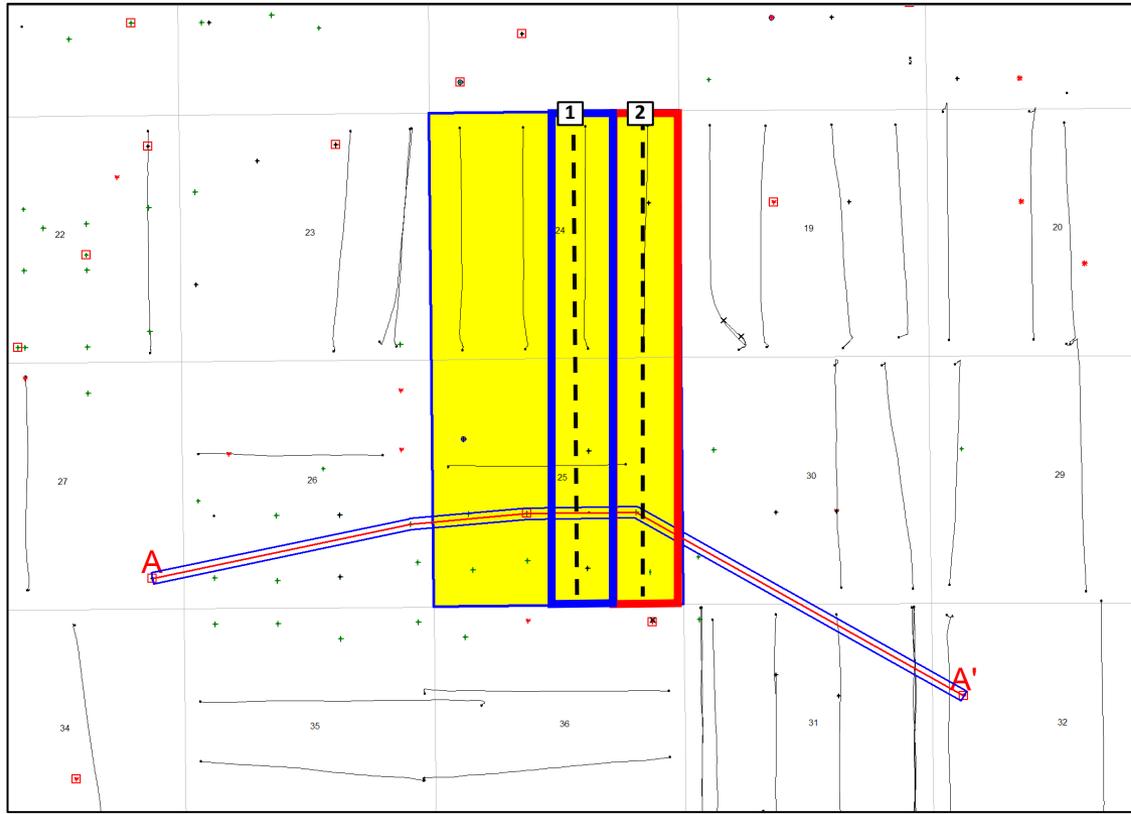
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All wells shown

1 mile

## Exhibit C-7

# Cross Section Reference Map



- Franklin Mountain Acreage
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- E2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit

Proposed Horizontal Location

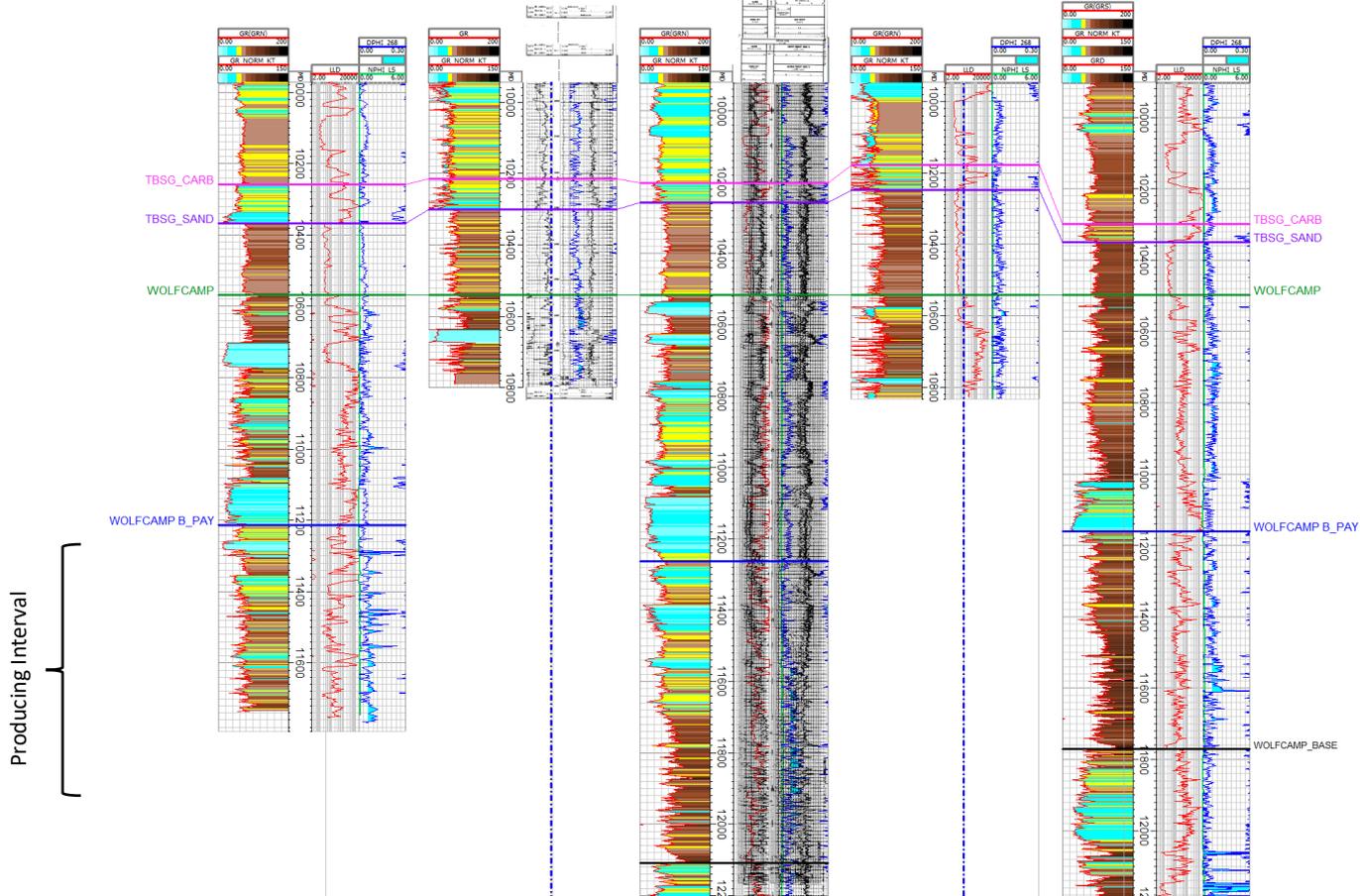
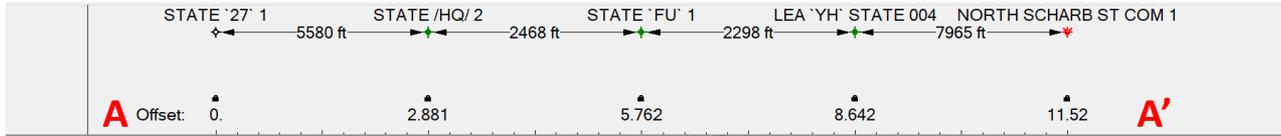
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All wells shown

1 mile



## Exhibit C-8



803H

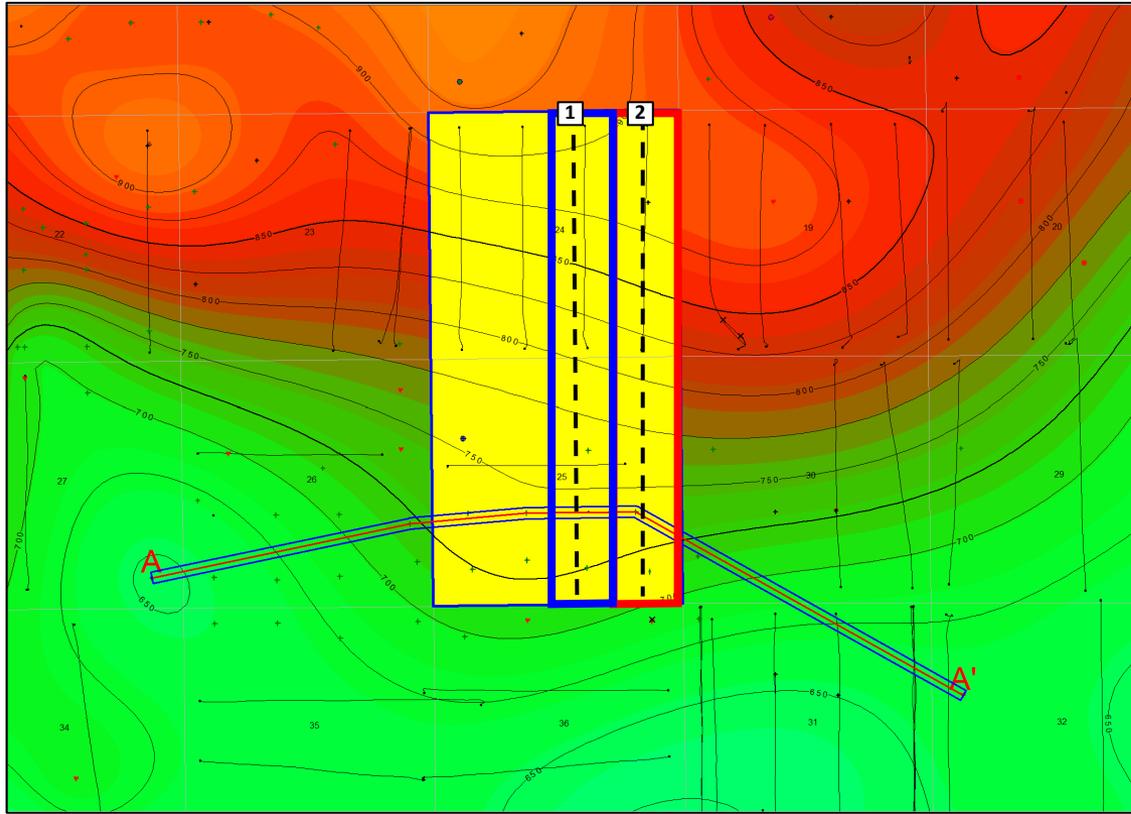
804H

Exhibit C-9

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-  E2/E2 Wolfcamp Spacing Unit

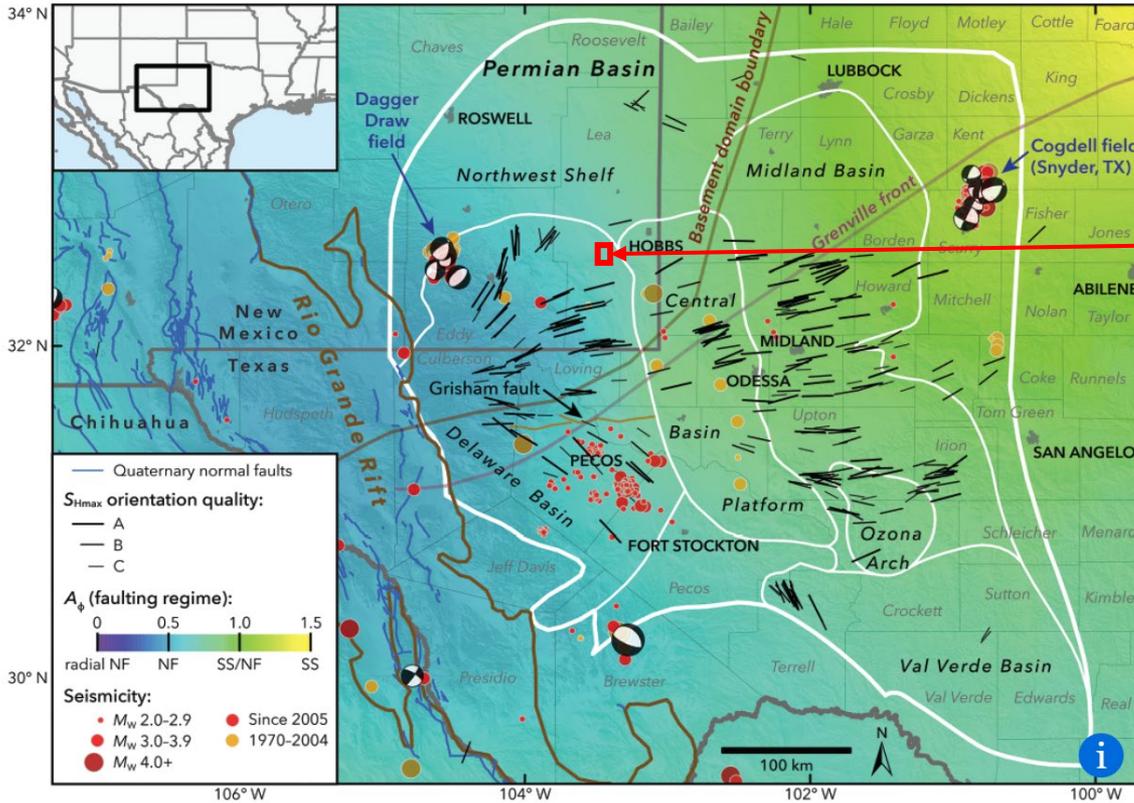
Proposed Horizontal Location

-  Satellite State Com 803H
-  Satellite State Com 804H

All wells shown

1 mile

# Regional Stress



- Red box shows the approximate location of the Satellite development
- Reported local  $S_{Hmax}$  (Snee and Zoback, 2018) direction is ENE, around  $255^\circ$
- Wells in the Satellite development are planned to drill N-S, nearly orthogonal to  $S_{Hmax}$ , optimal for induced fracture propagation

Snee, J.L. and Zoback, M.D., 2018, State of stress in the Permian Basin, Texas and New Mexico: Implications for induced seismicity: The Leading Edge, 37, no. 2

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