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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Re: Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A
Bracky Branch Field
Haynesville Zone, Reservoir B
Red River-Bull Bayou Field
Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A
Gahagan Field
Red River Parish, Louisiana

APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Dear Sir:

Petrohawk Operating Company hereby makes application pursuant to the revised rules of procedure for a public hearing to consider evidence relating to the following matters pertaining to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Bracky Branch Field, the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir B, in the Red River-Bull Bayou Field, and the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Gahagan Field, all in Red River Parish, Louisiana:

1. To dissolve the following described six drilling and production units previously established for the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A and Reservoir B, in Red River Parish, Louisiana:
 - (a) HA RA SUX in the Bracky Branch Field, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto, made a part hereof and marked for identification as Exhibit No. 1;
 - (b) HA RB SUWW in the Red River-Bull Bayou Field, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto, made a part hereof and marked for identification as Exhibit No. 1; and
 - (c) HA RA SUK, HA RA SUL, HA RA SUM and HA RA SUR in the Gahagan Field, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto, made a part hereof and marked for identification as Exhibit No. 1;

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2. To create four (4) additional drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Gahagan Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, to be designated HA RA SUBB, HA RA SUCC, HA RA SUDD and HA RA SUEE, as shown outlined on the plat attached hereto, made a part hereof and marked for identification as Exhibit No. 2 (note that the common boundary between HA RA SUBB and HA RA SUDD has been revised as the result of a compromise - see discussion below);
3. To force pool and integrate all of the separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests located within the proposed units in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate unit wells and unit operators, as appropriate;
5. To extend to the proposed units, except to the extent inconsistent herewith, the pertinent provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 909-H, effective February 3, 2009, as amended and supplemented by the 909-H Series of Orders, and all applicable Statewide Orders;
6. To provide that with respect to horizontal wells drilled to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in or to serve the proposed units, where the horizontal lateral portion of the well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, the distance to any unit boundary and any offset well(s) will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well, and not based on the penetration point or terminus; and
7. To consider and cover such other matters as the Commissioner of Conservation may deem appropriate and necessary under the circumstances.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Bracky Branch Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, was defined Office of Conservation Order No. 917-L, effective September 16, 2008.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir B, in the Red River-Bull Bayou Field, DeSoto and Red River Parishes, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 109-X-4, effective November 6, 2008.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Gahagan Field, Red River Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 909-H, effective February 3, 2009.

Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained at the cost of the requesting party, from Mr. Craig Barclay, 522 Dumbarton Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana 71106, at telephone number (318) 869-2223.

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A pre-application conference with respect to this matter was held on Thursday, July 8, 2010. The attendees at the conference are identified on the list attached hereto. Bill Fleming and Craig Barclay on behalf of Petrohawk Operating Company explained the Applicant's proposal. There were questions asked and answered.

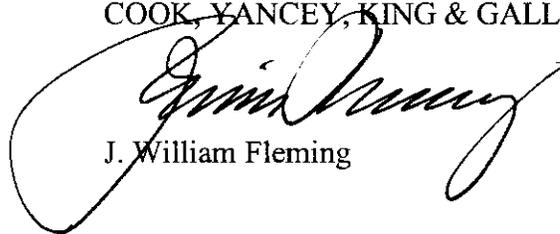
Prior to the Pre-Application Conference, Louis Gilbert, a consulting geologist representing Trinity Exploration & Production, LLC, proposed a counterplan being a revision to the common unit boundary between HA RA SUBB and HA RA SUDD. The suggested unit revision was presented and discussed at the conference as well. Attached hereto as Exhibit No. 3 is the original proposed unit plat (this same plat was Exhibit No. 2 to the Pre-Application Notice). Petrohawk has accepted the revision proposed by Trinity and has incorporated it into its current application and to that extent has revised its application as evidenced by the revised, proposed unit plat attached hereto as Exhibit No. 2.

There were attendees at the conference who expressed reservation about the proposed unit revision and all rights were reserved.

The list of parties attached to the copies of this notice being sent to the Office of Conservation includes the names of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties known to Applicant after a diligent search. A copy of this notice, with plats attached, is being sent to each such party. Pursuant to Office of Conservation regulations, the list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be provided to any person requesting a copy of it. A check for the application fee is attached.

Yours very truly,

COOK, YANCEY, KING & GALLOWAY

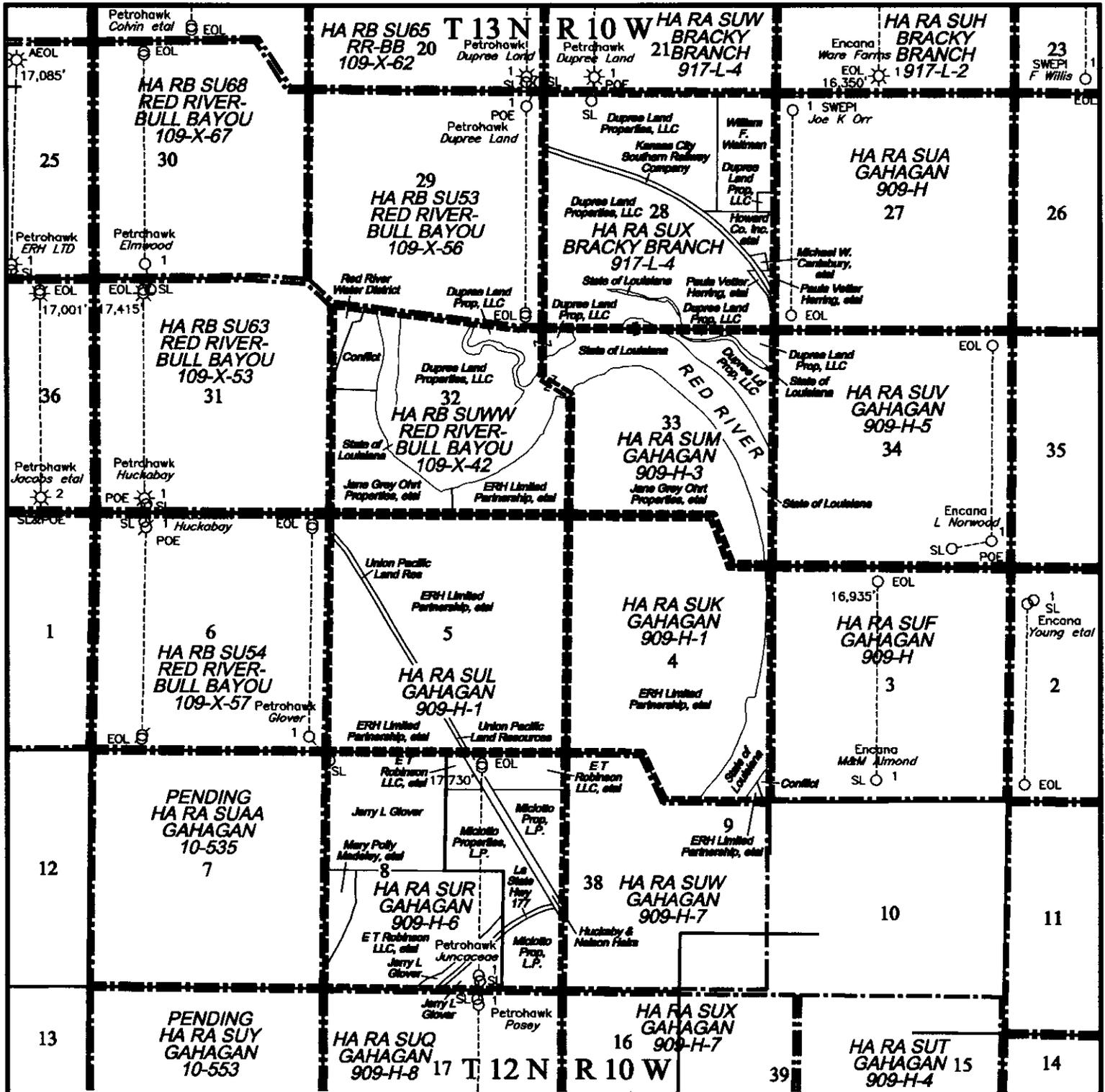


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Enclosures

cc: James C. Broussard, District Manager
Interested Owners, Represented
Parties and Interested Parties
Mr. Craig Barclay
Mr. Drew Veitch



**PETROHAWK OPERATING COMPANY
TULSA, OKLAHOMA**

**BRACKY BRANCH, RED RIVER - BULL BAYOU, & GAHAGAN FIELDS
RED RIVER PARISH, LOUISIANA**

**HAYNESVILLE
UNITS TO BE
DISSOLVED**

Exhibit No. 1

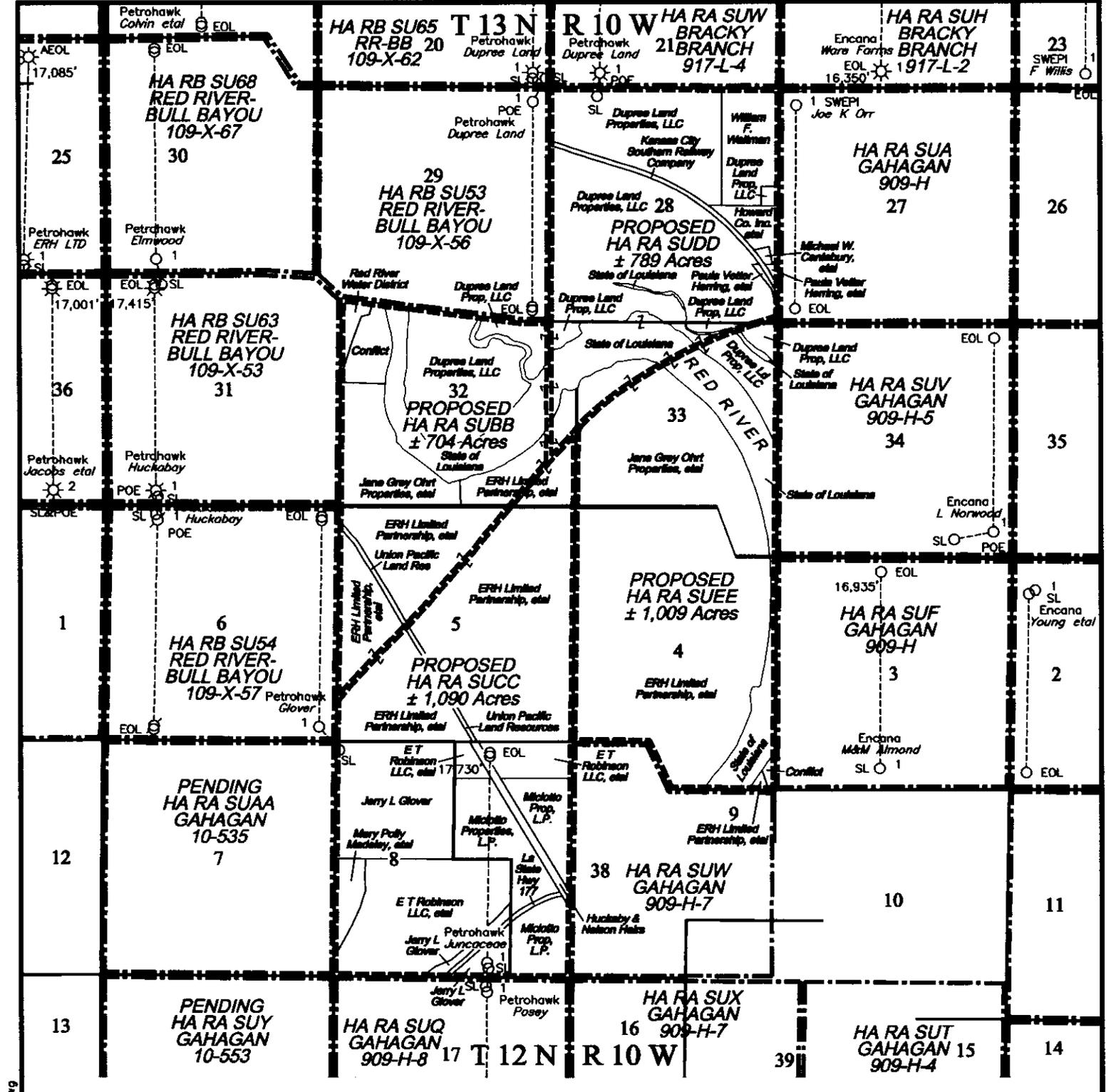
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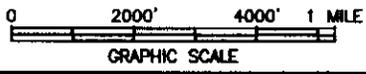
GAHAGAN FIELD
RED RIVER PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED HAYNESVILLE UNITS

Exhibit No. 2

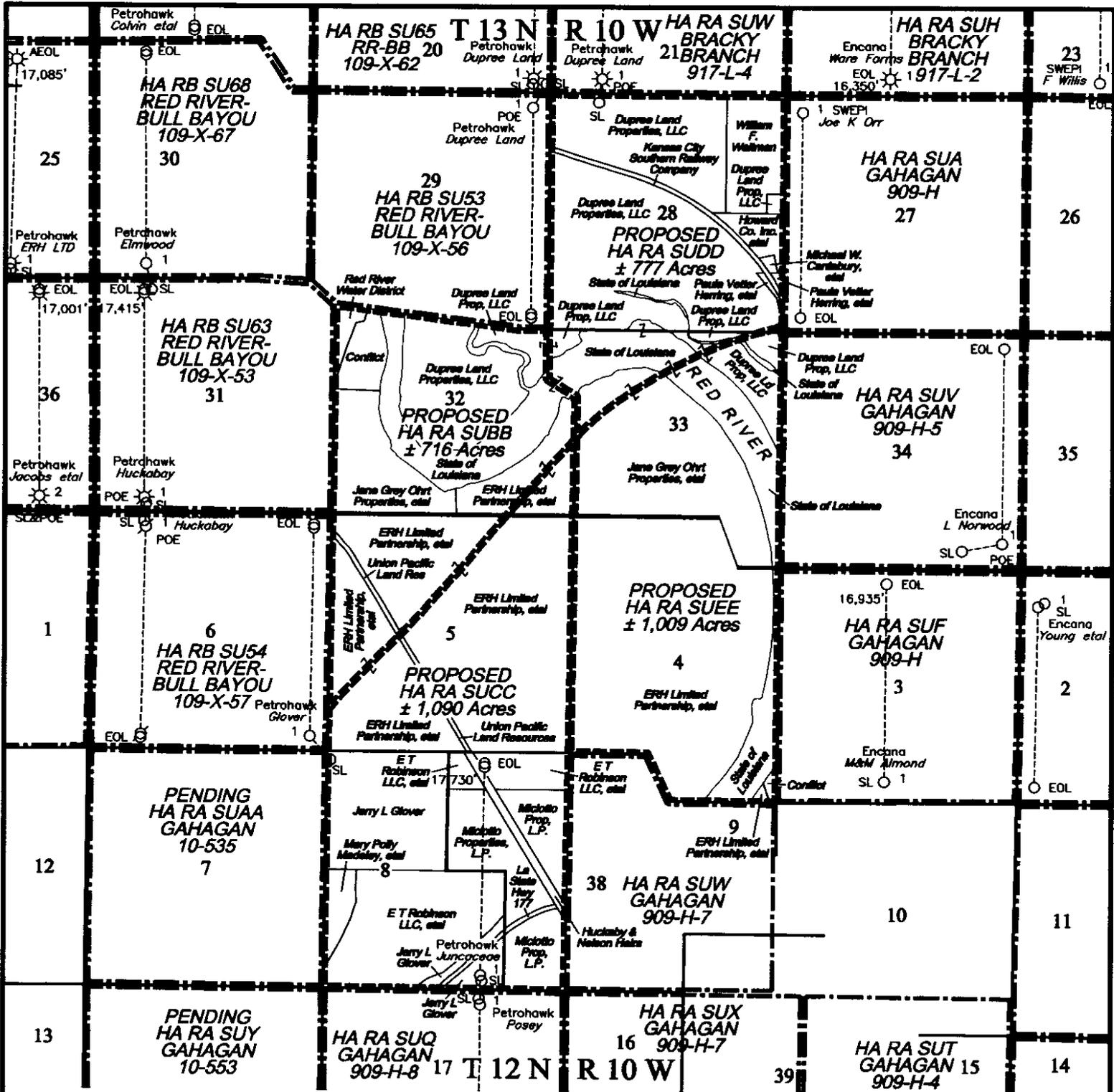
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GAHAGAN FIELD
RED RIVER PARISH, LOUISIANA
ORIGINALLY PROPOSED
HAYNESVILLE
UNITS

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