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AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS

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FIELD MANAGER	Itte FIELD MANAGER Office CARLSBAD					
Approved by (Signature) /S/ STEPHEN J. CAFFEY		(Printed/Typed)		Da	9315	
Land Regulatory Agent	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			. <u></u>	·· 、	
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<ol> <li>Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.</li> <li>A Drilling Plan.</li> <li>A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System SUPO must be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).</li> </ol>	Lands, the	Item 20 above 5. Operator certi	i. Tication	ons unless covered by an exis formation and/or plans as ma		
he following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshor	re Oil and Gas (	Order No.1, must be	attached to t	his form:		
	24. Attac	hments				
I. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3082' GL	22. Approxin	nate date work will s	tart*	23. Estimated duration 60 days		
to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.		MD-13769'	NMB00		1	
(Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 8. Distance from proposed location* 200'	19. Proposed	•		/BIA Bond No. on file		
5. Distance from proposed* 100' location to nearest property or lease line, ft.	ne. ft. 320 acres E2W2,					
<ol> <li>Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* Approximately 36 miles East of Malaga, New Mexico</li> </ol>				12. County or Parish Eddy	13. State NM	
At proposed prod. zone 330' FNL & 1980' FWL, Unit Ltr C, S	Sec. 13-T24	S-R29E, BHL				
At surface 100' FSL & 2310' FWL, Unit Ltr N, Sec. 13-T2		····· ,		Section 13-T24S-R29	-	
Artesia, New Mexico 88210 4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any				Pierce Crossing, Bone 11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk.a		
105 South Fourth Street	3b. Phone No. 575-748-44	(include area code)		10. Field and Pool, or Expl		
2. Name of Operator YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION				9. API Well No.	42283	
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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

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# CERTIFICATION YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION CORRAL DRAW AQH FEDERAL #3H

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 which currently exist; and an someone under employment of Yates Petroleum Corporation has 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 18 th day of 70000 All 2014
Signature Quan
Name <u>Cy Cowan</u>
Position Title Land Regulatory Agent
Address 105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, New Mexico 88210
Telephone(575) 748-4372
Field Representative (if not above signatory) Tim Bussell, Drilling Supervisor
Address (if different from above) Same as above.
Telephone (if different from above) (575) 748-4221
E-mail (optional) cy@yatespetroleum.com

DISTRICT I 1825 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 Phone (678) 598-6161 Far: (678) 598-6720 DISTRICT II 811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210 Phone (678) 748-1283 Far: (576) 748-0720

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Revised August 1, 2011 Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

□ AMENDED REPORT

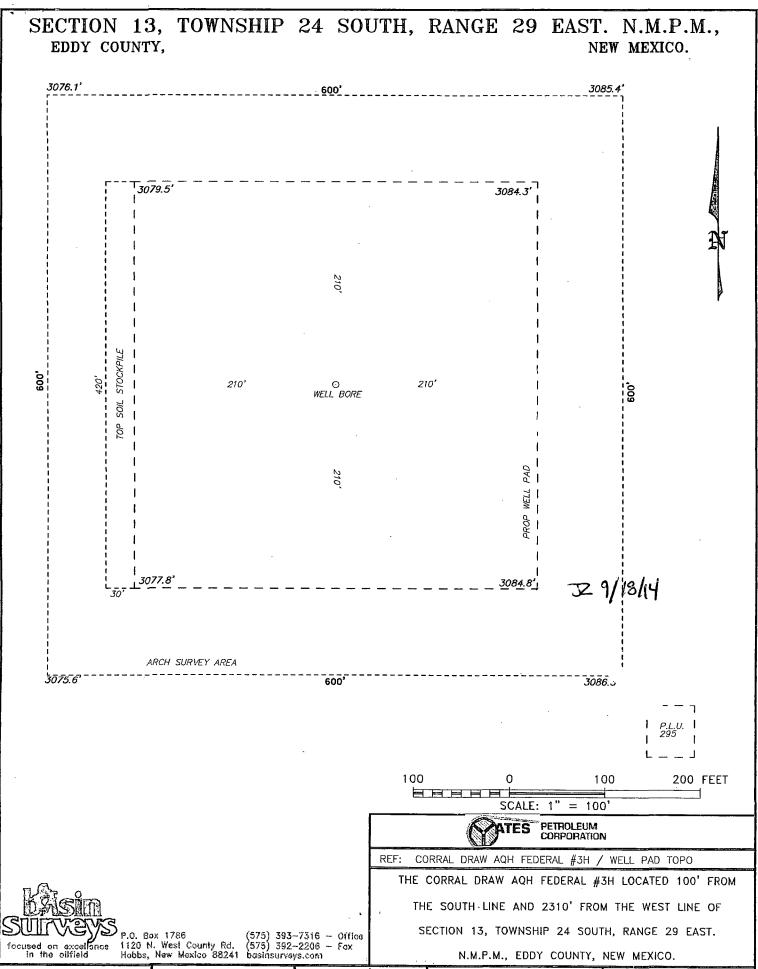
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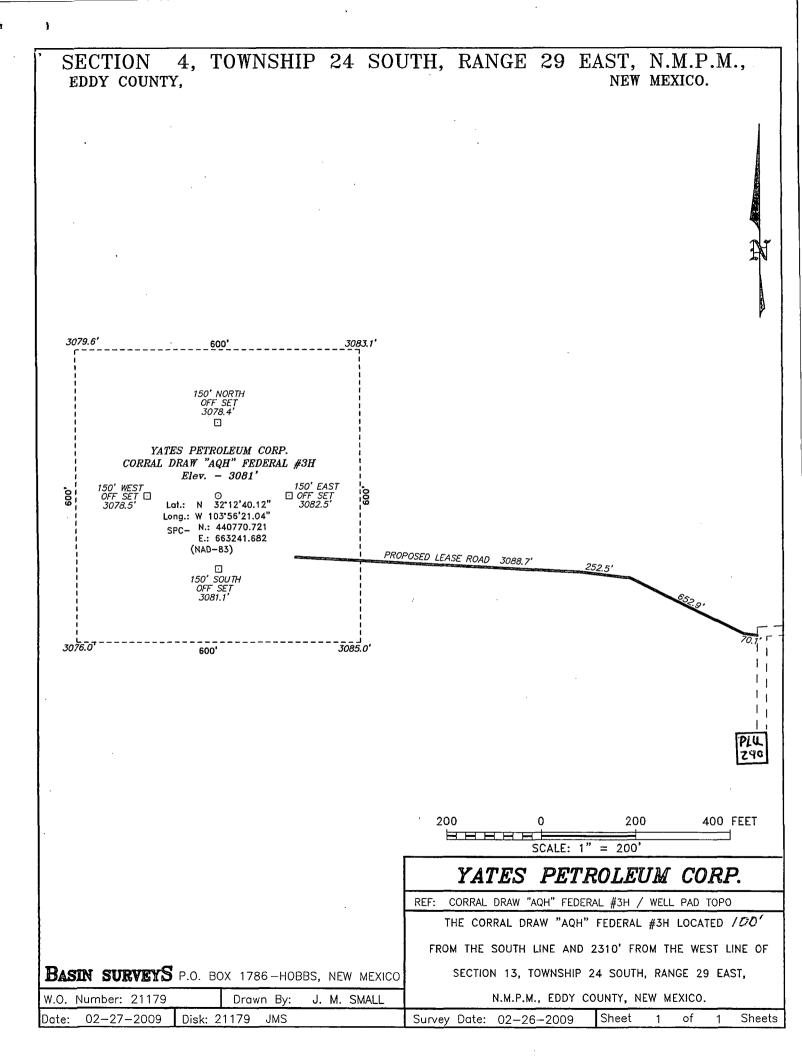
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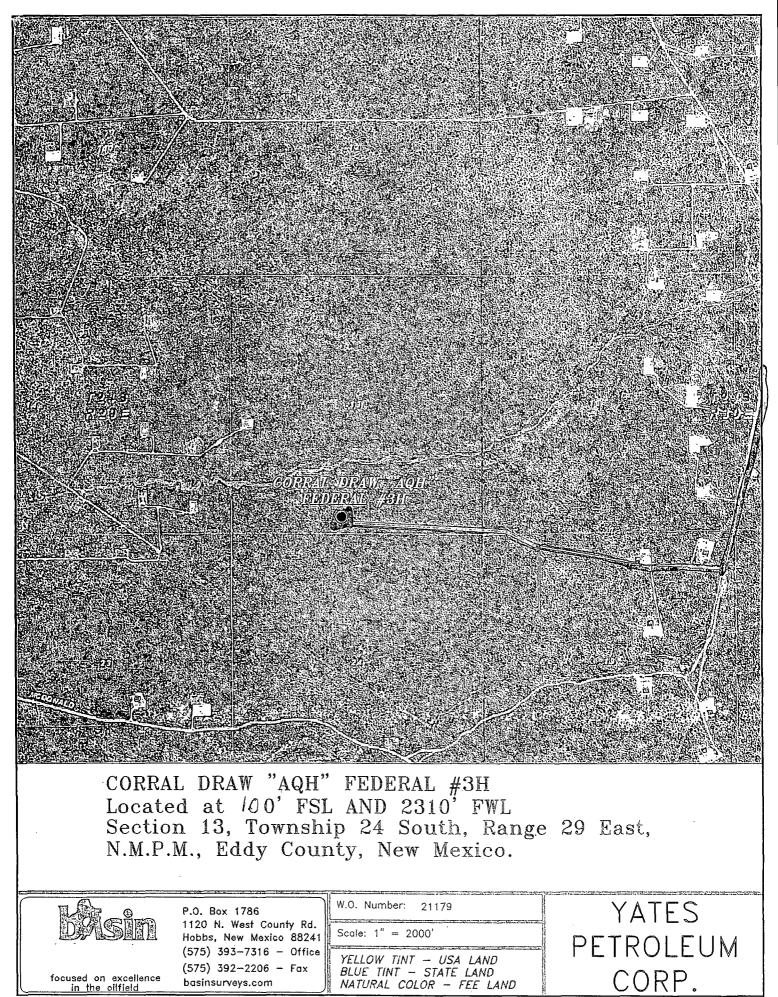
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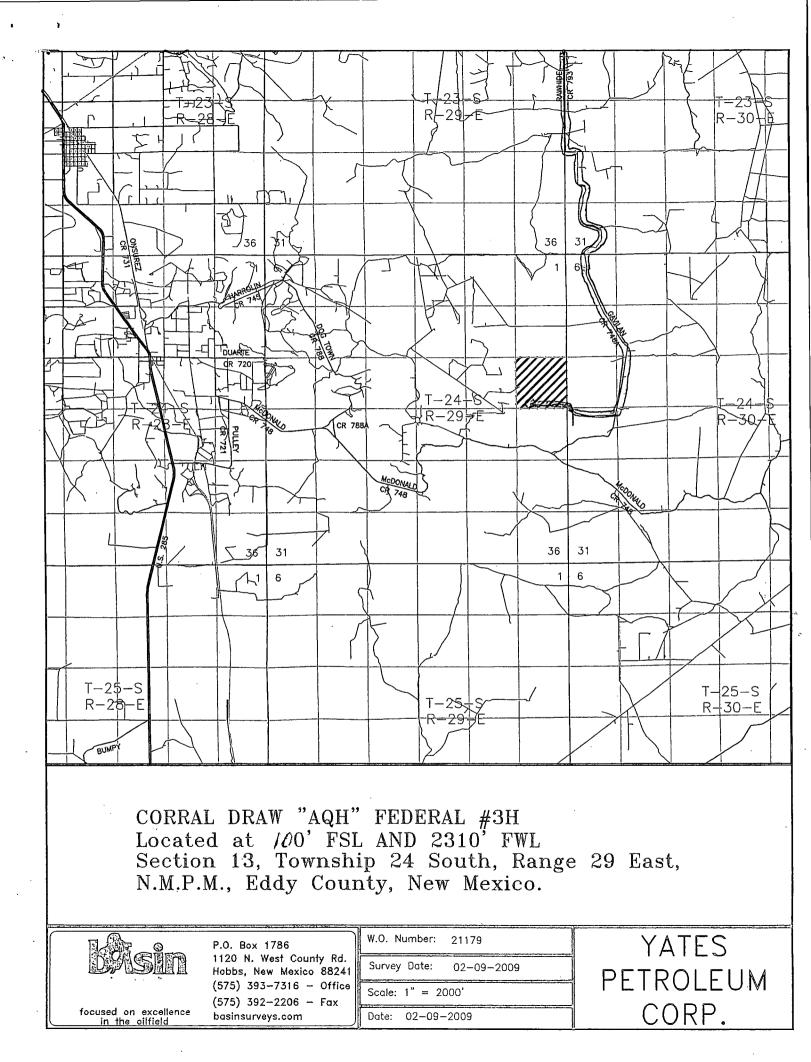
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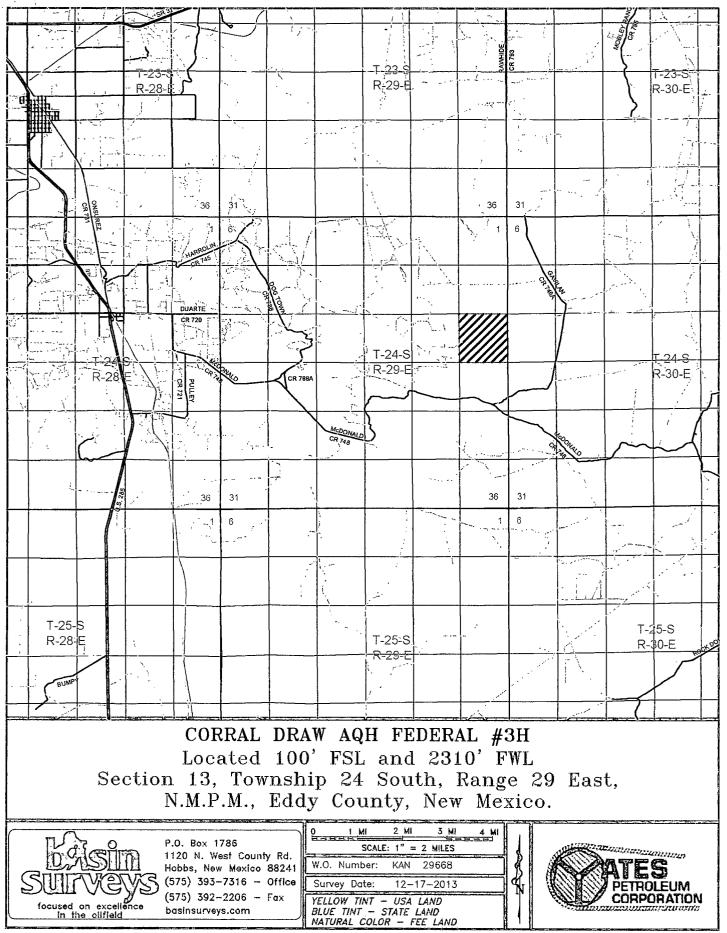


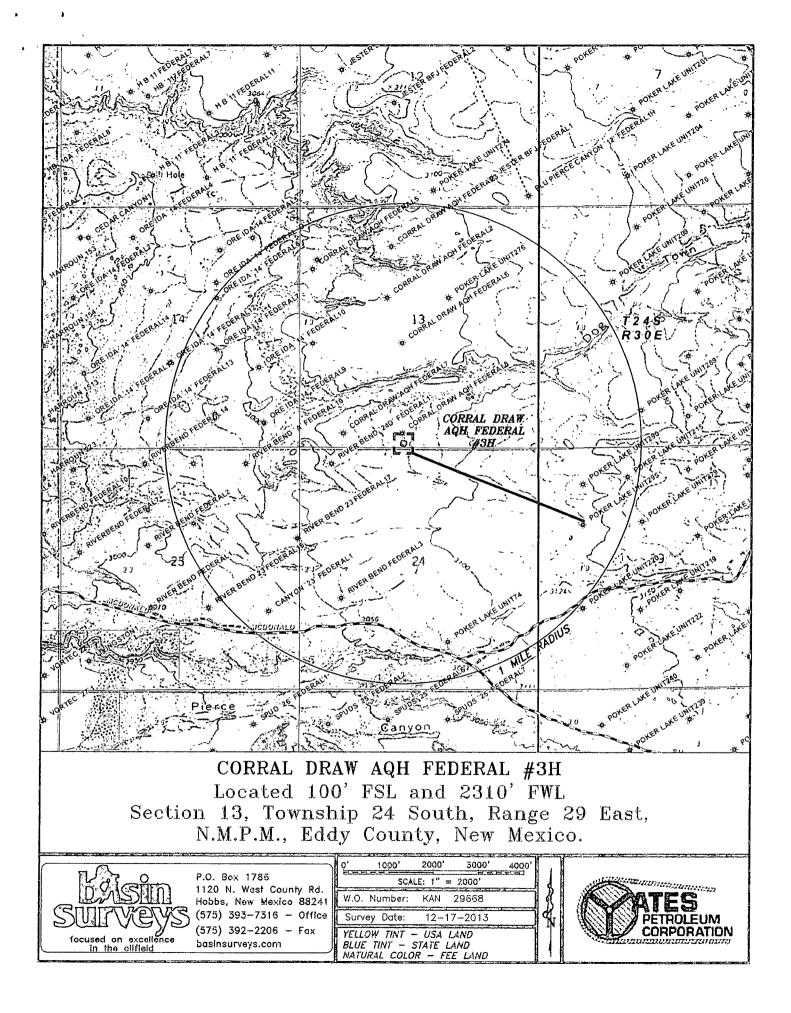
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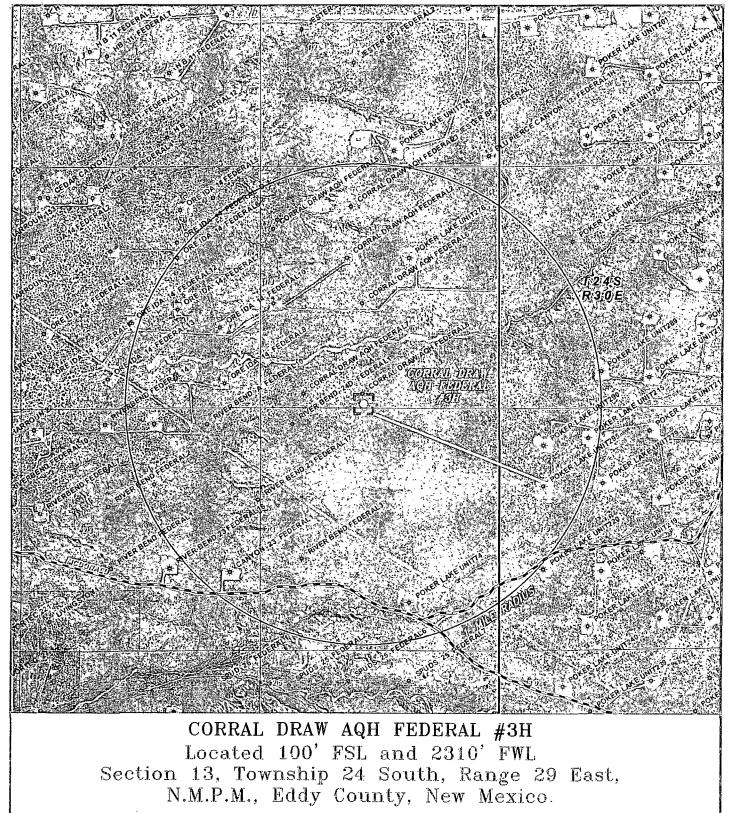




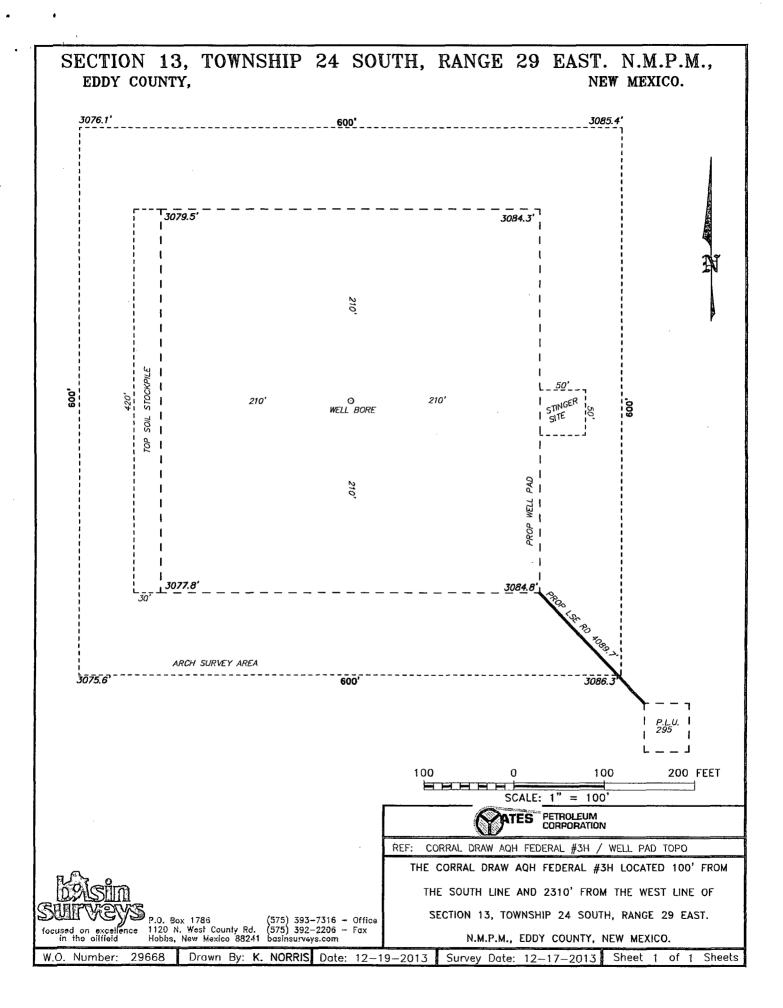


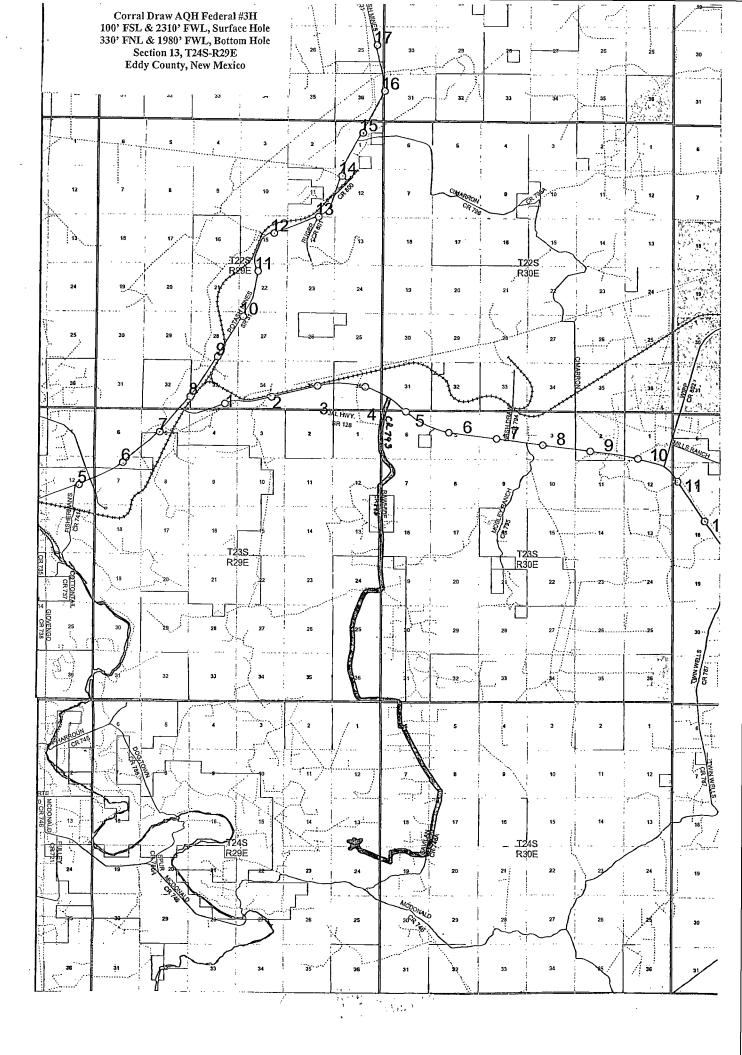






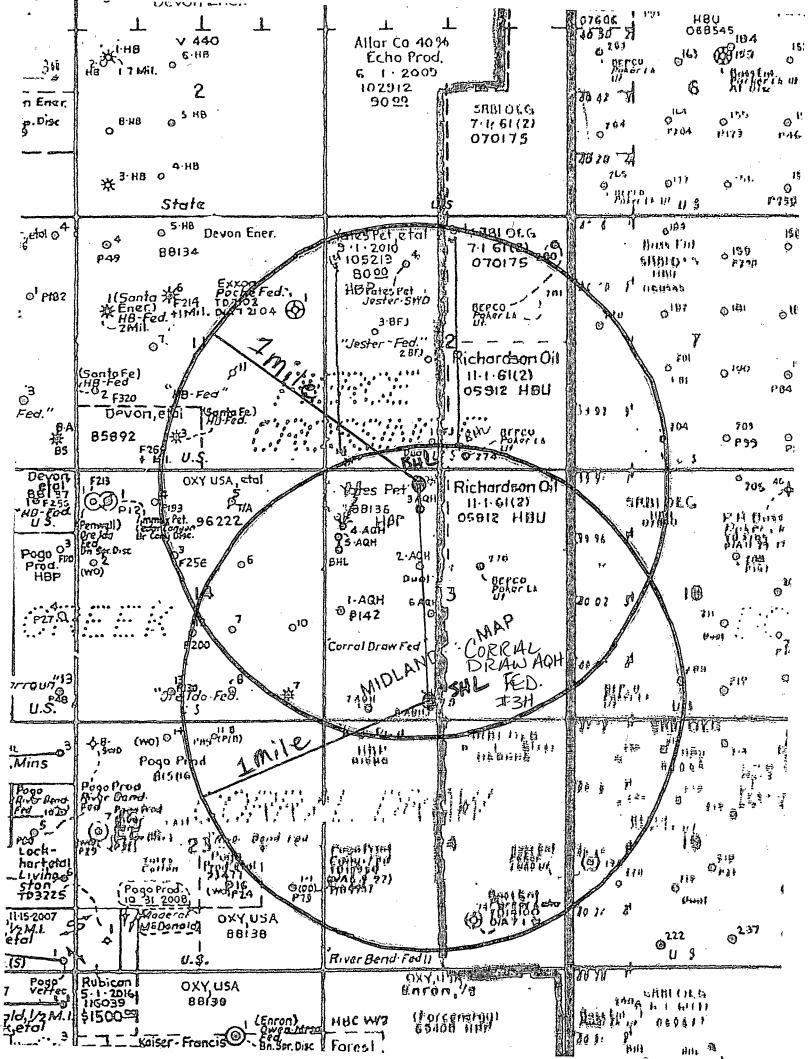
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YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION Corral Draw AQH Federal #3H 100' FSL & 2310' FWL Surface Hole Location 330' FNL and 1980' FWL Bottom Hole Location Section 13-T24S-R29E Eddy County, New Mexico

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1.	The estimated tops	of geologic mai	rkers are as follows:	
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505'	Bone Springs 1/SD/	8,079'
3,211'	Bone Springs 2/SD/	8,886'
3,250'	2BSG Target	9,369'(MD)
4,150'	TD	13,769' (MD)
5,401'		
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2. The estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil or gas formations are expected to be encountered:

Water: 118'+ Oil or Gas: All potential zones.

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Pressure Control Equipment: A 3000 PSI BOP system with a minimum opening of 13 5/8" will be nippled up and tested on the 13 3/8" casing. A 5000 PSI BOP system with a minimum opening of 11" will be nippled up and tested on the 9 5/8" casing. A variance is requested for the use of a flexhose between the well head and the manifold if Cactus Rig #24 is used to drill this well. Certification and specs are attached. Blind rams and pipe rams will be tested to the rated pressure of BOP and the low side to 250 psi. Test will be conducted by an Independent Tester, utilizing a test plug in the well head. Test will be held for 10 minutes on each segment of the system tested. Any Leaks will be repaired at the time of the test. Annular preventer will be tested to 50% of rated working pressure. Pressure tests will be conducted before drilling out from under all casing strings which are set and cemented in place. Blowout Preventer controls will be installed prior to drilling the surface plug and will remain in use until the well is completed or abandoned. Preventers will be inspected and operated at least daily to ensure good mechanical working order, and this inspection recorded on the daily drilling report. See Exhibit B.

# **Auxiliary Equipment:**

A. Auxiliary Equipment: Kelly cock, pit level indicators, flow sensor equipment and a sub with full opening valve to fit the drill pipe and collars will be available on the rig floor in the open position at all times for use when kelly is not in use.

# 4. THE PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM:

A. Casing Program: (All New)

<u>Hole Size</u>	Casing Size	<u>Wt./Ft</u>	Grade	Coupling	Interval	Length
17 1/2"	13 3/8"	48#	J-55 Hybrid	I ST&C	0-300'	300'
12 1/4"	9 5/8"	36#	J-55	LT&C	<b>0-</b> 3300'	3300'
8 3/4"	5 1/2"	17#	P-110 E	Buttress Threa	d <b>0</b> -9369'	9369'
8 1/2"	5 1/2"	17#	P-110 E	Buttress Threa	d 9369-13,769	4400'

Minimum Casing Design Factors: Burst 1.0, Tensile Strength 1.8, Collapse 1.125

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See COA

#### B. CEMENTING PROGRAM:

Surface: 310 sacks Class "C" with CaCl 2% (WT 12.50 YLD 2.00 Wtr 11.00 gal/sk). Cement designed with 100% excess. TOC-Surface.

Intermediate: 895 sacks 35:65:6PzC (WT 12.50 YLD 2.00 Wtr 11.00 gal/sk); Tail in w/ 210 sacks Class 50/50 PozC with CaCl 2% (WT. 14.20 YLD 1.34 WTR 6.20 gal/sk). Cement designed with 100% excess. TOC-Surface.

Production Casing:

Stage 2 from 2,800' to 6,000', cement with 410 sacks Class 35:65:6PzC (Wt. 12.50 Yld. 2.00 **Wtr 11.00 gal/sk**). Tail in 205 sacks Class 50/50PzC w/CaCl 2% (Wt. 14.20 Yld. 1.34 **Wtr 6.20**) Cement designed with 35% excess. **TOC-2,800**.

Stage 1 from 6,000' to 13,769', **DV Tool at 6000'**, cement with 410 sacks Class 35:65:6PzC (WT 12.5 YLD 2.00 **Wtr 11.00 gal/sk**); Tail in 890 sacks Pecos VILt with D-112 Fluid Loss 0.4%; D151 Calcium Carbonate 22.5 lb/sack; D-174 Extender 1.5 lb/sack; D-177, Retarder 0.01 lb/sack; D-800, Retarder 0.6 lb/sack and D-46, Antifoam Agent 0.15 lb/sack (WT 13.00 YLD 1.82 **Wtr 9.30**) Cement designed with 35% excess. **TOC-6000'**.

Well will be drilled to 8,619'. Well will then be kicked off approximately 8619' and directionally drilled at 12 degrees per 100' with a 8 3/4" hole to 9,369' MD (9,096' TVD) where hole size then be reduced to 8  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and drilled to 13,769' MD (9,096' TVD) where 5  $\frac{1}{2}$ " casing will be set. Production casing will be cemented 500' into previous casing string with a DV tool at approximately 6000'. Penetration point of producing zone will be encountered at 577' FSL and 2310' FWL Section 13, T24S-R29E. Deepest TVD in the well is 9,096' in the lateral.

### 5. Mud Program and Auxiliary Equipment:

Interval	Type	<u>Weight</u>	Viscosity	Fluid Loss
0-300'	Fresh Water	8.6-9.2	29-32	N/C
300'-3300'	Brine Water	10.0-10.2	28-28	N/C
3300'-13769'	Cut Brine	8.8-9.0	28-32	N/C

Sufficient mud material(s) to maintain mud properties, control lost circulation and contain a blow out will be available at the well site during drilling operations. The slow pump speed will be recorded on the daily drilling report after mudding up. A mud test will be performed every 24 hours after mudding up to determine, as applicable: density, viscosity, gel strength, filtration, and pH. After surface casing is set an electronic PVT system will be installed as our primary mud level monitoring system. A secondary system will also be implemented as to insure the PVT system is functioning properly. The secondary system will be comprised of the derrick hand visually checking the fluid level in the pits periodically using a nut on the end of a rope hanging just above the fluid level in the pit

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# 6. EVALUATION PROGRAM:

\* See COA

Samples: 30' samples surface to 3300'; 10' samples from 3000'-TD. Logging: CNL/LDT/NGT Curve-Intermediate; CNL/GR Curve-Surf; DLL-MSFL-Curve-Intermediate; CMR Curve-Intermediate; HORIZONTAL-MWD-GR Coring: None Anticipated. DST's: As warranted. Mudlogging From 3000' to TD.

## 7. Abnormal Conditions, Bottom hole pressure and potential hazards: Anticipated BHP:

From:	0	TO:	300'	Anticipated Max.	BHP:	144	PSI
From:	300'	TO:	3300'	Anticipated Max.	BHP:	1750	PSI
From:	3300'	TO:	9096'	Anticipated Max.	BHP:	4257	PSI

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated.

Lost Circulation Zones Anticipated: None.

H2S Zones Anticipated: None

Maximum Bottom Hole Temperature: 152° F

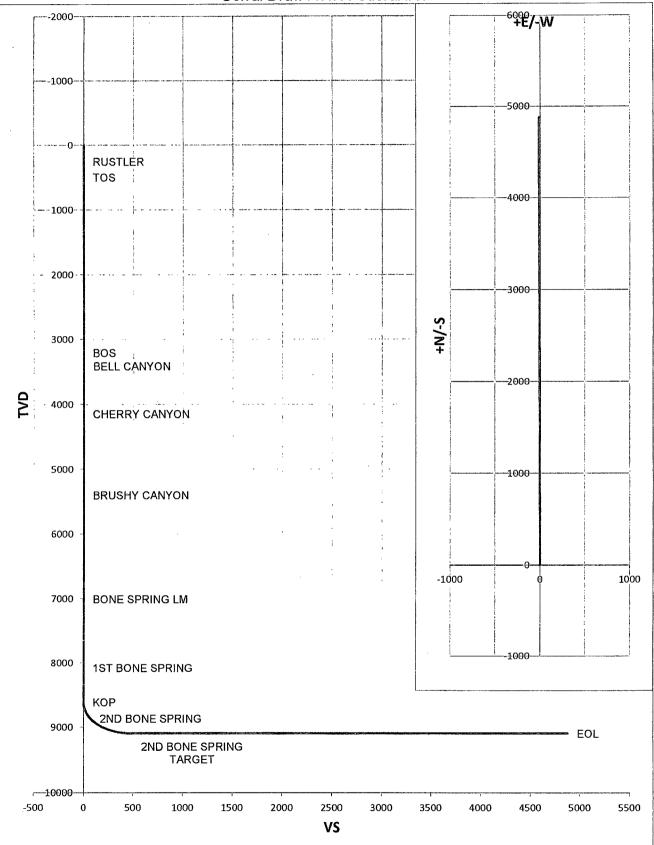
### 8. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE:

Plans are to drill this well as soon as possible after receiving approval. It should take approximately 30 days to drill the well with completion taking another 15 days.



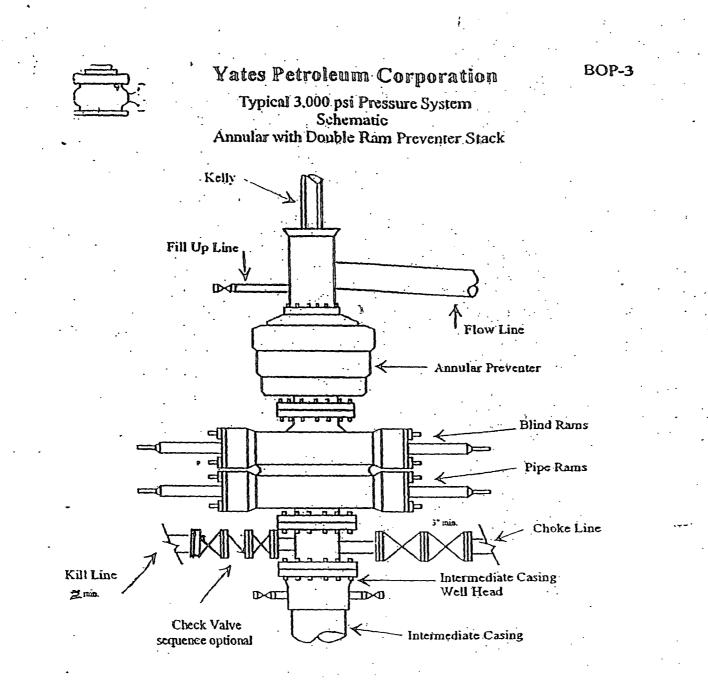
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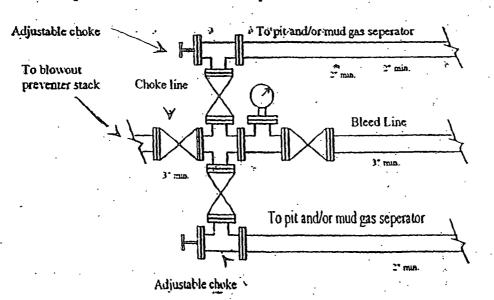


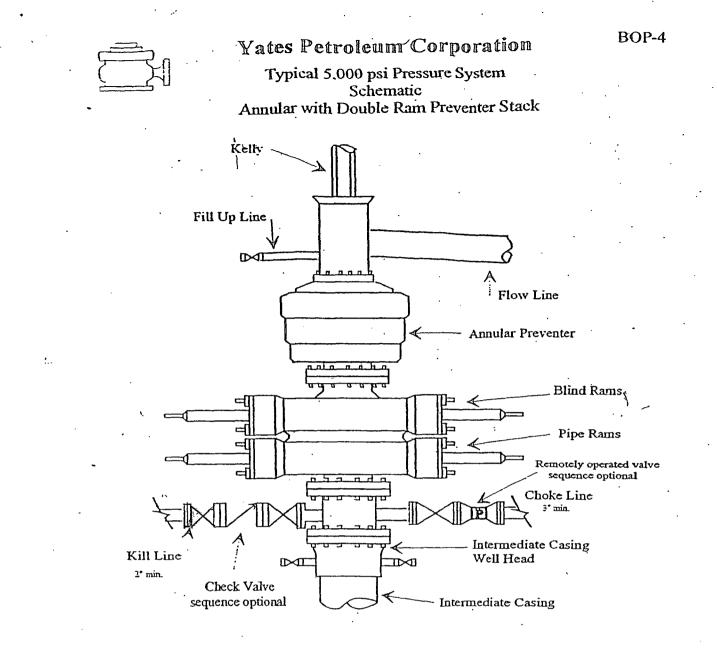
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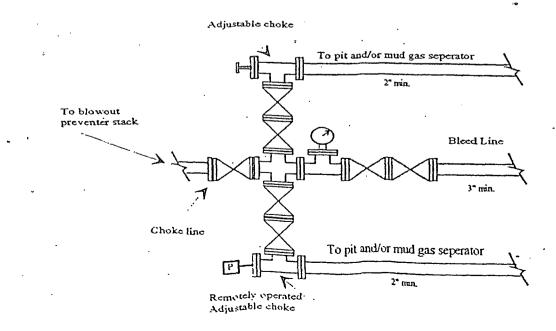


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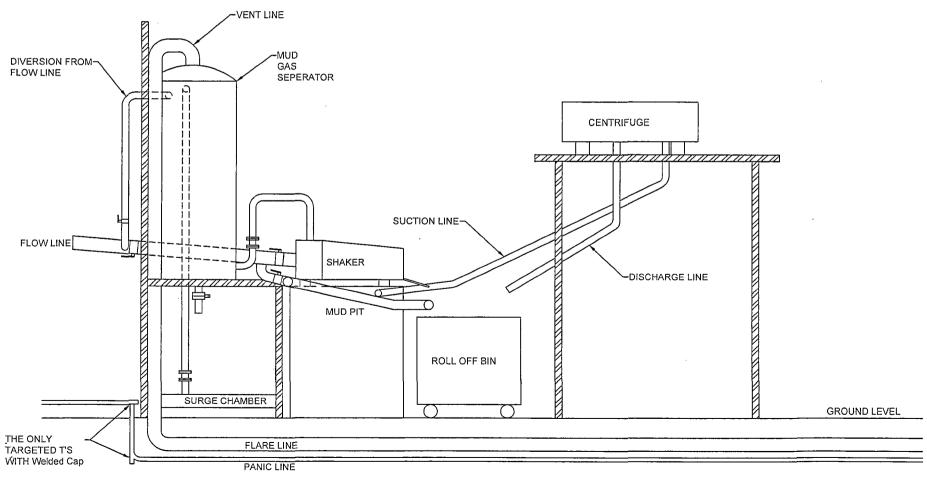


# Typical 5,000 psi choke manifold assembly with at least these minimun features



# YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Piping from Choke Manifold to the Closed Loop Drilling Mud System



The flare discharge must be 100' from wellhead for non H2S wells and 150' from wellhead for wells expected to encounter H2S.

# Yates Petroleum Corporation Closed Loop System

# Equipment Design Plan

Closed Loop System will consist of:

1 – double panel shale shaker

1 - (minimum) Centrifuge, certain wells and flow rates may require 2 centrifuges
On certain wells, the Centrifuge will be replaced by a Clackco Settling Tank System
1 - minimum centrifugal pump to transfer fluids
2- 500 bbl. FW Tanks
1 - 500 bbl. BW Tank
1 - half round frac tank - 250 bbl. capacity as necessary to catch cement / excess

mud returns generated during a cement job.

1 Set of rail cars / catch bins

Certain wells will use an ASC Auger Tank

# **Operation Plan**

All equipment will be inspected at least hourly by rig personnel and daily by contractors' personnel.

Any spills / leaks will be reported to YPC, NMOCD, and cleaned up without delay.

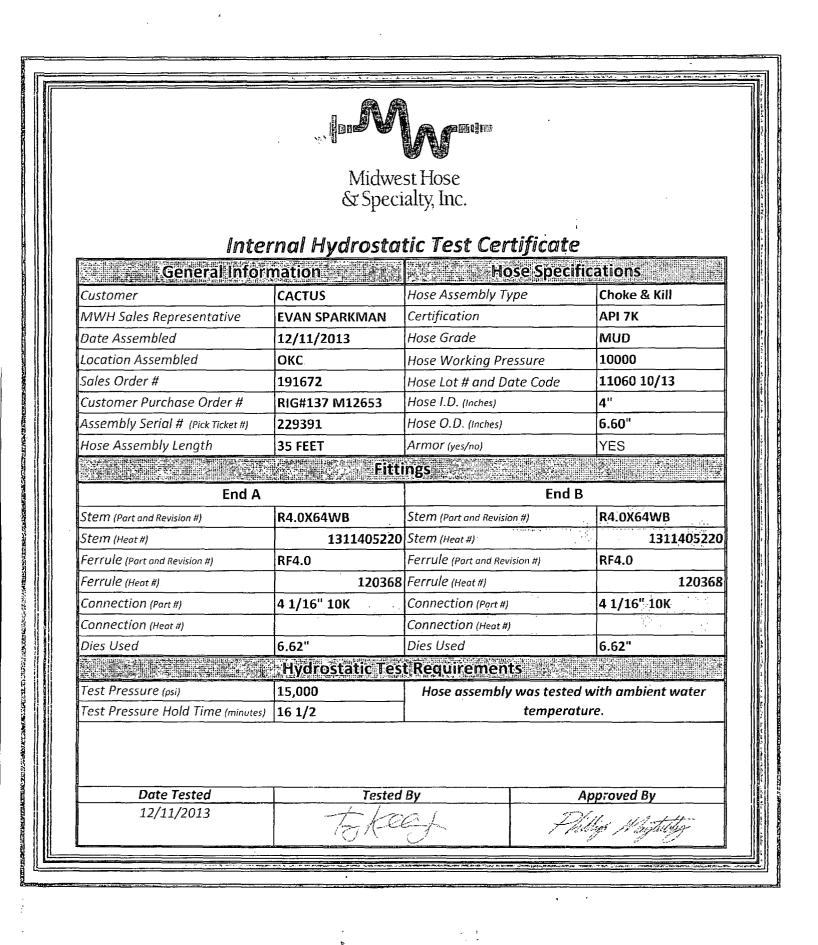
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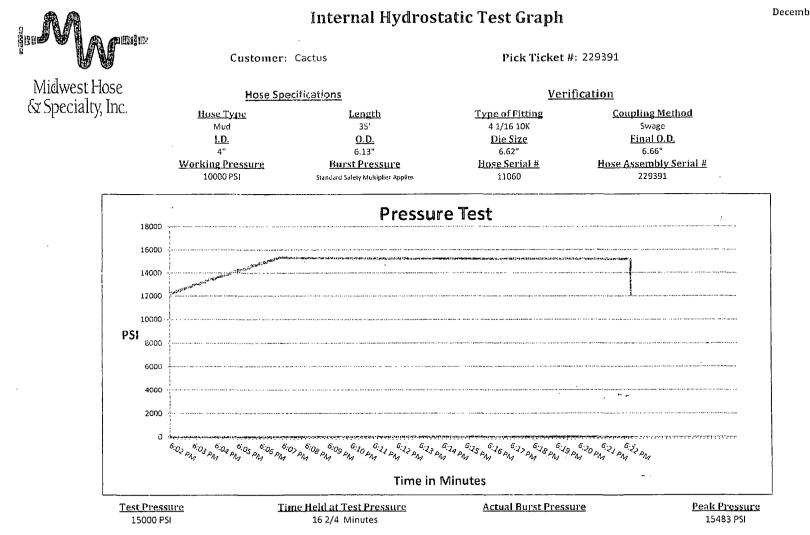
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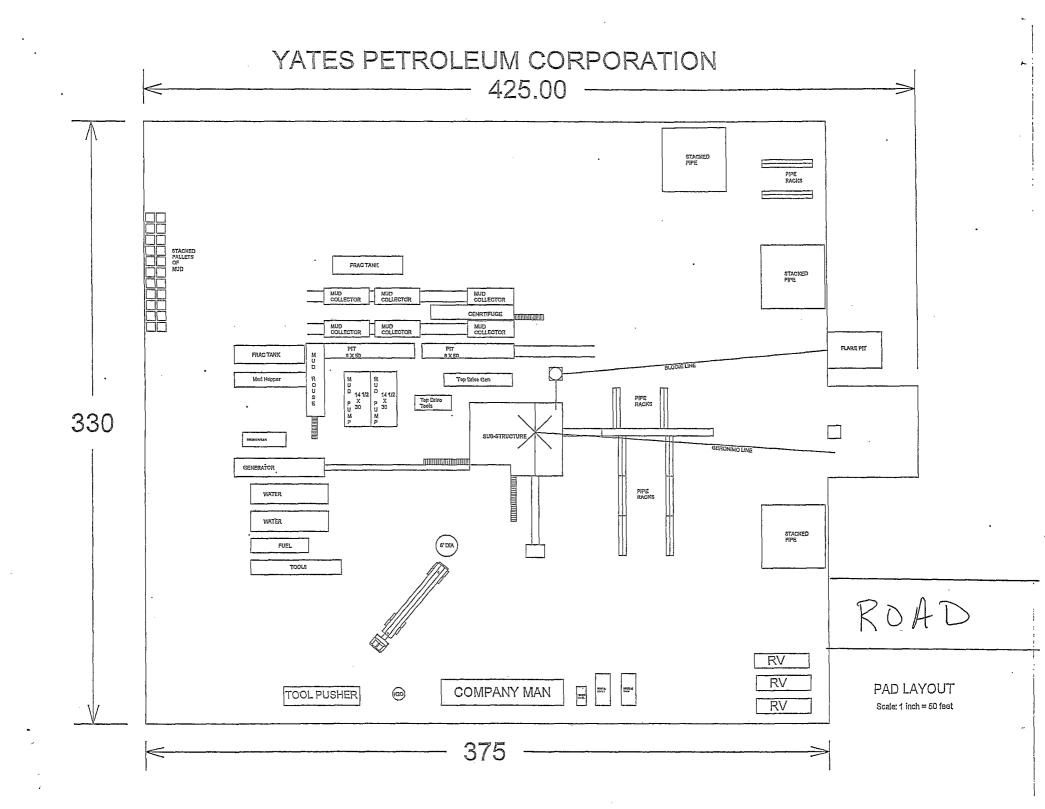
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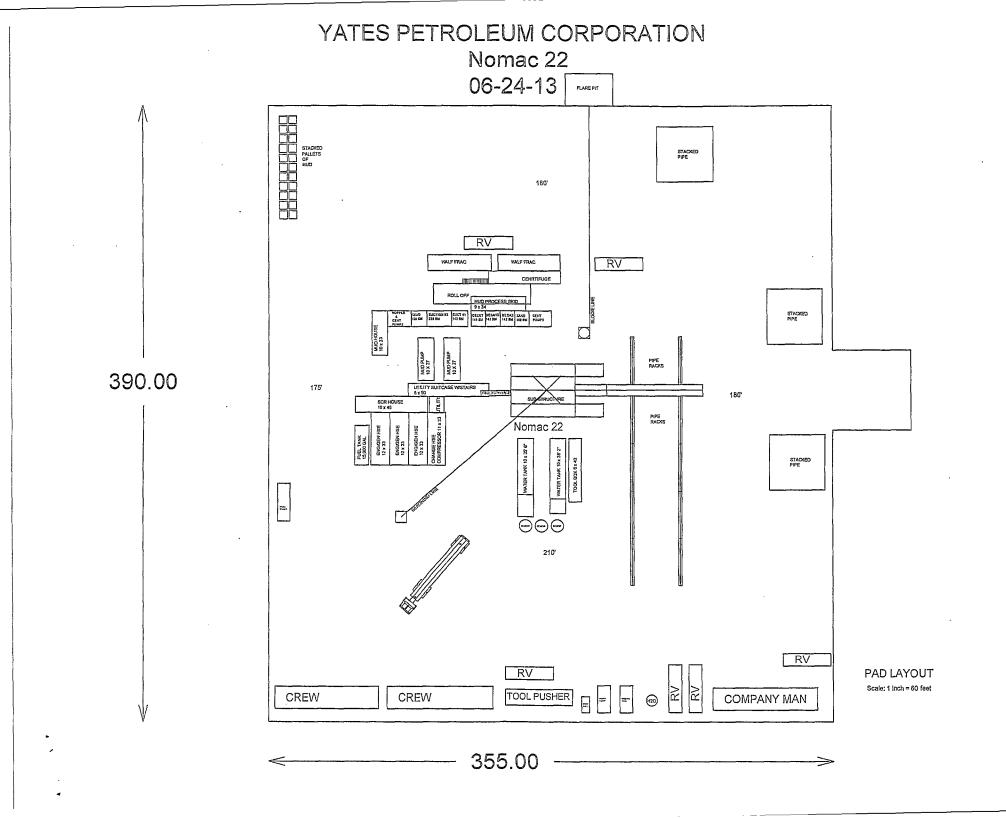
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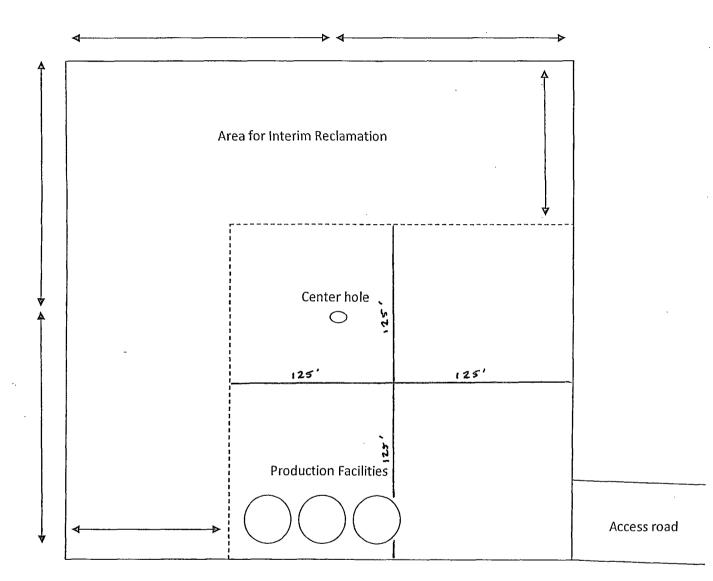
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# Interim Reclamation Well Pad Layout Example\*

North



\*dimensions will vary according to well location specifics

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### MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN Yates Petroleum Corporation Corral Draw AQH Federal #3H 100' FSL & 2310' FWL Surface Hole Location 330' FNL and 1980' FWL Bottom Hole Location Section 13-T24S-R29E Eddy County, New Mexico

This plan is submitted with Form 3160-3, Application for Permit to Drill, covering the above described well. The purpose of this plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activities and operations plan, the magnitude of the surface disturbance involved and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operations, so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental effect associated with the operations.

### 1. EXISTING ROADS:

A portion of the BLM map showing the well and roads in the vicinity of the proposed location. The proposed well site is located approximately 36 miles east of Malaga, New Mexico and the access route to the location is indicated in red and green.

### DIRECTIONS:

Go east of Carlsbad, New Mexico on Highway 62-180 to State Road 31. Turn south on 31 and go to Highway 128 (Jal Highway). Turn left on Hwy 128 and go approximately 4 miles to Rawhide Road (CR-793) Mississippi Potash Mine Shaft #5 is here. Turn south here on CR-793 and go approximately 3.4 miles. Follow County road to the left and go east for approximately 0.2 of a mile. Turn south on county road and follow it for approximately 5.4 miles. Turn west on lease road and go approximately 0.5 of a mile to Bass' Poker Lake Unit #215 well location. The new road will start going west for approximately 0.9 of a mile to the southeast corner of the proposed well location.

### 2. PLANNED ACCESS ROAD:

- A. The proposed new access will be approximately 0.9 of a mile in length going west to the southeast corner of the drilling pad. The road will lie in a westerly direction.
- B. The new road will be 14 feet in width (driving surface) and will be adequately drained to control runoff and soil erosion.
- C. The new road will be bladed with drainage on one side. Traffic turnouts may be needed.
- D. The route of the road is visible.
- E. Existing roads will be maintained in the same or better condition.

## 3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELL

- A. There no drilling activity within a one-mile radius of the well site.
- B. An exhibit shows existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed well site.

# 4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES

- A. There are production facilities on this lease at the present time.
- B. In the event that the well is productive, the necessary production facilities will be installed on the drilling pad. If the well is productive oil, a gas or diesel self-contained unit will be used to provide the necessary power until an electric line can be built, if needed. No power will be required if the well is productive of gas.



### 5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

A. It is planned to drill the proposed well with a fresh water system. The fresh water will be obtained from commercial sources and will be hauled to the location by truck over the existing and proposed roads shown in an Exhibit.

### 6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

Dirt contractor will locate closest pit and obtain any permits and materials needed for construction.

### 7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

- A. A closed loop system will be used to drill this well.
- B. The closed loop system will be constructed, maintained, and closed in compliance with the State of New Mexico, Energy and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division the "Pit Rule" 19.15.17 NMAC.
- C. Water produced during operations will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system, or separate disposal application will be submitted.
- D. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.
- E. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
- F. All trash, junk, and other waste materials will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary land fill. Burial on site is not approved.

# 8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES: None

#### 9. WELLSITE LAYOUT:

- A. An Exhibit shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad and the location of the drilling equipment, rig orientation and access road approach.
- B. The closed loop system will be constructed, maintained and closed in compliance with the State of New Mexico, Energy and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division the "Pit Rule" 19.15.17 NMAC. Form C-144 attached.
- C. 600' x 600' area has been staked and flagged.
- D. Yates has staked a 420' x 420' "Pad Clearance Area." This area can contain the regularly used rigs Yates utilizes in Southeastern New Mexico. The actual pad size to be constructed would be smaller than the "Pad Clearance Area." This area was staked at this size with aid from the BLM, since the actual pad size/drilling rig is unknown at this time. Yates will submit a Sundry Notice with a rig layout depicting the actual size of the pad to be constructed with the dimensions from the well bore to all four sides of the pad with the same orientation as the "Pad Clearance Area." Yates will not construct the well pad until the rig layout is approved through the Sundry Notice.

### **10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION**

A. After finishing drilling and/or completion operations, all equipment and other material not needed for further operations will be removed. The location will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the well site in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible. The location will be reduced to a 250' x 250' after completion operations have been conducted. At this point the surfacing material will be

removed and topsoil will be redistributed. The area will be contoured as closely as possible to its original state and reseeded. Please note attached Reclamation Plat.

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- B. If the proposed well is plugged and abandoned, all equipment and other material will be removed. The location will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the well site in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible. At this point the surfacing material will be removed, topsoil will be redistributed. The area will be contoured as closely as possible to its original location and reseeded. These actions will be completed and accomplished as expeditiously as possible.
- **11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP:** Federal surface, Administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

# 12. OTHER INFORMATION:

A. Topography: Refer to the existing archaeological report for a description of the topography, flora, fauna, soil characteristics, dwellings, historical and cultural sites.

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B. The primary surface use is for grazing.

# PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	Yates Petroleum Corp	
LEASE NO.:	NM88136	
WELL NAME & NO.:	3H Corral Draw AQH Federal	
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	100' FSL & 2310' FWL	
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	330' FNL & 1980' FWL	<i>:</i> · ·
LOCATION:	Section 13, T. 24 S., R 29 E., NMPM	
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico	

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# I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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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)

# VRM:

All above ground structures including but not limited to pumpjacks, storage tanks, production equipment, etc. would be shorter than <u>8 feet</u> and painted a flat, non-reflective Munsell Shale green to minimize visual impacts to the natural features of the landscape.

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

- The compacted 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 around the downsized pad 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.)

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

Tank battery locations and all facilities 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 values 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 values, 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 cavebearing 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) 234-5909 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.

# $\mathbf{B}$ . TOPSOIL

The operator shall strip the top portion of the soil (root zone) from the entire well pad area and stockpile the topsoil along the edge of the well pad as depicted in the APD. The root zone is typically six (6) inches in depth. All the stockpiled topsoil will be redistributed over the interim reclamation areas. Topsoil shall not be used for berming the pad or facilities. For final reclamation, the topsoil shall be spread over the entire pad area for seeding preparation.

Other subsoil (below six inches) stockpiles must be completely segregated from the topsoil stockpile. Large rocks or subsoil clods (not evident in the surrounding terrain) must be buried within the approved area 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. EXCLOSURE FENCING (CELLARS & PITS)

### **Exclosure Fencing**

The operator will install and maintain exclosure fencing for all open well cellars to prevent access to public, livestock, and large forms of wildlife before and after drilling operations until the pit is free of fluids and the operator initiates backfilling. (For examples of exclosure fencing design, refer to BLM's Oil and Gas Gold Book, Exclosure Fence Illustrations, Figure 1, Page 18.)

## G. 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-five (25) 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

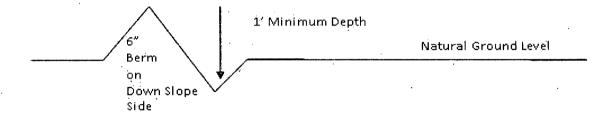
Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

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

### Cattleguards

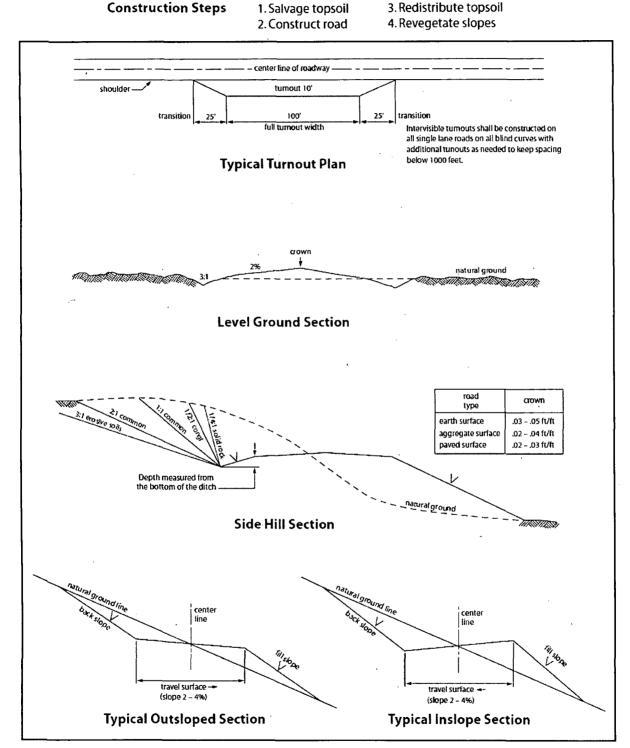
An appropriately sized cattleguard sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence/road crossings. Any existing cattleguards on the access road route shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguards that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

#### **Fence Requirement**

Where entry is granted 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 fences.

## **Public Access**

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





# 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

**Eddy County** 

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

- 1. Although Hydrogen Sulfide has not been reported in the area, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measured amounts and formations to the BLM.
- 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 is 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 (horizontal well vertical portion of hole) 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 or are Non-API. 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.). The initial wellhead installed on the well will remain on the well with spools used as needed.

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 Castile and Salado Possible lost circulation in the Rustler, Salado and Delaware formations.

- 1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 300 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) and cemented to the surface. If the salt is penetrated, casing shall be set 25 feet above the salt.
  - 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. NOTE: Operator currently using a cement yield above 1.35 around the shoe; WOC will be critical. Cement slurry documentation to be submitted to BLM.
  - 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 9-5/8 inch intermediate casing is: (Ensure casing is set in the Lamar at approximately 3300')

Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.

Formation below the 9-5/8" shoe to be tested according to Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.i. Test to be done as a mud equivalency test using the mud weight necessary for the pore pressure of the formation below the shoe (not the mud weight required to prevent dissolving the salt formation) and the mud weight for the bottom of the hole. Report results to BLM office.

Centralizers required on horizontal leg, must be type for horizontal service and a minimum of one every other joint.

- 3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:
  - a. First stage to DV tool:
  - 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 should tie-back at least **500 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. 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.
  - a. For surface casing only: If the BOP/BOPE is to be tested against casing, the wait on cement (WOC) time for that casing is to be met (see WOC statement at start of casing section). Independent service company required.
- 4. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be 5000 (5M) psi.
  5M system requires an HCR valve, remote kill line and annular to match. The remote kill line is to be installed prior to testing the system and tested to stack pressure.
- 5. 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.

## **Exclosure Netting (Open-top Tanks)**

Immediately following active drilling or completion operations, the operator will take actions necessary to prevent wildlife and livestock access, including avian wildlife, to all open-topped tanks that contain or have the potential to contain salinity sufficient to cause harm to wildlife or livestock, hydrocarbons, or Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976-exempt hazardous substances. At a minimum, the operator will net, screen, or cover open-topped tanks to exclude wildlife and livestock and prevent mortality. If the operator uses netting, the operator will cover and secure the open portion of the tank to prevent wildlife entry. The operator will net, screen, or cover the tanks from the location or the tanks no longer contain substances that could be harmful to wildlife or livestock. Use a maximum netting mesh size of 1 ½ inches. The netting must not be in contact with fluids and must not have holes or gaps.

### **Chemical and Fuel Secondary Containment and Exclosure Screening**

The operator will prevent all hazardous, poisonous, flammable, and toxic substances from coming into contact with soil and water. At a minimum, the operator will install and maintain an impervious secondary containment system for any tank or barrel containing hazardous, poisonous, flammable, or toxic substances sufficient to contain the contents of the tank or barrel and any drips, leaks, and anticipated precipitation. The operator will dispose of fluids within the containment system that do not meet applicable state or U. S. Environmental Protection Agency livestock water standards in accordance with state law; the operator must not drain the fluids to the soil or ground. The operator will design, construct, and maintain all secondary containment systems to prevent wildlife and livestock exposure to harmful substances. At a minimum, the operator will install effective wildlife and livestock exclosure systems such as fencing, netting, expanded metal mesh, lids, and grate covers. Use a maximum netting mesh size of 1 ½ inches.

#### **Open-Vent Exhaust Stack Exclosures**

The operator will construct, modify, equip, and maintain all open-vent exhaust stacks on production equipment to prevent birds and bats from entering, and to discourage perching, roosting, and nesting. (*Recommended exclosure structures on open-vent exhaust stacks are in the shape of a cone.*) Production equipment includes, but may not be limited to, tanks, heater-treaters, separators, dehydrators, flare stacks, in-line units, and compressor mufflers.

### **Containment Structures**

Proposed production facilities such as storage tanks and other vessels will have a secondary containment structure that is constructed to hold the capacity of 1.5 times the largest tank, plus freeboard to account for precipitation, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary.

### **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, <u>Shale Green</u> from the BLM Standard Environmental Color Chart (CC-001: June 2008).

### **VRM Facility Requirement**

Low-profile tanks not greater than eight-feet-high shall be used.

# 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 2, for Sandy 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 <u>no</u> 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:

Species	l <u>b/acre</u>
Sand dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus)	1.0
Sand love grass (Eragrostis trichodes)	1.0
Plains bristlegrass (Setaria macrostachya)	2.0

\*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed  $\mathbf{x}$  percent purity  $\mathbf{x}$  percent germination = pounds pure live seed