

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 10, 15, 22, AND 27, T28N-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 APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ AND W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 22, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 123-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 195-2011 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 10 AND 15, 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 CHARLEY 10-15 #1-H WELL.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 308-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 22 AND 27, 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 NELSON 27-22 1H WELL AND THAT ORDER 191-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 149-2025 / 20-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 10 and 15, T28N-R57E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 194-2011 and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 195-2011. Sections 22 and 27, T28N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 189-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 308-2014.

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4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Charley 10-15 1-H and Nelson 27-22 1H wells.

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 all of Sections 10, 15, 22, and 27, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from 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 195-2011 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Charley 10-15 1-H well. The pooling order established by Board Order 308-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Nelson 27-22 1H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 191-2014 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 10, 15, 22, AND 27, 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 E½SW¼ AND W½SE¼ OF SECTION 22, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 124-2025

Docket No. 150-2025 / 21-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 123-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 10, 15, 22, and 27, T28N-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. 124-2025

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 overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 10, 15, 22, and 27, 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 9, 16, AND 21, T28N-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 APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 21, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 125-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 64-2011 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 9 AND 16, 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 SWINDLE 16-9 #1H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 33-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 20 AND 21, T28N-R57E AND THAT ORDERS 418-2011 AND 419-2011 THAT AMENDED THE SETBACKS AND AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 151-2025 / 22-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 9 and 16, T28N-R57E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 64-2011.
4. Kraken is a working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Swindle 16-9 #1H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 125-2025

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 all of Sections 9, 16, and 21, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from 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 permanent spacing order established by Board Order 64-2011 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Swindle 16-9 #1H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 33-2011, 418-2011, and 419-2011 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 9, 16, AND 21, 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 W½W½ OF SECTION 21, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 126-2025

Docket No. 152-2025 / 23-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 125-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 9, 16, and 21, T28N-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. 126-2025

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 overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 9, 16, and 21, 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 8, 17, AND 20, T28N-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 APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 21, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 127-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 456-2011 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 8 AND 17, 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 GOBBS 17-8 #1-H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 33-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 20 AND 21, T28N-R57E AND THAT ORDERS 418-2011 AND 419-2011 THAT AMENDED THE SETBACKS AND AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 153-2025 / 24-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 8 and 17, T28N-R57E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 193-2011 and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 456-2011.

BOARD ORDER NO. 127-2025

4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Gobbs 17-8 #1-H well.

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 all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from 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 456-2011 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Gobbs 17-8 #1-H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 33-2011, 418-2011, and 419-2011 are hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING
UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 17, AND 20, T28N-R57E,
ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200'
(HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE
EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 128-2025

Docket No. 154-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 127-2025.
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, T28N-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.

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 overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, 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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 128-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,
this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 19, 30, AND 31, T26N-R56E, 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. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 129-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 362-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 30 AND 31, T26N-R56E.

Docket No. 163-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).

3. At the time of hearing, the applicant agreed to a 1,320' lateral setback for the first well to be drilled in the proposed spacing unit rather than the requested 500' lateral setback to align with Board policy. The applicant also agreed to the stipulation that operations for the drilling of said well must be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

4. No protest to the application of Heritage 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. 129-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 19, 30, and 31, T26N-R56E, 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 1,320' (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 362-2011 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, 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 19, 30, AND 31, T26N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 130-2025

Docket No. 164-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).
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 129-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 19, 30, and 31, T26N-R56E, Richland County, Montana, provided the first well drilled in the spacing unit maintains a 1,320' lateral setback.
5. No protest to the application of Heritage 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. 130-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Heritage is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 19, 30, and 31, T26N-R56E, 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 6, 7, AND 18, T26N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTION 31, T27N-R56E, 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. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 131-2025

Docket No. 165-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).

3. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 5 and 8, T26N-R55E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, a minimum of a 660' lateral setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 5 and 8 should be maintained, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

4. At the time of hearing, the applicant agreed to a 1,320' lateral setback for the first well to be drilled in the proposed spacing unit rather than the requested 500' lateral setback to align with Board policy. The applicant also agreed to the stipulation that operations for the drilling of said well must be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

5. No protest to the application of Heritage 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. 131-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 6, 7, and 18, T26N-R56E and all of Section 31, T27N-R56E, 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 1,320' (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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, 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 6, 7, AND 18, T26N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTION 31, T27N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 132-2025

Docket No. 166-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).

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 131-2025.

4. At the time of hearing, the applicant agreed to a 660' lateral setback from the east boundary of the proposed spacing unit to align with the previously approved setback in the adjacent spacing unit, rather than the requested 500' lateral setback.

5. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 6, 7, and 18, T26N-R56E and Section 31, T27N-R56E, Richland County, Montana provided the first well drilled in the spacing unit maintains a 1,320' lateral setback.

6. No protest to the application of Heritage 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 § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Heritage is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 6, 7, and 18, T26N-R56E and all of Section 31, T27N-R56E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the east boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the west boundary 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 24, 25 AND 36, T26N-R55E AND ALL OF SECTION 1, T25N-R55E, 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. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 133-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 367-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T26N-R55E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 193-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T25N-R55E AND BOARD ORDER 166-2011 INsofar AS IT RELATES TO SECTIONS 1 AND 12 THAT ADJUSTED THE SETBACKS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 366-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 13 AND 24, T26N-R55E.

Docket No. 167-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).

3. At the time of hearing, the applicant agreed to a 1,320' lateral setback for the first well to be drilled in the proposed spacing unit rather than the requested 500' lateral setback to align with Board policy. The applicant also agreed to the stipulation that operations for the drilling of said well must be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

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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 24, 25 and 36, T26N-R55E and all of Section 1, T25N-R55E, 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 1,320' (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 are 367-2011, 193-2010, 166-2011, and 366-2011 hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, 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 24, 25 AND 36, T26N-R55E AND ALL OF SECTION 1, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 134-2025

Docket No. 168-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).
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 133-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 24, 25 and 36, T26N-R55E and Section 1, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, provided the first well drilled in the spacing unit maintains a 1,320' lateral setback.
5. No protest to the application of Heritage 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. 134-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Heritage is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 24, 25 and 36, T26N-R55E and all of Section 1, T25N-R55E, 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T26N-R55E AND ALL OF SECTION 36, T27N-R55E, 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. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 135-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 355-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T26N-R55E.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 366-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 13 AND 24, T26N-R55E.

Docket No. 169-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).

3. At the time of hearing, the applicant agreed to a 1,320' lateral setback for the first well to be drilled in the proposed spacing unit rather than the requested 500' lateral setback to align with Board policy. The applicant also agreed to the stipulation that operations for the drilling of said well must be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

4. No protest to the application of Heritage 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. 135-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T26N-R55E and all of Section 36, T27N-R55E, 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 1,320' (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 355-2011 and 366-2011 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 HERITAGE ENERGY OPERATING, 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 1, 12, AND 13, T26N-R55E AND ALL OF SECTION 36, T27N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 136-2025

Docket No. 170-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Joshua Cornell, CEO, and Bill Diggs, COO and petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Heritage Energy Operating, LLC (Heritage).
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 135-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 1, 12, and 13, T26N-R55E and Section 36, T27N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, provided the first well drilled in the spacing unit maintains a 1,320' lateral setback.
5. No protest to the application of Heritage 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. 136-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Heritage is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T26N-R55E and all of Section 36, T27N-R55E, 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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 WHITE ROCK OIL & GAS, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 23, 26, AND 35, T23N-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 660' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 137-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 339-2004 PERTAINING TO SECTION 23, T23N-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 STEINBEISSER 21-23H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 80-2005 PERTAINING TO SECTION 26, T23N-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 LARSON 14-26H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 98-2005 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 34 AND 35, T23N-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 STEINBEISSER 41-34H AND STEINBEISSER 14-35H WELLS.

Docket No. 173-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Chad Centorbi, land manager, and Shawna Bonini, operations engineer, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).

3. Section 23, T23N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 339-2004. Section 26, T23N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 80-2005. Sections 34 and 35, T23N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 98-2005.

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4. White Rock is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Steinbeisser 21-23H, Larson 14-26H, Steinbeisser 41-34H, and Steinbeisser 14-35H wells.

5. No protest to the application of White Rock 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 23, 26, and 35, T23N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 660' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the permanent spacing order established by Board Order 339-2004 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Steinbeisser 21-23H well; the permanent spacing order established by Board Order 80-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Larson 14-26H well; and the permanent spacing order established by Board Order 98-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Steinbeisser 41-34H and Steinbeisser 14-35H wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 WHITE ROCK OIL & GAS, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 22, 27, AND 34, T23N-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 660' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 138-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 212-2005 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 22 AND 27, T23N-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 STEINBEISSER 14-22H, STEINBEISSER 31X-34, AND STEINBEISSER 34-22H WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 98-2005 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 34 AND 35, T23N-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 STEINBEISSER 41-34H AND STEINBEISSER 14-35H WELLS.

Docket No. 174-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Chad Centorbi, land manager, and Shawna Bonini, operations engineer, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).

3. Sections 22 and 27, T23N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 211-2005, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 212-2005. Sections 34 and 35, T23N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 98-2005.

4. White Rock is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Steinbeisser 14-22H, Steinbeisser 31X-34, Steinbeisser 34-22H, Steinbeisser 41-34H, and Steinbeisser 14-35H wells.

BOARD ORDER NO. 138-2025

5. No protest to the application of White Rock 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 22, 27, and 34, T23N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 660' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

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 212-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Steinbeisser 14-22H, Steinbeisser 31X-34, Steinbeisser 34-22H wells. The permanent spacing order established by Board Order 98-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Steinbeisser 41-34H and Steinbeisser 14-35H wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 WHITE ROCK OIL & GAS, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 22, 23, 26, 27, 34 AND 35, T23N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN ALL OF SECTIONS 23, 26, AND 35, T23N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 22, 27, AND 34, T23N-R57E, WITH A 200' HEEL/TOE SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. 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 139-2025

Docket No. 175-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Chad Centorbi, land manager, and Shawna Bonini, operations engineer, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).
3. Sections 23, 26, and 35, T23N-R57E, was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit by Order 137-2025. Sections 22, 27, and 34, T23N-R57E, was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit by Order 138-2025.
4. No protest to the application of White Rock 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. 139-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 22, 23, 26, 27, 34, and 35, T23N-R57E, Richland 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 the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 23, 26, and 35, T23N-R57E and the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 22, 27, and 34, T23N-R57E, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 PHOENIX OPERATING LLC TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 24, 25, AND 36, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE SAMURAI 36-25-24 1H, SAMURAI 36-25-24 2H, SAMURAI 36-25-24 3H, AND SAMURAI 36-25-24 4H WELLS.

ORDER 140-2025

Docket No. 183-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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, Mark Johnson, executive vice president of land, regulatory, and HSE, Nick Daniele, vice president of geology, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

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 70-2023. Additional wells were authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 71-2023. Applicant has completed the Samurai 36-25-24 1H, Samurai 36-25-24 2H, Samurai 36-25-24 3H, and Samurai 36-25-24 4H wells as producing wells.

4. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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 24, 25, and 36, T29N-R57E, 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 Samurai 36-25-24 1H, Samurai 36-25-24 2H, Samurai 36-25-24 3H, and Samurai 36-25-24 4H wells are the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 140-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,
this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 PHOENIX OPERATING LLC TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 24, 25, AND 36, T29N-R57E, 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 SAMURAI 36-25-24 1H, SAMURAI 36-25-24 2H, SAMURAI 36-25-24 3H, AND SAMURAI 36-25-24 4H WELLS.

ORDER 141-2025

Docket No. 184-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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, Mark Johnson, executive vice president of land, regulatory, and HSE, Nick Daniele, vice president of geology, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

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 140-2025.

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 Phoenix 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. 141-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 24, 25, and 36, T29N-R57E, 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 Samurai 36-25-24 1H, Samurai 36-25-24 2H, Samurai 36-25-24 3H, and Samurai 36-25-24 4H wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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

ORDER 142-2025

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY INC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, AND 15, T26N-R59E, 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. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 232-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T26N-R59E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE CITADEL 2-11-2H WELL

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 480-2011 PERTAINING TO SECTION 3, T26N-R59E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE BATTALION 1-3H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 250-2011 PERTAINING TO SECTION 10, T26N-R59E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE RENEGADE 1-10H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 231-212 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 14 AND 15, T26N-R59E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SQUADRON 1-15-14H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 48-2021 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T26N-R59E.

Docket No. 192-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, James Culbertson, landman, Dillon Dolezal, geologist, and William Miller, senior reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Slawson Exploration Company Inc (Slawson).

3. Sections 2 and 11, T26N-R59E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 224-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 232-2012. Section 3, T26N-R59E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 479-2011, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 480-2011. Section 10, T26N-R59E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 249-2011, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 250-2011. Sections 14 and 15, T26N-R59E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 225-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 231-2012.

4. Slawson is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Citadel 2-11-2H, Battalion 1-3H, Renegade 1-10H, and Squadron 1-15-14H wells.

5. Due to significant topographical constraints, including the presence of a floodplain that limits suitable surface locations for drilling and production facilities, a larger-than-standard overlapping temporary spacing unit is necessary to allow efficient and economic recovery of oil while minimizing surface disturbance and environmental impact.

6. No protest to the application of Slawson 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 § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, and 15, T26N-R59E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

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 232-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Citadel 2-11-2H well; the pooling order established by Board Order 480-2011 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Battalion 1-3H well; the pooling order established by Board Order 250-2011 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Renegade 1-10H well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 231-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Squadron 1-15-14H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 48-2021 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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 142-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,
this 12th day of June, 2025.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman (recused)

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 SLAWSON EXPLORATION COMPANY INC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO FOUR ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, AND 15, T26N-R59E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 143-2025

Docket No. 193-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, James Culbertson, landman, Dillon Dolezal, geologist, and William Miller, senior reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Slawson Exploration Company Inc (Slawson).

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 142-2025.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of four additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, and 15, T26N-R59E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Slawson 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. 143-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Slawson is authorized to drill up to four additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, and 15, T26N-R59E, 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 12th day of June, 2025.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Steven Durrett, Chairman

Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman (recused)

Roy Brown, Board Member

Mac McDermott, Board Member

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 WHITE ROCK OIL AND GAS, LLC TO DRILL THE CANDEE 1H SWD WELL IN THE NW¼NE¼ OF SECTION 6, T24N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (ELM COULEE) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN IN THE DAKOTA AND LAKOTA FORMATIONS AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 4,742 – 4,871 FT. AND 5,026 – 5,343 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS.

ORDER 144-2025

Docket No. 204-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 White Rock 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 36.22.1403 and ARM 36.22.1418 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the application of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 144-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,
this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 WHITE ROCK OIL AND GAS, LLC TO CONVERT THE BR 41-35H 52 WELL (API #25-083-22107) IN THE NE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 35, T25N-R52E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (ELM COULEE) TO A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA AND LAKOTA FORMATIONS AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 4,742 – 4,871 FT. AND 5,026 – 5,343 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS.

ORDER 145-2025

Docket No. 205-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 White Rock 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 36.22.1403 and ARM 36.22.1418 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the application of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 145-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,
this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 6, 7, 18, AND 19, T25N-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. 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 146-2025

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 466-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 18 AND 19, T25N-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 CONAWAY 1-19H WELL AND THAT ORDER 467-2012 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 130-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Tyler Gruenbacher, exploration geologist, JJ Kim, reservoir engineer, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc (Continental Resources).
3. Sections 18 and 19, T25N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 465-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 466-2012.
4. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 24 and 25, T25N-R56E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the common boundary between Section 24, T25N-R56E and Section 19, T25N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

BOARD ORDER NO. 146-2025

5 Continental Resources is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Conaway 1-19H well.

6. No protest to the application of Continental Resources 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 § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, T25N-R57E, Richland County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof, except for a 660' (lateral setback) that shall be maintained from the common boundary between Section 24, T25N-R56E and Section 19, T25N-R57E, 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 466-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Conaway 1-19H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 467-2012 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL
HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS
ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING
UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 6, 7, 18, AND 19, T25N-
R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN
200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO
THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 147-2025

Docket No. 131-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Tyler Gruenbacher, exploration geologist, JJ Kim, reservoir engineer, 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 146-2025.

4. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 24 and 25, T25N-R56E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the common boundary between Section 24, T25N-R56E and Section 19, T25N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

5. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, T25N-R57E, Richland County, Montana.

6. No protest to the application of Continental Resources 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 § 82-11-201, MCA have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Continental Resources 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 6, 7, 18, and 19, T25N-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, except for a 660' (lateral setback) that shall be maintained from the common boundary between Section 24, T25N-R56E and Section 19, T25N-R57E.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 MORNINGSTAR OPERATING LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 33 AND 34, T25N-R54E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, AND 12, T24N-R54E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN SECTION 33, T25N-R54E, SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T24N-R54E AND SECTION 34, T25N-R54E, SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T24N-R54E, WITH A 200' HEEL/TOE SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. 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 148-2025

Docket No. 142-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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. Uriah Price, attorney, Dave Pearson, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of assets, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Section 1, T24N-R54E and 34, T25N-R54E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 306-2003. Section 2 and the W½ of Section 33, T25N-R54E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 113-2005. Section 11, T24N-R54E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 188-2002. Sections 12 and 13, T24N-R54E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 149-2004. The NE¼ and SE¼ of Section 33, T25N-R53E, was designated a 160-acre spacing unit under statewide spacing rules. Sections 2, T24N-R54E and Section 33, T25N-R54E was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit by Order 19-2011.

4. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 148-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 33 and 34, T25N-R54E and all of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, T24N-R54E, Richland 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 Section 33, T25N-R54E, Sections 2 and 11, T24N-R54E and Section 34, T25N-R54E, Sections 1 and 12, T24N-R54E, but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

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 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 BAD WATER DISPOSAL, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO SUBMIT INJECTION REPORTS AND PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT INJECTION REPORTING. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY THE AMOUNT DUE NOW IS \$260. THIS DOCKET WILL BE DISMISSED IF PAYMENT IS RECEIVED TEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING. FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THE SHOW CAUSE HEARING OR TO MAKE SUITABLE ARRANGEMENTS PRIOR TO SAID HEARING SUBJECTS BAD WATER DISPOSAL, LLC TO FURTHER PENALTIES AS PRESCRIBED BY BOARD POLICY.

ORDER 149-2025

Docket No. 207-2025

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE BAD WATER DISPOSAL, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE ANNUAL INJECTION FEE FOR ITS PERMITTED INJECTION WELL, THE LATE FEE ASSESSED FOR NONPAYMENT, AND FOR FAILURE TO REMEDY THE COMPLIANCE ISSUES OUTLINED IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 5-A-2025. THE TOTAL DUE IN INJECTION WELL FEES AND PENALTIES IS NOW \$300. BOARD STAFF HAS AUTHORITY TO DISMISS THE DOCKET IF BAD WATER DISPOSAL, LLC ACHIEVES COMPLIANCE PRIOR TO THE JUNE 12, 2025, PUBLIC HEARING.

Docket No. 208-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 Bad Water Disposal, LLC (Bad Water).
3. At the time of hearing, the outstanding field compliance issues remain unresolved.
4. Bad Water has not filed the delinquent injection reports or paid the outstanding fine of \$260 assessed for delinquent reporting.
5. Bad Water paid the annual injection well fee and penalty.

BOARD ORDER NO. 149-2025

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 Bad Water must remedy the field violations at the FLB Spokane 3 well by the July 10, 2025, hearing application deadline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that following the July 10, 2025, deadline a penalty of \$250 per day be assessed until compliance is achieved and confirmed by inspection.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Bad Water is to appear at the August 14, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to remedy the field violations, failure to file delinquent injection reports, and failure to pay the penalty assessed for delinquent reporting.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 BIG SKY ENERGY, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE ANNUAL INJECTION FEE FOR ITS PERMITTED INJECTION WELL AND THE LATE FEE ASSESSED FOR NONPAYMENT. THE TOTAL DUE IN INJECTION WELL FEES AND PENALTIES IS NOW \$300. BOARD STAFF HAS AUTHORITY TO DISMISS THE DOCKET IF BIG SKY ENERGY, LLC ACHIEVES COMPLIANCE PRIOR TO THE JUNE 12, 2025, PUBLIC HEARING.

ORDER 150-2025

Docket No. 209-2025

UPON THE BOARDS OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE BIG SKY ENERGY LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON OR TRANSFER ITS WELLS IN CARBON, GOLDEN VALLEY, AND STILLWATER COUNTIES, MONTANA.

Docket No. 210-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 Big Sky Energy, LLC (Big Sky).
3. On May 1, 2025, Park County Sheriff's Office served Big Sky Administrative Order 4-A-2025 issued on April 9-2025 and Board Order 120-2025 issued on April 10, 2025.
4. Big Sky has an outstanding fee in the amount of \$5,280. This fine amount includes a \$1,980 penalty for delinquent reporting, \$300 annual well injection operating fee and penalty, and \$3,000 for failure to appear at the December 5, 2024, February 20, 2025, and April 10, 2025, public hearings.
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. 150-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Big Sky must begin to plug and abandon or transfer its wells in Carbon, Golden Valley, and Stillwater Counties, Montana, prior to August 14, 2025, public hearing. Failure to begin to plug and abandon or transfer the well may result in additional penalties or the forfeiture of the plugging and reclamation bond in its entirety, as permitted by § 82-11-123(5), MCA.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sky is to appear at the August 14, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why its injection permit for the Chapman 13-2 saltwater disposal well, API # 25-009-21165, located in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 2, T7S-R21E, Carbon County, Montana should not be revoked for failure to pay the annual injection well operating fee and penalty.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sky is fined \$1,000 for failure to appear at the June 12, 2025, public hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 D90 ENERGY LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE ANNUAL INJECTION FEE FOR ITS PERMITTED INJECTION WELL AND THE LATE FEE ASSESSED FOR NONPAYMENT. THE TOTAL DUE IN INJECTION WELL FEES AND PENALTIES IS NOW \$3,900. BOARD STAFF HAS AUTHORITY TO DISMISS THE DOCKET IF D90 ENERGY LLC ACHIEVES COMPLIANCE PRIOR TO THE JUNE 12, 2025, PUBLIC HEARING.

ORDER 151-2025

Docket No. 211-2025

UPON THE BOARDS OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE D90 ENERGY LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON OR TRANSFER ITS WELLS IN SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA.

Docket No. 212-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 D90 Energy, LLC (D90).
3. D90 has filed for bankruptcy.
4. D90 has an outstanding fine in the amount of \$7,580. This fine amount includes a \$1,680 penalty for delinquent reporting, \$3,900 annual well injection operating fee and penalty, and \$2,000 for failure to appear at the February 20, 2025 and April 10, 2025, public hearings.
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. 151-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that D90 must begin to plug and abandon or transfer its wells in Sheridan County, Montana, prior to August 14, 2025, public hearing. Failure to begin to plug and abandon or transfer the well may result in additional penalties or the forfeiture of the plugging and reclamation bond in its entirety, as permitted by § 82-11-123(5), MCA.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that D90 is to appear at the August 14, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why its injection permits should not be revoked for failure to pay the annual injection well operating fee and penalty.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 MCOIL MONTANA ONE LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO SUBMIT PRODUCTION REPORTS AND PAY THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT PRODUCTION REPORTING. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY THE AMOUNT DUE NOW IS \$340. 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 MCOIL MONTANA ONE LLC TO FURTHER PENALTIES AS PRESCRIBED BY BOARD POLICY.

ORDER 152-2025

Docket No. 215-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 McOil Montana One LLC (McOil).
3. McOil has not filed the delinquent production reports or paid the outstanding fine of \$340 assessed for delinquent reporting.
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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 152-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that McOil is fined \$1,000 for failure to appear at the June 12, 2025, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that McOil is to appear at the August 14, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why additional penalties should not be assessed for failure to file delinquent reports, failure to pay the penalties assessed for delinquent reports, and failure to appear at the June 12, 2025, public hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

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

Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 BOARDS OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE XOIL, INC TO
APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL
PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO
RESTORE THE RICHARDSON-HOVEN 1-11 (API 25-091-21511) AND
SIMARD 26-16 (API 25-085-21430) LOCATIONS.

ORDER 153-2025

Docket No. 217-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 XOIL, Inc. (XOIL).
3. XOIL testified that it has discontinued all operations and no longer has the personnel or assets necessary to perform reclamation efforts on the two wells.
4. Administrative Order 1-A-2025 established a \$250 per day fine beginning on May 9, 2025, for each day that XOIL failed to begin to reclaim its Simard 26-16 and Richardson-Hoven 1-11 wells. At the time of hearing, XOIL has not reclaimed the wells and the daily fine totaled \$8,500.
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.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that XOIL must begin to reclaim the Richardson-Hoven 1-11 (API 25-091-21511) and the Simard 26-16 (API 25-085-21430) well locations prior to the August 14, 2025, public hearing. Failure to reclaim the well locations may result in additional penalties or the forfeiture of the plugging and reclamation bond in its entirety, as permitted by § 82-11-123(5), MCA.

BOARD ORDER NO. 153-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,
this 12th day of June, 2025.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
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Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 MONTANA ENERGY COMPANY, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO PAY THE ANNUAL INJECTION FEE FOR ITS PERMITTED INJECTION WELL AND THE LATE FEE ASSESSED FOR NONPAYMENT. THE TOTAL DUE IN INJECTION WELL FEES AND PENALTIES IS NOW \$6,300. BOARD STAFF HAS AUTHORITY TO DISMISS THE DOCKET IF MONTANA ENERGY COMPANY, LLC ACHIEVES COMPLIANCE PRIOR TO THE JUNE 12, 2025, PUBLIC HEARING.

ORDER 154-2025

Docket No. 218-2025

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE MONTANA ENERGY COMPANY, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY PENALTIES, WHICH COULD INCLUDE ITS PRODUCTION BEING DECLARED ILLEGAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARM 36.22.1245, SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO PROMPTLY REMEDY THE COMPLIANCE ISSUES OUTLINED IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 15-A-2024 AND TO PROVIDE A PLAN FOR REMOVING THE REMAINING FLUIDS FROM THE EMERGENCY PITS.

Docket No. 90-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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, and Carlos De La Torre, petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Montana Energy Company, LLC (MEC).

3. MEC paid the annual well injection operating fee and penalty of \$6,300 prior to the hearing with a wire transfer.

4. Board Order 73-2025 established a \$100 per day fine beginning on May 9, 2025, for each day that MEC failed to remedy the field compliance issues. At the time of hearing, the outstanding field compliance issues remain unresolved and the daily fine totaled \$3,400.

BOARD ORDER NO. 154-2025

5. At the February 20, 2025, public hearing, MEC was fined \$1,000 for failure to comply with Administrative Order 15-A-2024. The fine has not been paid.

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 MEC is to appear at the August 14, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why additional penalties, which could include a bond increase, should not be considered for failure to remedy the compliance issues.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that MEC must pay the \$1,000 for failure to comply with Administrative Order 15-A-2024 prior to the July 10, 2025, hearing deadline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the \$100 daily fine remains in effect until compliance is achieved and confirmed by inspection.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

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 YELLOWSTONE PETROLEUMS, INC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO PLUG AND ABANDON THE ESSEX-THOMPSON 1 AND MYHRE 3-25 WELLS AS REQUIRED BY BOARD ORDER 48-2024.

ORDER 155-2025

Docket No. 92-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on June 12, 2025, 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. Member Barbara Skelton was absent. 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 Yellowstone Petroleum, Inc. (Yellowstone).
3. At the February 20, 2025, public hearing, Yellowstone was fined \$1,000 for failure to comply with Board Order 48-2024. The fine has not been paid.
4. Board Order 75-2025 established a \$250 per day fine beginning on June 1, 2025, for each day that Yellowstone failed to submit an approved plan to plug and abandon its Essex-Thompson 1 and Myhre 3-25 wells. At the time of hearing, Yellowstone has not submitted abandonment plans and the daily fine totaled \$2,750.
5. Mr. Lee testified that due to Yellowstone's financial conditions it is unable to plug the Essex-Thompson 1 and Myhre 3-25 wells, but it is trying to sell the wells.
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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 155-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the outstanding fine of \$1,000 must be paid by the July 10, 2025, hearing application deadline.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Yellowstone must appear at the August 14, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why it should not immediately plug and abandon its wells in Carbon, Glacier, Pondera, and Toole Counties, Montana.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 12th day of June, 2025.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member (absent)

W. John Tietz, Board Member

Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist