

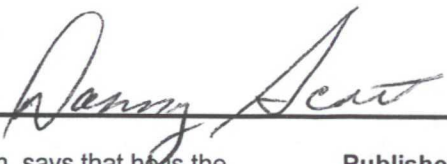
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The State of New Mexico through its Oil Conservation Division hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of the Division of the following public hearing to be held at 8:15 A.M. on August 9, 2012, in the Oil Conservation Division Hearing Room at 1220 South St. Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before an examiner duly appointed for the hearing. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact: Florene Davidson at 505-476-3458 or through the New Mexico Relay Network, 1-800-659-1779 by September 30, 2012. Public documents including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible forms. Please contact Florene Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:
All named parties and persons
having any right, title, interest
or claim in the following cases
and notice to the public.

(NOTE: All land descriptions herein refer to the New Mexico Principal Meridian whether or not so stated.)

To: Shirley Childress, June Jarvis Prather, Staghorn Resources, LLC, Judith Lynn Fifer, James Lisle Hinkle, Lou Ann Langford, Steven Jackson, James Fifer, Echo Maxine Fifer, Thomas Raymond Fifer, Cauhape Properties Partnerships, Brooks Oil & Gas Partnership or their successors, heirs and devisees.

CASE 14860: Application of COG Operating LLC for a non-standard spacing and proration unit and compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant in the above-styled cause seeks an order (1) creating a non-standard 160-acre spacing and proration unit comprised of the S/2 N/2 of Section 1, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Eddy County and (2) pooling all mineral interests in the Glorieta-Yeso formation underlying this acreage. Said non-standard unit is to be dedicated to applicant's proposed Clydesdale 1 Fee No. 4H well, to be horizontally drilled from a surface location 2260 feet from the North line and 150 feet from the West line (Unit H) to a bottom hole location 2260 feet from the North line and 330 feet from the West line (Unit E) of Section 1. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision, designation of COG Operating LLC as operator of the well and a 200% charge for risk involved in drilling said well. Said area is located approximately 17 miles North of Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Division at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 18th day of June 2012.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Jami Bailey, Division Director
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Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Submitted by:

COG OPERATING LLC

Hearing Date: August 9, 2012

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