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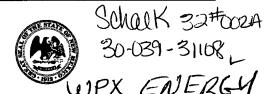
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## NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



## ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECK 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 **Application Acronyms:** [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication] [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling] [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement] [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion] [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase] [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response] [1] **TYPE OF APPLICATION** - Check Those Which Apply for [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication [A] $\square$ NSL $\square$ NSP $\square$ SD Check One Only for [B] or [C] Commingling - Storage - Measurement DHC CTB PLC PC OLS [C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery WFX PMX SWD IPI EOR PPR PR [D] Other: Specify **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO:** - Check Those Which Apply, or $\Box$ Does Not Apply [2] Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners [A][B]Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner [C]Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice [D]Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office [E]For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or, Waivers are Attached [F] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE [3] OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE. [4] **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. Heather Riley Regulatory Specialist Print or Type Name Signature



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April 24, 2012

Jami Bailey Division Director NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South Saint Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

Request for Administrative Approval for Non-Standard Fruitland Location

Schalk 32 #002A API # 30-039-31108 Sec. 32, T31N, R4W

BHL: 2600' FSL & 1150' FEL

Dear Ms. Bailey:

Re:

WPX Energy Production, LLC ("WPX"), pursuant to the provisions of Division Rule 19.15.15.13, hereby seeks administrative approval of an unorthodox location for the Fruitland Coal (71629) formation in the Schalk 32 #002A. This is a horizontal well with an end of lateral location of 2600' FSL & 1150' FEL, Sec. 32, T31N, R4W. See attached plat.

Pursuant to Order No. R-8768-F, wells drilled on a GPU shall be located not closer than 660 feet to the outer boundary of the spacing unit and no closer than 10 feet to any interior quarter-quarter section line or sub-division inner boundary. The new Special Rules for Horizontal Wells under Division Rule 19.15.16.15(B)(3) modifies this rule stating no internal setbacks are required within the project area. Given these setback requirements, this location is encroaching the northern unit of Section 32, T31N R4W (laydown section). See attached map of Section 32 showing existing wells.

Placement of the surface location for this well was chosen taking into account archeological and topographical constraints. As for the end of lateral, WPX needs to drill the longest lateral that is operationally feasible in order to effectively and efficiently produce the Fruitland coal seam in the producing area while minimizing surface disturbances and meeting economic hurdles.

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The spacing for the subject well is the S/2 of Section 32 consisting of 320 acres. The spacing unit we are encroaching upon is the N/2 of Section 32 consisting of 320 acres. Section 32 is operated by WPX and ownership is 100% WPX therefore no affected owners letter are required pursuant to NMOCD rules.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at the phone numbers listed above.

Sincerely,

Regulatory Specialist, Sr.

Enc.: 1<sup>st</sup> page of APD

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Map of Section 32

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3a. Address				3b. Phone N	o. (include area co	ode)	10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory			
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approximately 31 miles northeast of Blanco, New Mexico  5. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft.				16. No. of	16. No. of Acres in lease 17. Spac		ng Unit dedicated to this well			
	(Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 660'			640.			320.0 - (S/2)			
8. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.		19. Proposed Depth		20. BLM/E	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file					
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VPX Energy Productions and surface in the control of the control o	ction, LLC. pro use plans.	oposes to deve	lop the Basin Fr	uitland Coal f	ormation at the a	bove described l	ocation in accordance with t	he attached		
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This APD is also serving as an application to obtain a pipeline right-of-way. An associated pipeline tie of 240.2 feet would be required for this well.

This location has been archaeologically surveyed by La Plata Archaeological Consultants. Copies of their report have been submitted directly to the CNF.

BLM'S APPROVAL OR ACCEPTANCE OF THIS ACTION DOES NOT RELIEVE THE LESSEE AND OPERATOR FROM OBTAINING ANY OTHER AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED FOR OPERATIONS ON FEDERAL AND INDIAN LANDS

Approximately 140' of new access road will be required for this proposed well.

**OPERATOR** 

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AMENDED REPORT

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Drive Santa Fe, NM 87505

## WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

'API Number	*Pool Code 71629	*Pool Code *Pool Name 71629 BASIN FRUITLAND		
*Property Code	*Pr	Well Number 2A		
'OGRID No. 120782	•	erator Name RODUCTION COMPANY	*Elevation 6955 '	

<sup>10</sup> Surface Location

Surface Location										
UL or lot no.	Section 32	Township 31N	Range 4W	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line SOUTH	Feet from the	East/West line WEST	RIO ARRIBA	
	<sup>11</sup> Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface									
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	RIO	
I	32	31N	4W		2600	SOUTH	1150	EAST	ARRIBA	
320.0 Acres - (S/2)				<sup>13</sup> Joint or Infill	<sup>34</sup> Consolidation Code	<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

