

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

**IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF THE
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION UPON ITS
OWN MOTION FOR AN ORDER EXTENDING
CERTAIN POOLS IN RIO ARRIBA AND
SAN JUAN COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.**

**NOMENCLATURE
CASE NO. 21471
ORDER NO. R-21530**

ORDER

The Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), having heard this matter through a Hearing Examiner on November 5, 2020, and after considering the testimony, evidence, and recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, issues the following Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Due public notice has been given, and the Division has jurisdiction of the case and the subject matter.
2. Katherine Pickford, a geologist in the Oil Conservation Division (“OCD”), testified in support of certain modifications of the Devil’s Fork Mesaverde Oil Pool and the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool in Rio Arriba and San Juan Counties.
3. No other party entered an appearance or opposed this application.
4. The Devil’s Fork Mesaverde Oil Pool and the Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool should be extended to include additional acreage.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

5. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the Application and the hearing as required by 19.15.4.12 NMAC.
6. OCD satisfied the notice requirements for the hearing as required by 19.15.4.9 NMAC.

ORDER

7. The Devil’s Fork Mesaverde Oil Pool (Pool Code 17620) is extended to include the following acreage:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM
Section 6: E/2 NW/4 & SW/4 NW/4

TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, NMPM
Section 30: E/2 SW/4

Section 31: E/2 W/2

8. The Blanco-Mesaverde Gas Pool (Pool Code 72319) is extended to include the following acreage:

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, NMPM

Section 8: W/2

TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Section 14: All

Section 15: All

9. Pursuant to Section 70-2-18, NMSA 1978, an operator of any well that, by virtue of any of the above pool extensions, is subject to pool rules providing for spacing or proration units larger than the one presently dedicated thereto, shall have sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order to file a Form C-102 dedicating a standard unit for the pool to that well or to obtain OCD's approval for a nonstandard unit. Pending such filing or approval, the well shall receive a maximum allowable in the same proportion to a standard allowable for the pool that the acreage dedicated to the well bears to a standard unit for the pool. An operator's failure to file a Form C-102 or to obtain OCD's approval of a nonstandard unit as specified above shall subject the well to cancellation of its allowable.
10. This Order shall be effective on the date of signature by the OCD Director.
11. OCD retains jurisdiction of this matter for the entry of such orders as it deems necessary.

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**ADRIENNE SANDOVAL
DIRECTOR**

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Date: 11/13/2020