

STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION
BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
BILLINGS, MONTANA
October 9 & 10, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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The Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana will hold its business meeting on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. in the hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana.

The agenda for that meeting is as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Public comment on agenda and non-agenda items
3. Approval of minutes of August 14, 2024, business meeting
4. Longevity & service awards
5. Proposed hearing schedule for 2025
6. Review of Digital Operating Company LLC reduction in plugging liability
7. Review of Yellowstone Petroleum, Inc. reduction in plugging liability
8. Financial report
9. Bond summary & incident report
10. Docket summary
11. Gas flaring exceptions
12. Inactive well review
13. Orphan well and federal grant update
14. Staff reports
15. Other business
16. Adjourn

The Board will conduct public hearings pursuant to Chapter 11 of Title 82 of the Montana Code Annotated on the matters described below at **9:00 a.m.** on Thursday, October 10, 2024, in the hearing room at its office at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana. Interested persons have the opportunity to be heard for each docket. For more information or to request accommodation for a disability, please contact Jennifer Breton at (406) 656-0040, as soon as possible before the scheduled hearing.

Please take note that corporations, partnerships, limited-liability companies (LLCs), or any other legal entity that is not a natural person cannot appear before the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation except through an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Montana. Failure of a designated and duly licensed legal representative to appear at the time and place identified in this hearing notice may result in imposition of sanctions for failure to appear before the Board.

Docket 125-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to designate a permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Marvin 2-11-14-23 #1H, Marvin 2-11-14-23 #2H, Marvin 2-11-14-23 #3H, and Marvin 2-11-14-23 #4H wells.

Docket 126-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to pool all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised all of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation and to authorize the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Marvin 2-11-14-23 #1H, Marvin 2-11-14-23 #2H, Marvin 2-11-14-23 #3H, and Marvin 2-11-14-23 #4H wells.

Docket 127-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to designate a permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 31, T26N-R58E and all of Sections 6 and 7, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Piano Man 7-6-31 #1H, Piano Man 7-6-31 #2H, Piano Man 7-6-31 #3H, and Piano Man 7-6-31 #4H wells.

Docket 128-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to pool all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 31, T26N-R58E and all of Sections 6 and 7, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation and to authorize the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Piano Man 7-6-31 #1H, Piano Man 7-6-31 #2H, Piano Man 7-6-31 #3H, and Piano Man 7-6-31 #4H wells.

Docket 129-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to designate a permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Virginia 25-36 #1H, Virginia 25-36 #2H, Virginia 25-36 #3H, and Virginia 25-36 #4H wells.

Docket 130-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to pool all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation and to authorize the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Virginia 25-36 #1H, Virginia 25-36 #2H, Virginia 25-36 #3H, and Virginia 25-36 #4H wells.

Docket 131-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to designate a permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E and all of Sections 30 and 31, T28N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Virginia 25-36 #11H well.

Docket 132-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to pool all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E and all of Sections 30 and 31, T28N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation and to authorize the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Virginia 25-36 #11H well.

Docket 133-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R57E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests that Board Order 42-2017 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 17 and 20, T27N-R57E, be vacated.

Docket 134-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R57E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 135-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E and all of Section 5, T27N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to production from the proposed horizontal well, and applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests that Board Order 43-2012 pertaining to Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E be amended to clarify that said order is limited to oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation from the Hawkins 29-32 #1H well.

Docket 136-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E and all of Section 5, T27N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to the production from the proposed horizontal wells.

Docket 137-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T24N-R59E and all of Section 4, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Docket 138-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T24N-R59E and all of Section 4, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 139-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T24N-R59E and all of Section 2, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Docket 140-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T24N-R59E and all of Section 2, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 141-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 30 and 31, T24N-R59E and all of Section 6, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests that Board Order 148-2011 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 6 and 7, T23N-R59E, be vacated.

Docket 142-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 30 and 31, T24N-R59E and all of Section 6, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 143-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T24N-R59E and all of Section 5, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests that Board Order 320-2011 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 5 and 8, T23N-R59E, be vacated.

Docket 144-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T24N-R59E and all of Section 5, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 145-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 31 and 32, T24N-R60E and all of Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8, T23N-R60E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests to vacate Board Order 463-2013 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 31 and 32, T24N-R60E and that Board Order 164-2014 that authorized additional wells in the spacing unit be vacated.

Applicant further requests that Board Order 20-2011 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 6 and 7, T23N-R60E, be vacated.

Docket 146-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 31 and 32, T24N-R60E and all of Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8, T23N-R60E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 147-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 34, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 3 and 10, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests that Board Order 187-2010 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 9 and 10, T23N-R59E, be vacated.

Docket 148-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of Section 34, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 3 and 10, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 149-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 36, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Docket 150-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of Section 36, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 151-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 4, T25N-R57E and all of Sections 28 and 33, T26N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. Applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Applicant requests that Board Order 414-2011 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 4 and 9, T25N-R57E, be vacated.

Applicant further requests that Board Order 303-2012 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T26N-R57E, be vacated.

Docket 152-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 4, T25N-R57E and all of Sections 28 and 33, T26N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

Docket 153-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to create an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 5, 8, and 17, T26N-57E, Richland, County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to production from the proposed horizontal well, and applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to the production from the proposed horizontal well.

Applicant requests that Board Order 143-2013 pertaining to Sections 17 and 20, T26N-R57E be amended to clarify that said order is limited to oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation from the Breaks 20-17 #1-H well.

Applicant further requests that Board Order 47-2012 that created a temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 5 and 8, T26N-R57E, be vacated.

Docket 154-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to authorize the drilling of up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells anywhere within the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 5, 8, and 17, T26N-57E, Richland County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to the production from the proposed horizontal wells.

Docket 155-2024

APPLICANT: KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Kraken Oil & Gas LLC** to approve and certify the following well in Richland County, Montana, as horizontally recompleted well (recompleted existing horizontal drain hole) entitled to applicable severance tax reductions through the Montana Department of Revenue and to certify production decline rate to be used in the calculation of incremental production. Staff notes this application is eligible for placement on the default docket.

API Number	Well Name	Location	Recompletion Date (Refrac)
25-083-22608	Meldahl 14-29H	26N-59E-29	June 2024

Docket 156-2024
1-2025 FED

APPLICANT: CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Continental Resources Inc** to authorize the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof. The application indicates that the NW¼ of Section 13, T28N-R57E, contain Indian Trust minerals.

Docket 157-2024
2-2025 FED

APPLICANT: CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Continental Resources Inc** to authorize the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof. The application indicates that the W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ and Lots 3, 4, 7, and 8 of Section 14, and Lots 1, 5, 6, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 23, T28N-R57E, contain Indian Trust minerals.

Docket 158-2024

APPLICANT: MORNINGSTAR OPERATING LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **MorningStar Operating LLC** to designate a permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 16, 17, 20, and 21, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Ed & Paul 17-20 XE 1H well.

Docket 159-2024

APPLICANT: MORNINGSTAR OPERATING LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **MorningStar Operating LLC** to pool all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 16, 17, 20, and 21, T25N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Ed & Paul 17-20 XE 1H well.

Docket 160-2024

APPLICANT: MORNINGSTAR OPERATING LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **MorningStar Operating LLC** to designate a permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 12 and 13, T25N-R53E and all of Sections 7 and 18, T25N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation with respect to the Flik 12-13 XE 1H well.

Docket 161-2024

APPLICANT: MORNINGSTAR OPERATING LLC – RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **MorningStar Operating LLC** to pool all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 12 and 13, T25N-R53E and all of Sections 7 and 18, T25N-R54E, Richland County, Montana, for the production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation and to authorize the recovery of non-consent penalties in accordance with Section 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., with respect to the Flik 12-13 XE 1H well.

Docket 23-2024
9-2024 FED
Continued from February 2024

APPLICANT: CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Continental Resources Inc** to create an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 18, 19, and 30, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well therein at any location not further than 500' from the common boundary between all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 18, 19, and 30, T28N-R58E with a 200' heel/toe setback to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to production from the proposed horizontal well, and applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion. The application indicates that the NW¼ of Section 13, T28N-R57E, SE¼SW¼ of Section 18, and the NE¼NW¼, NE¼SW¼, SE¼NW¼ of Section 19, T28N-R58E, contain Indian Trust minerals.

Docket 109-2024
17-2024 FED
Continued from August 2024

APPLICANT: CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC – ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the application of **Continental Resources Inc** to create an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, and 26, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well therein at any location not further than 500' from the common boundary between all of Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E with a 200' heel/toe setback to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that applicant has first spud a well in the underlying temporary spacing unit consisting of all of Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E and the overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E. Operations for the drilling of said well must commence within one year of the date of the order issued by the Board. The overlapping temporary spacing unit shall be limited to production from the proposed horizontal well, and applicant will apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion. The application indicates that the NW¼ of Section 13, W½E½ and Lots 3, 4, 7, and 8 of Section 14, and NW¼NE¼ and Lots 1,5, and 6 of Section 23, T28N-R57E, contain Indian Trust minerals.

Docket 162-2024

APPLICANT: MONTANA BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION – TOOLE COUNY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **HB Oil, LLC** to appear and provide an update of its efforts to reduce its plugging liability and to review its plugging and reclamation bonds to determine if the coverage is adequate under § 82-11-123(5), MCA.

Docket 163-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: COALRIDGE DISPOSAL AND PETROLEUM, INC. – SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **Coalridge Disposal and Petroleum, Inc.** to appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be imposed for failure to file reports and to pay the administrative penalty assessed for delinquent production and injection reporting. In accordance with Board policy the amount due now is \$160. This docket will be dismissed if payment and reports are received ten days prior to the hearing. Failure to appear at the Show Cause hearing or to make suitable arrangements prior to said hearing subjects Coalridge Disposal and Petroleum, Inc. to further penalties as prescribed by Board Policy.

Docket 164-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: COALRIDGE DISPOSAL & PETROLEUM – SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the board's own motion to require **Coalridge Disposal & Petroleum** to appear and show cause, if any it has, why it should not immediately plug and abandon its wells in Sheridan County, Montana.

Docket 165-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: D&A WATER DISPOSAL LLC — FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **D&A Water Disposal LLC** appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be imposed for failure to file reports and to pay the administrative penalty assessed for delinquent production reporting. In accordance with Board policy the amount due now is \$160. This docket will be dismissed if payment and reports are received ten days prior to the hearing. Failure to appear at the Show Cause hearing or to make suitable arrangements prior to said hearing subjects D&A Water Disposal LLC to further penalties as prescribed by Board Policy.

Docket 166-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: D&A WATER DISPOSAL LLC — FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **D&A Water Disposal LLC** appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be considered for failure to remedy field violations at its BN 12-11 well, API # 25-025-21021, located in the SW¼NW¼ of Section 11, T9N-58E, Fallon County, Montana. Board staff has authority to dismiss the docket if D&A Water Disposal LLC achieves compliance prior to the October 10, 2024, public hearing.

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RESPONDENT: JUSTICE SWD, LLC – SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **Justice SWD, LLC** appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to file correct injection reports, failure to pay the penalty assessed for delinquent reporting in accordance with Board policy, and failure to pay the \$1,000 fine assessed for not appearing at the August 15, 2024, public hearing.

Docket 168-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: POWDER BATTALION HOLDINGS LLC – BIG HORN COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **Powder Battalion Holdings LLC** appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to file delinquent production reports, failure to pay the penalty assessed for delinquent reporting, and failure to pay the \$1,000 fine assessed for not appearing at the August 15, 2024, public hearing.

Docket 169-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: SUMMIT GAS RESOURCES, INC. – BIG HORN & POWDER RIVER COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **Summit Gas Resources, Inc.** appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to file delinquent production injection reports, failure to pay the penalty assessed for delinquent reporting, and failure to pay the \$1,000 fine assessed for not appearing at the August 15, 2024, public hearing.

Docket 170-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: T.W.O. (TAYLOR WELL OPERATING) – LIBERTY AND TOOLE COUNTIES, MONTANA

Upon the Board's own motion to require **T.W.O. (Taylor Well Operating)** to appear and show cause, if any it has, why it should not immediately plug and abandon its inactive wells in Liberty and Toole Counties, Montana for failure to submit a plan and timeline for its inactive wells in accordance with Administrative Order 10-A-2024.

Docket 171-2024
SHOW-CAUSE HEARING

RESPONDENT: UNITED STATES ENERGY CORP. – GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA

Upon the board's own motion to require **United States Energy Corp.** appear and show cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be imposed for failure to pay the administrative penalty assessed for delinquent production reporting. In accordance with Board policy the amount due now is \$120. This docket will be dismissed if payment is received ten days prior to the hearing. Failure to appear at the Show Cause hearing or to make suitable arrangements prior to said hearing subjects United States Energy Corp. to further penalties as prescribed by Board Policy.

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