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January 12, 2009

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
State of Louisiana  
Post Office Box 44275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Brown-Ozley Zone; Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A; and Conville Zone, Reservoir C; BEAR CREEK FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

EL PASO E&P COMPANY, L.P. ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Brown-Ozley Zone; to the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A; and to the Conville Zone, Reservoir C; all in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

### Brown-Ozley Zone

1. To permit Applicant to designate and utilize its JL Jordan No. 5 Well, located as shown on an attached plat, as the substitute unit well for BR-OZ SUC.
2. To find that designation and use of the JL Jordan No. 5 Well as the substitute unit well for BR-OZ SUC is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the Brown-Ozley Zone underlying BR-OZ SUC which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by any existing well within the unit.

The Brown-Ozley Zone in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 78-D, effective February 20, 1952.

### Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, such unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated L HOSS A RA SUI.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed additional unit with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

3. To designate Applicant as Operator of, and its JL Jordan No. 5 Well (located as shown on an attached plat) as the unit well for, the proposed additional unit.

4. To redefine the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, insofar and only insofar as to the proposed additional unit, as being that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 7,872 feet and 8,717 feet in the El Paso E&P Company, L.P.--JL Jordan No. 5 Well, located in Section 29, Township 17 North, Range 5 West, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

5. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 78-AA, effective January 8, 1991, as supplemented and amended by the Order No. 78-AA series of Orders, to the proposed additional unit for the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A.

The Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 78-AA, effective January 8, 1991.

#### Conville Zone, Reservoir C

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Conville Zone, Reservoir C, such unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated CON RC SUB.

2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed additional unit with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

3. To designate applicant as Operator of, and its JL Jordan No. 5 Well (located as shown on an attached plat) as the unit well for, the proposed additional unit.

4. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 78-L-16, effective October 31, 2006, to the proposed additional unit for the Conville Zone, Reservoir C.

The Conville Zone, Reservoir C, in the Bear Creek Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 78-L-16, effective October 31, 2006.

#### All Zones

1. To expand the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 78-87, effective April 22, 2008, to include the Brown-Ozley Zone underlying BR-OZ SUC, the Lower Hosston A Zone, Reservoir A, underlying L HOSS A RA SUI, and the Conville Zone, Reservoir C, underlying CON RC SUB, so as to approve the downhole combination of production from these zones with the intervals approved for downhole combination in Order No. 78-87.

2. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent to the proposals for any of these zones.

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Pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Mr. Gilbert at the expense of the requesting party.

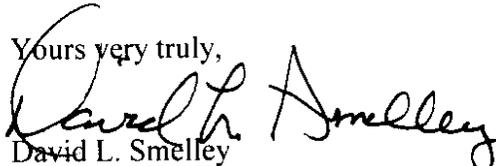
By letter dated December 30, 2008, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and a pre-application conference with respect to Applicant's proposals was tentatively scheduled for January 22, 2009. No request for the pre-application conference was received within the delays provided for in the Rules of Procedure; therefore, no conference will be held.

Attached hereto are the three (3) plats referred to above (which are identical to the plats attached to the pre-application notice). Also attached hereto is a list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list is being forwarded only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation. A copy of the list will be furnished by the undersigned to any party so requesting. A reasonable effort was made to obtain a complete list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Bear Creek Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the application fee.

Yours very truly,

  
David L. Smelley

-- Attorney for El Paso E&P Company, L.P.

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Enclosures

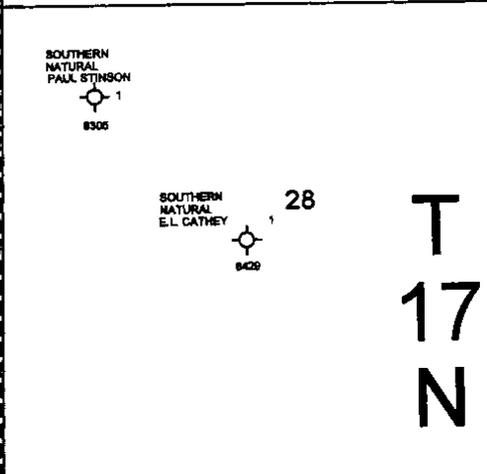
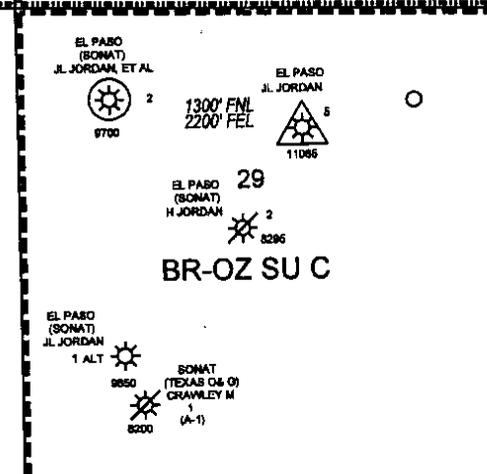
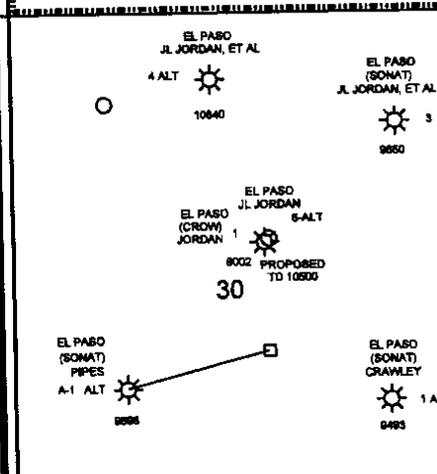
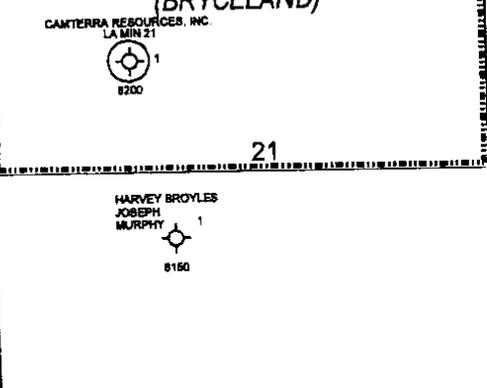
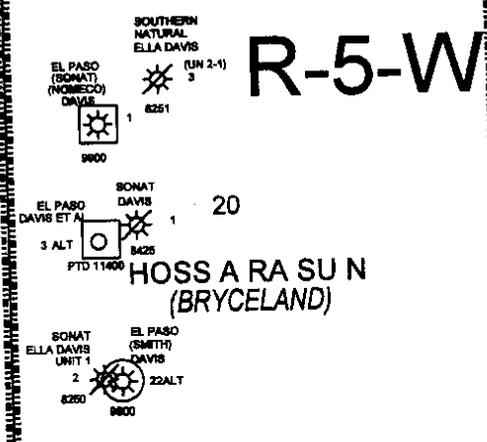
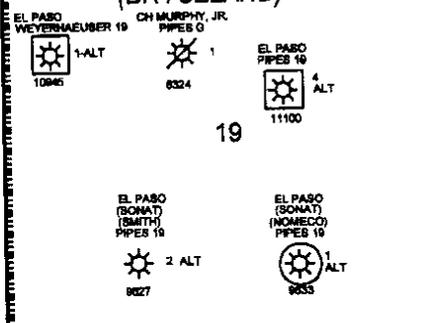
cc: Mr. James C. Broussard (w/encls.)  
Ms. Sheridan Jones (w/encls.)  
Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)  
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Interested Owners, Represented  
Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)

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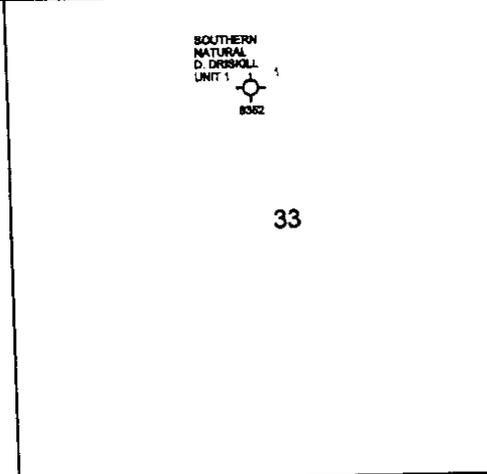
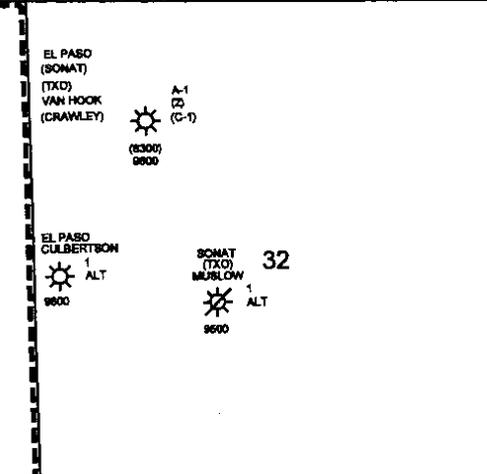
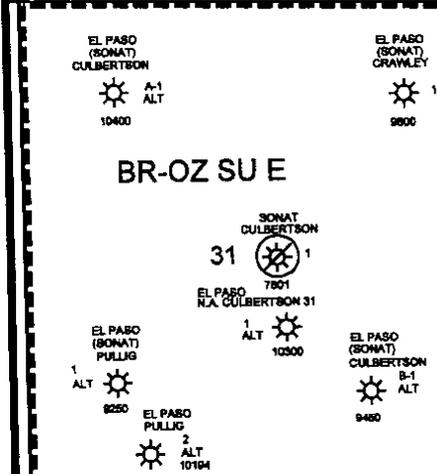
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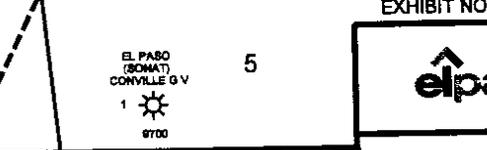
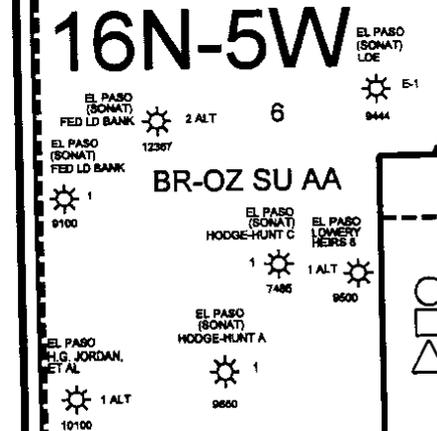
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- ALTERNATE UNIT WELL
- PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL
- WELLS SHALLOWER THAN 7000'
- REMOVED FROM BASE

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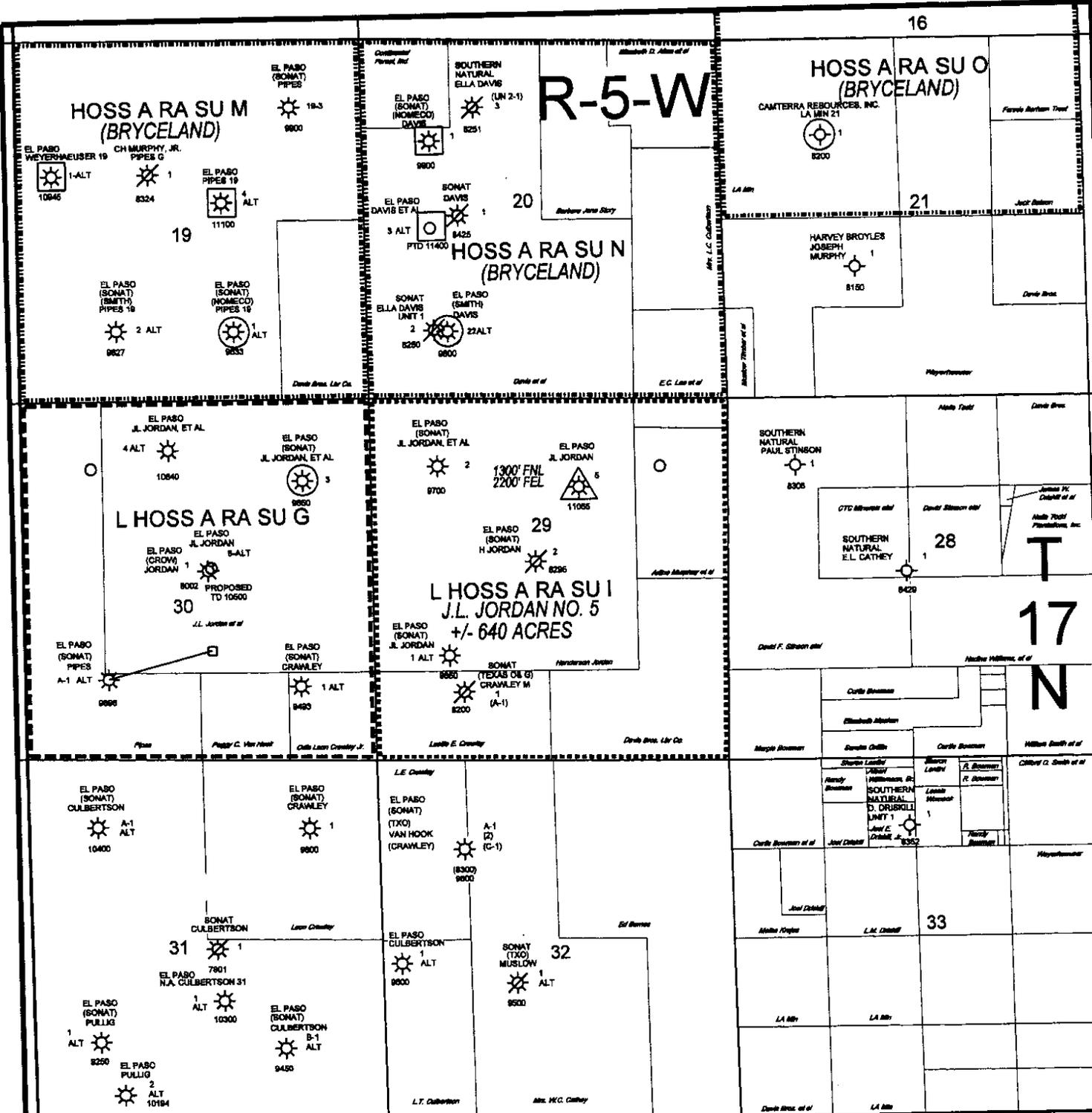
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### BR-OZ SU C



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## BEAR CREEK FIELD BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

### PROPOSED UNIT PLAT LOWER HOSSTON A ZONE, RESERVOIR A



DATE: **LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.**

**LEGEND**

- LOWER HOSS A UNITS, RESERVOIR A, AS PER 78-AA SERIES OF ORDERS
- ..... PROPOSED UNIT
- UNIT WELL
- ALTERNATE UNIT WELL
- △ PROPOSED UNIT WELL
- WELLS SHALLOWER THAN 7000' REMOVED FROM BASE

**HOSS A RA SU E**

EL PASO (SONAT) HOODE-HUNT C 1 ALT 7466

EL PASO (SONAT) LOWERY HEIRS B 1 ALT 9501

EL PASO (SONAT) HOODE-HUNT A 1 ALT 9660

EL PASO (SONAT) J.L. JORDAN, ET AL 1 ALT 10100

**HOSS A RA SU I J.L. JORDAN NO. 5 +/- 640 ACRES**

EL PASO (SONAT) J. JORDAN ET AL 2 ALT 9700

EL PASO (SONAT) H. JORDAN 2 ALT 8296

EL PASO (SONAT) J. JORDAN 1 ALT 8650

SONAT (TEXAS OIL CO) CRAWLEY M (A-1) 1 ALT 8200

**HOSS A RA SU G**

EL PASO (SONAT) J. JORDAN ET AL 4 ALT 10840

EL PASO (SONAT) J. JORDAN ET AL 3 ALT 9850

EL PASO (SONAT) J. JORDAN 8-ALT 8002 PROPOSED TO 10550

EL PASO (SONAT) PIPES 1 ALT 9898

EL PASO (SONAT) CRAWLEY 1 ALT 9490

**HOSS A RA SU M (BRYCELAND)**

EL PASO (SONAT) PIPES 19-3 9800

EL PASO (SONAT) PIPES 19 1 ALT 10646

CH MURPHY, JR. PIPES G 1 ALT 8324

EL PASO (SONAT) PIPES 19 4 ALT 11100

EL PASO (SONAT) (SMITH) PIPES 19 2 ALT 9827

EL PASO (SONAT) (NOMECD) PIPES 19 1 ALT 9253

**HOSS A RA SU N (BRYCELAND)**

EL PASO (SONAT) (NOMECD) DAVIS 1 ALT 8251

SONAT DAVIS 1 ALT 8425

EL PASO (SONAT) (SMITH) DAVIS 22-ALT 9800

SONAT ELA DAVIS UNIT 1 2 ALT 8250

EL PASO (SONAT) J. JORDAN 5 ALT 11055

**HOSS A RA SU O (BRYCELAND)**

CANTERRA REBOURCES, INC. LA MIN 21 1 ALT 8200

HARVEY BROYLES JOSEPH MURPHY 1 ALT 8150

**HOSS A RA SU T**

SOUTHERN NATURAL PAUL STINSON 1 ALT 8305

SOUTHERN NATURAL E.L. CATHEY 1 ALT 8429

**HOSS A RA SU 33**

SOUTHERN NATURAL D. DRUBGILL UNIT 1 1 ALT 8350

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## HOSS A RA SU O (BRYCELAND)

## HOSS A RA SU N (BRYCELAND)

## CON RC SU A

## CON RC SU B J.L. JORDAN NO. 5 +/- 640 ACRES

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## BEAR CREEK FIELD BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA

### PROPOSED UNIT PLAT CONVILLE ZONE, RESERVOIR C



DATE:

LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

### LEGEND

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- ..... PROPOSED UNIT
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