

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OCD Artesia

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

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a. Type of work: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. NM-100558	
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 TCS 12/11/12	
2. Name of Operator RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, LLC.		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.	
3a. Address 3817 NW EXPRESSWAY, SUITE 950 OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. 73112		8. Lease Name and Well No. RDX FEDERAL 10-2 <39577>	
3b. Phone No. (include area code) 405-996-5764 (KEN FAIRCHILD)		9. API Well No. 30-015-40877	
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements. *) At surface 2310 FSL & 580 FWL At proposed prod. zone SAME		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory BRUSHY DRAW DELAWARE EAST 28090	
14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 15 MILES SOUTHEAST OF MALAGA, NM		11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area SECTION 10, T. 26 S., R. 30 E.	
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any)	16. No. of acres in lease 960	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40	
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 1270' west of #4	19. Proposed Depth 7500'	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file NLM-NMB-000460	
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3113.6' GL	22. Approximate date work will start*	23. Estimated duration 30 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 <i>Barry W. Hunt</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) BARRY W. HUNT	Date 8/20/12
Title PERMIT AGENT FOR RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, LLC.		
Approved by (Signature) /s/ Don Peterson	Name (Printed/Typed)	Date DEC - 5 2012
Title CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE	Office FIELD MANAGER	

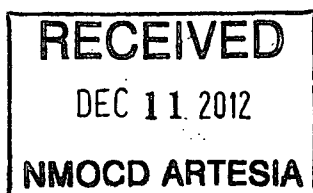
Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.  
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

**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)



Carlsbad Controlled Water Basin

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached

**SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
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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>30-015-40877</b>	Pool Code <b>8090</b>	Pool Name <b>BRUSHY DRAW DELAWARE EAST</b>
Property Code <b>39577</b>	Property Name <b>RDX 10 FEDERAL 10</b>	Well Number <b>2</b>
OGRID No. <b>246289</b>	Operator Name <b>RKI EXPLORATION &amp; PRODUCTION</b>	Elevation <b>3113.6</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
<b>L</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>26 S</b>	<b>30 E</b>		<b>2310</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>WEST</b>	<b>EDDY</b>

**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	Consolidated Code	Order No.
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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.

	<b>RDX 10 FEDERAL-2</b> NMSP-E (NAD 83) Y = 384506.9' N X = 683077.3' W LAT. = N32°03'22.55" LONG. = W103°52'32.93"	<p><b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b></p> <p>I hereby certify that the information contained 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 a mineral or working interest, or to voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.</p> <p><i>Barry W. Hunt</i> 8/20/12 Signature Date <b>Barry W. Hunt</b> Print Name E-mail Address</p>
	<b>NMSP-E (NAD 27)</b> Y = 384449.3' N X = 641891.4' E LAT. = 32.056138801° LONG. = -103.875334206°	
<p><b>SURVEYORS 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>June 6, 2012 Date of Survey</p> <p>Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor:  </p> <p><i>James E. Tompkins</i> Job No. WTC48545 JAMES E. TOMPKINS 14729 Certificate Number</p>		

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access road 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 RKI Exploration and Production, LLC. 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 20th. day of August 2012.

Signed: Barry W. Hunt

Printed Name: Barry Hunt

Position: Agent for RKI Exploration & Production, LLC.

Address: 1403 Springs Farm Place, Carlsbad, NM 88220

Telephone: (575) 361-4078

E-mail: specialtpermitting@gmail.com

Field Representative: Gene Simer

Address: P. O. Box 370, Carlsbad, NM 88221

Telephone: Office: (575) 885-1313, Cell: (575) 706-3225

# **RKI Exploration & Production LLC**

3817 NW Expressway, Suite 950, Oklahoma City, OK 73112  
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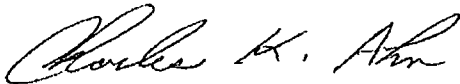
June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Mr. Barry Hunt has been retained by RKI Exploration & Production to sign as our agent on Application for Permit to Drill (APD) as well as Right of Way applications within the States of New Mexico and Texas.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at (405) 996-5771.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles K. Ahn".

Charles K. Ahn  
EH&S/Regulatory Manager

\*RKI Exploration & Production, LLC

DRILLING PLAN

Well RDX 10 Federal 2  
 Location 2,310 FSL 580 FWL  
 Section 10-26S-30E  
 County Eddy  
 State New Mexico

- 1) The elevation of the unprepared ground is 3,113 feet above sea level.
- 2) The geologic name of the surface formation is Quaternary - Alluvium.
- 3) A rotary rig will be utilized to drill the well to 7,500 feet and run casing.  
 This equipment will then be rigged down and the well will be completed with a workover rig.
- 4) Proposed depth is 7,500 feet.
- 5) Estimated tops:

Rustler	798		
Salado	1,140		
Castile	1,589		
Lamar Lime	3,361		
Base of Lime	3,548		
Delaware Top	3,578		
Bell Canyon Sand	3,578	Oil	1,549 psi
Cherry Canyon Sand	4,654	Oil	2,015 psi
Brushy Canyon Sand	5,710	Oil	2,472 psi
Bone Spring	7,466		
TD	7,500		3,248 psi 146 degree F

The Bone Spring will be penetrated as rathole to enable the entire Brushy Canyon to be logged.  
 Fresh water is anticipated at 200 ft.

6) Casing program:

Hole Size	Top	Bottom	OD Csg	Wt/Grade	Connection	Collapse Design Factor	Burst Design Factor	Tension Design Factor
	SEA	920						
17 1/2"	0	825	13 3/8"	54.5#/J-55	ST&C	3.16	6.43	11.43
12 1/2"	0	3,425	9 5/8"	40#/J-55	LT&C	1.36	5.41	3.80
7 7/8"	0	7,500	5 1/2"	17#/N-80	LT&C	1.93	1.55	2.73

All new casing

7) Cement program:

**Surface** 17 1/2" hole  
 Pipe OD 13 3/8"  
 Setting Depth 825 ft  
 Annular Volume 0.69462 cf/ft  
 Excess 1 100 %

Lead 502 sx 1.75 cf/sk 13.5 ppg  
 Tail 200 sx 1.34 cf/sk 14.8 ppg  
 Lead: "C" + 4% PF20 (gel) + 2% PF1 (CC) + .125 pps PF29 (CelloFlake) + .2% PF46 (antifoam)  
 Tail: "C" + 1% PF1 (CC)

Top of cement: Surface

**Intermediate** 12 1/2" hole  
 Pipe OD 9 5/8"  
 Setting Depth 3,425 ft  
 Annular Volume 0.31318 cf/ft 0.3627 cf/ft  
 Excess 1 100 %  
 Total Annular Volume 1113 cf  
 With Excess 2227 cf

Lead 947 sx 2.07 cf/sk 12.6 ppg  
 Tail 200 sx 1.33 cf/sk 14.8 ppg  
 Lead: 35/65 Poz "C" + 5% PF44 (salt) + 6% PF20 (gel) + 3 pps PF42 (KoalSeal) + .125 pps PF29 (CelloFlake) + .2% PF46 (antifoam) + 1% PF1 (CC)  
 Tail: "C" + .2% PF13 (retarder)

Top of cement: Surface

**Production** 7 7/8" hole  
 Pipe OD 5 1/2"  
 Setting Depth 7,500 ft  
 Annular Volume 0.1733 cf/ft 0.26074 cf/ft 300 ft  
 Excess 0.35 35 %  
 Total Annular Volume 784 cf  
 With Excess 1,059 cf  
 DV Tool Depth 5000 ft

Stage 1

Lead: 398 sx 1.47 cf/sk 13.0 ppg  
 Lead: PVL + 2% PF174 (expanding agent) + .3% PF167 (Uniflac) + .1% PF65 (dispersant) + .2% PF13 (retarder) + .25 pps PF46 (antifoam)

Top of cement: DV tool 5,500 ft.

Stage 2

Lead: 160 sx 2.04 cf/sk 12.6 ppg  
 Tail: 100 sx 1.47 cf/sk 13.0 ppg  
 Lead: 35/65 Poz "C" + 5% PF44 (salt) + 6% PF20 (gel) + .125 pps PF29 (CelloFlake) + .2% PF13 (retarder) + .25 pps PF46 (antifoam)  
 Tail: PVL + 1.3% PF44 (salt) + 5% PF174 (expander) + .5% FP606 (gel suppressing agent) + .25 pps PF46 (antifoam) + .2% PF13 (retarder)

Top of cement: 3,125 ft

# 8) Pressure control equipment:

The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #1 will consist of a double ram type (3,000 psi WP) preventer, a bag-type annular preventer (3,000 psi WP), and rotating head. Both units will be hydraulically operated and the ram type preventer will be equipped with blind rams on top and pipe rams (sized to accommodate the drill pipe size being utilized) on bottom. A 13 3/8" SOW x 13 5/8" 3M casing head will be installed on the 13 3/8" casing and utilized until total depth is reached. All BOP and associated equipment will be tested to 3,000 psi and the annular will be tested to 1,500 psi after setting the 13 3/8" string. The 13 3/8" and 9 5/8" casing will be tested to .22 psi per ft of casing string length or 1,500 psi whichever is greater, but not to exceed 70% of the minimum yield.

The 9 5/8" casing will be hung in the casing head and the stack will not be nipped down at this point.

The stack will not be isolated and tested after running the 9 5/8" casing, but will be tested along with the 9 5/8" casing. Pipe rams will be operated and checked each 24 hour period and each time the drill string is out of the hole. These function test will be documented on the daily driller's log.

A drilling spool or blowout preventer with 2 side outlets (choke side shall be 3" minimum diameter, kill side shall be at least 2" diameter).

2 kill line valves, one of which will be a check valve.

2 chokes on the manifold along with a pressure gauge.

Upper kelly cock valve with handle available.

Safety valve and subs to fit all drill string connections in use.

All BOP equipment connections subjected to pressure will be flanged, welded, or clamped.

Fill up line above the upper most preventer.

# 9) Mud program:

Top	Bottom	Mud Wt.	Vis	PV	YP	Fluid Loss	Type System
0	825	8.5 to 8.9	32 to 36	6 - 12	2 - 8	NC	Fresh Water
825	3,425	9.8 to 10.0	28 to 30	1 - 6	1 - 6	NC	Brine
3,425	7,500	8.9 to 9.1	28 to 36	1 - 6	1 - 6	NC	Fresh Water

# 10) Logging, coring, and testing program:

No drillstem test are planned

Total depth to intermediate: CNL, Caliper, GR, DLL,

Intermediate to surface: CNL, GR

No coring is planned

see COA

# 11) Potential hazards:

No abnormal pressure or temperature is expected. No H2S is known to exist in the area.

Though lost circulation is not anticipated, lost circulation material will be available on location.

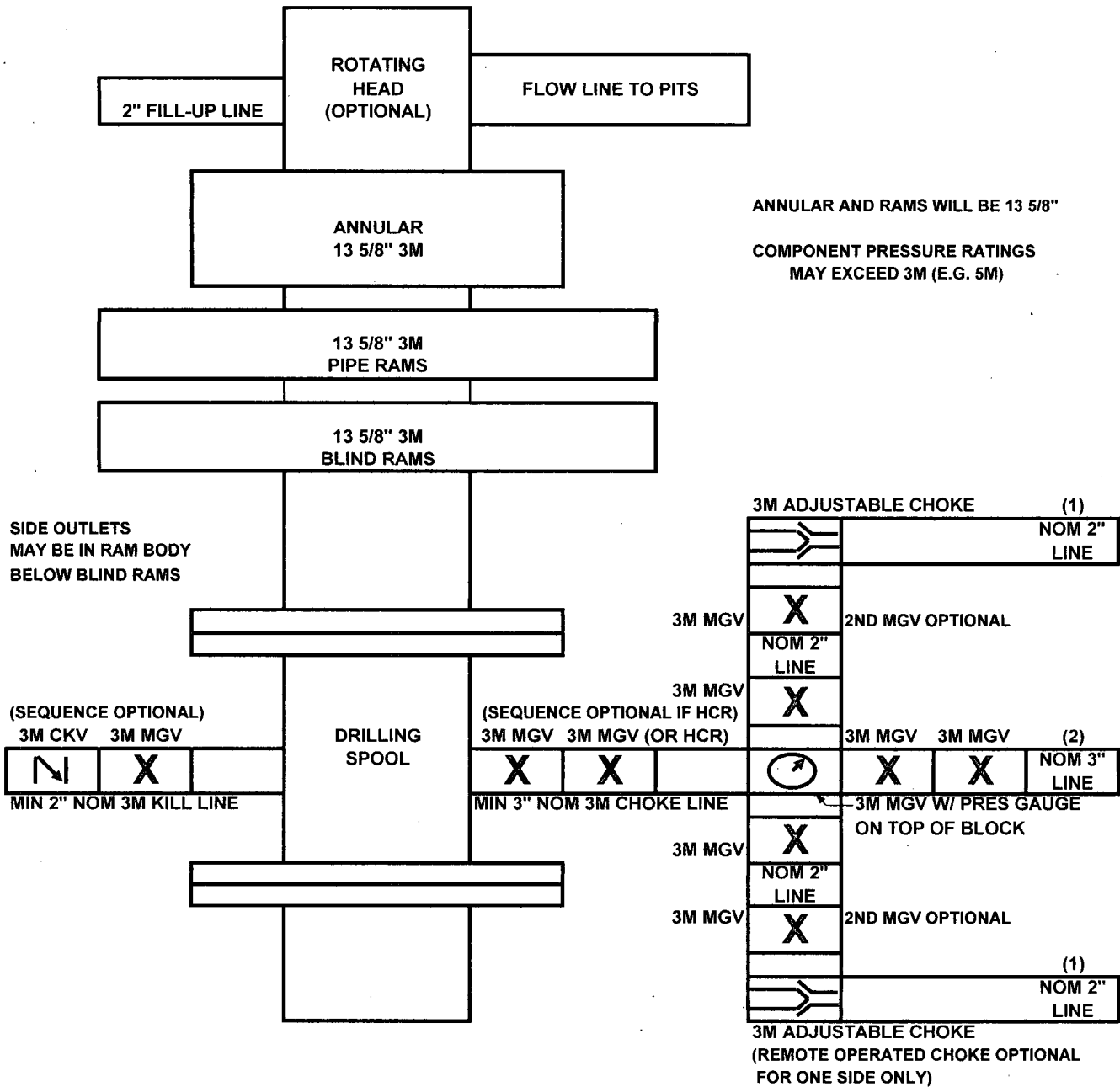
# 12) Anticipated Start Date

August '12

Duration

15 days

## 3M BOP SCHEMATIC



(1) Line to mud gas separator and/or pit

(2) Bleed line to pit

MGV - Manual Gate Valve

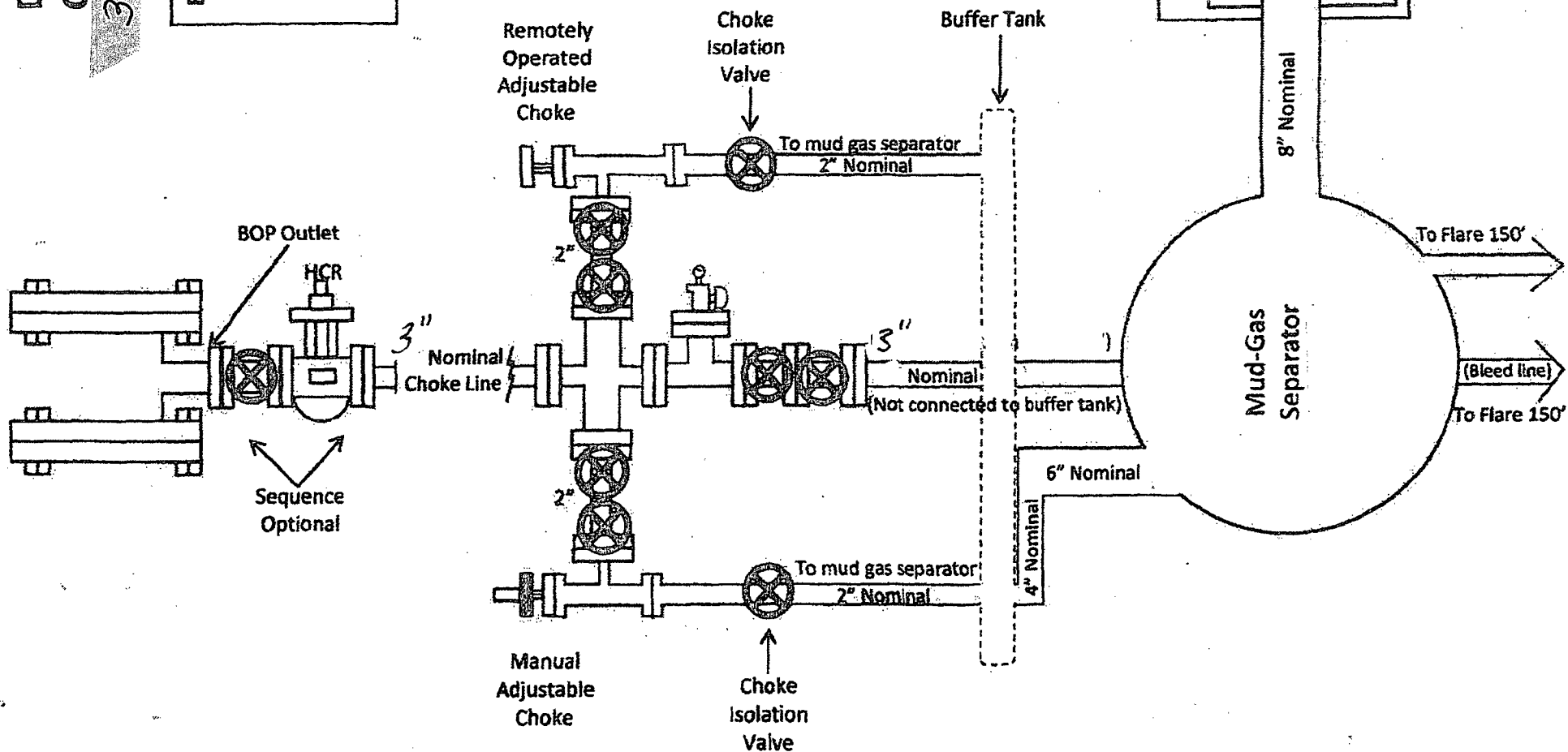
CKV - Check Valve

HCR - Hydraulically Controlled Remote Valve

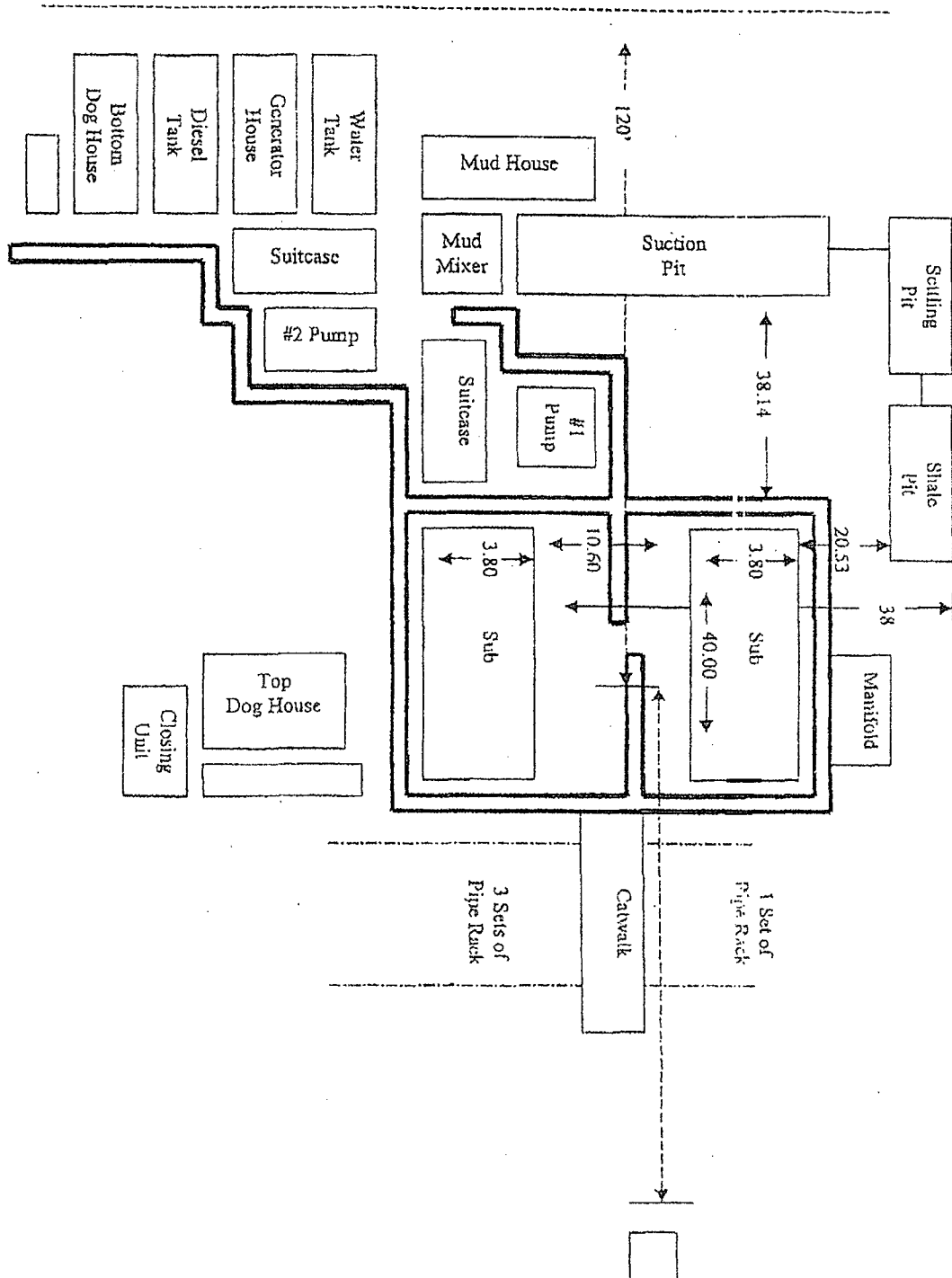


Drilling Operations  
Choke Manifold  
3M Service

Exhibit E-1 - Choke Manifold Diagram



# Plat for Closed Loop System



RKI Exploration and Production  
3817 N. W. Expressway, Suite 950  
Oklahoma City, OK. 73112

## **Closed Loop System**

### Design Plan

#### *Equipment List*

- 2 - 414 Swaco Centrifuges
- 2 - 4 screen Mongoose shale shakers
- 2 - 250 bbl. tanks to hold fluid
- 2 - CRI Bins with track system
- 2 - 500 bbl. frac tanks for fresh water
- 2 - 500 bbl. frac tanks for brine water

### Operation and Maintenance

- Closed Loop equipment will be inspected daily by each tour and any necessary maintenance performed
- Any leak in system will be repaired and/or contained immediately
- OCD notified within 48 hours
- Remediation process started

### Closure Plan

During drilling operations, all liquids, drilling fluids and cuttings will be hauled off via CRI (Controlled Recovery Incorporated). Permit #: R-9166.

**EXHIBIT D**

**Rig Plat Only  
RDX FEDERAL 10-2  
V-DOOR EAST**

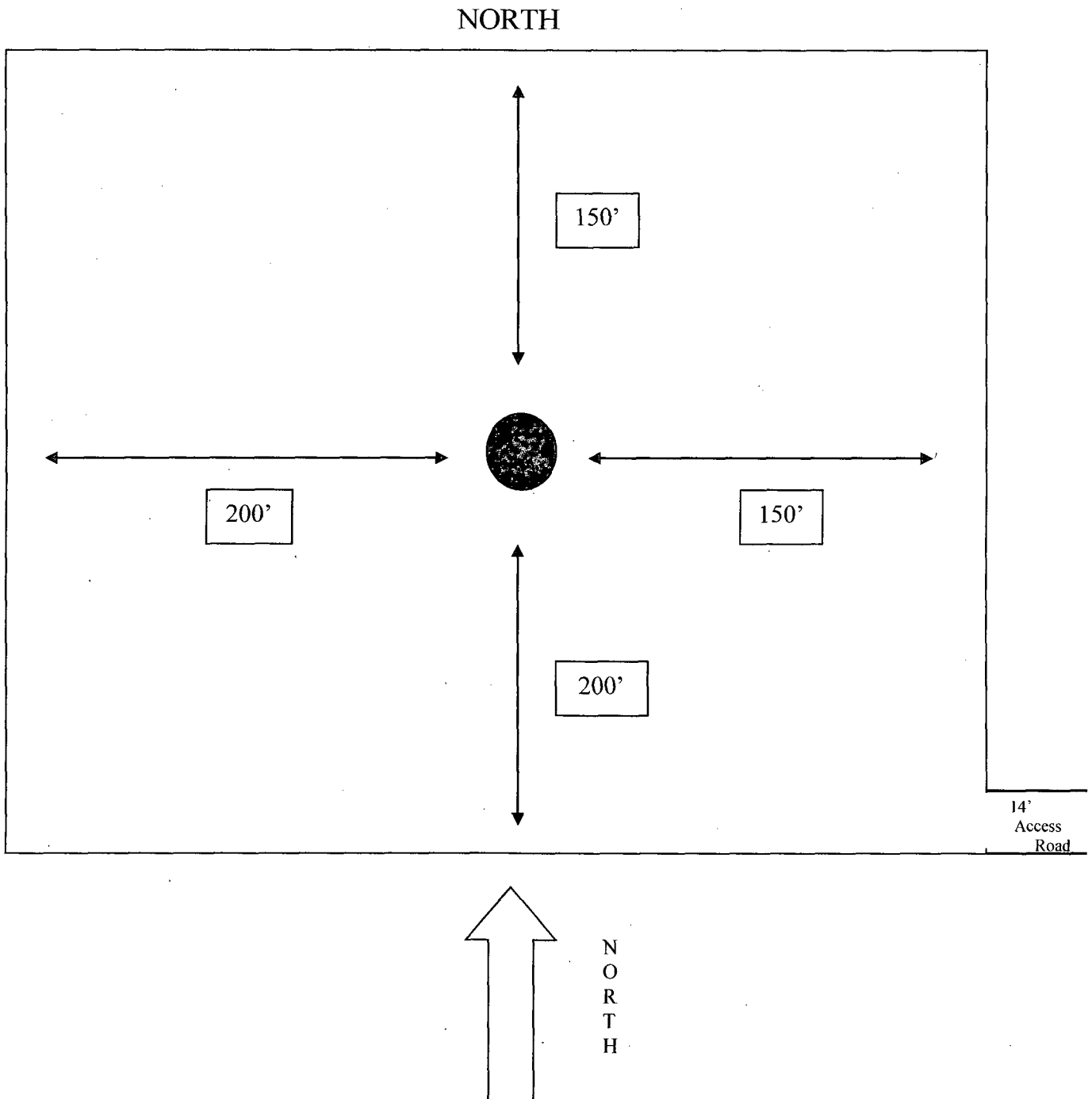
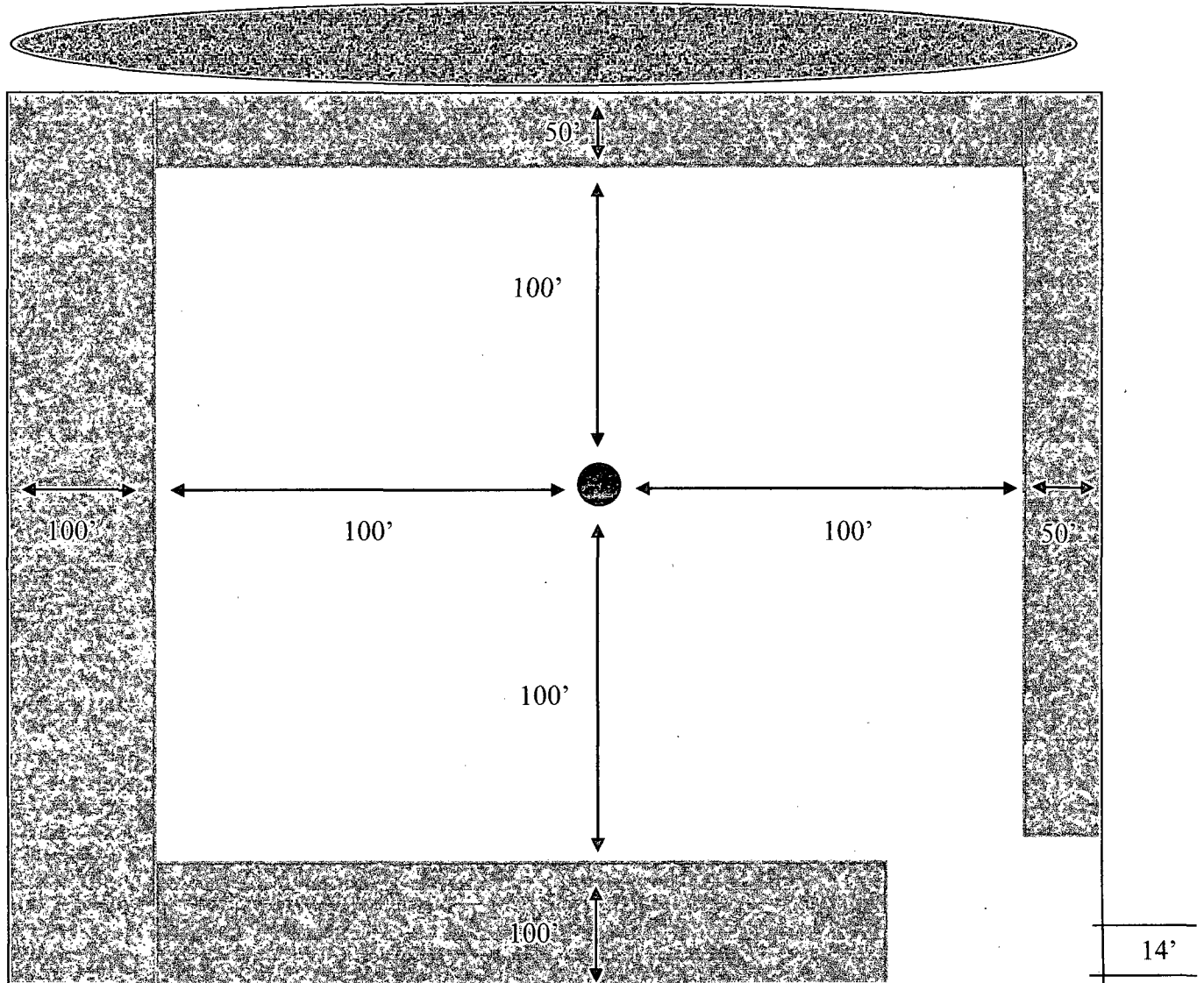


EXHIBIT C

Interim Reclamation & Production Facilities  
RDX FEDERAL 10-2  
V-DOOR EAST



LEGEND



Well Bore



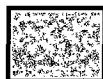
Topsoil



Interim Reclamation



Berm



Production Facilities



NORTH  
NORTHEAST

## PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	RKI Exploration & Prod
LEASE NO.:	NM100558
WELL NAME & NO.:	2 RDX Federal 10
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	2310' FSL & 580' FWL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	' FL & ' FL
LOCATION:	Section 10, T.26 S., R.30 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico

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Standard Conditions of Approval (COA) apply to this APD. If any deviations to these standards exist or special COAs are required, the section with the deviation or requirement will be checked below.

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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)**

### **Watershed Protection Requirements**

#### **Access Road**

A low water crossing shall be constructed where the access road crosses a drainage. There must be at least one low water crossing on the access road between the RDX Federal 10-2 and RDX Federal 10-4. The low water crossing shall be constructed of gravel material and be at the same grade as the drainage.

#### **Berming of Pad**

The entire perimeter of the well pad will be bermed to prevent oil, salt, and other chemical contaminants from leaving the well pad.

- The berm shall be constructed at a minimum of 12 inches high with impermeable mineral material (e.g. caliche).
- No water flow from the uphill side(s) of the pad shall be allowed to enter the well pad.
- The topsoil stockpile shall be located outside the bermed well pad.
- Topsoil, either from the well pad or surrounding area, shall not be used to construct the berm.
- No storm drains, tubing or openings shall be placed in the berm.
- If fluid collects within the bermed area, the fluid must be vacuumed into a safe container and disposed of properly at a state approved facility.
- The integrity of the berm shall be maintained around the surfaced pad throughout the life of the well and after interim reclamation has been completed.
- Any access road entering the well pad shall be constructed so that the integrity of the berm height surrounding the well pad is not compromised. (Any access road crossing the berm cannot be lower than the berm height.)

#### **Erosion**

Any water erosion that may occur due to the construction of the well pad during the life of the well will be quickly corrected and proper measures will be taken to prevent future erosion.

### **Phantom Banks Heronry Requirements**

Surface disturbance will not be allowed within up to 200 meters of active heronries or by delaying activity for up to 120 days, or a combination of both. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 ft. from the source of the noise.

### **Pipeline Placement Requirements**

All pipelines associated with this well shall be installed no farther than 10 feet from and parallel to existing oil and gas roads.



## **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) 234-5909 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 6 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

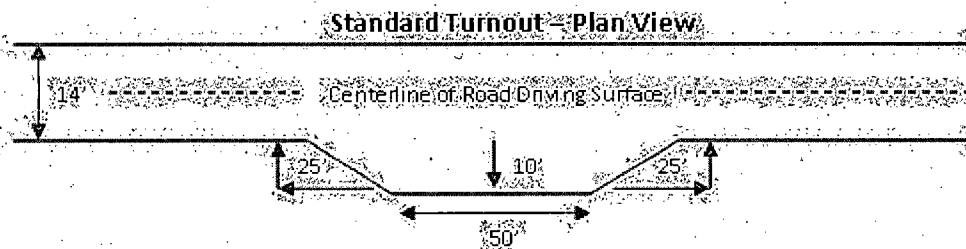
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### 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:

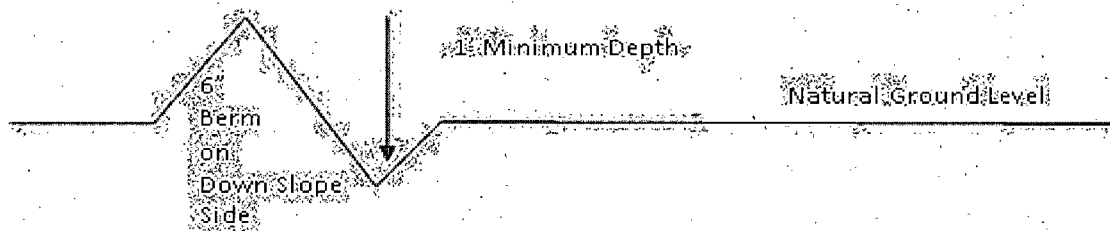


### Drainage

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:

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

#### **Cattleguards**

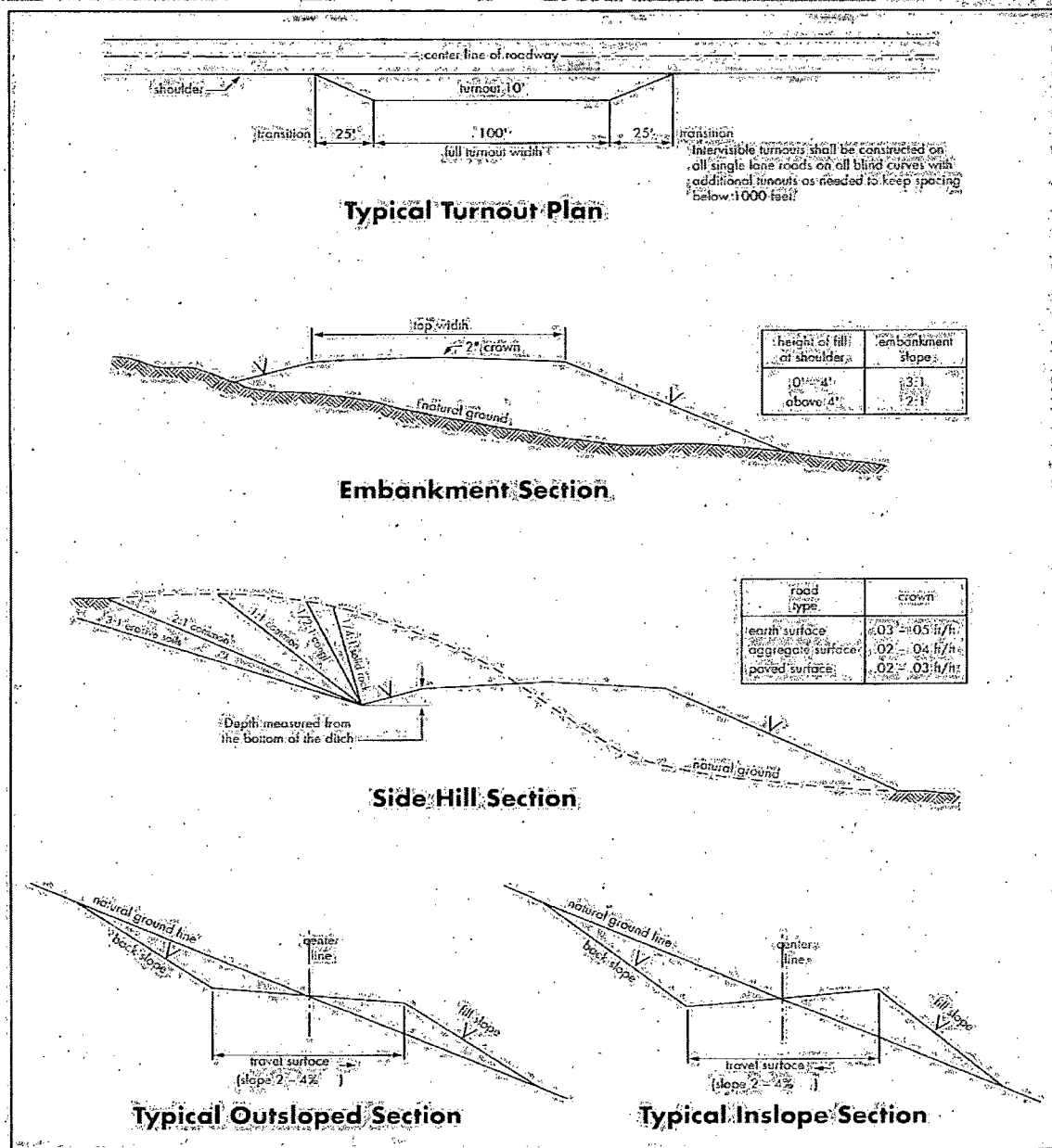
An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).

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.

#### **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 there are no measured amounts of Hydrogen Sulfide reported, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values 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. Floor controls are required for 3M or Greater systems. These controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
4. **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.**

**Medium Cave/Karst**

**Possible lost circulation in Redbeds and evaporates to the base of the Castile group; and in the Delaware and Bone Spring groups.**

1. The **13-3/8** inch surface casing shall be set at approximately **920** feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) 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.

**If 75% or greater lost circulation occurs while drilling the intermediate casing hole, the cement on the production casing must come to surface.**

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **9-5/8** inch intermediate casing is:

- ☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.  
**Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to cave/karst.**

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:
  - a. First stage to DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office before proceeding with second stage cement job. Operator should have plans as to how they will achieve circulation on the next stage.
  - b. Second stage above DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement should tie-back at least 300 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.
4. 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. **Operator has proposed a multi-bowl wellhead assembly. BLM review of the actual installation procedure of this assembly does not eliminate the testing of the BOP/BOPE for the successive casing strings. A seal is broken when the lock screws are used and when the observation port is opened. There is no guarantee that when these are tightened that a pressure seal exists without performing another test is performed on this segment of the BOP/BOPE. BOP/BOPE is still required for the successive casing strings.**
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**.
  - 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**

#### **STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES**

**A copy of the APD and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.**

Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.
2. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.
3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the

release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq. or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, et seq.) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to activity of the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.

4. The holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. The holder shall be held to a standard of strict liability for damage or injury to the United States resulting from pipe rupture, fire, or spills caused or substantially aggravated by any of the following within the right-of-way or permit area:

- a. Activities of the holder including, but not limited to construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the facility.
- b. Activities of other parties including, but not limited to:
  - (1) Land clearing.
  - (2) Earth-disturbing and earth-moving work.
  - (3) Blasting.
  - (4) Vandalism and sabotage.
- c. Acts of God.

The maximum limitation for such strict liability damages shall not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for any one event, and any liability in excess of such amount shall be determined by the ordinary rules of negligence of the jurisdiction in which the damage or injury occurred.

This section shall not impose strict liability for damage or injury resulting primarily from an act of war or from the negligent acts or omissions of the United States.

5. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the pipeline, any oil, salt water, or other pollutant should be discharged from the pipeline system, impacting Federal lands, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such oil, salt water, or other pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge on or affecting Federal lands, or to repair all damages resulting therefrom, on the Federal lands, the Authorized Officer may take such measures as he deems necessary to control and clean up the discharge and restore the area, including, where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder of any responsibility as provided herein.

6. The pipeline shall be routed no farther than 10 feet from and parallel to existing roads. The authorized right-of-way width will be 20 feet. 10 feet of the right-of-way width will consist of existing disturbance (existing lease roads) and the remaining 10 feet will consist of area adjacent to the disturbance. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to existing roads.

7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation will be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.

8. The holder shall install the pipeline on the surface in such a manner that will minimize suspension of the pipeline across low areas in the terrain. In hummocky or dune areas, the pipeline will be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather than suspended across these features.

9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of 24 inches under all roads, "two-tracks," and trails. Burial of the pipe will continue for 20 feet on each side of each crossing. The condition of the road, upon completion of construction, shall be returned to at least its former state with no bumps or dips remaining in the road surface.

10. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting of the fence. No permanent gates will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

11. In those areas where erosion control structures are required to stabilize soil conditions, the holder will install such structures as are suitable for the specific soil conditions being encountered and which are in accordance with sound resource management practices.

12. Excluding the pipe, all above-ground structures not subject to safety requirement shall be painted by the holder to blend with the natural color of the landscape. The paint used shall be a color which simulates "Standard Environmental Colors" – **Shale Green**, Munsell Soil Color No. 5Y 4/2; designated by the Rocky Mountain Five State Interagency Committee.

13. The pipeline will be identified by signs at the point of origin and completion of the right-of-way and at all road crossings. At a minimum, signs will state the holder's name, BLM serial number, and the product being transported. Signs will be maintained in a legible condition for the life of the pipeline.

14. The holder shall not use the pipeline route as a road for purposes other than routine maintenance as determined necessary by the Authorized Officer in consultation with the

holder. The holder will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that the pipeline route is not used as a roadway.

15. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the authorized officer. Holder 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 will be made by the authorized officer to determine appropriate cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the authorized officer after consulting with the holder.

16. 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, powerline 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.

## **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 3, for Shallow 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 of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (smaller/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 Bristlegrass ( <i>Setaria magrostachya</i> )	1.0
Green Spangletop ( <i>Leptochloa dubia</i> )	2.0
Side oats Grama ( <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> )	5.0

\*Pounds of pure live seed:

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