

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

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR  
AN EXCEPTION TO WELL DENSITY  
REQUIREMENTS SUBMITTED BY  
HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY**

**CASE NO. 25488  
ORDER NO. R-23892-A**

**ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on August 7, 2025, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing and Technical Examiners, issues the following Order.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Hilcorp Energy Company (“Operator”) submitted an application (“Application”) for an exception from the well density requirements for the Basin Dakota pool (Pool Code 71599) (“Pool”) within the spacing unit (“Spacing Unit”) consisting of the following lands situated in San Juan county, New Mexico:

Township 29 North, Range 8 West, N.M.P.M  
Section 36: E/2

2. OCD issued Order R-23892 on July 24, 2025, which authorized Operator to simultaneously dedicate four (4) wells to the Spacing Unit. In the Application, Operator is now requesting an additional well.
3. The Pool is subject to special pool rules established in Order R-10987-B(2) which allows at most: four (4) wells within the spacing unit, two (2) wells within each quarter, and one (1) well within each quarter-quarter to simultaneously produce within the Spacing Unit.
4. The wells currently dedicated to the Spacing Unit are (“Existing Wells”):

STATE COM Q #013R (API No. 30-045-29083)

Surface hole location: SE/4 NE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

Bottom hole location: SE/4 NE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

STATE COM Q #013M (API No. 30-045-30428)

Surface hole location: SE/4 SE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

Bottom hole location: SE/4 SE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

5. Operator is proposing to additionally dedicate the following wells to the Spacing Unit (“Proposed Wells”):

STATE COM Q #13N (API No. 30-045-PENDING)

Surface hole location: SE/4 NE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

Bottom hole location: NE/4 NE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

STATE COM Q #13P (API No. 30-045-PENDING)

Surface hole location: SE/4 NE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

Bottom hole location: NW/4 NE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

STATE COM Q #13Q (API No. 30-045-PENDING)

Surface hole location: SE/4 SW/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

Bottom hole location: SW/4 SE/4 of Sec 36-T29N-R8W

6. Operator identified all affected persons, as defined by 19.15.2.7 A.(8) NMAC, in spacing units in the Pool or in tracts not included in such spacing units adjoining the Spacing Unit and provided evidence that notice was given.
7. The Application was heard by the Hearing Examiner on the date specified above, during which Operator presented evidence through affidavits in support of the Application. No other party presented evidence at the hearing.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

8. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to the Oil and Gas Act, Section 70-2-6, Section 70-2-11, and Section 70-2-12 NMSA 1978.
9. Operator is the designated operator of wells within the Spacing Unit.
10. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC and 19.15.15.11 C. NMAC.
11. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.
12. Approval of the Application will prevent waste and not impair correlative rights.

### **ORDER**

13. Operator is authorized to simultaneously dedicate the Existing Wells and the Proposed Wells to the Spacing Unit.

14. This Order supersedes Order R-23892.
15. Operator shall submit a Form C-102 that references this Order and includes the correct acreage for each of the Proposed Wells. The Form C-102 shall be included in each well's APD or sundry including the well in the Spacing Unit.
16. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

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**ALBERT CHANG  
DIRECTOR**

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**Date:** 9/8/2025