

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. 3315  
Order No. R-2982

APPLICATION OF SUN OIL COMPANY  
FOR APPROVAL OF THE SAN AUGUSTIN  
PLAINS UNIT AGREEMENT, CATRON AND  
SOCORRO COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on October 6, 1965, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Elvis A. Utz.

NOW, on this 13th day of October, 1965, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, 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, Sun Oil Company, seeks approval of the San Augustin Plains Unit Agreement covering 404,293 acres, more or less, of State, Federal and Fee lands described as follows:

CATRON COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Sections 19 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMPM

Sections 22 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMPM

Sections 1 through 36: All

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TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMFM

Sections 3 through 3, 9 through 16, and  
21 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 5 and 8 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMFM

Sections 25 and 36: All

TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1, 12 through 15, 22 through 27,  
and 34 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 12: All

TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 12: All

TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 12, 14 through 23,  
and 26 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 12 WEST, NMFM

Sections 1 through 36: All

SOCORRO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 19 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 19 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 1 through 36: All

TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, N4PM  
Sections 1 through 36: All

(3) That approval of the proposed unit agreement should promote the prevention of waste and the protection of correlative rights within the unit area.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the San Augustin Plains Unit agreement is hereby approved.

(2) That the plan contained in said unit agreement for the development and operation of the unit area is hereby approved in principle as a proper conservation measure; provided, however, that notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in said unit agreement, this approval shall not be considered as waiving or relinquishing, in any manner, any right, duty, or obligation which is now, or may hereafter be, vested in the Commission to supervise and control operations for the exploration and development of any lands committed to the unit and production of oil or gas therefrom.

(3) That the unit operator shall file with the Commission an executed original or executed counterpart of the unit agreement

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within 30 days after the effective date thereof; that in the event of subsequent joinder by any party or expansion or contraction of the unit area, the unit operator shall file with the Commission within 30 days thereafter counterparts of the unit agreement reflecting the subscription of those interests having joined or ratified.

(4) That this order shall become effective upon the approval of said unit agreement by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico and the Director of the United States Geological Survey; that this order shall terminate ipso facto upon the termination of said unit agreement; and that the last unit operator shall notify the Commission immediately in writing of such termination.

(5) 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

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JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

*Guyton B. Hays*  
GUYTON B. HAYS, Member

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