

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

**APPLICATION OF EL PASO E&P COMPANY, L.P.
FOR AN EXCEPTION TO NMAC 19.15.3.104.C(3) TO
ALLOW INFILL DRILLING AND SIMULTANEOUS
DEDICATION IN SEVEN WELL UNITS, COLFAX
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.**

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Case No. 13906

APPLICATION

El Paso E&P Company, L.P. applies for an order approving infill drilling and simultaneous dedication in seven well units, and in support thereof, states:

1. Applicant is the working interest owner in and the operator of the well units identified below.

2. Applicant proposes to drill:

(a) The VPR B Well No. 300 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the SW/4 of Section 30, Township 30 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the SW/4 of Section 30 to the VPR B Well No. 300, to be located in Unit N of Section 30, and to the existing VPR B Well No. 22, located in Unit L of Section 30;

(b) The VPR B Well No. 301 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the SE/4 of Section 25, Township 30 North, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the SE/4 of Section 25 to the VPR B Well No. 301, to be located in Unit P of

Section 25, and to the existing VPR B Well No. 21, located in Unit I of Section 25;

(c) The VPR E Well No. 64 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the NW/4 of Section 3, Township 31 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the NW/4 of Section 3 to the VPR E Well No. 64, to be located in Unit C of Section 3, and to the existing VPR A Well No. 64, located in Unit E of Section 3;

(d) The VPR E Well No. 63 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the NE/4 of Section 4, Township 31 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the NE/4 of Section 4 to the VPR E Well No. 63, to be located in Unit A of Section 4, and to the existing VPR E Well No. 13, located in Unit G of Section 4;

(e) The VPR A Well No. 504 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the NE/4 of Section 10, Township 31 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the NE/4 of Section 10 to the VPR A Well No. 504, to be located in Unit H of Section 10, and to the existing VPR A Well No. 77, located in Unit G of Section 10;

(f) The VPR A Well No. 501 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the SE/4 of Section

10, Township 31 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the SE/4 of Section 10 to the VPR A Well No. 501, to be located in Unit J of Section 10, and to the existing VPR A Well No. 71, located in Unit P of Section 10; and

(g) The VPR A Well No. 503 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 31 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the NW/4 of Section 11 to the VPR A Well No. 503, to be located in Unit C of Section 11, and to the existing VPR A Well No. 78, located in Unit F of Section 11.

4. Applicant requests authority to produce both wells on each well unit concurrently.
5. The granting of this application will prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant requests that, after notice and hearing, the Division enter its order granting the relief requested above.

Respectfully submitted,



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Proposed Advertisement

Case No. 13906 : Application of El Paso E&P Company, L.P. for an exception to NMAC 19.15.3.104.C(3) to allow infill drilling and simultaneous dedication, Colfax County, New Mexico. Applicant seeks approval to drill its VPR A Well No. 503 as an infill well in an existing 160 acre gas spacing unit in the Vermejo and Raton formations comprising the NW/4 of Section 11, Township 31 North, Range 19 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant further seeks to simultaneously dedicate production from the Vermejo and Raton formations in the NW/4 of Section 11 to the VPR A Well No. 503, to be located in Unit C of Section 11, and to the existing VPR A Well No. 78, located in Unit F of Section 11. The unit is located approximately 24 miles west-northwest of Raton, New Mexico.

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