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FORM APPROVED  
OMB No 1004-0137  
Expires October 31, 2014

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OCD Artesia

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a Type of work <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5 Lease Serial No NMLC - 048345	
1b Type of Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name	
2 Name of Operator OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership		7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No	
3a Address P O. BOX 4294 HOUSTON, TX 77210		8 Lease Name and Well No Chns Robin 20 Federal #11	
3b Phone No (include area code) 713-513-6640		9 API Well No 30-015-40833	
4 Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements *) At surface 990' FNL & 880' FWL At proposed prod zone 990' FNL & 880' FWL		10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory ARTESIA; GLORIETA-YESO (O)	
11 Sec, T, R M or Blk and Survey or Area D, SEC 20, T17S, R28E		12 County or Parish EDDY	
13 State NM		14 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 12 miles East of Artesia, N M	
15 Distance from proposed* 880' location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig unit line, if any)		16 No of acres in lease 40	
17 Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40		18 Distance from proposed location* 770' to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft	
19 Proposed Depth 5300' MD / 5300' TVD		20 BLM/BIA Bond No on file ES0136	
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc ) 3640'		22 Approximate date work will start* 01/16/2012	
23 Estimated duration 10 DAYS		24 Attachments	

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, must be attached to this form

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| 1 Well plat certified by a registered surveyor   | 4 Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see item 20 above) |
| 2 A Drilling Plan  | 5 Operator certification  |
| 3 A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO must be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office) | 6 Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the BLM             |

25 Signature	Name (Printed/Typed) Jennifer Duarte (jennifer_duarte@oxy.com)	Date 05/22/2012
Title Regulatory Analyst		
Approved by (Signature) /s/ Don Peterson	Name (Printed/Typed)	Date NOV 1 2012
Title FIELD MANAGER	Office CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE	

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon  
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached

APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction

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\*(Instructions on page 2)

Roswell Controlled Water Basin

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached

Must be in compliance w/  
NMOCD Rule 5.9 prior to  
placing well on production

SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

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State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department  
**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Form C-102  
Revised August 1, 2011  
Submit one copy to appropriate  
District Office

☐ AMENDED REPORT

**WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

API Number <b>36-015-40833</b>	Pool Code <b>96830</b>	Pool Name <b>ARTESIA; GLORIETA-YESO (O)</b>
Property Code <b>37441</b>	Property Name <b>CHRIS ROBIN 20 FEDERAL</b>	
OGRID No <b>192463</b>	Operator Name <b>OXY USA WTP LIMITED PARTNERSHIP</b>	Well Number <b>11</b>
		Elevation <b>3640'</b>

Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
D	20	17-S	28-E		990	NORTH	880	WEST	EDDY

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

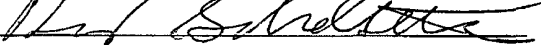
UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Dedicated Acres <b>40</b>	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No						

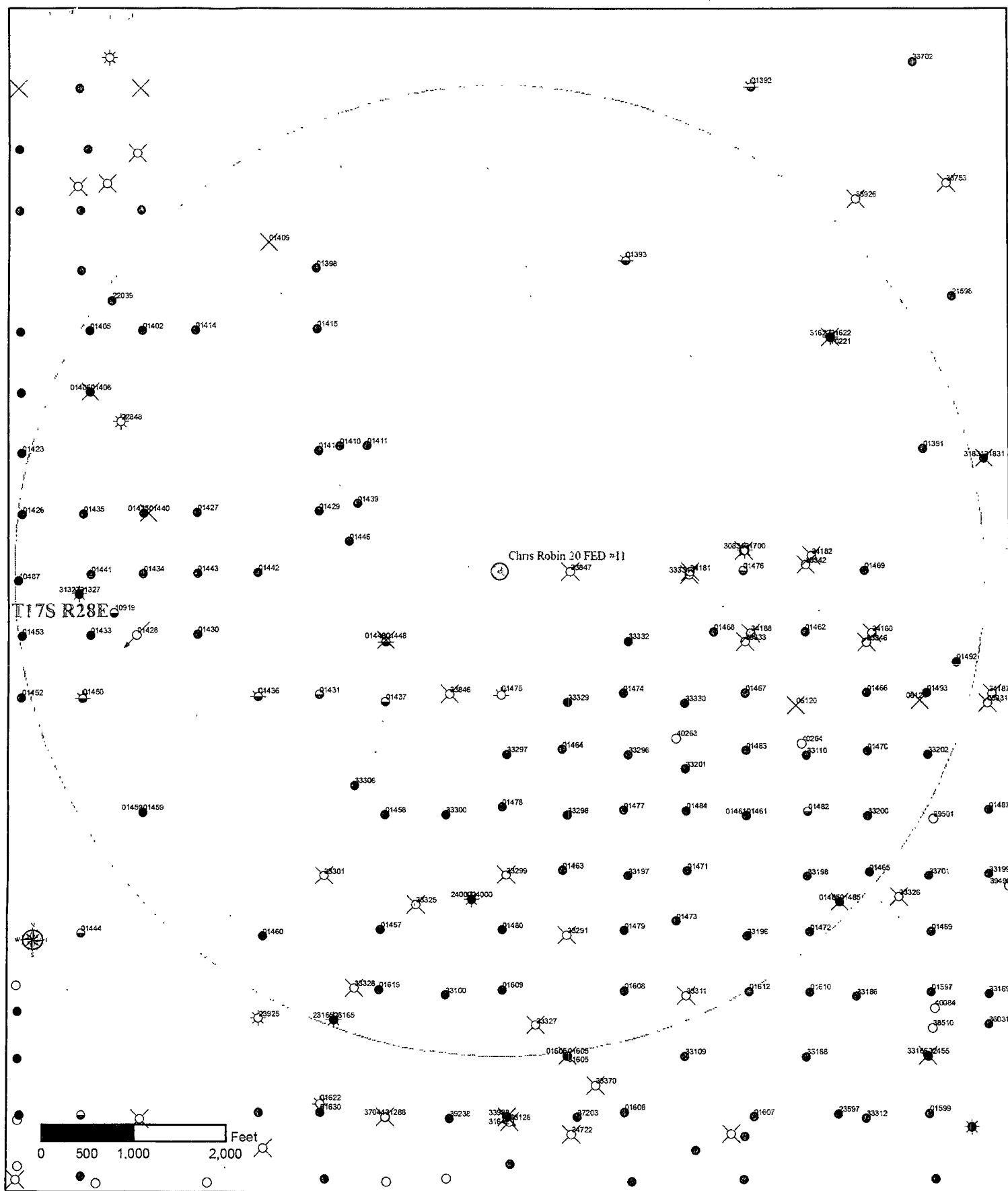
NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

	<p>GEODETIC COORDINATES NAD 27 NME</p> <p>SURFACE LOCATION Y=663545.2 N X=540049.6 E</p> <p>LAT = 32.824105° N LONG. = 104.202959° W</p>	<p><b>DETAIL</b></p>	<p><b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b></p> <p>I hereby certify that the information herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.</p> <p><i>Jennifer Duarte</i> <b>7/3/12</b> Signature Date</p> <p><b>JENNIFER DUARTE</b> Printed Name</p> <p><b>jennifer_duarte@oxy.com</b> E-mail Address</p>
	<p><b>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</b></p> <p>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.</p> <p><b>MARCH 23, 2012</b> Date of Survey</p> <p>Signature &amp; Seal of Professional Surveyor: <i>Ronald J. Eidson</i> <b>RONALD J. EIDSON</b> NEW MEXICO 3239 Professional Surveyor 7/2012</p> <p>Certification Number: 12641 Professional Surveyor: 3239 DSS WSC W.O.: 12.11.0085</p>		

### OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or someone under my direct supervision, have inspected the drill site and access route proposed herein; that I am familiar with the conditions that presently exist; that I have full knowledge of State and Federal laws applicable to this operation; that the statements made in this APD package are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed in conformity with this APD package and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. I also certify that I, or the company I represent, am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of false statements. Executed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2012.

Name: David Schellstede   
Position: Reservoir Management Team Leader  
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Company: OXY USA WTP Limited Partnership  
Field Representative (if not above signatory): Dusty Weaver  
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E-mail (if different from above): calvin\_weaver@oxy.com



**Permian Primary**  
New Mexico  
Eddy & Lea Counties  
Oxy 2012 Wells with  
1 Mile Radius

**Legend**

- OXY WELL
- 1 MILE RADIUS
- GAS
- OIL
- O&G
- GAS SHOWS
- OIL SHOWS
- O&G SHOWS
- LOC
- SUS
- AGW
- AOW
- AO&GW
- ABANDONED LOC
- ABANDONED-NO SHOWS
- INJ-NO SHOWS
- OTHER

**Coordinate System Information**  
Geographic Coordinate System: North American 1927  
Datum: North American 1927  
NAD 1927 State Plane New Mexico East FIPS 5001  
Projection: Transverse Mercator  
False Easting: 300000 000000  
False Northing: 0 000000  
Central Meridian: -104 33 33.33  
Scale Factor: 0.999909  
Latitude Of Origin: 31 00 00 00  
Linear Unit: Feet US

**Location Map**

CHAVES  
LEA  
EDDY  
OKRAHKA  
DAKOTA  
GARRA  
ANDREWS  
OTERO  
CULBERSON  
BENTLEY  
BUTLER

# APD DATA – DRILLING PLAN –

**OPERATOR NAME / NUMBER:** OXY USA WTP LP

**LEASE NAME / NUMBER:** Chris Robin 20 Federal 11

**STATE:** NM **COUNTY:** Eddy

**SURFACE LOCATION:** 990' FNL & 880' FWL, Sec 20, T17S, R28E

**C-102 PLAT APPROX GR ELEV:** 3640'

**EST KB ELEV:** 3654' (14' KB)

## 1. GEOLOGIC NAME OF SURFACE FORMATION

a. Permian

## 2. ESTIMATED TOPS OF GEOLOGICAL MARKERS & DEPTHS OF ANTICIPATED FRESH WATER, OIL OR GAS

Formation	TV Depth Top	Expected Fluids
Rustler	100	Fresh Water
Top of Salt	300	-
Base of Salt	390	-
Yates	410	-
Seven Rivers	604	-
Queen	1170	-
Grayburg	1640	Oil
San Andres	1749	Oil/Water
Glorietta	3350	Oil
Paddock	3440	Oil
Blinberry	3900	Oil
Tubb – Base of Yeso	4820	Oil
Drinkard	4965	-
TD	5300	TD

A. Fresh Water formations will be covered with the 16" conductor pipe, which will be set at 120' prior to spud.

**GREATEST PROJECTED TD** 5300' MD / 5300' TVD **OBJECTIVE:** Yeso

## 3. CASING PROGRAM

Surface Casing: 9.625" casing set at ± 450' MD/ 450' TVD in a 12.25" hole filled with 8.4 ppg mud

Interval	Length	Wt	Gr	Condition	Cplg	Coll Rating (psi)	Burst Rating (psi)	Jt Str (M-lbs)	ID (in)	Drift (in)	SF Coll	SF Burst	SF Ten
0'- 450'	450'	36	J-55	New	ST&C	2020	3520	394	8.921	8.765	13.33	1.97	27.91

Using offset well information and Oxy Yeso State wells as reference, we have found lost circulation at depths up to 350'. We would like to cover these zones by setting surface casing in the Yates before continuing. We also need to have surface casing at this depth in order to have sufficient kick tolerance to drill to TD.

Production Casing: 5.5" casing set at ± 5300' MD / 5300' TVD in a 7.875" hole filled with 9.2 ppg mud

Interval	Length	Wt	Gr	Condition	Cplg	Coll Rating (psi)	Burst Rating (psi)	Jt Str (M-lbs)	ID (in)	Drift (in)	SF Coll	SF Burst	SF Ten
0'- 5300'	5300'	17	L-80	New	LT&C	6290	7740	338	4.892	4.767	2.48	3.86	4.37

Collapse and burst loads calculated using Stress Check with actual anticipated loads.

#### 4. CEMENT PROGRAM: \* See COA

##### Surface Interval

Interval	Amount sx	Ft of Fill	Type	Gal/Sk	PPG	Ft <sup>3</sup> /sk	24 Hr Comp
<b>Surface (TOC: 0' - 450')</b>							
<b>Lead:</b> 0' - 450' (150% Excess)	150	0'	Premium Plus Cement: 94 lbm/sk Premium Plus Cement, 10 lbm/sk Cal-Seal 60, 0.125 lbm/sk Poly-E- Flake, 10 lbm/sk Kol-Seal, 1 % Calcium Chloride - Flake	7.46	14.2	1.67	1290 psi
<b>Tail:</b> 0' - 450' (150% Excess)	250	450'	Premium Plus Cement: 94 lbm/sk Premium Plus Cement, 2 % Calcium Chloride - Flake	6.39	14.8	1.35	2500 psi

##### Production Interval

Interval	Amount sx	Ft of Fill	Type	Gal/Sk	PPG	Ft <sup>3</sup> /sk	24 Hr Comp
<b>Production (TOC: 0' - 5300')</b>							
<b>Lead:</b> 0' - 3000' (125 % Excess)	600	3000'	Halliburton Light Premium Plus: 5% Salt, 3 lbm/sk Kol-Seal, 0.125 lb/sx Poly_E_Flake	9.95	12.9	1.89	530 psi
<b>Tail:</b> 3000' - 5300' (125 % Excess)	735	2300'	50/50 Poz Premium Plus: 3% Salt, 0.4% Halad ®-322, 0.125 lb/sx Poly E_Flake	5.64	14.5	1.24	980 psi

#### 5. PRESSURE CONTROL EQUIPMENT

**Surface: 0 - 450'** None.

**Production: 0 - 5300'** the minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required to drill below the surface casing shoe shall be 3000 (3M) psi (including annular).

- The 11" 3000 psi blowout prevention equipment will be installed and operational after setting the 9 5/8" surface casing and the 9 5/8" SOW x 11" 3K conventional wellhead;.
- The BOP and ancillary BOPE will be tested by a third party upon installation to the 9 5/8" 36# J-55 surface casing. All equipment will be tested to 250/3000 psi for 10 minutes except the annular, which will be tested to 70% of working pressure (2100 psi).
- The pipe rams will be functionally tested during each 24 hour period; the blind rams will be functionally tested on each trip out of the hole. These functional tests will be documented on the Daily Driller's Log. Other accessory equipment (BOPE) will include a safety valve and subs as needed to fit all drill strings, and a 2" kill line and 3 " choke line having a 3000 psi WP rating.
- See attached BOP & Choke manifold diagrams.
- Oxy requests a variance if Savanna 415 is used to drill this well to use a co-flex line between the BOP and choke manifold. See attached schematic.

Manufacturer: Hebei Ouya Ltd.

Serial Number: 1642343-04

Length: 39" Size: 3"

Ends: flanges

WP rating: 3000 psi

Anchors required by manufacturer: No

See  
COA \*

6. MUD PROGRAM: *See # 3 of operator drilling program*

Depth	Mud Wt g/cc ppg	Vis Sec	Fluid Loss	Type System
0 - 450'	<del>9.6</del> - 10.0	27 - 30	NC	Fresh Water
450' - TD	9.2 - 9.4	27 - 40	10 - 20	Brine Water / Salt Gel

Remarks: Pump high viscosity sweeps as needed for hole cleaning. The mud system will be monitored visually/manually as well as with an electronic PVT. The necessary mud products for additional weight and fluid loss control will be on location at all times.

- A. Appropriately weighted mud will be used to isolate potential gas, oil, and water zones until such time as casing can be cemented into place for zonal isolation.

7. AUXILIARY WELL CONTROL AND MONITORING EQUIPMENT

- a. A Kelly cock will be in the drill string at all times.
- b. A full opening drill pipe stabbing valve having the appropriate connections will be on the rig floor unobstructed and readily accessible at all times.

8. LOGGING / CORING AND TESTING PROGRAM:

*\* See COA*

- A. Mud Logger: None.
- B. DST's: None.
- C. Open Hole Logs as follows: Triple combo for production section.

9. POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

- A. H2S detection equipment will be in operation after drilling out the surface casing shoe until the production casing has been cemented. Breathing equipment will be on location from drilling out the surface shoe until production casing is cemented. If H2S is encountered the operator will comply with Onshore Order #6.
- B. The bottomhole pressure is anticipated to be 2536 psi.
- C. No abnormal temperatures or pressures are anticipated. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Adequate flare lines will be installed off the mud/gas separator where gas may be flared safely.

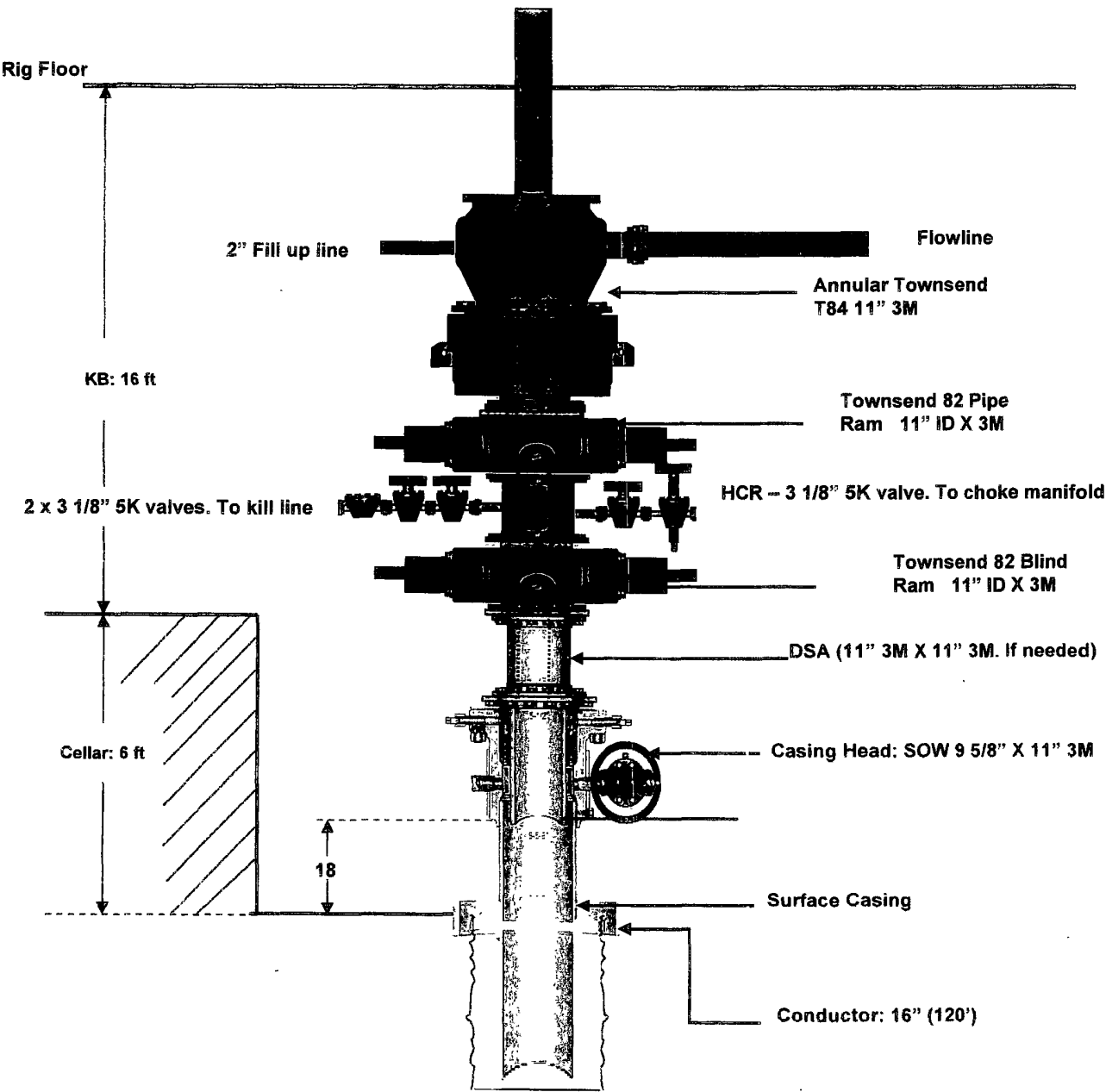
10. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE AND DURATION OF OPERATIONS

Road and location construction will begin after the BLM has approved the APD. Anticipated spud date will be as soon as possible after BLM approval and as soon as a rig will be available. Move in operations and drilling is expected to take 15 days. If production casing is run, then an additional 30 days will be needed to complete the well and construct surface facilities and/or lay flow lines in order to place well on production.

11. COMPANY PERSONNEL:

Name	Title	Office Phone
Carlos Mercado	Drilling Engineer	713-366-5418
Luis Tarazona	Drilling Engineer Supervisor	713-366-5771
Roger Allen	Drilling Superintendent	713- 215-7617
Douglas Chester	Drilling Manager	713-366-5194

**BOP Diagram**





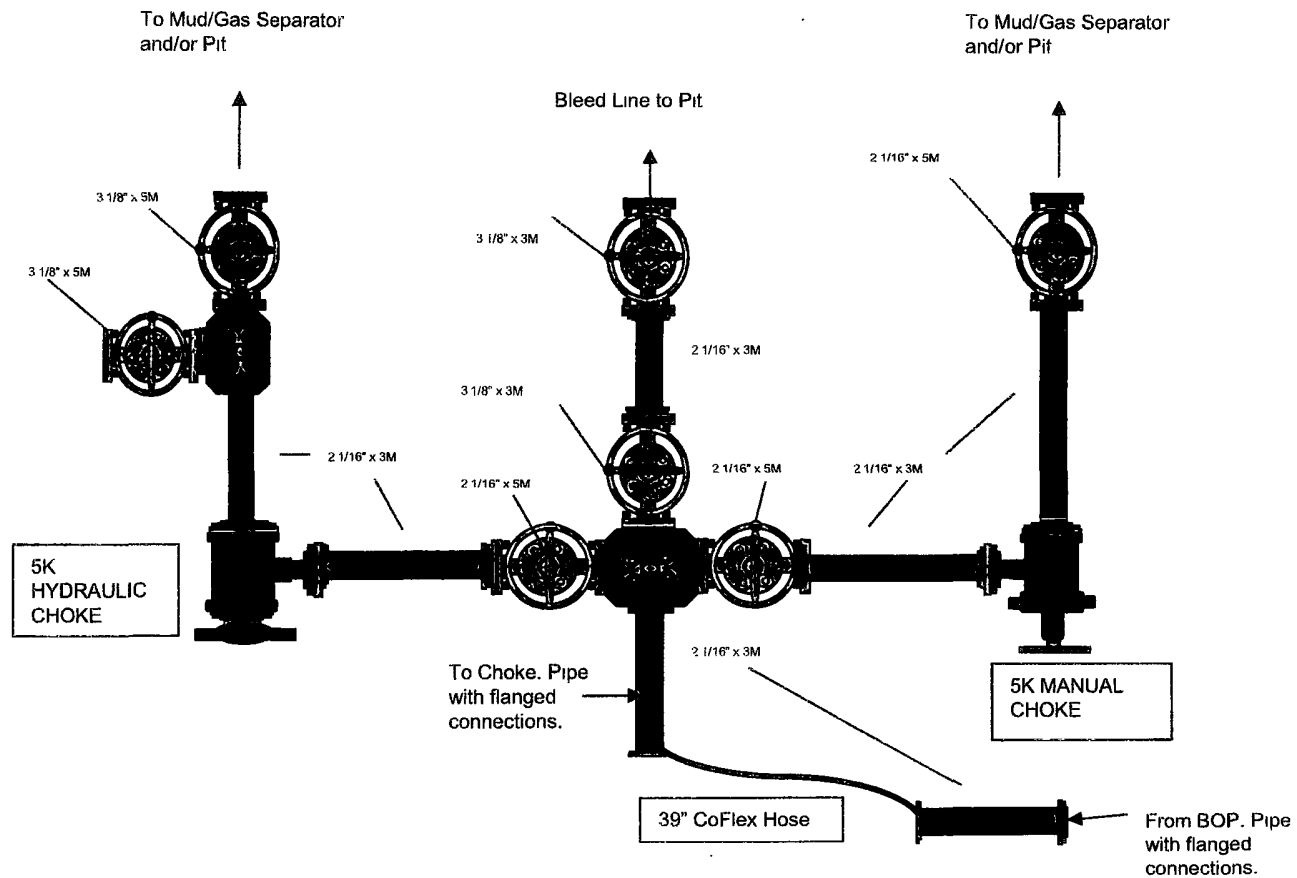
# 3-1/8" x 2-1/16" 3000# NACE TRIM SINGLE GUT CHOKE & KILL MANIFOLD SYSTEM

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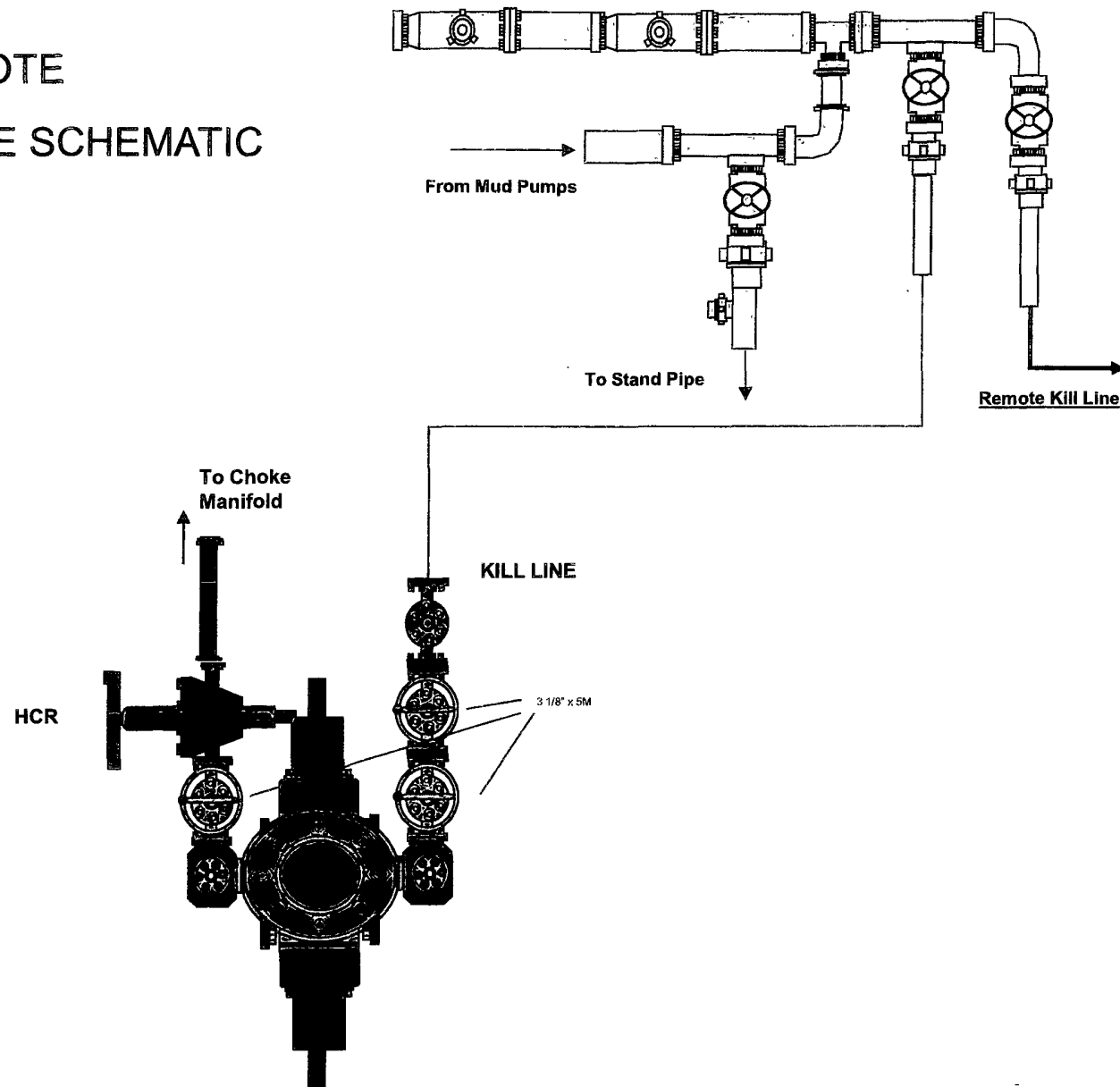
ITEM	I.D. NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	9053	2-1/16" 5000# BLIND FLANGE
2	AR0605004	2-1/16" 5000# STUDDED CROSS
3	AS0606009	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
4	9053	2-1/16" 5000# x 2" L.P. COMPANION FLANGE
5	Q7082	2-1/16" 3000# x 8.562" O.A.L. FLANGED SPACER SPOOL
6	AS0606003	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
7	A0445	3-1/8" x 3-1/8" x 2-1/16" x 2-1/16" 3000# STUDDED CROSS
8	AS0606119	3-1/8" 3000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
9	F3323	3-1/8" 3000# x 3" L.P. COMPANION FLANGE
10	AS0606004	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
11	Q7082	2-1/16" 3000# x 3.312" O.A.L. SOLID SPACER SPOOL
12	AR0605007	2-1/16" 5000# STUDDED CROSS
13	AS0606005	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
14	9053	2-1/16" 5000# x 2" L.P. COMPANION FLANGE
15	9053	2-1/16" 5000# BLIND FLANGE
16	AS0606007	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
17	Q7082	2-1/16" 3000# x 7" O.A.L. DOUBLE STUDDED SPACER SPOOL
18	1091200-1-1130	2-1/16" 5000# CORTEC "CM-2" ADJUSTABLE CHOKE c/w 2 x 0.75" CERAMIC DISCS
19	AS0606006	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
20	A0441	3-1/8" x 3-1/8" x 2-1/16" x 2-1/16" x 2-1/16" 3000# 5- WAY STUDDED BLOCK
21	AS0606118	3-1/8" 3000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
22	51209	3-1/8" 3000# x 10.5" O.A.L. FLANGED SPACER SPOOL
23	AS0606001	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
24	Q7082	2-1/16" 3000# x 4.733" O.A.L. SOLID SPACER SPOOL
25	1091200-1-1137	2-1/16" 5000# CORTEC "CM-2" ADJUSTABLE CHOKE c/w 2 x 0.75" CERAMIC DISCS
26	Q7082	2-1/16" 3000# x 7" O.A.L. DOUBLE STUDDED SPACER SPOOL
27	AS0606008	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
28	AS0606002	2-1/16" 5000# CNV NACE TRIM GATE VALVE
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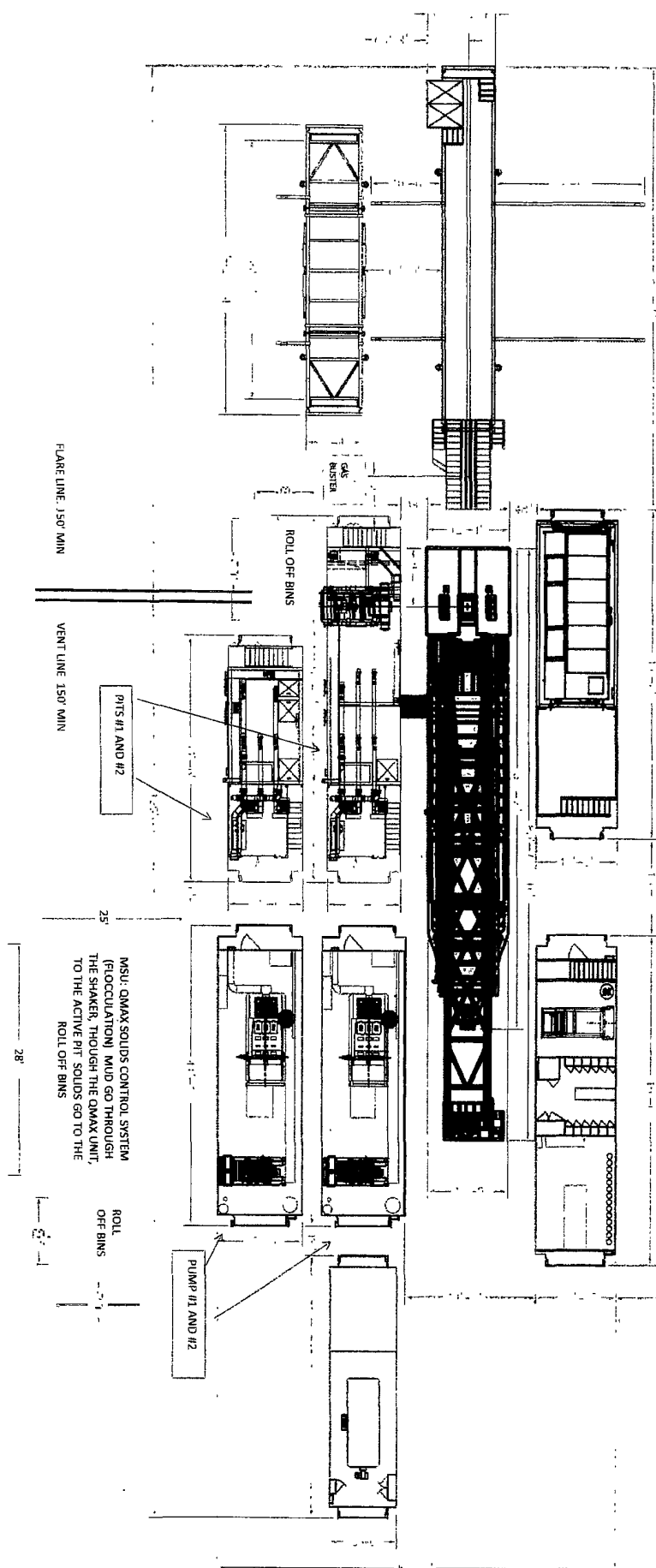


## 3M CHOKE MANIFOLD CONFIGURATION



# 3M REMOTE KILL LINE SCHEMATIC





MANIFOLD

HEBEI OUYA LTD. HEF105E PEOPLE PLUS

9727 47th Ave  
Edmonton, AB T6E 5M7  
780-437-2630

## Certificate of Compliance

Date: 2011-12-01  
Item Desc: REDL-SLIM-48x39IN-FIG1502  
Asset #: 1642343-04  
Chip ID: NOCHIPID  
Owner: Commercial Solutions INC (103867)

Test#:   
Initial Location:   
Site\2714 5 ST

Tested by: Dave Penner

Witnessed by: Ben Ahlskog

### Item Attributes:

Serial Number	1642343-04
Manufacturer	HEBEI OUYA LTD.
Application Group	SLIMHOLE
Model	REDL-SLIMHOLE-3000-48
Date of Mfr	
Date Installed	2011-12-01
Locn Desc	
Inside Dia.	3 IN
Length	39 IN
Working Pressure	3000 PSI
Test Pressure	4500 PSI
Coupling A	948HX+48B/FIG1502-HU-48
Attach Method A	Swaged
Coupling A Model	GEORGE MYER/KEMPER REBUILT
Coupling B	948HX+48B/FIG1502-HU-48
Attach Method B	Swaged
Coupling B Model	GEORGE MYER/KEMPER REBUILT
Distributor Ref #	1642343-04
Factory Ref #	
EndUser Ref #	
Notes	BUILT ON PO: JON

### Default Hose Certification

#### Test Notes

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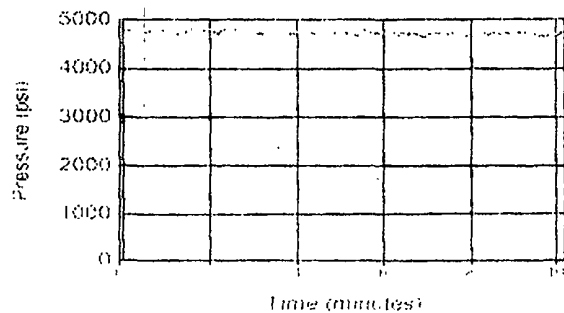
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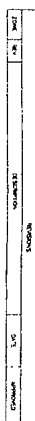
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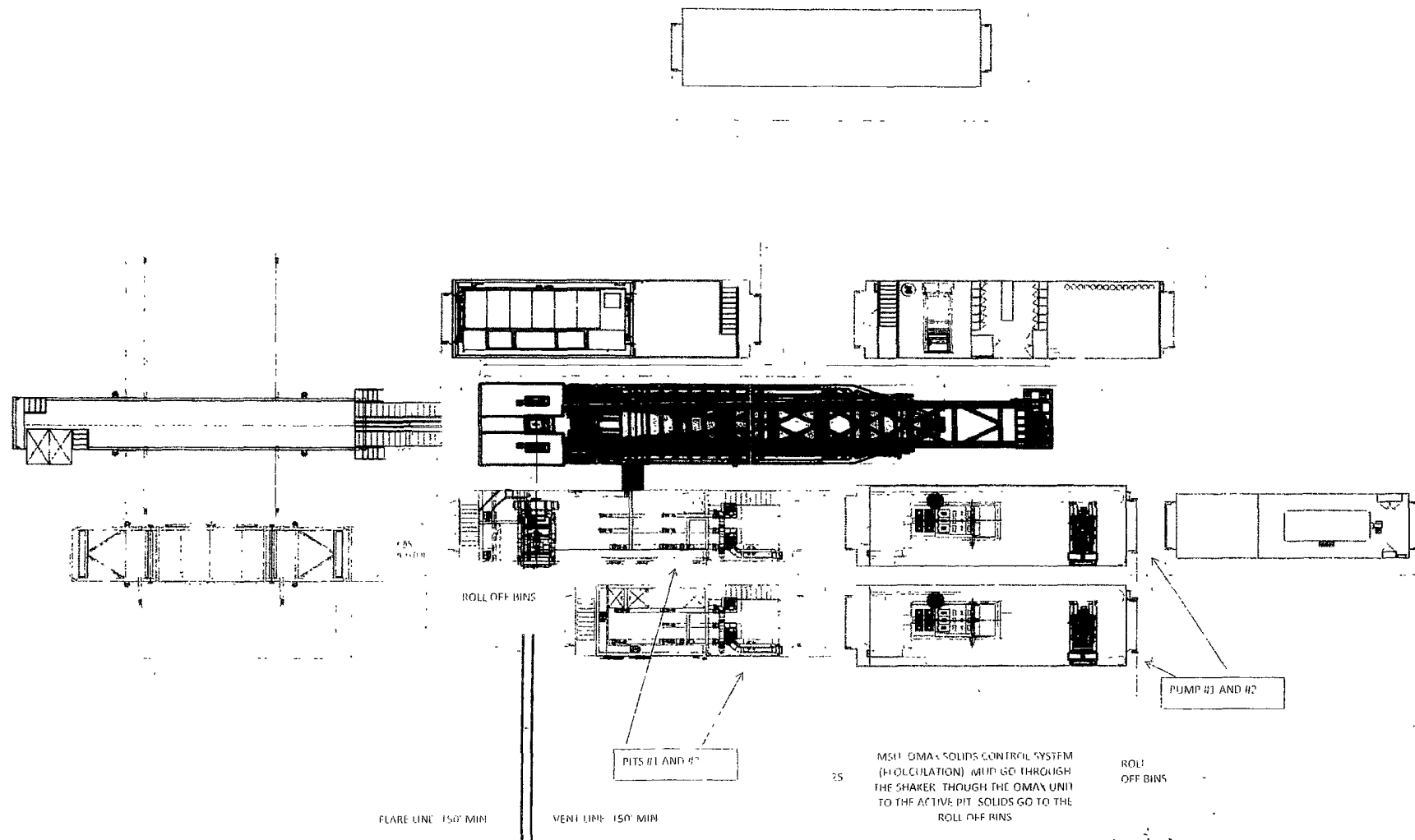
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## **Permian Drilling Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operations Plan New Mexico**

### **Scope**

This contingency plan establishes guidelines for the public, all company employees, and contract employees who's work activities may involve exposure to hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) gas.

While drilling this well, it is possible to encounter H<sub>2</sub>S bearing formations. At all times, the first barrier to control H<sub>2</sub>S emissions will be the drilling fluid, which will have a density high enough to control influx.

### **Objective**

1. Provide an immediate and predetermined response plan to any condition when H<sub>2</sub>S is detected. All H<sub>2</sub>S detections in excess of 10 parts per million (ppm) concentration are considered an Emergency.
2. Prevent any and all accidents, and prevent the uncontrolled release of hydrogen sulfide into the atmosphere.
3. Provide proper evacuation procedures to cope with emergencies.
4. Provide immediate and adequate medical attention should an injury occur.



## **Discussion**

Implementation:	This plan with all details is to be fully implemented before drilling to <u>commence</u> .
Emergency response Procedure:	This section outlines the conditions and denotes steps to be taken in the event of an emergency.
Emergency equipment Procedure:	This section outlines the safety and emergency equipment that will be required for the drilling of this well.
Training provisions:	This section outlines the training provisions that must be adhered to prior to drilling.
Drilling emergency call lists:	Included are the telephone numbers of all persons to be contacted should an emergency exist.
Briefing:	This section deals with the briefing of all people involved in the drilling operation.
Public safety:	Public safety personnel will be made aware of any potential evacuation and any additional support needed.
Check lists:	Status check lists and procedural check lists have been included to insure adherence to the plan.
General information:	A general information section has been included to supply support information.

### **Hydrogen Sulfide Training**

All personnel, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, will receive training from a qualified instructor in the following areas prior to commencing drilling operations on the well:

1. The hazards and characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S.
2. Proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
3. H<sub>2</sub>S detection.
4. Proper use of H<sub>2</sub>S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures and prevailing winds.
5. Proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.
6. Physical effects of hydrogen sulfide on the human body.
7. Toxicity of hydrogen sulfide and sulfur dioxide.
8. Use of SCBA and supplied air equipment.
9. First aid and artificial respiration.
10. Emergency rescue.

In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:

1. The effects of H<sub>2</sub>S on metal components. If high tensile strength tubular is to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling a well, blowout prevention and well control procedures.
3. The contents and requirements of the H<sub>2</sub>S Drilling Operations Plan.



H<sub>2</sub>S training refresher must have been taken within one year prior to drilling the well. Specifics on the well to be drilled will be discussed during the pre-spud meeting. H<sub>2</sub>S and well control (choke) drills will be performed while drilling the well, at least on a weekly basis. This plan shall be available in the well site. All personnel will be required to carry the documentation proving that the H<sub>2</sub>S training has been taken.

#### **Service company and visiting personnel**

- A. Each service company that will be on this well will be notified if the zone contains H<sub>2</sub>S.
- B. Each service company must provide for the training and equipment of their employees before they arrive at the well site.
- C. Each service company will be expected to attend a well site briefing

## **Emergency Equipment Requirements**

### 1. **Well control equipment**

The well shall have hydraulic BOP equipment for the anticipated pressures. Equipment is to be tested on installation and follow Oxy Well Control standard, as well as BLM Onshore Order #2.

*Special control equipment:*

- A. Hydraulic BOP equipment with remote control on ground.
- B. Rotating head
- C. Gas buster equipment shall be installed before drilling out of surface pipe.

### 2. **Protective equipment for personnel**

- A. Four (4) 30-minute positive pressure air packs (2 at each briefing area) on location.
- B. Adequate fire extinguishers shall be located at strategic locations.
- C. Radio / cell telephone communication will be available at the rig.
  - Rig floor and trailers.
  - Vehicle.

### 3. **Hydrogen sulfide sensors and alarms**

- A. H<sub>2</sub>S sensor with alarms will be located on the rig floor, at the bell nipple, and at the flow line. These monitors will be set to alarm at 10 ppm with strobe light, and audible alarm.
- B. Hand operated detectors with tubes.
- C. H<sub>2</sub>S monitor tester (to be provided by contract Safety Company.)
- D. There shall be one combustible gas detector on location at all times.

### 4. **Visual Warning Systems**

- A. One sign located at each location entrance with the following language:

**Caution – potential poison gas  
Hydrogen sulfide  
No admittance without authorization**

*Wind sock – wind streamers:*

- A. One 36" (in length) wind sock located at protection center, at height visible from rig floor.
- B. One 36" (in length) wind sock located at height visible from pit areas.

*Condition flags*

- A. One each condition flag to be displayed to denote conditions.

**green – normal conditions**  
**yellow – potential danger**  
**red – danger, H2S present**

- B. Condition flag shall be posted at each location sign entrance.

5. Mud Program

The mud program is designed to minimize the risk of having H2S and other formation fluids at surface. Proper mud weight and safe drilling practices will be applied. H2S scavengers will be used to minimize the hazards while drilling. Below is a summary of the drilling program.

*Mud inspection devices.*

Garrett gas train or hatch tester for inspection of sulfide concentration in mud system.

6. Metallurgy

- A. Drill string, casing, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventers, drilling spools or adapters, kill lines, choke manifold, lines and valves shall be suitable for the H2S service.
- B. All the elastomers, packing, seals and ring gaskets shall be suitable for H2S service.

7. Well Testing

No drill stem test will be performed on this well.

8. Evacuation plan

Evacuation routes should be established prior to well spud for each well and discussed with all rig personnel.

9. Designated area

- A. Parking and visitor area: all vehicles are to be parked at a predetermined safe distance from the wellhead.
- B. There will be a designated smoking area.
- C. Two briefing areas on either side of the location at the maximum allowable distance from the well bore so they offset prevailing winds perpendicularly, or at a 45-degree angle if wind direction tends to shift in the area.

Emergency procedures

- A. In the event of any evidence of H<sub>2</sub>S level above 10 ppm, take the following steps:
  - 1. The Driller will pick up off bottom, shut down the pumps, slow down the pipe rotation.
  - 2. Secure and don escape breathing equipment, report to the upwind designated safe briefing / muster area.
  - 3. All personnel on location will be accounted for and emergency search should begin for any missing, the Buddy System will be implemented.
  - 4. Order non-essential personnel to leave the well site, order all essential personnel out of the danger zone and upwind to the nearest designated safe briefing / muster area.
  - 5. Entrance to the location will be secured to a higher level than our usual "Meet and Greet" requirement, and the proper condition flag will be displayed at the entrance to the location.
  - 6. Take steps to determine if the H<sub>2</sub>S level can be corrected or suppressed and, if so, proceed as required.
- B. If uncontrollable conditions occur:
  - 1. Take steps to protect and/or remove any public in the down-wind area from the rig – partial evacuation and isolation. Notify necessary public safety personnel and appropriate regulatory entities (i.e. BLM) of the situation.

2. Remove all personnel to the nearest upwind designated safe briefing / muster area or off location.
3. Notify public safety personnel of safe briefing / muster area.
4. An assigned crew member will blockade the entrance to the location. No unauthorized personnel will be allowed entry to the location.
5. Proceed with best plan (at the time) to regain control of the well. Maintain tight security and safety procedures.

C. Responsibility:

1. Designated personnel.
  - a. Shall be responsible for the total implementation of this plan.
  - b. Shall be in complete command during any emergency.
  - c. Shall designate a back-up.

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| All personnel:      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. On alarm, don escape unit and report to the nearest upwind designated safe briefing / muster area upw</li> <li>2. Check status of personnel (buddy system).</li> <li>3. Secure breathing equipment.</li> <li>4. Await orders from supervisor.</li> </ol>   |
| Drill site manager: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Don escape unit if necessary and report to nearest upwind designated safe briefing / muster area.</li> <li>2. Coordinate preparations of individuals to return to point of release with tool pusher and driller (using the buddy system).</li> <li>3. Determine H2S concentrations.</li> <li>4. Assess situation and take control measures.</li> </ol> |
| Tool pusher:        | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Don escape unit Report to up nearest upwind designated safe briefing / muster area.</li> <li>2. Coordinate preparation of individuals to return to point of release with tool pusher drill site manager (using the buddy system).</li> <li>3. Determine H2S concentration.</li> <li>4. Assess situation and take control measures.</li> </ol>          |
| Driller:            | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Don escape unit, shut down pumps, continue rotating DP.</li> </ol>   |

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|   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Check monitor for point of release.</li> <li>3. Report to nearest upwind designated safe briefing / muster area.</li> <li>4. Check status of personnel (in an attempt to rescue, use the buddy system).</li> <li>5. Assigns least essential person to notify Drill Site Manager and tool pusher by quickest means in case of their absence.</li> <li>6. Assumes the responsibilities of the Drill Site Manager and tool pusher until they arrive should they be absent.</li> </ol> |
| Derrick man<br>Floor man #1<br>Floor man #2 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Will remain in briefing / muster area until instructed by supervisor.</li> </ol>   |
| Mud engineer:                               | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report to nearest upwind designated safe briefing / muster area.</li> <li>2. When instructed, begin check of mud for ph and H2S level. (Garett gas train.)</li> </ol>  |
| Safety personnel:                           | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mask up and check status of all personnel and secure operations as instructed by drill site manager.</li> </ol>  |

### **Taking a kick**

When taking a kick during an H2S emergency, all personnel will follow standard Well control procedures after reporting to briefing area and masking up.

### **Open-hole logging**

All unnecessary personnel off floor. Drill Site Manager and safety personnel should monitor condition. advise status and determine need for use of air equipment.

### **Running casing or plugging**

Following the same "tripping" procedure as above. Drill Site Manager and safety personnel should determine if all personnel have access to protective equipment.

### **Ignition procedures**

The decision to ignite the well is the responsibility of the operator (Oxy Drilling Management). The decision should be made only as a last resort and in a situation where it is clear that:

1. Human life and property are endangered.
2. There is no hope controlling the blowout under the prevailing conditions at the well.

### **Instructions for igniting the well**

1. Two people are required for the actual igniting operation. They must wear self-contained breathing units and have a safety rope attached. One man (tool pusher or safety engineer) will check the atmosphere for explosive gases with the gas monitor. The other man is responsible for igniting the well.
2. Primary method to ignite: 25 mm flare gun with range of approximately 500 feet.
3. Ignite upwind and do not approach any closer than is warranted.
4. Select the ignition site best for protection, and which offers an easy escape route.
5. Before firing, check for presence of combustible gas.
6. After lighting, continue emergency action and procedure as before.
7. All unassigned personnel will remain in briefing area until instructed by supervisor or directed by the Drill Site Manager.

**Remember:** After well is ignited, burning hydrogen sulfide will convert to sulfur dioxide, which is also highly toxic. **Do not assume the area is safe after the well is ignited.**



### **Status check list**

Note: All items on this list must be completed before drilling to production casing point.

1. H2S sign at location entrance.
2. Two (2) wind socks located as required.
3. Four (4) 30-minute positive pressure air packs (2 at each Briefing area) on location for all rig personnel and mud loggers.
4. Air packs inspected and ready for use.
5. Cascade system and hose line hook-up as needed.
6. Cascade system for refilling air bottles as needed.
7. Condition flag on location and ready for use.
8. H2S detection system hooked up and tested.
9. H2S alarm system hooked up and tested.
10. Hand operated H2S detector with tubes on location.
11. 1 – 100' length of nylon rope on location.
12. All rig crew and supervisors trained as required.
13. All outside service contractors advised of potential H2S hazard on well.
14. No smoking sign posted and a designated smoking area identified.
15. Calibration of all H2S equipment shall be noted on the IADC report.

Checked by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Procedural check list during H2S events**

#### **Perform each tour:**

1. Check fire extinguishers to see that they have the proper charge.
2. Check breathing equipment to ensure that it is in proper working order.
3. Make sure all the H2S detection system is operative.

#### **Perform each week:**

1. Check each piece of breathing equipment to make sure that demand or forced air regulator is working. This requires that the bottle be opened and the mask assembly be put on tight enough so that when you inhale, you receive air or feel air flow.
2. BOP skills (well control drills).
3. Check supply pressure on BOP accumulator stand by source.
4. Check breathing equipment mask assembly to see that straps are loosened and turned back, ready to put on.
5. Check pressure on breathing equipment air bottles to make sure they are charged to full volume. ( Air quality checked for proper air grade "D" before bringing to location)
6. Confirm pressure on all supply air bottles.
7. Perform breathing equipment drills with on-site personnel.
8. Check the following supplies for availability.
  - A. Emergency telephone list.
  - B. Hand operated H2S detectors and tubes.

### **General evacuation plan**

1. When the company approved supervisor (Drill Site Manager, consultant, rig pusher, or driller) determines the H<sub>2</sub>S gas cannot be limited to the well location and the public will be involved, he will activate the evacuation plan.
2. Drill Site Manager or designee will notify local government agency that a hazardous condition exists and evacuation needs to be implemented.
3. Company or contractor safety personnel that have been trained in the use of H<sub>2</sub>S detection equipment and self-contained breathing equipment will monitor H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations, wind directions, and area of exposure. They will delineate the outer perimeter of the hazardous gas area. Extension to the evacuation area will be determined from information gathered.
4. Law enforcement personnel (state police, police dept., fire dept., and sheriff's dept.) Will be called to aid in setting up and maintaining road blocks. Also, they will aid in evacuation of the public if necessary.
5. After the discharge of gas has been controlled, company safety personnel will determine when the area is safe for re-entry.

**Important: Law enforcement personnel will not be asked to come into a contaminated area. Their assistance will be limited to uncontaminated areas. Constant radio contact will be maintained with them.**

### **Emergency actions**

#### **Well blowout – if emergency**

1. Evacuate all personnel to “Safe Briefing / Muster Areas” or off location if needed.
2. If sour gas – evacuate rig personnel.
3. If sour gas – evacuate public within 3000 ft radius of exposure.
4. Don SCBA and shut well in if possible using the buddy system.
5. Notify Drilling Superintendent and call 911 for emergency help (fire dept and ambulance) if needed.
6. Implement the Blowout Contingency Plan, and Drilling Emergency Action Plan.
6. Give first aid as needed.

#### **Person down location/facility**

1. If immediately possible, contact 911. Give location and wait for confirmation.
2. Don SCBA and perform rescue operation using buddy system.

### **Toxic effects of hydrogen sulfide**

Hydrogen sulfide is extremely toxic. The acceptable ceiling concentration for eight-hour exposure is 10 ppm, which is .001% by volume. Hydrogen sulfide is heavier than air (specific gravity – 1.192) and colorless. It forms an explosive mixture with air between 4.3 and 46.0 percent by volume. Hydrogen sulfide is almost as toxic as hydrogen cyanide and is between five and six times more toxic than carbon monoxide. Toxicity data for hydrogen sulfide and various other gases are compared in table i. Physical effects at various hydrogen sulfide exposure levels are shown in table ii.

Table i  
Toxicity of various gases

Common name	Chemical formula	Specific gravity (sc=1)	Threshold limit (1)	Hazardous limit (2)	Lethal concentration (3)
Hydrogen Cyanide	Hcn	0.94	10 ppm	150 ppm/hr	300 ppm
Hydrogen Sulfide	H2S	1.18	10 ppm	250 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	So2	2.21	5 ppm	-	1000 ppm
Chlorine	Cl2	2.45	1 ppm	4 ppm/hr	1000 ppm
Carbon Monoxide	Co	0.97	50 ppm	400 ppm/hr	1000 ppm
Carbon Dioxide	Co2	1.52	5000 ppm	5%	10%
Methane	Ch4	0.55	90,000 ppm	Combustible above 5% in air	

- 1) threshold limit – concentration at which it is believed that all workers may be repeatedly exposed day after day without adverse effects.
- 2) hazardous limit – concentration that will cause death with short-term exposure.
- 3) lethal concentration – concentration that will cause death with short-term exposure.

### **Toxic effects of hydrogen sulfide**

Table ii  
Physical effects of hydrogen sulfide

<u>Percent (%)</u>	<u>Ppm</u>	<u>Concentration</u> Grains <u>100 std. Ft3*</u>	<u>Physical effects</u>
0.001	<10	00.65	Obvious and unpleasant odor

0.002	10	01.30	Safe for 8 hours of exposure
0.010	100	06.48	Kill smell in 3 – 15 minutes May sting eyes and throat.
0.020	200	12.96	Kills smell shortly; stings eyes and throat
0.050	500	32.96	Dizziness: breathing ceases in a few minutes; needs prompt artificial respiration.
0.070	700	45.36	Unconscious quickly: death will result if not rescued promptly.
0.100	1000	64.30	Unconscious at once; followed by death within minutes.

\*at 15.00 psia and 60°f.

### **Use of self-contained breathing equipment (SCBA)**

1. Written procedures shall be prepared covering safe use of SCBA's in dangerous atmosphere, which might be encountered in normal operations or in emergencies. Personnel shall be familiar with these procedures and the available SCBA.
2. SCBA's shall be inspected frequently at random to insure that they are properly used, cleaned, and maintained.
3. Anyone who may use the SCBA's shall be trained in how to insure proper face-piece to face seal. They shall wear SCBA's in normal air and then wear them in a test atmosphere. (note: such items as facial hair {beard or sideburns} and eyeglasses will not allow proper seal.) Anyone that may be reasonably expected to wear SCBA's should have these items removed before entering a toxic atmosphere. A special mask must be obtained for anyone who must wear eyeglasses or contact lenses.
4. Maintenance and care of SCBA's:
  - a. A program for maintenance and care of SCBA's shall include the following:
    1. Inspection for defects, including leak checks.
    2. Cleaning and disinfecting.
    3. Repair.
    4. Storage.
  - b. Inspection, self-contained breathing apparatus for emergency use shall be inspected monthly.
    1. Fully charged cylinders.
    2. Regulator and warning device operation.
    3. Condition of face piece and connections.
    4. Rubber parts shall be maintained to keep them pliable and prevent deterioration.
  - c. Routinely used SCBA's shall be collected, cleaned and disinfected as frequently as necessary to insure proper protection is provided.
5. Persons assigned tasks that requires use of self-contained breathing equipment shall be certified physically fit (medically cleared) for breathing equipment usage at least annually.
6. SCBA's should be worn when:
  - A. Any employee works near the top or on top of any tank unless test reveals less than 10 ppm of H<sub>2</sub>S.

- B. When breaking out any line where H<sub>2</sub>S can reasonably be expected.
- C. When sampling air in areas to determine if toxic concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S exists.
- D. When working in areas where over 10 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S has been detected.
- E. At any time there is a doubt as to the H<sub>2</sub>S level in the area to be entered.

**Rescue**  
**First aid for H<sub>2</sub>S poisoning**

Do not panic!

Remain calm – think!

1. Don SCBA breathing equipment.
2. Remove victim(s) utilizing buddy system to fresh air as quickly as possible. (go up-wind from source or at right angle to the wind. Not down wind.)
3. Briefly apply chest pressure – arm lift method of artificial respiration to clean the victim's lungs and to avoid inhaling any toxic gas directly from the victim's lungs.
4. Provide for prompt transportation to the hospital. and continue giving artificial respiration if needed.
5. Hospital(s) or medical facilities need to be informed, before-hand, of the possibility of H<sub>2</sub>S gas poisoning – no matter how remote the possibility is.
6. Notify emergency room personnel that the victim(s) has been exposed to H<sub>2</sub>S gas.

Besides basic first aid, everyone on location should have a good working knowledge of artificial respiration.

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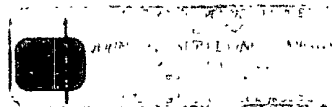
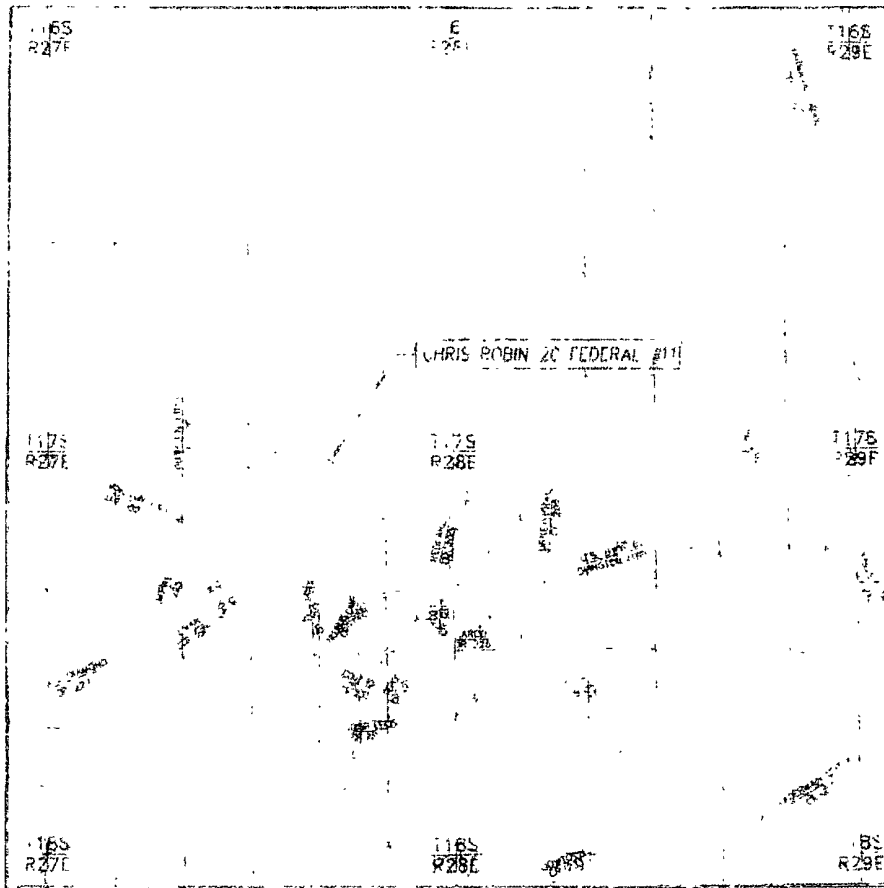
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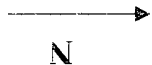
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1. Escape

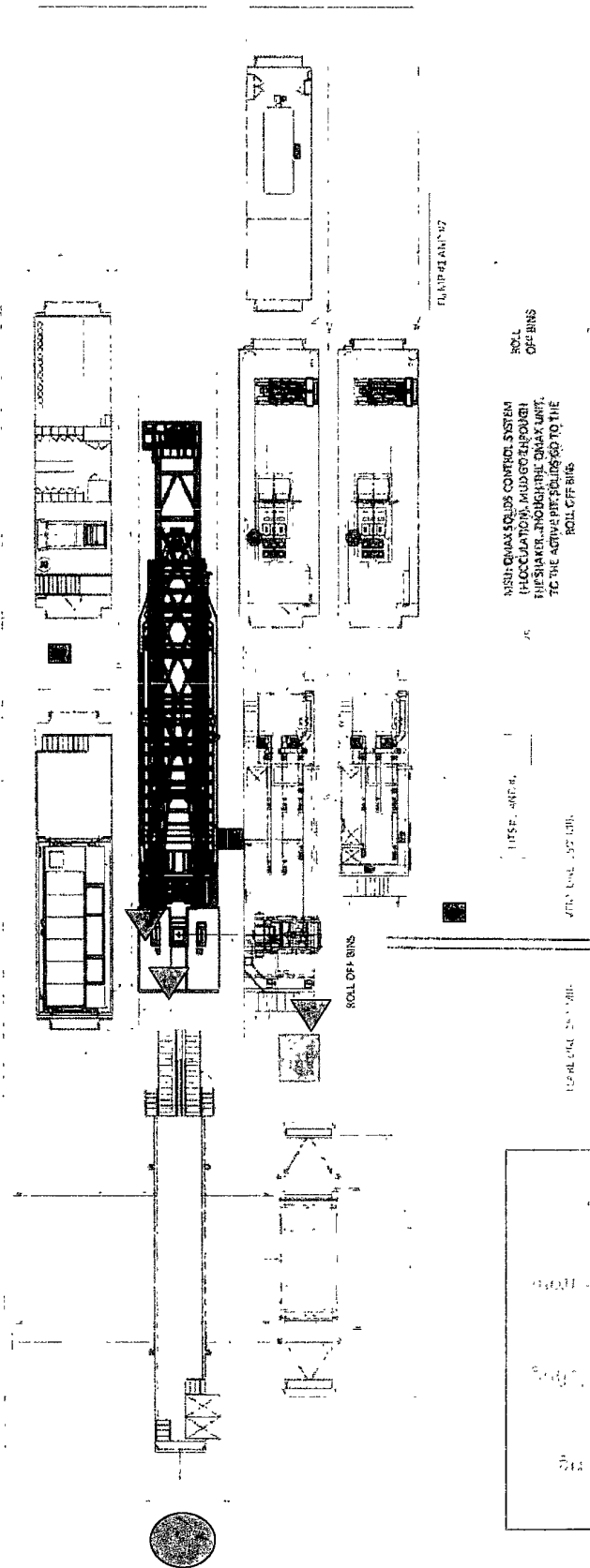
Personnel shall escape upwind of wellbore in the event of an emergency gas release. Escape can take place through the lease road on the Southeast side of the location. Personnel need to move to a safe distance and block the entrance to location.

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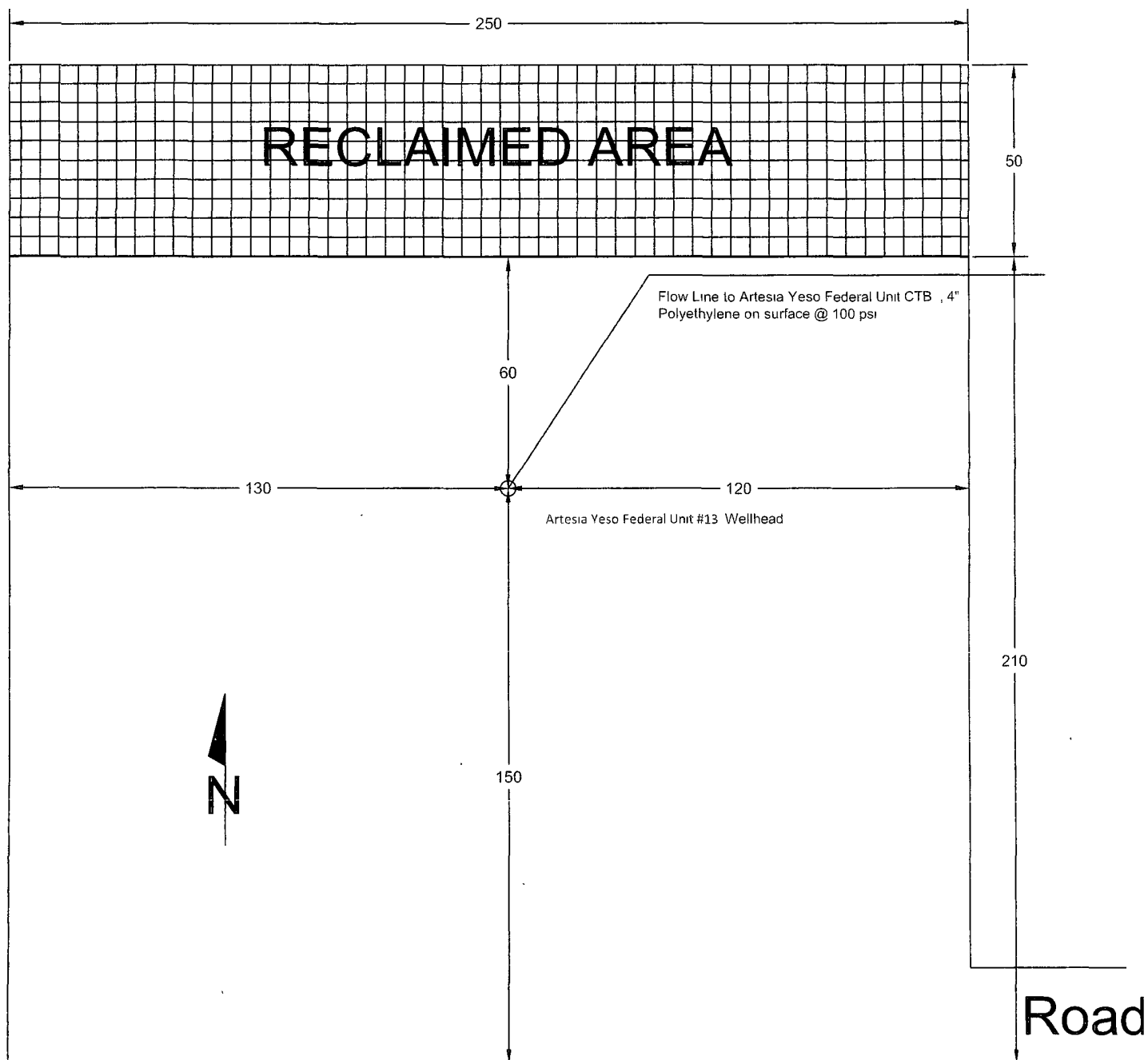




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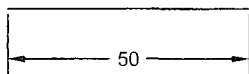


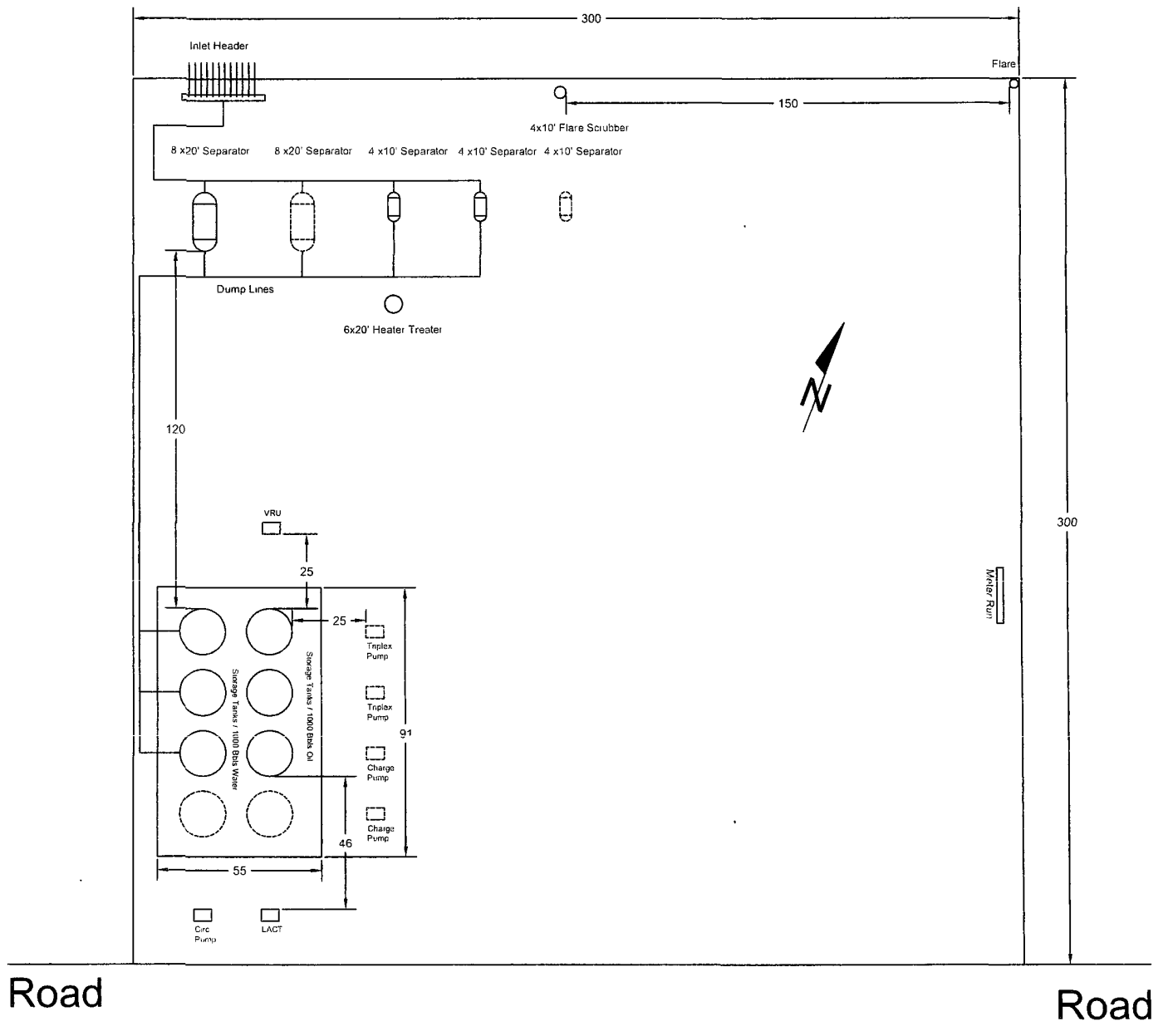
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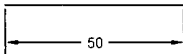
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## Artesia Yeso Federal Unit CTB Facilities Layout

All Units in Feet



----- Future Expansion

## PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	OXY USA WPT, LP
LEASE NO.:	NMLC048345
WELL NAME & NO.:	11-CHRIS ROBIN 20 FEDERAL
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	0990'/N. & 0880'/E.
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	
LOCATION:	Section 20, T. 17 S., R. 28 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico

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## **I. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

The approval of the Application For Permit To Drill (APD) is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations: 43 Code of Federal Regulations 3160, the lease terms, Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notices To Lessees, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Rules, National Historical Preservation Act As Amended, and instructions and orders of the Authorized Officer. Any request for a variance shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Report on Wells.

## **II. PERMIT EXPIRATION**

If the permit terminates prior to drilling and drilling cannot be commenced within 60 days after expiration, an operator is required to submit Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, requesting surface reclamation requirements for any surface disturbance. However, if the operator will be able to initiate drilling within 60 days after the expiration of the permit, the operator must have set the conductor pipe in order to allow for an extension of 60 days beyond the expiration date of the APD. (Filing of a Sundry Notice is required for this 60 day extension.)

## **III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES**

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource discovered by the operator or by any person working on the operator's behalf shall immediately report such findings to the Authorized Officer. The operator is fully accountable for the actions of their contractors and subcontractors. The operator shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery shall be made by the Authorized Officer to determine the appropriate actions that shall be required to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values of the discovery. The operator shall be held responsible for the cost of the proper mitigation measures that the Authorized Officer assesses after consultation with the operator on the evaluation and decisions of the discovery. Any unauthorized collection or disturbance of cultural or paleontological resources may result in a shutdown order by the Authorized Officer.

## **IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS**

The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

## **V. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)**

### **Apply for flowline with ROW**

### **Cave and Karst**

\*\* Depending on location, additional Drilling, Casing, and Cementing procedures may be required by engineering to protect critical karst groundwater recharge areas.

#### **Cave/Karst Surface Mitigation**

The following stipulations will be applied to minimize impacts during construction, drilling and production.

##### **Construction:**

In the advent that any underground voids are opened up during construction activities, construction activities will be halted and the BLM will be notified immediately.

##### **No Blasting:**

No blasting will be utilized for pad construction. The pad will be constructed and leveled by adding the necessary fill and caliche.

##### **Pad Berming:**

The pad will be bermed to prevent oil, salt, and other chemical contaminants from leaving the pad. All sides will be bermed.

##### **Tank Battery Liners and Berms:**

Tank battery locations will be lined and bermed. A 20 mil permanent liner will be installed with a 4 oz. felt backing to prevent tears or punctures. Tank battery berms must be large enough to contain 1 ½ times the content of the largest tank.

##### **Leak Detection System:**

A method of detecting leaks is required. The method could incorporate gauges to measure loss, situating valves and lines so they can be visually inspected, or installing electronic sensors to alarm when a leak is present. Leak detection plan will be submitted to BLM for approval.

##### **Automatic Shut-off Systems:**

Automatic shut off, check valves, or similar systems will be installed for pipelines and tanks to minimize the effects of catastrophic line failures used in production or drilling.

#### **Cave/Karst Subsurface Mitigation**

The following stipulations will be applied to protect cave/karst and ground water concerns:



**Rotary Drilling with Fresh Water:**

Fresh water will be used as a circulating medium in zones where caves or karst features are expected. SEE ALSO: Drilling COAs for this well.

**Directional Drilling:**

Kick off for directional drilling will occur at least 100 feet below the bottom of the cave occurrence zone. SEE ALSO: Drilling COAs for this well.

**Lost Circulation:**

ALL lost circulation zones from the surface to the base of the cave occurrence zone will be logged and reported in the drilling report.

Regardless of the type of drilling machinery used, if a void of four feet or more and circulation losses greater than 70 percent occur simultaneously while drilling in any cave-bearing zone, the BLM will be notified immediately by the operator. The BLM will assess the situation and work with the operator on corrective actions to resolve the problem.

**Abandonment Cementing:**

Upon well abandonment in high cave karst areas additional plugging conditions of approval may be required. The BLM will assess the situation and work with the operator to ensure proper plugging of the wellbore.

**Pressure Testing:**

Annual pressure monitoring will be performed by the operator on all casing annuli and reported in a sundry notice. If the test results indicated a casing failure has occurred, remedial action will be undertaken to correct the problem to the BLM's approval.

## **VI. CONSTRUCTION**

### **A. NOTIFICATION**

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-6235 at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad.

When construction operations are being conducted on this well, the operator shall have the approved APD and Conditions of Approval (COA) on the well site and they shall be made available upon request by the Authorized Officer.

### **B. TOPSOIL**

The operator shall stockpile the topsoil in a low profile manner in order to prevent wind/water erosion of the topsoil. The topsoil to be stripped is approximately 4 inches in depth. The topsoil will be used for interim and final reclamation.

### **C. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM**

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

### **D. FEDERAL MINERAL MATERIALS PIT**

Payment shall be made to the BLM prior to removal of any federal mineral materials. Call the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972.

### **E. WELL PAD SURFACING**

Surfacing of the well pad is not required.

If the operator elects to surface the well pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

The well pad shall be constructed in a manner which creates the smallest possible surface disturbance, consistent with safety and operational needs.

### **F. ON LEASE ACCESS ROADS**

#### **Road Width**

The access road shall have a driving surface that creates the smallest possible surface disturbance and does not exceed fourteen (14) feet in width. The maximum width of surface disturbance, when constructing the access road, shall not exceed twenty (20) feet.

### Surfacing

Surfacing material is not required on the new access road driving surface. If the operator elects to surface the new access road or pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

Where possible, no improvements should be made on the unsurfaced access road other than to remove vegetation as necessary, road irregularities, safety issues, or to fill low areas that may sustain standing water.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require surfacing of any portion of the access road at any time deemed necessary. Surfacing may be required in the event the road deteriorates, erodes, road traffic increases, or it is determined to be beneficial for future field development. The surfacing depth and type of material will be determined at the time of notification.

### Crowning

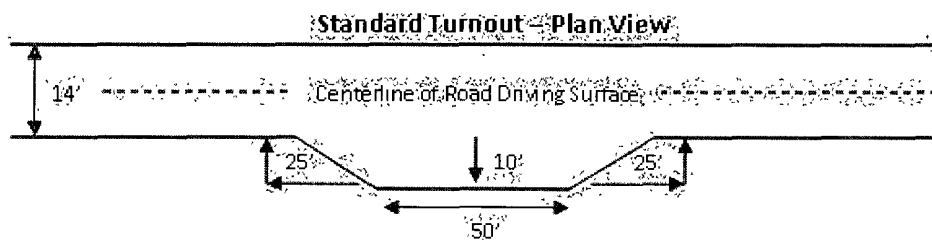
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### Ditching

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

### Turnouts

Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:

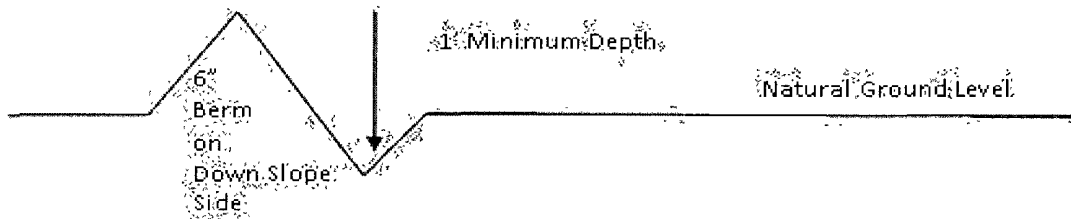


### Drainage

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outsloping and insloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm of 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm shall be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch.

### Cross Section of a Typical Lead-off Ditch



All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval are variable for lead-off ditches and shall be determined according to the formula for spacing intervals of lead-off ditches, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %);

#### **Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches**

Example - On a 4% road slope that is 400 feet long, the water flow shall drain water into a lead-off ditch. Spacing interval shall be determined by the following formula:

$$400 \text{ foot road with } 4\% \text{ road slope: } \frac{400'}{4\%} + 100' = 200' \text{ lead-off ditch interval}$$

#### **Culvert Installations**

Appropriately sized culvert(s) shall be installed at the deep waterway channel flow crossing.

#### **Cattleguards**

An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).

Any existing cattleguard(s) on the access road shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguard(s) that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

A gate shall be constructed and fastened securely to H-braces.

#### **Fence Requirement**

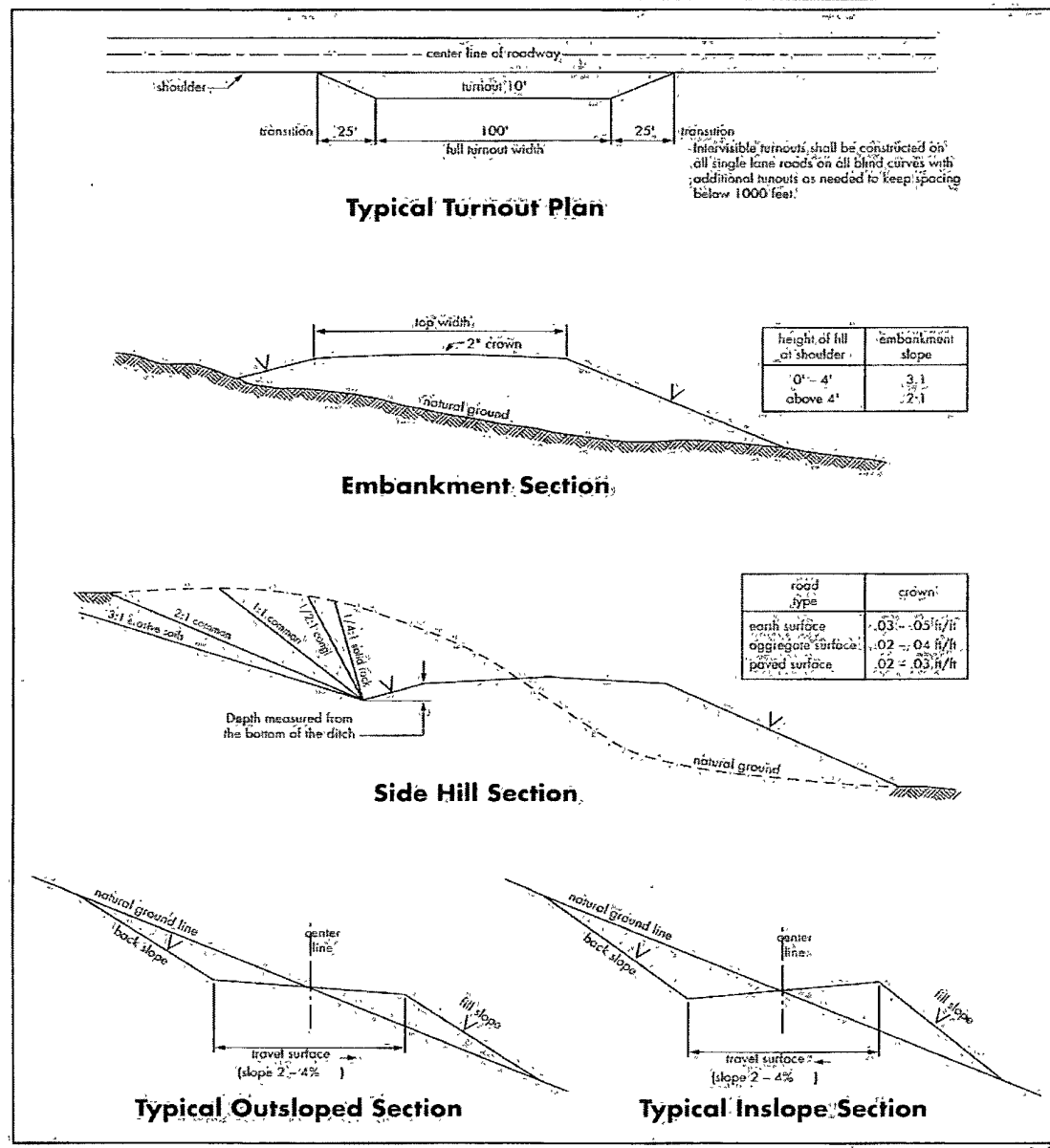
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

#### **Public Access**

Public access on this road shall not be restricted by the operator without specific written approval granted by the Authorized Officer.

**Figure 1 – Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections**



## VII. DRILLING

### A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests

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1. **Although Hydrogen Sulfide has not been reported in this section, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measured amounts and formations to the BLM.**
2. Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval. **If the drilling rig is removed without approval – an Incident of Non-Compliance will be written and will be a “Major” violation.**
3. **The record of the drilling rate along with the GR/N well log run from TD to surface shall be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

### B. CASING

**Changes to the approved APD casing program need prior approval if the items substituted are of lesser grade or different casing size. The Operator can exchange the components of the proposal with that of superior strength (i.e. changing from J-55 to N-80, or from 36# to 40#). Changes to the approved cement program need prior approval if the altered cement plan has less volume or strength or if the changes are substantial (i.e. Multistage tool, ECP, etc.).**

**Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.**

Wait on cement (WOC) time prior to drilling out for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater for all casing strings. DURING THIS WOC TIME, NO DRILL PIPE, ETC. SHALL BE RUN IN THE HOLE. Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.

No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.

**HIGH CAVE/KARST – CONTINGENCY CASING WILL BE REQUIRED IF LOST CIRCULATION OCCURS WHILE DRILLING THE SURFACE HOLE. THE SURFACE HOLE WILL HAVE TO BE REAMED AND A LARGER CASING INSTALLED. IF LOST CIRCULATION OCCURS WHILE DRILLING THE 7-7/8" HOLE, THE CEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE 5-1/2" CASING WILL NEED TO BE MODIFIED AND THE BLM IS TO BE CONTACTED PRIOR TO RUNNING THE CASING. A MINIMUM OF TWO CASING STRINGS CEMENTED TO SURFACE IS REQUIRED IN HIGH CAVE/KARST AREAS. THE CEMENT MUST BE IN A SOLID SHEATH THEREFORE, ONE INCH OPERATIONS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED. A DV TOOL WILL BE REQUIRED.**

**Possible lost circulation in the Tansill, Grayburg and San Andres formations.  
Possible water/brine flows in the Salado and Artesia Groups.**

1. The 9-5/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 450 feet and cemented to the surface.
  - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Temperature survey will be run a minimum of six hours after pumping cement and ideally between 8-10 hours after completing the cement job.
  - b. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.**
  - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
  - d. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **5-1/2** inch production casing is:

☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office.

3. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

### C. PRESSURE CONTROL

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
2. Variance approved to use flex line from BOP to choke manifold. Check condition of flexible line from BOP to choke manifold, replace if exterior is damaged or if line fails test. Line to be as straight as possible with no hard bends and is to be anchored according to Manufacturer's requirements. The flexible hose can be exchanged with a hose of equal size and equal or greater pressure rating. **Anchor requirements, specification sheet and hydrostatic pressure test certification matching the hose in service, to be onsite for review.** If the BLM inspector questions the straightness of the hose, a BLM engineer will be contacted and will review in the field or via picture supplied by inspector to determine if changes are required (operator shall expect delays if this occurs).
3. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **3000 (3M)** psi.
4. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
  - a. In a water basin, for all casing strings utilizing slips, these are to be set as soon as the crew and rig are ready and any fallback cement remediation has been done. The casing cut-off and BOP installation can be initiated four hours after installing the slips, which will be approximately six hours after bumping the plug. For those casing strings not using slips, the minimum wait time before cut-off is eight hours after bumping the plug. BOP/BOPE testing can begin after cut-off or once cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified), whichever is greater. However, if the float does not hold, cut-off cannot be initiated until cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified).



- b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug **not a cup or J-packer**. The operator also has the option of utilizing an independent tester to test without a plug (i.e. against the casing) pursuant to Onshore Order 2 with the pressure not to exceed 70% of the burst rating for the casing. Any test against the casing must meet the WOC time for water basin (18 hours) or potash (24 hours) or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater, prior to initiating the test (see casing segment as lead cement may be critical item).
- c. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
- d. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. **A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.**
- e. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

#### **D. DRILL STEM TEST**

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

#### **E. WASTE MATERIAL AND FLUIDS**

All waste (i.e. drilling fluids, trash, salts, chemicals, sewage, gray water, etc.) created as a result of drilling operations and completion operations shall be safely contained and disposed of properly at a waste disposal facility. No waste material or fluid shall be disposed of on the well location or surrounding area.

Porto-johns and trash containers will be on-location during fracturing operations or any other crew-intensive operations.

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## **VIII. PRODUCTION (POST DRILLING)**

### **A. WELL STRUCTURES & FACILITIES**

#### **Placement of Production Facilities**

Production facilities should be placed on the well pad to allow for maximum interim recontouring and revegetation of the well location.

#### **Containment Structures**

The containment structure shall be constructed to hold the capacity of the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

#### **Painting Requirement**

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color  
Shale Green, Munsell Soil Color Chart # 5Y 4/2

### **B. PIPELINES (Apply for with ROW)**

### **C. ELECTRIC LINES (not applied for)**

## **IX. INTERIM RECLAMATION**

During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo interim reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses.

Within six (6) months of well completion, operators should work with BLM surface management specialists (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909) to devise the best strategies to reduce the size of the location. Interim reclamation should allow for remedial well operations, as well as safe and efficient removal of oil and gas.

During reclamation, the removal of caliche is important to increasing the success of revegetating the site. Removed caliche that is free of contaminants may be used for road repairs, fire walls or for building other roads and locations. In order to operate the well or complete workover operations, it may be necessary to drive, park and operate on restored interim vegetation within the previously disturbed area. Disturbing revegetated areas for production or workover operations will be allowed. If there is significant disturbance and loss of vegetation, the area will need to be revegetated. Communicate with the appropriate BLM office for any exceptions/exemptions if needed.

All disturbed areas after they have been satisfactorily prepared need to be reseeded with the seed mixture provided below.

Upon completion of interim reclamation, the operator shall submit a Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, Subsequent Report of Reclamation (Form 3160-5).

## **X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & RECLAMATION**

At final abandonment, well locations, production facilities, and access roads must undergo "final" reclamation so that the character and productivity of the land are restored.

Earthwork for final reclamation must be completed within six (6) months of well plugging. All pads, pits, facility locations and roads must be reclaimed to a satisfactory revegetated, safe, and stable condition, unless an agreement is made with the landowner or BLM to keep the road and/or pad intact.

After all disturbed areas have been satisfactorily prepared, these areas need to be revegetated with the seed mixture provided below. Seeding should be accomplished by drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other approved methods. Seeding may need to be repeated until revegetation is successful, as determined by the BLM.

Operators shall contact a BLM surface protection specialist prior to surface abandonment operations for site specific objectives (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909).

## Seed Mixture 1, for Loamy Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)\* per acre. There shall be no primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (small/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed\* per acre:

<u>Species</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains lovegrass ( <i>Eragrostis intermedia</i> )	0.5
Sand dropseed ( <i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i> )	1.0
Sideoats grama ( <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> )	5.0
Plains bristlegrass ( <i>Setaria macrostachya</i> )	2.0

\*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed