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# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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March 23, 2020

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#### NON-STANDARD LOCATION

**Administrative Order NSL-7946** 

Oxy USA, Inc. [OGRID 16696] Oxbow CC 17 8 Federal Com Well No. 41H API No. 30-015-PENDING

#### **Proposed Location**

|                  | <b>Footages</b>    | Unit/Lot | Sec. | Twsp | Range | County_ |
|------------------|--------------------|----------|------|------|-------|---------|
| Surface          | 498 FNL & 938 FWL  | D        | 20   | 24S  | 29E   | Eddy    |
| First Take Point | 100 FSL & 1040 FWL | M        | 17   | 24S  | 29E   | Eddy    |
| Last Take Point  | 330 FNL & 1040 FWL | D        | 8    | 24S  | 29E   | Eddy    |
| Terminus         | 20 FNL & 1040 FWL  | D        | 8    | 24S  | 29E   | Eddy    |

## **Proposed Horizontal Gas Units**

| <b>Description</b> | Acres | Pool                        | Pool Code |
|--------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| W2 of Section 17   | 640   | Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (GAS) | 98220     |
| W2 of Section 8    |       |                             |           |

Reference is made to your application received on February 2, 2020.

You have requested to complete this horizontal well as a gas well described above in the referenced pool or formation. This well is governed by special rules for the Purple Sage; Wolfcamp (Gas) Pool of and provides for 320-acre units, with wells located at least 330 feet from a unit outer boundary.

This well's completed interval is as close as 100 feet from the southern edge of the horizontal spacing unit. Encroachment will impact the following tracts.

Section 20, encroachment to the NW/4

The Division understands you have given notice of this application to all operators or owners who are "affected persons," as defined in Paragraph (8) Subsection A of 19.15.2.7 NMAC, in all adjoining units towards which the proposed location encroaches.

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Division understands you seek this unorthodox location as an efficient spacing of your horizontal wells, thereby preventing waste within the Wolfcamp formation underlying the W2 of Section 17 and Section 8.

Your application has been filed under Subsection 6 of Paragraph of Section (C) of 19.15.16.15 NMAC, 19.15.15.13 NMAC and Paragraph (2) of Subsection A of 19.15.4.12 NMAC.

Per Subsection B of 19.15.15.13 NMAC, Division approves this unorthodox location.

The above approvals are subject to your following all other applicable Division rules.

Jurisdiction of this case is retained for the entry of further orders as Division deems necessary.

ADRIENNE E. SANDOVAL Division Director

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Attachments: NSL-7976\_OXY WELL NO 41H\_Approved.pdf; NSL-7977\_OXY WELL NO. 42H\_Approved.pdf

**Importance:** High

Jana Mendiola,

The following NSL Administrative Orders have been issued and will soon be available on the Division's web site:

http://ocdimage.emnrd.state.nm.us/Imaging/Default.aspx

A copy of each approved order is also attached.

| NSL  | AMD | Applicant    | OGRID | WELL NAME                         |
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