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They coulda gotten tighter. Perhaps, more likely, 2 miles was the "ideal". They were to drill like 12 wells on a single pad, going out in a star pattern, a mile in each direction. But, if say, one direction is cut off by someone who refused a lease, well there's no wells going in that direction at all. Even if the other side of his property isn't very far away, to get gas from it, you gotta come in from the other direction...

Also, a star pattern obviously means the holes are spreading out as you get away from the pad. Perhaps, to up output from the farther away regions, you overlap that area, like the teeth of a gear.

Or, rock types and such could force a reduction in that "optimum" 1 mile in each direction.

Or maybe it's just more cost effective to make shorter wells and space em tighter.

I dunno, I'm guessing here. But would be interested in whatever solid info comes out of this thread.