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# Application

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#### **NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**



#### - Geological & Engineering Bureau -1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505 ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE Applicant: Tap Rock Operating, LLC OGRID Number: 372043 Well Name: WTG Fed Com #215H Well API: Pending Pool: Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool Code: 98220 SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED BELOW 1) TYPE OF APPLICATION: Check those which apply for [A] A. Location – Spacing Unit – Simultaneous Dedication NSP (PRORATION UNIT) $\Box$ SD **■**NSL NSP (PROJECT AREA) B. Check one only for [1] or [1] [1] Commingling – Storage – Measurement □СТВ PC Поім [ II ] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery ☐ EOR ☐ PPR FOR OCD ONLY 2) **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** Check those which apply. Notice Complete A. Offset operators or lease holders B. Royalty, overriding royalty owners, revenue owners **Application** C. Application requires published notice Content D. Notification and/or concurrent approval by SLO Complete E. Notification and/or concurrent approval by BLM F. Surface owner G. For all of the above, proof of notification or publication is attached, and/or, H. ☐ No notice required 3) **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division. Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity. 08/08/2019

Date Kaitlyn A. Luck Print or Type Name 505-954-7286 Phone Number kaluck@hollandhart.com e-mail Address



Kaitlyn A. Luck Associate Phone (505) 954-7286 KALuck@hollandhart.com

August 8, 2019

#### **VIA ONLINE FILING**

Adrienne Sandoval, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Application of Tap Rock Operating, LLC, for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its WTG Fed Com #215H Well in the W/2 W/2 of Sections 27 and 34, Township 26 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Ms. Sandoval:

Tap Rock Operating, LLC ("Tap Rock") (OGRID No. 372043) seeks administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its **WTG Fed Com #215H Well** (API No. Pending) to be completed within the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp Pool (98220) underlying the W/2 W/2 of Sections 27 and 34, Township 26 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

This well will be drilled from a surface location 495 feet from the north line and 445 feet from the west line (Unit D) of Section 27 to a bottom hole location 5 feet from the south line and 946 feet from the west line (Lot 9) of Section 34. The first take point will be located 330 feet from the north line and 946 feet from the west line (Unit D) of Section 27 and the last take point will be 100 feet from the south line and 946 feet from the west line (Lot 9) of Section 34.

Pursuant to Division Order R-14262, this acreage is governed by the Special Rules for the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool which provide for wells in the Wolfcamp formation in Eddy County to be located no closer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the spacing unit. The completed interval for the WTG Fed Com #215H Well will be unorthodox because it is closer than 330 feet to the southern boundary of the horizontal spacing unit. Approval of the unorthodox completed interval will allow Tap Rock to use its preferred well spacing plan for horizontal wells in this area and thereby prevent waste.

**Exhibit A** is a Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat (Form C-102), which shows that the completed interval of the proposed **WTG Fed Com #215H Well** encroaches on the spacing units to the south.

**Exhibit B** is a land plat for Sections 27 and 34 that shows the proposed **WTG Fed Com** #215H Well in relation to the adjoining spacing units to the south in the N/2 N/2 of Section 5, Block 57, Township 1 North (Loving County, Texas).

Ownership is diverse between the subject spacing unit and the tracts to the south. A copy of this application with all attachments has been sent by certified mail to each affected party advising them that if they have an objection it must be filed in writing with the Division within 20 days from the date the Division receives the application. **Exhibit C** is a list of the parties affected by the encroachment to the south together with the tracking information reflecting notice has been provided.

**Exhibit D** is a statement from Tap Rock's petroleum engineer confirming that Tap Rock's requested unorthodox location is necessary to optimize well spacing, thereby preventing waste.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn A. Luck

ATTORNEY FOR TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC



Kaitlyn A. Luck Associate Phone (505) 954-7286 KALuck@hollandhart.com

August 8, 2019

### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

#### TO AFFECTED PARTIES:

Re: Application of Tap Rock Operating, LLC, for administrative approval of an unorthodox well location for its WTG Fed Com #215H Well in the W/2 W/2 of Sections 27 and 34, Township 26 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of the above-referenced application which was filed with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division on this date. Any objection to this application must be filed in writing within twenty days from this date with the applicant and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505. If no objection is received within this twenty-day period, this application may be approved administratively by the Division.

If you have any questions about this application, please contact the following:

Christian Combs
Tap Rock Resources
(720) 360-4028
ccombs@taprk.com

Kaitlyn A. Luck

Sincerely,

ATTORNEY FOR TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC

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Phone: (575) 748-1283 Fax: (575) 748-9720 District III 1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410

Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170 District IV 1220 S St Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

**FORM C-102** Revised August 1, 2011 Submit one copy to appropriate **District Office** 

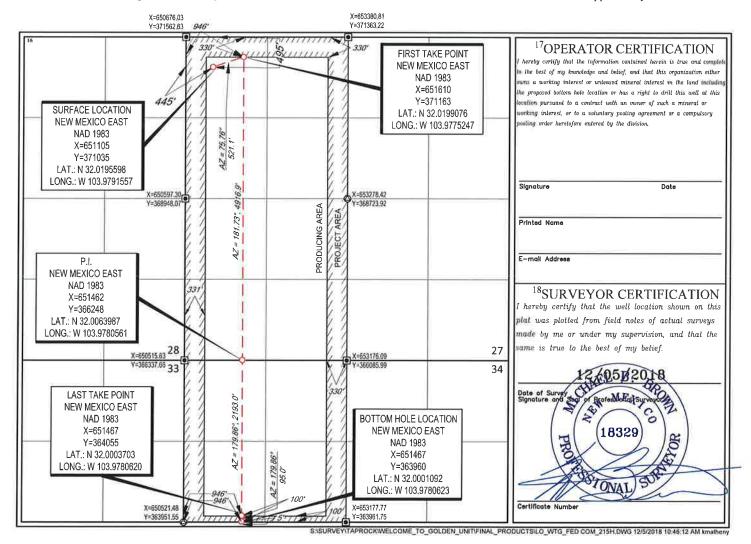
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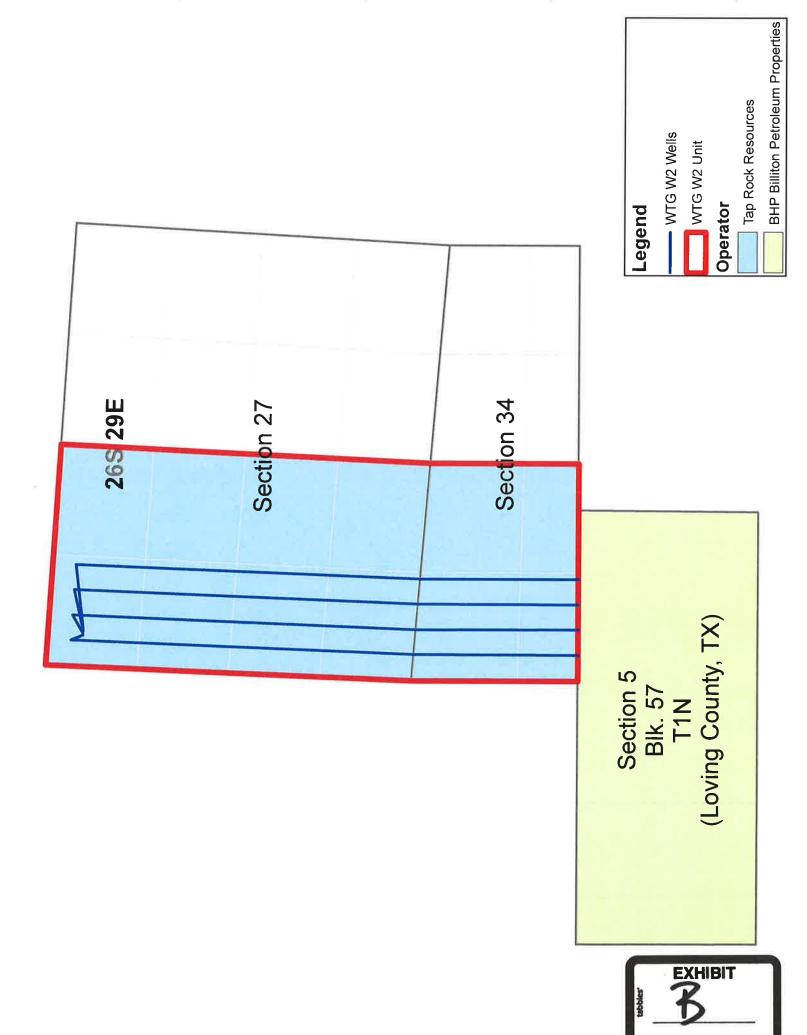
AMENDED REPORT

#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

	API Number	Pool Code			er <sup>2</sup> Pool Code <sup>3</sup> Pool Name						<sup>3</sup> Pool Name				
<sup>4</sup> Property Code					5Property Name					<sup>6</sup> Well Number					
		WTG FED COM						215H							
OGRID I	GRID No. SOperator Name Ele					Elevation									
	TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC. 288						884'								
					<sup>10</sup> Surface Lo	cation									
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Ida	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	Eas	County						
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11Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface															
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9	34	26-S	29-E	-	5'	SOUTH	946'	WES	ST	EDDY					
12 Dedicated Acres	<sup>13</sup> Joint or l	Infill 14Co	nsolidation Cod	e <sup>15</sup> Order	No.		,								

No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the division.





#### WTG Fed Com #201H, #211H, #205H, #215H NSL Address List

N/2N/2 Section 5, Block 57, Township 1 North (Loving County, Texas)

BHP Billiton Petroleum Properties P.O. Box 22719 Houston, TX 77027





#### **Shipment Confirmation Acceptance Notice**

Note to Mailer: The labels and volume associated to this form online, must match the labeled packages being presented to the USPS® employee with this form.

Tap Rock - NSL -WTG Fed Com #201H, 205H, 211H, 215H CM# 93477.0001

Shipment Date: 08/05/2019

Shipped From:

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Address: 110 N GUADALUPE ST # 1

City: SANTA FE

State: NM\_ ZIP+4® 87501

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<sup>\*</sup>Start time for products with service guarantees will begin when mail arrives at the local Post Office™ and items receive individual processing and acceptance scans.

#### B. USPS Action

Note to RSS Clerk:

- 1. Home screen > Mailing/Shipping > More
- 2. Select Shipment Confirm
- Scan or enter the barcode/label number from PS Form 5630
- Confirm the volume count message by selecting Yes or No
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August 5, 2019

Adrienne Sandoval, Director Oil Conservation Division New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Re: Non-Standard Location Request

WTG Fed Com #201H, #205H, #211H and #215H (the "Wells")

Dear Ms. Sandoval:

Tap Rock Operating hereby requests administrative approval of a non-standard location for each of the Wells referenced above by decreasing the last take points from 330 feet to 100 feet from the horizontal plane outer boundary. The Wells are located in the Purple Sage-Wolfcamp Gas Pool (Pool Code 98220). It is Tap Rock's responsibility as a prudent operator to maximize lateral length and to minimize reserves left in the ground. Decreasing the last take point will increase the wells effective lateral length by 230 feet thereby increasing ultimate recovery of reserves and thereby preventing waste of natural resources.

Sincerely,

TAP ROCK OPERATING, LLC

Conner Wood

Asset Manager and Reservoir Engineer

