

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

OCD Artesia

FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1004-0135
Expires: July 31, 2010**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.
NMLC060409

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.

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

1. Type of Well

☒ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other8. Well Name and No.
FRIESS FEDERAL 4

2. Name of Operator

LINN OPERATING INCORPORATED E-Mail: DGORDON@LINNENERGY.COM

Contact: DEBI GORDON

9. API Well No.

30-015-28856-00-S1

3a. Address

600 TRAVIS STREET SUITE 5100
HOUSTON, TX 77002

3b. Phone No. (include area code)

Ph: 281-840-4010
Fx: 832-209-434010. Field and Pool, or Exploratory
GRAYBURG

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)

Sec 19 T17S R31E NESW 1680FSL 2650FWL

11. County or Parish, and State

EDDY COUNTY, NM

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

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recompleat horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompleat in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

LINN IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTING A REQUEST TO PLUG AND ABANDON THE SUBJECT WELL WHICH HAS BEEN DOWN SINCE JANUARY 2007. PRIOR TO GOING OFFLINE, OIL PRODUCTION RATES AVERAGED 2 BOPD. PLUG AND ABANDON OPERATIONS ARE RECOMMENDED AS THIS WELL HAS NO FUTURE UTILITY IN THE CURRENT ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED PROPOSED PLUG AND ABANDONMENT PROCEDURE.

**SEE ATTACHED FOR
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL***See Changes***NM OIL CONSERVATION**

ARTESIA DISTRICT

AUG 29 2016

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14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Electronic Submission #348299 verified by the BLM Well Information System

For LINN OPERATING INCORPORATED, sent to the Carlsbad

Committed to AFMSS for processing by JAMES AMOS on 08/19/2016 (16JA0123SE)

Name (Printed/Typed) DEBI GORDON

Title REGULATORY MANAGER

Signature (Electronic Submission)

Date 08/18/2016

THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE

Approved By

James G. Amos

Title

SPET

Date

8-19-16

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.

Office

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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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Fries Federal #4 – Eddy County, NM
Plug and Abandonment Proposed Procedure

1. Set 5-1/2" CIBP @ 2680'. Circulate hole with mud laden fluid
2. Spot 25 sx cement @ 2680' – 2480'
3. Perf & sqz 25 sx @ ~~1270–111700~~. WOC and tag. 1400 sqz ent to 1300
4. Perf & sqz 25 sx @ ~~445–345~~. WOC & tag. 536 – 340
5. Perf & sqz 45 sx @ 200' – surface.
6. Cut off wellhead and weld on below ground dry hole marker.

Well Name: FRIESS FEDERAL 4

AP/WVI	Field Name	County	State/Province	Section	Township	Range	Survey	Block
3001528856	RBNM-RR GRAYBURG WEST	Eddy	NM	19	017-S	031-E		
Ground Elevation (ft)	Orig KB Elev (ft)	KB-Grd (ft)	Initial Spud Date	Rig Release Date	TD Date	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Operated?
3,598.00	3,612.00	14.00	5/29/1996		6/6/1996	32° 49' 23.43" N	103° 54' 29.113" W	Yes

Original Hole, 8/9/2016 10:50:01 AM

Original Hole Data

Wellbores

North-South Distance (ft)	NS Flag	East-West Distance (ft)	EW Flag
1,680.0	FSL	2,650.0	FWL

Casing Strings

Csg Des	Set Dept.	OD Nom.	ID Nom.	W/Len (ft)	String Grade	Run Date
Surface	390.0	8 5/8	8.097	24.00	J-55	5/29/1996
Csg Des	Set Dept.	OD Nom.	ID Nom.	W/Len (ft)	String Grade	Run Date
Production	3,719.0	5 1/2	4.95	15.50	J-55	6/6/1996

Cement Stages

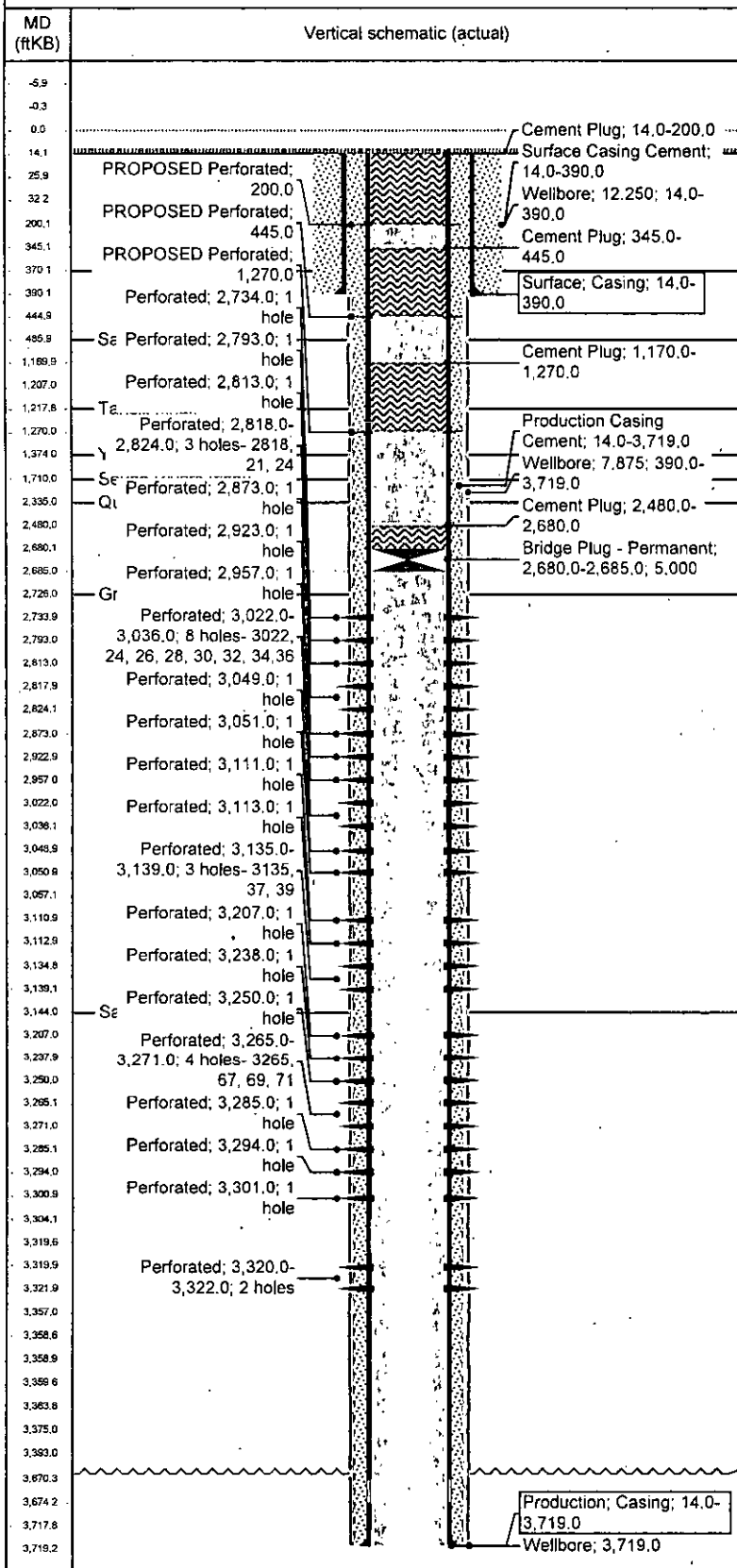
Description	Top (ftKB)	Btm (ftKB)	Eval Method	Comment
Cement Plug	2,480.0	2,680.0		PROPOSED: Cap CIBP with 25 sks cmt.
Cement Plug	1,170.0	1,270.0		PROPOSED: Perf & Sqz 25 sks cmt. Tag TOC.
Cement Plug	345.0	445.0		PROPOSED: Perf & Sqz 25 sks cmt. Tag TOC.
Cement Plug	14.0	200.0		PROPOSED: Perf & Sqz 45 sks cmt. Circ to surface.
Surface Casing Cement	14.0	390.0		Cemented w/ 375 sks of class "C" cement. Circ to surface.
Production Casing Cement	14.0	3,719.0		Cemented w/ 1350 sks of class "C" cement. Circ to surface.

Tubing Strings

Tubing Description	Set Depth	Run Date	Pull Date
Tubing - Production	3,393.0	9/30/1999	

Perforations

Top (ftKB)	Btm (ftKB)	Comment
200.0	200.0	
445.0	445.0	
1,270.0	1,270.0	
2,734.0	2,734.0	1 hole
2,793.0	2,793.0	1 hole
2,813.0	2,813.0	1 hole
2,818.0	2,824.0	3 holes- 2818, 21, 24
2,873.0	2,873.0	1 hole
2,923.0	2,923.0	1 hole
2,957.0	2,957.0	1 hole
3,022.0	3,036.0	8 holes- 3022, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36
3,049.0	3,049.0	1 hole
3,051.0	3,051.0	1 hole
3,111.0	3,111.0	1 hole
3,113.0	3,113.0	1 hole
3,135.0	3,139.0	3 holes- 3135, 37, 39
3,207.0	3,207.0	1 hole
3,238.0	3,238.0	1 hole

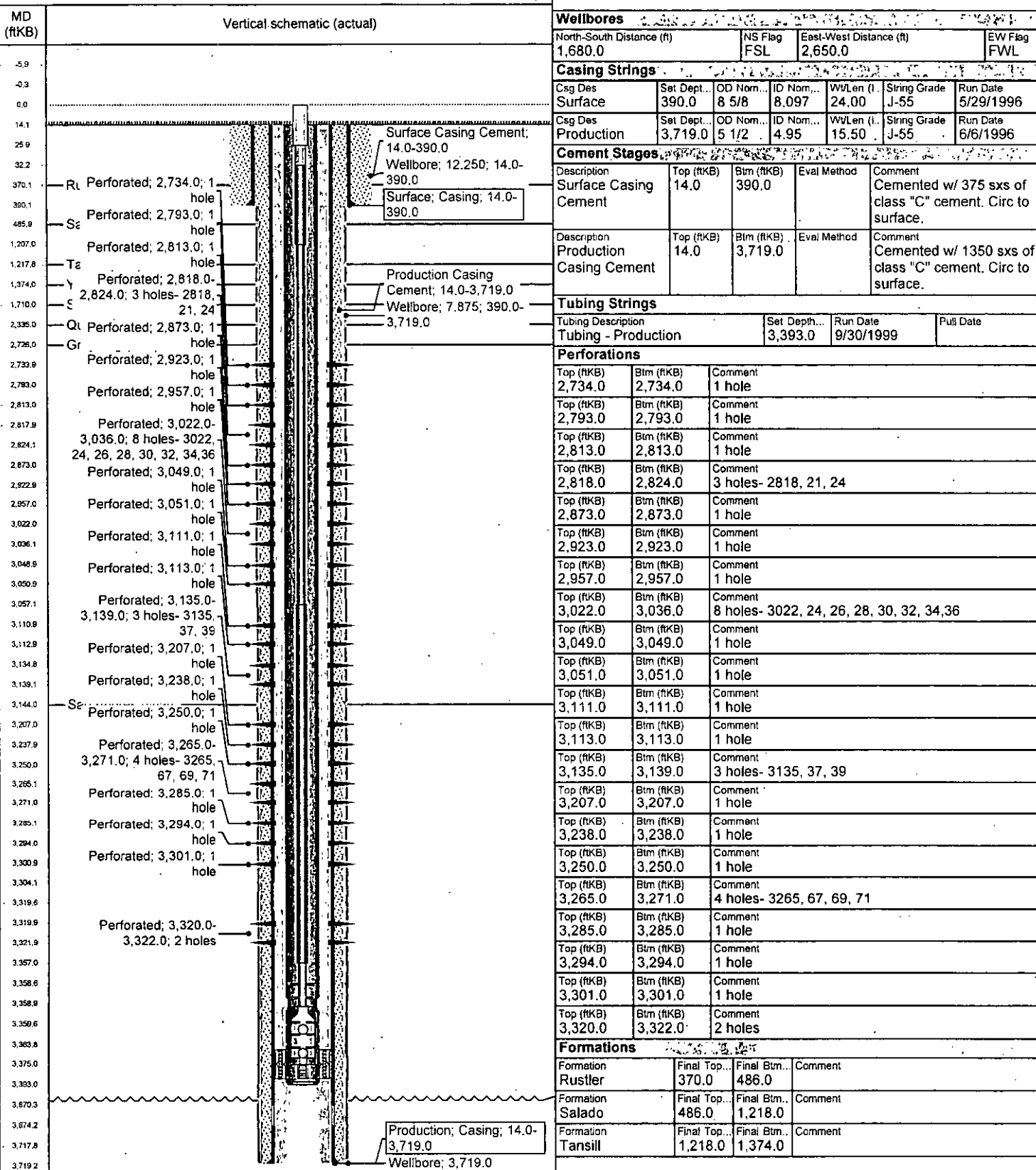


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3,598.00	3,612.00	14.00	5/29/1996		6/6/1996	32°49'2.343"N	103°54'29.113"W	Yes

Original Hole, 8/2/2016 12:09:28 PM

Original Hole Data



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Carlsbad Field Office
620 East Greene Street
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220
575-234-5972

Permanent Abandonment of Federal Wells
Conditions of Approval (LPC Habitat)

Failure to comply with the following Conditions of Approval may result in a Notice of Incidents of Noncompliance (INC) in accordance with 43 CFR 3163.1.

1. Plugging operations shall commence within ninety (90) days from the approval date of this Notice of Intent to Abandon.

If you are unable to plug the well by the 90th day provide this office, prior to the 90th day, with the reason for not meeting the deadline and a date when we can expect the well to be plugged. Failure to do so will result in enforcement action.

The rig used for the plugging procedure cannot be released and moved off without the prior approval of the authorized officer. Failure to do so may result in enforcement action.

2. **Notification:** Contact the appropriate BLM office at least 24 hours prior to the commencing of any plugging operations. For wells in Chaves and Roosevelt County, call 575-627-0272; Eddy County, call 575-361-2822; Lea County, call 575-393-3612.

3. **Blowout Preventers:** A blowout preventer (BOP), as appropriate, shall be installed before commencing any plugging operation. The BOP must be installed and maintained as per API and manufacturer recommendations. The minimum BOP requirement is a 2M system for a well not deeper than 9,090 feet; a 3M system for a well not deeper than 13,636 feet; and a 5M system for a well not deeper than 22,727 feet.

4. **Mud Requirement:** Mud shall be placed between all plugs. Minimum consistency of plugging mud shall be obtained by mixing at the rate of 25 sacks (50 pounds each) of gel per 100 barrels of **brine** water. Minimum nine (9) pounds per gallon.

5. **Cement Requirement:** Sufficient cement shall be used to bring any required plug to the specified depth and length. Any given cement volumes on the proposed plugging procedure are merely estimates and are not final. Unless specific approval is received, no plug except the surface plug shall be less than 25 sacks of cement. Any plug that requires a tag will have a minimum WOC time of 4 hours.

In lieu of a cement plug across perforations in a cased hole (not for any other plugs), a bridge plug set within 50 feet to 100 feet above the perforations shall be capped with 25 sacks of cement. If a bailer is used to cap this plug, 35 feet of cement shall be sufficient. **Before pumping or bailing cement on top of CIBP, tag will be required to verify depth. Based on depth, a tag of the cement may be deemed necessary.**

Unless otherwise specified in the approved procedure, the cement plug shall consist of either Neat Class "C", for up to 7,500 feet of depth or Neat Class "H", for deeper than 7,500 feet plugs.

6. Below Ground Level Cap (Lesser Prairie-Chicken Habitat): All casing shall be cut-off at the base of the cellar or 3 feet below final restored ground level (whichever is deeper). **The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours prior to the wellhead being cut off to verify that cement is to surface in the casing and all annuluses. Wellhead cut off shall commence within ten (10) calendar days of the well being plugged. If the cut off cannot be done by the 10th day, the BLM is to be contacted with justification to receive an extension for completing the cut off.** Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of wells that are located in lesser prairie-chicken habitat, the casings shall be cut-off at the base of the cellar or 3 feet below final restored ground level (whichever is deeper). The well bore shall then be covered with a metal plate at least ¼ inch thick and welded in place. A weep hole shall be left in the plate and/or casing.

NMOCD also requires the operator to notify NMOCD when this type of dry hole marker is used. This can be done on the subsequent report of abandonment which is submitted to the BLM after the well is plugged. State that a below ground cap was installed as required in the COA's from the BLM.

7. Subsequent Plugging Reporting: Within 30 days after plugging work is completed, file one original and three copies of the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, Form 3160-5 to BLM. The report should give in detail the manner in which the plugging work was carried out, the extent (by depths) of cement plugs placed, and the size and location (by depths) of casing left in the well. **Show date well was plugged.**

8. Trash: All trash, junk and other waste material shall be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill. Burial on site is not permitted.

Following the submission and approval of the Subsequent Report of Abandonment, surface restoration will be required. See attached reclamation objectives.

Timing Limitation Stipulation/ Condition of Approval for Lesser Prairie-Chicken:

From March 1st through June 15th annually, abandonment activities will be allowed except between the hours from 3:00 am and 9:00 am. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted