

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: 21894

APPLICATION OF MANZANO LLC  
FOR COMPULSORY POOLING  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF VIRTUAL PROCEEDINGS  
EXAMINER HEARING  
MAY 20, 2021  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

This matter came on for hearing before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, HEARING EXAMINER WILLIAM BRANCARD and TECHNICAL EXAMINER KURT SIMMONS, on Thursday, May 20, 2021, through the Webex Virtual Platform.

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I N D E X

CASE CALLED  
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SUMMARY OF CASE AND EXHIBITS  
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TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT  
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REPORTER CERTIFICATE  
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E X H I B I T I N D E X

Admitted

Exhibits and Attachments  
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1 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Okay. With that  
2 we've hit the one hour mark here. I'll let Mr. Bruce  
3 catch his breath for a second. And we'll pause, and  
4 I'll check in and see how the court reporter is doing.

5 THE REPORTER: Court reporter is still alive  
6 and reporting, sir.

7 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Great. Okay.  
8 You're doing okay, Mr. Simmons?

9 TECHNICAL EXAMINER SIMMONS: I'm good. Thank  
10 you.

11 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: All right.  
12 Mr. Bruce, we have a few more cases from you, I think.

13 JAMES BRUCE: Yes.

14 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: The next case is  
15 21894, Manzano LLC.

16 ATTORNEY LEFT: Yes. I'm entering my  
17 appearances for them.

18 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.  
19 Are there any other interested in cases in  
20 Case 21894?

21 Hearing none, you may proceed, Mr. Bruce.

22 JAMES BRUCE: Mr. Examiner, in this case,  
23 Manzano seeks to force pool the west half Section 23  
24 and west half of Section 14 in 12 South, 38 East for  
25 purposes of drilling a San Andres oil well.

1           This is a proximity tract facing unit.

2           The land man's affidavit contains all the  
3 usual information, good land plats attached.

4           The only two parties being pooled are EOG  
5 Resources, Inc., and Oxy Y-1 Company, which contained  
6 a -- who owned the working interest in northeast  
7 quarter, northwest quarter of Section 23.

8           There's a good listing of interest owners on  
9 Attachment 3 to the land man's affidavit. Together EOG  
10 and Oxy own a combined six and a quarter percent in the  
11 proposed well unit.

12           The proposal letters, AFEs, et cetera, are in  
13 there. And there's the affidavit from the geologist  
14 attached as Exhibit B.

15           And one interesting thing is there are several  
16 offset San Andres wells immediately to the west of this  
17 proposed well by Manzano. So they probably have a good  
18 handle on pulling out here in this acreage.

19           The notice affidavit shows that the parties  
20 did receive actual notice, so there is no publication  
21 notice.

22           And then I'd attach the pooling checklist, as  
23 required.

24           So I think the exhibit package is complete.

25           I'd move the admission of Exhibits A through B

1 and ask that the matter be taken under advisement.

2 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you.

3 Mr. Simmons, any questions?

4 TECHNICAL EXAMINER SIMMONS: No. No

5 questions. Thank you.

6 HEARING EXAMINER BRANCARD: Thank you. We'll

7 call for any other parties interested in Case 21894.

8 Last chance.

9 And hearing none, the exhibits will be  
10 admitted in Case 21894, and the case will be taken  
11 under advisement.

12 (Hearing concluded)

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1 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
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4 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

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6 I, CARRIE HEWERDINE, RDR, New Mexico Certified  
7 Court Reporter, CCR 521, do hereby certify that I  
8 reported the foregoing virtual proceedings in  
9 stenographic shorthand and that the foregoing pages are  
10 a true and correct transcript of those proceedings to  
11 the best of my ability.

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

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

18 Dated this 24th day of May, 2021.

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21 /s/ Carrie Hewerdine

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