

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF POPLAR RESOURCES LLC FOR AN ORDER CERTIFYING THE EAST POPLAR UNIT AREA, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A TERTIARY RECOVERY PROJECT EFFECTIVE AS OF JULY 1, 2020, AND TO CERTIFY THE PRODUCTION DECLINE RATES USED TO CALCULATE INCREMENTAL PRODUCTION IN THE PROJECT AREA, AND SUCH OTHER AND FURTHER RELIEF AS THE MBOGC MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE

MBOGC DOCKET NO. 42-2020
APPLICATION

POPLAR RESOURCES LLC, 420 Throckmorton Street, Suite 200, Fort Worth, Texas 76102:

[A] Presents the following application:

1. Applicant is the Unit Operator of the East Poplar Unit located in Roosevelt County, Montana, and is the operator of all production and injection wells proposed for certification as a tertiary recovery project.
2. The East Poplar Unit was approved for secondary recovery pursuant to Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation ("MBOGC") Order No. 5-60.
3. The lands within the East Poplar Unit comprising the proposed tertiary recovery project area are as follows:

Township 28 North, Range 51 East, M.P.M.

Section 1: All
Section 2: All
Section 3: All
Section 4: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S/2NW/4, S/2NE/4, NE/4SW/4, SE/4
Section 9: NE/4, NE/4SE/4
Section 10: All
Section 11: All
Section 12: W/2, N/2NE/4, SW/4NE/4
Section 13: W/2
Section 14: All
Section 15: NE/4, NE/4NW/4, E/2SE/4
Section 22: E/2NE/4, NE/4SE/4
Section 23: All
Section 24: NW/4, NW/4SW/4

Township 28 North, Range 52 East, M.P.M.

Section 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4

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Township 29 North, Range 50 East, M.P.M.

Section 11: SE/4SE/4
Section 12: S/2
Section 13: All
Section 14: E/2NE/4, NE/4SE/4
Section 22: E/2, E/2NW/4, SW/4NE/4, SW/4
Section 24: NE/4NW/4, E/2
Section 25: E/2E/2, NW/4NE/4
Section 36: E/2E/2

Township 29 North, Range 51 East, M.P.M.

Section 7: Lots 3, 4, E/2SW/4, SE/4
Section 8: S/2SW/4
Section 16: SW/4NW/4, SW/4, SW/4SE/4
Section 17: All
Section 18: All
Section 19: All
Section 20: All
Section 21: All
Section 22: NW/4NW/4, S/2NW/4, SW/4, NW/4SE/4, S/2SE/4
Section 26: W/2W/2
Section 27: All
Section 28: All
Section 29: All
Section 30: All
Section 31: All
Section 32: All
Section 33: All
Section 34: All
Section 35: W/2NW/2

4. To qualify as a tertiary recovery project, Applicant plans to commence a gas oil gravity flood by injecting immiscible gas through converted injection wells, prepare additional wells for injection, alter injection well patterns and bring on-line additional producing wells.

5. The producing formation in the proposed tertiary recovery project is the Madison Formation as referenced in MBOGC Order No. 34-55.

6. Applicant will submit to the MBOGC actual production histories and industry standard engineering analyses of decline rates for the proposed tertiary recovery project area. Said data, together with the appropriate certification fees, will be delivered in a timely manner to the MBOGC under separate cover.

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[B] Requests:

1. This matter be set for hearing at the MBOGC hearings to be conducted October 1, 2020, with notice given as required by law and the MOU; and

2. After hearing the matter, the MBOGC enter its order (i) certifying the East Poplar Unit as described in Paragraph [A] 3, above, to be a tertiary recovery project effective as of July 1, 2020; (ii) determining and certifying to the Montana Department of Revenue the production forecast for the tertiary operations within the East Poplar Unit such that all incremental production from the tertiary recovery project can be calculated and qualify for all applicable tax incentives and reductions; and (iii) such other and further relief as the MBOGC may deem appropriate.

DATED this 24th day of June, 2020.

~~POPLAR RESOURCES LLC~~

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