

Ford John Duncan
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ford John Duncan

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEWFIELD EXPLORATION CO /DE/ [NFX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE,
 STE 100
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/14/2018

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Regional Vice President

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
common stock ⁽¹⁾	02/14/2018		A	5,558 ₍₂₎	\$ 0	16,437	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. P. Der. Sec. (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Unit	(3)	02/14/2018		A		(3)	(3)	common stock	5,558
Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	02/14/2018		A		(4)	(4)	common stock	11,115

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ford John Duncan 4 WATERWAY SQUARE PLACE, STE 100 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380			Regional Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Timothy D. Yang as attorney-in-fact for John D. Ford, III 02/16/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The amount of securities beneficially owned following reported transactions (column 5) includes 879 shares of common stock acquired by the reporting person on December 31, 2017 pursuant to the Newfield Exploration Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
 - (2) The shares subject to this award will vest in four equal installments on August 15, 2018, 2019 and 2020 and February 15, 2021.
 - (3) Cash-settled Phantom Stock Units vest in four equal installments on August 15, 2018, 2019 and 2020 and February 15, 2021. Each share of Phantom Stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Company common stock.
 - (4) The shares subject to this award have the possibility of vesting following the end of the applicable performance period, but will only vest if and to the extent certain total shareholder return and other criteria are met.

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