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From: Jones, William V., EMNRD
Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2009 10:53 AM
To: 'vltruax@basspet.com'
Cc: Ezeanyim, Richard, EMNRD; Warnell, Terry G, EMNRD; 'Wesley_Ingram@blm.gov'
Subject: Disposal Application for BOPCO: James Ranch #48 30-015-27791

Hello Ms. Truax:

This disposal application has been protested by the BLM's Carlsbad office (Don Peterson, Wesley Ingram). Please contact them for details as to this objection.

Due to this protest, this application can no longer be considered administratively. Please let us know if you are successful in negotiating with the BLM and want this to be re-considered. BLM would need to send a retraction letter withdrawing its protest. Please also let us know if you decide to pursue this to an Examiner Hearing.

Please note: The OCD has not yet reviewed this application and it may have other issues in addition to the ones identified by the BLM.

Regards,

Will Jones

proposed 3,844' - 5,268' interval

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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
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Re: Application to Inject Fluid – James Ranch Unit #48

Gentlemen:

A review of BOPCO L.P.'s application to inject fluid into the James Ranch Unit #48 has been completed.

The BLM is protesting the conversion of this well to an injection well for the following reasons:

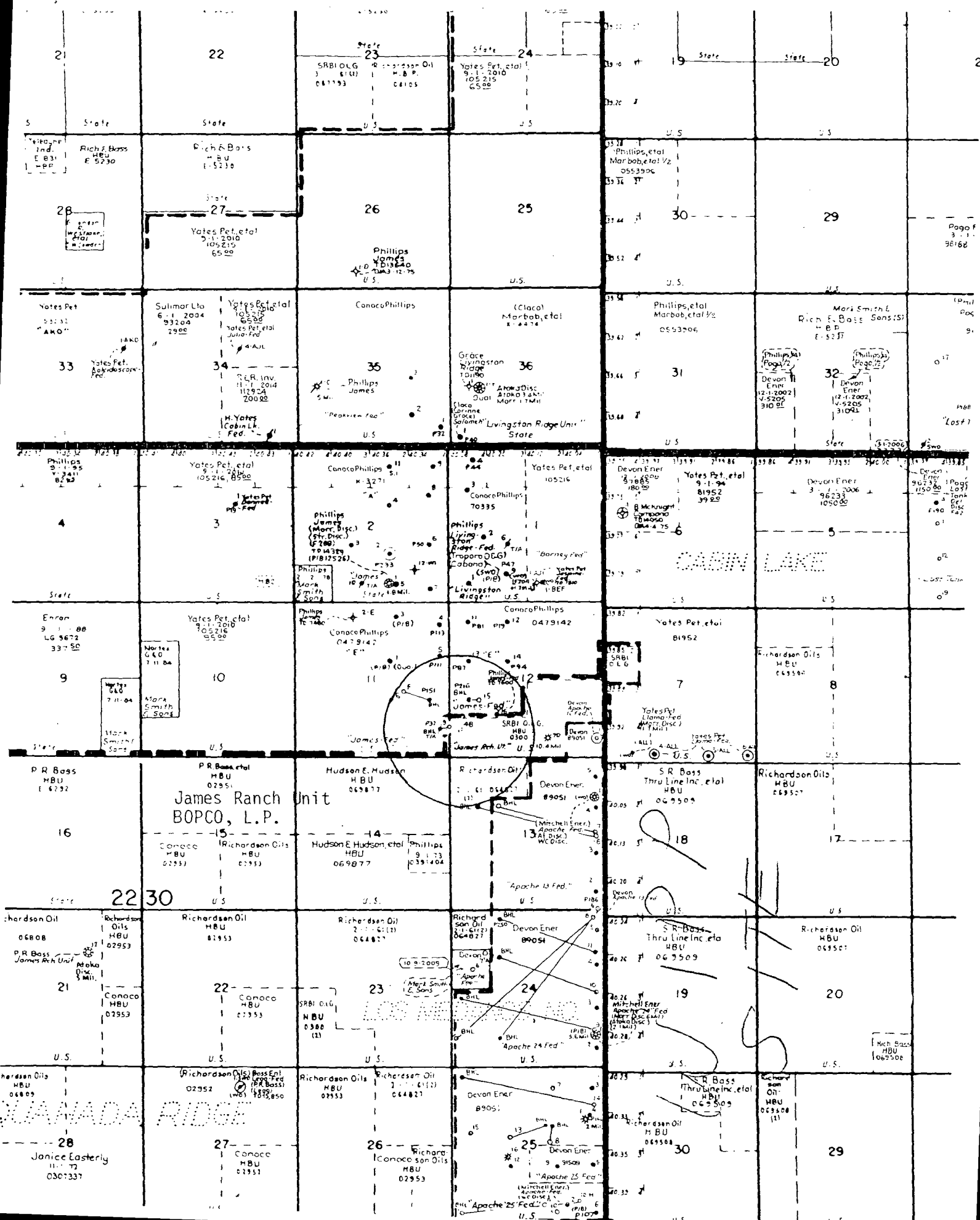
1. The wellbore penetrates potash ore zones. Any leak could catastrophically dissolve halite and potash resources creating back and floor instability within the mine workings, which would be a hazard for miners.
2. The injection has the potential of affecting future mining zones of measured ore depending on the fluid migration.
3. James E Federal #15 (30-015-27078) does not have cement in place behind casing from 3700-6013'. This well is within one half mile of the proposed injection well.

Thank you for reviewing the BLM's concerns.

Sincerely,

Don Peterson
Assistant Field Manager,
Lands and Minerals

Cc:
NM (9200)
NM (0220-CFO, File Room)



MANADA RIDGE

LOS NEVADOS

CABIN LAKE

James Ranch Unit
BOPCO, L.P.

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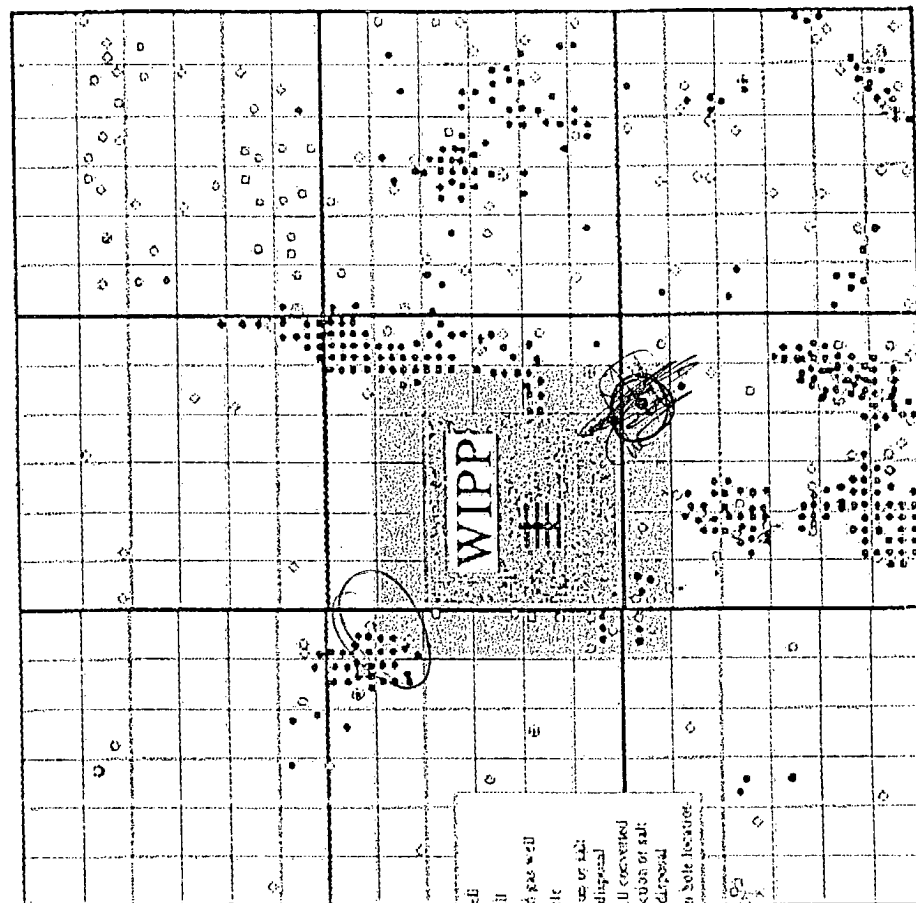
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