

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

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PRIMA EXPLORATION, INC. TO DESIGNATE A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T26N-R59E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE BULLION 13-1 1H AND BULLION 13-1 2H WELL.

ORDER 77-2025

Docket No. 93-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ron Solt, land manager, and Ren Gardner, petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Prima Exploration, Inc. (Prima).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 10-2020. An additional well was authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 11-2020. Applicant has completed the Bullion 13-1 1H and Bullion 13-1 2H wells as producing wells.
4. No protest to the application of Prima 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. 77-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T26N-R59E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Bullion 13-1 1H and Bullion 13-1 2H wells are the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 PRIMA EXPLORATION, INC. TO POOL ALL INTERESTS IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T26N-R59E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, 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 BULLION 13-1 1H AND BULLION 13-1 2H WELL.

ORDER 78-2025

Docket No. 94-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Uriah Price, attorney, Ron Solt, land manager, and Ren Gardner, petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Prima Exploration, Inc. (Prima).
3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 77-2025.
4. The applicant has made a good-faith attempt to voluntarily pool the interests within the permanent spacing unit but has been unsuccessful.
5. All refusing owners were given proper and sufficient notice as required under § 82-11-202, MCA.
6. No protest to the application of Prima 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. 78-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T26N-R59E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, with respect to the Bullion 13-1 1H and Bullion 13-1 2H wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 8, 17, AND 20, T27N-R56E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E½NE¼ AND NE¼SE¼ OF SECTION 5, T27N-R56E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 79-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 54-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20, T27N-R56E.

Docket No. 97-2025 / 9-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 5, 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R56E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 54-2011 is hereby vacated.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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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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 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 5, 8, 17, AND 20, T27N-R56E, RICHLAND AND ROOSEVELT COUNTIES, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E½NE¼ AND NE¼SE¼ OF SECTION 5, T27N-R56E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 80-2025

Docket No. 98-2025 / 10-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 79-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 5, 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R56E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 80-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 5, 8, 17, and 20, T27N-R56E, Richland and Roosevelt Counties, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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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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 6, 7, 18, AND 19, T24N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE NATE 6-7-18-19 #1H, NATE 6-7-18-19 #2H, NATE 6-7-18-19 #3H, AND NATE 6-7-18-19 #4H WELLS.

ORDER 81-2025

Docket No. 105-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

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

3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 78-2023. Additional wells were authorized within the temporary spacing unit by Board Order 79-2023. Applicant has completed the Nate 6-7-18-19 #1H, Nate 6-7-18-19 #2H, Nate 6-7-18-19 #3H, and Nate 6-7-18-19 #4H wells as producing wells.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, is designated a permanent spacing unit for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Nate 6-7-18-19 #1H, Nate 6-7-18-19 #2H, Nate 6-7-18-19 #3H, and Nate 6-7-18-19 #4H wells are the authorized wells for said permanent spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 81-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 6, 7, 18, AND 19, T24N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECOVERY OF NON-CONSENT PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-11-202(2), M.C.A., WITH RESPECT TO THE NATE 6-7-18-19 #1H, NATE 6-7-18-19 #2H, NATE 6-7-18-19 #3H, AND NATE 6-7-18-19 #4H WELLS.

ORDER 82-2025

Docket No. 106-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

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

3. Applicant is an interest owner and operator in the spacing unit identified in the caption as established by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 81-2025.

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

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

6. No protest to the application of 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. 82-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all interests in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 6, 7, 18, and 19, T24N-R59E, Richland County, Montana, are hereby pooled on the basis of surface acreage for production of oil and associated natural gas from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to recover non-consent penalties in accordance with § 82-11-202(2), MCA, with respect to the Nate 6-7-18-19 #1H, Nate 6-7-18-19 #2H, Nate 6-7-18-19 #3H, and Nate 6-7-18-19 #4H wells.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 1, T28N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 5 AND 6, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E½ AND NW¼ OF SECTION 12, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 83-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 310-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-R57E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SNYDER 1-12 #1H WELL AND THAT ORDER 311-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 111-2025 / 13-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 309-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 310-2014.
4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Snyder 1-12 #1H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 83-2025

5. The applicant testified at the hearing that the horizontal well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled concurrently with a corresponding horizontal well in the adjacent proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of Section 12, T28N-R57E, and Sections 7 and 8, T28N-R58E. Each well would maintain a 500' lateral setback from the shared boundary, mirroring one another to minimize the risk of cross-boundary drainage and to protect correlative rights.

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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Section 1, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 5 and 6, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 310-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Snyder 1-12 #1H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 311-2014 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well authorized under this application must be drilled concurrently with a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the adjacent overlapping temporary spacing unit. The two wells shall be located on opposite sides of the shared boundary and placed at approximately equal distances from that boundary to provide mirrored lateral placement.

BOARD ORDER NO. 83-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 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 1, T28N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 5 AND 6, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 84-2025

Docket No. 112-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 83-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 1, T28N-R57E and Sections 5 and 6, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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



BOARD ORDER NO. 84-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 1, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 5 and 6, T28N-R58E, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 12, T28N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 7 AND 8, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E½ AND NW¼ OF SECTION 12, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 85-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 310-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-R57E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SNYDER 1-12 #1H WELL AND THAT ORDER 311-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 113-2025 / 14-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 309-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 310-2014.
4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Snyder 1-12 #1H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 85-2025

5. The applicant testified at the hearing that the horizontal well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled concurrently with a corresponding horizontal well in the adjacent proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of Section 1, T28N-R57E, and Sections 5 and 6, T28N-R58E. Each well would maintain a 500' lateral setback from the shared boundary, mirroring one another to minimize the risk of cross-boundary drainage and to protect correlative rights.

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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Section 12, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 7 and 8, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 310-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Snyder 1-12 #1H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 311-2014 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well authorized under this application must be drilled concurrently with a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the adjacent overlapping temporary spacing unit. The two wells shall be located on opposite sides of the shared boundary and placed at approximately equal distances from that boundary to provide mirrored lateral placement.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 85-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 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 12, T28N-R57E AND ALL OF SECTIONS 7 AND 8, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E½ AND NW¼ OF SECTION 12, T28N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 86-2025

Docket No. 114-2025 / 15-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 85-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Section 12, T28N-R57E and Sections 7 and 8, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 86-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Section 12, T28N-R57E and all of Sections 7 and 8, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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

ORDER 87-2025

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, AND 4, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$  OF SECTION 9 AND THE W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  AND N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 10, T28N-R58E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 184-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-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 CRUSCH 12-1 #1H WELL AND THAT ORDER 186-2012 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 48-2023 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, AND 12, T28N-R58E.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 153-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T28N-R58E AND A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 14 AND 23, T28N-R58E AND BOARD ORDER 48-2011 THAT AMENDED THE SETBACKS.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 115-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3 AND 10, T28N-R58E AND BOARD ORDER 15-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T28N-R58E.

Docket No. 115-2025 / 16-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

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

3. Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R58E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 181-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 184-2012.

4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Crusch 12-1 #1H well.

5. The applicant testified at the hearing that the horizontal well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled concurrently with a corresponding horizontal well in the adjacent proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of Sections 9, 10, 11, and 12, T28N-R58E. Each well would maintain a 500' lateral setback from the shared boundary, mirroring one another to minimize the risk of cross-boundary drainage and to protect correlative rights.

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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt, County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 184-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Crusch 12-1 #1H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 186-2012, 48-2023, 153-2010, 48-2011, 115-2011 and 15-2011 are hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well authorized under this application must be drilled concurrently with a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the adjacent overlapping temporary spacing unit. The two wells shall be located on opposite sides of the shared boundary and placed at approximately equal distances from that boundary to provide mirrored lateral placement.



BOARD ORDER NO. 87-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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  
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 1, 2, 3, AND 4, T28N-R58E,  
ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200'  
(HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE  
EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 88-2025

Docket No. 116-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 87-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 88-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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

ORDER 89-2025

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KRAKEN OIL & GAS LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 9, 10, 11, AND 12, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$  OF SECTION 9 AND THE W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  AND N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 10, T28N-R58E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 184-2012 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T28N-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 CRUSCH 12-1 #1H WELL AND THAT ORDER 186-2012 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 48-2023 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, AND 12, T28N-R58E.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 153-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T28N-R58E AND A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 14 AND 23, T28N-R58E AND BOARD ORDER 48-2011 THAT AMENDED THE SETBACKS.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 115-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3 AND 10, T28N-R58E AND BOARD ORDER 15-2011 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T28N-R58E.

Docket No. 117-2025 / 17-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

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

3. Sections 1 and 12, T28N-R58E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 181-2012, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 184-2012.

4. Kraken is a working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Crusch 12-1 #1H well.

5. The applicant testified at the hearing that the horizontal well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled concurrently with a corresponding horizontal well in the adjacent proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, T28N-R58E. Each well would maintain a 500' lateral setback from the shared boundary, mirroring one another to minimize the risk of cross-boundary drainage and to protect correlative rights.

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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 9, 10, 11, and 12, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 184-2012 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Crusch 12-1 #1H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 186-2012, 48-2023, 153-2010, 48-2011, 115-2011 and 15-2011 are hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well authorized under this application must be drilled concurrently with a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the adjacent overlapping temporary spacing unit. The two wells shall be located on opposite sides of the shared boundary and placed at approximately equal distances from that boundary to provide mirrored lateral placement.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 89-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 9, 10, 11, AND 12, T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT THE E½E½ OF SECTION 9 AND THE W½NW¼ AND N½SW¼ OF SECTION 10, T28N-R58E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 90-2025

Docket No. 118-2025 / 18-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 89-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 9, 10, 11, and 12, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 90-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 9, 10, 11, and 12, T28N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 SECTIONS 17, 20, 29, AND 32, T29N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 91-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 237-2014 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 17 AND 20, T29N-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 BRISKE 1-20H WELL AND THAT ORDER 238-2014 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 119-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Sections 17 and 20, T29N-R58E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 236-2014, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 237-2014.
4. Kraken is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Briske 1-20H well.
5. The applicant testified at the hearing that the horizontal well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled concurrently with a corresponding horizontal well in the adjacent proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of Sections 18, 19, 30, and 31, T29N-R58E. Each well would maintain a 500' lateral setback from the shared boundary, mirroring one another to minimize the risk of cross-boundary drainage and to protect correlative rights.

BOARD ORDER NO. 91-2025

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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 17, 20, 29, and 32, T29N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 237-2014 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Briske 1-20H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 238-2014 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well authorized under this application must be drilled concurrently with a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the adjacent overlapping temporary spacing unit. The two wells shall be located on opposite sides of the shared boundary and placed at approximately equal distances from that boundary to provide mirrored lateral placement.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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  
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 17, 20, 29, AND 32, T29N-  
R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO  
THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 92-2025

Docket No. 120-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 91-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 17, 20, 29, and 32, T29N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 17, 20, 29, and 32, T29N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

BOARD ORDER NO. 92-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 SECTIONS 18, 19, 30, AND 31, T29N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 93-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 282-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 18 AND 19, T29N-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 LANGDON 1-19H WELL AND THAT ORDER 283-2013 THAT AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL WELLS IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

Docket No. 121-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. Sections 18 and 19, T29N-R58E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 281-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 282-2013
4. Kraken is a majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Langdon 1-19H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 93-2025

5. The applicant testified at the hearing that the horizontal well for the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit would be drilled concurrently with a corresponding horizontal well in the adjacent proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit consisting of Sections 17, 20, 29, and 32, T29N-R58E. Each well would maintain a 500' lateral setback from the shared boundary, mirroring one another to minimize the risk of cross-boundary drainage and to protect correlative rights.

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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 18, 19, 30, and 31, T29N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 282-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Langdon 1-19H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 283-2013 is hereby vacated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well authorized under this application must be drilled concurrently with a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the adjacent overlapping temporary spacing unit. The two wells shall be located on opposite sides of the shared boundary and placed at approximately equal distances from that boundary to provide mirrored lateral placement.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 93-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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  
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 18, 19, 30, AND 31, T29N-  
R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN  
200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO  
THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 94-2025

Docket No. 122-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. John Lee, attorney, Justin Payne, landman, and Joshua Lachner, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Kraken Oil & Gas LLC (Kraken).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 93-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 18, 19, 30, and 31, T29N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Kraken was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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



BOARD ORDER NO. 94-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Kraken is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the an overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 18, 19, 30, and 31, T29N-R58E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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, AND 13, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY,  
MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS  
FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT  
BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500'  
(LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES  
THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF  
SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE  
OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY  
FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL  
WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 103-2025

Docket No. 123-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Don Lee, attorney, Mark Johnson, executive vice president of land, regulatory, and HSE, Nick Daniele, vice president of geology, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).
3. 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. 103-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 PHOENIX OPERATING LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 12, AND 13, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, 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 104-2025

Docket No. 124-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Don Lee, attorney, Mark Johnson, executive vice president of land, regulatory, and HSE, Nick Daniele, vice president of geology, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 103-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 1, 12, and 13, T29N-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. 104-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Phoenix is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1, 12, and 13, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 2, 11, AND 14, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 105-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 258-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2 AND 11, T29N-R57E.

Docket No. 125-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Don Lee, attorney, Mark Johnson, executive vice president of land, regulatory, and HSE, Nick Daniele, vice president of geology, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).
3. 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. 105-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 2, 11, and 14, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 258-2010 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 PHOENIX OPERATING LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 2, 11, AND 14, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, 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 106-2025

Docket No. 126-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Don Lee, attorney, Mark Johnson, executive vice president of land, regulatory, and HSE, Nick Daniele, vice president of geology, and Eric Shivey, vice president of reservoir engineering and corporate reserves, appeared on behalf of Phoenix Operating LLC (Phoenix).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 105-2025.
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, and 14, T29N-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. 106-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Phoenix is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 2, 11, and 14, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 AMEND BOARD ORDER 238-2008 TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 6 AND 7, T24N-R53E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 95-2025

Docket No. 127-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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, Shea Bradley, landman, and Shawna Bonini, operations engineer, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).

3. The lands described in the caption was designated a permanent spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 279-2007. An additional well was authorized within the permanent spacing unit by Board Order 238-2008.

4. No protest to the application of White Rock was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Order 238-2008 is amended to authorize the drilling of an additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well in the permanent spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 6 and 7, T24N-R53E, Richland County, Montana, said well 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. 95-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 20, 29, AND 32, T22N-R60E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. THE APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 96-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 305-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 19 AND 20, T22N-R60E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SCHEETZ 31X-19 WELL AND THAT ORDER 13-2010 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 110-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 29, 30, AND 32, T22N-R60E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE RICHARD 21X-29 WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 118-2010 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 17, 18, 19, AND 20, T22N-R60E.

Docket No. 128-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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, Shea Bradley, landman, and Shawna Bonini, operations engineer, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).

BOARD ORDER NO. 96-2025

3. Sections 19 and 20, T22N-R60E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 107-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 305-2008. Sections 29, 30, and 32, T22N-R60E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 12-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 110-2008.

4. White Rock is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Scheetz 31X-19 and Richard 21X-29 wells.

5. No protest to the application of White Rock was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 20, 29, and 32, T22N-R60E, 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 IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 305-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Scheetz 31X-19 well. The pooling order established by Board Order 110-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Richard 21X-29 well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 13-2010 and 118-2010 are hereby vacated.

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

BOARD ORDER NO. 96-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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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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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Roy Brown, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

ORDER 97-2025

UPON THE APPLICATION OF WHITE ROCK OIL & GAS, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 19, 30, AND 31, T22N-R60E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. THE APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 305-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 19 AND 20, T22N-R60E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE SCHEETZ 31X-19 WELL AND THAT ORDER 13-2010 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 110-2008 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 29, 30, AND 32, T22N-R60E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE RICHARD 21X-29 WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 359-2006 PERTAINING TO SECTION 31, T22N-R60E BE AMENDED TO CLARIFY THAT SAID ORDER IS LIMITED TO OIL AND ASSOCIATED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM THE BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION FROM THE MATTHEW 1-31H WELL AND THAT ORDER 64-2007 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT SPACING UNIT BE VACATED.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 118-2010 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 17, 18, 19, AND 20, T22N-R60E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 4-2010 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 25, T22N-R59E AND ALL OF SECTION 30, T22N-R60E.

Docket No. 129-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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, Shea Bradley, landman, and Shawna Bonini, operations engineer, appeared on behalf of White Rock Oil & Gas, LLC (White Rock).

3. Sections 19 and 20, T22N-R60E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 107-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 305-2008. Sections 29, 30, and 32, T22N-R60E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 12-2008, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 110-2008. Section 31, T22N-R60E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 359-2006.

4. White Rock is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit and the operator of the Scheetz 31X-19 and Richard 21X-29 wells. MorningStar Operating LLC is the operator of the Matthew 1-31H well.

5. No protest to the application of White Rock was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 19, 30, and 31, T22N-R60E, 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 IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant must apply for permanent spacing within 90 days of successful well completion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 305-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Scheetz 31X-19 well. The pooling order established by Board Order 110-2008 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Richard 21X-29 well. The spacing order established by Board Order 359-2006 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Matthew 1-31H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 13-2010, 64-2007, 118-2010, and 4-2010 are hereby vacated.

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



BOARD ORDER NO. 97-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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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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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Roy Brown, Board Member

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Breton, Program Specialist

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

ORDER 101-2025

UPON THE APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T24N-R53E AND THE W½ OF SECTION 4, ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 6, 7, 8, AND THE W½ OF SECTION 9, T24N-R54E, 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 FURTHER REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 112-2005 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T24N-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 PORKY-ANTONE 9-14H, PORKY-THERESA 9-15-HID3, AND PORKY-CARDA 9-16H WELLS.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 142-2009 THAT DESIGNATED AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4, 5, 8, AND 9, T24N-R54E.

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 14-2007 THAT AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL WELL IN THAT PERMANENT SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 1 AND 12, T24N-R53E.

Docket No. 132-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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, Yousef Essaili, landman, Rosie Gilbert, geology manager, JJ Kim, reservoir engineer, and Leo Lasecki, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc (Continental Resources).

BOARD ORDER NO. 101-2025

3. Sections 4 and 9, T24N-R54E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 112-2005.
4. Continental Resources is the majority working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit. MorningStar Operating LLC is the operator of the Porky-Antone 9-14H, Porky-Theresa 9-15-HID3, and Porky-Carda 9-16H wells.
5. No protest to the application of Continental Resources was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 1 and 12, T24N-R53E and the W½ of Section 4, all of Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, and the W½ of Section 9, T24N-R54E, 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.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the spacing order established by Board Order 112-2005 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Porky-Antone 9-14H, Porky-Theresa 9-15-HID3, and Porky-Carda 9-16H wells.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Orders 142-2009 and 14-2007 are hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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  
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 1 AND 12, T24N-R53E  
AND THE W½ OF SECTION 4, ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 6, 7, 8, AND THE  
W½ OF SECTION 9, T24N-R54E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA,  
BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500'  
(LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES  
THEREOF.

ORDER 102-2025

Docket No. 133-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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, Yousef Essaili, landman, Rosie Gilbert, geology manager, JJ Kim, reservoir engineer, and Leo Lasecki, reservoir engineer, appeared on behalf of Continental Resources, Inc (Continental Resources).

3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 101-2025.

4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 1 and 12, T24N-R53E and the W½ of Section 4, Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, and the W½ of Section 9, T24N-R54E, Richland County, Montana.

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

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Continental Resources is authorized to drill up to two additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 1 and 12, T24N-R53E and the W½ of Section 4, all of Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, and the W½ of Section 9, T24N-R54E, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, AND 15, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 108-2025

Docket No. 136-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 107-2025.
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, and 15, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 108-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Black Dog is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 3, 10, and 15, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4, 9, AND 16, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 110-2025

Docket No. 137-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 109-2025.

4. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 17 and 20, and from the west boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

5. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 4, 9, and 16, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

6. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 110-2025

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Black Dog is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 4, 9, and 16, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the west boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the east boundary thereof .

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 8, AND 17, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT LOTS 3, 4, AND S½NW¼ OF SECTION 5, T29N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 112-2025

Docket No. 138-2025 / 19-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 111-2025.

4. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 17 and 20, and from the west boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

5. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 5, 8, and 17, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

6. No protest to the application of Black Dog was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Black Dog is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 5, 8, and 17, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the east boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the west boundary thereof.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 6, 7, AND 18, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 114-2025

Docket No. 139-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 113-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 6, 7, and 18, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 114-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Black Dog is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 6, 7, and 18, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 21, 28, AND 33, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 116-2025

Docket No. 140-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. The lands described in the caption was designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 115-2025.

4. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 17 and 20, and from the west boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

5. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 21, 28, and 33, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

6. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 116-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Black Dog is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the overlapping temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 21, 28, and 33, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the west boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the east boundary thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO AUTHORIZE THE DRILLING OF UP TO THREE ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELLS ANYWHERE WITHIN THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 22, 27, AND 34, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER 118-2025

Docket No. 141-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).
3. The lands described in the caption was designated a temporary spacing unit for production from the Bakken/Three Forks interval by Montana Board of Oil and Gas Conservation Order 117-2025.
4. Evidence presented at the time of the hearing supports the drilling of three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks interval wells in Sections 22, 27, and 34, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
5. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 118-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Black Dog is authorized to drill up to three additional horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation wells in the temporary spacing unit comprised of all of Sections 22, 27, and 34, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, said wells to be located anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the boundaries thereof.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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  
EXPAND THE AREA OF THE AQUIFER EXEMPTION FOR THE  
JOHNSON 1-33 SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL (API #25-083-22449)  
IN THE SE¼SE¼ OF SECTION 33, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY,  
MONTANA (WILDCAT), FROM THE CURRENTLY PERMITTED  
RADIUS OF 1,320 FT. TO 1,866 FT., IN DAKOTA FORMATION AT A  
DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,066 – 5,178 FT.

ORDER 98-2025

Docket No. 143-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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 36.22.1418 have been met.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the application of Continental Resources Inc is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 98-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 3, 10, AND 15, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 107-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 520-2012 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T29N-R57E.

Docket No. 27-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 107-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 3, 10, and 15, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 520-2012 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4, 9, AND 16, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 109-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 145-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 4 AND 9, T29N-R57E.

Docket No. 28-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 50-2013.

4. Black Dog is the contract operator for a working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit. Green Valley Operating, LLC is the operator of the Olson 1-21-16H well.

5. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 17 and 20, and from the west boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

6. No protest to the application of Black Dog was made.

BOARD ORDER NO. 109-2025

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 4, 9, and 16, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the west boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the east boundary thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 145-2010 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 5, 8, AND 17, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION. THE APPLICATION INDICATES THAT LOTS 3, 4, AND S½NW¼ OF SECTION 5, T29N-R57E, CONTAIN INDIAN TRUST MINERALS.

ORDER 111-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 231-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 17 AND 20, T29N-R57E.

Docket No. 29-2025 / 4-2025 FED

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 17 and 20, and from the west boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

4. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 111-2025

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 5, 8, and 17, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the east boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the west boundary thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 231-2010 is hereby vacated.

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

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 6, 7, AND 18, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 113-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 297-2013 PERTAINING TO SECTIONS 6 AND 7, T29N-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 SORENSEN 1-6-7H WELL.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 232-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 18 AND 19, T29N-R57E.

Docket No. 30-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).
3. Sections 6 and 7, T29N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 296-2013, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 297-2013.
4. Black Dog is the contract operator for a working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit. Green Valley Operating, LLC is the operator of the Sorensen 1-6-7H well.
5. No protest to the application of Black Dog was made.
6. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 6, 7, and 18, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 297-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Sorensen 1-6-7H well.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 232-2010 is hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE AN OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 21, 28, AND 33, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. THE OVERLAPPING TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO PRODUCTION FROM THE PROPOSED HORIZONTAL WELL, AND APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 115-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT BOARD ORDER 253-2013 PERTAINING TO THE E½ OF SECTION 33, T29N-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 CARAT 2-33H WELL.

Docket No. 31-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

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

2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).

3. The E½ of Section 33, T29N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 270-2010, and Bakken/Three Forks interests within the spacing unit were pooled by Order 253-2010. Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, was designated a permanent spacing unit by Order 50-2013.

4. Black Dog is the contract operator for a working interest owner in the proposed overlapping temporary spacing unit. EOG Resources, Inc. is the operator of the Carat 2-33H well. Green Valley Operating, LLC is the operator of the Olson 1-21-16H well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 115-2025

5. Due to the existing horizontal well in Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, having been drilled under a 660' lateral setback requirement, the applicant agreed to maintain a 660' setback from the east boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 17 and 20, and from the west boundary of any temporary spacing unit that includes Sections 16 and 21, T29N-R57E, in order to protect correlative rights and ensure consistency with previously established development patterns.

6. No protest to the application of Black Dog was made.

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

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 21, 28, and 33, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated an overlapping temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well from anywhere within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback), 660' (lateral setback) to the west boundary, and 500' (lateral setback) to the east boundary thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the pooling order established by Board Order 253-2013 is limited to only oil and associated natural gas produced from the Bakken/Three Forks Formation through the wellbore of Carat 2-33H well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 BLACK DOG OPERATING, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 22, 27, AND 34, T29N-R57E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN/THREE FORKS FORMATION WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 200' (HEEL/TOE SETBACK) AND 500' (LATERAL SETBACK) TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT OPERATIONS FOR THE DRILLING OF SAID WELL MUST COMMENCE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE DATE OF THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD. APPLICANT WILL APPLY FOR PERMANENT SPACING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF SUCCESSFUL WELL COMPLETION.

ORDER 117-2025

APPLICANT REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 520-2012 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 15 AND 22, T29N-R57E.

APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS TO VACATE BOARD ORDER 233-2010 THAT DESIGNATED A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 27 AND 34, T29N-R57E.

Docket No. 32-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Member Corey Welter recused himself and took no part in this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. Scotti Gray, attorney, Daniel Rohling, director, Pete Sheehan, contract landman, John Grauman, consulting geologist, and Danny Green, contract petroleum engineer, appeared on behalf of Black Dog Operating, LLC (Black Dog).
3. No protest to the application of Black Dog 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. 117-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that all of Sections 22, 27, and 34, T29N-R57E, Roosevelt County, Montana, is designated a temporary spacing unit to drill a horizontal Bakken/Three Forks Formation well within said spacing unit but not closer than 200' (heel/toe setback) and 500' (lateral setback) to the exterior boundaries thereof, provided that operations for the drilling of said well be commenced within one year of the date of this order.

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

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 520-2012 and 233-2010 are hereby vacated.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 (recused)

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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 CHARLES NEVINS 2-12H WELL (API #25-083-22640) IN THE SW¼SW¼ OF SECTION 12, T23N-R57E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA (WILDCAT) TO A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,389 – 5,899 FT. AN AQUIFER EXEMPTION IS BEING REQUESTED SINCE THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS WATER WITH LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS.

ORDER 99-2025

Docket No. 75-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the application of MorningStar Operating LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.



BOARD ORDER NO. 99-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 DRILL  
THE SAMURAI 1 SWD WELL IN THE NW¼NW¼ OF SECTION 4,  
T28N-R58E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA (BAINVILLE,  
NORTH) AS A SALTWATER DISPOSAL WELL IN THE DAKOTA  
FORMATION AT A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 5,074 – 5,499 FT.

ORDER 100-2025

Docket No. 76-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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 Phoenix 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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the application of Phoenix Operating LLC is granted as applied for subject to stipulations on the sundry notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 100-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 54 WELLS IN SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, FROM D90 ENERGY, LLC TO WY BASIN OPERATING, LLC AND TO DETERMINE IF THE PROPOSED PLUGGING AND RECLAMATION BOND COVERAGE IS ADEQUATE UNDER § 82-11-123(5), MCA. OF THE WELLS INVOLVED IN THE TRANSFER, BOARD RECORDS SHOW D90 ENERGY, LLC IS RESPONSIBLE FOR 32 PRODUCING WELLS COVERED BY A MULTIPLE WELL BOND AND 22 INJECTION WELLS WHICH ARE BONDED SEPARATELY. A LIST OF THE WELLS IS AVAILABLE ONLINE OR IN THE BILLINGS OFFICE FOR REVIEW.

ORDER 119-2025

Docket No. 79-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. 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. Joseph Soueidi, attorney and David Martineau, owner and president, appeared on behalf of WY Basin Operating, LLC (WY Basin).
3. The Board and its staff reviewed WY Basin's change of operator request from D90 Energy, LLC (D90).
4. WY Basin stated that it will address the mechanical integrity issues on the P.J. Jerde 1 and Negaard 3 SWD wells.
5. WY Basin proposed a \$50,000 multiple well plugging and reclamation bond to cover 33 fee producing wells and a \$210,000 UIC plugging and reclamation bond to cover 21 injection wells. There are 126 fee producing wells, and 17 injection wells not included in the transfer that will remain on D90's bonds.
6. The Board determined that WY Basin's proposed plugging and reclamation bonds are adequate and in accordance with ARM 36.22.1308(3) and ARM 36.22.1408.
7. No protest to the application of WY Basin 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.

BOARD ORDER NO. 119-2025

Conclusions of Law

The Board concludes that taking the following action is appropriate.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that staff may proceed with administrative review and approval of the change of operator requests.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 BIG SKY ENERGY LLC APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES, INCLUDING RESPONDENT'S PRODUCTION AND INJECTION BEING DECLARED ILLEGAL UNDER ARM 36.22.1245, SHOULD NOT BE APPLIED FOR FAILURE TO FILE DELINQUENT PRODUCTION AND INJECTION REPORTS, FAILURE TO PAY PENALTIES ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT REPORTING, AND FOR FAILURE TO PAY FINES ASSESSED FOR NOT APPEARING AT THE DECEMBER 5, 2024 AND FEBRUARY 20, 2025, PUBLIC HEARINGS.

ORDER 120-2025

Docket No. 145-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of Big Sky Energy, LLC (Big Sky).
3. Due to several certified letters being unclaimed and the eventual closure of Big Sky's post office box, the Park County Sheriff's Office in Wyoming served Big Sky all previous issued Board Orders on March 19, 2025.
4. Big Sky has not filed the delinquent production and injection reports, has not paid the outstanding fine of \$1,980 assessed for delinquent reporting, and has not paid the \$2,000 fine for failure to appear at the December 5, 2024 and February 20, 2025, public hearings.
5. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

1. The Board concludes that Big Sky continues to produce its wells while in violation of ARM 36.22.1242, Board Order 168-2024, and Board Order 68-2025.
2. The Board concludes that the requirements of illegal production under ARM 36.22.1245 have been demonstrated.

BOARD ORDER NO. 120-2025

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that Big Sky's wells are shut-in for illegal production per ARM 36.22.1245 until it is in compliance with ARM 36.22.1242 and all outstanding fines have been paid.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sky is fined \$1,000 for failure to appear at the April 10, 2025, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Big Sky must appear at the June 12, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why it should not immediately plug and abandon or transfer its wells in Carbon, Golden Valley, and Stillwater Counties, Montana.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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 D90 ENERGY, LLC APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY ADDITIONAL PENALTIES SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED FOR FAILURE TO FILE DELINQUENT INJECTION REPORTS, FAILURE TO PAY THE PENALTY ASSESSED FOR DELINQUENT REPORTING, AND FAILURE TO PAY THE \$1,000 FINE ASSESSED FOR NOT APPEARING AT THE FEBRUARY 20, 2025, PUBLIC HEARING.

ORDER 121-2025

Docket No. 146-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of D90 Energy, LLC (D90).
3. D90 has an outstanding fine in the amount of \$2,680. This fine amount includes a \$1,680 penalty for delinquent reporting and \$1,000 for failure to appear at the February 20, 2025, public hearing.
4. The evidence indicates that taking the following action will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Conclusions of Law

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

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that D90 is fined \$1,000 for failure to appear at the April 10, 2025, public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that D90 must appear at June 12, 2025, public hearing and show-cause, if any it has, why it should not immediately plug and abandon or transfer its wells in Sheridan County, Montana.



BOARD ORDER NO. 121-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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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 BOARD'S OWN MOTION TO REQUIRE D&A WATER DISPOSAL LLC APPEAR AND SHOW-CAUSE, IF ANY IT HAS, WHY IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSESSED ADDITIONAL PENALTIES OR HAVE ITS PLUGGING AND RECLAMATION BONDS FORFEITED AS PERMITTED BY § 82-11-123(5), MCA FOR FAILURE TO BEGIN TO PLUG AND ABANDON ITS TWO WELLS LOCATED IN SECTION 11, T9N-R58E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA PRIOR TO THE APRIL 10, 2025, PUBLIC HEARING AS REQUIRED BY BOARD ORDER 72-2025.

ORDER 122-2025

Docket No. 147-2025

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on April 10, 2025, at the Board's hearing room at 2535 St. Johns Avenue in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements, exhibits, and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded an opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
2. No one appeared on behalf of D&A Water Disposal LLC (D&A).
3. The total outstanding fine assessed against D&A is \$19,250.
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 IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board that the plugging and reclamation bonds for D&A are hereby forfeited.

IT IS FUTHER ORDERED that the Board pursue legal action to recover the fines and the cost of plugging the two wells in Fallon County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 122-2025

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana,  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.

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