

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use Form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.

5. Lease Serial No. NMNM-0557371

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on page 2.

7. If Unit of CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.

1. Type of Well

Oil Well Gas Well Other

8. Well Name and No. AAO FEDERAL #18 <308703>

2. Name of Operator APACHE CORPORATION

Contact: SORINA FLORES

9. API Well No. 30-015-42035

3a. Address 303 VETERANS AIRPARK LN #1000 MIDLAND, TEXAS 79705

3b. Phone No. (include area code) 432-818-1167

10. Field and Pool or Exploratory Area RED LAKE; GLORIETA-YESO, NW <96836>

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) 2310' FNL & 1650' FEL

11. Country or Parish, State SEC 1, T18S, R27E

12. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT OR OTHER DATA

Table with columns TYPE OF SUBMISSION and TYPE OF ACTION. Includes checkboxes for Notice of Intent, Subsequent Report, Final Abandonment Notice, and various actions like Acidize, Deepen, Production, etc.

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation: Clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof.

BOND#: BLM-CO-1463 NATIONWIDE / NMB000736

Apache proposes to change the casing/cement/BOP program as shown on the following pages.

Accepted for record NMOCD 105 3-26-2014

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SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Name (Printed/Typed) SORINA L. FLORES

Title SUPV OF DRILLING SERVICES

Signature

Handwritten signature of Sorina L. Flores

Date 03/13/2014

APPROVED

THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE

Approved by

Title Office

APPROVED stamp with signature and date MAR 13 2014, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice 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.

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.

(Instructions on page 2)

Apache proposes to change the casing/cement/BOP program as shown below.

**In the event that cement IS circulated to surface on the primary cement job for the surface casing:**

1. **Casing Program:** All casing is new & API approved

HOLE SIZE	DEPTH	OD CSG	WEIGHT	COLLAR	GRADE	COLLAPSE	BURST	TENSION
17-1/2"	0' - 350'	13-3/8"	48#	STC	H-40	1.125	1.0	1.8
7-7/8"	0'-4600	5-1/2"	17#	LTC	J-55	1.125	1.0	1.8

2. **CEMENT PROGRAM:**

A. **13-3/8" Surface (Cmt to surf / 100% excess cmt):**

Single Slurry: 420 sx Class C w/ 1% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 0.25% R38 (14.8 wt, 1.34 yld, 6.33 gal/sk)  
 Comp Strengths : 12 hr - 813 psi 24 hr - 1205 psi

If lost circulation is encountered while drilling the 17-1/2" hole, 200 sx Class C thixotropic cement (14.4 wt, 1.55 yld, 6.65 gal/sk) may be pumped ahead of the cement slurry shown above.

B. **5-1/2" Production (Cmt to surf / 20% excess cmt):**

Lead: 410 sx (35:65) Poz C w/ 5% Salt + 0.25% R38 + 6% Bentonite (12.4 wt, 2.1 yld, 10.57 gal/sk)  
 Compressive Strengths: 12 hr - 589 psi 24 hr - 947 psi

Tail: 270 sx (50:50) Poz C w/ 5% Salt + 0.25% R38 + 2% Bentonite (14.2 wt, 1.28 yld, 5.88 gal/sk)  
 Compressive Strengths: 12 hr - 1379 psi 24 psi - 2332 psi

Self  
COA

3. **PROPOSED CONTROL EQUIPMENT**

An 11" 3M psi WP BOP stack consisting of an annular bag type preventer, middle pipe rams, and bottom blind rams will be nipped up on the 13-3/8" surface casing head and tested to 70% of casing burst. The BOP will be utilized continuously until TD is reached. The maximum surface pressure is not expected to exceed 2000 psi. BHP is calculated to be approximately 1980 psi. All BOPs and associated equipment will be tested per BLM *Drilling Operations Order #2*. The BOP will be operated and checked each 24-hour period and the blind rams will be operated and checked when the drill pipe is out of the hole. Function tests will be documented on the daily driller's log. A 3000 psi choke manifold with a 3" panic line will be installed. A full opening stabbing valve & kelly cock will be on the derrick floor in case of need. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected in this well. No nearby wells have encountered any well control problems.

Self  
COA

**In the event that cement IS NOT circulated to surface on the primary cement job for the surface casing:**

1. **Casing Program:** All casing is new & API approved

HOLE SIZE	DEPTH	OD CSG	WEIGHT	COLLAR	GRADE	COLLAPSE	BURST	TENSION
17-1/2"	0' - 350'	13-3/8"	48#	STC	H-40	1.125	1.0	1.8
11"	0' - 400'	8-5/8"	24#	STC	J-55	1.125	1.0	1.8
7-7/8"	0'-4600'	5-1/2"	17#	LTC	J-55	1.125	1.0	1.8

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If lost circulation is encountered while drilling the 17-1/2" hole, 200 sx Class C thixotropic cement (14.4 wt, 1.55 yld, 6.65 gal/sk) may be pumped ahead of the cement slurry shown above.

B. **8-5/8" Intermediate (Cmt to surf / 50% excess cmt):**

Single Slurry: 220 sx Class C w/ 1% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 0.25% R38 (14.8 wt, 1.34 yld, 6.33 gal/sk)

Comp Strengths : 12 hr – 813 psi 24 hr – 1205 psi

C. 5-1/2" Production (Cmt to surf / 20% excess cmt):

Lead: 310 sx (35:65) Poz C w/ 5% Salt + 0.25% R38 + 6% Bentonite (12.4 wt, 2.1 yld, 10.57 gal/sk)

Compressive Strengths: 12 hr – 589 psi 24 hr – 947 psi

Tail: 270 sx (50:50) Poz C w/ 5% Salt + 0.25% R38 + 2% Bentonite (14.2 wt, 1.28 yld, 5.88 gal/sk)

Compressive Strengths: 12 hr – 1379 psi 24 psi – 2332 psi

3. **PROPOSED CONTROL EQUIPMENT**

An 11" 3M psi WP BOP stack consisting of an annular bag type preventer, middle pipe rams, and bottom blind rams will be nipped up on the 13-3/8" surface casing head and tested to 70% of casing burst. After intermediate casing is set and cemented the BOP will be nipped up on the casing spool and tested to 2000 psi. The BOPE will be utilized continuously until TD is reached. The maximum surface pressure is not expected to exceed 2000 psi. BHP is calculated to be approximately 1980 psi. All BOP's and associated equipment will be tested per BLM *Drilling Operations Order #2*. The BOP will be operated and checked each 24-hour period and the blind rams will be operated and checked when the drill pipe is out of the hole. Function tests will be documented on the daily driller's log. A 3000 psi choke manifold with a 3" panic line will be installed. A full opening stabbing valve & kelly cock will be on the derrick floor in case of need. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected in this well. No nearby wells have encountered any well control problems.

**PECOS DISTRICT  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

<b>OPERATOR'S NAME:</b>	Apache Corporation
<b>LEASE NO.:</b>	NMNM-0557371
<b>WELL NAME &amp; NO.:</b>	AAO Federal 18
<b>SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:</b>	2310' FNL & 1650' FEL
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Section 01, T. 18 S., R 27 E., NMPM
<b>COUNTY:</b>	Eddy County, New Mexico

**I. DRILLING**

**A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS**

The BLM is to be notified in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well (minimum of 24 hours)
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings (minimum of 4 hours)
- c. BOPE tests (minimum of 4 hours)

**Eddy County**

Call the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220,  
(575) 361-2822

- 1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Drilling Plan shall be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the Yates formation. **As a result, the Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items. 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. **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.**

## 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. IF OPERATOR DOES NOT HAVE THE WELL SPECIFIC CEMENT DETAILS ONSITE PRIOR TO PUMPING THE CEMENT FOR EACH CASING STRING, THE WOC WILL BE 30 HOURS. 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.

Possible water flows in the Artesia Group

Possible lost circulation in the Artesia Group, Grayburg, and San Andres.

HIGH CAVE/KARST – OPERATOR HAS PROPOSED A CONTINGENCY CASING IF LOST CIRCULATION OCCURS WHILE DRILLING THE SURFACE HOLE. 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

1. The **13-3/8** inch surface casing shall be set at approximately **350** feet cemented to the surface. **Fresh water mud to be used to setting depth.**
  - 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.

**Contingency intermediate casing:**

2. The **8-5/8** inch intermediate casing shall be set at approximately **400** 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.

3. 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. **Excess calculates to 22% - Additional cement may be required.**
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. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **2000 (2M) psi (Installing a 3M testing to 2,000 psi)**.
3. 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 test shall be run on a 5000 psi chart for a 2-3M BOP/BOP, on a 10000 psi chart for a 5M BOP/BOPE and on a 15000 psi chart for a 10M BOP/BOPE. If a linear chart is used, it shall be a one hour chart. A circular chart shall have a maximum 2 hour clock. If a twelve hour or twenty-four hour chart is used, tester shall make a notation that it is run with a two hour clock.
  - d. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.

- e. 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.**
- f. 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. This test shall be performed prior to the test at full stack pressure.

#### **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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