

NSL Initial Application

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February 27, 2020

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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 Marathon Oil Permian LLC for administrative approval of unorthodox well location for its Trojan Horse 35 WXY Fed Com 4H well, located in the W/2 of Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, and W/2 of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dear Director Sandoval:

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon"), OGRID Number 372098, is seeking administrative approval of an unorthodox well location ("NSL") for the **Trojan Horse 35 WXY Fed Com 4H well**, (the "Well") to be completed within the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool (Pool Code 98220) underlying the W/2 of Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, and W/2 of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico. A C-102 for the Well is attached as Exhibit A. This is a horizontal well that will be drilled as follows:

- First Take Point: 100' from the North line and 2310' from the West line of Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 28 East;
- Last Take Point: 100' from the South line and 2310' from the West line of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 28 East.

Marathon has included as Exhibit B a letter explaining why this application is needed. This well will produce from the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Pool (Pool Code 98220). There are special pool rules for this pool under Order No. R-14262, that establish 330' foot setback requirements. The completed interval for the proposed well is closer than 330' from the boundary of the spacing unit.

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The unorthodox location will encroach towards the (1) SW/4 of Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 28 East; and (2) the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 28 East.

Marathon is providing notice to the working interest owners in the (1) SW/4 of Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 28 East; and (2) the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 28 East. Marathon is also providing notice to the Bureau of Land Management as the owner of the mineral estate with respect to offsetting areas. Marathon also provides a midland map of this area, attached as Exhibit C. Proof of mailing, along with a copy of the notice letter sent to affected parties, is attached hereto as Exhibit D.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deana M. Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Deana M. Bennett
***Attorney for Marathon Oil
Permian LLC***

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Revised March 23, 2017

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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: Marathon Oil Permian LLC **OGRID Number:** 372098
Well Name: Trojan Horse 35 WXY Fed Com 4H **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
☒ NSL ☐ NSP (PROJECT AREA) ☐ NSP (PRORATION UNIT) ☐ SD
 B. Check one only for [I] or [II]
 [I] Commingling – Storage – Measurement
☐ DHC ☐ CTB ☐ PLC ☐ PC ☐ OLS ☐ OLM
 [II] Injection – Disposal – Pressure Increase – Enhanced Oil Recovery
☐ WFX ☐ PMX ☐ SWD ☐ IPI ☐ EOR ☐ PPR

2) **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** Check those which apply.

- A. ☒ Offset operators or lease holders
 B. ☐ Royalty, overriding royalty owners, revenue owners
 C. ☐ Application requires published notice
 D. ☐ Notification and/or concurrent approval by SLO
 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

FOR OCD ONLY

- ☐ Notice Complete
☐ Application Content Complete

- 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.

Deana M. Bennett

Print or Type Name

Signature

February 27, 2020

Date

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District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
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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

☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

¹ API Number	² Pool Code 98220	³ Pool Name PURPLE SAGE; WOLFCAMP (GAS)
⁴ Property Code	⁵ Property Name TROJAN HORSE 35 WXY FED COM	⁶ Well Number 4H
⁷ OGRID No. 372098	⁸ Operator Name MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC	⁹ Elevation 3090'

¹⁰ Surface Location

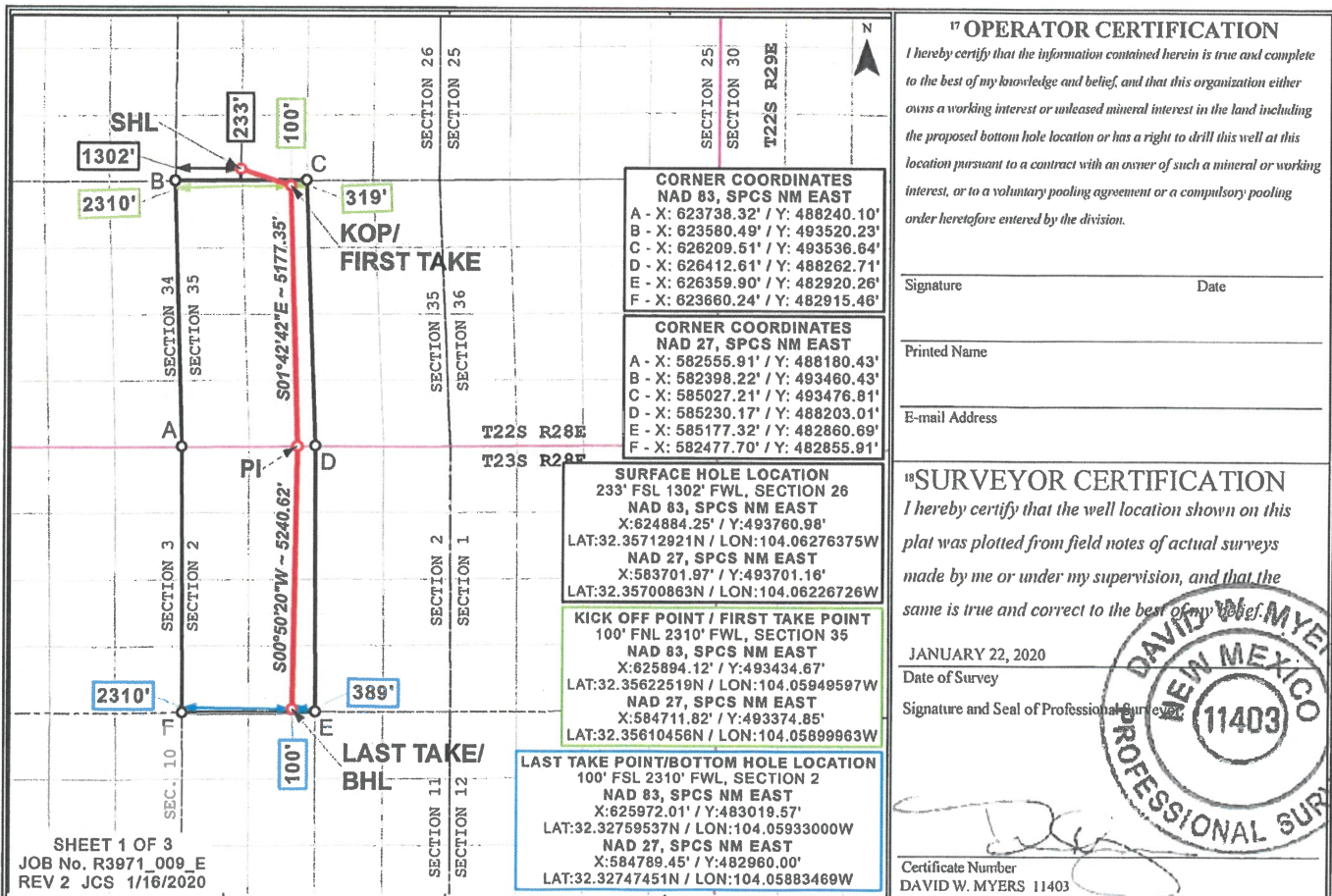
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
M	26	22S	28E		233	SOUTH	1302	WEST	EDDY

¹¹ Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

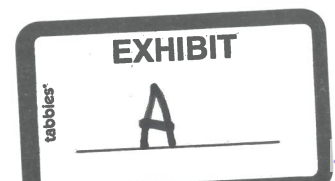
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N	2	23S	28E		100	SOUTH	2310	WEST	EDDY

¹² Dedicated Acres 639.17	¹³ Joint or Infill	¹⁴ Consolidation Code	¹⁵ Order No.
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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.



Distances/areas relative to NAD 83 Combined Scale Factor: 0.99977431 Convergence: 00°08'50.61001"





Billy Moore
Reservoir Engineer

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Adrienne Sandoval
Director - NMOCD
1220 South Saint Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Non-Standard Location Application
Trojan Horse 35 WXY Fed Com 4H
Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Ms. Sandoval,

Marathon Oil Permian LLC respectfully requests administrative approval of the non-standard location for the Trojan Horse 35 WXY Fed Com 4H well, to be drilled in Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (Gas) pool (98220). Marathon plans for this well to have a first take point at 100' FNL and 2,310' FWL of Section 35, and last take point at 100' FSL and 2,310' FWL of Section 2, which is closer to the unit line than allowed under the subject field rules. Marathon requests this non-standard location because the placement conforms to the first and last take points of the other wells in the section. This spacing best fits into the spacing for the other wells in the development plan of the entire section and we believe that it will result in the greatest recovery of reserves.

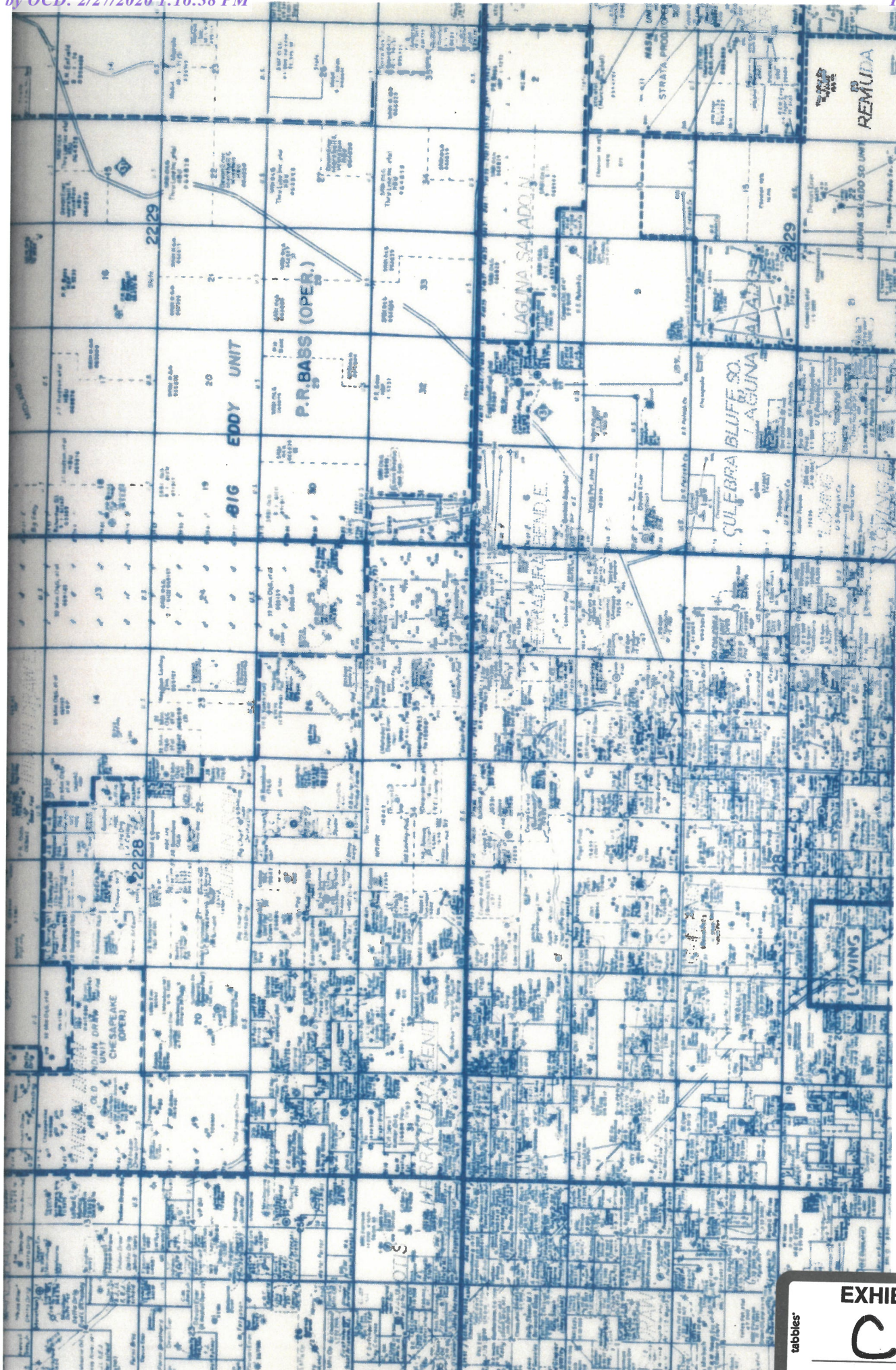
Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions please contact me at (713) 296-1883.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Billy S. Moore'.

Billy Moore
Reservoir Engineer
Permian Asset







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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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TO AFFECTED PARTIES

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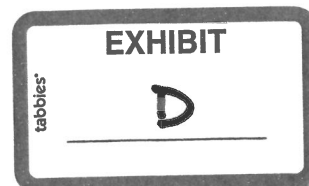
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Re: Application of Marathon Oil Permian LLC for administrative approval of unorthodox well location for its Trojan Horse 35 WD Fed Com 7H well, located in the W/2 of Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, and W/2 of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed in the notice are copies of the above referenced applications filed with the New Mexico Conservation Division on this date. Any objections that you have to this application must be filed in writing with the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, within twenty (20) days from the date the Division receives the above referenced application may be administratively approved by the Division.

If you have any questions concerning this application, please contact:

Jeffrey Broussard
Land Professional
Marathon Oil Permian LLC
713.296.3159 (Office)
jbroussard1@marathonoil.com

If you have no objection to this application, please sign the waiver as indicated below and return the original. Your assistance and cooperation in this matter are appreciated.

Sincerely,



Deana M. Bennett

*Attorney for Marathon Oil
Permian LLC*

WAIVER

_____ hereby waives objection to the above referenced Application for an Unorthodox Location for the **Trojan Horse 35 WB Fed Com 1H** well, located in the W/2 of Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 28 East, and W/2 of Section 2, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

Dated: _____
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02/27/2020

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2	9314 8699 0430 0069 2899 38	COG Operating, LLC 600 W. Illinois Avenue Midland TX 79701	\$2.60	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363.182 Trojan Notice
3	9314 8699 0430 0069 2899 45	Concho Oil & Gas LLC 600 W. Illinois Avenue Midland TX 79701	\$2.60	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363.182 Trojan Notice
4	9314 8699 0430 0069 2899 52	MRC Delaware Resources, LLC 5400 Lyndon B. Johnson Fwy, Suite 1500 Dallas TX 75240	\$2.60	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363.182 Trojan Notice
5	9314 8699 0430 0069 2899 69	Bureau of Land Management 301 Dinosaur Trail Santa Fe NM 87508	\$2.60	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363.182 Trojan Notice
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