

Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD

From: Amos, James <jamos@blm.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:27 AM
To: Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD
Cc: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD; Bustamante, Amalia, EMNRD
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Julie #1 Pipeline Lat/Long 32.669415° -104.495793° Surface ownership clarification

The release is on private land with the owner being the Howell Ranch, The land was part of a land exchange between the BLM and the Howell's, The BLM retained the minerals, however the ROW 's are with the landowner. thanks

On Tue, Aug 13, 2019 at 9:42 AM Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD <Victoria.Venegas@state.nm.us> wrote:

Julie #1 Pipeline Lat/Long 32.669415° -104.495793° Surface ownership clarification

Good morning Mr. Amos,

We are processing a C-141 for Julie # 1 Pipeline Lat / Long 32.669415 ° -104.495793 ° (see attached file) and according to the OCD database, the surface owner is BLM. However, the operator has confirmed that the location referred to in this Julie # 1 C-141 is still privately owned by Howell Ranch. Could you confirm that this section is federally owned or not? In advance, thank you very much for your help!

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From: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD <mike.bratcher@state.nm.us>
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Subject: Re: 2RP-5569

The Howell Ranch is mixed with Fed & private surface. Some of what is now private surface used to be Fed. There was some land swap several decades ago with some of the Fed surface being acquired by the Howell Ranch, ending up with private surface/Fed minerals. It is possible for the OCD map to be wrong in this area. I suggest checking the wall map, as it would be more likely to be correct. Next suggestion would be to email Jim Amos the lat/long and he should be able to verify quickly. - mb

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On Mon, Aug 12, 2019 at 10:21 AM -0600, "Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD" <Victoria.Venegas@state.nm.us> wrote:

Mike, the OCD database shows BLM as surface owner at the Lat/Long coordinates for this C-141.

NAB1922143961 JULIE #1 PIPELINE RELEASE @ FAB1922143477

General Incident Information

Site Name:	JULIE #1 PIPELINE RELEASE
Well:	
Facility:	[FAB1922143477] JULIE #1 PIPELINE RELEASE
Operator:	[147831] Lucid Artesia Company
Status:	Closure Not Approved
Type:	Release Other
District:	Artesia
Incident Location:	M-09-19S-25E Lot: 0 FNL 0 FEL
Lat/Long:	32.669415,-104.495793 NAD83
Directions:	

Severity:
Surface Owner:
County:



Incident Location:

OCD Unit:

Lot:

Section:

Township:

Range:

NS Footage: feet from the boundary

EW Footage: feet from the boundary

Latitude:

Longitude:

Datum:

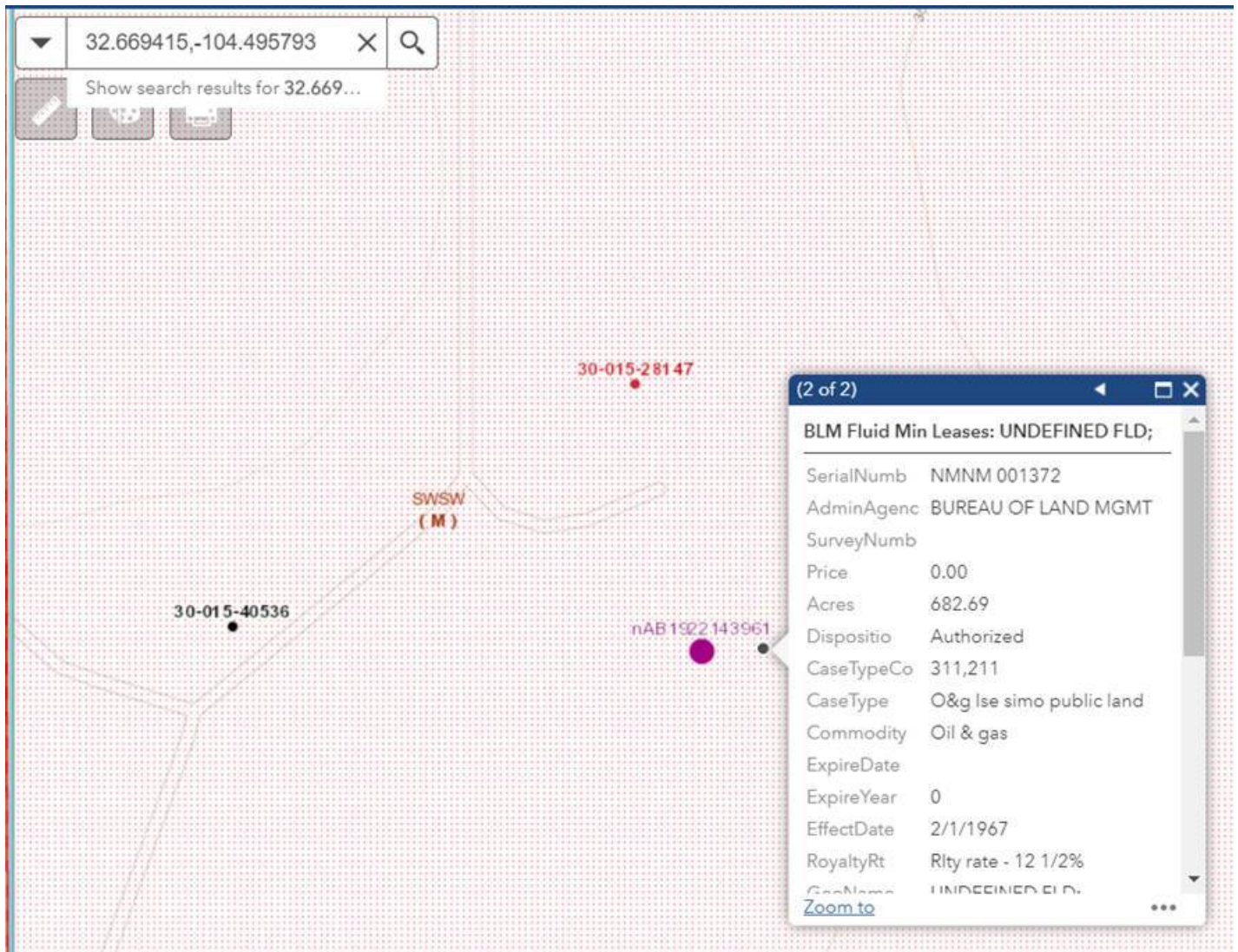
Section : 09-19S-25E

Type: Normal Total Acres: 640

County: Eddy (15)

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The environmental map shows this👉👉👉



Mr. Gant says the land is privately owned by the Howell Ranch. Is there any chance that the OCD database is wrong or outdated? Please advise 🙏. Thanks.

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Subject: FW: 2RP-5569

Victoria,

Would you please reply to Mr. Gant's question below. 😊 Thank you.

Mr. Gant, I only process initial C-141's for our Environmental team.

Thanks,

Amalia Bustamante

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From: Michael Gant <MGant@lucid-energy.com>
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Subject: 2RP-5569

Amalia,

I double-checked my surface ownership map and it is currently indicating that the location referenced in this Julie #1 C-141 is still privately owned by the Howell Ranch. Could you please confirm that this section is federally owned or not? If this is true, I have some bad news for Mrs. Howell.

Thanks

Michael Gant

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