# BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 2480 Order No. R-2182

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE HENSHAW-WOLFCAMP POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

## BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on January 24, 1962, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

NOW, on this <u>12th</u> day of February, 1962, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

### FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant, Shell Oil Company, seeks the promulgation of temporary special rules and regulations for the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, to provide for 80-acre proration units.

(3) That the evidence presented concerning the reservoir characteristics of the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool justifies the establishment of 80-acre proration units in said pool for a temporary one-year period.

(4) That the information presently available and presented as evidence indicates that the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool can be efficiently and economically drained on 80-acre proration units. -2-Case No. 2480 Order No. R-2182

(5) That during the one-year period in which this order will be in effect, the applicant should gather all available information relative to drainage and recoverable reserves in the subject pool, including core data and interference tests.

(6) That this case should be heard again by a duly appointed examiner of the Commission at an examiner hearing in February, 1963, at which time the applicant should be prepared to prove by a preponderance of the evidence the proration unit size on which the subject pool can be most efficiently drained and developed.

(7) That the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool should be created for the production of oil from the Wolfcamp formation. Said Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool was discovered by the applicant's Henshaw Deep Unit Well No. 1, located in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 24, Township 16 South, Range 30 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The top of the perforations is 8822 feet.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That a new pool in Eddy County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Wolfcamp production is hereby created and designated as the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool, consisting of the following-described area:

# TOWNSHIP 16 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, NMPM Section 24: NW/4 and S/2

(2) That special rules and regulations for the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool are hereby promulgated as follows, effective March 1, 1962.

# SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE HENSHAW-WOLFCAMP POOL

<u>RULE 1.</u> Each well completed or recompleted in the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool or in the Wolfcamp formation within one mile of the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool, and not nearer to nor within the limits of another designated Wolfcamp Pool shall be spaced, drilled, operated and prorated in accordance with the Special Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth.

RULE 2. Each well completed or recompleted in the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool shall be located on a unit containing 80 acres, more or less, which consists of the N/2, S/2, E/2 or W/2 of a single governmental quarter section; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as prohibiting the drilling of a well on each of the quarter-quarter sections in the unit. -3-Case No. 2480 Order No. R-2182

<u>RULE 3.</u> For good cause show, the Secretary-Director may grant exception to the requirements of Rule 2 without notice and hearing when the application is for a non-standard unit comprising a single quarter-quarter section or lot. All operators offsetting the proposed non-standard unit shall be notified of the application by registered or certified mail, and the application shall state that such notice has been furnished. The Secretary-Director may approve the application if, after a period of 30 days, no offset operator has entered an objection to the formation of such non-standard unit.

The allowable assigned to any such non-standard unit shall bear the same ratio to a standard allowable in the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool as the acreage in such non-standard unit bears to 80 acres.

RULE 4. The initial well on any 30-acre unit in said pool shall be located within 150 feet of the center of either the SW/4 or NE/4 of the quarter section on which the well is located. Any well which was drilling to or completed in the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool prior to January 24, 1962, is granted an exception to the well location requirements of this rule.

<u>RULE 5.</u> An 80-acre proration unit (79 through 81 acres) in the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool shall be assigned an 80-acre proportional factor of 4.00 for allowable purposes, and in the event there is more than one well on an 80-acre proration unit, the operator may produce the allowable assigned to the unit from the wells on the unit in any proportion.

(3) That operators who propose to dedicate 80 acres to a well in the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool must file an amended Commission Form C-128 with the Artesia District Office of the Commission by February 15, 1962, in order that the well may be assigned an 80-acre allowable on the March proration schedule.

(4) That this case be reopened at an examiner hearing in February, 1963, at which time the operators in the subject pool shall appear and show cause why the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

(5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary. -4-Case No. 2480 Order No. R-2182

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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> CASE No. 2480 Order No. R-2182-A

APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE HENSHAW-WOLL CAMP POOL, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

## ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

### BY THE COMPLESSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on February 21, 1963, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Elvis A. Utz, Examiner duly appointed by the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission," in accordance with Rule 1214 of the Commission Rules and Regulations.

MOW, on this 27th day of February, 1963, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the application, the evidence adduced, and the recommendations of the Examiner, Elvis A. Utz, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FIROS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That by Order No. R-2182, entered in Case No. 2480 on February 12, 1962, tomporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for the Menshaw-Wolfcamp Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That this case was reopened pursuant to Order No. R-2182 to allow all interested parties to show cause why the subject, pool should not be developed on 40-acre provation units.

(4) That development of the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool since the entry of Order No. R-2182 has not been sufficient to yield any substantial additional information concerning the reservoir characteristics of the pool.

(5) That the temporary special rules and regulations promulgated by Order No. R-2182 should be extended for an additional -2-CASS No. 2480 Order No. 3-2182-A

one year period in order to preven the possibility of economic loss resulting from the drilling of unnecessary wells, and in order to allow the operators in the subject pool additional time in which to gather information concerning the reservoir characteristics of the pool.

(5) that this case should be reopened at an examiner hearing in February, 1964, at which time the operators in the subject pool should appear and show cause why the Kenshaw-Wolfcamp Fool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

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(1) That the special Mulos and Regulations governing the henshow-Wolfcamp Pool, promulgated by Order No. R-2182, shall remain in full force and effect for an additional period of one year.

(2) That this case shall be reopened at an examinar hearing an February, 1964, at which time the operators in the subject pool shall appear and show cause why the Hemshaw-Wolfcamp Pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further pression the Commission may deem necessary.

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APPLICATION OF SHELL OIL COMPANY FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE HENSHAW-WOLFCAMP POOL, EDDY COUNTY, HIW MEXICO.

# ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 o'clock a.m. on February 5, 1964, at Janta Fe, New Asxico, before Examiner Daniel 5. Sutter.

MOW, on this 13th day of April, 1964, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

#### FINDS:

(1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That by Order Mo. R-2182, dated February 12, 1952, temporary special rules and regulations were promulgated for the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

(3) That by Order No. R-2182-A, dated February 27, 1963, said temporary special rules and regulations were continued in full force and effect for an additional one-year period.

(4) That pursuant to the provisions of Order No. R-2182-A, this case was reopened to allow the operators in the subject pool to appear and show cause why the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool should not be developed on 40-acre proration units.

(5) That the evidence establishes that one well is the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool can efficiently and economically drain and develop 80 acres.

(6) That to prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, to avoid the augmentation of risk -2-CASU No. 2480 Order Bo. R-2182-B

arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights, the special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-2182 should be continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

(7) That the special Rules and Regulations promulgated by Order No. R-2182 have afforded and will afford to the owner of each property in the pool the opportunity to produce his just and equitable share of the oil in the pool.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That the special Rules and Regulations governing the Henshaw-Wolfcamp Pool promulgated by Order No. R-2182 are hereby continued in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

(2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DOME at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

> STATE OF NEW MEXICO DIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JACK M. CAMPBELL, Chairman

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