# **Before the Oil Conservation Division Examiner Hearing September 10, 2020**

Case No. 21388

Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H & Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H



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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 21388** 

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## **COMPULSORY POOLING APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

ALL INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION MUST	BE SUPPORTED BY SIGNED AFFIDAVITS					
Case: 21388	APPLICANT'S RESPONSE					
Date: 09/10/2020 (Hearing date)						
Applicant:	Marathon Oil Permian LLC					
Designated Operator & OGRID (affiliation if applicable)	Marathon Oil Permian LLC (OGRID 372098)					
Applicant's Counsel:	Modrall Sperling					
Case Title:	Application of Marathon Oil Permian LLC for Compulsory Pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico					
Entries of Appearance/Intervenors:	None					
Well Family	Maximus					
Formation/Pool						
Formation Name(s) or Vertical Extent:	Wolfcamp					
Primary Product (Oil or Gas):	Oil					
Pooling this vertical extent:	N/A					
Pool Name and Pool Code:	Purple Sage, Wolfcamp ((98220)					
Well Location Setback Rules:	Purple Sage, Wolfcamp					
Spacing Unit Size:	640 acres					
Spacing Unit						
Type (Horizontal/Vertical)	Horizontal					
Size (Acres)	640 acres					
Building Blocks:	320 acres					
Orientation:	E/W					
Description: TRS/County	N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico					
Standard Horizontal Well Spacing Unit (Y/N), If No, describe	Υ					
Other Situations						
Depth Severance: Y/N. If yes, description	N					
Proximity Tracts: If yes, description	N					
Proximity Defining Well: if yes, description	N					
Applicant's Ownership in Each Tract	See Exhibit B-3, page 16					
Well(s)						
Name & API (if assigned), surface and bottom hole location, footages, completion target, orientation, completion status (standard or non-standard)	Add wells as needed  EXHIBIT  A					

Well #1: Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H (API Pending)	
	SHL: 1438' FNL 527' FWL (Unit E) Section 6, T-23-S R-28-E FTP: 1980' FNL 330 'FWL Section 6, T-23-S R-28-E BHL: 1980' FNL 330' FEL (Unit 4) Section 25, T-23-S R-28-E Orientation: East to West Completion Target: Upper Wolfcamp Completion Status: Standard TVD: 9,325', MVD: 19,970'
Well #2: Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H (API Pending)	SHL: 1407' FNL 509' FWL (Unit E) Section 6, T-23-S R-28-E FTP: 660' FNL 330 'FWL Section 6, T-23-S R-28-E BHL: 660' FNL 330' FEL (Unit A) Section 25, T-23-S R-28-E Orientation: East to West Completion Target: Upper Wolfcamp Completion Status: Standard TVD: 9,325", MVD: 20,011'
Horizontal Well First and Last Take Points	See above; see also Exhibit 2 (Page 13); 5 (Page 19)
Completion Target (Formation, TVD and MD)	See above; see also Exhibit 2 (Page 14); 5 (Page 19)
AFE Capex and Operating Costs	
Drilling Supervision/Month \$	\$8,000.00
Production Supervision/Month \$	\$800.00
Justification for Supervision Costs	See Exhibit B, ¶ 22.
Requested Risk Charge	See Exhibit B, ¶ 23.
Notice of Hearing	
Proposed Notice of Hearing	See Exhibit B-7, pages 26-31.
Proof of Mailed Notice of Hearing (20 days before hearing)	See Exhibit B-7, pages 26-35
Proof of Published Notice of Hearing (10 days before hearing)	See Exhibit B-7, page 36.
Ownership Determination	
Land Ownership Schematic of the Spacing Unit	See Exhibit B-3, page 15.
Tract List (including lease numbers and owners)	See Exhibit B-3, pages 15-16.
Pooled Parties (including ownership type)	See Exhibit B-3, pages 17.
Unlocatable Parties to be Pooled Ownership Depth Severance (including percentage above & below)	None N/A
Joinder	
Sample Copy of Proposal Letter	See Exhibit B-5, pages 19-20.

List of Interest Owners (ie Exhibit A of JOA)	See Exhibit B-3, pages 16-17.					
Chronology of Contact with Non-Joined Working Interests	See Exhibit B-4, page 18.					
Overhead Rates In Proposal Letter	See Exhibit B, ¶ 22.					
Cost Estimate to Drill and Complete	See Exhibit B-6, pages 21-24.					
Cost Estimate to Equip Well	See Exhibit B-6, pages 21-24.					
Cost Estimate for Production Facilities	See Exhibit B-6, pages 21-24.					
Geology						
Summary (including special considerations)	See Exhibit C, pages 37-40.					
Spacing Unit Schematic	See Exhibit C-8, page 41; C-9, page 42; C-10-A, page 43.					
Gunbarrel/Lateral Trajectory Schematic	See Exhibit C-9, page 42.					
Well Orientation (with rationale)	See Exhibit C-11, page 47; Exhibit C, ¶ 14.					
Target Formation	See Exhibit C-10-C, page 45.					
HSU Cross Section	See Exhibit C-10-C, page 45.					
Depth Severance Discussion	N/A					
Forms, Figures and Tables						
C-102	See Exhibit B-2, pages 13-14.					
Tracts	See Exhibit B-3, page 15.					
Summary of Interests, Unit Recapitulation (Tracts)	See Exhibit B-3, pages 16-17.					
General Location Map (including basin)	See Exhibit C-8, page 41.					
Well Bore Location Map	See Exhibit C-10-A, page 43.					
Structure Contour Map - Subsea Depth	See Exhibit C-10-A, page 43.					
Cross Section Location Map (including wells)	See Exhibit C-10-B, page 44.					
Cross Section (including Landing Zone)	See Exhibit C-10-C, page 45.					
Additional Information						
Special Provisions/Stipulations	None					
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information pro	ovided in this checklist is complete and accurate.					
Printed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Dema M. Bennett					
Signed Name (Attorney or Party Representative):	Well Menny					
Date: 9/8/2020						

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

APPLICATION OF MARATHON
OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 21388** 

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STATE OF TEXAS	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF HARRIS	)

Chase Rice, being duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. I am over the age of 18, I am a landman for Marathon Oil Permian LLC and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein. I have previously testified before the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") and my credentials as an expert petroleum landman were accepted by the Division as a matter of record.
- 2. My area of responsibility at Marathon includes the area of Eddy County in New Mexico.
  - 3. I am familiar with the application filed by Marathon in this case.
  - 4. I am familiar with the status of the lands that are subject to the application.
- 5. I submit the following information pursuant to NMAC 19.15.4.12.A(1) in support of the above referenced compulsory pooling application.
- 6. The purpose of the application is to force pool working interest owners into the horizontal spacing unit described below, and in the wells to be drilled in the unit.



- 7. No opposition is expected because the interest owners being pooled have been contacted regarding the proposed wells, but have failed or refused to voluntarily commit their interests in the wells.
- 8. In this case, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- 9. The spacing unit will be dedicated to the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H and Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H wells to be horizontally drilled. The Application is in Tab 1.
  - 10. Behind **Tab 2** are proposed C-102s for the wells.
- 11. The C-102s identify the proposed surface hole locations, first take point, and bottom hole locations. The C-102s also identify the pool and pool code.
- 12. These wells will be located within the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool, which is subject to special pool rules that establish 330-foot setback requirements.
- 13. Marathon's proposal letters identified these wells as having non-standard setbacks. The C-102s reflect a change to the setbacks and these wells will comply with the Division's setback requirements for this pool.
- 14. A lease tract map outlining the unit being pooled is included behind **Tab 3**. The parties being pooled and the percent of their interests is also included as part of **Tab 3**.
  - 15. There are no depth severances within the proposed spacing unit.
- 16. I have conducted a diligent search of the public records in the county where the wells are located, and conducted phone directory and computer searches to locate contact information for parties entitled to notification, and mailed well proposals to all parties entitled to well proposals, including an Authorization for Expenditure.

- 17. In my opinion, Marathon has made a good faith effort to obtain voluntary joinder of the working interest owners in the proposed wells.
- 18. **Tab 4** has a summary of my contacts with the working interest owners is included with Exhibit 4.
- 19. Marathon seeks to pool overriding royalty interest owners, and they were provided notice of this hearing.
- 20. Tab 5 is the well proposal letter that I sent to all working-interest owners. The proposal letter identifies the proposed surface hole and bottom hole locations and approximate TVD.
- 21. **Tab 6** contains the Authorization for Expenditure for the proposed wells. The estimated cost of the wells set forth therein is fair and reasonable, and is comparable to the costs of other wells of similar depths and length drilled in this area of New Mexico.
- 22. Marathon requests overhead and administrative rates of \$8000.00/month for drilling a well and \$800.00/month for a producing well. These rates are fair, and comparable to the rates charged by other operators for wells of this type in this area of Southeastern, New Mexico. Marathon requests that these rates be adjusted periodically as provided in the COPAS Accounting Procedure.
- 23. Marathon requests the maximum cost plus 200% risk charge be assessed against non-consenting working interest owners.
  - 24. Marathon requests that it be designated operator of the wells.
- 25. Marathon requests that it be allowed a period of one (1) year between when the wells are drilled and when the first well is completed under the order.
  - 26. The parties Marathon is seeking to pool were notified of this hearing.

- 27. **Tab 7** contains the affidavit of notice prepared by counsel for Marathon that shows the parties who were notified of this hearing, the status of whether they received notice, and an affidavit of publication from the Carlsbad Argus newspaper, showing that notice of this hearing was published on August 22, 2020.
- 28. The attachments to this affidavit were prepared by me, or compiled from company business records, or were prepared at my direction.
- 29. I attest that the information provided herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- 30. The granting of this application is in the interests of conservation and the prevention of waste.

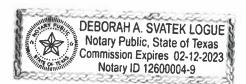
[Signature page follows]

Chase Rice

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this  $\red{S}$  day of September, 2020 by Chase Rice on behalf of Marathon Oil Permian LLC.

Albert & Suteh Row Notary Public

My commission expires: 02/12/2023



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

APPLICATION OF MARATHON
OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO.	21388

#### **APPLICATION**

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon"), OGRID Number 372098, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of this application, Marathon states as follows:

- 1. Marathon is an interest owner in the subject lands and has a right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Marathon seeks to dedicate the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico to form a 640-acre, more or less, spacing unit.
- 3. Marathon plans to drill the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H and the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H wells to a depth sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation. These wells will be horizontally drilled.



- 4. These wells will be located within the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool, which is subject to special pool rules that establish 330 foot setback requirements.
- These wells do not comply with the Division's setback requirements for this pool.
   Marathon will apply for administrative approval of the non-standard well locations separately.
- 6. Marathon sought, but has been unable to obtain, a voluntary agreement from all mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed spacing unit to participate in the drilling of the wells or to otherwise commit their interests to the wells.
- 7. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed unit will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.
- 8. Marathon further requests that it be allowed one (1) year between the time the wells are drilled and completion of the first well under the order issued by the Division.

WHEREFORE, Marathon requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 10, 2020, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. Pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit within the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico;
- B. Designating Marathon as operator of this unit and the wells to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Marathon to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing these wells;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure;

- E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the wells.
- F. Allowing a time period of one (1) year between when the wells are drilled and when the first well is completed under the order.

Respectfully submitted,

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS & SISK, P.A.

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CASE NO. 21388 : Application of Marathon Oil Permian LLC for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H and Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H wells, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for these wells will be unorthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells, and allowing a one year period between when the wells are drilled and when the first well is completed. Said area is located approximately 4 miles Northwest of Loving, New Mexico.

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#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

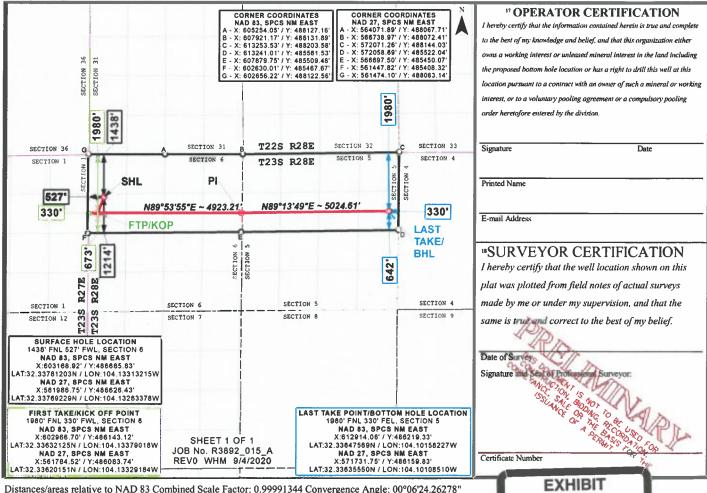
<sup>1</sup> API Numbe	lumber <sup>2</sup> Pool Code		<sup>3</sup> Pool Name			
98220		98220	PURPLE SAGE; WOLFCAMP (GAS)			
<sup>4</sup> Property Code		<sup>5</sup> Pr	operty Name	<sup>6</sup> Well Number		
		MAXIMUS 5 WXY FED COM 1H				
7 OGRID No.		¹ O <sub>I</sub>	perator Name	9 Elevation		
372098		MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC 3047				

Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Е	6	23S	28E		1438	NORTH	527	WEST	EDDY
" Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface									
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot ldn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
H	5	23S	28E		1980	NORTH	330	EAST	EDDY

UL or lot no.	Section	1 ownship	Kange	Lot Ian	reet from the	North/South line	reet from the	East/West line	County
Н	5	23S	28E		1980	NORTH	330	EAST	EDDY
12 Dedicated Acres	13 Joint of	r Infill	<sup>4</sup> Consolidation	Code 15 Or	rder No.				
636.84									

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.



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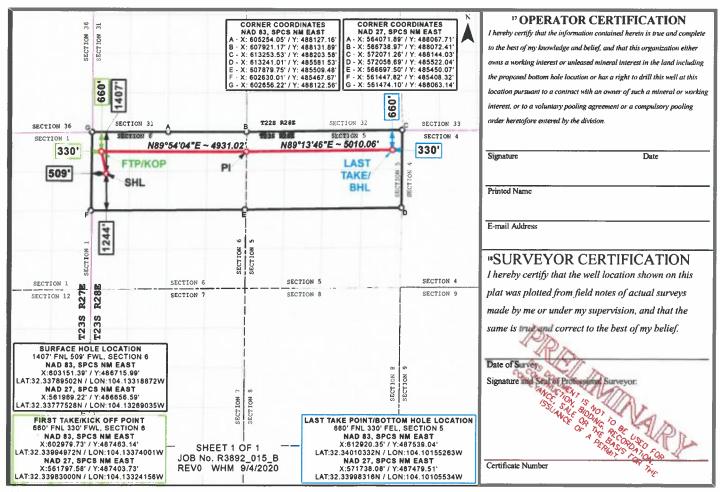
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#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

<sup>2</sup> Pool Code	<sup>3</sup> Pool Name	:
98220	LFCAMP (GAS)	
5 Prop	erty Name	<sup>6</sup> Well Number
MAXIMUS 5	WXY FED COM	2H
8 Oper	<sup>9</sup> Elevation	
MARATHON O	3045'	
	98220  S Prop  MAXIMUS 5  B Oper	

<sup>10</sup> Surface Location									
UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Е	6	23S	28E		1407	NORTH	509	WEST	EDDY
	" 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	County
Α	5	23S	28E		660	NORTH	330	EAST	EDDY
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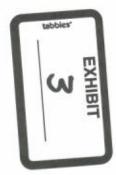
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Exhibit "B" Lease Tract Map
Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H & Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H
N/2 of Sections 5 & N/2 Section 6, T23S-R28E – 636.84 acres









# Exhibit "C" Summary of Interests Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H & Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H N/2 of Sections 5 & N/2 Section 6, T23S-R28E – 636.84 acres

#### Working Interest Owner:

Marathon Oil Permian LLC	74.540185%
Maramon Off Fernian LLC	74.34010376

#### **Uncommitted Working Interest:**

CL & F Resources, L.P.	17.919205%
Ozark Exploration, Inc.	02.687881%
Mizel Resources, a Trust	00.626984%
Sisbro Oil & Gas, LLC	02.507937%
Accelerate Resources Operating, LLC	01.130582%
Roy G. Barton, Sr. and Opal Barton Revocable Trust	00.392563%
Norma J. Chanley	00.194662%

TOTAL: 100.00000%

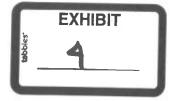


#### Maximus WI and ORRI Owners

Type	Interest Owner
W!	CL & F Resources, L.P.
WI	Ozark Exploration, Inc.
WI	Mizel Resources, a Trust
WI	Sisbro Oil & Gas, LLC
WI	Accelerate Resources Operating, LLC
WI	Roy G. Barton, Sr. and Opal Barton Revocable Trust
WI&	
ORRI	Norma J. Chanley, separate property
ORRI	Thomas M. Beall
ORRI	Gahr Ranch and Investments Partnership, Ltd.
ORRI	S.E.S. Investments, Ltd. 401 K Plan
ORRI	George M. Koss
ORRI	Zunis Energy, LLC
	Susannah D. Adelson, Trustee of the James Adelson & Family 2015
ORRI	Trusts
ORRI	Logo Energy, LLC
ORRI	Rogo Logo, LLC
ORRI	J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., L.P.
ORRI	Teresa H. Jolliffe
ORRI	Sam H. Jolliffe, IV, Life Estate Remainderman: Trinidad Joliffee, Sam Joliffee, V, Teresa Jolliffe King
ORRI	Southwest Royalties, Inc.
ORRI	BPL Fish Pond, LLC
ORRI	Robert C. Berger
ORRI	Milton R. Fry
ORRI	William B. Harriman, Jr.
ORRI	Karen C. Lane
ORRI	Elizabeth Trudeau Overly
ORRI	Margaret Jones Kennedy
ORRI	Millis Jeffrey Oakes
ORRI	Stephen William Oakes
ORRI	Benjamin Jacob Oakes
ORRI	Matthew David Oakes
ORRI	Elizabeth Ann Cline
ORRI	Olin Brent Dalton
ORRI	David Trent Dalton
ORRI	Charmar, LLC
ORRI	Winston Resources, LLC
ORRI	McMullen Minerals LLC
ORRI	Pegasus Resources LLC
ORRI	Charles Randall Hicks
ORRI	Kenneth Jay Reynolds
ORRI	Vikki L. Hicks a/k/a Vikki L. Hicks Smith
ORRI	Terri L. Simpson
ORRI	John D. Hamiga

#### **Summary of Attempted Contacts: Maximus**

- Marathon sent well proposal letters to the working interest owners on or around April 22, 2020.
- According to Marathon's records, all of the proposal letters were received by the parties to whom they were sent.
- Marathon continued to attempt to contact the parties who had not executed an agreement.
- To date, the following entities have:
  - o Indicated they will participate in the JOA or has elected to participate:
    - Roy G. Barton Revocable Trust
    - Ozark Exploration, Inc
    - Accelerate Resources Operating, LLC
- Marathon filed an application to force pool parties who had not entered in to an agreement.
- Marathon sent notices of the force pooling application to the addresses of record at the time of the filing of the application.
- Marathon then also published notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the wells will be located.



Jeffrey Broussard Landman



Marathon Oil Permian LLC 5555 San Felipe Street Houston, Texas 77056 Telephone: 713-296-3159 jbroussard1@marathonoil.com

April 22, 2020

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Accelerate Resources Operating, LLC 5949 Sherry Lane, Suite 1060 Dallas, TX 75225

Re: Well Proposals

Sections 5 & 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East

Eddy County, New Mexico

Dear Sir or Madam:

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon") hereby proposes the drilling of the below-referenced Horizontal Wells located in Sections 5 & 6 T23S-T28E, Eddy County, New Mexico. Accordingly, enclosed are the AFEs for the following wells:

- Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H to be drilled to a depth sufficient to adequately test the Wolfcamp Formation, with an approximate true vertical depth ("TVD") of 9,325' subsurface and a total measured depth of 19,970' from a legal surface location in Unit E of Section 6-T23S-R28E. The proposed First Take Point ("FTP") shall be located approximately 100' FWL x 1980' FNL of Section 6-T23S-R28E and a proposed Last Take Point ("LTP") 100' FEL x 1980' FNL of Section 5-T23S-R28E with a proration unit being the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6 T23S-R28E.
- Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H to be drilled to a depth sufficient to adequately test the Wolfcamp Formation, with an approximate true vertical depth ("TVD") of 9,325' subsurface and a total measured depth of 20,011' from a legal surface location in Unit E of Section 6-T23S-R28E. The proposed First Take Point ("FTP") shall be located approximately 100' FWL x 660' FNL of Section 6-T23S-R28E and a proposed Last Take Point ("LTP") 100' FEL x 600' FNL of Section 5-T23S-R28E with a proration unit being the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6 T23S-R28E.

These proposed locations and target depths are subject to change depending on any surface or subsurface concerns encountered. The enclosed AFEs represent an estimate of the costs that will be incurred to drill and complete the wells, but those electing to participate in the wells are responsible for their proportionate share of the <u>actual</u> costs incurred.

If your election is to participate in the drilling and completion of the wells, please sign and return a copy of this letter along with an executed copy of the enclosed AFEs for each well within thirty (30) days of receipt of this proposal.

Marathon proposes that a 1989 AAPL Model Form Operating Agreement (JOA), with a contract area encompassing the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6 from the top of the Wolfcamp Formation to the base of the Wolfcamp Formation be utilized. A copy of which will be subsequently provided for execution.

If you do not wish to participate in these wells, please contact the undersigned to discuss a potential acquisition of your interest via an assignment. If an agreement cannot be reached within 30 days of the date of this letter, Marathon will apply to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division for compulsory pooling of your interest into the proration unit for the proposed wells.



Should you have any questions regarding this or other matters, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above listed phone number or email.

Sincerely,

MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE DETAIL OF ESTIMATED WELL COSTS DATE 2/25/2020
DRILLING & LOCATION PREPARED BY MATTHEW RUGARAD
COMPLETION PREPARED BY JOSH SHANNON
FACILITIES PREPARED BY SCOTT KING
ARTIFICIAL LIFT PREPARED BY SCOTT KING

Asset Team	PERMIAN		-		CVALABATION
Field	Purple Sage; Wolfc:	FORMATION: WOLFCAM!		WILDCAT	EXPLORATION
Lease/Facility	Maximus 5 WXV Fed Com 1H			DEVELOPMENT	RECOMPLETION
Location	EDDY COUNTY		X_	EXPLOITATION	WORKOVER
Prospect	MALAGA		-		
Est Total Depth	19,970	Est Drilling Days		Est Completion Days	11
LOCATION COST - I	NTANGIBLE				l'
GL CODE		DESCRIPTION			ESTIMATED COST
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7012050	Intermediate Casing 2				245,000
7012050	Production Casing				120,000
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	Drilling Wellhead Equipment				34,000
7012040	Casing & Tubing Access				24,000
7012270	Miscellaneous MRO Materials				5,000
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7019140	Mud Fluids & Services				66,600
7012310	Solids Control equipment				40,680
7012020	Bits				72,000
7019010	Casing Crew and Services				30,000
7016350	Fuel (Rig)		-	_	70,635
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7019140	Fuel (Mud)				30,000
7001460	Water (non potable)				25,000
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7019000	Well Logging Services				
7019150	Mud Logging+geosteering				18,600
7019250	Stabilizers, Hole Openers, Underrea	emers (DH rentals)			15,000
7019110	Casing inspection/cleaning				15,000
7019110	Drill pipe/collar inspection services				10,000
7015180	Freight - truck				25,000
7001460	Water hauling and disposal (include	es soll farming)			60,000
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Date: \_

MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE DETAIL OF ESTIMATED WELL COSTS DATE 2/25/2020
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Title:

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

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPUSLORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

> **CASE NO. 21388** (Maximus)

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF BERNALILLO	)

Deana M. Bennett, attorney in fact and authorized representative of Marathon Oil Permian LLC, the Applicant herein, being first duly sworn, upon oath, states that the abovereferenced Application was sent under a notice letter, example included, and that proof of receipt and an affidavit of publication are attached hereto.

Deana M. Bennett

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 2 day of September, 2020 by Deana M.

Bennett.

OFFICIAL SEAL My Commission Expires

My commission expires:





August 20, 2020

Deana M. Bennett
505.848.1834
Deana.Bennett@modrall.com

## VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPULSORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 21388** 

TO: AFFECTED PARTIES

This letter is to advise you that Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon") has filed the above-listed application.

In Case No. 21388, Marathon seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H and Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H wells, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for these wells will be unorthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells, and allowing a one year period between when the wells are drilled and when the first well is completed.

During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, state buildings are closed to the public and hearings will be conducted remotely. The hearing will be conducted on September 10, 2020 beginning at 8:15 a.m. To participate in the electronic hearing, see the instructions posted on the docket for the hearing date: <a href="http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/hearings.html">http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/hearings.html</a>.

As a party who may be affected by this application, we are notifying you of your right to appear at the hearing and participate in the case, including the right to present evidence either in support of or in opposition to the application. Failure to appear at the hearing may preclude you from any involvement in the case at a later date.

Modrall Sperling Roehl Harris & Sisk P.A.

500 Fourth Street NW Suite 1000 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102

PO Box 2168 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-2168

Tel: 505.848.1800 www.modrall.com You are further notified that if you desire to appear in this case, then you are requested to file a Pre-Hearing Statement with the Division at least four business days in advance of a scheduled hearing before the Division or the Commission, but in no event later than 5:00 p.m. mountain time, on the Thursday preceding the scheduled hearing date, with a copy delivered to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Deana M. Bennett

Attorney for Applicant

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

APPLICATION OF MARATHON
OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPULSORY
POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

CASE NO. 21388

#### **APPLICATION**

Marathon Oil Permian LLC ("Marathon"), OGRID Number 372098, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby files this application with the Oil Conservation Division pursuant to the provisions of NMSA 1978, § 70-2-17, for an order pooling all uncommitted interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. In support of this application, Marathon states as follows:

- 1. Marathon is an interest owner in the subject lands and has a right to drill a well thereon.
- 2. Marathon seeks to dedicate the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico to form a 640-acre, more or less, spacing unit.
- Marathon plans to drill the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H and the Maximus 5
   WXY Fed Com 2H wells to a depth sufficient to test the Wolfcamp formation. These wells will be horizontally drilled.

- 4. These wells will be located within the Purple Sage Wolfcamp Gas Pool, which is subject to special pool rules that establish 330 foot setback requirements.
- 5. These wells do not comply with the Division's setback requirements for this pool.

  Marathon will apply for administrative approval of the non-standard well locations separately.
- 6. Marathon sought, but has been unable to obtain, a voluntary agreement from all mineral interest owners in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed spacing unit to participate in the drilling of the wells or to otherwise commit their interests to the wells.
- 7. The pooling of all interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying the proposed unit will prevent the drilling of unnecessary wells, prevent waste and protect correlative rights.
- 8. Marathon further requests that it be allowed one (1) year between the time the wells are drilled and completion of the first well under the order issued by the Division.

WHEREFORE, Marathon requests this application be set for hearing before an Examiner of the Oil Conservation Division on September 10, 2020, and after notice and hearing as required by law, the Division enter its order:

- A. Pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp formation underlying a horizontal spacing unit within the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico;
- B. Designating Marathon as operator of this unit and the wells to be drilled thereon;
- C. Authorizing Marathon to recover its costs of drilling, equipping and completing these wells;
- D. Approving actual operating charges and costs charged for supervision, together with a provision adjusting the rates pursuant to the COPAS accounting procedure;

- E. Setting a 200% charge for the risk involved in drilling and completing the wells in the event a working interest owner elects not to participate in the wells.
- F. Allowing a time period of one (1) year between when the wells are drilled and when the first well is completed under the order.

Respectfully submitted,

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS & SISK, P.A.

By: Killia 4 Brief

Deana M. Bennett Post Office Box 2168

500 Fourth Street NW, Suite 1000 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-2168

Telephone: 505.848.1800 Attorneys for Applicant CASE NO. 21388 : Application of Marathon Oil Permian LLC for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks an order from the Division pooling all uncommitted mineral interests within a Wolfcamp horizontal spacing unit underlying the N/2 of Sections 5 and 6, Township 23 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. This spacing unit will be dedicated to the Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 1H and Maximus 5 WXY Fed Com 2H wells, to be horizontally drilled. The producing area for these wells will be unorthodox. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells, the allocation of these costs as well as the actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of Marathon as operator of the wells, and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said wells, and allowing a one year period between when the wells are drilled and when the first well is completed. Said area is located approximately 4 miles Northwest of Loving, New Mexico.

Karlene Schuman Modrall Sperling Rochl Harris & Sisk P.A. 500 Fourth Street, Suite 1000 Albuquerque NM 87102

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2	9314 8699 0430 0074 2913 77	Ozark Exploration, Inc. 3838 Oak Lawn Ave., Suite 1525 Dallas TX 75219	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1,70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
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5	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 07	Accelerate Resources Operating, LLC 5949 Sherry Lane, Suite 1060 Dallas TX 75225	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1,70	\$0_00	81363-0218. Notice
6	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 14	Roy G. Barton, Sr. and Opal Barton Revocable Trust 1919 North Turner Street Hobbs NM 88240	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1,70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
7	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 21	Norma J. Chanley, separate property P.O. Box 729 Hobbs NM 88240	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
8	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 38	Thomas M. Beall P.O. Box 3098 Midland TX 79702	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
9	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 45	Gahr Ranch and Investments Partnership, Ltd. P.O. Box 1889 Midland TX 79702	\$1,20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
10	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 52	S.E.S. Investments, Ltd. 401 K Plan 508 West Wall, Suite 1250 Midland TX 79701	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
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13	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 83	Susannah D. Adelson, Trustee of the James Adelson & Family 2015 Trusts 15 East 5th Street, Suite 3300 Tulsa OK 74103	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
14	9314 8699 0430 0074 2914 90	Logo Energy, LLC 1301 McKincy Street, Suite 3150 Houston TX 77010	\$1.20	\$3,55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice



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18	9314 8699 0430 0074 2915 37	Sam H. Jolliffe, Life Estate Remainderman Trinidad, Sam, Teresa Joliffee 1607 17th Street West, Apt #307 Billings MT 59102	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
19	9314 8699 0430 0074 2915 44	Southwest Royalties, Inc. 200 N. Loraine, Suite 330 Midland TX 79701	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
20	9314 8699 0430 0074 2915 51	BPL Fish Pond, LLC P.O. Box 92032 Southlake TX 76092	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
21	9314 8699 0430 0074 2915 68	Robert C. Berger 10148 FM 1954 Wichita Falls TX 76310	\$1.20	\$3.55	\$1.70	\$0.00	81363-0218. Notice
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# STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

APPLICATION OF MARATHON OIL PERMIAN LLC FOR COMPUSLORY POOLING, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**CASE NO. 21388** 

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF TEXAS	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF MIDLAND	)

Matt Baker, being duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. I am over the age of 18, I am a geologist for Marathon Oil Permian LLC, and have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein. I have previously testified before the Oil Conservation Division ("Division") and my credentials as an expert petroleum geologist were accepted by the Division as a matter of record.
- 2. My area of responsibility at Marathon includes the area of Eddy County in New Mexico.
  - 3. I am familiar with the application filed by Marathon in this case.
- 4. **Tab 8** contains the locator map showing the approximate location of the proposed wells in relation to the Capitan Reef.
- 5. **Tab 9** is a wellbore schematic showing the Maximus development plan. It also shows the development plan for the coinciding Decimus unit to the South.
  - 6. The exhibits behind **Tab 10** are the geology study I prepared for this case.

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- 7. **Exhibit 10-A** is structure map of the top of the Wolfcamp. The proposed project area is identified by a black-dashed box, and the proposed wells are identified by red lines. The contour interval used this exhibit is 25 feet. This exhibit shows that the structure dips to the east.
- 8. **Exhibit 10-B** identifies three wells in the vicinity of the proposed upper Wolfcamp wells, shown by a line of cross-section running from A to A'.
- 9. **Exhibit 10-C** is a stratigraphic cross section hung on the top of the Wolfcamp. The well logs on the cross-section give a representative sample of the upper Wolfcamp formation in the area. The target zone is identified by the words "Producing Zone" and the shaded area across the cross section, along with a red arrow. The primary producing zone is the Wolfcamp XY.
  - 10. In my opinion, the gross interval thickness is relatively consistent from west to east.
- 11. **Exhibit 10-D** is a Gross Interval Isochore of the Wolfcamp to Wolfcamp B. This Upper Wolfcamp zone is relatively consistent from west to east.
  - 12. I conclude from the maps that:
    - a. The horizontal spacing unit is justified from a geologic standpoint.
    - b. There are no structural impediments or faulting that will interfere with horizontal development.
    - c. Each quarter section in the proposed unit will contribute more or less equally to production.
- 13. **Exhibit 11** provides an overview of the stress orientation in the area based on the 2018 Snee-Zoback paper.
- 14. The preferred well orientation in this area is either north/south or east/west. This is because the S<sub>Hmax</sub> is at approximately 45 degrees in mid-Eddy County. Marathon is proposing east/west orientation to maximize the lateral length given Marathon's acreage.

- 15. Exhibits 8-11 were prepared by my or under my supervision or compiled from company business records.
- 16. In my opinion, the granting of Marathon's application is in the interests of conservation and the prevention of waste.

Matt Baker

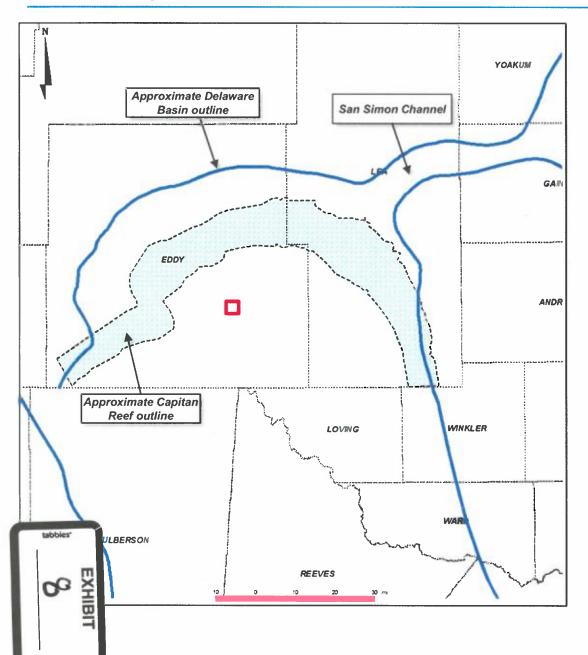
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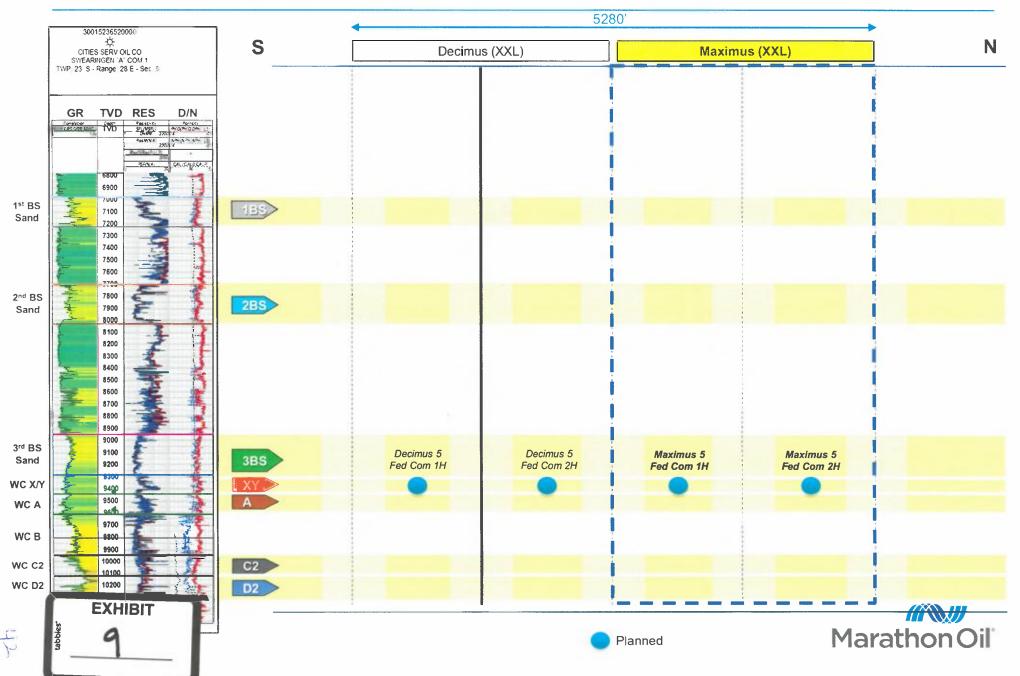
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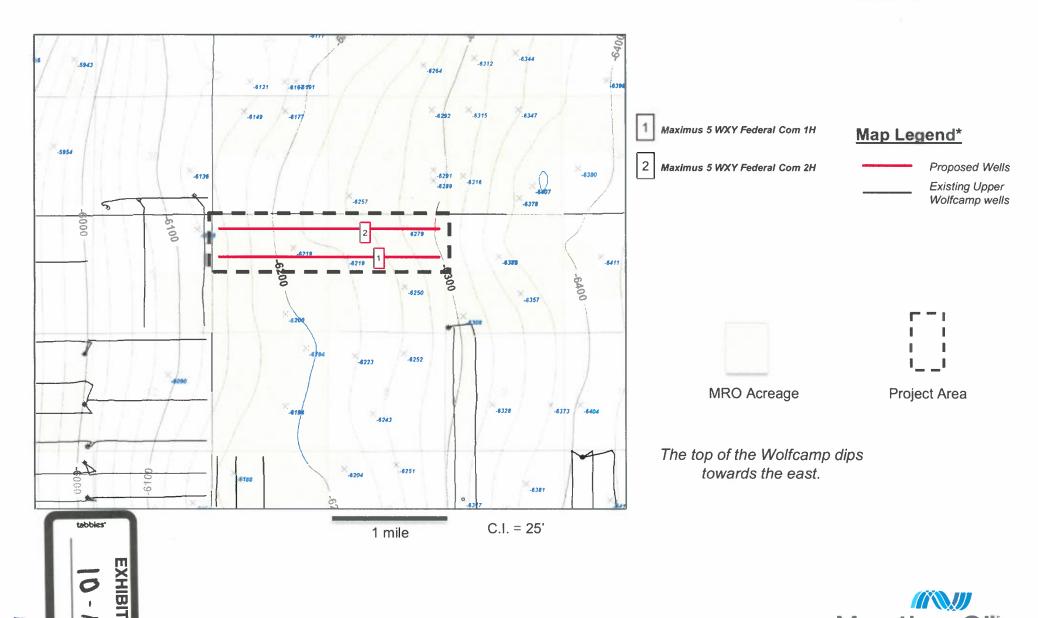
- Approximate location of proposed
   Maximus 5 Federal Com well locations
   shown with red box
- Located outside of the Capitan Reef
- Mid-eastern Eddy County



#### Wellbore Schematic



Structure Map - Top of Wolfcamp (TVDSS)

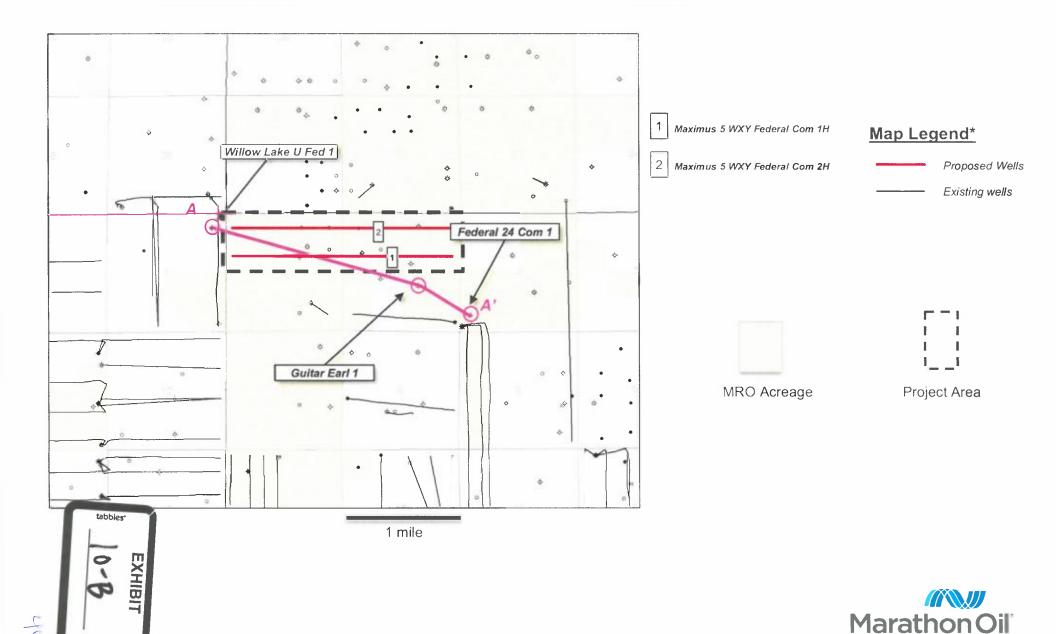




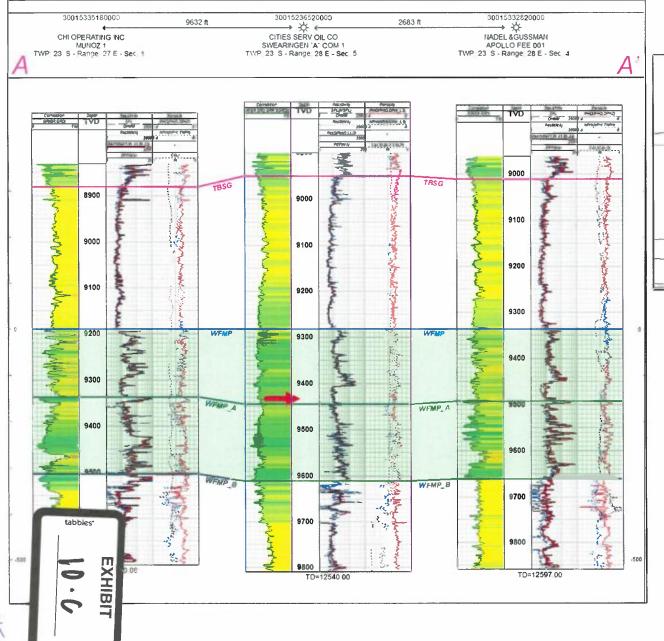


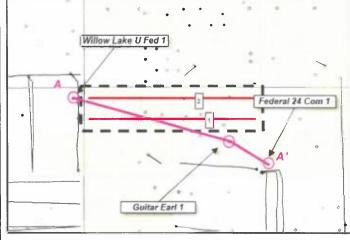
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Reference Map for Cross Section



Stratigraphic Cross Section (Top Wolfcamp Datum)



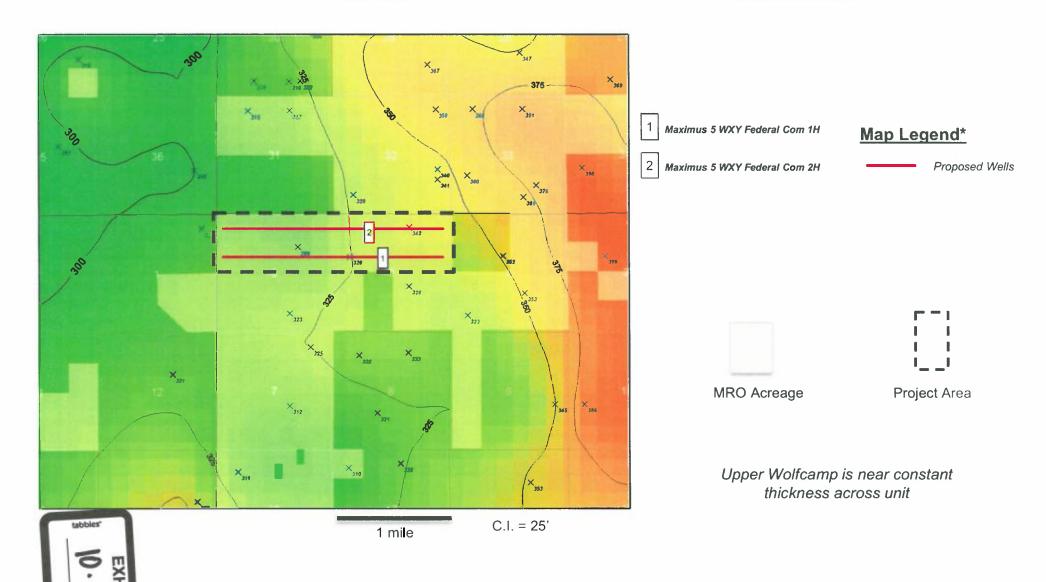


Producing Zone – Upper Wolfcamp (Wolfcamp XY & A)

Upper Wolfcamp is near constant thickness across unit

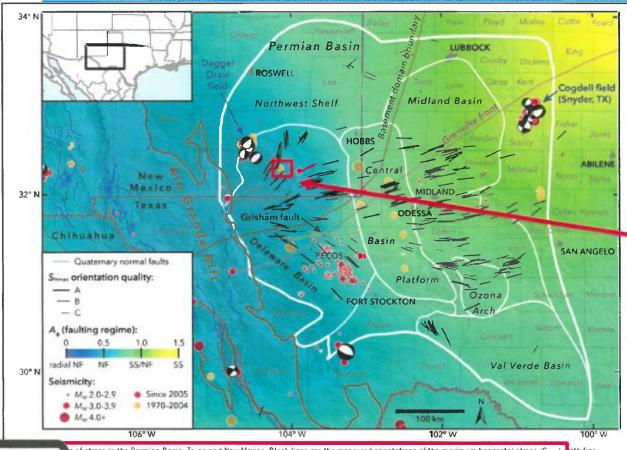


Gross Interval Isochore - Top Wolfcamp to Top Wolfcamp B





#### Preferred Well Orientation - SHmax



e of stress in the Permian Basin. Texas and New Mexico. Black lines are the measured orientations of the maximum horizontal stress (S\_\_\_\_\_). In this by data quality. The colored background is an interpolation of measured relative principal stress magnitudes (radicing regime) expressed using the A\_\_ e text for details) of Simpson (1997). Blue lines are fault traces known to have experienced normal-sense offset within the past 1.6 Ma. from the USGS uits and Folds Database (Crone and Wheeler, 2000). The boundary between the Shawnee and Mazatzal basement domains is from Lund et al. (2015), and an Grenville Front is from Thomas (2006). The Permian Basin boundary is from the U.S. Energy Information Administration, and the subbasin boundaries was Bureau of Economic Geology Permian Basin Geological Synthesis Project. Earthquakes are from the USGS National Earthquake Information Center, the Monitoring Program, and Gan and Frohlich (2013). Focal mechanisms are from Saint Louis University (Herrmann et al., 2011).

#### Source:

e, J.L. & M.D. Zoback, 2018, State of stress in the Permian Basin, Texas and w Mexico: Implications for induced seismicity: The Leading Edge, 810-819, https://doi.org/10.1190/tle37020810.1.

## Preferred well orientation is either N/S or E/W

As outlined in Snee & Zoback (2018), SHmax is at approximately 45° in this part of Eddy Count. As a result, hydraulic fractures will prefer to propagate outwards at 45° regardless if wells are oriented N/S or E/W.



