

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
BOARD OF MINERALS AND ENVIRONMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF
GULF EXPLORATION, L.L.C. FOR AN
EXCEPTION LOCATION FOR AN OIL
WELL IN THE NE1/4 SW1/4 OF SECTION
9, T11S, R1E, B.H.M., FALL RIVER
COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Case No. 4-2022

PETITION

Gulf Exploration, L.L.C., by and through its attorney Brett Koenecke of May, Adam, Gerdes & Thompson LLP of Pierre, South Dakota, hereby petitions the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources for an exception location for an oil well as follows:

1. Gulf Exploration, L.L.C. (Gulf) holds an oil and gas leasehold interest in the above-captioned parcel of property.
2. Gulf will file an Application for Permit to Drill (“APD”) with DANR for the drilling of the Operation Teardrop #1-9 oil well.
3. The location proposed for the Operation Teardrop #1-9 oil well in the APD is 2200’ FSL and 2100’ FWL (NE1/4SW1/4) in Section 9, T11S, R1E, B.H.M., Alum Creek Field, Fall River County, South Dakota. Such location will be an exception location because it is located within 500 feet of a spacing unit boundary established in Order 2-81, that between the SW1/4 of Section 9 and the SE/4 of Section 9, T11S, R1E, B.H.M.
4. The exception location is requested because the location is chosen based upon new three-dimensional seismic interpretation. If the proposed well is not drilled at the requested exception location, it would be unlikely to produce in economic quantities.
5. This petition is made pursuant to SDCL 45-9-27 and ARSD 74:12:02:08.

6. The mineral owner in the affected land is:

United States Department of the Interior
North Dakota Field Office
Bureau of Land Management
2933 Third Avenue West
Dickinson, North Dakota 58601-2619

7. The mineral owner in the land adjacent to the proposed exception location is:

TETRAD CORPORATION, a Wyoming Corporation
Willis Williams, Manager of Oil Operations
P.O. Box 159
Elk Mountain, Wyoming 82324

Dated this 29th day of August, 2022.

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