

**BEFORE THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS**

In the Matter of the Application of Snake ) AGCY. CASE NO.: CC-2024-OGR-01-001  
River Oil and Gas, LLC for an Order )  
Establishing a Spacing Unit Consisting of ) OAH Case No. 24-320-01  
the NE ¼ of Section 9 and the NW ¼ of )  
Section 10, Township 8 North, Range 5 ) **NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF**  
West, Payette County, Idaho, ) **HEARING OFFICER**  
) )  
Snake River Oil and Gas, LLC, Applicant. )  
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TO ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL OF RECORD:

The Chief Administrative Hearing Officer of the Office of Administrative Hearings, pursuant to their authority under Idaho Code § 67-5282(1)(d), hereby appoints as the duly authorized Hearing Officer in this matter the following individual:

Leslie M. Hayes  
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The Hearing Officer is appointed to conduct a hearing in this matter in accord with all governing statutes and rules, and make appropriate make appropriate findings of fact, conclusions of law, and preliminary or recommended orders (as may be requested or mandated) to the Director of the Idaho Department of Lands. The Hearing Officer is required to comply with the Office of Administrative Hearings' Code of Conduct.

**AUTHORITY OF HEARING OFFICER**

The Hearing Officer has the authority to:

1. Schedule and conduct motion hearings and enter the appropriate orders disposing of all pre-hearing motions, such as motions for notices of proposed default orders, motions on the admissibility of evidence, and motions for continuances.
2. Schedule and conduct any pre-hearing conference and enter the appropriate orders for any purpose recognized by IDAPA 04.11.01.510.
3. Perform other duties assigned by the agency and as authorized by the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, promulgated at Idaho Code §§ 67-5201 *et seq.*, the Idaho Rules of Administrative Procedure of the Attorney General, promulgated at IDAPA 04.11.01 *et seq.*, and such other statutes and rules as may govern the proceedings, including, but not limited to, Idaho Code § 47-328.
4. The hearing officer may not engage in *ex parte* communications concerning the substance of this matter, except as provided in Idaho Code § 67-5253 and IDAPA 04.11.01.417.

### **FILING OF DOCUMENTS**

**All documents filed in this matter must be filed by email with the Office of Administrative Hearings at the following email address: [filings@oah.idaho.gov](mailto:filings@oah.idaho.gov)**

Original and/or paper documents do not need to be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings, except upon request by the Hearing Officer. If you are requested to submit original and/or paper documents by the Hearing Officer, submit those documents to the Office of Administrative Hearings at the following address:

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**REQUIRED SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS ON OTHER PARTIES**

Any document filed by either party in this matter must be served on the other party (or the other party's attorney, if represented). The contact information for each party is as follows:

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**Additionally, all documents filed in this matter must also be served by email upon the Hearing Officer and all other individuals named in the Certificate of Service attached hereto at the email addresses listed in the Certificate of Service, which Certificate of Service may be amended or updated from time to time.**

DATED May 9, 2024.

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

/s/ Bryan A. Nickels  
Bryan A. Nickels  
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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 9th day of May, 2024, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

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