

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

**APPLICATION OF COTERRA ENERGY  
OPERATING CO. FOR COMPULSORY POOLING,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION**

Coterra Energy Operating Co. ("Coterra"), OGRID Number 215099, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby submits this application to the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA (1978), Section 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a standard 649.37-acre, more or less, Bone Spring spacing unit comprised of the W/2 of irregular Section 4 and the W/2 of Section 9, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. In support of this application, Coterra states as follows:

1. Coterra has an interest in the subject lands and has a right to drill and operate a well thereon.
2. Coterra seeks to dedicate the W/2 of irregular Section 4 and the W/2 of Section 9, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico to form a 649.37-acre, more or less, Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit.
3. Coterra seeks to dedicate the unit to the following wells:
  - a. **Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #102H and Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #221H** wells with proposed first take points in the NW/4 NW/4 (Lot 4) of irregular Section 4 and proposed last take points in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 9; and
  - b. **Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #202H** well with a proposed first take point in the NE/4 NW/4 (Lot 3) of irregular Section 4 and proposed last take point in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 9.

4. The wells will be horizontally drilled, and the producing areas for the wells are expected to be orthodox.

5. The completed interval for the well **Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #221H** is expected to be less than 330 feet from the adjoining tracts thereby allowing for the inclusion of the proximity tracts within the proposed spacing unit under Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(1)(b) NMAC to the extent necessary.

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

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

WHEREFORE, Coterra requests that this case is set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on February 5, 2026, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

A. Pooling all uncommitted mineral interests in the Bone Spring formation underlying the W/2 of irregular Section 4 and the W/2 of Section 9, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico;

B. Designating Coterra as operator of this unit and the wells to be drilled thereon;

C. Authorizing Coterra to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing the wells;

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

E. 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,

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**CASE NO. \_\_\_\_: Application of Coterra Energy Operating Co. for compulsory pooling, and, to the extent necessary, Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted interests within a 649.37-acre, more or less, Bone Spring horizontal spacing unit comprised of the W/2 of irregular Section 4 and the W/2 of Section 9, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the following wells: **Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #102H and Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #221H** wells with proposed first take points in the NW/4 NW/4 (Lot 4) of irregular Section 4 and proposed last take points in the SW/4 SW/4 (Unit M) of Section 9; and **Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #202H** well with a proposed first take point in the NE/4 NW/4 (Lot 3) of irregular Section 4 and proposed last take point in the SE/4 SW/4 (Unit N) of Section 9. The completed interval for the well **Big Iron 4-9 Fed Com #221H** is expected to be less than 330 feet from the adjoining tracts thereby allowing for the inclusion of the proximity tracts within the proposed spacing unit under Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(1)(b) NMAC to the extent necessary. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling, completing, and equipping said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision while drilling and after completion, designation of Coterra Energy Operating Co. as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells. Said area is located approximately 25 miles west of Hobbs, New Mexico.