

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING
CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 2396
Order No. R-2083

APPLICATION OF C. W. TRAINER
FOR AN UNORTHODOX OIL WELL
LOCATION, LEA COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 4, 1961, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this 11th day of October, 1961, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, C. W. Trainer, is the owner and operator of the SE/4 NE/4 of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the applicant proposes to locate his Hobbs Well No. 1 at an unorthodox oil well location in the Hobbs Pool, 2545 feet from the North line and 1184 feet from the East line of said Section 34.
- (4) That the above-described 40-acre tract lies wholly within a residential area in the City of Hobbs, New Mexico.
- (5) That although the proposed location is one of the few drilling sites available within said 40-acre tract, a well drilled at this location would seriously impair the correlative rights of offset operators to the immediate South and West of the proposed location.

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(6) That the subject application should be denied; provided, however, that the applicant should be authorized to drill said well from the proposed surface location directionally to an orthodox bottom-hole location on said 40-acre tract.

(7) That in the event the applicant should drill directionally, a directional survey should be made upon completion of the well as a producer and the results thereof reported to the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the application of C. W. Trainer for an unorthodox oil well location in the Hobbs Pool for his Hobbs Well No. 1 2545 feet from the North line and 1184 feet from the East line of Section 34, Township 18 South, Range 38 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico, is hereby denied.

(2) That the applicant is hereby authorized to directionally drill a well to be located at the above-described surface location to an orthodox bottom-hole location on the SE/4 NE/4 of said Section 34.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That in the event the applicant should drill directionally, a directional survey shall be made upon completion of the well as a producer and the results thereof reported to the Commission.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION



EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman



E. S. WALKER, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary



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