

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 100-2024

Docket No. 125-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 31-2023. Additional wells were authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 32-2023. Applicant has completed 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 as producing wells.
4. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that 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 are the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 100-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 101-2024

Docket No. 126-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 100-2024.
4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.
5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.
6. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
7. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-202, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 101-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, 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.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

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ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 102-2024

Docket No. 127-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 49-2023. Additional wells were authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 50-2023. Applicant has completed 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 as producing wells.
4. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 102-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Section 31, T26N-R58E and all of Sections 6 and 7, T25N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that 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 are the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

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ORDER 103-2024

Docket No. 128-2024

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 102-2024.
4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.
5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.
6. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
7. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-202, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 103-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that 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, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, 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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
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ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 104-2024

Docket No. 129-2024

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 75-2023. Additional wells were authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 76-2023. Applicant has completed the Virginia 25-36 #1H, Virginia 25-36 #2H, Virginia 25-36 #3H, and Virginia 25-36 #4H wells as producing wells.

4. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.

5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Virginia 25-36 #1H, Virginia 25-36 #2H, Virginia 25-36 #3H, and Virginia 25-36 #4H wells are the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 104-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
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ORDER 105-2024

Docket No. 130-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 104-2024.
4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.
5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.
6. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
7. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-202, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 105-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, with respect to the Virginia 25-36 #1H, Virginia 25-36 #2H, Virginia 25-36 #3H, and Virginia 25-36 #4H wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

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ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 106-2024

Docket No. 131-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 77-2023. Applicant has completed the Virginia 25-36 #11H well as a producing well.
4. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
5. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 25 and 36, T28N-R58E and all of Sections 30 and 31, T28N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Virginia 25-36 #11H well is the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 106-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

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ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 107-2024

Docket No. 132-2024

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonseca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 106-2024.
4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.
5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.
6. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
7. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-202, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 107-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that 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, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, with respect to the Virginia 25-36 #11H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 108-2024

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 No. 133-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 108-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R57E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 42-2017 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 109-2024

Docket No. 134-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 108-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R57E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 109-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R57E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 110-2024

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 No. 135-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 41-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 43-2012.
4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Hawkins 29-32 #1H well.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.

BOARD ORDER NO. 110-2024

6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E and all of Section 5, T27N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 43-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Hawkins 29-32 #1H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 111-2024

Docket No. 136-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 110-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E and Section 5, T27N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 111-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in 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, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 114-2024

Docket No. 137-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 28 and 33, T24N-R59E and all of Section 4, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

BOARD ORDER NO. 114-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 115-2024

Docket No. 138-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 114-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 28 and 33, T24N-R59E and Section 4, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 115-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T24N-R59E and all of Section 4, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 112-2024

Docket No. 139-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 112-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 26 and 35, T24N-R59E and all of Section 2, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 113-2024

Docket No. 140-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 112-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 26 and 35, T24N-R59E and Section 2, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 113-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T24N-R59E and all of Section 2, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 116-2024

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 No. 141-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 116-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 30 and 31, T24N-R59E and all of Section 6, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 148-2011 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 117-2024

Docket No. 142-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 116-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 30 and 31, T24N-R59E and Section 6, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 117-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 30 and 31, T24N-R59E and all of Section 6, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 118-2024

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 No. 143-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 118-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 29 and 32, T24N-R59E and all of Section 5, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 320-2011 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 119-2024

Docket No. 144-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 118-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 29 and 32, T24N-R59E and Section 5, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 119-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T24N-R59E and all of Section 5, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 120-2024

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 No. 145-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 120-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 31 and 32, T24N-R60E and all of Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8, T23N-R60E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 463-2013, 164-2014, and 20-2011 and are hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 121-2024

Docket No. 146-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 120-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 31 and 32, T24N-R60E, and Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8, T23N-R60E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 121-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in 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, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 122-2024

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 No. 147-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 122-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Section 34, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 3 and 10, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 187-2010 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 123-2024

Docket No. 148-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 122-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 34, T24N-R59E and Sections 3 and 10, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 123-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 34, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 3 and 10, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 124-2024

Docket No. 149-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 124-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Section 36, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 125-2024

Docket No. 150-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 124-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 36, T24N-R59E and Sections 1 and 12, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 36, T24N-R59E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 125-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 126-2024

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 No. 151-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
4. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 126-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Section 4, T25N-R57E and all of Sections 28 and 33, T26N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit 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 be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 414-2011 and 303-2012 are hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 127-2024

Docket No. 152-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 126-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 4, T25N-R57E and Sections 28 and 33, T26N-R57E, Richland County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 127-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 4, T25N-R57E and all of Sections 28 and 33, T26N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 128-2024

API NUMBER	WELL NAME	LOCATION	RECOMPLETION DATE (REFRAC)
25-083-22608	MELDAHL 14-29H	26N-59E-29	JUNE 2024

Docket No. 155-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No protest to the application of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC was made.
3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of ARM 36.22.1704 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the application of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 128-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 129-2024

Docket No. 156-2024 / 1-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Austin Williams, senior landman, Tyler Gruenbacher, exploration geologist, and Austin McMillen, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc (Continental Resources).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 18-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Continental Resources was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 129-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Continental Resources is authorized to drill an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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 W½E½ AND LOTS 3, 4, 7, AND 8 OF SECTION 14, AND LOTS 1, 5, 6, AND NW¼NE¼ OF SECTION 23, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 130-2024

Docket No. 157-2024 / 2-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Austin Williams, senior landman, Tyler Gruenbacher, exploration geologist, and Austin McMillen, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc (Continental Resources).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 17-2024.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Continental Resources was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 130-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Continental Resources is authorized to drill an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 131-2024

Docket No. 109-2024 / 17-2024 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Austin Williams, senior landman, Tyler Gruenbacher, exploration geologist, and Austin McMillen, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc (Continental Resources).
3. Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E was designated a temporary spacing unit by Order 17-2024 and Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit by Order 18-2024.
4. The applicant testified at the hearing that the well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled last in each phase of operations along with at least one well on each side of the underlying temporary spacing units described in Findings of Fact 3.

BOARD ORDER NO. 131-2024

5. No protest to the application of Continental Resources was made.

6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the applicant demonstrated the requirements of § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, and 26, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well at a location proximate to the common boundary between Sections 14, 23, and 26, T28N-R57E and Sections 13, 24, and 25, T28N-R57E, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the well authorized under this application cannot be drilled to total depth until a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation is drilled to total depth in the east half of the underlying temporary spacing unit comprised of Sections 14, 23, and 26 and the west half of the underlying overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of Sections 13, 24, and 25, with wells in the underlying spacing units to be completed at the same time as the boundary well authorized by this application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 131-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 132-2024

Docket No. 162-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper, and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Don Lee, attorney, appeared on behalf of HB Oil, LLC (HB).
3. HB is working with the previous operator, H&R Energy, LLC, to reactive its wells and has worked on four wells, but only one of these wells has been successfully reactivated. The other 15 wells have had no reported production in over two years.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that taking the following action is appropriate.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that HB must provide staff a detailed well plan and timeline for reactivating, transferring, or plugging its inactive wells prior to the October 31, 2024, hearing application deadline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dockets 162-2024 is continued until the December 5, 2024, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board staff has the authority to dismiss the docket if the plans are received prior to the October 31, 2024, deadline. Staff will provide the Board an update at the December 4, 2024, business meeting of HB Oil's well plan and timeline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that HB provide staff a progress report of implementing its plan prior to the February 19, 2025, business meeting, at which time staff will provide the Board with an update of its progress.

BOARD ORDER NO. 132-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 133-2024

Docket No. 163-2024

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 No. 164-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper, and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Dockets 163-2024 and 164-2024 were combined for hearing.
3. No one appeared on behalf of Coalridge Disposal & Petroleum (Coalridge).
4. Coalridge has an outstanding fee in the amount of \$2,760. This fee amount includes a \$160 penalty for delinquent reporting, the annual \$200 injection fee due for each of its two permitted injection wells, the \$100 per well late fee for failure to submit its injection fee payment prior to the deadline, and the \$2,000 fine for failure to appear at the June 13, 2024, and August 15, 2024, public hearings.
5. Board staff recently received communications from attorneys representing parties involved with Coalridge, indicating an ongoing legal dispute concerning the determination of responsibility for the company.

BOARD ORDER NO. 133-2024

6. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, MCA and ARM 36.22.101, et seq. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Coalridge is fined \$1,000 for failure to appear at the October 10, 2024, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Dockets 163-2024 and 164-2024 are continued until the December 5, 2024, public hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 134-2024

Docket No. 166-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of D&A Water Disposal LLC (D&A).
3. D&A has not demonstrated Mechanical Integrity of the BN 12-11 well.
4. D&A has not remedied the field violations pertaining to the leaking tank and contaminated soil at the BN 12-11 tank battery.
5. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, MCA and ARM 36.22.101, et seq. have been met.

BOARD ORDER NO. 134-2024

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that D&A must remedy the field violations at the BN 12-11 well, API # 25-025-21021, located in the SW¼NW¼ of Section 11, T9N-58E, Fallon County, Montana, by the October 31, 2024, hearing application deadline or is subject to a \$100 fine for each day after the deadline that the violations remains unresolved. The fine will remain in effect until compliance is confirmed by inspection.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that D&A is fined \$1,000 for failure to appear at the October 10, 2024, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that D&A is fined \$1,000 for failure to maintain mechanical integrity on the BN 12-11 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that D&A must return the BN 12-11 well to compliance prior to the December 5, 2024, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Docket 166-2024 is continued until the December 5, 2024, public hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 135-2024

Docket No. 167-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Don Lee, attorney, appeared on behalf of Justice SWD, LLC (Justice).
3. Justice submitted the delinquent injection reports and paid the outstanding fine.
4. Staff recommended the docket be dismissed.
5. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the respondent has demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, MCA and ARM 36.22.101, et seq. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Docket 167-2024 is dismissed.

BOARD ORDER NO. 135-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 136-2024

Docket No. 168-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of Powder Battalion Holdings LLC (Powder Battalion).
3. Powder Battalion has an outstanding fine in the amount of \$1,140. This fine amount includes a \$140 penalty for delinquent reporting and \$1,000 for failure to appear at the August 15, 2024, public hearing.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, MCA and ARM 36.22.101, et seq. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Powder Battalion is to appear at the December 5, 2024, public hearing, if any it has, for why it should not immediately plug and abandon or transfer its wells in Big Horn County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 136-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF 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.

ORDER 137-2024

Docket No. 169-2024

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 10, 2024, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of Summit Gas Resources, Inc. (Summit).
3. Summit has an outstanding fine in the amount of \$1,640. This fine amount includes a \$640 penalty for delinquent reporting and \$1,000 for failure to appear at the August 15, 2024, public hearing.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that the respondent has not demonstrated that the requirements of Title 82, Chapter 11, MCA and ARM 36.22.101, et seq. have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Summit is to appear at the December 5, 2024, public hearing, if any it has, for why it should not immediately plug and abandon or transfer its wells in Big Horn and Powder River Counties, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 137-2024

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10th day of October, 2024.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist