

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

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR  
COMPULSORY POOLING SUBMITTED BY  
TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC**

**CASE NO. 25710  
ORDER NO. R-23945-A**

**ORDER**

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on December 4, 2025, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing and Technical Examiners, issues the following Order.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Tap Rock Operating, LLC (“Operator”) submitted an application (“Application”) to compulsory pool additional uncommitted owners of oil and gas interest under Order R-23945 and within the spacing unit described therein (“Unit”).
2. Subsequent to the issuance of Order R-23945, Operator discovered previously unidentified owners of interest in oil and gas minerals in the Unit (“Previously Unidentified Owners”).
3. Operator identified the Previously Unidentified Owners and provided evidence that notice was given to each uncommitted owner.
4. 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**

5. OCD has jurisdiction to issue this Order pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 70-2-17.
6. Operator is the owner of an oil and gas working interest within the Unit.
7. Operator satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
8. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.

9. Some of the Previously Unidentified Owners have not agreed to commit their interests to the Unit.
10. The pooling of uncommitted Previously Unidentified Owners will prevent waste and protect correlative rights, including the drilling of unnecessary wells.
11. This Order affords to the Previously Unidentified Owners of an uncommitted interest the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil or gas in the pool.

**ORDER**

12. The uncommitted Previously Unidentified Owners are hereby pooled in the Unit.
13. Order R-23945 shall remain in full force and effect.
14. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as may be deemed necessary.

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**Date:** 12/10/2025