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# State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources

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



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, RE-ENTER, DEEPEN, PLUGBACK, OR ADD A ZONE

1. Operator Name and Address		2. OGRID Number
OGX RESOURCES, LLC		217955
P. O. BOX 2064 MIDLAND , TX 79702		3. API Number
		30-015-35270
4. Property Code	5. Property Name	6. Well No.
	FULL CHOKE FED COM	001

7. Surface Location

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UL - Lot	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet From	N/S Line	Feet From	E/W Line	County	
	32	24S	28E	C	660	N		W	EDDY	

#### 8. Pool Information

MALAGA:MORROW (GAS)	j	900201
IMALAGA:MORROW (GAS)		80920
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**Additional Well Information** 

	9. Work Type New Well	31		10. Well Type GAS		Ţ (		31		31		12. Lease Type Private		13. Ground Level Elevation 3041
			posed Depth	• 1			17. Contractor		18. Spud Date 12/15/2006					
	Depth to Ground	wate	r		Distar	ce from nearest f			Γ	Distance to nearest surface water > 1000				
Pit:	Liner: Synthetic Closed Loop Syste	×	12	mils thick	Clay	Pit Volume:	3000 bbls	Drilling Method: Fresh Water X Brit	ne .	Diesel Oil-based Gas Air				

19. Proposed Casing and Cement Program

Туре	Hole Size	Casing Type	Casing Weight/ft	Setting Depth	Sacks of Cement	Estimated TOC
Surf	17.5	13.375	48	520	700	0
Intl	12.25	9.625	36	2100	700	0
Prod	8.5	7	26	9400	1440	0
Liner1	6.25	4.5	11.6	13000	250	9000

#### Casing/Cement Program: Additional Comments

Submitted exception to H2S requirements by letter sent to District office on 11-17-06, along with C-144 & maps.

**Proposed Blowout Prevention Program** 

Туре	Working Pressure	Test Pressure	Manufacturer
DoubleRam	5000	5000	Weatherford

I hereby certify that the information give of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the drilling pit will	he constructed according to NMOCD	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION				
guidelines X, a general permit , or as OCD-approved plan	(attached) alternative	Approved By:	BRYAN G. ARRANT DISTRICT II GEOLOGIST			
Printed Name: Ann E. R.	tchie (filed 11-16-06)	Title:	DISTRICT II CLOSS			
Title: Regulator	y Agent	Approved Date C	0 5 2006   Expiration Dat DEC 0 5 200			



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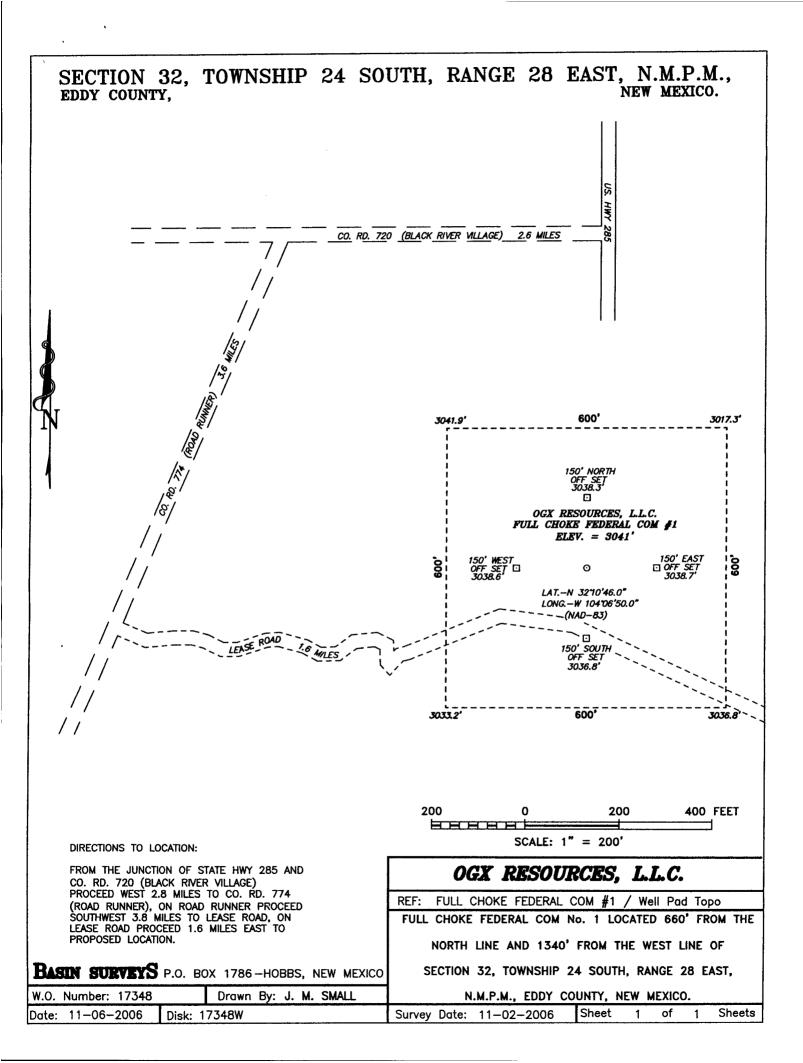
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

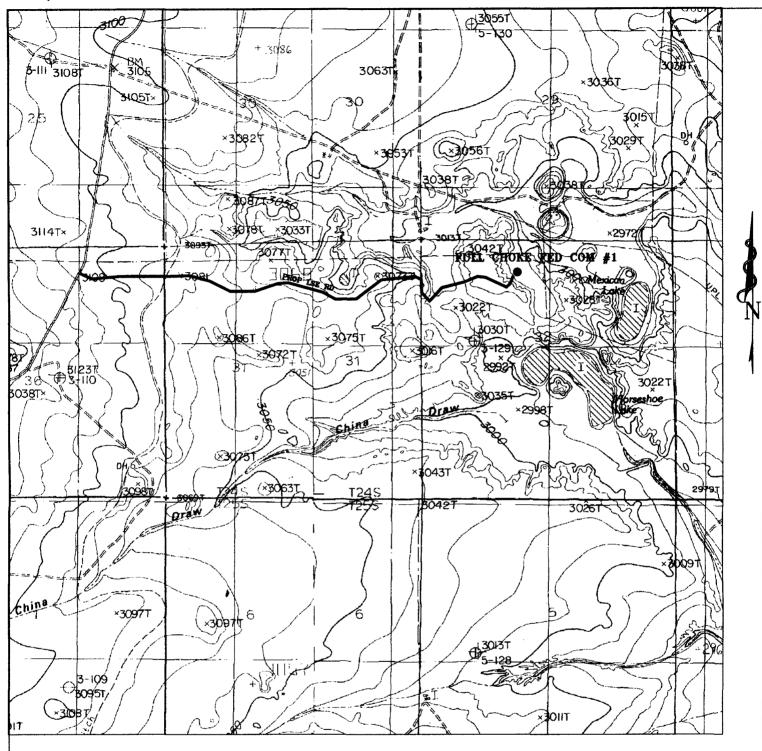
FORM C-102
Revised State office
State totals - 4 Copies
Lease - 3 Copies

BASIN SURVEYS

#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-015-352	20	80920				Pool Name Undesignated, Malaga Morrow				
Property Code Property Name  36187 FULL CHOKE FEDERAL COM							J = '	Well No	ımber	
ogrid nd. 217955			OGX	-	tor Nam JRCES	s, L.L.C.			Rieva 304	
				Surfac	e Loc	ation				
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C 32	24 S	28 E		660	)	NORTH	13	340	WEST	EDDY
		Bottom	Hole Loc	eation I	Diffe	rent From Su	face			
UL or lot No. Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from	n the	North/South line	Feet fr	om the	East/West line	County
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# FULL CHOKE FEDERAL COM #1

660' FNL & 1980' FWL Section 32, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

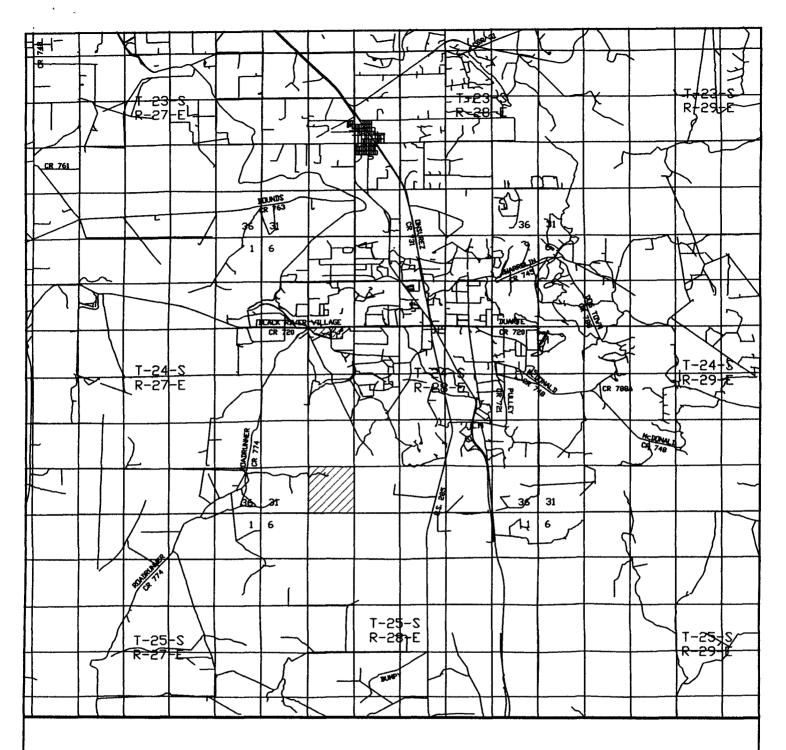


in the oilfield

P.O. Box 1786 1120 N. West County Rd. Hobbs, New Mexico 88241 (505) 393-7316 — Office (505) 392-3074 — Fax basinsurveys.com

W.O. Number:	7182TA					
Survey Date:	10-19-2006					
Scale: 1" = 2000'						
Date: 10-20	-2006					

OGX RESOURCES L.L.C.



FULL CHOKE FEDERAL COM #1 660' FNL & 1340' FWL Section 32, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.



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W.O. Number:	17348T
Survey Date:	11-02-2006
Scale: 1" = 2	MILES
Date: 11-06-	-2006

OGX RESOURCES L.L.C. November 16, 2006

Oil Conservation Division Attn: Bryan Arrant 1301 Grand Ave. Artesia, NM 88210



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RE: OGX Resources, LLC, Full Choke Fed Com, Well #1, (C), Sec 32, T24S, R28E, Eddy County, NM

It is not anticipated that we will encounter any H2S during the drilling or completion of the above referenced well.

We are respectfully requesting an exemption from H2S requirements as per NMOCD Rule 118. The anticipated total depth is 13,000' for this proposed Morrow well.

In the event the NMOCD determines that the H2S contingency plan be a part of the permitting of this well, please see our plan attached.

Thank you,

Ann E. Ritchie, Regulatory Agent OGX Resources, LLC c/o P.O. Box 953 Midland, TX 79702 432 684-6381/682-1458-fax

cc: OGX Resources-Kip Agar/Midland

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

Form C-144

June 1, 2004

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Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure  Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes \( \subseteq \) No X  Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank X Closure of a pit or below-grade tank \( \subseteq \)						
Operator: OGX Resources, LLCTelephone:432 684-638.  Address:c/o Box 953, Midland, TX 79702  Facility or well name:Full Choke Fed Com # 1API #: _30-0  County:EddyLatitude 32.  Surface Owner: Federal State X PrivateIndian	1/685-1287e-mail address:ann.ritchie@ 15-pendingU/L or Qtr/Qtr_C _Sec	wtor.net32T 248R 28E				
Pit  Type: Drilling X Production Disposal Workover Emergency Lined X Unlined Liner type: Synthetic X Thickness_12_mil Clay Pit Volume3000 bbls_	Below-grade tank					
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	Less than 50 feet 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet 100 feet or more X	(20 points) (10 points) ( 0 points)				
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes No X	(20 points) ( 0 points)				
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	Less than 200 feet 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet 1000 feet or more X	(20 points) (10 points) ( 0 points)				
If this is a pit closure: (1) Attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's	Ranking Score (Total Points)  relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate	te disposal location: (check the onsite box if				
your are burying in place) onsite  offsite  foffsite, name of facility remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No Y (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavati	. (3) Attach a general de	escription of remedial action taken including				
Additional Comments: Drilling pit.						

has been/will be constructed		-	•	that the above-described pit or below-grade tank  1) alternative OCD-approved plan   .
Date:11-16-06 Printed Name/TitleA	nn E. Ritchie	Signature	White	
Your certification and NMO otherwise endanger public he regulations.	CD approval of this applealth or the environment.	lication/closure does not relieve. Nor does it relieve the opera	ve the operator of liability should the contor of its responsibility for compliance v	ntents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or
Approval:				
Printed Name/Title		c:	omatura	Data

OGX Resources LLC





# DRILLING FLUIDS PROGRAM

### PREPARED FOR:

Full Choke #1

Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

SUBMITTED TO:

Mr. Kip Agar

OGX Resources, LLC P.O. Box 2064 Midland, Texas 79702

PREPARED BY:

Ken Anthony





November 21, 2006

Mr. Kip Agar OGX Resources, LLC P.O. Box 2064 Midland, Texas 79702

Dear Mr. Agar,

Enclosed are our drilling fluids recommendations for your Full Choke #1 well in section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E, Eddy County, New Mexico. They are derived from information from your office, offset well data, and our knowledge of the area.

Estimated mud cost is \$ 118,603.34 based on 40 total days with ideal conditions. Severe losses, excessive pressure, stuck pipe or extended days on the well could raise the estimate considerably. Offset wells in this area have experienced abnormal pressures in the 12.5-13.5 pound per gallon range.

Materials	\$121,995.08
Discount	-30,498.77
Drayage	20,000.00
Taxes	<u>7,134.04</u>
Total	\$118,603.34

For questions or comments call (800) 592-4627 or (432) 697-8661. Both are 24-hour numbers.

Sincerely,

Ken Anthony





#### OGX Resources, LLC

Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

## **Mud Program Summary**

<u>Depth</u>	Hole Size	<u>Casing</u>	Mud Wt.	<u>Viscosity</u>	<u>Fluid</u> Loss	рH
0' - 520'	17-1/2"	13-3/8"	8.6-9.0	32-36	N/C	N/C
250' – 2,100'	12-1/4"	9-5/8"	9.9-10.0	28-29	N/C	9-10
2,100' - 9,400'	8-1/2"	7"	8.4-10.0	28-29	N/C	9-10
9,400' - 10,500'	6-1/8"	· -	8.4-10.0	28-29	N/C	9-10
<del>10,500'</del> – 13,000' 9,300	6-1/8"	4-1/2"	10.1-13.5	38-45	6-8	9-9.5

### Potential Problems

#### 17-1/2" Surface Interval 0 - 520'

- Severe seepage and lost circulation.
- Poorly consolidated formations, may require higher than normal viscosity.

#### 12-1/4" Intermediate Interval 520' - 2,100'

- Deviation through the salt.
- Ledges in salt could cause "key-seats".

#### 8-1/2" Interval 2,100' - 9,400'

- Seepage.
- Deviation.
- Abnormal pressure development (Bone Spring and Wolfcamp).

#### 6-1/8" Interval 9,400' - 10,500'

- Seepage.
- Deviation.
- Abnormal pressure development (Lower Wolfcamp).

#### 6-1/8" Interval 10,500'- 13,000'

- Seepage.
- Deviation.
- Abnormal pressure development (Strawn and Atoka).





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Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

### 17-1/2" Surface Interval

Interval:

0 - 520'

Hole Size:

17-1/2"

Casing Size:

13-3/8"

**Total Days:** 

1

Mud Type:

New Gel/Lime

**Properties:** 

Weight:

8.6 - 9.0 ppg

Viscosity:

32 - 36 sec/1000cc

Filtrate:

N/C

pH:

N/C

#### Interval Discussion:

Spud with a conventional New Gel/Lime "spud mud". Use NewGel and native solids to maintain a sufficient viscosity to keep the hole clean. Mix Paper as needed to control seepage loss. Run fresh water at flowline for dilution and volume. Sweep hole with 5-lbs of Super Sweep every 100 feet drilled. Severe losses may require dry drilling to casing point. \*Note: See Lost Circulation Procedures

At total depth of interval, mix in pre-mix pit, 100 barrels of fresh water- NewGel for a viscosity of 100 sec/1000cc, add 0.25 ppb of Super Sweep. Pump this pill prior to trip to run surface casing.

#### **Materials Consumption & Cost:**

90 sx New Gel

10 sx Lime

5 sx Paper

2 bx Super Sweep





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Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

### 12-1/4" Intermediate Interval

Interval:

520' - 2,100'

Hole Size:

12-1/4"

Casing Size:

9-5/8"

Total Days:

4

Mud Type:

Brine

**Properties:** 

Weight:

9.9 - 10.0 ppq

Viscosity:

28-29 sec/1000cc

Filtrate:

N/C

pH:

9-10

#### Interval Discussion:

Drill out below Surface Casing with 10.0-ppg brine. Circulate through a controlled portion of the reserve pit for maximum gravitational solids removal. Mix Paper to control seepage losses. Maintain pH control with additions of Caustic Soda. Mix at flow line one gallon of New-55 every 250 feet drilled to promote solids removal. Sweep hole with 50-barrels of system fluid every 500 feet using 5-ppb of Super Sweep. Deviation on this interval can become severe; proper planning of the bottom hole assembly can reduce the deviation.

At total depth sweep the hole using 100-barrels of system fluid - Saltwater Gel for a 60-70 sec/1000cc viscosity and 0.25 pounds per barrel of Super Sweep

#### **Materials Consumption & Cost:**

100 sx Saltwater Gel

25 sx Paper

15 sx Caustic Soda

2 cn New-55

2 bx Super Sweep





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Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

### 8-1/2" Hole Interval

Interval:

2,100' - 9,400'

Hole Size:

8-1/2"

Casing Size:

7"

**Total Days:** 

10

Mud Type:

Fresh Water-Brine

**Properties:** 

Weight:

8.4 - 10.0 ppq

Viscosity:

28 - 29 sec/1000cc

Filtrate:

N/C

:Hq

9 - 10

#### Interval Discussion:

Drill out from 9-5/8" casing with fresh water. Circulate through the reserve pit for gravitational solids removal. Use sweeps of Paper to control seepage loss. Mix Caustic Soda for pH control. Mix one gallon of New-55 at flowline for every 250 feet drilled to promote solids settling. Sweep hole with 5-lbs of Super Sweep every 500 feet drilled.

Maintain sufficient brine water on location to raise the mud weight in the event of abnormal pressure in the Bone Springs. At total depth fill pre-mix pit with 200 barrels of system fluid. Use Saltwater Gel to increase viscosity of the pre-mix to 80-90 sec/1000cc, add 0.25-ppb of Super Sweep. Sweep the hole with 100barrels of the pre-mix and spot the remaining 100-barrels on bottom for logging and casing operations.

#### **Materials Consumption & Cost:**

100 SX Saltwater Gel

75 SX Paper

30 sx Caustic Soda

5 cn New-55

5 bx Super Sweep





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### 6-1/8" Interval

Interval:

9,400' - 10,500'

Hole Size:

6-1/8"

Casing Size:

Total Days:

4

Mud Type:

Fresh water to Brine

Properties:

Weight:

8.4 - 10.0 ppg

Viscosity:

28 - 29 sec/1000cc

Filtrate:

N/C

:Ha

9 - 10

#### **Interval Discussion:**

Drill out from 7" casing with the fluid from the previous interval. Circulate through the reserve pit for gravitational solids removal. Use sweeps of Paper to control seepage loss. Mix Caustic Soda for pH control. Mix one gallon of New-55 at flow line for every 250 feet drilled to promote solids settling. Sweep hole with 5-lbs of Super Sweep every 500 feet drilled. Before drilling the Atoka, cut brine may be required to balance the formation pressure encountered.

#### **Materials Consumption & Cost:**

12 sx Paper

5 sx Caustic Soda

1 cn New-55

1 bx Super Sweep





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Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

### 6-1/8" Production Interval

Interval:

10,500' - 13,000'

Hole Size:

6-1/8"

Casing Size:

4-1/2"

Total Days:

21

Mud Type:

Dynazan-New Pac-Starch (white)-Barite

**Properties:** 

Weight:

10.1 - 13.5 ppg

Viscosity:

38 - 45 sec/1000cc

Filtrate:

8 - 6 cc/30min

pH:

9 - 9.5

#### Interval Discussion:

Confine circulation to steel pits. Treat the system with Newcide to prevent bacterial degradation of organic materials. Adjust and maintain pH with Caustic Soda. Add Starch (White) to control API filtrate at <10cc. Mix Dynazan to increase the viscosity to 38-40 sec/1000cc. Use S-10 Defoamer to reduce foaming. Small amounts of Desco will modify the rheology. Mix barite to increase fluid density to balance formation pressures encountered.

At 11,800', prior to drilling Morrow, reduce API filtrate to <8cc with White Starch. If abnormal pressures are encountered mix Barite to increase mud weight. Raise viscosity to 40+ sec/1000cc with Dynazan.

#### **Materials Consumption & Cost:**

350 tn Barite (bulk)

20 sx Soda Ash

150 sx White Starch

80 sx Dynazan

40 sx Caustic Soda

100 sx Dyna Fiber

25 cn Newcide

10 sx Desco

30 cn S-10 Defoamer





### **OGX** Resources, LLC

Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

### ENGINEER / WAREHOUSE INFORMATION

**WELL NAME:** 

Full Choke #1

LOCATION:

Section 32, T-24-S, R-27-E

Eddy County, New Mexico

**MUD ENGINEER:** 

Lynn Pearson

Carlsbad, New Mexico

Bill Stewart

Hobbs, New Mexico

(800) 592-4627 or (432) 697-8661. Both 24 hours.

**WAREHOUSE:** 

Artesia & Lovington, New Mexico

(800) 592-4627 or (432) 697-8661. Both 24 hours.





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# **Lost Circulation Procedures**

<u>Seepage Losses</u> – Mud consumed at the rate of 2.0-2.5 barrels per barrel of hole drilled (18.5± bbls of mud per 100' of 8-3/4" hole drilled) can be expected. The 1.0-1.5 bbls lost per barrel of hole drilled is due to mud retained on cuttings and filtration losses down hole. Volumes in excess of 20 bbls per 100' of hole should be considered seepage losses and the following remedial action taken:

- 1. Discontinue drilling and circulate cuttings out of the hole at a reduced rate for 5 minutes. Pull one stand and stop pumps to see if the hole is standing full. Keep pipe moving while checking fluid level.
- 2. If the hole is standing full while static, the seepage losses may be from excessive cuttings, out of gauge hole o circulating pressure losses (ECD). Break circulation slowly and return to drilling, carefully monitoring mud consumption rates and static hole conditions on connections.
- 3. If the hole is taking fluid while static, prepare a 50-60 bbl pill of 45-50 viscosity mud with 10-20 ppb of Fiber-Plug and 10-20 ppb of Fiber-Seal, and spot near bottom. Pull five stands and check static level of fluid in the hole. Keep hole full at all times and monitor the mud loss rate.
- 4. If little or no improvement is noted after pumping the 50-60 barrel LCM pill, prepare a balanced, high-filtrate (50cc/30min@100psi) water based pill (40 bbls). This pill can be formulated with Dynazan or New Gel (flocculated with CaCl2 or Lime) and Barite. Pull pipe above the suspected loss zone and spot the pill outside the drill pipe at 1 barrel per minute. Pull out of the pill, close the hydril and if a float collar is in the string, pump down the annulus until sufficient backpressure is established. Hold the maximum allowable backpressure (300-900 psi) for 2-4 hours, open the hydril and establish full circulation before going to bottom.





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#### **Severe Losses:**

- 1. Should complete returns be lost, stop the pumps and pull the pipe into the casing while pumping through the fill-up line to keep the hole full.
- 2. Allow the hole to remain static while filling with mud on the annulus side, monitoring the rate of mud loss.
- 3. Build 50-60 bbl pill of 45-50-viscosity mud with 10-20 ppb of Fiber-Plug and 10-20 ppb of Fiber-Seal, and spot near bottom. Pull five stands and check static level of fluid in the hole. Keep hole full at all times and monitor the mud loss rate. Should the hole stand full, allow 4-6 hours of healing time before staging back to bottom slowly and resuming drilling.
- 4. Should only partial returns be established, repeat the LCM pill once more. If complete loss of circulation persist, or if only partial returns can be established after the 2<sup>nd</sup> LCM pill, prepare a balanced, high-filtrate (50cc/30min@100psi) water based pill (40 bbls). Pull pipe above the suspected loss zone and spot the pill outside the drill pipe at 1 barrel per minute. Pull out of the pill, close the hydril and if a float collar is in the string, pump down the annulus until sufficient backpressure is established. Hold the maximum allowable backpressure (300-900 psi) for 2-4 hours, open the hydril and establish full circulation before going to bottom.
- 5. Should the LCM pills fail to establish returns, be prepared to squeeze cement into loss zone.

Loss of circulation is a possibility on any well. Although each well is different, there are some basic procedures and drilling practices that can aid in reducing the severity and in some, cases prevent lost circulation. Below is a list of several parameters, which may prove helpful.

- 1. Maintain viscosities as low as possible and still clean the hole.
- 2. Maintain mud weights as low as possible without jeopardizing safety.
- 3. Use slower tripping speeds to prevent swabbing and surging.
- 4. Break circulation in stages while tripping in the hole.
- 5. Rotate pipe while breaking circulation.





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### **Solids Control**

The most important contributing factor to good mud properties is a low native solids content. Conventional means of solids control (dilution, desanders, and desilters), used for water based muds are not economical because these methods can cause loss of liquid portion of the mud and increase chemical consumption. The solids control equipment for this well should include:

- High Speed shale shaker with fine mesh screens.
- Mud Cleaners

#### **Shale Shaker**

Use a high-speed shale shaker with fine mesh screens. It is imperative to remove cuttings as quickly as possible before they have a chance to mechanically break up in the circulating system.

#### **Mud Cleaner**

Use a mud cleaner using the smallest screen possible (200 mesh). Monitor the discharge to avoid stripping excess amounts of product from the mud.





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### **Hydraulics**

While drilling the deep mature shales in the Permian Basin, it is important to maintain an API filtrate to prevent hydration of the clays contained in those shales. Equally important is to maintain a Laminar Hydraulic Profile in the annulus while drilling those shales. These shale exhibit a high degree of erosion when the annular profile is in turbulent flow.

The annular velocity in the well bore is a measure to control hole cleaning and to determine the annular hydraulic profile. Critical velocity is the point at which flow transitions from laminar to turbulent flow. Mud weight, Plastic Viscosity, Yield Point, Pump Rate, Hole Diameter and tool diameter all are factors in determining critical velocity.

If adjusting the pump rate will affect the bit nozzle optimization, then the rheology can be adjusted to bring the annular profile into laminar flow.

 $TC = 1.08 \text{ PV} + 1.08 \sqrt{\text{PV}^2 + 9.26(dh-dp)^2 YP M}$  M (dh-dp)

PV = Plastic Viscosity

YP = Yield Point

M = Mud Weight (ppg)

Dh = Diameter of hole (inches)

Dp = Diameter of pipe (inches)

 $\tau_C$  = Critical Velocity in feet per second.





#### **OGX Resources, LLC**

Full Choke #1 Section 32, T-24-S, R-28-E Eddy County, New Mexico

#### Filtration Control & Filter Cake Quality:

Sealing permeable zones in the well bore has long been accepted as a major function of a drilling fluid. The cost of the filtration control represents a major portion of the mud cost. Traditionally, most of this cost has resulted from controlling the filtration rate as opposed to controlling the filter cake quality. This is understandable since a definitive number is more a comfortable target than a subjective evaluation of a filter cake.

The primary objectives of filtration are:

- Minimize damage to the production zones.
- Optimize formation evaluation.
- Avoid differential pressure sticking of the pipe.
- Avoid under gauged holes due to thick filter cakes.

These objectives are achieved by focusing on important design factors:

- Compatibility of filtrate with formation solids.
- Thin, impermeable, and deformable filter cakes.
- Lubricious and shearable filter cakes.

#### **Filtration Control Mechanisms:**

There are four basic mechanisms for controlling filtration control and reducing the filter cake permeability. Understanding these mechanisms along with how filtration control products function is important.

- Bridging- Bridging reduces filtration rates and permeability by plugging or blocking the pore spaces at the face of the filter medium. It generally requires solids about one-third the diameter of the pore space to form a bridge. New Gel, Calcium Carbonate, Lost Circulation Materials, Starch, and Soltex (LST-MD) are primary bridging materials.
- 2. **Bonding** Bonding is the connecting or binding of solids together. New Pac, Dynazan, WL-100 and other high molecular weight polymers function as bonding materials. Secondarily, these materials function as bridging materials as well as increasing the viscosity of the filtrate.
- 3. **Deflocculation** Deflocculants reduce the electro-chemical attraction between solids. This allows solids to be filtered individually, as opposed to flocs, and also reduces the void spaces in the cake created by flocs of solids. Lignite, Chrome Ligno-Sulphonates, Desco, and other low molecular weight polymers perform as deflocculants.
- 4. Viscosity- Fluid loss decreases proportional to the increase in viscosity of the





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filtrate. Temperature alone will change the filtrate viscosity. Therefore, filtration control is more difficult at high temperatures. Any soluble material added to the fluid will viscosify the filtrate.

#### Hydration, Flocculation, and Deflocculation

The degree of hydration and flocculation of the filtered solids influence filter cake permeability. The effectiveness in permeability reduction may be demonstrated by ranking of clay solids according to their surface characteristics:

1. Dehydration/Aggregated/Flocculated (high permeability)

2. Hydrated/Flocculated (medium permeability)

3. Hydrated/Deflocculated (low permeability)

Since fluid loss and filter cake quality are important design factors, it is important to understand the predominate electro-chemical state of the solids. Initially, cake permeability is reduced as pre-hydrated bentonite is added to the system. When flocculated, these hydrated solids promote deformability or permeability reduction with increased pressure. This results from the compaction of hydrated flocs. With deflocculation, permeability is further decreased, as the void spaces created by the flocs diminish.

During drilling operations, hydrated solids are eventually dehydrated as the solids content increases and/or the system is converted to an inhibitive fluid. At this point, a decision must be made on the basis of economic and operational objectives. More pre-hydrated bentonite and/or other products may be added. These other products include New Pac, Calcium Carbonate, CMC, starch, or one of the new generation polymers.

Fluid loss control is a very complex process. The major factors that affect the process include time, pressure, temperature, filtrate viscosity, solids hydration, flocculation and filter cake erodability. Effective evaluation of the process requires that all factors be given strong consideration. Testing the fluids relative to the various factors is necessary to understand how a fluid may perform under down-hole conditions.



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#### **WELL DATA**

#### **ANNULAR GEOMETRY**

ANNULAR I.D.	DEPTH(ft)			
(in)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL		
17.500 HOLE	520	520		

#### **SUSPENDED PIPES**

DIAMETE	R (in)	WEIGHT	DEP	TH(ft)
O.D.	I.D.	(lbs/ft)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL
13.375	12.715	48	520	520

Float Collar set @ 480 ft **Mud Density** 8.40 ppg Est. Static Temp. 84 ° F 80 ° F Est. Circ. Temp.

#### **VOLUME CALCULATIONS**

352 ft	X	0.6946 cf/ft	with	100 % excess	=	488.7 cf
168 ft	X	0.6946 cf/ft	with	100 % excess	=	233.7 cf
40.6		0.0040 (10		0.07		05 0 67 11

35.3 cf (inside pipe) 40 ft 0.8818 cf/ft with 0 % excess

> TOTAL SLURRY VOLUME = 757.7 cf 135 bbls =

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#### **FLUID SPECIFICATIONS**

FLUID	VOLUME CU-FT		LUME	-	AMOUNT AND	TYPE OF C	EMENT	·
1st Lead Slurry	279	1	1.3		200 sacks Class Chloride + 0.25 LCM-1 + 50% Fi	lbs/sack Ce		
2nd Lead Slurry	489	1	1.8		265 sacks (35:6 2% bwoc Calciu Flake + 6% bwo	m Chloride	+ 0.25 lbs/s	ack Cello
Tail Slurry	269	1	1.3		200 sacks Class Chloride + 56.49			Calcium
Displacement  CEMENT PROPERT	75.4 bbls DISPLACEMENT @ 8.3 ppg							
					SLURRY NO. 1	SLURRY NO. 2	SLURRY NO. 3	
Slurry Weight (ppg)					14.60	12.70	14.80	
Slurry Yield (cf/sack)					1.39	1.88	1.34	
Amount of Mix Water (	gps)				5.63	10.07	6.36	
Estimated Pumping Tir	me - 70 BC (	(HH	(MM		2:00	4:30	3:30	

NOTE: Pump 1st Lead Slurry for Lost Circulation.

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#### **WELL DATA**

#### **ANNULAR GEOMETRY**

ANNULAR I.D.	DEPTH(ft)			
(in)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL		
12.715 CASING	520	520		
12.250 HOLE	2,100	2,100		

#### **SUSPENDED PIPES**

DIAMET	ER (in)	WEIGHT	DEPTH(ft)		
O.D.	I.D.	(lbs/ft)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL	
9.625	8.921	36	2,100	2,100	

Float Collar set @	2,060 ft
Mud Density	9.00 ppg
Est. Static Temp.	96 ° F
Est. Circ. Temp.	89 ° F

#### **VOLUME CALCULATIONS**

520 ft	x	0.3765 cf/ft	with	0 % excess	=	195.8 cf
1,178 ft	x	0.3132 cf/ft	with	179 % excess	=	1030.6 cf
402 ft	X	0.3132 cf/ft	with	100 % excess	=	251.6 cf
40 ft	Х	0.4341 cf/ft	with	0 % excess	=	17.4 cf (inside pipe)

TOTAL SLURRY VOLUME = 1495.4 cf = 267 bbls

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#### **FLUID SPECIFICATIONS**

FLUID	VOLUME CU-FT		CTOP	_	MOUNT AND	TYPE OF C	EMENT
Lead Slurry	1226	1	2.4	5 F	5% bwow Śodiu	m Chloride ck LCM-1 +	Ash):Class C Cement + 0.25 lbs/sack Cello 10% bwoc Bentonite +
Tail Slurry	269	1	1.3	_	200 sacks Class Chloride + 56.49		+ 2% bwoc Calcium ater
Displacement  CEMENT PROPERT	IES	159.3 bbls DISPLACEMENT @ 8.3 ppg					
					SLURRY NO. 1	SLURRY NO. 2	
Slurry Weight (ppg)					11.80	14.80	
Slurry Yield (cf/sack)					2.45	1.34	
Amount of Mix Water (	gps)				13.57	6.36	
Estimated Pumping Tir	ne - 70 BC (	HH:	(MM		4:00	2:30	

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#### **ANNULAR GEOMETRY**

ANNULAR I.D.	DEPTH(ft)		
(in)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL	
8.921 CASING	2,100	2,100	
8.750 HOLE	9,400	9,400	

#### **SUSPENDED PIPES**

DIAMETER (in) W		WEIGHT	DEPTH(ft)	
O.D.	I.D.	(lbs/ft)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL
7.000	6.276	26	9,400	9,400

STAGE: 1 Float Collar set @ 9,360 ft

Mud Density10.00 ppgEst. Static Temp.151 ° FEst. Circ. Temp.133 ° F

#### **VOLUME CALCULATIONS**

2,390 ft x 0.1503 cf/ft with 118 % excess = 782.6 cf 1,010 ft x 0.1503 cf/ft with 50 % excess = 227.7 cf

40 ft x 0.2148 cf/ft with 0 % excess = 8.6 cf (inside pipe)

TOTAL SLURRY VOLUME = 1018.9 cf

= 182 bbls

STAGE: 2 Stage Collar set @ 6,000 ft

Mud Density10.00 ppgEst. Static Temp.126 ° FEst. Circ. Temp.111 ° F

#### **VOLUME CALCULATIONS**

600 ft 0.1668 cf/ft with 0 % excess 100.1 cf Х 3,312 ft 0.1503 cf/ft with 189 % excess = 1438.9 cf X 588 ft 0.1503 cf/ft with 50 % excess 132.7 cf

TOTAL SLURRY VOLUME = 1671.7 cf

= 298 bbls

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#### **FLUID SPECIFICATIONS**

STAGE NO.: 1

FLUID	VOLUME CU-FT	VOLUME FACTOR A	MOUNT AND	TYPE OF CEMENT
Lead Slurry	783	5	5% bwow Sodiu	D) Poz (Fly Ash):Class H Cement + m Chloride + 10% bwoc Bentonite -52A + 139.7% Fresh Water
Tail Slurry	236		200 sacks Class 16.2% Fresh Wa	H Cement + 0.5% bwoc FL-25 + ster
Displacement  CEMENT PROPERT	ES	358.1 bl	ols DISPLACEN	MENT @ 8.3 ppg
			SLURRY NO. 1	SLURRY NO. 2
Slurry Weight (ppg) Slurry Yield (cf/sack) Amount of Mix Water (general Estimated Pumping Tire		(HH:MM)	11.80 2.45 14.07 4:00	15.60 1.18 5.21 4:00
STAGE NO.: 2				
Lead Slurry	1539	5		0) Poz (Fly Ash):Class C Cement - m Chloride + 10% bwoc Bentonite Water
FLUID	VOLUME CU-FT	VOLUME FACTOR A	MOUNT AND	TYPE OF CEMENT
Tail Slurry	133		00 sacks Class 66% Fresh Wate	C Cement + 0.3% bwoc FL-62 +
Displacement  CEMENT PROPERT	ES	229.6 bl	ols Displacemer	nt
			SLURRY NO. 1	SLURRY NO. 2
Slurry Weight (ppg) Slurry Yield (cf/sack) Amount of Mix Water (generated Pumping Tire		(HH: <b>MM</b> )	11.80 2.44 14.07 4:30	14.80 1.33 6.31 3:15

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#### **WELL DATA**

#### **ANNULAR GEOMETRY**

ANNULAR I.D.	DEPTH(ft)		
(in)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL	
6.276 CASING	9,400	9,400	
6.125 HOLE	13,000	13,000	

#### SUSPENDED PIPES

DIAMETER (in) WEIGH		WEIGHT	DEPTH(ft)	
O.D.	I.D.	(lbs/ft)	MEASURED	TRUE VERTICAL
4.500	4.000	11.6	13,000	13,000

Drill Pipe 4.5 (in) OD, 3.826 (in) 8,900 ft ID, 16.6 (lbs/ft) set @ Drill Pipe 4.5 (in) OD, 4.0 (in) ID, 12,960 ft 11.6 (lbs/ft) set @ **Depth to Top of Liner** 8,900 ft Float Collar set @ 12,960 ft **Mud Density** 10.00 ppg Est. Static Temp. 179 ° F Est. Circ. Temp. 143 ° F

#### **VOLUME CALCULATIONS**

500 ft	X	0.1044 cf/ft	with	0 % excess	=	52 cf
3,600 ft	X	0.0942 cf/ft	with	36 % excess	=	461 cf
40 ft	х	0.0873 cf/ft	with	0 % excess	=	3 cf (inside pipe)

TOTAL SLURRY VOLUME = 517 cf

92 bbls

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#### **FLUID SPECIFICATIONS**

Spacer

500.0 gals Ultra Flush II + 202.34 lbs/bbl Barite, Bulk @

12 ppg

**VOLUME VOLUME** 

**FLUID CU-FT FACTOR AMOUNT AND TYPE OF CEMENT** 

**Cement Slurry** 517 / 1.1 = 435 sacks Class H Cement + 0.4% bwoc BA-10 +

0.3% bwoc CD-32 + 1% bwoc FL-62 + 45.5%

Fresh Water

Displacement

189.7 bbls DISPLACEMENT @ 8.3 ppg

**CEMENT PROPERTIES** 

	SLURRY NO. 1
Slurry Weight (ppg)	15.60
Slurry Yield (cf/sack)	1.19
Amount of Mix Water (gps)	5.13
Estimated Pumping Time - 70 BC (HH:MM)	4:00
Free Water (mls) @ ° F @ 90 ° angle Fluid Loss (cc/30min)	0.0
at 1000 psi and ° F	50.0



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