

**PRELIMINARY DOCKET
REGULAR MEETING
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
April 15, 2021
9:00 A.M.**

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The following items are for discussion and possible action:

1. Roll call
2. Approval of the agenda

3. Approval of the March 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes
4. **Case No. 21834: Application of Wildearth Guardians and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to Amend Rules 19.15.29.6, 19.15.29.8, and 19.15.29.15 NMAC.** Pursuant to 19.15.3.8(A) NMAC, Petitioners WildEarth Guardians (“Guardians”) and New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division (“Division”) hereby apply to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission (“Commission”) to amend 19.15.29.6, 19.15.29.8, and 19.15.29.15 NMAC. Currently, the Commission’s rules do not prohibit unauthorized releases of oil, gases, produced water, oil field waste, and other contaminants that occur during oil and gas development and production. The proposed rule would fill that regulatory gap by prohibiting major and minor releases as those terms are defined in the Commission’s rules.
Upon application of WildEarth Guardians and the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, the Oil Conservation Commission will review the request to grant a hearing on the rulemaking.
5. **De Novo Case No. 21744:**
Case No. 21629: Application of Cimarex Energy Co. for Hearing De Novo of Case No. 21629, Eddy County, New Mexico. The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division issued Order No. R21575 in Case No. 21629. Magnum Hunter Production, Inc., an affiliate of Cimarex Energy Co. (collectively referred to herein as “Cimarex”) owned a working interest in the unit pooled by Order No. R-21575, issued pursuant to a hearing held before the Division on January 7, 2021. Cimarex, a party of record adversely affected by Order No. R-21575, requests that the matter raised in this case be heard de novo before the Oil Conservation Commission pursuant to NMSA 1978, §70-2-13.
The Commission will rule on the pending Motion to Dismiss filed by Colgate Operating, LLC.

Upon the application of the New Mexico State Land Office, the following four cases, Nos. 6, 7, 8, and 9, will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Division Rule 19.15.4.23 NMAC:

6. **Case No. 20571 (De Novo): Application of Permian Oilfield Partners, LLC for approval of a salt water disposal well in Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order approving disposal into the Silurian-Devonian formation through the **Bullseye Federal SWD Well #1** well at a surface location 1318 feet from the North Line and 250 feet from the East line of Section 6, Township 25 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico for the purpose of operating a produced water disposal well. Applicant seeks authority to inject produced water into the Silurian-Devonian formation at a depth of approximately 17,453’ to 18,880’. Applicant further seeks approval of the use of 7 inch tubing inside the surface and intermediate casings and 5 ½ inch tubing inside the liner and requests that the Division approve a maximum daily injection rate for the well of 50,000 bbls per day. Said area is located approximately 24.2 miles West of Jal, New Mexico.
7. **Case No. 20572 (De Novo): Application of Permian Oilfield Partners, LLC for approval of a salt water disposal well in Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order approving disposal into the Silurian-Devonian formation through the **Carpenter Bomb Federal SWD Well #1** well at a surface location 1492 feet from the North Line and 250 feet from the West line of Section 12, Township 25 South, Range 33 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico for the purpose of operating a produced water disposal well. Applicant seeks authority to inject produced water into the Silurian-Devonian formation at a depth of approximately 17,615’ to 19,006’. Applicant further seeks approval of the use of 7 inch tubing inside the surface and intermediate casings and 5 ½ inch tubing inside the liner and requests that the Division approve a maximum daily injection rate for

the well of 50,000 bbls per day. Said area is located approximately 20.1 miles west northwest of Jal, New Mexico.

8. **Case No. 20574 (De Novo): Application of Permian Oilfield Partners, LLC for approval of a salt water disposal well in Lea County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order approving disposal into the Silurian-Devonian formation through the **Vortex Federal SWD Well #1** well at a surface location 1151 feet from the North Line and 337 feet from the East line of Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 32 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico for the purpose of operating a produced water disposal well. Applicant seeks authority to inject produced water into the Silurian-Devonian formation at a depth of approximately 16,619' to 18,427'. Applicant further seeks approval of the use of 7 inch tubing inside the surface and intermediate casings and 5 ½ inch tubing inside the liner and requests that the Division approve a maximum daily injection rate for the well of 50,000 bbls per day. Said area is located approximately 20.1 miles west northwest of Jal, New Mexico.

(De Novo Case No. 20961)

9. **Case No. 21233: Application of Permian Oilfield Partners, LLC for approval of a salt water disposal well in Eddy County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an order approving disposal into the Devonian-Silurian formation through the **Ramrod Fee SWD #1** well at a surface location 323 feet from the South line and 2,227 feet from the East line of Section 17, Township 21 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico for the purpose of operating a salt water disposal well. Applicant seeks authority to inject salt water into the Devonian-Silurian formation at a depth of 12,851' to 13,530'. Applicant further seeks approval of the use of 7 inch tubing inside the surface and intermediate casings and 5.5 inch tubing inside the liner and requests that the Division approve a maximum daily injection rate for the well of 50,000 bbls per day.
10. Pending litigation
11. Other business
12. Next meeting – May 13, 2021
13. Adjournment