

#### west virginia department of environmental protection

Office of Oil and Gas 601 57th Street, S.E. Charleston, WV 25304 (304) 926-0450 fax: (304) 926-0452

Harold D. Ward, Cabinet Secretary www.dep.wv.gov

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 WELL WORK PERMIT Horizontal 6A / New Drill

ARSENAL RESOURCES LLC 6031 WALLACE RD EXT., SUITE 101

WEXFORD, PA 15090

Re:

Permit approval for FLANDERS 202

47-091-01384-00-00

This well work permit is evidence of permission granted to perform the specified well work at the location described on the attached pages and located on the attached plat, subject to the provisions of Chapter 22 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended, and all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and to any additional specific conditions and provisions outlined in the pages attached hereto. Notification shall be given by the operator to the Oil and Gas Inspector at least 24 hours prior to the construction of roads, locations, and/or pits for any permitted work. In addition, the well operator shall notify the same inspector 24 hours before any actual well work is commenced and prior to running and cementing casing. Spills or emergency discharges must be promptly reported by the operator to 1-800-642-3074 and to the Oil and Gas Inspector.

Please be advised that form WR-35. Well Operators Report of Well Work is to be submitted to this office within 90 days of completion of permitted well work, as should form WR-34 Discharge Monitoring Report within 30 days of discharge of pits, if applicable. Failure to abide by all statutory and regulatory provisions governing all duties and operations hereunder may result in suspension or revocation of this permit and, in addition, may result in civil and/or criminal penalties being imposed upon the operators.

Per 35 CSR 4-5.2 g this permit will expire in two (2) years from the issue date unless permitted well work is commenced. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at (304) 926, 0450.

Operator's Well Number: FLANDERS 202

Farm Name: ATLAS SHRUGGING, LLC

U.S. WELL NUMBER: 47-091-01384-00-00

Horizontal 6A New Drill

Date Issued: 9/9/2025

Promoting a healthy environment.

API Number: **47-091-01384** 

#### PERMIT CONDITIONS

West Virginia Code § 22-6A-8(d) allows the Office of Oil and Gas to place specific conditions upon this permit. Permit conditions have the same effect as law. Failure to adhere to the specified permit conditions may result in enforcement action.

#### **CONDITIONS**

- 1. This proposed activity may require permit coverage from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Through this permit, you are hereby being advised to consult with USACE regarding this proposed activity.
- 2. If the operator encounters an unanticipated void, or an anticipated void at an unanticipated depth, the operator shall notify the inspector within 24 hours. Modifications to the casing program may be necessary to comply with W. Va. Code § 22-6A-5a (12), which requires drilling to a minimum depth of thirty feet below the bottom of the void, and installing a minimum of twenty (20) feet of casing. Under no circumstance should the operator drill more than one hundred (100) feet below the bottom of the void or install less than twenty (20) feet of casing below the bottom of the void.
- 3. When compacting fills, each lift before compaction shall not be more than 12 inches in height, and the moisture content of the fill material shall be within limits as determined by the Standard Proctor Density test of the actual soils used in specific engineered fill, ASTM D698, Standard Test Method for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort, to achieve 95 % compaction of the optimum density. Each lift shall be tested for compaction, with a minimum of two tests per lift per acre of fill. All test results shall be maintained on site and available for review.
- 4. Operator shall install signage per § 22-6A-8g (6) (B) at all source water locations included in their approved water management plan within 24 hours of water management plan activation.
- 5. Oil and gas water supply wells will be registered with the Office of Oil and Gas and all such wells will be constructed and plugged in accordance with the standards of the Bureau for Public Health set forth in its Legislative rule entitled *Water Well Regulations*, 64 C.S.R. 19. Operator is to contact the Bureau of Public Health regarding permit requirements. In lieu of plugging, the operator may transfer the well to the surface owner upon agreement of the parties. All drinking water wells within fifteen hundred feet of the water supply well shall be flow tested by the operator upon request of the drinking well owner prior to operating the water supply well.
- 6. Pursuant to the requirements pertaining to the sampling of domestic water supply wells/springs the operator shall, no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of analytical data provide a written copy to the Chief and any of the users who may have requested such analyses.
- 7. Notification shall be given by the operator to the Oil and Gas Inspector at least 24 hours prior to the construction of roads, locations and/or pits for any permitted work. In addition, the well operator shall notify the same inspector 24 hours before any actual well work is commenced and prior to running and cementing casing. Also, 24 hours prior to the initiation of the completion process the operator shall notify the Chief or his designee.
- 8. During the completion process the operator shall monitor annular pressures and report any anomaly noticed to the chief or his designee immediately.
- 9. If any explosion or other accident causing loss of life or serious personal injury occurs in or about a well or well work on a well, the well operator or its contractor shall give notice, stating the particulars of the explosion or accident, to the oil and gas inspector and the Chief, within 24 hours of said accident.
- 10. During the casing and cementing process, in the event cement does not return to the surface, the oil and gas inspector shall be notified within 24 hours.
- 11. The operator shall provide to the Office of Oil and Gas the dates of each of the following within 30 days of their occurrence: completion of construction of the well pad, commencement of drilling, cessation of drilling, completion of any other permitted well work, and completion of the well. Such notice shall be provided by sending an email to DEPOOGNotify@wv.gov.

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API NO. 47- <u>091</u>	
OPERATOR WELL	NO. 202
Well Pad Name:	Flanders

## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS WELL WORK PERMIT APPLICATION

1) Well Operat	or Arsena	l Resources		494519412	Taylor	Courthou	Grafton	
i) wen operat			<del></del>	Operator ID	County		<u> </u>	
2) Omanatan'a I	\$711	202		-			Quadrangle	
2) Operator's V	weii Numbei	r: <u>202</u>	<del></del>	Well Pad Name: Flanders				
3) Farm Name	Surface Ow	ner: Atlas Sh	rugging,	LLC Public Road	d Access: CR-	11/Wendel	Road	
4) Elevation, co	urrent ground	d: <u>1250.</u> 91	<u>'</u> Ele	vation, proposed p	oost-constructio	n: <u>1250.0</u>	0'	
5) Well Type	(a) Gas	<u> </u>	Oil	Unde	rground Storag	e		
	Other							
	(b)If Gas	Shallow	<u> </u>	Deep	<del> </del>			
		Horizontal	X					
6) Existing Pad	: Yes or No	No		<del></del>				
7) Proposed Ta	rget Formati	on(s), Depth(s	s), Anticip	pated Thickness ar	nd Expected Pro	essure(s):		
Marcellus Sh	ale, 7,642' (T	VD Top) - 7,7	12' (TVD E	Bottom), 70 ft, 0.5 p	si/ft			
8) Proposed To	tal Vertical I	Depth: 7,702	2'				RECEIVED	
9) Formation at	Total Vertic	al Depth: M	larcellus	Shale		0	ffice of Oil and Gas	
10) Proposed T	otal Measure	ed Depth: 9,	670'				AUG 0 4 2025	
11) Proposed H	orizontal Le	g Length: 0'				\ Envi	NV Department of ronmental Protection	
12) Approximat	te Fresh Wat	er Strata Dept	ths:	55', 74', 140', 160	)', 500', 700', 9	45'		
13) Method to I	Determine Fr	esh Water De	pths: Off	setting well reported wa	ter depths (091-006	30, 091-00912	, 091-00623, 091-00619)	
14) Approximat	te Saltwater	Depths: Non	e expecte	ed		<u> </u>	<u>_</u>	
15) Approximat	e Coal Seam	Depths: Pitts	burgh-57', Ha	rlem-427', Lower Freeport	-727', Upper Kittannin	g-792', Middle K	(ittanning-842', Clarion-837'	
16) Approximat	e Depth to P	ossible Void	(coal mine	e, karst, other): N	one expected			
17) Does Propos directly overlyin	sed well loca ig or adjacen	ition contain c it to an active	oal seams mine?	Yes	No	X		
(a) If Yes, prov	vide Mine In	fo: Name:						
		Depth:						
		Seam:						
		Owner:						

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OPERATOR WELL NO. 202 Well Pad Name: Flanders

#### 18)

#### **CASING AND TUBING PROGRAM**

ТҮРЕ	Size (in)	New or Used	<u>Grade</u>	Weight per ft. (lb/ft)	FOOTAGE: For Drilling (ft)	INTERVALS: Left in Well (ft)	CEMENT: Fill-up (Cu. Ft.)/CTS
Conductor	24	New	H-40	94	80	80	CTS
Fresh Water	13.375	New	J-55	54.5	1,000	1,000	CTS
Coal							
Intermediate	9.625	New	J-55	40	2,000	2,000	CTS
Production	5.5	New	P-110	23	9,670	9,670	TOC @ 1,850
Tubing							
Liners							

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ТҮРЕ	Size (in)	Wellbore Diameter (in)	<u>Wall</u> <u>Thickness</u> (in)	Burst Pressure (psi)	Anticipated Max. Internal Pressure (psi)	Cement Type	Cement Yield (cu. ft./k)
Conductor	24	36			0	Class A/L, 3% CaCl2	1.2
Fresh Water	13.375	17.5	0.38	2,730	900	Class A/L, 3% CaCl2	1.2
Coal					-		
Intermediate	9.625	12.25	0.395	3,950	1,500	Class A/L, 3% CaCl2	1.29
Production	5.5	8.5-8.75	0.415	14,520	9,500	Class A/L, Poz	1.29/1.34
Tubing							
Liners							

#### **PACKERS**

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Sizes:	AUG 0 4 2025
Depths Set:	WV Department of Environmental Protection

## APINO 47 09 10 1384

OPERATOR WELL NO. 202
Well Pad Name: Flanders

19) Describe proposed well work, including the drilling and plugging back of any pilot hole:

The well will be started with a conductor rig drilling a 36" hole to Conductor programmed depth then running 24" casing and circulate cement back to surface. The conductor rig will move out and the drilling rig will move in and rig up. The drilling rig will then spud a 17 ½" hole and drill to fresh water casing (Surface) to the programmed depth, Run 13- 3/8" casing and cement to surface. The rig will continue drilling a 12- ½" intermediate hole to the programmed depth, run 9- 5/8" casing and cement to surface. The rig with then continue to drill an 8- ¾" hole to a designed KOP. We will then start drilling the curve and lateral section to the programmed total measured depth, run 5 ½" casing and cement according to the program.

20) Describe fracturing/stimulating methods in detail, including anticipated max pressure and max rate:

The well will be completed using a plug and perforation method and stimulated with a slickwater and sand slurry. The anticipated maximum rate will be 90 bpm and the maximum pressure will be 11,500 psi.

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21) Total Area to be disturbed, including roads, stockpile area, pits, etc., (acres): 21.83

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22) Area to be disturbed for well pad only, less access road (acres): 8.32

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23) Describe centralizer placement for each casing string:

24"- No centralizers 13 3/8" – one bow spring centralizer on every other joint 9 5/8" – one bow spring centralizer every third joint from TD to surface 5  $\frac{1}{2}$ " – one semi rigid centralizer on every joint from TD of casing to end of curve. Then every other joint to KOP. Every third joint from KOP to 2,650'; there will be no centralizers from 2,650' to surface.

24) Describe all cement additives associated with each cement type:

24" will be circulated to surface. The 13 3/8" casing will be cemented to surface with Class A/L cement and no greater than 3% CaCl2 (calcium chloride). The 9 5/8" casing will be cemented to surface with Class A/L cement, & no greater than 3% calcium chloride. The 5 1/2" production string will be cemented back to 2,350' (+/- 150' above the casing shoe for the 9 5/8") with Class A/L Poz cement retarded (to extend pumpability) cellophane flaked for fluid loss, Bentonite gel placement and possibly gypsum gas blocking additive to aid in blocking/gas migration (in combination with other additive mentioned here, helps cement achieve

25) Proposed borehole conditioning procedures:

Top holes will be drilled with fresh water to KOP. At KOP, the wellbore will be loaded with synthetic oil based mud, barite-weighted mud system with such properties as to build a filter-cake on the face of the borehole. This will provide lubricity as well as stabilize the well bore. We will begin rotating the drill string and mud will be circulated upon reaching TD until no further cuttings are observed coming across the shaker screens. Once clean mud is circulated back to surface, we will pull three stands of drill pipe, load the hole, pull three strands and load the hole. The weight indicator on the rig will be monitored for any occurrences of drag and if any are noticed, we will re-run the previous stand of pipe pulled across and circulate 2x bottoms up while watching shakers for signs of cuttings. Once at the base curve, the string will be continuously rotated while pumping 2x bottoms up. We will pull three stands and fill the hole until we reach the vertical section of the well.

\*Note: Attach additional sheets as needed.

CEMENT ADDITIVES					
	Name	Purpose			
Additive #1:	Bentonite	Helping fluid loss, reducing free water			
Additive #2:	Calcium Chloride	Accelerator for low temp application			
Additive #3:	Celloflake	Loss circulation additive			
Additive #4:	Gypsum	Used for thixotropic properties			
Additive #5:	Lignosulfonate	Low temp cement retarder			
Additive #6:	Naphthalene Based Dispersant	Used to improve rheological properties of cement			
Additive #7:	Cellulose	Help with fluid loss			

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July 31, 2025

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Office of Oil and Gas ATTN: Taylor Brewer 601 57th Street SE Charleston, WV 25304

RE: Flanders #201, 202, 203, 204, 205, and 206 - Permit Application - New Well Permits

Dear Mr. Brewer,

Enclosed please find the permit applications for the Flanders #201, 202, 203, 204, 205, and 206 horizontal wells. The enclosed USB flash drive contains the E&S Plan, Site Safety Plan, and the MSDS.

These permits are filed with short laterals with the intention of future modifications to increase the lateral lengths.

As part of the permit applications for the Flanders #201, 202, 203, 204, 205, and 206 laterals, Arsenal Resources is requesting a cement variance. Arsenal's third-party cement contractors are being switched over to Class L cement and many are unable to secure the required supplies of Class A to meet our operational needs. The modification includes the listing of Class L with Class A Cement allowing for options depending upon our suppliers' product. This requires the modification to Class L based on West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Oil and Gas order number 2022-14.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Sincerely,

**Emily Glick** 

Geologist & Permitting Specialist

(c) 724-759-9612

(e) eglick@arsenalresources.com

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Harold D. Ward, Cabinet Secretary dep.wv.gov

#### BEFORE THE OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE MATTER OF A VARIANCE FROM	)		
LEGISLATIVE RULE 35CSR4	Ś	ORDER NO. 2	2022_14
SECTION 11.5 AND LEGISLATIVE RULE	ń	OMDERNO: 2	LU22-17
35CSR8 SECTION 9.2.h.8.,	Ś		
RELATING TO THE CEMENTING	Ś		
OF OIL AND GAS WELLS	)		

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#### REPORT OF THE OFFICE

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In response to industry requests, the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Protection, Office of Oil and Gas has reviewed the proposed use of American Petroleum Institute (API) Class L cement to be used in place of API Class A cement for well construction.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- On July 14, 2022, Northeast Natural Energy (NNE) submitted a variance request from Legislative Rule 35CSR8 Section 9.2.h.8., for the use of API Class L cement in place of API Class A cement, relating to the construction of horizontal wells.
- Laboratory analysis submitted by NNE on July 14, 2022, indicates API Class L cement is comparable to API Class A cement and thereby satisfies the requirements of the West Virginia Code.
- 3. Contemporaneously, the Chief of the Office of Oil and Gas also chose to consider a variance to Legislative Rule 35CSR4 Section 11.5., for the use of API Class L cement in place of API Class A cement, relating to the construction of vertical wells.

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 On August 18, 2022, the Office of Oil and Gas provided public notice of acceptance of public comments on the variance consideration. During the 20-day public comment period, no comments were received.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Pursuant to Article 6 and Article 6A, Chapter 22 of the Code of West Virginia, the Office of Oil and Gas has jurisdiction over the subject matter, and the persons interested therein, and jurisdiction to promulgate the hereinafter prescribed Order.

Pursuant to Legislative Rule 35CSR4, Section 18 and Legislative Rule 35CSR8, Section 14, the Chief of the Office of Oil and Gas may grant a variance from any requirement of these rules.

#### ORDER

It is ordered that the Class L cement product approved and monogramed by API is approved for use in place of API Class A cement for well construction subject to the provisions of Legislative Rule 35CSR4 and Legislative Rule 35CSR8.

Dated this, the 13th day of September, 2022.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

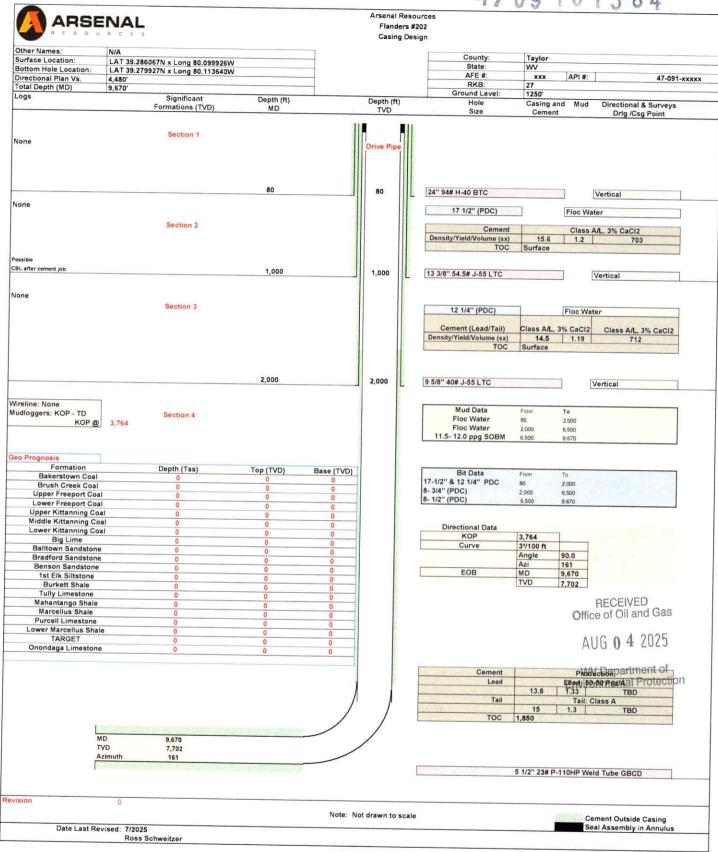
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

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James Martin, Chief Office of Oil and Gas



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API Number 47 - 091 - Operator's Well No. Flanders 202

## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS

FLUIDS/ CUTTINGS DISPOSAL & RECLAMATION PLAN

Operator Name Arsenal Resources	SAL & RECLAMATION PLA	AN
Watershed (HUC 10) Sand Lick Run	OP Code _4	494519412
Do you anticipate using more than 5 000 kHz.	Quadrangle _ Grafton	
Do you anticipate using more than 5,000 bbls of water to comple Will a pit be used? Yes No		es V No
If so, please describe anticipated pit waste:		
Will a synthetic liner be used in the pit? Yes	No If so, what ml ?	
Proposed Disposal Method For Treated Pit Wastes:	50, What hill.:_	
Land Application Underground Injection (UIC Permit N Reuse (at API Number Various Off Site Disposal (Supply form WW-9 Other (Explain	for disposal land:	)
Will closed loop system be used? If so, describe: Yes, the closed loop system Drilling medium anticipated for the control of the closed loop system.		
Drilling medium anticipated for this well (vertical and harizantal)	O. A.: G. al.	auttings on location and then be taken to a landfill
Drilling medium anticipated for this well (vertical and horizontal)  -If oil based, what type? Synthetic, petroleum, etc. synthetic	? Air, freshwater, oil based, etc	Vertical: Freshwater, Horizontal. Oil based mud
Additives to be used in drilling medium? Bentonite, soap & polymer str		
Drill cuttings disposal method? Leave in pit, landfill, removed off	site eta landfill	amer, base oil, emulsifiers, lime, barite
-If left in pit and plan to solidify what medium will be use	od? (coment lime and a)	
-Landfill or offsite name/permit number? Meadowfill Land	ill/Waste Management, Westmorela	ind Sanitary Landfill, Apex Landfill
Permittee shall provide written notice to the Office of Oil and Gas West Virginia solid waste facility. The notice shall be provided wit where it was properly disposed.		
I certify that I understand and agree to the terms and conc on August 1, 2005, by the Office of Oil and Gas of the West Virgin provisions of the permit are enforceable by law. Violations of an law or regulation can lead to enforcement action.  I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examplication form and all attachments thereto and that, based or obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility Company Official Signature  Company Official (Typed Name) Emily Glick	y term or condition of the general amined and am familiar with the my inquiry of those individual	al Protection. I understand that the eral permit and/or other applicable the information submitted on this
Company Official Title Geologist & Permitting Specialist		
Subscribed and sworn before me this 30 th day of	July , 20_2	2-5
My commission expires 6 - 16 - 20 8	Notary Pu	ciblic Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Se SHEILA A MATISZ - Notary Public Allegheny County My Commission Expires June 16, 2029 Commission Number 1460278

Field Reviewed?

Proposed Payar-4-4' T		24 92	
Proposed Revegetation Trea Lime 2.67	_		6.8 average
<del></del> _	Tons/acre or to corre	ect to pH 6.4	
Fertilizer type 10-		<del></del>	
Fertilizer amount 1		lbs/acre	
Mulch_3-4		_Tons/acre	
		Seed Mixtures	
	emporary	Perm	anent
Seed Type	lbs/acre	Seed Type	lbs/acre
Orchard Grass	129	Orchard Grass	129
Rye	93	Rye	93
Clover	24	Clover	24
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## **SITE SAFETY PLAN**

### Flanders Well Pad

911 Address:

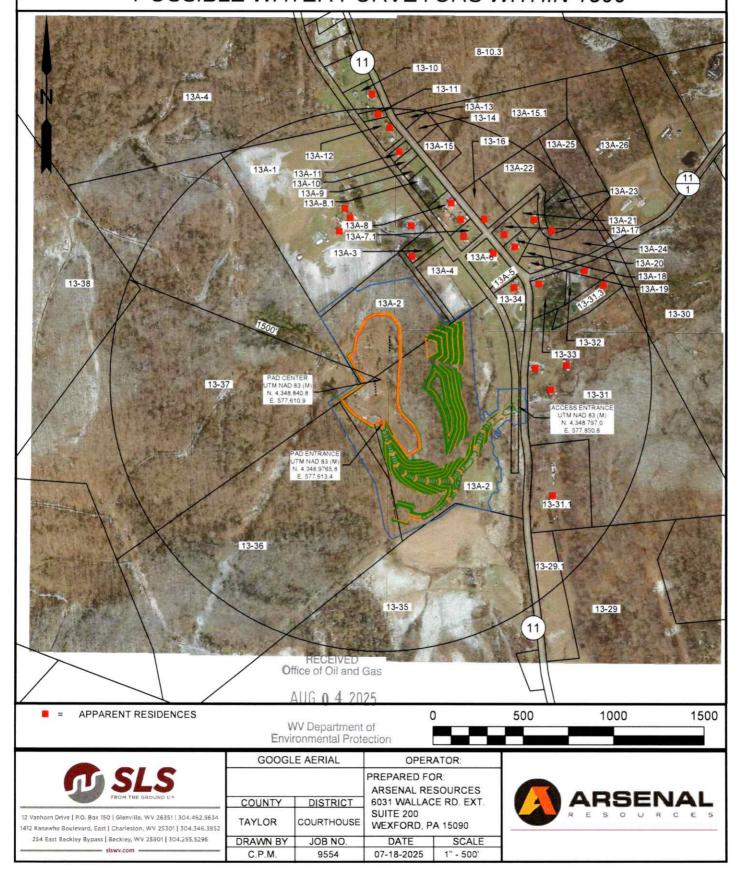
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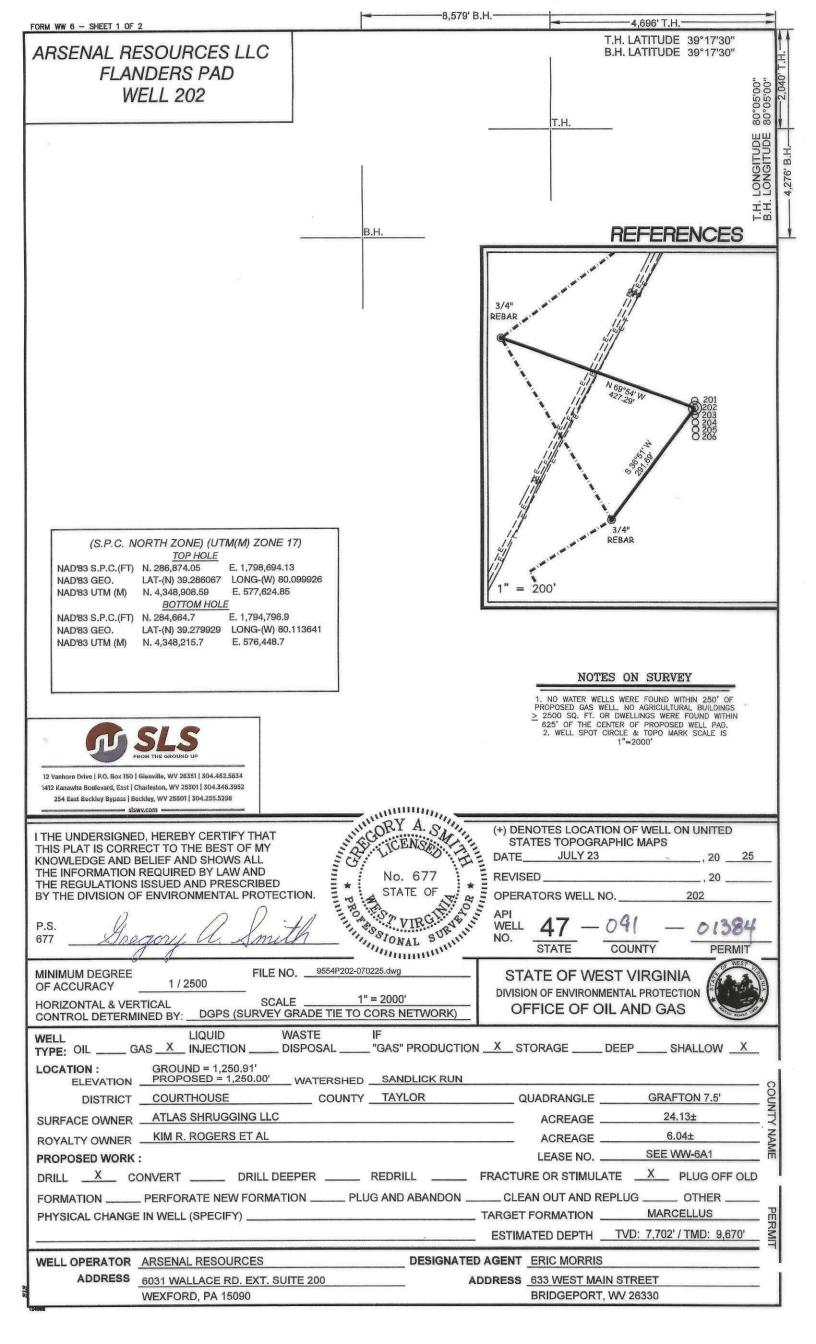
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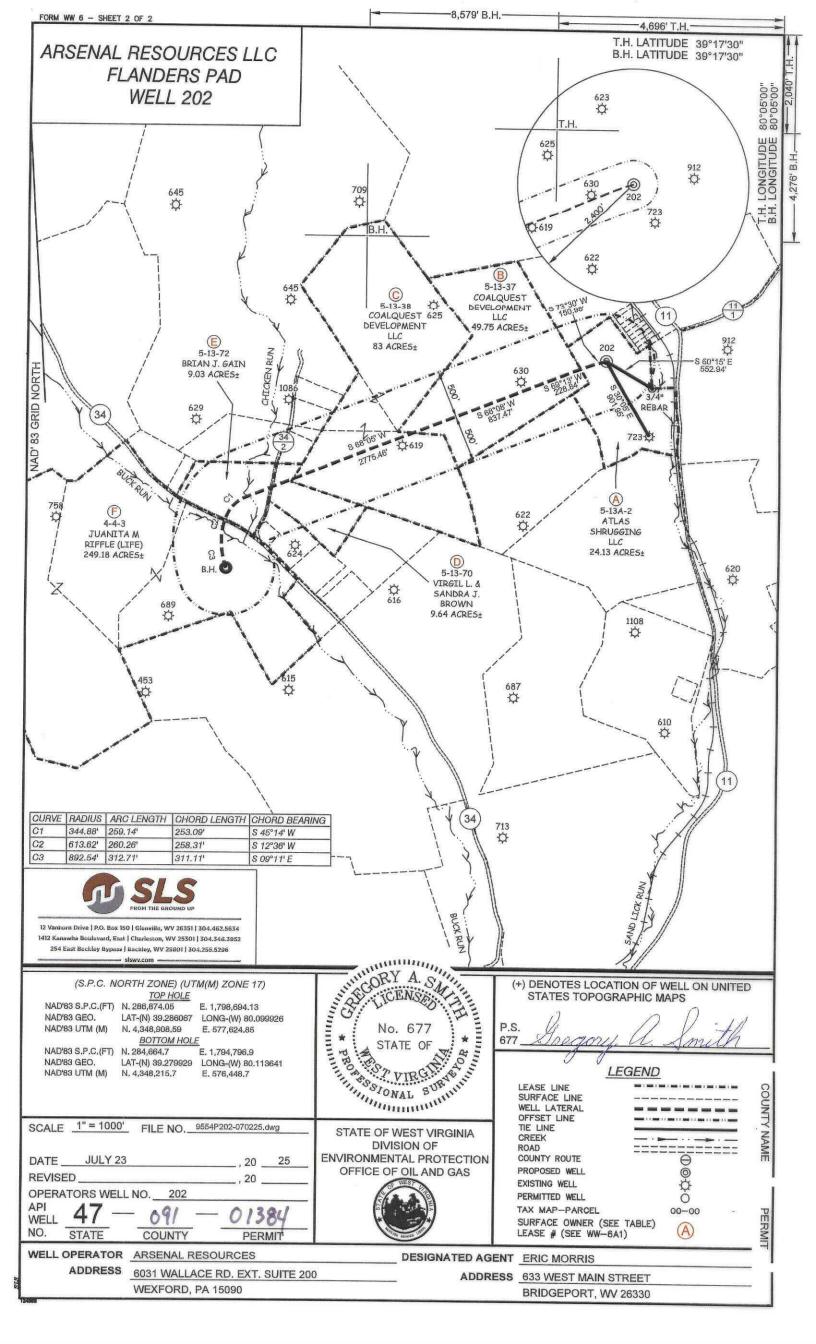
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# ARSENAL RESOURCES FLANDERS WELL PAD POSSIBLE WATER PURVEYORS WITHIN 1500'







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Operator's	Well 1	No. F	landers 202
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#### INFORMATION SUPPLIED UNDER WEST VIRGINIA CODE Chapter 22, Article 6A, Section 5(a)(5) IN LIEU OF FILING LEASE(S) AND OTHER CONTINUING CONTRACT(S)

Under the oath required to make the verification on page 1 of this Notice and Application, I depose and say that I am the person who signed the Notice and Application for the Applicant, and that –

- (1) the tract of land is the same tract described in this Application, partly or wholly depicted in the accompanying plat, and described in the Construction and Reclamation Plan;
- (2) the parties and recordation data (if recorded) for lease(s) or other continuing contract(s) by which the Applicant claims the right to extract, produce or market the oil or gas are as follows:

Lease Name or				
Number	Grantor, Lessor, etc.	Grantee, Lessee, etc.	Royalty	Book/Page

See attached

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## Acknowledgement of Possible Permitting/Approval In Addition to the Office of Oil and Gas

The permit applicant for the proposed well work addressed in this application hereby acknowledges the possibility of the need for permits and/or approvals from local, state, or federal entities in addition to the DEP, Office of Oil and Gas, including but not limited to the following:

- WV Division of Water and Waste Management
- WV Division of Natural Resources WV Division of Highways
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- County Floodplain Coordinator

The applicant further acknowledges that any Office of Oil and Gas permit in no way overrides, replaces, or nullifies the need for other permits/approvals that may be necessary and further affirms that all needed permits/approvals should be acquired from the appropriate authority before the affected activity is initiated.

Well Operator: Arsenal Resources

By: Emily Glick

Its: Geologist & Permitting Specialist

	Attachmen	t to WW-6A1, Flanders 202			
Letter Designation/Number Designation on Plat	Grantor, Lessor, Assignor, etc.	T	Royalty	Book/Page	Acreage
<b>A, B</b> 47-091-5-13A-2 & 47-091-5-13-37 (00004300)	Elladean Railing and Ethel Railing	Petroleum Development Corporation	12.5+%	42/214	106.5475
	Petroleum Development Corporation	PDC Mountaineer LLC	<u>.</u>	30/698	
	PDC Mountaineer LLC	River Ridge Energy, LLC		59/1263	
<b>C</b> 47-091-5-13-38 (00003973)	Elladean Railing and Ethel Railing	Petroleum Development Corporation	12.5+%	42/171	82.4625
	Petroleum Development Corporation	PDC Mountaineer LLC		30/698	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	PDC Mountaineer LLC	River Ridge Energy, LLC		59/1263	
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#### Agreement to Drill, Complete and Operate Oil & Gas Wells

This Agreement to Drill, Complete and Operate Oil & Gas Wells (this "Agreement"), by and among Arsenal Resources LLC, a West Virginia limited liability company ("Arsenal"), River Ridge Energy, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("River Ridge"), and River Ridge Energy, Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("River Ridge Holdings"), is effective as of March 1, 2017. (the "Effective Date") and sets forth the terms pursuant to which Arsenal will drill, complete and operate the Wells (as defined below) on behalf of River Ridge and River Ridge Holdings. Arsenal, River Ridge, and River Ridge Holdings are each a "Party" and are collectively the "Parties". In consideration of the foregoing and the respective agreements hereinafter set forth and the mutual benefits to be derived therefrom, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Term: This Agreement is effective from the Effective Date until terminated by Arsenal on the one hand or River Ridge and River Ridge Holdings on the other hand with 30 days' written notice to the other Party or Parties, as applicable (the "Term").
- Authorization to Operate: River Ridge and River Holdings authorize Arsenal to undertake and perform, on River Ridge and River Ridge Holdings behalf, all operations, including without limitation permit applications, well pad preparation, drilling and completing wells, and marketing gas, oil and other hydrocarbons therefrom with respect to all oil and gas wells to be drilled on oil and gas leasehold acreage held by River Ridge or River Ridge Holdings. River Ridge, River Ridge Holdings and Arsenal are affiliates with a common parent. Arsenal was formed to operate oil and gas leasehold acreage held by River Ridge, River Ridge Holdings and certain other affiliates. Arsenal agrees that it shall, in a good and workmanlike manner and in accordance with industry standards as they prevail in the area, drill, complete and operate oil and gas wells on leasehold acreage owned by River Ridge or River Ridge Holdings from time to time as directed by River Ridge or River Ridge Holdings (collectively, the "Wells").
- 3. No Third Party Beneficiary: This Agreement is for the benefit of the Parties and is not for the benefit of any third party.
- 4. Counterparts: This Agreement may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts and via facsimile or similar electronic transmittal, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

[Signature Page Follows]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Arsenal, River Ridge, and River Ridge Holdings have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

### ARSENAL RESOURCES LLC

Name: Joel E. Symonds

Title: Vice President - Land

RIVER RIDGE ENERGY, LLC

Name: Joel E. Symonds

Title: Vice President - Land

RIVER RIDGE HOLDINGS, LLC

Name: Joel E. Symonds

Title: Vice President - Land



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July 30, 2025

Mr. James Martin, Chief of Oil and Gas West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection 601 57th Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304

RE: Ownership of Roadways; Flanders Unit (Well 202)

Dear Mr. Martin:

In preparation of filing a permit application for the above referenced well, Arsenal Resources has conducted a thorough title examination in order to determine the ownership of the oil and gas underlying roadways crossed by the proposed well(s). If owned in fee by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, a lease covering its interest in the roadway or roadways has been properly obtained and provided in the application materials. If a right of way only, the oil and gas underlying such roadway or roadways is owned by the adjoining landowners and is also covered by the leaseholds provided in the application materials.

If you have any questions, concerns or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address listed below.

Sincerely.

Jon Sheldon

Chief Operating Officer

Jon Sheldon

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### Horizontal Natural Gas Well Work Permit **Application Notice By Publication**

Pursuant to West Virginia Code 22-6A-10(e) prior to filing an application for a permit for a horizontal well the applicant shall publish in the county in which the well is located or is proposed to be located a Class II legal advertisement.

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Applicant: Arsena	Resources		_ Well Numl	per: Flanders	3 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206
Address: 6031 Wa	illace Road Extension, Suite	200			
Business Conducto	ed: Natural gas production				Office of Oil and Gas
Location -					AUG 0 4 2025
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#### Electronic notification:

To receive an email when applications have been received or issued by the Office of Oil and Gas, visit http://www.dep.wv.gov/insidedep/Pages/DEPMailingLists.aspx to sign up.

Copies of the proposed permit application may be reviewed at the WV Department of Environmental Protection headquarters, located at 601 57th Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304 (304-926-0450). Full copies or scans of the proposed permit application will cost \$15, whether mailed or obtained at DEP headquarters. Copies may be requested by calling the office or by sending an email to <u>DEP.comments@wv.gov</u>.

Comments may be submitted online at <a href="https://apps.dep.wv.gov/oog/comments/comments.cfm">https://apps.dep.wv.gov/oog/comments/comments.cfm</a>, or by letter to Permit Review, Office of Oil and Gas, 601 57th Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304. Please reference the county, well number, and operator when using this option.

Regardless of format for comment submissions, they must be received no later than thirty days after the permit application is received by the Office of Oil and Gas.

For information related to horizontal drilling visit: <a href="www.dep.wv.gov/oil-and-gas/pages/default.aspx">www.dep.wv.gov/oil-and-gas/pages/default.aspx</a>

Date of Notice Certification: 07/30/2025

### 4709101384

API No. 47- 091

## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS NOTICE CERTIFICATION

			Operator's	s Well No. 20	2
BY	Weil Pad Name: Flanders				
Pursuant to the	been given: he provisions in West Virginia Code tract of land as follows:	§ 22-6A, the Operator has prov			
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County:	Taylor	———— UTM NAD 83	Northing:	4,348,840.8	<del></del>
District:	Courthouse	Public Road Acce	ecc.	CR-11/Wendel	
Quadrangle:	Grafton	Generally used fa	rm name	Atlas Shrugging	
Watershed:	Sand Lick Run			rada omogging	
it has provide information re of giving the requirements Virginia Code of this article	West Virginia Code § 22-6A-7(b), the secretary, shall be verified and ed the owners of the surface descrequired by subsections (b) and (c), s surface owner notice of entry to s of subsection (b), section sixteen (c) § 22-6A-11(b), the applicant shall have been completed by the applica	ibed in subdivisions (1), (2) arection sixteen of this article; (ii) urvey pursuant to subsection (a of this article were waived in tender proof of and certify to the nt.	rmation: (14) substitute (14), substitute (14), section the rectary (15) and the rectary (15) are secretary	4) A certificat section (b), sequirement was sen of this art the surface of that the notice.	ion from the operator that (section ten of this article, the section ten of this article, the deemed satisfied as a resuricle six-a; or (iii) the notice
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#### Required Attachments:

The Operator shall attach to this Notice Certification Form all Notice Forms and Certifications of Notice that have been provided to the required parties and/or any associated written waivers. For the Public Notice, the operator shall attach a copy of the Class II Legal Advertisement with publication date verification or the associated Affidavit of Publication. The attached Notice Forms and Certifications of Notice shall serve as proof that the required parties have been noticed as required under West Virginia Code § 22-6A. Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-11(b), the Certification of Notice to the person may be made by affidavit of personal service, the return receipt card or other postal receipt for certified mailing.

### Certification of Notice is hereby given:

Well Operator: Arsenal Resources
By: Emily Glick

Its: Geologist & Permitting Specialist

Telephone: 724-940-1100

Address: 6031 Wallace Road Ext Suite, 200

Wexford, PA 15090

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Facsimile: 800-428-0981

Email: eglick@arsenalresources.com

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary S.
SHEILA A MATISZ - Notary Public
Allegheny County
My Commission Expires June 16, 2029
Commission Number 1460278

Subscribed and sworn before me this 3

) Notary Public

My Commission Expires

Oil and Gas Privacy Notice:

The Office of Oil and Gas processes your personal information, such as name, address and telephone number, as part of our regulatory duties. Your personal information may be disclosed to other State agencies or third parties in the normal course of business or as needed to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements, including Freedom of Information Act requests. Our office will appropriately secure your personal information. If you have any questions about our use or your personal information, please contact DEP's Chief Privacy Officer at depprivacyofficer@wv.gov.

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Well Pad Name: Flanders

## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice Time Requirement: notice shall be provided no later	than the filing date of permit application.	
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Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 22-6A-10(b) no later than the filing d certificate of approval for the construction of an impoundment of	CEIPT OR SIGNATURE CONFIRMATION	
registered mail or by any method of delivery that requires a receip sediment control plan required by section seven of this article, and the surface of the tract on which the well is or is proposed to be lead to ill and gas leasehold being developed by the proposed well work described in the erosion and sediment control plan submitted purpoperator or lessee, in the event the tract of land on which the well more coal seams; (4) The owners of record of the surface tract or well work, if the surface tract is to be used for the placement, contimpoundment or pit as described in section nine of this article; (5 have a water well, spring or water supply source located within or provide water for consumption by humans or domestic animals; a proposed well work activity is to take place. (c)(1) If more than the subsection (b) of this section hold interests in the lands, the application of the sheriff required to be maintained pursuant to section provision of this article to the contrary, notice to a lien holder is not code R. § 35-8-5.7.a requires, in part, that the operator shall also water purveyor or surface owner subject to notice and water testing	and the well plat to each of the following persons: ( ocated; (2) The owners of record of the surface tra is, if the surface tract is to be used for roads or othe suant to subsection (c), section seven of this article proposed to be drilled is located [sic] is known to tracts overlying the oil and gas leasehold being de istruction, enlargement, alteration, repair, removal Any surface owner or water purveyor who is known the thousand five hundred feet of the center of the tract of the operator of any natural gas storage field the tenants in common or other co-owners of interestent may serve the documents required upon the pa in eight, article one, chapter eleven-a of this code. Out notice to a landowner, unless the lien holder is	1) The owners of record of tet or tracts overlying the r land disturbance as e; (3) The coal owner, to be underlain by one or eveloped by the proposed or abandonment of any own to the applicant to well pad which is used to d within which the rests described in the (2) Notwithstanding any
☐ Application Notice ☐ WSSP Notice ☐ E&S Plan Notice	ce	
☑ SURFACE OWNER(s)		•
Name: Atlas Shrugging LLC	COAL OWNER OR LESSEE	
Address: 205 Center Oak Drive	Name: See attached	RECEIVED Office of Oil and Gas
Cranberry Twp, PA 16066	Address:	- Onice of Off and Gas
Name:	☐ COAL OPERATOR	AUG 0 4 2025
Address:	Name:	
	Address:	WV Department of
☑ SURFACE OWNER(s) (Road and/or Other Disturbance)		Environmental Protection
Name: Atlas Shrugging LLC	SURFACE OWNER OF WATER WELL	
Address: 205 Center Oak Drive	AND/OR WATER PURVEYOR(s)	
Cranberry Twp, PA 16066		
Name:	Name: See attached Address:	
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	OPERATOR OF ANY NATURAL GAS S	TOPAGE FIELD
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Name:	Name:Address:	
Address:		
	*Please attach additional forms if necessary	=

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OPERATOR WELL NO. 202

Well Pad Name: Flanders

#### Notice is hereby given:

Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-10(b), notice is hereby given that the undersigned well operator has applied for a permit for well work or for a certificate of approval for the construction of an impoundment or pit.

#### This Notice Shall Include:

Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 22-6A-10(b), this notice shall include: (1) copies of the application; (2) the erosion and sediment control plan required by section seven of this article; and (3) the well plat.

Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 22-6A-10(f), this notice shall include: (1) a statement of the time limits for filing written comments; (2) who may file written comments; (3) the name and address of the secretary for the purpose of filing the comments and obtaining additional information; and (4) a statement that the persons may request, at the time of submitting written comments, notice of the permit decision and a list of persons qualified to test water.

Pursuant to W. Va. Code R. § 35-8-5.7.a, the operator shall provide the Well Site Safety Plan to the surface owner and any water purveyor or surface owner subject to notice and water testing as provided in section 15 of this rule.

Pursuant to W. Va. Code R. § 35-8-15.2.c, this notice shall: (1) contain a statement of the surface owner's and water purveyor's right to request sampling and analysis; (2) advise the surface owner and water purveyor of the rebuttable presumption for contamination or deprivation of a fresh water source or supply; advise the surface owner and water purveyor that refusal to allow the operator to conduct a pre-drilling water well test constitutes a method to rebut the presumption of liability; (3) advise the surface owner and water purveyor of his or her independent right to sample and analyze any water supply at his or her own expense; advise the surface owner and water purveyor whether or not the operator will utilize an independent laboratory to analyze any sample; and (4) advise the surface owner and or water purveyor that he or she can obtain from the Chief a list of water testing laboratories in the subject area capable of and qualified to test water supplies in accordance with standard acceptable methods.

Additional information related to horizontal drilling may be obtained from the Secretary, at the WV Department of Environmental Protection headquarters, located at 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, SE, Charleston, WV 25304 (304-926-0450) or by visiting wear of and-gas/pages/default.aspx.

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#### Well Location Restrictions

Pursuant to W. Va. Code § 22-6A-12, Wells may not be drilled within two hundred fifty feet measured horizontally from any existing water well or developed spring used for human or domestic animal consumption. The center of well pads may not be located within six hundred twenty-five feet of an occupied dwelling structure, or a building two thousand five hundred square feet or larger used to house or shelter dairy cattle or poultry husbandry. This limitation is applicable to those wells, developed springs, dwellings or agricultural buildings that existed on the date a notice to the surface owner of planned entry for surveying or staking as provided in section ten of this article or a notice of intent to drill a horizontal well as provided in subsection (b), section sixteen of this article was provided, whichever occurs first, and to any dwelling under construction prior to that date. This limitation may be waived by written consent of the surface owner transmitted to the department and recorded in the real property records maintained by the clerk of the county commission for the county in which such property is located. Furthermore, the well operator may be granted a variance by the secretary from these distance restrictions upon submission of a plan which identifies the sufficient measures, facilities or practices to be employed during well site construction, drilling and operations. The variance, if granted, shall include terms and conditions the department requires to ensure the safety and protection of affected persons and property. The terms and conditions may include insurance, bonding and indemnification, as well as technical requirements. (b) No well pad may be prepared or well drilled within one hundred feet measured horizontally from any perennial stream, natural or artificial lake, pond or reservoir, or a wetland, or within three hundred feet of a naturally reproducing trout stream. No well pad may be located within one thousand feet of a surface or ground water intake of a public water supply. The distance from the public water supply as identified by the department shall be measured as follows: (1) For a surface water intake on a lake or reservoir, the distance shall be measured from the boundary of the lake or reservoir. (2) For a surface water intake on a flowing stream, the distance shall be measured from a semicircular radius extending upstream of the surface water intake. (3) For a groundwater source, the distance shall be measured from the wellhead or spring. The department may, in its discretion, waive these distance restrictions upon submission of a plan identifying sufficient measures, facilities or practices to be employed during well site construction, drilling and operations to protect the waters of the state. A waiver, if granted, shall impose any permit conditions as the secretary considers necessary. (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, nothing contained in this section prevents an operator from conducting the activities permitted or authorized by a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit or other approval from the United States Army Corps of Engineers within any waters of the state or within the restricted areas referenced in this section. (d) The well location restrictions set forth in this section shall not apply to any well on a multiple well pad if at least one of the wells was permitted prior to the effective date of this article. (e) The secretary shall, by December 31, 2012, report to the Legislature on the noise, light, dust and volatile organic compounds generated by the drilling of horizontal wells as they relate to the well location restrictions regarding occupied dwelling structures pursuant to this section. Upon a finding, if any, by the secretary that the well location restrictions regarding occupied dwelling structures are inadequate or otherwise require alteration to address the items

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Well Pad Name: Flanders

examined in the study required by this subsection, the secretary shall have the authority to propose for promulgation legislative rules establishing guidelines and procedures regarding reasonable levels of noise, light, dust and volatile organic compounds relating to drilling horizontal wells, including reasonable means of mitigating such factors, if necessary.

#### Water Well Testing:

Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-10(d), notification shall be made, with respect to surface landowners identified in subsection (b) or water purveyors identified in subdivision (5), subsection (b) of this section, of the opportunity for testing their water well. The operator shall provide an analysis to such surface landowner or water purveyor at their request.

#### Water Testing Laboratories:

Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-10(i), persons entitled to notice pursuant to subsection (b) of this section may contact the department to ascertain the names and locations of water testing laboratories in the subject area capable and qualified to test water supplies in accordance with standard accepted methods. In compiling that list of names the department shall consult with the state Bureau for Public Health and local health departments. A surface owner and water purveyor has an independent right to sample and analyze any water supply at his or her own expense. The laboratory utilized by the operator shall be approved by the agency as being certified and capable of performing sample analyses in accordance with this section.

#### Rebuttable Presumption for Contamination or Deprivation of a Fresh Water Source or Supply:

W. Va. Code § 22-6A-18 requires that (b) unless rebutted by one of the defenses established in subsection (c) of this section, in any action for contamination or deprivation of a fresh water source or supply within one thousand five hundred feet of the center of the well pad for horizontal well, there is a rebuttable presumption that the drilling and the oil or gas well or either was the proximate cause of the contamination or deprivation of the fresh water source or supply. (c) In order to rebut the presumption of liability established in subsection (b) of this section, the operator must prove by a preponderance of the evidence one of the following defenses: (1) The pollution existed prior to the drilling or alteration activity as determined by a predrilling or prealteration water well test. (2) The landowner or water purveyor refused to allow the operator access to the property to conduct a predrilling or prealteration water well test. (3) The water supply is not within one thousand five hundred feet of the well. (4) The pollution occurred more than six months after completion of drilling or alteration activities. (5) The pollution occurred as the result of some cause other than the drilling or alteration activity. (d) Any operator electing to preserve its defenses under subdivision (1), subsection (c) of this section shall retain the services of an independent certified laboratory to conduct the predrilling or prealteration water well test. A copy of the results of the test shall be submitted to the department and the surface owner or water purveyor in a manner prescribed by the secretary. (e) Any operator shall replace the water supply of an owner of interest in real property who obtains all or part of that owner's supply of water for domestic, agricultural, industrial or other legitimate use from an underground or surface source with a comparable water supply where the secretary determines that the water supply has been affected by contamination, diminution or interruption proximately caused by the oil or gas operation, unless waived in writing by that owner. (f) The secretary may order the operator conducting the oil or gas operation to: (1) Provide an emergency drinking water supply within twenty-four hours; (2) Provide temporary water supply within seventy-two hours; (3) Within thirty days begin activities to establish a permanent water supply or submit a proposal to the secretary outlining the measures and timetables to be used in establishing a permanent supply. The total time in providing a permanent water supply may not exceed two years. If the operator demonstrates that providing a permanent replacement water supply cannot be completed within two years, the secretary may extend the time frame on case-by-case basis; and (4) Pay all reasonable costs incurred by the real property owner in securing a water supply. (g) A person as described in subsection (b) of this section aggrieved under the provisions of subsections (b), (e) or (f) of this section may seek relief in court... (i) Notwithstanding the denial of the operator of responsibility for the damage to the real property owner's water supply or the status of any appeal on determination of liability for the damage to the real property owner's water supply, the operator may not discontinue providing the required water service until authorized to do so by the secretary or a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### Written Comment:

Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-11(a), all persons described in subsection (b), section ten of this article may file written comments with the secretary as to the location or construction of the applicant's proposed well work within thirty days after the application is filed with the secretary. All persons described in West Virginia Code § 22-6A-10(b) may file written comments application or construction of the applicant's proposed well work to the Secretary at:

Office of Oil and Gas

Chief, Office of Oil and Gas
Department of Environmental Protection
601 57<sup>th</sup> St. SE
Charleston, WV 25304
(304) 926-0450

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Such persons may request, at the time of submitting written comments, notice of the permit decision and a list of persons qualified to test water. **NOTE: YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE ANY COMMENT.** 

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Well Pad Name: Flanders

#### Time Limits and Methods for Filing Comments.

The law requires these materials to be served on or before the date the operator files its Application. You have **THIRTY (30) DAYS** after the filing date to file your comments. Comments must be filed in person or received in the mail by the Chief's office by the time stated above. You may call the Chief's office to be sure of the date. Check with your postmaster to ensure adequate delivery time or to arrange special expedited handling. If you have been contacted by the well operator and you have signed a "voluntary statement of no objection" to the planned work described in these materials, then the permit may be issued at any time.

Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-11(c)(2), Any objections of the affected coal operators and coal seam owners and lessees shall be addressed through the processes and procedures that exist under sections fifteen, seventeen and forty, article six of this entitled to notice under subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (5) and (6), subsection (b), section ten of this article shall be considered by the secretary in the permit issuance process, but the parties are not entitled to participate in the processes and proceedings that exist under sections fifteen, seventeen or forty, article six of this chapter, as applicable and as incorporated into this article by section five of this article.

#### **Comment Requirements**

Your comments must be in writing and include your name, address and telephone number, the well operator's name and well number and the approximate location of the proposed well site including district and county from the application. You may add other documents, such as sketches, maps or photographs to support your comments.

Disclaimer: All comments received will be placed on our web site <a href="http://www.dep.wv.gov/oil-and-gas/Horizontal-Permits/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.dep.wv.gov/oil-and-gas/Horizontal-Permits/Pages/default.aspx</a> and the applicant will automatically be forwarded an email notice that such comments have been submitted. The applicant will be expected to provide a response to comments submitted by any surface owner, water purveyor or natural gas storage operator noticed within the application.

#### Permit Denial or Condition

The Chief has the power to deny or condition a well work permit. Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-8(d), the permit may not be issued or be conditioned, including conditions with respect to the location of the well and access roads prior to issuance if the director determines that:

- (1) The proposed well work will constitute a hazard to the safety of persons;
- (2) The plan for soil erosion and sediment control is not adequate or effective;
- (3) Damage would occur to publicly owned lands or resources; or
- (4) The proposed well work fails to protect fresh water sources or supplies.

A permit may also be denied under West Virginia Code § 22-6A-7(k), the secretary shall deny the issuance of a permit if the secretary determines that the applicant has committed a substantial violation of a previously issued permit for a horizontal well, including the applicable erosion and sediment control plan associated with the previously issued permit, or a substantial violation of one or more of the rules promulgated under this article, and in each instance has failed to abate or seek review of the violation within the time prescribed by the secretary pursuant to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2), subsection (a), section five of this article and the rules promulgated hereunder, which time may not be unreasonable.

Pursuant to West Virginia Code § 22-6A-10(g), any person entitled to submit written comments to the secretary pursuant to subsection (a), section eleven of this article, shall also be entitled to receive from the secretary a copy of the permit as issued or a copy of the order modifying or denying the permit if the person requests receipt of them as a part of the written comments submitted concerning the permit application. Such persons may request, at the time of submitting written comments, notice of the permit decision and a list of persons qualified to test water.

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API NO. 47-090 -OPERATOR WELL NO. 202 Well Pad Name: Flanders Address: 6031 Wallace Road Ext, Suite 200

Telephone: 724-940-1100 Email: eglick@arsenalresources.com

#### Oil and Gas Privacy Notice:

Notice is hereby given by: Well Operator: Arsenal Resources

The Office of Oil and Gas processes your personal information, such as name, address and telephone number, as part of our regulatory duties. Your personal information may be disclosed to other State agencies or third parties in the normal course of business or as needed to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements, including Freedom of Information Act requests. Our office will appropriately secure your personal information. If you have any questions about our use or your personal information, please contact DEP's Chief Privacy Officer at depprivacyofficer@wv.gov.

Wexford, PA 15090

Facsimile: 800-428-0981

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Subscribed and sworn before me this 31 day of July, 2025 My Commission Expires June 29 2026

> W Department of Environmental Protection

WW-6A3 (1/12) Operator Well No. Flanders 201

## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS NOTICE OF ENTRY FOR PLAT SURVEY

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## STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS NOTICE OF PLANNED OPERATION

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## WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Deputy Secretary of Transportation

Stephen T. Rumbaugh, P.E. Secretary of Transportation Commissioner of Highways

July 7, 2025

James A. Martin, Chief Office of Oil and Gas Department of Environmental Protection 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, SE Charleston, WV 25304

Subject: DOH Permit for the Flanders Well Pad, Taylor County

Flanders 201 Well Site Flanders 202 Well Site Flanders 203 Well Site Flanders 204 Well Site Flanders 205 Well Site Flanders 206 Well Site

Dear Mr. Martin,

This well site will be accessed from a DOH permit #04-2025-8035 which has been issued to Arsenal Resources, LLC for access to the State Road for a well site located off Taylor County Route 11 SLS MP 1.282.

This operator is in compliance with §22-6A-20 of the WV Code. Operator has signed a STATEWIDE OIL AND GAS ROAD MAINTENANCE BONDING AGREEMENT and provided the required Bond. This operator is currently in compliance with the DOH OIL AND GAS POLICY dated March 6, 2023. This letter is valid for permitting purposes for one year from the date of this letter.

Very Truly Yours,

Lacy D. Pratt

Central Office O&G Coordinator

Lacy D. Pratt

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WV Department of Environmental Protection

Cc: Emily Glick Arsenal Resources, LLC OM, D-4

File

FRACTURING ADDITIVES					
	PURPOSE	TRADE NAME	CAS#		
Additive #1:	Friction Reducer	WFRA-405	Proprietary		
Additive #2:	Scale Inhibitor	SI-1000	7440-21-3		
Additive #3:	Biocide	BIOCLEAR 2000	25314-61-8		
Additive #4:	Gelling Agent	LGC-15	9000-30-0		
Additive #5:	Corrosion Inhibitor	Al-300	111-76-2		
Additive #6:	Gel Breaker	AP-One	7727-54-0		
Additive #7:	Acid	HCl - 7.5%	7647-01-0		

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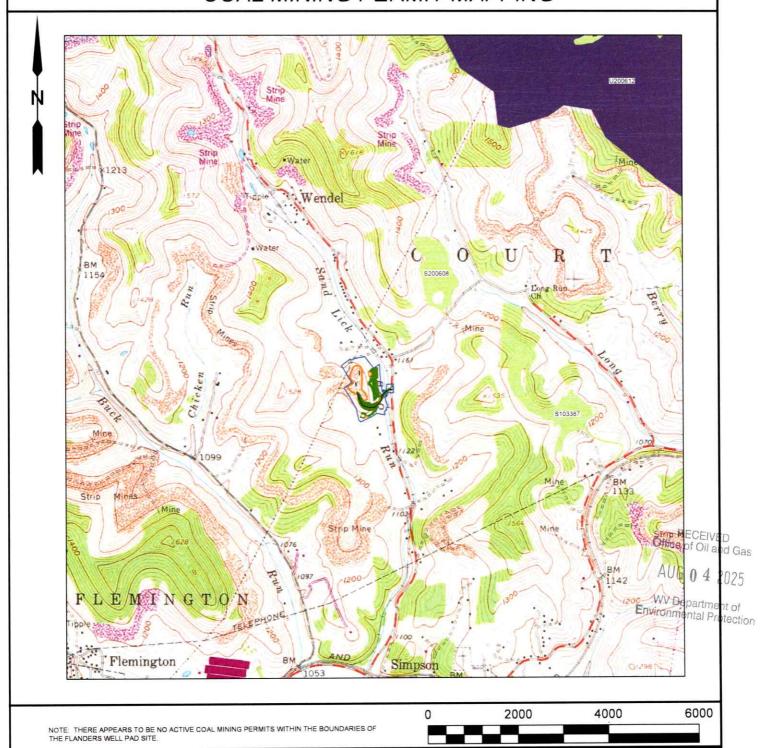
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PAD NAME:Flanders		c a de l
REVIEWED BY: Emily Glick		SIGNATURE: Emily Hick

### WELL RESTRICTIONS CHECKLIST

### HORIZONTAL 6A WELL

Well Rest	rictions	
$\checkmark$	At Least 100 Feet from Pad and LOD (including any E&S Control Feature) to any Perennial Stream, Lake, Pond, Reservoir or Wetland; OR	
	DEP Waiver and Permit Conditions	
$\checkmark$	At Least 300 Feet from Pad and LOD (including any F&S Control Feature) to any Naturally Producing Trout Stream; OR	
	DEP Waiver and Permit Conditions	
$\checkmark$	At Least 1000 Feet from Pad and LOD (including any E&S Control Feature) to any Groundwater Intake or Public Water Supply; OR	7
	DEP Waiver and Permit Conditions	
$\checkmark$	At Least 250 Feet from an Existing Water Well or Developed Spring to Well Being Drilled; OR	3
	Surface Owner Waiver and Recorded with County Clerk, OR	RECEIVED Office of Oil and Gas
	DEP Variance and Permit Conditions	AUG 0 4 2025
<b>✓</b>	At Least 625 Feet from an Occupied Dwelling Structure to Center of the Pad; OR	WV Department of Environmental Protection
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_	At Least 625 Feet from Agricultural Buildings Larger than 2500 Square Feet to the of the Pad; OR	e Center
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# ARSENAL RESOURCES FLANDERS WELL PAD COAL MINING PERMIT MAPPING



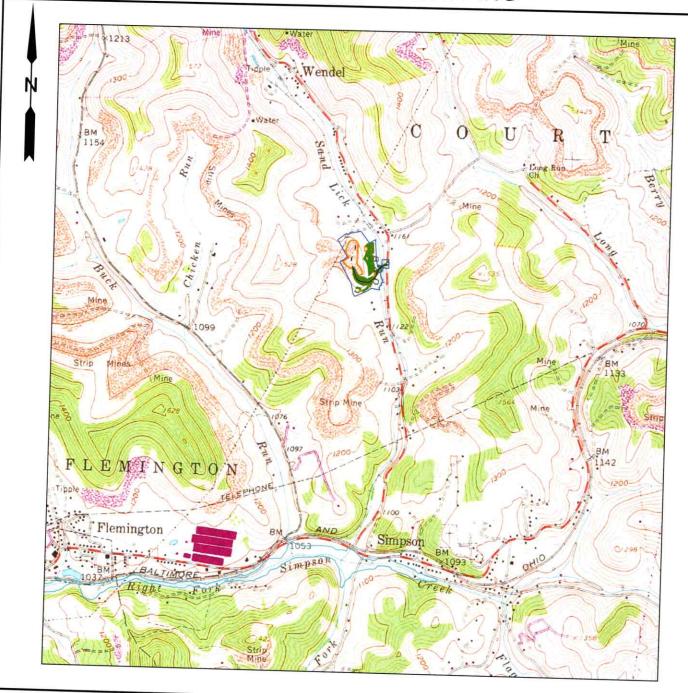


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TAYLOR	COURTHOUSE	SUITE 200 WEXFORD, PA 15090		
DRAWN BY	JOB NO.	DATE	SCALE	
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## ARSENAL RESOURCES FLANDERS WELL PAD FLOOD HAZARD MAPPING



NOTE: THE FLANDERS SITE IS NOT LOCATED WITHIN ANY KNOW FLOOD HAZARD AREA.

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#### west virginia department of environmental protection

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Harold D. Ward, Cabinet Secretary dep.wv.gov

## ORDER ISSUED UNDER WEST VIRGINIA CODE, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 6A

TO: Arsenal Resources, LLC 6031 Wallace Rd Ext., Suite 101 Wexford PA 15090

DATE: September 8, 2025 ORDER NO.: 2025-W-5

#### INTRODUCTION

This Order (hereinafter "Order") is issued by the Office of Oil and Gas (hereinafter "OOG"), by and through its Chief, pursuant to the authority of W. Va. Code §§ 22-1-1, 22-6-1 and 22-6A-1 et seq. to Arsenal Resources, LLC (hereinafter "Arsenal" or "Operator"), collectively the "Parties."

#### FINDINGS OF THE CHIEF

In support of this Order, the Chief hereby finds the following:

- 1. OOG, an office within the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, is the agency with the duty and authority to execute and enforce W. Va. Code §22-6-1 and §22-6A-1 et seq., and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 2. Arsenal is a "person" as defined by W. Va. Code §22-6-1(n), with a corporate address as 6031 Wallace Rd Ext., Suite 101, Wexford PA 15090.
- 3. On August 4, 2025, Arsenal submitted well work permit applications identified as API# 47-091-01383, 47-091-01384, 47-091-01385, 47-091-01386, 47-091-01387 and 47-091-01388. The wells are located on the Flanders Pad in the Courthouse District of Taylor County, West Virginia.
- 4. On September 4, 2025, Arsenal requested a waiver for Wetland 8 as outlined in Attachment 1, from well location restriction requirements in W. Va. Code §22-6A-12(b) for the well work permit applications identified as API# 47-091-01383, 47-091-01384, 47-091-01385, 47-091-01386, 47-091-01387 and 47-091-01388.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. West Virginia Code §22-1-6(d) requires, in part, that "in addition to other powers, duties and responsibilities granted and assigned to the secretary by this chapter, the secretary is authorized and empowered to...(3) Enter private lands to make surveys and inspections for environmental protection purposes; to investigate for violations of statutes or rules which the Office of Oil and Gas is charged with enforcing; to serve and execute warrants and processes; to make arrests; issue orders, which for the purposes of this chapter include consent agreements; and to otherwise enforce the statutes or rules which the Office of Oil and Gas is charged with enforcing."
- 2. West Virginia Code §22-6A-2(a)(6) requires, in part, that "Concomitant with the broad powers to condition the issuance of well work permits, the secretary should also have broad authority to waive certain minimum requirements of this article when, in his or her discretion, such waiver is appropriate: *Provided*, That the secretary shall submit a written report of the number of waivers granted to the Legislature commencing January 1, 2013, and each year thereafter."
- 3. West Virginia Code §22-6A-12(b) requires, in part, that "no well pad may be prepared or well drilled within one hundred feet measured horizontally from any perennial stream, natural or artificial lake, pond or reservoir, or a wetland, or within three hundred feet of a naturally reproducing trout stream. No well pad may be located within one thousand feet of a surface or ground water intake of a public water supply. The distance from the public water supply as identified by the Office of Oil and Gas shall be measured as follows: (1) For a surface water intake on a lake or reservoir, the distance shall be measured from the boundary of the lake or reservoir. (2) For a surface water intake on a flowing stream, the distance shall be measured from a semicircular radius extending upstream of the surface water intake. (3) For a groundwater source, the distance shall be measured from the wellhead or spring. The Office of Oil and Gas may, in its discretion, waive these distance restrictions upon submission of a plan identifying sufficient measures, facilities or practices to be employed during well site construction, drilling and operations to protect the waters of the state. A waiver, if granted, shall impose any permit conditions as the secretary considers necessary."

#### **ORDER**

West Virginia Code §22-6A-12(b) requires, in part, that "no well pad may be prepared or well drilled within one hundred feet measured horizontally from any perennial stream, natural or artificial lake, pond or reservoir, or a wetland. The Office of Oil and Gas grants the request for a waiver for Wetland 8 from well location restriction requirements in W. Va. Code §22-6A-12(b) for the well work permit applications identified as API# 47-091-01383, 47-091-01384, 47-091-01385, 47-091-01386, 47-091-01387 and 47-091-01388. The Office of Oil and Gas hereby **ORDERS** that Arsenal shall meet the following site construction and operational requirements for the Flanders Well Pad:

- a. A berm shall be constructed around the perimeter of the pad to contain any potential spills and storm water runoff. Berm is to be at least twenty-four inches (24") in height;
- b. Erosion control measures shall be installed on all slopes and down gradient locations of the pad as erosion and sediment controlling BMPs;
- c. Wetland 8 shall be protected by the pad perimeter berm, a row of twelve-inch (12") Compost Filter Sock and Smart Fence HD. This along with temporary and permanent vegetative cover will prevent sediment from reaching the wetlands and stream;
- d. Disturbed areas not used for operations shall be seeded and mulched per the seeding tables in the WVDEP-OOG Erosion and Sediment Control Manual;
- e. Drill cuttings and associated drilling mud shall be disposed of in a permitted landfill;
- f. Waste generated by the flowback treatment systems shall be sent to offsite disposal at a permitted landfill;
- g. Weekly site inspections shall be conducted to monitor and maintain the integrity of the BMP storm water controls;
- h. Weekly storm water and spill prevention inspections shall be conducted focusing on storm water and spill prevention BMPs and maintenance of these BMPs;
- i. Inspections of the storm water and spill prevention measures shall be conducted after any major storm event defined as a half inch (½") rain within any twenty-four (24) hour period;
- j. Pad inspections shall be conducted no less than once a week to identify and mitigate potential deficiencies;
- k. All records from inspections shall be maintained on site for the life of the project and be available upon request.

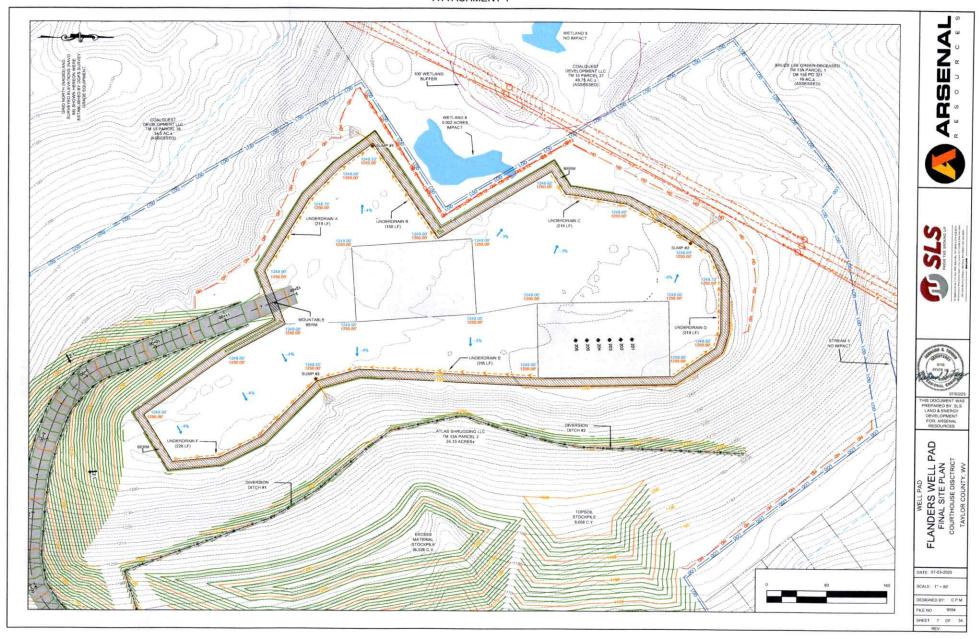
Thus ORDERED, the 8th day of September 2025.

#### IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA:

OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

JAMES A. MARTIN, CHIEF

#### ATTACHMENT 1



API Number:	47-091
Operator's Well Number:	FLANDERS 201

Well Operator:	Arsenal Resources		
Well Number: _	201	Well Pad Name: Flanders	
County, District,	Quadrangle of Well Location:	Taylor, Courthouse, Grafton	_

Answer the questions below to request a waiver from West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection for any wetlands or perennial streams which lie within one hundred feet of proposed project Limit of Disturbance (LOD), which includes any erosion and sediment control devices to be used.

This waiver shall be requested pursuant to Chapter 22 Article 6A Section 12 of West Virginia Code, which states:

§22-6A-12(b) No well pad may be prepared or well drilled within one hundred feet measured horizontally from any perennial stream, natural or artificial lake, pond or reservoir, or a wetland, or within three hundred feet of a naturally reproducing trout stream. No well pad may be located within one thousand feet of a surface or ground water intake of a public water supply. The distance from the public water supply as identified by the department shall be measured as follows:

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The department may, in its discretion, waive these distance restrictions upon submission of a plan identifying sufficient measures, facilities or practices to be employed during well site construction, drilling and operations to protect the waters of the state. A waiver, if granted, shall impose any permit conditions as the secretary considers necessary.

§22-6A-12(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, nothing contained in this section prevents an operator from conducting the activities permitted or authorized by a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit or other approval from the United States Army Corps of Engineers within any waters of the state or within the restricted areas referenced in this section.

API Number: 47-091

Operator's Well Number: FLANDERS 201

Answer in the space provided, or use additional pages as necessary to fully answer the questions below:

 Describe the proposed project location, including unique identifying names of all wetlands, and the names of perennial streams for which the waiver is sought.

See sheet 7 on attached site plan for stream/wetland names and locations. A waiver is being sought for Wetland 8.

- 2. Justify the proposed activity by describing alternatives to this project that were considered.
  - a. Include a No-Action Alternative as to show "the future without the project"
  - b. Location Alternatives must be shown
  - c. Must demonstrate why a one hundred foot buffer cannot be maintained
  - d. Describe how the proposed project is the least environmentally damaging practicable alternative
  - a. A No-Action Alternative would eliminate this multi-well pad for Arsenal Resources and the reserves underground for the company in this area. Thus ultimately lowering the company's overall reserves, borrowing base ability and revenue stream, along with the landowners royalties and revenue.
  - b. There are no feasible alternatives for this site due to topographic, property boundary, and environmental constraints. The current design layout maximizes distance from streams & wetlands while maintaining minimum operation dimensions.
  - c. Due to topographic, property boundary, and environmental constraints; the well pad could not be moved to another location that was flat enough to provide the necessary working area. Therefore they must be located closer than 100' to all the before mentioned water resources.
  - d. The current design configuration is the least environmentally damaging, practicable alternative. Alternative pad configurations & locations explored result in more disturbance and further the encroachments to streams & wetlands.

API Number: 47-091
Operator's Well Number: FLANDERS 201

3. Identify sufficient measures, facilities or practices to be employed during well site construction, drilling and operations to protect the waters of the state. This description should include all additional erosion and sediment control measures and devices that will be used.

The Flanders Well Pad limits of disturbance will be protected by Erosion & Sediment Control covering the entire perimeter of the site. E&S measures will be in place prior to commencement of construction and remain in place until greater than 70% vegetative cover is established. The streams, ponds, and wetlands located within 100 feet of the LOD will be protected by utilizing the following controls.

Specific individual resource protections can be found in the Site Plan submitted with the permit application.

- 4. Provide mapping, plans, specifications and design analysis for the preferred alternative to the project.
  - a. Specify in writing what additional controls, measures, devices, monitoring, etc. will be used to protect these wetlands and/or perennial streams for which the waiver is sought.

Additional E&S Controls that may be used during the construction of this site include:

Smartfence HD Silt Fence
Compost Filter Sock
Rip-Rap Lined Channels
Rip-Rap Aprons
Stone Construction Entrance
Roadway Ditches
Roadway Culverts
Temporary and Permanent Seeding & Mulching
All disturbed areas are to be seeded as soon as possible.

Specific implementation of these controls can be found in the Site Plan submitted with the permit application.

Wetland 8 will be protected with both Smartfence HD and 12" Compost Filter Sock as shown on Site Plan.