

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-144  
March 12, 2004

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

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Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

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Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes  type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank  Closure of a pit or below-grade tank

Operator: Yates Petroleum Corporation Telephone: 505-748-4376 e-mail address: debbiec@ypcnm.com

Address: 105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, NM 88210

Facility or well name: Willow Creek BFI State #9 API #: 30-005-63694 U/L or Qtr/Qtr\_M\_Sec 30 T 4S R 25E

County: Chaves Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: 1927  1983  Surface Owner: Federal  State  Private  Indian

<u>Pit</u>	<u>Below-grade tank</u>	
Type: Drilling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>20</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Volume _____ bbl	Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not. _____	
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	<u>Less than 50 feet</u>	<b>(20 points)</b>
	50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet	(10 points)
	100 feet or more	( 0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes	(20 points)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>( 0 points)</b>
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	Less than 200 feet	(20 points)
	200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet	(10 points)
	<u>1000 feet or more</u>	<b>( 0 points)</b>
<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b>		<b>20 Points</b>

**If this is a pit closure:** (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: onsite  offsite  If offsite, name of facility \_\_\_\_\_. (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No  Yes  If yes, show depth below ground surface \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines , a general permit , or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan .

Date: September 25, 2005

Printed Name/Title Debbie L. Caffall/Regulatory Technician

Signature Debbie L. Caffall

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approval:

Date: 9/28/05

Printed Name/Title Mike Aratchar

Signature Mike Aratchar

**As a condition of approval, a closure plan must be submitted and approved prior to the commencement of closure procedures.**

As a condition of approval, if during pit construction water is encountered or if water seeps in pits after construction the **OCD MUST BE CONTACTED IMMEDIATELY!**

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