

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED  
BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NOS: 21470 - 21472

APPLICATION OF OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
FOR ORDER EXTENDING AND CREATING CERTAIN POOLS  
IN SAN JUAN COUNTIES, NEW MEXICO

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINER HEARING

NOVEMBER 5, 2020

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for virtual hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING OFFICER FELICIA ORTH and TECHNICAL EXAMINERS DYLAN ROSE-COSS on Thursday, November 5, 2020, through the Webex Platform.

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A P P E A R A N C E S

For the Applicant:

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CASE CALLED

SUMMARY OF CASES 03

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1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: We will start with three  
2 cases, three matters brought by the Division staff  
3 themselves, all related to the creation or contouring of  
4 pools.

5 The first is 21470, which relates to pools in  
6 San Juan County.

7 The second is 21471, which relates to pools in  
8 Rio Arriba County.

9 And the third is 21472, again, pools in San Juan  
10 County.

11 Ms. Pickford, I know that you're here.

12 MS. PICKFORD: Thanks, Felicia.

13 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Whenever you're ready.

14 MS. PICKFORD: Well, I'll go in order, so I'm  
15 going to start 21470. This is for pools that are in the  
16 Farmington Sand, and there are four pools that are impacted,  
17 the Blanco Farmington Sand, the Bloomfield-Farmington, the  
18 Kutz-Farmington and the Redfern-Farmington.

19 The first three are just expansions to reflect  
20 the current production in this formation, and the Redfern  
21 has been a Wildcat pool for nearly 30 years, so I'm just  
22 formalizing it to make it a formalized pool. So I'm  
23 creating the Farmington -- the Redfern-Farmington. So if no  
24 one has any questions about that, I will proceed to the next  
25 case.

1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Give me a moment and let  
2 me ask if there is anyone who would like to unmute  
3 themselves and pose a question to Ms. Pickford about these  
4 pools.

5 (No audible response.)

6 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: No? Go ahead.

7 MS. PICKFORD: So case 21471 relates to Mesa  
8 Verde pools, and this just involves two pools, the Blanco  
9 Mesa Verde Gas and the Blanco -- let me see. I'm not sure  
10 which ones. Hold on a second.

11 Again, these are related to current activity in  
12 these pools, and I expanded these two pools based on what's  
13 going on currently in that pool.

14 So the other pool involved is the Devil's Fork  
15 Mesa Verde, and again, I'm just expanding these pools to  
16 reflect current production. So if anyone has any questions.

17 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Are there questions for  
18 Ms. Pickford in relation to 21471?

19 (No audible response.)

20 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: No? Please go ahead.

21 MS. PICKFORD: And then the third case is 21472,  
22 and this is the expansion of one tertiary pool, again just  
23 to reflect current production in this pool. And this is for  
24 Burro Canyon Tertiary. So with that, are there any  
25 questions?

1 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: Questions for Ms.  
2 Pickford in relation to matter 21472?

3 (No audible response.)

4 HEARING EXAMINER ORTH: No? All right. Well,  
5 thank you very much, Ms. Pickford.

6 MS. PICKFORD: Thank you.

7 (Concluded.)

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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, IRENE DELGADO, New Mexico Certified Court  
7 Reporter, CCR 253, do hereby certify that I reported the  
8 foregoing virtual proceedings in stenographic shorthand and  
9 that the foregoing pages are a true and correct transcript  
10 of those proceedings to the best of my ability.

11 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither employed by  
12 nor related to any of the parties or attorneys in this case  
13 and that I have no interest in the final disposition of this  
14 case.

15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Virtual Proceeding was  
16 of poor to good quality.

17 Dated this 5th day of November 2020.

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/s/ Irene Delgado

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