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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II -  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III -  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV -  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-129  
Revised August 1, 2011

Submit one copy to appropriate  
District Office

NFO Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(For Division Use Only)

**APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO NO-FLARE RULE 19.15.18.12**

(See Rule 19.15.18.12 NMAC and Rule 19.15.7.37 NMAC)

HOBBS OGD

A. Applicant ConocoPhillips Company  
whose address is P.O. Box 51810 Midland, TX 79710  
hereby requests an exception to Rule 19.15.18.12 for \_\_\_\_\_ days or until  
June 30, Yr 2015, for the following described tank battery (or LACT):

Name of Lease Golden Spur Federal 1Y Name of Pool Wildcat: Bone Spring

Location of Battery: Unit Letter N Section 25 Township 26S Range 31E

Number of wells producing into battery 3

B. Based upon oil production of \_\_\_\_\_ barrels per day, the estimated \* volume  
of gas to be flared is 60 MCF; Value \_\_\_\_\_ per day.

C. Name and location of nearest gas gathering facility:

D. Distance \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated cost of connection \_\_\_\_\_

E. This exception is requested for the following reasons: \_\_\_\_\_

ConocoPhillips request to vent/flare from March 30, 2015 thru June 30, 2015. We will vent/flare 60  
mcf/d.

Golden Spur Federal 1Y-API# 30-015-39649 Golden Spur Federal WC 25 2H-API# 30-015-41235

Golden Spur Federal 25 FBS 3H-API# 30-015-41230

**OPERATOR**

I hereby certify that the rules and regulations of the Oil Conservation  
Division have been complied with and that the information given above  
is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Ashley Bergen

Printed Name  
& Title Ashley Bergen Regulatory Specialist

E-mail Address ashley.bergen@cop.com

Date 03/30/2015 Telephone No. (432)688-6938

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

Approved Until June 30, 2015

By [Signature]

Title Asst. Supervisor

Date 4-15-15

\* Gas-Oil ratio test may be required to verify estimated gas volume.

See Attached COAs

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO. 1004-0135  
Expires: July 31, 2010

**SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS**  
*Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.*

**SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.**

1. Type of Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other		5. Lease Serial No. NMLC068282B
2. Name of Operator CONOCOPHILLIPS		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
Contact: ASHLEY BERGEN E-Mail: ashley.bergen@conocophillips.com		7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.
3a. Address P.O. BOX 51810 MIDLAND, TX 79710	3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 432-688-6938	8. Well Name and No. GOLDEN SPUR 25 FBS 3H
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) Sec 25 T26S R32E Mer NMP SWSW 465FSL 530FWL		9. API Well No. 30-015-41230
		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory WC015 G-05 S263125N; BONE
		11. County or Parish, and State EDDY COUNTY, NM

**12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA.**

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	Venting and/or Flaring
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recompleat horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompleat in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

ConocoPhillips respectfully request to vent/flare 60 MCF/D, from March 30, 2015 thru June 30, 2015.

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Golden Spur Federal WC 25 2H-API# 30-015-41235  
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*80D 4-15-15*  
Accepted for Record  
NMLC068282B

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. <b>Electronic Submission #296720 verified by the BLM Well Information System For CONOCOPHILLIPS, sent to the Carlsbad</b>	
Name (Printed/Typed) ASHLEY BERGEN	Title STAFF REGULATORY TECH
Signature (Electronic Submission)	Date 03/30/2015

**THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE**

Approved By _____	Title _____	Date _____
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.		Office _____

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

**\*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\* OPERATOR-SUBMITTED \*\***

**NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
DISTRICT 2 OFFICE  
811 SOUTH FIRST STREET  
ARTESIA, NM 88210  
(575)748-1283**

**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL for FLARING or VENTING GAS**

1. Venting gas is absolutely not allowed.
2. Prior to flaring gas, C-129 must be filed & approved. Blanket approval cannot be given for this operation.
3. Flared volumes of gas are to be metered & reported.
4. Flares WILL be manned at all times. Brush should be cut down to 1 or 2 inches around flare stack at least a radial distance of 2 times the height of the flare stack.
5. Flares WILL NOT be left unattended.
6. No flaring operations to be conducted during red-flag days.  
<http://www.gacc.nifc.gov/swcc> (go to "Predictive Services" on SWCC website) to check for red flag warnings.
7. Follow safe practices for flaring guidelines.
8. Permit may be rescinded at any time by NMOCD.
9. If well is able to be connected to a gas gathering system, it will be done so as soon as possible.
10. Flaring of gas is prohibited. The State Forester grants an exception to the prohibition on open fires for the flaring of natural gas when the following conditions are met. Unless flaring is needed for safety purposes, flaring pursuant to this exception shall not be done on days that are "red flag days" as determined by the National Weather Service or on days when the sustained wind is in excess of 25 miles per hour in the area.
- 11.1. The day is not a "red flag day" as determined by the National Weather Service and the sustained wind is not in excess of 25 miles per hour in the area.
- 12.2. The local fire department and county dispatch are notified at least 24 hours in advance of anticipated releases that will result in flaring. If flaring is done by an automated system then the schedule of flaring shall be provided to the local fire department and county dispatch. The area is mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris shall be cleared in the area for a distance of one and one half times the height of the stack.
- 13.3. At least one adult is on site with communications equipment adequate to reach county dispatch and the local fire department in the event of a fire. The individual should also be equipped with a shovel and a water backpack pump or other equipment to deliver water to suppress a fire.
- 14.4. If flaring is to take place at an unmanned facility, then the area around the flare stack is mowed and maintained at a length not to exceed 4 inches and all other flammable products or debris shall be cleared in the area for a distance of three times the height of the stack.

Your initials here

*RD*

DATE: 4-15-15

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

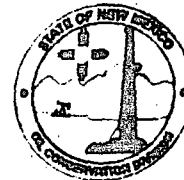
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Susana Martinez  
Governor

John Bemis  
Cabinet Secretary

Brett F. Woods, Ph.D.  
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

David Catanach  
Division Director  
Oil Conservation Division



**March 19, 2013**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Jim Winchester (505)231-8800 E-Mail: [jim.winchester@state.nm.us](mailto:jim.winchester@state.nm.us)

### **Notice to Oil and Gas Facilities and Operators Flaring Gas in New Mexico**

SANTA FE, NM – The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) encourages all oil and gas facilities with flare stacks and well operators that are flaring gas to upgrade their *Fire Awareness Programs* this year. New Mexico State Forestry reports that 460 fires have burned 25,475 acres on state and private land in calendar year 2012.

Forecasts remain dismal this spring with fewer chances for normal precipitation, particularly in southwestern New Mexico and southeastern Arizona. Temperatures could also be higher than normal.

Open flames and gas flares should be monitored carefully and oil and gas operators should create a defensible space to help prevent wildfires. Defensible Space is the area around a structure where combustible vegetation that can spread fire has been cleared, reduced or replaced. This space acts as a barrier between a structure and an advancing wildfire.

During the course of the upcoming fire season, it may become necessary for New Mexico State Forestry to issue fire restriction on State and private land. Log on to [www.nmforestry.com](http://www.nmforestry.com) for updates or call your local district office.

New Mexico State Forestry offers the following guidelines for establishing effective defensible space:

- Create a "Lean, Clean and Green" firebreak area by removing flammable vegetation and growth within 30 feet of each structure. Single trees and shrubs may be retained if they are well spaced, pruned and placed so they avoid the spread of fire. Maintain an irrigation system for any vegetation near structures.
- Keep grass and weeds mowed.
- Prune lower tree limbs to at least 6 feet up to 15 feet (or lower 1/3 of branches on smaller trees).
- Remove vegetation and debris around propane tanks.

For the latest fire weather information please visit USDA Forest Service website:

<http://activefiremaps.fs.fed.us/current.php>

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