Form 3160 -3 (March 2012)

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Split Estate Artesia

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

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la. Type of work:  DRILL  REENTER	7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.			d No.			
lb. Type of Well: Oil Well Gas Well Other	8. Lease Name and V Barbara Federal Co						
2. Name of Operator YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION E66 Y				9. API Well No.	-43	96	8
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4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any	State requireme	nts.*)		11. Sec., T. R. M. or B	lk.and Su	rvey or	Area
At surface 1750' FSL & 80' FEL, 17-19S-25E, UL I				Section 17, T-19S,	R-25E		
At proposed prod. zone 1750' FSL & 330' FWL, 17-19S-25E,	, UL L						
14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office*				12. County or Parish Eddy County		13. S NM	tate
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18. Distance from proposed location* Approx. 30'	19. Proposed	Depth	/BIA Bond No. on file				
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3500' GL	07/01/2014	/01/2014 60 days					
	24. Attac						
The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore	Oil and Gas (	Order No.1, must be at	tached to th	is form:			
<ol> <li>Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.</li> <li>A Drilling Plan.</li> </ol>		Item 20 above).	-	ns unless covered by an	existing l	bond or	n file (see
3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System L SUPO must be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).	ands, the	<ul><li>5. Operator certific</li><li>6. Such other site : BLM.</li></ul>		ormation and/or plans as	may be r	equired	i by the
25. Signature	Name (	(Printed/Typed) . Crory			Date 3/2	8/1	4
Title Land Regulatory Agent							
Approved by (Signature)  James A. Amos	Name	(Printed/Typed)			Date <b>NOV</b>	15	2016
Title FIELD MANAGER	Office	CAF	RLSBAD	field offige			
Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds conduct operations thereon. Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.	legal or equita	able title to those right	s in the sub	jectlease which would e			
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NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

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SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

\*(Instructions on page 2)

Approval Subject to General Requirements & Special Stipulations Attached

# CERTIFICATION YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Barbara Federal Com 21h 1750' FSL & 80' FEL Section 17-T19S-R25E Eddy County, New Mexico

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; 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 the company I represent is 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 28 day of MARCH, 2014.
Printed Name Bill McCrory
Signature BUUHU
Position Title Land Regulatory Agent
Address_105 South Fourth Street, Artesia, NM 88210
Telephone <u>575-748-4401</u>
E-mail (optional) bmccrory@yatespetroleumcom
Field Representative (if not above signatory) Tim Bussell
Address (if different from above) Same
Telephone (if different from above) 575-748-4221

DISTRICT, I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
Phone (876) 393-6161 Fax: (876) 393-0720
DISTRICT II
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210
Phone (876) 748-1283 Fax: (875) 748-9720
DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410
Phone (805) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170

DISTRICT IV 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 Phone (505) 478-3480 Fax: (505) 476-3462 State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Form C-102 Revised August 1, 2011

Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

#### OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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

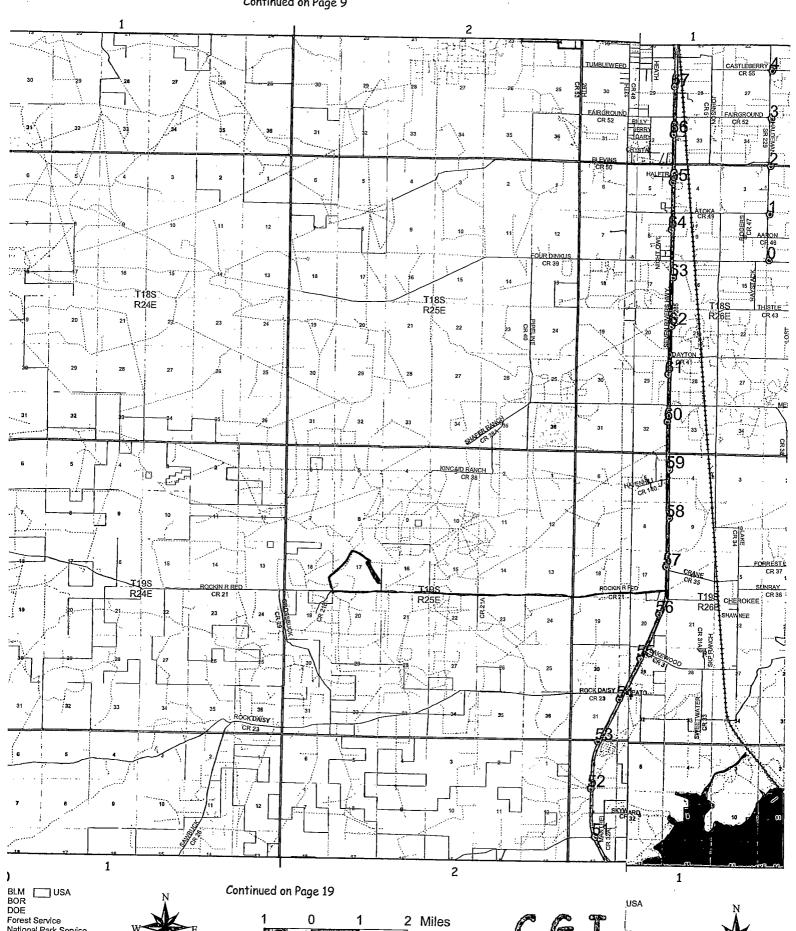
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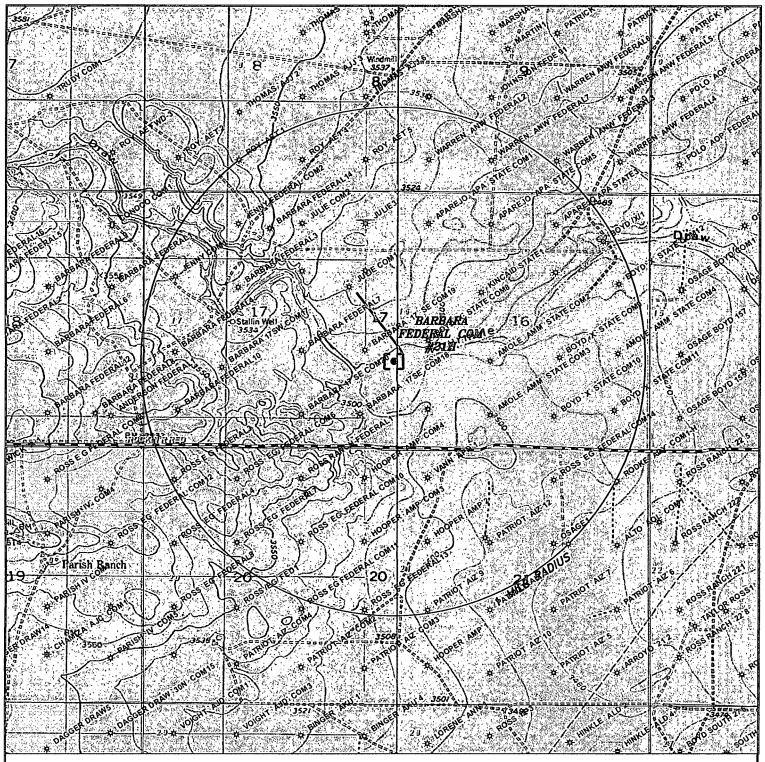


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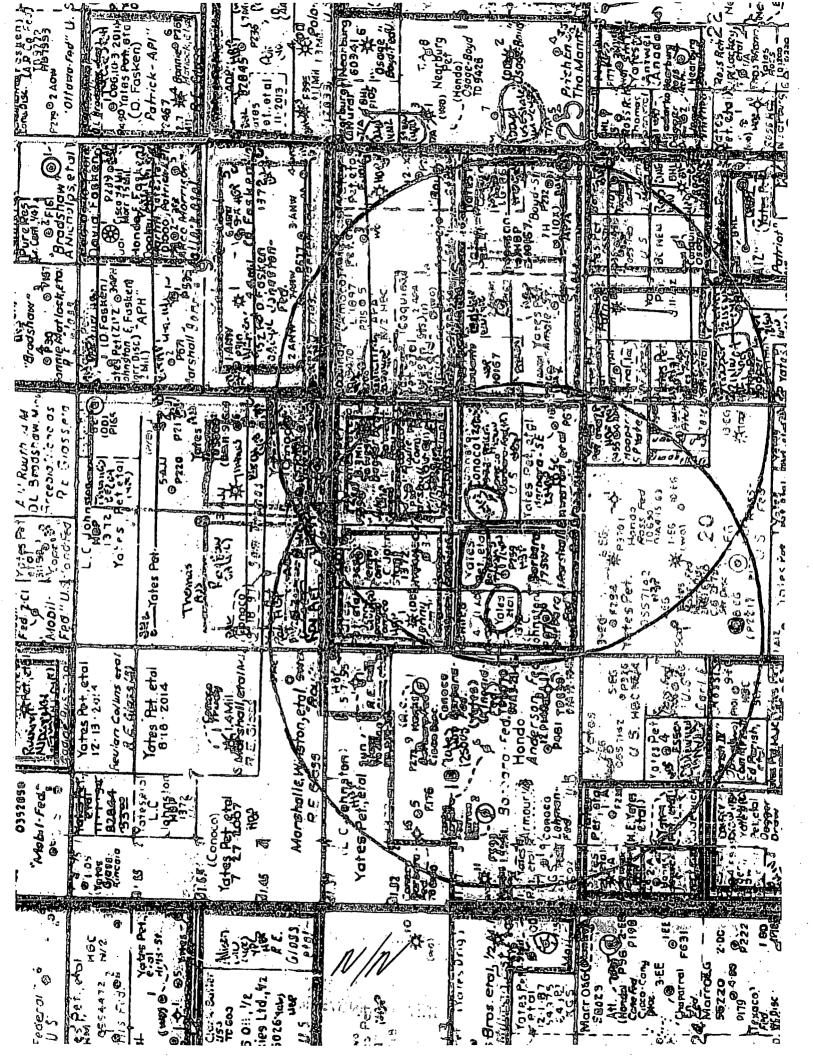
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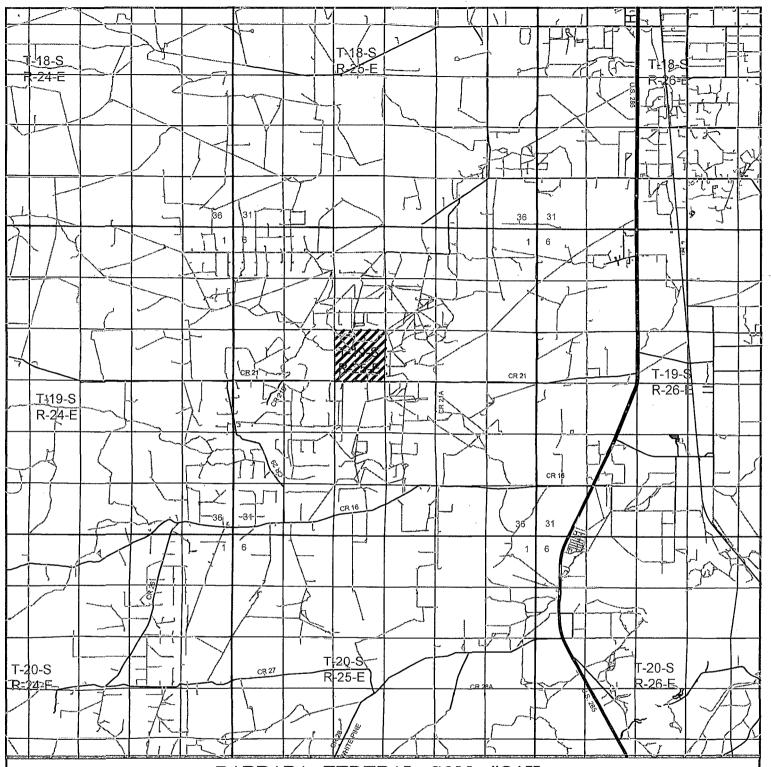
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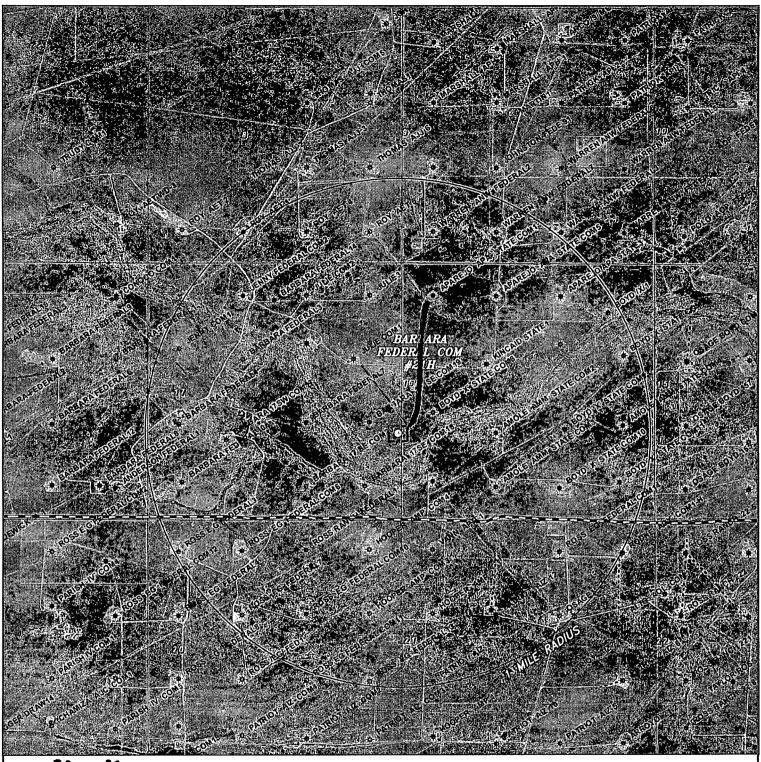
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#### YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

Barbara Federal Com #21H 1750 FSL & 80' FEL, Surface Hole 1750'FSL & 330' FWL, Bottom Hole Section 17 -T19S-R25-E Eddy County, New Mexico

#### 1. THE ESTIMATED TOPS OF GEOLOGIC MARKERS ARE AS FOLLOW:

\*\*In the 700' from surface to the top of the San Andres there would be Queen and/or Grayburg formation present.

Alluvial Deposits			Yeso	2375"Oil	2375'MD
San Andres	750'Oil		Target Yeso	2773'Oil	2773'MD
Glorieta	2260Oil	2260'MD	TD	2498'TVD	7207'MD

#### 2. THE ESTIMATED DEPTHS AT WHICH ANTICIPATED WATER, OIL OR GAS FORMATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO

Water: Approximately: 0' - 1300'

Oil or Gas: See above--All Potential Zones

#### 3. PRESURECONTROL EQUIPMENT:

3000 PSI BOPE with a 13.625" opening will be installed on the 9 5/8". Test will be conducted by an independent tester, utilizing a test plug in the well head. 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 on each segment of the system tested if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug. Blind rams and pipe rams will be tested to the rated pressure of the BOP. Any leaks will be repaired at the time of the test. Annular preventers will be tested to 50% of rated pressure. Accumulator system will be inspected for correct pre charge pressures, and proper functionality, prior to connection to the BOP system. 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.

#### 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)

CASING STRING	HOLE SIZE	CASING SIZE	WT./FT.	GRADE	COUPLING	INTERVAL	LENGTH
Conductor	26"	20"	94#	H-40	ST&C	0'-58'	58'
Surface	14 3/4"	9 5/8"	36#	J-55 or K-55	LT&C	0'-1300'	1300'
Production	8 3/4"	5 ½"	17#	L-80	Buttress	0'-2773'	2773'
Production	8 ½"	5 ½"	17#	L-80	Buttress	2773'-7207'	4434'

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

#### B. CEMENTING PROGRAM:

Conductor Casing: Will use ready mix to cement to surface

Surface Casing: Lead with 750 sacks Class 35:65:6PzC (Wt. 12.50, Yld. 2.00, H2O 11.0 gal/sx). Tail in with 205 sacks Class C with 2% CaCl (Wt. 14.80, Yld. 1:34, H2O 6.2 gal/sx). Cement designed with 100% excess. TOC surface.

Production Casing; Lead with 340 sacks 35:65:6PzC (Wt. 12.50, Yld. 2.00, H2O 11.0 gal/sx). Tail in 900 sacks PecosVILt with D112, Fluid Loss 0.4%; D151, Calcium Carbonate 22.5 lb/sack; D174, Extender 1.5

#### Barbara Federal Com #21H Page Two

lb/sack; D177, Retarder 0.01 lb/sack; D800, Retarder 0.6 lb/sack; D46, Antifoam Agent (Wt. 13.00, Yld. 1.41, H2O 9.3 gal/sx). Cement designed with 35% excess. TOC surface.

Well will be drilled vertically to 2020'. Well will be kicked off at approximately 2020' and directionally drilled at 12° degrees per 100' with an 8.75" hole to 2773' MD (2498' TVD). Hole will then be reduced to 8.5" and drilled to 7207' MD (2475' TVD) where 5.5" from surface to TD at 7207' MD. Penetration point of producing zone will be encountered at 1750' FSL & 560' FEL, Section 17-T19S-R25E. Deepest TVD is 2498 in the lateral.

#### 5. MUD PROGRAM AND EQUIPMENT::

INTERVAL	TYPE	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	FLUID LOSS
0-1300'	Fresh Water	8.60-8.70	32-34	N/C
1300'-7207'	Fresh Water	8.50-8.70	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. Mud will be checked hourly by rig personnel. Mud level monitoring: 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 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.

#### 6. EVALUATION PROGRAM:

Samples: 10' samples from 1300' to TD.

Logging: Horizontal-MWD-GR. No wire line logs will be ran. Running a Measure While Drilling (MWD) gamma

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Coring: As warranted. DST's: As warranted.

Mudlogging from the surface to TD

#### 7. ABNORMAL CONDITIONS, Bottom hole pressure and potential hazards:

Anticipated BHP

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DEPTH	ANTICIPATED BHP	
0' TO 1300'	588 PSI	
1300' TO 2498' TVD	1130 PSI	

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated.

Lost Circulation Zones Anticipated: None.

H2S is anticipated.

#### 8. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE:

Plans are to drill this well as soon as possible after receiving approval. It should take approximately 15 days to drill the well with completion taking another 7 days.

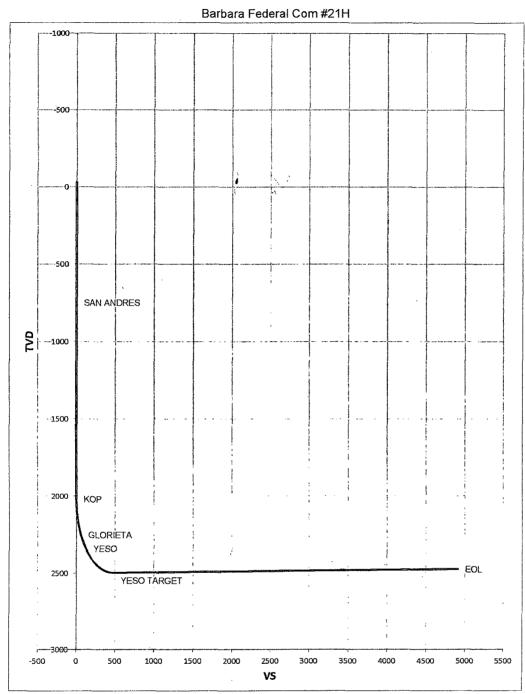
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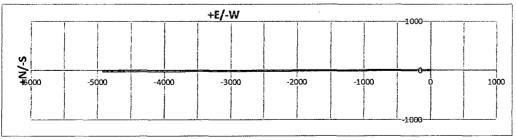
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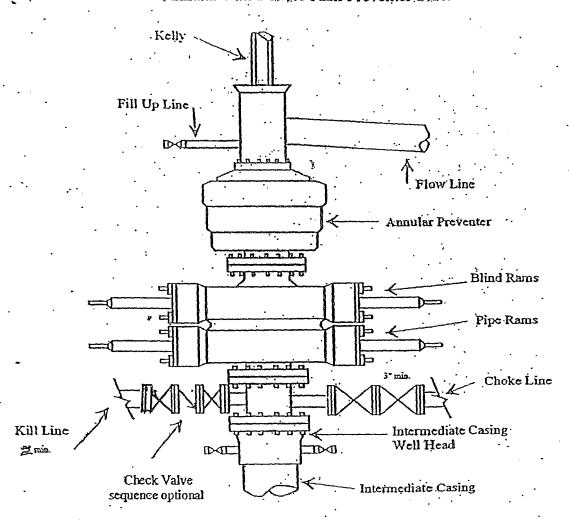






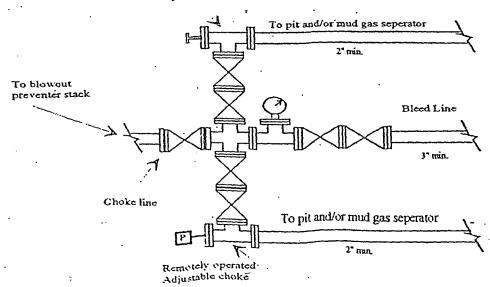
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Typical 3.000 psi Pressure System
Schematic
Annular with Double Ram Preventer Stack



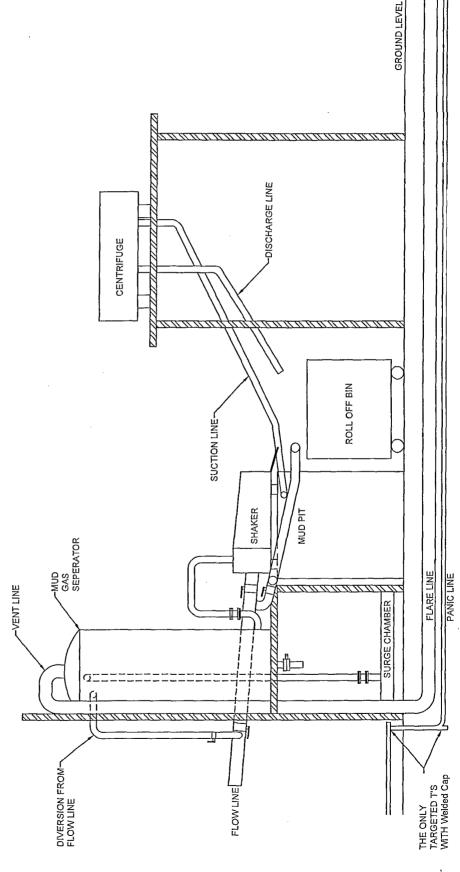
Typical 3,000 psi choke manifold assembly with at least these minimum features

Adjustable choke



# 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

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# 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

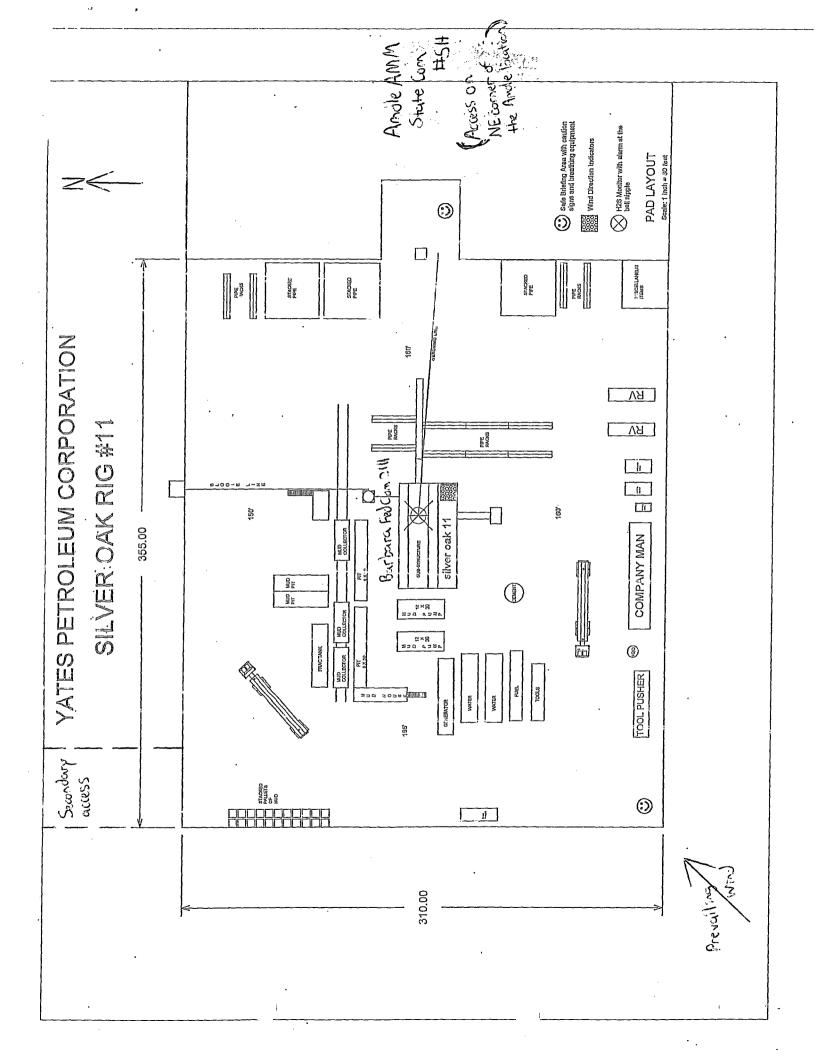
# Operation Plan

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.

# Closure Plan

Drilling with Closed Loop System, haul off bins will be taken to Gandy Marley, Lea Land Farm, CRI or Sundance Services Inc.



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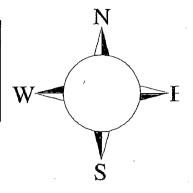
# Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Contingency Plan

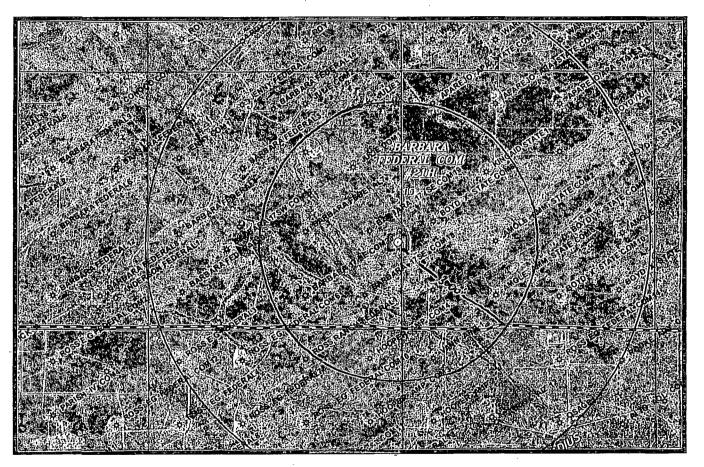
# For

Barbara Federal Com 21H 1750' FSL & 80' FEL Section 17, T19S-R25E Eddy County NM

# Barbara Federal Com 21H

This is an open drilling site.  $H_2S$  monitoring equipment and emergency response equipment will be used within 500' of zones known to contain  $H_2S$ , including warning signs, wind indicators and  $H_2S$  monitor.





Assumed 100 ppm  $ROE = 3000^{\circ}$ 100 ppm H2S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.

#### **Emergency Procedures**

In the case of a release of gas containing H<sub>2</sub>S, the first responder(s) must isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE. Additionally the first responder(s) must evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE. First responder(s) must take care not to injure themselves during this operation. Company and/or local officials must be contacted to aid in this operation. Evacuation of the public should be beyond the 100 ppm ROE.

All responders must have training in the detection of  $H_2S$ , measures for protection against the gas, equipment used for protection and emergency response. Additionally, responders must be equipped with  $H_2S$  monitors and air packs in order to control the release. Use the "buddy system" to ensure no injuries during the response.

#### **Ignition of Gas Source**

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide ( $SO_2$ ). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever there is an ignition of the gas

#### Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S and SO<sub>2</sub>

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity	Threshold Limit	Hazardous Limit	Lethal Concentration
Hydrogen Sulfide	H <sub>2</sub> S	1.189 Air = 1	10 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	2.21 Air = 1	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm

#### **Contacting Authorities**

YPC personnel must liaison with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. YPC Company response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's 'Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan' (HMER)

# Yates Petroleum Corporation Phone Numbers

YPC Office	(575) 748 1471
Wade Bennett/Prod Superintendent	` /
LeeRoy Richards/Assistant Prod Superintendent	(575) 748-4228
Mike Larkin/Drilling	
Paul Hanes/Prod. Foreman/Roswell	
Tim Bussell/Drilling Superintendent	` '
Artesia Answering Service	
(During non-office hours)	(373) 140-4302
Agency Call List	
Eddy County (575)	
Artesia	
State Police	746-2703
City Police	
Sheriff's Office	
Ambulance	911
Fire Department	746-2701
LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee)	746-2122
NMOCD	748-1283
Carlsbad	005 2127
State Police	
City Police Sheriff's Office	
Ambulance	
Fire Department.	
LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee)	
US Bureau of Land Management	
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe)	, ,
24 HR	
New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center	
National Emergency Response Center (Washington, DC)	(800) 424-8802
Other	
Boots & Coots IWC1-800-256-9688 or (281) 931-8884	
Cudd Pressure Control(915) 699-0139 or (915) 563-3356	
Halliburton(575) 746-2757	
B. J. Services(575) 746-3569	
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Flight For Life -4000 24th St, Lubbock, TX	
Aerocare -Rr 3 Box 49f, Lubbock, TX	
Med Flight Air Amb 2301 Yale Blvd SE #D3, Albuq, NM	
S B Air Med Svc 2505 Clark Carr Loop SE, Albuq, NM	(303) 842-4949

# **Yates Petroleum Corporation**

# **Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operation Plan**

## I. HYDROGEN SULFIDE TRAINING

All personnel, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, will receive training from a qualified instructor in the following areas prior to commencing drilling operations on this well:

- 1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H2S).
- 2. The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
- 3. The proper use of H2S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures, and prevailing winds.
- 4. The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.

In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:

- 1. The effects of H2S on metal components. If high tensile tubular are to be used, personnel well be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
- 2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
- 3. The contents and requirements of the H2S Drilling Operations Plan and H2S Contingency Plan.

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H2S zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly H2S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H2S Drilling Operation Plan and the H2S Contingency Plan. **The location of this well does not require a Public Protection Plan.** 

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# II. H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS

NOTE: All H2S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested, and operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500 feet above, or three days prior to penetrating the first zone containing or reasonably expected to contain H2S.

#### 1. Well Control Equipment:

- A. Flare line
- B. Choke manifold will have a remotely operated adjustable choke system.
- C. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing unit
- D. Auxiliary equipment may include if applicable: annular preventer & rotating head.

#### 2. Protective equipment for essential personnel:

A. Mark II Survive Air (or equivalent) 30-minute units located in the doghouse and at briefing areas, as indicated on well-site diagram.

#### 3. H2S detection and monitoring equipment:

A. 3 portable H2S monitors positioned at: Shale Shaker, Bell Nipple, and Rig Floor. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H2S levels of 10 PPM are reached.

#### 4. Visual warning systems:

- A. Wind direction indicators as shown on well site diagram (attached).
- B. Caution/Danger signs (attached) shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted with high visibility yellow with black lettering of a sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used, when appropriate. See example attached.

#### 5. Mud program:

A. The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H2S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices and the use of H2S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H2S bearing zones.

#### 6. Metallurgy:

- A. All drill strings, casings, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventer, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H2S service.
- B. All elastomers used for packing and seals shall be H2S trim.

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#### 7. Communication:

- A. Cellular communications in company vehicles.
- B. Land line (telephone) communication at the Office.

#### 8. Well testing:

A. There will be no drill stem testing.

#### **EXHIBIT**

# **DANGER**

# **POISONS GAS**

## HYDROGEN SULFIDE



NORMAL OPERATIONS

**CAUTION POTENTIAL DANGER** 

(YELLOW)



DANGER POISONS GAS ENCOUNTERED

(RED) AUTHORIZED PERSONAL ONLY. LOCATION SECURED.

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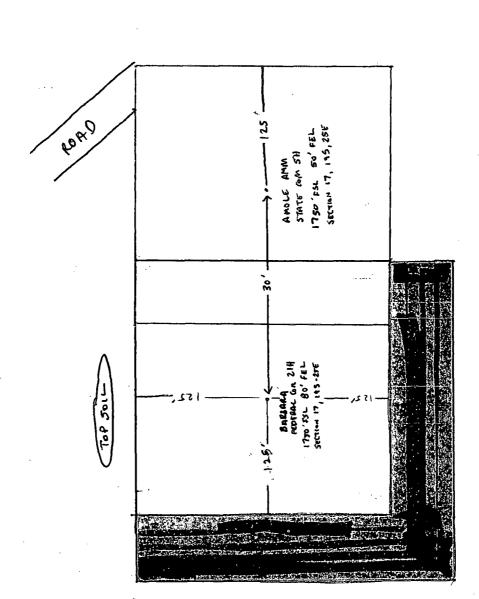
1-877-879-8899

**EDDY COUNTY EMERGENCY NUMBERS** ARTESIA FIRE DEPT. 575-746-5050 ARTESIA POLICE DEPT. 575-746-5000 EDDY CO. SHERIFF DEPT. 575-746-9888

LEA COUNTY EMERGENCY NUMBERS HOBBS FIRE DEPT. 575-397-9308 HOBBS POLICE DEPT. 575-397-9285 LEA CO. SHERIFF DEPT. 575-396-1196

RECLAMATION PLAT

BARBARA FED GAM 214 1750' FSL 80' FEL SECTION 17, 145-25E



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#### MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN Yates Petroleum Corporation

Barbara Federal Com 21H 1750' FSL and 80' FEL - Surface Hole Location 1750' FSL and 330' FWL -Bottom Hole Location Section 17, T19S-R25E 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:

(See Exhibit) is a portion of the County map showing the well and roads in the vicinity of the proposed location. The proposed well site is located approximately 10 miles south of Artesia, New Mexico and the access route to the location is indicated in red and green on Exhibit A. Operator will maintain existing roads in condition the same or better than before operations begin. Operator will repair pot holes, clear ditches, repair the crown, etc. All existing structures along the entire access route such as cattle guards, other range improvement projects, culverts, etc. will be properly repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. Operator will reasonably prevent and abate fugitive dust as needed when created by vehicular traffic and equipment caused by the operator. The BLM's written approval will be acquired before application of surfactants, binding agents, or other dust suppression chemicals on roadways.

#### DIRECTIONS:

(See Exhibit) From Artesia, go South on highway 285 for approximately 10.5 miles. Turn right (West) onto CR 21 (Rocking R Red Road). Travel west on CR 21 5 Miles and Turn Right (North) onto lease road. Follow lease road approximately .4 mile north and turn east and go .1 mile. Then turn north and go .4 of a mile then .2 of a mile east and .3 of a mile south to Julie Com 1. On the southest corner of Julie Com 1 (P&A location) the proposed new lease road will start and go approximately 1100 feet to northeast corner of Barbara Federal Com 21H.

#### PLANNED ACCESS ROAD.

- A. (See Exhibit) The proposed new access road will go for approximately 1100 feet from the point of origin to the Northeast corner of well location. The road will lie in a north to south direction. The road will be crowned and ditched to a 2% slope from the tip of the crown to the edge of the driving surface.
- B. The new road will be 14 feet in width (driving surface) and will be adequately drained to control to control runoff and soil erosion. Ditches will be 3' wide with a 3:1 slopes.
- C. The new road will be bladed with drainage on one side. A traffic turnout may be built.

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- D. Existing roads will be maintained in the same or better condition.
- E. The route of road is visible.
- F. The proposed new lease road is represented in green in Exhibit A.

#### LOCATION OF EXISTING WELL

- A. There is drilling activity within a one-mile radius of the well site.
- B. Exhibits shows existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed well site.

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#### 4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES

- A. There are production facilities on this lease at the present time.
- B. There will flowline from proposed location to the existing Amole Battery.
- C. The ROW 1214 has been applied for.

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

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

#### 6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

Dirt contractor will locate closest pit and obtain any permits and materials needed for construction of the well location.

#### 7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

- A. This well will be drilled with a closed loop system
- 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. Drilling fluids will be removed after drilling and completions are completed.
- D. Water produced during operations will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system, or separate disposal application will be submitted.
- E. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.
- F. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
- G. 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 landfill. Burial on site is not approved.
- 8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES: None.

#### 9. WELLSITE LAYOUT:

- A. Attached exhibit shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, the closed loop mud system, location of the drilling equipment. All of the location will be constructed within the 600' x. 600' staked area.
- B. A 600' x 600' area has been staked and flagged.

#### 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.
- 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

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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.

C. The reclamation of the pad will be done in sixty days if possible after the well is put in production.

#### 11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP:

Surface Estate Bureau of Land Management 620 East Greene Street, Carlsbad, NM 88220.

Mineral Estate: Federal Lease NM-103602
Bureau of Land Management
620 East Greene Street, Carlsbad, NM 88220

#### 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.

B. The primary surface use is for grazing.

# PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:
LEASE NO.:
WELL NAME & NO.:
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE
LOCATION:
COUNTY:

VATES PETROLEUM
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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)

#### **Aplomado Falcon Stipulation**

In order to minimize impacts to aplomado falcon, the following Conditions of Approval will apply:

- No yuccas or trees over 5 feet in height will be damaged, to protect nesting structures.
- All active raptor nests will be avoided by a minimum of 400 meters by all activities or curtail activities until fledging is complete. All inactive raptor nests will be avoided by a minimum of 200 meters by all activities.
- Well pad size will not exceed 300 ft. x 390 ft.
- All roads associated with well development will not exceed 30 ft in width
- Reserve pits for drilling and disposal are not allowed unless the pit can be effectively netted to the satisfaction of the BLM. Steel tank circulation system must be used if the reserve pit is not netted.
- All unused portions of the well pad associated with producing wells will be reclaimed following the abandoned well protocol below
- Final abandonment protocol: Remove all caliche from well pads and roads that are plugged and abandoned. Reclamation will consist of disking, mulching, seeding with a drill (See seed mixture below), and application of water to encourage seed germination.

Buffalograss (Buchloe dactyloides)

Blue grama (Bouteloua gracilis)

Cane bluestem (Bothriochloa barbinodis)

Sideoats grama (Boutelou curtipendula)

Plains bristlegrass (Setaria macrostachya)

4 lbs/acre

5 lbs/acre

6 lbs/acre

#### **Communitization Agreement**

A Communitization Agreement covering the acreage dedicated to this well must be filed for approval with the BLM. The effective date of the agreement shall be prior to any sales. In addition, the well sign shall include the surface and bottom hole lease numbers. If the Communitization Agreement number is known, it shall also be on the sign. If not, it shall be placed on the sign when the sign is replaced.

#### **Karst Stipulations**

#### **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.

#### Watershed

- The entire well pad will be bermed to prevent oil, salt, and other chemical contaminants from leaving the well pad. Topsoil shall not be used to construct the berm. No water flow from the uphill side(s) of the pad shall be allowed to enter the well pad. The berm shall be maintained through the life of the well and after interim reclamation has been completed.
- 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.

#### <u>Surface Pipeline COAs Only:</u>

 A leak detection plan will be submitted to the BLM Carlsbad Field Office for approval prior to pipeline installation. The method could incorporate gauges to detect pressure drops, situating values and lines so they can be visually inspected periodically or installing electronic sensors to alarm when a leak is present. The leak detection plan will incorporate an automatic shut off system that will be installed for proposed pipelines to minimize the effects of an undesirable event.

#### 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 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**

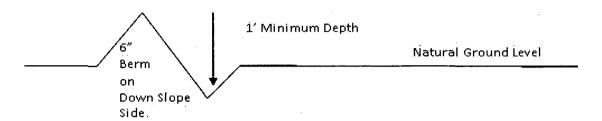
Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

#### 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: 
$$\frac{400'}{4\%}$$
 + 100' = 200' lead-off ditch interval

#### 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.

## **Construction Steps**

- 1. Salvage topsoil
- 2. Construct road 4. Revegetate slopes

3. Redistribute topsoil

center line of roadway shouldertumout 10' transition 100 full turnout width Intervisible tumouts shall be constructed on all single lane roads on all blind curves with additional tunouts as needed to keep spacing **Typical Turnout Plan** natural ground **Level Ground Section** road Crown type .03 - .05 ft/ft earth surface aggregate surface .02 - .04 ft/ft paved surface .02 - .03 ft/ft Depth measured from the bottom of the ditch **Side Hill Section** center line center travel surface travel surface -(slope 2 - 4%) (slope 2 - 4%) **Typical Outsloped Section Typical Inslope Section** 

Figure 1. Cross-sections and plans for typical road sections representative of BLM resource or FS local and higher-class roads.

#### VII. 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. Hydrogen Sulfide has been reported as a hazard in formations deeper than the proposed depth. Operator has stated that they will have monitoring equipment in place prior to drilling out of the surface shoe. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, report measurements and formations to the BLM; and Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items.
- 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 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.

#### 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) for Water Basin:

After cementing but before commencing any tests, the casing string shall stand cemented under pressure until both of the following conditions have been met: 1) cement reaches a minimum compressive strength of 500 psi at the shoe, 2) until cement has been in place at least 8 hours. WOC time will be recorded in the driller's log. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.

Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. Have well specific cement details onsite prior to pumping the cement for each casing string.

No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.

## Medium Cave/Karst Possibility of lost circulation in the San Andres.

- 1. The 9-5/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 1300 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.

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

- 2. 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. Additional cement maybe required. Proposed excess cement only calculates to 5%
- 3. 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 3000 (3M) 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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## 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 until the operator removes 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, **Shale Green** from the BLM Standard Environmental Color Chart (CC-001: June 2008).

#### B. PIPELINES

STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES

A copy of the Grant and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat(s) and/or map(s), shall be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to review 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. 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. Holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, Holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC § 2601 et seq. (1982) with regard 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 in particular, 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. 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 provision applies without regard to whether a release is caused by Holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.

- 4. Holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. 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 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 Holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of 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/she 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 Holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve Holder of any responsibility as provided herein.
- 6. All construction and maintenance activity shall be confined to the authorized right-of-way width of <u>20</u> feet. If the pipeline route follows an existing road or buried pipeline right-of-way, the surface pipeline shall be installed no farther than 10 feet from the edge of the road or buried pipeline right-of-way. If existing surface pipelines prevent this distance, the proposed surface pipeline shall be installed immediately adjacent to the outer surface pipeline. All construction and maintenance activity shall be confined to existing roads or right-of-ways.

- 7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation shall be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.
- 8. 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 of duney areas, the pipeline shall be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather than suspended across these features.
- 9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of <u>24</u> 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.
- 17. Surface pipelines shall be less than or equal to 4 inches and a working pressure below 125 psi.

#### 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 1 for Loamy Sites**

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 shall 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 shall be either certified or registered seed. The seed container shall be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the Authorized Officer.

Seed shall be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture shall be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (small/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). Holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed shall be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre shall be doubled. The seeding shall be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the Authorized Officer. Evaluation of growth may 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	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains lovegrass (Eragrostis intermedia)	0.5
Sand dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus)	1.0
Sideoats grama (Bouteloua curtipendula)	5.0
Plains bristlegrass (Setaria macrostachya)	2.0

<sup>\*</sup>Pounds of pure live seed:

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

#### NMOCD CONDITION OF APPROVAL

The New! Gas Capture Plan (GCP) notice is posted on the NMOCD website under Announcements. The Plan became effective May 1, 2016. A copy of the GCP form is included with the NOTICE and is also in our FORMS section under Unnumbered Forms. Please review filing dates for all applicable activities currently approved or pending and submit accordingly. Failure to file a GCP may jeopardize the operator's ability to obtain C-129 approval to flare gas after the initial 60-day completion period.