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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF HEREFORD RESOURCES, LLC FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM OR EXCEPTION TO BOARD RULES, A.R.M. 36.22.1219, 36.22.1220, AND 36.22.1221, ALL RELATING TO THE VENTING OF WASTE OF GAS FROM THE DARWIN #1, API # 25-041-23550, LOCATED IN THE S½SW¼ IN SECTION 27, T34N-R9E, THE WEIL 1, API # 25-041-23548, LOCATED IN THE NW¼SE¼ IN SECTION 28, T34N-R9E, AND THE LINDA 1, API # 25-041-23551 LOCATED IN THE NE¼SW¼ IN SECTION 34, T34N-R9E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER 281-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS AUTHORIZATION TO COMMINGLE GAS PRODUCED FROM THE SOURIS RIVER AND RED RIVER FORMATIONS THROUGH THE SAME STRING OF CASING AND WELL BORE FOR EACH OF THE DARWIN #1, WEIL 1, AND LINDA 1 WELLS.

Docket No. 512-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Don Lee, attorney, Bo Sears, company representative, and Ren Gardner, consulting petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Hereford Resources, LLC (Hereford).

3. Staff recommended an administrative operations review, including a gas analysis, be conducted in six months to a year. Since Hereford has established production, staff further recommended that the results of the review be presented to the Board at a business meeting.

4. No protest to the application of Hereford 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 ARM 36.22.1208 and 36.22.1221 have been met and taking the following action is appropriate.

BOARD ORDER NO. 281-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Hereford is granted an exemption from or exception to Board Rules, A.R.M. 36.22.1219 and 36.22.1221, all relating to the venting of waste of gas from the Souris River and Red River Formations from the Darwin #1, API # 25-041-23550, located in the S½SW¼ in Section 27, T34N-R9E, the Weil 1, API # 25-041-23548, located in the NW¼SE¼ in Section 28, T34N-R9E, and the Linda 1, API # 25-041-23551 located in the NE¼SW¼ in Section 34, T34N-R9E, Hill County, Montana.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Hereford submit an updated gas composition analysis to Board staff prior to the April 2027 business meeting, at which time the analysis and production will be reviewed with the Board.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the commingling of gas produced from the Souris River and Red River Formations through the same string of casing and well bore for each of the Darwin #1, Weil 1, and Linda 1 wells is hereby authorized.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF HEREFORD RESOURCES, LLC TO ESTABLISH FIELD SPACING FOR THE PRODUCTION OF HELIUM GAS FROM THE SOURIS RIVER AND RED RIVER FORMATIONS UNDERLYING SECTIONS 27, 28, AND 34, T34N-R9E, HILL COUNTY MONTANA.

ORDER 282-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS THE DESCRIBED LANDS BE DESIGNATED AS 640-ACRE PERMANENT SPACING UNITS COMPRISED OF REGULAR GOVERNMENTAL SECTIONS WITH THE DARWIN #1 AS THE DESIGNATED WELL FOR SECTION 27, THE WEIL 1 AS THE DESIGNATED WELL FOR SECTION 28, AND THE LINDA 1 AS THE DESIGNATED WELL FOR SECTION 34.

Docket No. 513-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Don Lee, attorney, Bo Sears, company representative, and Ren Gardner, consulting petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Hereford Resources, LLC (Hereford).

3. No protest to the application of Hereford was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 282-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 27, 28, and 34, T34N-R9E, Hill County, Montana, are delineated as a field for production of helium gas from the Souris River and Red River Formations, and that said area shall be known as the Rudyard Helium field.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Darwin #1 well is the authorized well for the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 27, T34N-R9E, Hill County, Montana; the Weil 1 well is the authorized well for the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 28, T34N-R9E, Hill County, Montana; and the Linda 1 well is the authorized well forthe permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Section 34, T34N-R9E, Hill County, Montana.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF HEREFORD RESOURCES, LLC TO RE-ENTER AND DEEPEN THE WEIL #2 WELL LOCATED IN THE NE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 10, T33N-R9E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PURPOSES OF EVALUATING THE PRECAMBRIAN BASEMENT FORMATIONS FOR NATURAL GAS, AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702(11). APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 283-2026

Docket No. 514-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Don Lee, attorney, Bo Sears, company representative, and Ren Gardner, consulting petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Hereford Resources, LLC (Hereford).

3. No protest to the application of Hereford was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Hereford is authorized to re-enter and deepen the Weil # 2 well located in the NE¼NE¼ of Section 10, T33N-R9E, Hill County, Montana, for the purposes of evaluating the Precambrian Basement Formations for natural gas, as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702(11).

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 283-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 4, 9, 16, AND 21, T23N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 279-2005 PERTAINING TO THE W½ OF SECTION 4 AND E½ OF SECTION 5, T23N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE JOHNSON 15-5H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 94-2006 PERTAINING TO THE E½ OF SECTION 4 AND ALL OF SECTION 9, T23N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE CHRISTIANSEN 14X-9 WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 122-2004 PERTAINING TO THE N½ AND SE¼ OF SECTION 16, T23N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE STATE 8-16HR WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 169-2006 PERTAINING TO SECTION 21, T23N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE JOHNSON 3-21H WELL AND THAT ORDER 519-2005 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 284-2026

Docket No. 516-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

BOARD ORDER NO. 284-2026

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, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The W½ of Section 4 and E½ of Section 5, T23N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 279-2005. The E½ of Section 4 and all of Section 9, T23N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 94-2006. The N½ and SE¼ of section 16, T23N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 122-2004. Section 21, T23N-R58E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 518-2005, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 169-2006.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Christiansen 14X-9 well. White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC is the operator of the Johnson 15-5H, State 8-16HR, and Johnson 3-21H wells and provided a letter of support for the application.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all Sections 4, 9, 16, and 21, T23N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the spacing order established by Board Order 279-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Johnson 15-5H well; the spacing order established by Board Order 94-2006 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Christiansen 14X-9 well; the spacing order established by Board Order 122-2004 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of State 8-16HR well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 169-2006 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Johnson 3-21H well..

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 519-2005 is hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 284-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 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 4, 9, 16, AND 21, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 285-2026

Docket No. 517-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 284-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 4, 9, 16, and 21, T23N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 4, 9, 16, and 21, T23N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 285-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 SECTION 35, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T22N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 207-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T23N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE OSCAR 1-35 AND OSCAR 2-35 WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 333-2006 AND 239-2007 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T22N-R58E, 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 31X-2 AND ZADOW 11X-2 WELLS AND THAT ORDER 57-2008 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 286-2026

Docket No. 518-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 35 and 36, T23N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 147-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 207-2008. Sections 2 and 11, T22N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 95-2006, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Orders 333-2006 and 239-2007.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Oscar 1-35, Oscar 2-35, Steinbeisser 31X-2, and Zadow 11X-2 wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Section 35, T23N-R58E and all of Sections 2 and 11, T22N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 207-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Oscar 1-35 and Oscar 2-35 wells; and the pooling order established by Board Order 333-2006 and 239-2007 are limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Steinbeisser 31X-2 and Zadow 11X-2 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 57-2008 is hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 286-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 35, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T22N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 287-2026

Docket No. 519-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 286-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Section 35, T23N-R58E and Sections 2 and 11, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 287-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 35, T23N-R58E and all of Sections 2 and 11, T22N-R58E, 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 14, 23, AND 26, T22N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 237-2007 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 14 AND 23, T22N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE PHILLIPS 11X-23 WELL AND THAT ORDER 59-2008 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 320-2008 THAT DESIGNATED A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 26, T22N-R58E AND ORDER 72-2009 THAT POOLED ALL INTERESTS IN THAT SPACING UNIT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 291-2026

Docket No. 520-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 14 and 23, T22N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 237-2007.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Phillips 11X-23 well.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 14, 23, and 26, T22N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the spacing order established by Board Order 237-2007 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Phillips 11X-23 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 59-2008 and 320-2008 are hereby vacated, and that Board Order 72-2009 is vacated effective October 15, 2026.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 291-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 14, 23, AND 26, T22N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 292-2026

Docket No. 521-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 291-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 14, 23, and 26, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 292-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 14, 23, and 26, T22N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 SECTION 36, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T22N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 207-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T23N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE OSCAR 1-35 AND OSCAR 2-35 WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 5-2007 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T22N-R58E, 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 11X-18 WELL AND THAT ORDER 145-2009 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 288-2026

Docket No. 522-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 35 and 36, T23N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 147-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 207-2008. Sections 1 and 12, T22N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 330-2006, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 5-2007.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Oscar 1-35, Oscar 2-35, and Steinbeisser 11X-18 wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Section 36, T23N-R58E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T22N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 207-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Oscar 1-35 and Oscar 2-35 wells; and the pooling order established by Board Order 5-2007 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Steinbeisser 11X-18 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 145-2009 is hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 288-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 36, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T22N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 289-2026

Docket No. 523-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 288-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Section 36, T23N-R58E and Sections 1 and 12, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 289-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 36, T23N-R58E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T22N-R58E, 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 13, 24, AND 25, T22N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDERS 184-2007 AND 300-2007 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 13 AND 24, T22N-R58E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDERS ARE LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE O'BRIEN BROTHERS 11X-18 WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 320-2008 THAT DESIGNATED A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 26, T22N-R58E AND ORDER 72-2009 THAT POOLED ALL INTERESTS IN THAT SPACING UNIT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 293-2026

Docket No. 524-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 13 and 24, T22N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 3-2007, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 184-2007 and 300-2007.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the O'Brien Brothers 11X-18 well.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T22N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 184-2007 and 300-2007 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of O'Brien Brothers 11X-18 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 320-2008 is hereby vacated, and Board Order 72-2009 is vacated effective October 15, 2026.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 293-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 13, 24, AND 25, T22N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 294-2026

Docket No. 525-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 293-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 13, 24, and 25, T22N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 294-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13, 24, and 25, T22N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 35 AND 36, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, AND 12, T22N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTION 35, T23N-R58E AND SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T22N-R58E FROM SECTION 36, T23N-R58E AND SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T22N-R58E, 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 WITH NO ALLOCATION TO PORTIONS OF ANY EXISTING SPACING UNIT LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PROPOSED OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 290-2026

Docket No. 526-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

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. 290-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 35 and 36, T23N-R58E and all of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, T22N-R58E, 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 north-south common boundary separating Section 35, T23N-R58E and Sections 2 and 11, T22N-R58E from Section 36, T23N-R58E and Sections 1 and 12, T22N-R58E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

IT WAS 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, AND 26, T22N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTIONS 14, 23, AND 26, T22N-R58E FROM SECTIONS 13, 24, AND 25, T22N-R58E, 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 WITH NO ALLOCATION TO PORTIONS OF ANY EXISTING SPACING UNIT LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PROPOSED OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 295-2026

Docket No. 527-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

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. 295-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, and 26, T22N-R58E, 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 north-south common boundary separating Sections 14, 23, and 26, T22N-R58E from Sections 13, 24, and 25, T22N-R58E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 29 AND 32, T23N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 5, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 296-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDERS 343-2013 AND 1-2017 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 28, 29, 32, AND 33, T23N-R59E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDERS ARE LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE DIGE #41X-29DXA WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 331-2006 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 5 AND 8, T22N-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 SIMONSEN 44X-5 WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 387-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T23N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 51-2024 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 8, AND 17, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDERS 60-2008 AND 60-2023 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL AND ADJUSTED THE SETBACKS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5 AND 8, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 241-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE N½ OF SECTION 5, T22N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T23N-R59E AND THAT ORDER 242-2025 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 243-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 5 AND ALL OF SECTIONS 8 AND 17, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 246-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 4, S½ OF SECTION 5, AND ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 9, 16, AND 17, T22N-R59E THAT AUTHORIZED A WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING THE S½ OF SECTION 4 AND SECTIONS 9 AND 16 FROM THE S½ OF SECTION 5 AND SECTIONS 8, AND 17, T22N-R59E.

Docket No. 528-2026

BOARD ORDER NO. 296-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 28, 29, 32 and 33, T23N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 342-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 343-2013 and 1-2017. Sections 5 and 8, T22N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 93-2006, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 331-2006.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Dige #41X-29DXA and Simonsen 44X-5 wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 29 and 32, T23N-R59E and all of Section 5, T22N-R59E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 343-2013 and 1-2017 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Dige #41X-29DXA well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 331-2006 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Simonsen 44X-5 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 387-2013, 51-2024, 60-2008, 60-2023, 241-2025, 242-2025, 243-2025, and 246-2025 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 296-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T23N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 5, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 297-2026

Docket No. 529-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 296-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 29 and 32, T23N-R59E and Section 5, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 297-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T23N-R59E and all of Section 5, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 8, 17, AND 20, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 298-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 238-2007 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 17 AND 20, T22N-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 DARLENE 41X-20 AND MARKER 34X-20 WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 331-2006 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 5 AND 8, T22N-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 SIMONSEN 44X-5 WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 51-2024 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 8, AND 17, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDERS 60-2008 AND 60-2023 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL AND ADJUSTED THE SETBACKS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5 AND 8, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 243-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 5 AND ALL OF SECTIONS 8 AND 17, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 246-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 4, S½ OF SECTION 5, AND ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 9, 16, AND 17, T22N-R59E THAT AUTHORIZED A WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING THE S½ OF SECTION 4 AND SECTIONS 9 AND 16 FROM THE S½ OF SECTION 5 AND SECTIONS 8, AND 17, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 52-2024 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 20, 29, AND 32, T22N-R59E.

Docket No. 530-2026

BOARD ORDER NO. 298-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 17 and 20, T22N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 113-2007, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 238-2007. Sections 5 and 8, T22N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 93-2006, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 331-2006.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Darlene 41X-20, Marker 34X-20, and Simonsen 44X-5 wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T22N-R59E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 238-2007 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Darlene 41X-20 and Marker 34X-20 wells; and the pooling order established by Board Order 331-2006 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Simonsen 44X-5 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 51-2024, 60-2008, 60-2023, 243-2025, 246-2025, and 52-2024 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 298-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 17, AND 20, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 299-2026

Docket No. 531-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

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2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 298-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 8, 17, and 20, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 299-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 8, 17, and 20, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 28 AND 33, T23N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 4, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 300-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 193-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTION 4, T22N-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 ANDERSON 1-4H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDERS 343-2013 AND 1-2017 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 28, 29, 32 AND 33, T23N-R59E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDERS ARE LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE DIGE #41X-29DXA WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDERS 48-2016 AND 49-2016 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T23N-R59E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDERS ARE LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE P & Q FARMS 21X-28D AND P & Q FARMS 21X-28BXC WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 244-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T23N-R59E AND THE N½ OF SECTION 4, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 245-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 4 AND ALL OF SECTIONS 9 AND 16, T22N-R59E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 246-2025 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 4, S½ OF SECTION 5, AND ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 9, 16, AND 17, T22N-R59E THAT AUTHORIZED A WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING THE S½ OF SECTION 4 AND SECTIONS 9 AND 16 FROM THE S½ OF SECTION 5 AND SECTIONS 8, AND 17, T22N-R59E.

Docket No. 532-2026

BOARD ORDER NO. 300-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Section 4, T22N-R59E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 192-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 193-2008. Sections 28, 29, 32 and 33, T23N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 342-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 343-2013 and 1-2017. Sections 28 and 33, T23N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 186-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 48-2016 and 49-2016.

4. MorningStar is a working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Anderson 1-4H, Dige #41X-29DXA, and P & Q Farms 21X-28D and P & Q Farms 21X-28BXC wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 28 and 33, T23N-R59E and all of Section 4, T22N-R59E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 193-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Anderson 1-4H well; the pooling order established by Board Order 343-2013 and 1-2017 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Dige #41X-29DXA well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 48-2016 and 49-2016 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of P & Q Farms 21X-28D and P & Q Farms 21X-28BXC well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 244-2025, 245-2025, and 246-2025 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 300-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO ONE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T23N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 4, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 301-2026

Docket No. 533-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Law Armstrong, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 300-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 28 and 33, T23N-R59E and Section 4, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 301-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T23N-R59E and all of Section 4, T22N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 SECTION 36, T26N-R53E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T25N-R53E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 1-2007 PERTAINING TO SECTION 36, T26N-R53E AND SECTION 1, T25N-R53E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SNEDIGAR-STATE 44X-36 WELL AND ANY FUTURE 2 MILE DRILLED IN ACCORDANCE BOARD ORDER 62-2023.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 145-2004 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 12 AND THE NE¼ AND S½ OF SECTION 13, T25N-R53E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE FLIK-IRIGOIN 13-1H, FLIK-AMESTOY 12-4H, AND FLIK-JOSEPH 13-13-HID3 WELLS AND THAT ORDER 37-2010 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 167-2024 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 12 AND 13, T25N-R53E AND SECTIONS 7 AND 18, T25N-R54E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE FLIK 12-13 XE 1H WELL.

ORDER 302-2026

Docket No. 537-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Dave Pearson, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Section 36, T26N-R53E and Section 1, T25N-R53E were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 1-2007. Sections 12 and the NE¼ and S½ of Section 13, T25N-R53E were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 145-2004. Sections 12 and 13, T25N-R53E and Sections 7 and 18, T25N-R54E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 167-2024.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Snedigar-State 44X-36, Flik-Irigoin 13-1H, Flik-Amestoy 12-4H, Flik-Joseph 13-13-HID3, and Flik 12-13 XE 1H wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Section 36, T26N-R53E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T25N-R53E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the spacing order established by Board Order 1-2007 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Snedigar-State 44X-36 well and any future 2 mile drilled in accordance Board Order 62-2023; the spacing order established by Board Order 145-2004 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Flik-Irigoin 13-1H, Flik-Amestoy 12-4H, and Flik-Joseph 13-13-HID3 wells; the spacing order established by Board Order 167-2024 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Flik 12-13 XE 1H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 37-2010 is hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 302-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 13, 24, 25, AND 36, T25N-R53E, 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 303-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 145-2004 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 12 AND THE NE¼ AND S½ OF SECTION 13, T25N-R53E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE FLIK-IRIGOIN 13-1H, FLIK-AMESTOY 12-4H, AND FLIK-JOSEPH 13-13-HID3 WELLS AND THAT ORDER 37-2010 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 167-2024 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 12 AND 13, T25N-R53E AND SECTIONS 7 AND 18, T25N-R54E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE FLIK 12-13 XE 1H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 103-2003 PERTAINING TO SECTION 24, T25N-R53E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE HOPPER-KELLER 24-4H, HOPPER-HERMAN 24-3 HID3, AND HOPPER-BLANCHE 24-2H WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 300-2004 PERTAINING TO SECTION 25, T25N-R53E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE BURLINGTON 1-25H AND BURLINGTON 2-25H WELLS.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 73-2005 PERTAINING TO SECTION 36, T25N-R53E, BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE STATE 44X-36 WELL AND THAT ORDER 93-2008 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 538-2026

BOARD ORDER NO. 303-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Dave Pearson, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. Sections 12 and the NE¼ and S½ of Section 13, T25N-R53E were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 145-2004. Sections 12 and 13, T25N-R53E and Sections 7 and 18, T25N-R54E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 167-2024. Section 24, T25N-R53E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 103-2003. Section 25, T25N-R53E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 300-2004. Section 36, T25N-R53E was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 73-2005.

4. MorningStar is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Flik-Irigoin 13-1H, Flik-Amestoy 12-4H, Flik-Joseph 13-13-HID3, Flik 12-13 XE 1H, Hopper-Keller 24-4H, Hopper-Herman 24-3 HID3, Hopper-Blanche 24-2H, Burlington 1-25H, Burlington 2-25H, and State 44X-36 wells.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 303-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 13, 24, 25, and 36, T25N-R53E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the spacing order established by Board Order 145-2004 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Flik-Irigoin 13-1H, Flik-Amestoy 12-4H, and Flik-Joseph 13-13-HID3 wells; the spacing order established by Board Order 167-2024 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Flik 12-13 XE 1H well; the spacing order established by Board Order 103-2003 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Hopper-Keller 24-4H, Hopper-Herman 24-3 HID3, and Hopper-Blanche 24-2H wells; the spacing order established by Board Order 300-2004 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Burlington 1-25H and Burlington 2-25H wells; and the spacing order established by Board Order 73-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of State 44X-36 well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 37-2010 and 93-2008 are hereby vacated.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 47-2025 TO AUTHORIZE A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T25N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, 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 NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 2028. ALL OTHER PROVISIONS IN SAID ORDER REMAIN UNCHANGED AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

ORDER 314-2026

Docket No. 543-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, and Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. No protest to the application of Continental was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 47-2025 is hereby amended to authorize a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 1, 12, and 13, T25N-R56E, Richland County, Montana, 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 not later than October 15, 2028. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 314-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4, 9, 16, AND 21, T24N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE ABBY 4-9-16-21 #14H WELL.

ORDER 321-2026

Docket No. 544-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 159-2024. Applicant has completed the Abby 4-9-16-21 #14H well as a producing well.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 4, 9, 16, and 21, T24N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Abby 4-9-16-21 #14H well is the authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 321-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4, 9, 16, AND 21, T24N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE ABBY 4-9-16-21 #14H WELL.

ORDER 322-2026

Docket No. 545-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation 321-2026.

4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.

5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 322-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 4, 9, 16, and 21, T24N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, with respect to the Abby 4-9-16-21 #14H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, 15, AND 22, T24N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE MYLA 3-10-15-22 #1H WELL.

ORDER 323-2026

Docket No. 546-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 157-2024. Applicant has completed the Myla 3-10-15-22 #1H well as a producing well.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 3, 10, 15, and 22, T24N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Myla 3-10-15-22 #1H well is the authorized well for said permanent spacing unit.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 323-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, 15, AND 22, T24N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE MYLA 3-10-15-22 #1H WELL.

ORDER 324-2026

Docket No. 547-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation 323-2026.

4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.

5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 324-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 3, 10, 15, and 22, T24N-R58E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, with respect to the Myla 3-10-15-22 #1H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 108-2024 AND 220-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 17, AND 20, T27N-R57E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 325-2026

Docket No. 548-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 108-2024 and 220-2025 are hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 325-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 110-2024 AND 221-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T28N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTION 5, T27N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 326-2026

Docket No. 549-2026

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 110-2024 and 221-2025 are hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 326-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 228-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 17, 20, 29, AND 32, T26N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 327-2026

Docket No. 550-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. Evidence presented indicates that a designated timeframe for the commencement of operations was not required.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 228-2025 is hereby amended to eliminate the requirement that operations for the drilling of the well authorized by the order be commenced within a certain timeframe.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 327-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 124-2024 AND 218-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 36, T24N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T23N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 328-2026

Docket No. 551-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Orders 124-2024 and 218-2025 are hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 328-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 224-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T24N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 6, 7, AND 8, T24N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 329-2026

Docket No. 552-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 224-2025 is hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 329-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 114-2024 AND 215-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T24N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 4, T23N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 330-2026

Docket No. 554-2026

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 114-2024 and 215-2025 are hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 330-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 122-2024 AND 216-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 34, T24N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 3 AND 10, T23N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 331-2026

Docket No. 555-2026

Report of the Board

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 122-2024 and 216-2025 are hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 331-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 226-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 8, 17, AND 20, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED OCTOBER 2027 HEARING.

ORDER 332-2026

Docket No. 556-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 226-2025 is hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled October 2027 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 332-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 28, 29, 32, AND 33, T28N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 4 AND 5, T27N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T28N-R57E AND SECTION 4, T27N-R57E FROM SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T28N-R57E AND SECTION 5, T27N-R57E, WITH A 200' HEEL/TOE SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. 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 333-2026

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 16-2025 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T28N-R57E AND SECTION 4, T27N-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 LUCERO 4-33-28 #1-H AND LUCERO 4-33-28 #2-H WELLS.

Docket No. 557-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. Sections 28 and 33, T28N-R57E and Section 4, T27N-R57E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 15-2025, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 16-2025.

4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Lucero 4-33-28 #1-H and Lucero 4-33-28 #2-H wells.

5. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 28, 29, 32, and 33, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 4 and 5, T27N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well at a location proximate to the north-south common boundary separating Sections 28 and 33, T28N-R57E and Section 4, T27N-R57E from Sections 29 and 32, T28N-R57E and Section 5, T27N-R57E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within one year of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 16-2025 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Lucero 4-33-28 #1-H and Lucero 4-33-28 #2-H wells.

BOARD ORDER NO. 333-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 SECTION 35, T26N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, AND 14, T25N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 147-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T26N-R59E AND SECTIONS 1 AND 2, T25N-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 SHANNON 2-35 #1-H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDERS 66-2011, 192-2011, AND 471-2011 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS AND ADJUSTED THE SETBACKS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF SECTIONS 11 AND 14, T25N-R59E.

ORDER 334-2026

Docket No. 558-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. Sections 35 and 36, T26N-R59E and Sections 1 and 2, T25N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 146-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 147-2013.

4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Shannon 2-35 #1-H well.

5. The Board discussed the potential effects of the proposed overlapping spacing units on correlative rights, particularly the continued allocation of production from the Shannon 2-35 #1-H well among the four sections of the existing permanent spacing unit. The Board considered alternative development configurations and the potential for allocation issues to arise during subsequent permanent spacing or pooling proceedings.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Section 35, T26N-R59E and all of Sections 2, 11, and 14, T25N-R59E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within one year of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 147-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Shannon 2-35 #1-H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 66-2011, 192-2011, and 471-2011 are hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 334-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

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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 SECTION 35, T26N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, AND 14, T25N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 335-2026

Docket No. 559-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 334-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 35, T26N-R59E and Sections 2, 11, and 14, T25N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 335-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 35, T26N-R59E and all of Sections 2, 11, and 14, T25N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

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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 SECTION 36, T26N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 1, T25N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 147-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T26N-R59E AND SECTIONS 1 AND 2, T25N-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 SHANNON 2-35 #1-H WELL.

ORDER 336-2026

Docket No. 560-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Samuel Fonsecca, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).

3. Zack Winfield with the Trust Land Minerals Management Bureau appeared in support of the application.

4. Sections 35 and 36, T26N-R59E and Sections 1 and 2, T25N-R59E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 146-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 147-2013.

5. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Shannon 2-35 #1-H well.

6. The Board discussed the potential effects of the proposed overlapping spacing units on correlative rights, particularly the continued allocation of production from the Shannon 2-35 #1-H well among the four sections of the existing permanent spacing unit. The Board considered alternative development configurations and the potential for allocation issues to arise during subsequent permanent spacing or pooling proceedings.

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

8. 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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 336-2026

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Section 36, T26N-R59E and all of Section 1, T25N-R59E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within one year of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 147-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Shannon 2-35 #1-H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

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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 4, 9, 16, 21, AND 28, T25N-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, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN TWO YEARS OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 99-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T25N-R56E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE BUCKLEY 1-9H WELL.

ORDER 315-2026

Docket No. 565-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, Kenah Nyanat, staff completions engineer, and Landon Dawson, senior drilling engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. Sections 4 and 9, T25N-R56E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 98-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 99-2013.

4. Continental is a majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Buckley 1-9H well.

5. Continental testified that circumstances affecting development of the area have materially changed since the Board previously considered spacing applications involving this acreage. Through a series of acreage trades, Continental has substantially consolidated its leasehold interests and developed a coordinated development plan consisting of nine initial wells planned for 2027. As a result, Continental no longer intends to utilize the temporary spacing unit comprised of Sections 4, 9, 16, and 21, T25N-R56E, or drill the additional wells authorized by Orders 232-2025, 233-2025, and 343-2025, and intends to vacate those orders at a future hearing.

6. Continental further testified that reservoir quality deteriorates toward the southern portion of the development block and that five-mile laterals, utilizing shared drilling pads and infrastructure, provide the most economically viable means of developing the acreage. Continental presented engineering testimony and data from its recent four-mile lateral wells supporting the technical feasibility of drilling and completing five-mile laterals and effectively stimulating the extended lateral length. Sequential development of the three proposed wells would improve operational efficiencies and allow it to evaluate the performance of five-mile lateral development across the area.

7. Zack Winfield with the Trust Land Minerals Management Bureau, appeared in opposition to Dockets 565-2026 and 566-2026. He expressed concerns regarding the potential for reduced recovery from extended lateral wells, the inclusion of acreage with lower reservoir quality, and the potential effects on the correlative rights of state mineral interests within the previously approved spacing configuration.

8. The Board considered Mr. Winfield's concerns and questioned Continental regarding the technical feasibility of five-mile laterals, anticipated ultimate recovery, alternative development configurations, and the protection of correlative rights. Although five-mile lateral development remains relatively unproven in Montana, the Board finds that Continental presented sufficient technical and economic evidence to support the proposed spacing under the particular circumstances of these applications.

9. Continental initially requested two years to commence operations within the proposed spacing units but agreed during the hearing to a one-year commencement requirement. The Board finds that requiring operations to commence within one year is appropriate given the proposed development schedule and the limited operating experience with five-mile lateral wells.

10. 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 4, 9, 16, 21, and 28, T25N-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 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. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within one year of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 99-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Buckley 1-9H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 315-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4, 9, 16, 21, AND 28, T25N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 316-2026

Docket No. 566-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, Kenah Nyanat, staff completions engineer, and Landon Dawson, senior drilling engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. Zack Winfield with the Trust Land Minerals Management Bureau, opposed the application of Continental on the same basis and testimony presented in Docket 565-2026.

4. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 315-2026.

5. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 4, 9, 16, 21, and 28, T25N-R56E, Richland County, Montana.

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. 316-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 4, 9, 16, 21, and 28, T25N-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.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, 15, 22, AND 27, T25N-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, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN TWO YEARS OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 49-2025 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, AND 15, T25N-R56E AND THAT ORDER 71-2026 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 317-2026

Docket No. 567-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, Kenah Nyanat, staff completions engineer, and Landon Dawson, senior drilling engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. Continental testified that circumstances affecting development of the area have materially changed since the Board previously considered spacing applications involving this acreage. Through a series of acreage trades, Continental has substantially consolidated its leasehold interests and developed a coordinated plan for development of the area consisting of nine initial wells planned for 2027.

4. Continental testified that reservoir quality deteriorates toward the southern portion of the development block and that five-mile laterals, utilizing shared drilling pads and infrastructure, provide the most economically viable means of developing the acreage. Continental presented engineering testimony and data from its recent four-mile lateral wells supporting the technical feasibility of drilling and completing five-mile laterals and effectively stimulating the extended lateral length. Continental further testified that sequential development of the three proposed wells would improve operational efficiencies and allow it to evaluate the performance of five-mile lateral development across the area.

5. The Board questioned Continental regarding the technical feasibility of five-mile laterals, anticipated ultimate recovery, alternative development configurations, and the protection of correlative rights. Although five-mile lateral development remains relatively unproven in Montana, the Board finds that Continental presented sufficient technical and economic evidence to support the proposed spacing under the particular circumstances of these applications.

6. Continental initially requested two years to commence operations within the proposed spacing units but agreed during the hearing to a one-year commencement requirement. The Board finds that requiring operations to commence within one year is appropriate given the proposed development schedule and the limited operating experience with five-mile lateral wells.

7. Continental clarified that its request to vacate existing spacing orders was not intended to reinstate any previously vacated spacing orders.

8. No protest to the application of Continental was made.

9. 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 3, 10, 15, 22, and 27, T25N-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 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. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within one year of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 49-2025 and 71-2026 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 317-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, 15, 22, AND 27, T25N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 318-2026

Docket No. 568-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, Kenah Nyanat, staff completions engineer, and Landon Dawson, senior drilling engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 317-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 3, 10, 15, 22, and 27, T25N-R56E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Continental 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. 318-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 3, 10, 15, 22, and 27, T25N-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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, 14, 23, AND 26, T25N-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, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN TWO YEARS OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 48-2025 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, AND 14, T25N-R56E AND THAT ORDER 66-2026 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 319-2026

Docket No. 569-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, Kenah Nyanat, staff completions engineer, and Landon Dawson, senior drilling engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. Continental testified that circumstances affecting development of the area have materially changed since the Board previously considered spacing applications involving this acreage. Through a series of acreage trades, Continental has substantially consolidated its leasehold interests and developed a coordinated plan for development of the area consisting of nine initial wells planned for 2027.

4. Continental testified that reservoir quality deteriorates toward the southern portion of the development block and that five-mile laterals, utilizing shared drilling pads and infrastructure, provide the most economically viable means of developing the acreage. Continental presented engineering testimony and data from its recent four-mile lateral wells supporting the technical feasibility of drilling and completing five-mile laterals and effectively stimulating the extended lateral length. Continental further testified that sequential development of the three proposed wells would improve operational efficiencies and allow it to evaluate the performance of five-mile lateral development across the area.

5. The Board questioned Continental regarding the technical feasibility of five-mile laterals, anticipated ultimate recovery, alternative development configurations, and the protection of correlative rights. Although five-mile lateral development remains relatively unproven in Montana, the Board finds that Continental presented sufficient technical and economic evidence to support the proposed spacing under the particular circumstances of these applications.

6. Continental initially requested two years to commence operations within the proposed spacing units but agreed during the hearing to a one-year commencement requirement. The Board finds that requiring operations to commence within one year is appropriate given the proposed development schedule and the limited operating experience with five-mile lateral wells.

7. Continental clarified that its request to vacate existing spacing orders was not intended to reinstate any previously vacated spacing orders.

8. No protest to the application of Continental was made.

9. 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 2, 11, 14, 23, and 26, T25N-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 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. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within one year of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 48-2025 and 66-2026 are hereby vacated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 319-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, 14, 23, AND 26, T25N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 320-2026

Docket No. 570-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Blaine Dutchik, senior landman, Justin Murdock, senior resource developmental engineer, Leo Lasecki, resource development supervisor, Kenah Nyanat, staff completions engineer, and Landon Dawson, senior drilling engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources Inc (Continental).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 319-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 2, 11, 14, 23, and 26, T25N-R56E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Continental 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. 320-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 2, 11, 14, 23, and 26, T25N-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.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

I dissent

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T36N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T35N-R58E, SHERIDAN 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 TWO YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 380-2011 INSOFAR AS IT RELATES TO ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T35N-R58E.

ORDER 338-2026

Docket No. 584-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. No protest to the application of Phoenix was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 338-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 25 and 36, T36N-R58E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T35N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within two years of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within two years of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO FIVE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T36N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T35N-R58E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 339-2026

Docket No. 585-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 338-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 25 and 36, T36N-R58E and Sections 1 and 12, T35N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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. 339-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25 and 36, T36N-R58E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T35N-R58E, Sheridan 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, 13, AND 24, T36N-R58E, SHERIDAN 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 TWO YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 340-2026

Docket No. 586-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. No protest to the application of Phoenix was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 340-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 1, 12, 13, and 24, T36N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within two years of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within two years of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO FIVE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, 13, AND 24, T36N-R58E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 341-2026

Docket No. 587-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 340-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 1, 12, 13, and 24, T36N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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. 341-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, 13, and 24, T36N-R58E, Sheridan 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 177-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 36, T24N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED AUGUST 2028 HEARING.

ORDER 344-2026

Docket No. 588-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. No protest to the application of Phoenix was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 177-2025 is hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled August 2028 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 344-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 326-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 17, 20, 29, AND 32, T26N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED DECEMBER 2028 HEARING.

ORDER 345-2026

Docket No. 589-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. No protest to the application of Phoenix was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 326-2025 is hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled December 2028 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 345-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 322-2025 TO PROVIDE THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF A WELL IN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 16, 21, 28, AND 33, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA MUST BE COMMENCED NOT LATER THAN THE DATE OF THE BOARD'S REGULARLY-SCHEDULED DECEMBER 2028 HEARING.

ORDER 346-2026

Docket No. 596-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. No protest to the application of Phoenix was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Board Order 322-2025 is hereby amended to provide that drilling operations must commence not later than the date of the Board's regularly-scheduled December 2028 hearing. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence by that date, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 346-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 26 AND 35, T29N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 6 AND 7, T28N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 347-2026

Docket No. 597-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 20-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 26 and 35, T29N-R56E and Sections 6 and 7, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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. 347-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 26 and 35, T29N-R56E and all of Section 6 and 7, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 27 AND 34, T29N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 348-2026

Docket No. 598-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 21-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 27 and 34, T29N-R56E and Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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. 348-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 27 and 34, T29N-R56E and all of Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T29N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 349-2026

Docket No. 599-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 22-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 28 and 33, T29N-R56E and Sections 2 and 11, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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. 349-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T29N-R56E and all of Sections 2 and 11, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T29N-R56E AND 3 AND 10, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 350-2026

Docket No. 600-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 23-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 29 and 32, T29N-R56E and Sections 3 and 10, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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. 350-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 29 and 32, T29N-R56E and all of Sections 3 and 10, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 26, 27, 34, AND 35, T29N-R56E, ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-R56E, AND ALL OF SECTIONS 6 AND 7, T28N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTIONS 27 AND 34, T29N-R56E AND SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-R56E FROM SECTIONS 26, AND 35, T29N-R56E AND SECTIONS 6 AND 7, T28N-R57E, WITH A 200' HEEL/TOE SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN TWO YEARS 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 WITH NO ALLOCATION TO PORTIONS OF ANY EXISTING SPACING UNIT LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PROPOSED OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 351-2026

Docket No. 601-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 351-2026

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 26, 27, 34, and 35, T29N-R56E, all of Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E, and all of Sections 6 and 7, T28N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well at a location proximate to the north-south common boundary separating Sections 27 and 34, T29N-R56E and Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E from Sections 26, and 35, T29N-R56E and Sections 6 and 7, T28N-R57E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within two years of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within two years of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the well authorized under this application cannot be drilled to total depth unless drilling operations on a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well have commenced in the underlying spacing unit comprised of Sections 27 and 34, T29N-R56E and Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E and the underlying spacing unit comprised of Sections 26, and 35, T29N-R56E and Sections 6 and 7, T28N-R57E, and such wells are being drilled concurrently with, or as part of the same development program as, the well authorized herein.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 27, 28, 33, AND 34, T29N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, AND 12, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T29N-R56E AND SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T28N-R56E FROM SECTIONS 27 AND 34, T29N-R56E AND SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-R56E, WITH A 200' HEEL/TOE SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN TWO YEARS 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 WITH NO ALLOCATION TO PORTIONS OF ANY EXISTING SPACING UNIT LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PROPOSED OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 352-2026

Docket No. 602-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 352-2026

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 27, 28, 33, and 34, T29N-R56E and all of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well at a location proximate to the north-south common boundary separating Sections 28 and 33, T29N-R56E and Sections 2 and 11, T28N-R56E from Sections 27 and 34, T29N-R56E and Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within two years of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within two years of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the well authorized under this application cannot be drilled to total depth unless drilling operations on a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well have commenced in the underlying spacing unit comprised of Sections 28 and 33, T29N-R56E and Sections 2 and 11, T28N-R56E and the underlying spacing unit comprised of Sections 27 and 34, T29N-R56E and Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R56E, and such wells are being drilled concurrently with, or as part of the same development program as, the well authorized herein.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28, 29, 32, AND 33, T29N-R56E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 3, 10, AND 11, T28N-R56E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T29N-R56E AND SECTIONS 3 AND 10, T28N-R56E FROM SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T29N-R56E AND SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T28N-R56E, WITH A 200' HEEL/TOE SETBACK TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN TWO YEARS 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 WITH NO ALLOCATION TO PORTIONS OF ANY EXISTING SPACING UNIT LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PROPOSED OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 353-2026

Docket No. 603-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 353-2026

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 28, 29, 32, and 33, T29N-R56E and all of Sections 2, 3, 10, and 11, T28N-R56E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well at a location proximate to the north-south common boundary separating Sections 29 and 32, T29N-R56E and Sections 3 and 10, T28N-R56E from Sections 28 and 33, T29N-R56E and Sections 2 and 11, T28N-R56E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within two years of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within two years of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the well authorized under this application cannot be drilled to total depth unless drilling operations on a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well have commenced in the underlying spacing unit comprised of Sections 29 and 32, T29N-R56E and Sections 3 and 10, T28N-R56E and the underlying spacing unit comprised of Sections 28 and 33, T29N-R56E and Sections 2 and 11, T28N-R56E, and such wells are being drilled concurrently with, or as part of the same development program as, the well authorized herein.

IT WAS 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF HYDRA SERVICES LLC TO DRILL THE SALTY DOG III 20-1H SWD WELL AT A SURFACE LOCATION AT 260' FNL AND 646' FEL, IN THE NE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 20, T26N-R57E, AND A BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION AT 2,543' FNL AND 100' FEL, IN THE SE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 21, T26N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,503 – 6,033 FT. TVD. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 307-2026

Docket No. 604-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of Hydra Services 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 have been met.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of Hydra Services LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 307-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 DRILL THE BITTERROOT #1 SWD WELL AT A SURFACE LOCATION AT 682' FSL AND 568' FEL, IN THE SE¼SE¼ OF SECTION 21, T26N-R56E, AND A BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION AT 1,444' FNL AND 568' FEL, IN THE SE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 28, T26N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,176 – 5,769 FT. TVD. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 308-2026

Docket No. 605-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of Continental Resources Inc 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 308-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 DRILL THE BOLT #1 SWD WELL AT A SURFACE LOCATION AT 365' FSL AND 1,115' FWL, IN THE SW¼SW¼ OF SECTION 9, T25N-R56E, AND A BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION AT 2,105' FSL AND 2,490' FWL, IN THE NE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 9, T25N-R56E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,293 – 5,873 FT. TVD. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 309-2026

Docket No. 606-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of Continental Resources Inc 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of Continental Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 309-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 DRILL THE BRIGADE 1-2 SWD WELL AT A SURFACE LOCATION AT 537' FNL AND 561' FWL, IN THE NW¼NW¼ OF LOT 4, SECTION 2, T26N-R59E, AND A BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION AT 250' FNL AND 1,200' FWL, IN THE NW¼NW¼ OF LOT 4, SECTION 2, T26N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,369 – 5,966 FT. MD. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 310-2026

Docket No. 607-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of Slawson Exploration Company, Inc. is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 310-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CPX ENERGY OPERATING, LLC TO DRILL THE NEPTUNE 24-1 SWD WELL AT A SURFACE LOCATION AT 440' FNL AND 1,071' FEL, IN THE NE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 24, T26N-R55E, AND A BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION AT 1,320' FNL AND 660' FEL, IN THE SE¼NE¼ OF SECTION 13, T26N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 4,950 – 5,450 FT. TVD. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 311-2026

Docket No. 608-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of CPX Energy Operating, 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 have been met.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of CPX Energy Operating, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 311-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 NORGAARD 6-1H SWD WELL AT A SURFACE LOCATION AT 392' FSL AND 2413' FWL, IN THE SE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 6, T23N-R58E, AND A BOTTOM HOLE LOCATION AT 2,600' FSL AND 2,400' FWL, IN THE NE¼SW¼ OF SECTION 6, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA AND LAKOTA FORMATIONS AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,385 – 5,610 FT. TVD AND 5,760 – 5,981 FT. TVD. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 312-2026

Docket No. 609-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of White Rock Oil and 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of White Rock Oil and Gas, LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 312-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CONVERT THE PANASUK 34X-12 WELL (API #25-083-22882) IN THE SW¼SW¼ OF SECTION 12, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA AND LAKOTA FORMATIONS AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,224 – 5,671 FT TVD AND 5,671 – 5,738 FT TVD. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS. STAFF NOTES THIS APPLICATION IS ELIGIBLE FOR PLACEMENT ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET.

ORDER 313-2026

Docket No. 610-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No protest to the application of MorningStar Operating 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the application of MorningStar Operating LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 313-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

REQUEST FOR A CHANGE OF OPERATOR, AND AS REQUIRED BY BOARD POLICY, THE BOARD WILL HOLD A HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE TRANSFER OF PLUGGING AND RECLAMATION RESPONSIBILITIES FOR A TOTAL OF 9 WELLS IN PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA. SPECIFICALLY, 4 WELLS FROM HAWLEY-NORTHRUP, 4 WELLS FROM HAWLEY OIL COMPANY, AND FOR 1 WELL FROM HAWLEY HYDROCARBONS, MERRILL&CAROL HAWLEY DBA TO YELLOW JACKET RESOURCES LLC, AND TO DETERMINE IF THE PROPOSED PLUGGING AND RECLAMATION BOND COVERAGE IS ADEQUATE UNDER § 82-11-123(5), MCA. A LIST OF THE WELLS IS AVAILABLE ONLINE OR IN THE BILLINGS OFFICE FOR REVIEW.

ORDER 366-2026

Docket No. 611-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Brent Chicken, attorney, Will Stenger, owner, Dustin Rouse, petroleum engineer, and J.R. Mabry, landman, appeared on behalf of Yellow Jacket Resources LLC (Yellow Jacket).

3. The Board and its staff reviewed Yellow Jacket's change of operator request from Hawley-Northrup, Hawley Oil Company, and Hawley Hydrocarbons, Merrill&Carol Hawley Dba.

4. Yellow Jacket has returned the nine inactive wells to production.

5. Yellow Jacket proposed a $50,000 multiple well plugging and reclamation bond.

6. The Board determined that Yellow Jacket's proposed $50,000 multiple well plugging and reclamation bond is adequate and in accordance with ARM 36.22.1308.

7. No protest to the application of Yellow Jacket was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that taking the following action is appropriate.

BOARD ORDER NO. 366-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that staff may proceed with administrative review and approval of the change of operator request.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that standard bonding requirements were imposed.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 13, 24, 25, AND 36, T35N-R58E, SHERIDAN 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 TWO YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 92-2013 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 24, T35N-R58E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 380-2011 INSOFAR AS IT RELATES TO ALL OF SECTIONS 13, 25, AND 36, T35N-R58E.

ORDER 342-2026

Docket No. 402-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).

3. No protest to the application of Phoenix was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 342-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 13, 24, 25, and 36, T35N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within two years of the date of this order. If operations for the drilling of said well do not commence within two years of the date of this order, the order will expire by its own terms, and the lands subject to this order will revert to the applicable statewide or special statewide rules in effect at this time.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 92-2013 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 30 AND 31, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 660' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 304-2026

Docket No. 440-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Dave Pearson, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 103-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 30 and 31, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 30 and 31, T25N-R55E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 660' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 304-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 23 AND 24, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTION 19, T23N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 660' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 305-2026

Docket No. 441-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Dave Pearson, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 169-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 23 and 24, T23N-R58E and Section 19, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 305-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 23 and 24, T23N-R58E and all of Section 19, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 660' (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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 25 AND 26, T23N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTION 30, T23N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 660' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 306-2026

Docket No. 442-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Dave Pearson, vice president of land, Erin Donovan, manager of geology, and Brandon Neely, vice president of asset development, appeared on behalf of MorningStar Operating LLC (MorningStar).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 170-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval well in Sections 25 and 26, T23N-R58E and Section 30, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of MorningStar 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. 306-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well is authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 25 and 26, T23N-R58E and all of Section 30, T23N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 660' (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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO FIVE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 13, 24, 25, AND 36, T35N-R58E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 343-2026

Docket No. 457-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Kelley Lewis, attorney, Justin Arn, chief land and title officer, 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 were designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 342-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 13, 24, 25, and 36, T35N-R58E, Sheridan County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Phoenix 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to five additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 13, 24, 25, and 36, T35N-R58E, Sheridan 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. 343-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 29, 30, 31, AND 32, T24N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 5 AND 6, T23N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL AT A LOCATION PROXIMATE TO THE COMMON BOUNDARY SEPARATING SECTIONS 30 AND 31, T24N-R58E AND SECTION 6, T23N-R58E FROM SECTIONS 29 AND 32, T24N-R58E AND SECTION 5, T23N-R58E, 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 WITH NO ALLOCATION TO PORTIONS OF ANY EXISTING SPACING UNIT LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PROPOSED OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BOUNDARIES. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 337-2026

Docket No. 477-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).

3. Kelley Lewis, attorney, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix) in support of the application.

4. Following the August 13, 2026, hearing, White Rock and Phoenix engaged in further discussions and were able to coordinate their respective development plans. The agreement was that the lateral of the proposed well needs to be a minimum of 250' FEL of Section 30, T24N-R58E, to provide Phoenix adequate room to develop Section 29.

5. The proposed overlapping spacing unit encompasses all or portions of previously established spacing units. The Board finds that authorization of this overlapping unit is necessary to allow efficient development, prevent waste, and protect correlative rights because current setback requirements prevent the recovery of hydrocarbons along the common boundaries of the existing spacing units.

6. No protest to the application of White Rock 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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 337-2026

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 29, 30, 31, and 32, T24N-R58E and all of Sections 5 and 6, T23N-R58E, 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 north-south common boundary separating Sections 30 and 31, T24N-R58E and Section 6, T23N-R58E from Sections 29 and 32, T24N-R58E and Section 5, T23N-R58E but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof and not closer than 250' (lateral setback) to Section 29, T24N-R58E.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 14, 23, 26, AND 35, T27N-R58E, 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 194-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 14 AND 23, T27N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE MARILYN 2758 42-11H AND MA 2758 41-11B WELLS AND AMEND ORDER 276-2012 TO AUTHORIZE ONLY ONE ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT INSTEAD OF FOUR.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 39-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTION 35, T27N-R58E AND SECTION 2, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE FREESIA FEDERAL 2658 13-11H WELL AND THAT ORDER 40-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 354-2026

Docket No. 488-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. Sections 14 and 23, T27N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 439-2011, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 194-2012. Section 35, T27N-R58E and Section 2, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 38-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 39-2014.

4. Oasis is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Marilyn 2758 42-11H, Ma 2758 41-11B, and Freesia Federal 2658 13-11H wells.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of 14, 23, 26, and 35, T27N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 194-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Marilyn 2758 42-11H and Ma 2758 41-11B wells; and the pooling order established by Board Order 39-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Freesia Federal 2658 13-11H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 276-2012 is amended to authorize only one additional well in the spacing unit instead of four.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 40-2014 is hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 354-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 14, 23, 26, AND 35, T27N-R58E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 355-2026

Docket No. 489-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 354-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 14, 23, 26, and 35, T27N-R58E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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. 355-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 14, 23, 26, and 35, T27N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, 14, AND 23, T26N-R58E, 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 39-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTION 35, T27N-R58E AND SECTION 2, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE FREESIA FEDERAL 2658 13-11H WELL AND THAT ORDER 40-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 597-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 10 AND 11, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE TIM FEDERAL 2658 21-10H WELL AND THAT 598-2012 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 353-2013 AND 169-2015 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 14 AND 23, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE CARL FEDERAL 2658 42-23H WELL AND THAT ORDER 230-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 356-2026

Docket No. 490-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

BOARD ORDER NO. 356-2026

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, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. Section 35, T27N-R58E and Section 2, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 38-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 39-2014. Sections 10 and 11, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 596-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 597-2012. Sections 14 and 23, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 229-2013 and 168-2015, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 353-2013 and 169-2015.

4. Oasis is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Freesia Federal 2658 13-11H, Tim Federal 2658 21-10H, and Carl Federal 2658 42-23H wells.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 39-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Freesia Federal 2658 13-11H well; the pooling order established by Board Order 597-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Tim Federal 2658 21-10H well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 353-2013 and 169-2015 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Carl Federal 2658 42-23H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 40-2014, 598-2012, and 230-2013 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 356-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, 14, AND 23, T26N-R58E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 357-2026

Docket No. 491-2026

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 356-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T26N-R58E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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. 357-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 2, 11, 14, and 23, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 27 AND 34, T27N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTION 3, T26N-R58E, 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 52-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 27 AND 28, T27N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE BETSY FEDERAL 2758 24-29H WELL AND THAT ORDER 53-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 7-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTION 34, T27N-R58E AND SECTION 3, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE OLSON BOTTOMS FEDERAL 2658 12-10H WELL AND THAT 8-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 358-2026

Docket No. 492-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. Sections 27 and 28, T27N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 51-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 52-2014. Section 34, T27N-R58E and Section 3, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 6-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 7-2013.

4. Oasis is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Betsy Federal 2758 24-29H and Olson Bottoms Federal 2658 12-10H wells.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 27 and 34, T27N-R58E and all of Section 3, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 52-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Betsy Federal 2758 24-29H well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 7-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Olson Bottoms Federal 2658 12-10H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 53-2014 and 8-2013 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 358-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 27 AND 34, T27N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTION 3, T26N-R58E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

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2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 358-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 27 and 34, T27N-R58E and Section 3, T26N-R58E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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. 359-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 27 and 34, T27N-R58E and all of Section 3, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 10, 15, AND 22, T26N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 597-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 10 AND 11, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE TIM FEDERAL 2658 21-10H WELL AND THAT 598-2012 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 70-2015 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE DIANNE FEDERAL 2658 42-22H WELL AND THAT ORDER 215-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 360-2026

Docket No. 494-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. Sections 10 and 11, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 596-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 597-2012. Sections 15 and 22, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 214-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 70-2015.

4. Oasis is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Tim Federal 2658 21-10H and Dianne Federal 2658 42-22H wells.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 10, 15, and 22, T26N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 597-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Tim Federal 2658 21-10H well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 70-2015 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Dianne Federal 2658 42-22H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 598-2012 and 215-2013 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 360-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
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ORDER 361-2026

Docket No. 495-2026

Report of the Board

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Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 360-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 10, 15, and 22, T26N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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. 361-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 10, 15, and 22, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T27N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTION 4, T26N-R58E, 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 52-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 27 AND 28, T27N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE BETSY FEDERAL 2758 24-29H WELL AND THAT ORDER 53-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 10-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE DAVID FEDERAL 2658 43-9H WELL AND THAT ORDER 11-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 362-2026

Docket No. 496-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. Sections 27 and 28, T27N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 51-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 52-2014. Sections 4 and 9, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 9-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 10-2013.

4. Oasis is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Betsy Federal 2758 24-29H and David Federal 2658 43-9H wells.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 28 and 33, T27N-R58E and all of Section 4, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 52-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Betsy Federal 2758 24-29H well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 10-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of David Federal 2658 43-9H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 53-2014 and 11-2013 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 362-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 28 AND 33, T27N-R58E AND ALL OF SECTION 4, T26N-R58E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 363-2026

Docket No. 497-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 362-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 28 and 33, T27N-R58E and Section 4, T26N-R58E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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. 363-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 28 and 33, T27N-R58E and all of Section 4, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 9, 16, AND 21, T26N-R58E, 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.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 10-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE DAVID FEDERAL 2658 43-9H WELL AND THAT ORDER 11-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 13-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 16 AND 21, T26N-R58E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SHERRI 2658 43-9H WELL AND THAT ORDER 14-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

ORDER 364-2026

Docket No. 498-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. Sections 4 and 9, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 9-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 10-2013. Sections 16 and 21, T26N-R58E, were designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 12-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 13-2013.

4. Oasis is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the David Federal 2658 43-9H and Sherri 2658 43-9H wells.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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 WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that all of Sections 9, 16, and 21, T26N-R58E, 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 exterior boundaries thereof.

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

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 10-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of David Federal 2658 43-9H well; and the pooling order established by Board Order 13-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Sherri 2658 43-9H well.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 11-2013 and 14-2013 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 364-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OASIS PETROLEUM NORTH AMERICA LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 9, 16, AND 21, T26N-R58E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 365-2026

Docket No. 499-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ben Plank, senior staff landman, and Tyler Smith, senior development engineer, appeared on behalf of Oasis Petroleum North America LLC (Oasis).

3. The lands described in the caption were designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 364-2026.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 9, 16, and 21, T26N-R58E, Richland County, Montana.

5. No protest to the application of Oasis 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. 365-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells are authorized to be drilled in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 9, 16, and 21, T26N-R58E, 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 WAS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units that contain both federal and non-federal land must 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 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CLINE PRODUCTION COMPANY TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO REMEDY THE UIC VIOLATION AT ITS M. ROBERTS 2-5 WELL, API # 25-087-21231, LOCATED IN ROSEBUD COUNTY, MONTANA, AS SET FORTH IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 15-A-2026.

ORDER 367-2026

Docket No. 618-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, and Fred Cline, company representative, appeared on behalf of Cline Production Company (Cline).

3. Cline has filed a Sundry Notice with its intent to plug the M. Roberts 2-5 well and anticipates plugging to start in 4-6 weeks.

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

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that taking the following action is appropriate.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Docket 618-2026 is continued until the December 10, 2026, public hearing.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board staff has the authority to dismiss the docket if the M. Roberts 2-5 well is plugged and abandoned prior to December 10, 2026.

BOARD ORDER NO. 367-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 LUSTRE SALT WATER DISP, VERNON R. JUSTICE DBA TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON ITS RAYMOND SONSTENG WELL, API #25-105-21247, IN VALLEY COUNTY, MONTANA PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER 15, 2026, PUBLIC HEARING. FAILURE TO BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON 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.

ORDER 368-2026

Docket No. 619-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Jacqui Hughes, attorney, appeared on behalf of Lustre Salt Water Disp, Vernon R. Justice DBA (Lustre).

3. Lustre has an outstanding fine in the amount of $28,500.

4. Counsel for Lustre stated that the financial situation remains the same since the last hearing and no work has been completed to address the violations.

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, and has not shown cause why its bond should not be forfeited.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the plugging and reclamation bond for Lustre is hereby forfeited.

BOARD ORDER NO. 368-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 POPLAR RESOURCES LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON ITS WELLS IN ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER 15, 2026, PUBLIC HEARING. FAILURE TO BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON OR TRANSFER THE WELLS 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.

ORDER 369-2026

Docket No. 620-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No one appeared on behalf of Poplar Resources, LLC (Poplar).

3. Poplar has filed for bankruptcy.

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, and has not shown cause why its bond should not be forfeited.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the plugging and reclamation bond for Poplar is hereby forfeited.

BOARD ORDER NO. 369-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Mac McDermott, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 S & L ENERGY INC, C/O JOHN D. LAWRENCE, JR. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON ITS HOLD 1-14 WELL, API #25-065-21531, IN MUSSELSHELL COUNTY, MONTANA, PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER 15, 2026, PUBLIC HEARING. FAILURE TO BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON 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.

ORDER 370-2026

Docket No. 621-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. No one appeared on behalf of S & L Energy, Inc. C/O John D. Lawrence, Jr. (S&L).

3. 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, and has not shown cause why its bond should not be forfeited.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that the plugging and reclamation bond for S&L is hereby forfeited.

BOARD ORDER NO. 370-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman

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Corey Welter, Vice-Chairman

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Roy Brown, Board Member

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Barbara Skelton, Board Member

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W. John Tietz, Board Member

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 WY BASIN OPERATING LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR CONTINUING TO PRODUCE WELLS IN VIOLATION OF BOARD ORDER 233-2026 AND PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON ITS PLANS FOR RESOLVING THE UNIT-OPERATIONS ISSUE, AS SET FORTH IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 13-A-2026.

ORDER 371-2026

Docket No. 623-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, 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 Steve Durrett 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. Brent Chicken, attorney, David Martineau, manager, Brent Cantalope, vice president of land, Blake Randall, petroleum engineer consultant, appeared on behalf of WY Basin Operating LLC (WY Basin).

3. WY Basin has assumed the plugging and reclamation responsibilities and posted the required bonds for 54 wells, including wells located within enhanced recovery units for which D90 Energy LLC (D90) remains the designated unit operator of record. The Board previously forfeited D90's bond and determined in Order 233-2026 that production from the affected units was not authorized in the absence of a valid unit operator.

4. Certain wells continued producing following the issuance of Order 233-2026. WY Basin acknowledged the continued production and testified that all affected wells were shut in by July 29, 2026.

5. Testimony indicated that continued shut-in operations could adversely affect ultimate recovery and that the resulting loss of revenue threatens WY Basin's financial viability and ability to maintain responsibility for its wells.

6. To address these concerns and allow additional time to resolve the outstanding unit operatorship issues, WY Basin proposed temporarily resuming production from its bonded wells through December 31, 2026, followed by the establishment of new enhanced recovery units upon termination of the existing units.

7. Exhibits presented by WY Basin identified portions of four existing enhanced recovery units containing its bonded wells. WY Basin testified that production during the temporary period would continue to be allocated in accordance with the existing unit agreements.

8. The Board considered the proposed temporary production, the unresolved unit operatorship issues, and the potential consequences of continued shut-in operations. The Board also discussed the applicability of § 82-11-210, MCA, to temporary production from portions of the existing enhanced recovery units, with the proposed authorization effective June 12, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

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

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that taking the following action is reasonably required and will have no adverse effect upon other portions of the pool.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that temporary production is authorized from portions of the four existing enhanced recovery units identified by WY Basin, allocated in accordance with the existing unit agreements, with the proposed authorization effective June 12, 2026, through December 31, 2026.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman (absent)

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 BRAINSTORM ENERGY, INC TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED ADDITIONAL PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE PLUGGING AND ABANDONMENT OPERATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SUNDRY NOTICE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL ON THE GOEDDERTZ 12, API # 25-101-06080, GOEDDERTZ 18, API # 25-101-06087, AND GOEDDERTZ 21, API # 25-101-10187, WELLS, AS REQUIRED BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 11-A-2025.

ORDER 372-2026

Docket No. 470-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, 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 Steve Durrett 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, and Adam Standiford, president, appeared on behalf of Brainstorm Energy, Inc (Brainstorm).

3. There has been a scheduling delay for the workover rig. Brainstorm requested additional time to plug the Goeddertz 18 and Goeddertz 21 wells. Brainstorm plugged the Goeddertz 12 well.

4. Board Order 348-2025 established a $100 per day fine beginning on March 5, 2026, for each day that Brainstorm failed to plug and abandon its three wells. Board Order 160-2026 increased the daily fine to $250. The daily fine has accrued to $15,050. The fine was stopped at the June 11, 2026, public hearing and remains suspended.

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 taking the following action is appropriate.

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Docket 470-2025 is continued until the December 10, 2026, public hearing.

BOARD ORDER NO. 372-2026

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 U BEE TEA PRODUCTION LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO REMEDY THE FIELD VIOLATIONS AT ITS MELBY 1 SWD, API # 25-091-21274, AND MORKEN 3-22, API # 25-091-21423, WELLS LOCATED IN SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, AS SET FORTH IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-A-2026 AND BOARD ORDER 231-2026.

ORDER 373-2026

Docket No. 425-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, 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 Steve Durrett 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 U Bee Tea Production LLC (UBT).

3. At the June 11, 2026, hearing, Board Order 231-2026 established a $100 per day fine, effective that date, for each day that UBT failed to remedy the violations. Board Order 280-2026 increased the daily fine to $200. The daily fine has accrued to $16,000. UBT was also fined $2,000 for failure to appear at the June 11, 2026, and August 13, 2026, hearings.

4. The Morken 3-22 well is in compliance, but the Melby 1 SWD still has outstanding violations.

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. 373-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that UBT is to appear at the December 10, 2026, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why its injection permit for the Melby 1 SWD well should not be revoked for failure to maintain compliance.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that UBT is fined $1,000 for failure to appear at the October 15, 2026, public hearing.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the $200 daily fine remains in effect until compliance is achieved at the Melby 1 SWD well and confirmed by inspection.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Steven Durrett, Chairman (absent)

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 BLACK GOLD ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON ITS INDIAN MOUND 1 WELL LOCATED IN THE NE¼SW¼SW¼ OF SECTION 15, T23N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AS SET FORTH IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 10-A-2026.

ORDER 374-2026

Docket No. 503-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, 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. Members Steve Durrett and Roy Brown were 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. Chris Blount, president, appeared on behalf of Black Gold Energy Resource Development, LLC (Black Gold). Mr. Blount was aware that legal counsel was required to represent the company but stated that his attorney was unable to attend.

3. Per Board policy, because no duly licensed Montana attorney appeared to represent Black Gold, Black Gold has effectively failed to appear at the hearing.

4. As outlined in Board Order 271-2026, Siege Environmental Services LLC (Siege) needed to fulfill its remaining obligations necessary to complete the change of operator of the Indian Mound 1 well, including submitting the required $40,000 plugging and reclamation bond and notarized organization report by the October 15, 2026, public hearing. Siege submitted the notarized organization report and a $40,000 check, but the check was not an acceptable plugging and reclamation bond. Siege failed to fulfill the bonding obligation so the change of operator request is denied. Black Gold remains the bonded operator of the well.

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 taking the following action is appropriate.

BOARD ORDER NO. 374-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Black Gold is fined $1,000 for failure to appear at the October 15, 2026, public hearing.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Docket 503-2026 is continued until the December 10, 2026, public hearing.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Jeff Wivholm, Board Member

ATTEST:

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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 CYPRESS ENERGY PARTNERS – SHERIDAN SWD, LLC TO APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH BOARD ORDER 86-2023, WHICH REQUIRED AN ADDITIONAL $10,000 PLUGGING AND RECLAMATION BOND BE PROVIDED TO COVER THE SHERIDAN FACILITY SWD WELL, API # 25-091-21892, LOCATED IN THE SW¼SW¼ OF SECTION 18, T33N-R58E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, AS SET FORTH IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 11-A-2026.

ORDER 375-2026

Docket No. 504-2026

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on October 15, 2026, 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. Members Steve Durrett and Roy Brown were 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. Chris Blount, president, appeared on behalf of Cypress Energy Partners – Sheridan SWD, LLC (Cypress) without legal counsel. Mr. Blount was aware that legal counsel was required to represent the company but stated that his attorney was unable to attend.

3. As outlined in Board Order 272-2026, Cypress was required to post an additional $10,000 UIC plugging and reclamation bond to satisfy the total $20,000 bonding requirement established by Order 86-2023.

4. At the August 13, 2026, hearing, Board Order 272-2026 established a $250 per day fine, effective September 2, 2026, for each day that Cypress failed to submit the additional plugging and reclamation bond in the amount of $10,000. The daily fine has accrued to $10,750.

5. Staff reported that a local bank is working with Mr. Blount on a plugging and reclamation bond. The bond will be under Cypress or Black Gold Energy Sheridan Facility.

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 taking the following action is appropriate.

BOARD ORDER NO. 375-2026

Order

IT WAS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board at the October 15, 2026, hearing that Docket 504-2026 is continued until the December 10, 2026, public hearing.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the $250 daily fine remains in effect until the additional plugging and reclamation bond is submitted.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that Board staff has the authority to dismiss the docket if the plugging and reclamation bond is received and any fine assessed has been paid.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of October, 2026.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist