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OMB No. 1004-0137  
Expires March 31, 2007

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a. Type of work: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. <b>NM-102036</b>
1b. Type of Well: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
2. Name of Operator <b>RKI EXPLORATION &amp; PRODUCTION, LLC.</b>		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.
3a. Address <b>3817 NW EXPRESSWAY, SUITE 950 OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. 73112</b>		8. Lease Name and Well No. <b>RDX FEDERAL 15 #5</b>
3b. Phone No. (include area code) <b>405-996-5748</b>		9. API Well No. <b>30-015-37797</b>
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.)* At surface <b>990 FSL &amp; 2310 FEL</b> At proposed prod. zone <b>SAME</b>		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory <b>BONE SPRING Undesignated</b>
11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area <b>SECTION 15, T. 26 S., R. 30 E.</b>		12. County or Parish <b>EDDY</b>
13. State <b>NM</b>		14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* <b>APPROXIMATELY 14 MILES SOUTHEAST OF MALAGA, NM.</b>
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) <b>990 FT.</b>	16. No. of acres in lease <b>320</b>	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well <b>40</b>
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. <b>1320 FT.</b>	19. Proposed Depth <b>7500 FT.</b>	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file <b>NLM-NMB-000460</b>
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) <b>3102' GL</b>	22. Approximate date work will start*	23. Estimated duration <b>28 DAYS</b>

24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 1, shall be attached to this form.

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| 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.   | 4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see item 20 above).    |
| 2. A Drilling Plan.  | 5. Operator certification  |
| 3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office) | 6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer. |

25. Signature <i>Barry W. Hunt</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) <b>BARRY W. HUNT</b>	Date <b>2/23/10</b>
Title <b>PERMIT AGENT FOR RKI</b>		

Approved by (Signature) <i>/s/ Don Peterson</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) <b>/s/ Don Peterson</b>	Date <b>APR 21 2010</b>
Title <b>FIELD MANAGER</b>		
Office <b>CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE</b>		

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.  
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

\*(Instructions on page 2)

Carlsbad Controlled Water Basin

*MR*

SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached

DISTRICT I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III  
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

DISTRICT IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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

Form C-102  
Revised October 12, 2005

Submit to Appropriate District Office  
State Lease - 4 Copies  
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-015-37797	Pool Code	Pool Name Bonespring
Property Code 36878	Property Name RDX "15"	Well Number 5
OGRID No. 246289	Operator Name RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION	Elevation 3102'

Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
0	15	26 S	30 E		990	SOUTH	2310	EAST	EDDY

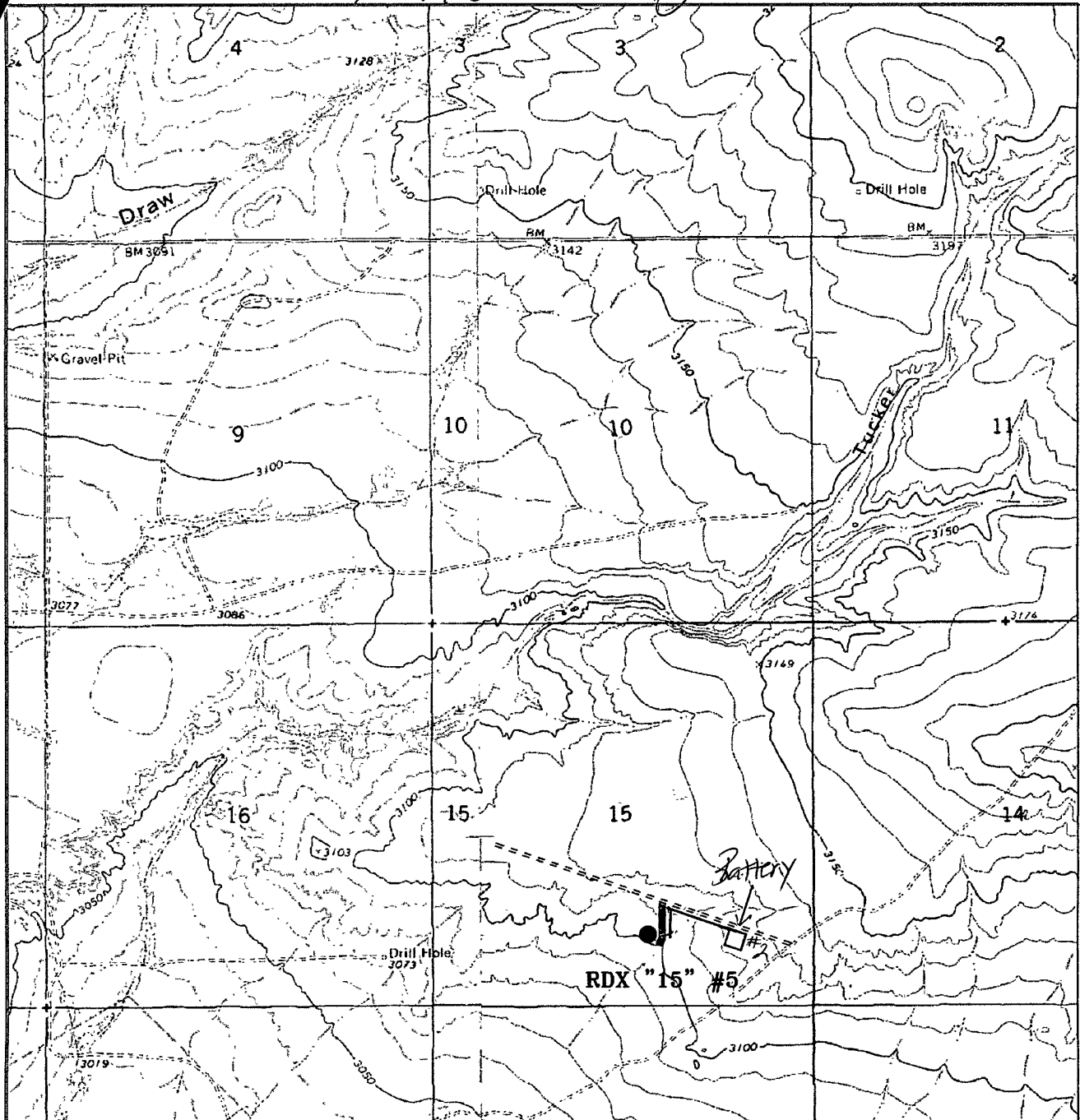
Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Dedicated Acres	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No.						

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED  
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

	<b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b>  I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.  Barry W. Hunt 1/25/10 Signature Date  Barry W. Hunt Printed Name
	<b>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</b>  I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.  MARCH 17, 2008 Date Surveyed  Signature of Professional Surveyor Professional Surveyor  W.C. [Signature] 1400 Certificate No. Gary L. Jones 7977  BASIN SURVEYS

# Exhibit 'B'



## RDX "15" #5

Located at 990' FSL AND 2310' FEL  
Section 15, Township 26 South, Range 30 East,  
N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.



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

W.O. Number: 19400T

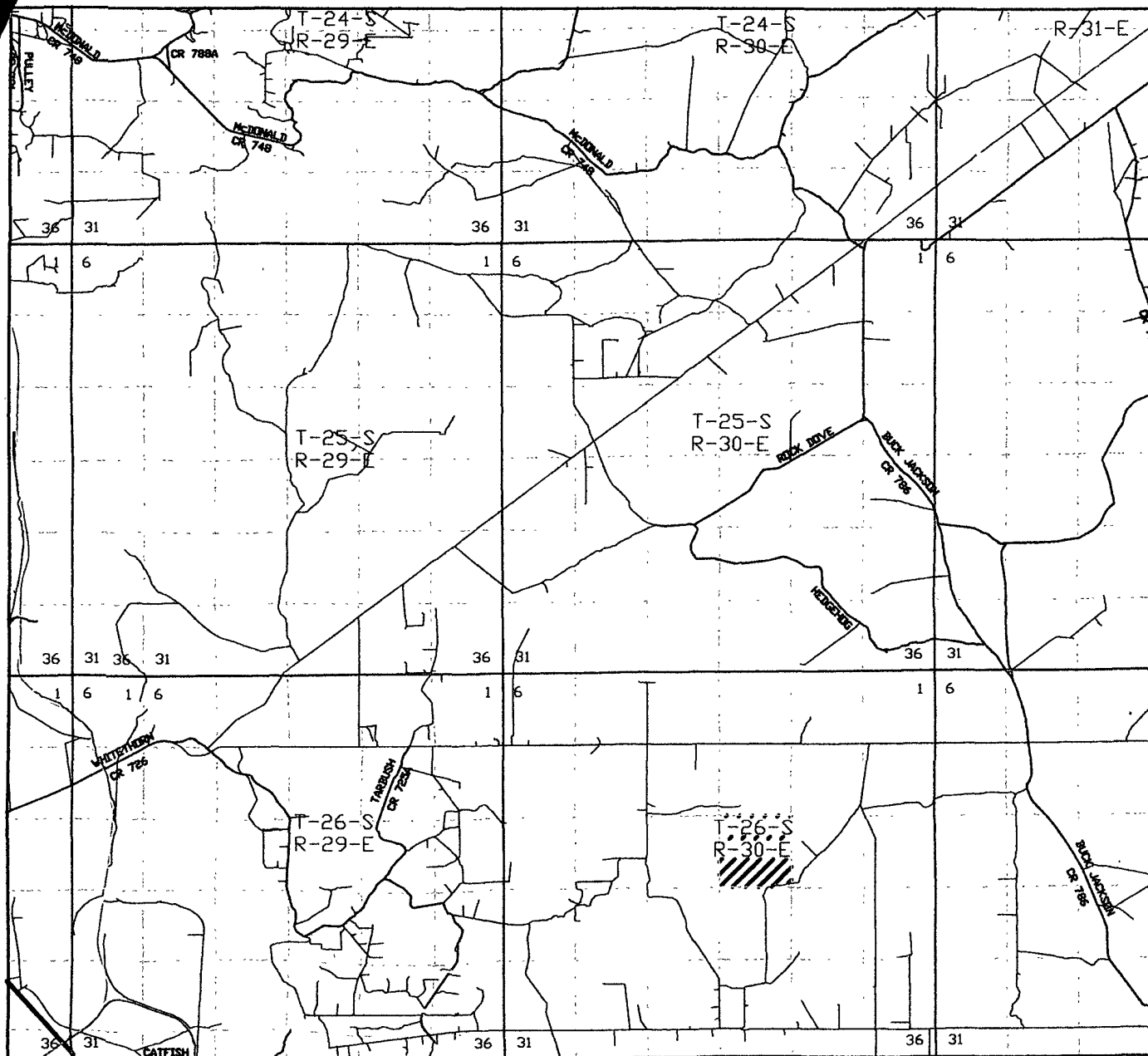
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Scale: 1" = 2000'

Date: 03-27-2008

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**PRODUCTION**

# FLOWLINE



RDX "15" #5

Located at 990' FSL and 2310' FEL

Section 15, Township 26 South, Range 30 East,  
N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

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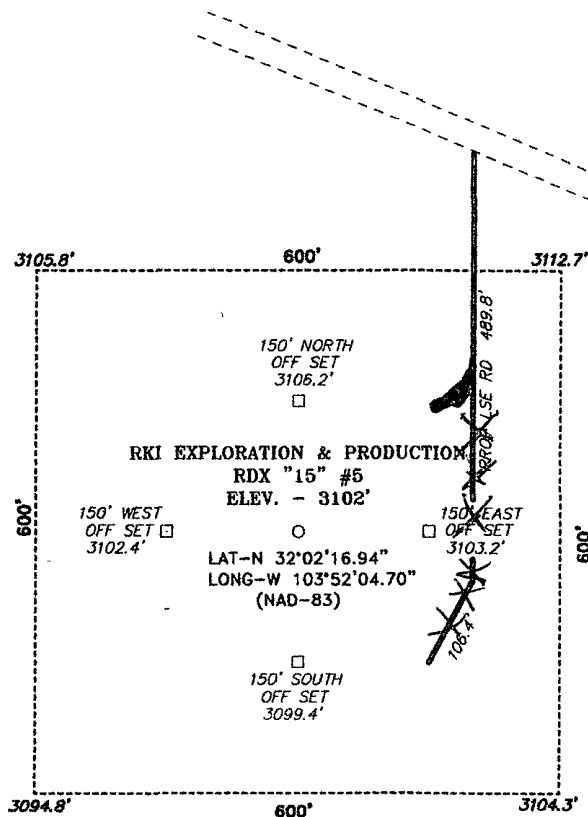
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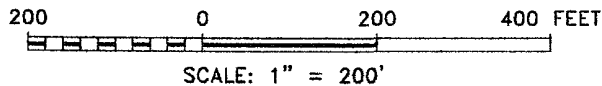
SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 26 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, N.M.P.M.,  
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



Road will enter pad  
on northeast corner  
as per conversation with  
Barry Hunt 3-22-10  
J Fast

DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION:

FROM THE END OF CO. RD. TARBRUSH GO RIGHT AND  
FOLLOW LEASE ROAD FOR 3.3 MILES, THEN GO RIGHT  
AND GO 1.4 MILES TO LEASE ROAD, ON LEASE ROAD  
GO LEFT FOR 1.8 MILES TO PROPOSED LEASE ROAD.



**RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION**

REF: RDX "15" #5 / Well Pad Topo

THE RDX "15" #5 LOCATED 990' FROM  
THE SOUTH LINE AND 2310' FROM THE EAST LINE OF  
SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 26 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST,  
N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**BASIN SURVEYS** P.O. BOX 1786-HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

W.O. Number: 19400

Drawn By: J. M. SMALL

Date: 03-27-2008

Disk: JMS - 19400W

Survey Date: 03-17-2008

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GRACE CO-FEDERAL-#001

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RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, LLC.

RDX 15-5  
990' FSL & 2310 FEL  
UNIT "O" SEC. 15-26S-30E  
EDDY CO., NM

1. The elevation of the unprepared ground is 3,102 feet above sea level.
2. The geologic name of the surface formation is Quaternary - Alluvium.
3. A rotary rig will be utilized to drill the well to 7,500' md. and run casing. This equipment will then be rigged down and the well will be completed with a pulling unit.
4. Proposed total depth is 7,500' md.
5. Estimated tops of important geologic markers:

Quaternary - Alluvium	Surface
Rustler	798' md.
Salado	1,140' md.
Castile	1,589' md.
Lamar Lime	3,361' md.
Base of Lime	3,548' md.
Delaware Top	3,578' md.
Bell Canyon Sand	3,578' md.
Cherry Canyon Sand	4,654' md.
Brushy Canyon Sand	5,710' md.
Bone Spring Lime	7,382' md.
TD	7,500' md.

6. Estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil, gas or other mineral bearing formations are expected to be encountered:

Bell Canyon	Oil	3,578' md.
Cherry Canyon	Oil	4,654' md.
Brushy Canyon	Oil	5,710' md.
Bone Spring	Oil	7,382' md.



7. The proposed casing program is as follows:

Surface: 13-3/8" 54.5# J-55 ST&C casing set from 0' - ~~680'~~<sup>755'</sup>  
Tension SF 2.0, Collapse SF 1.125, Burst SF 1.8.

Intermediate: 8-5/8" 32# J-55 ST&C casing set from 0' - 3,500'  
Tension SF 2.0, Collapse SF 1.125, Burst SF 1.8.

Production: 5-1/2" 17# J-55 LT&C casing set from 0' - 7,500'  
Tension SF 2.0, Collapse SF 1.125, Burst SF 1.8.

8. Casing setting depth and cementing program:

- a. 13-3/8" surface casing set at ~~680'~~<sup>755'</sup> in 17-1/2" hole. Circulate cement to surface with 700 sx. Class C + 1% S1 + .125 pps D130 mixed at 14.8 ppg, yield 1.34 cf/sk.
- b. 8-5/8" 36# casing set at 3,500' in 12-1/4" hole. A fluid caliper will be ran to determine exact cement volume required. Cement will be circulated to surface with 725 sx 35:65 Poz Class C + 5% D44 + 6% D20 + .2% D46 + 0.125 pps D130 mixed at 12.6 ppg, yield 2.05 cf/sk and 200 sks Class C + .2% D13 mixed at 14.8 ppg, yield 1.33 cf/sk.  
Fluid caliper ran to determine exact volume.
- c. 5-1/2" 17# J-55 casing set at 7,500' in 7 7/8" hole. Hole will be callipered to determine cement volume to bring TOC to 3200'. The well will be cemented in two stages as follows: **Stage 1:** 400 sx PVL with 1.3% D44, .2% D167, .2% D46, .2% D65, .3% D800 mixed at 13.0 ppg (1.41 cf/sk). **Stage 2:** 200 sx 35:65 Poz "C" with 6% D20, 5% D44, .2% D46, .125 pps D130, 3 pps D42, .3% D13 mixed at 12.6 ppg (2.08 cf/sk). DV tool at approximately 5000'

9. Pressure Control Equipment

The blowout preventor equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #1 will consist of a (5M system) double ram type (5000 psi WP) preventor and a bag-type (Hydril) preventor (2500 psi-WP) and rotating head. A 5M system will be utilized but tested to 3000 psi. Both units will be hydraulically operated and the ram type preventor will be equipped with blind rams on top and 4 - 1/2" drill pipe rams on bottom. The drilling head will be installed on the 13 3/8" surface casing and utilized continuously until total depth is reached. All BOP's and associated equipment will be tested before drilling out the 13 3/8" casing shoe (70% of 54.5# J-55 casing). Prior to drilling out the 8 5/8" casing shoe, the BOP's and Hydril will be tested as per BLM Drilling Operations Order #2.

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Pipe rams will be operated and checked each 24 hour period and each time the drill pipe is out of the hole. These functional tests will be documented on the daily drillers log. A 2" kill line and 3" choke line will be incorporated in the drilling spool below the ram-type BOP. Other accessory BOP equipment will include a Kelly cock, floor safety valve, choke lines and choke manifold having 5000 psi WP rating.

10. Mud Program: *See COA*

0' - ~~680'~~<sup>755'</sup> Fresh water/native mud. Lime for pH control (9-10). Paper for seepage. Wt. 8.4 - 9.4 ppg, viscosity 32 - 34 cp.

~~680'~~<sup>755'</sup> - 2,700' Saturated brine. Sweep as necessary, weight 10.0 ppg.

2,700' - 3,500' Fresh Water/mud, weight 8.4 - 9.3. Sweep as necessary.

3,500' - 7,500' Brine/mud system, weight 8.4 - 9.5 ppg viscosity 30 - 34 cp.  
Control fluid loss < 15cc.

11. Testing, Logging and Coring Program: *See COA*

Testing program: No drillstem tests are anticipated.

Electric logging program: CNL/CAL/GR, DLL/CAL/GR.

Coring program: None.

12. Potential Hazards:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. There is no known presence of H2S in this area. If H2S is encountered the operator will comply with the provisions of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 6. No lost circulation is expected to occur. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Estimated BHP 3500 psi and estimated BHT 135

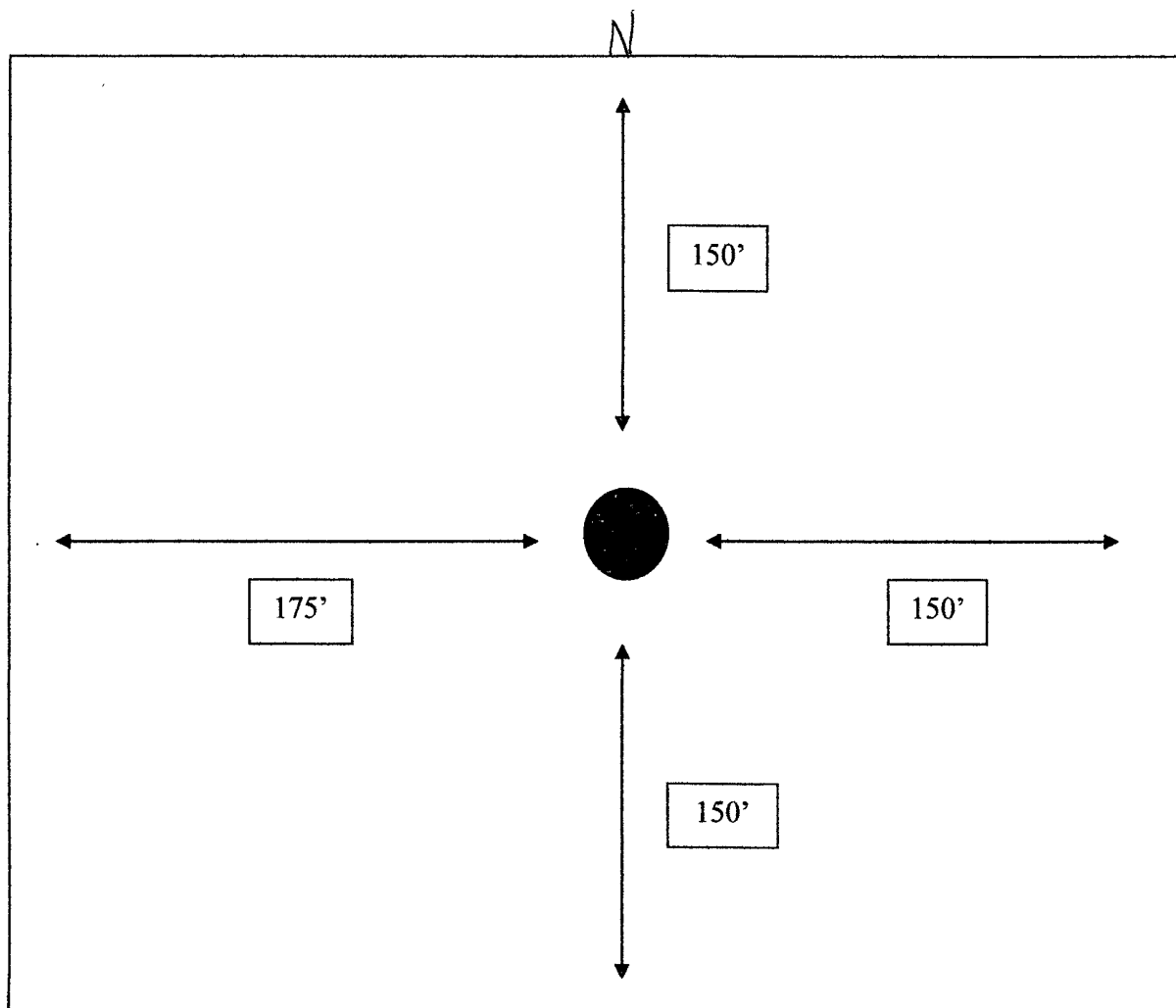
13. Anticipated Starting Date and Duration of Operations:

Road and location construction will begin after the BLM has approved the APD. Anticipated spud date will be soon after BLM approval and as soon as a rig will be available, Move in operations and drilling is expected to take 25 days. If production casing is then an additional 30 days will be needed to complete the well and to construct surface facilities and/or lay flow lines in order to place well on production.

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**EXHIBIT 'A'**

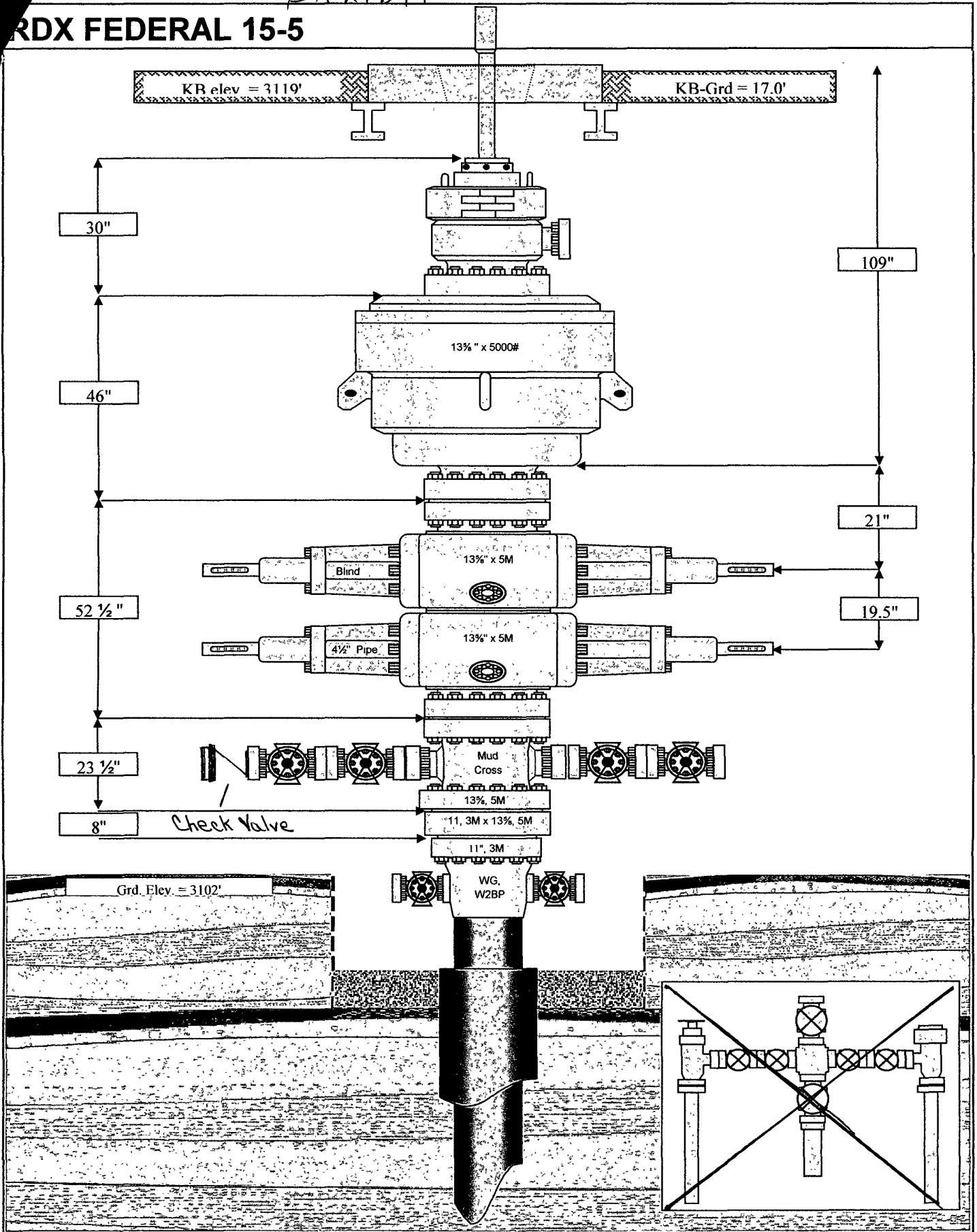
Rig Plat Only  
Silver Oak Drilling, LLC  
Rig #6, #7 & #9



V = Door East

Exhibit #1

RDX FEDERAL 15-5



# Choke Manifold

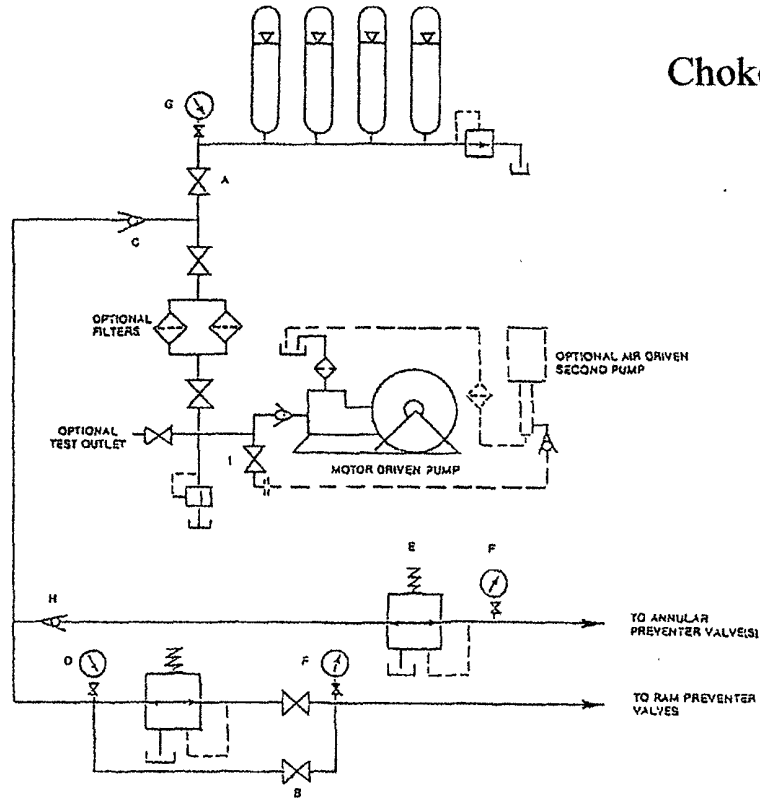


FIGURE K6-1. The schematic sketch of an accumulator system shows required and optional components.

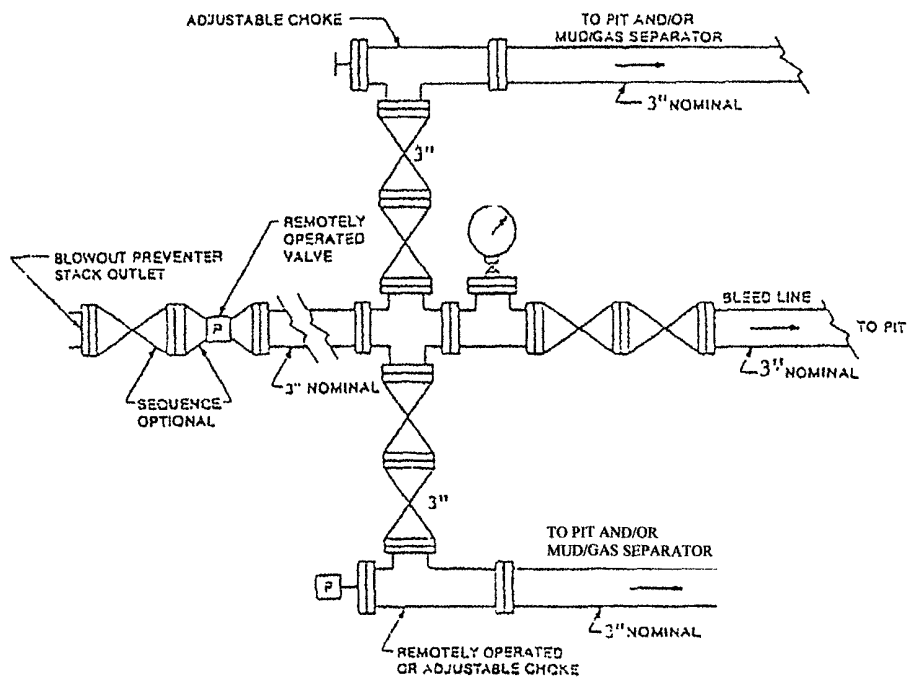
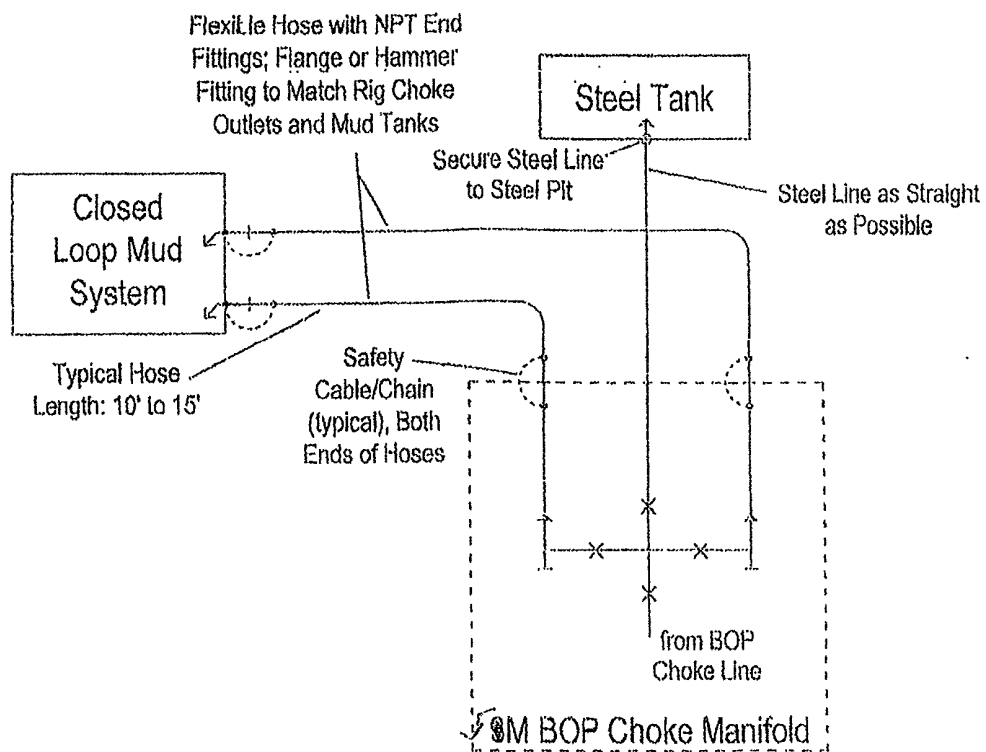
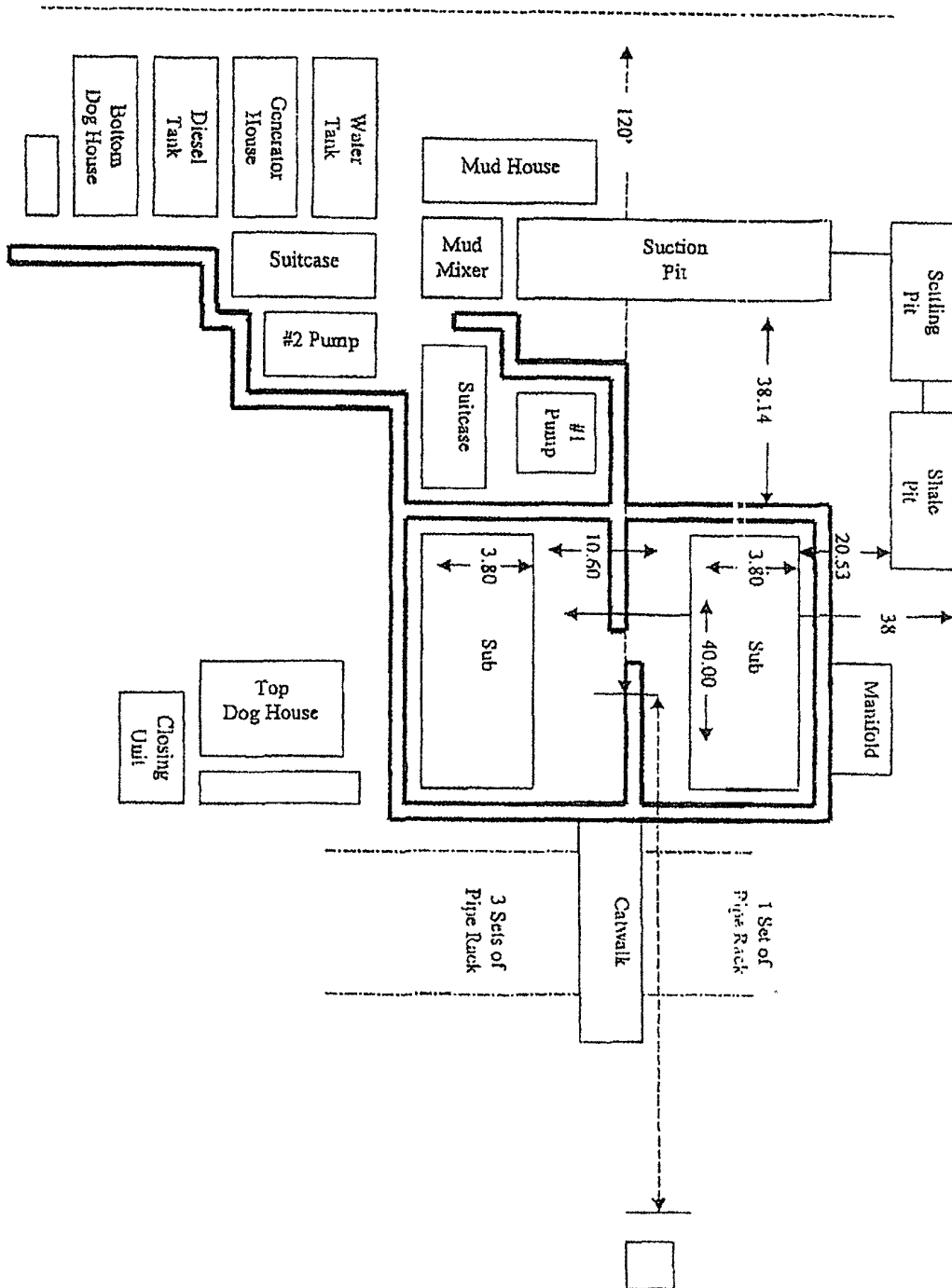


FIGURE K4-2. Typical choke manifold assembly for 5M rated working pressure service – surface installation



# Plat for Closed Loop System



## **RKI Exploration & Production**

### **Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

This well and its anticipated facility are not expected to have Hydrogen Sulfide releases. However, there may be Hydrogen Sulfide production in the nearby area. There are no private Residences in the area but a contingency plan has been orchestrated. RKI Exploration and Production will have a Company Representative available to rig personnel through out drilling or production operations. If hydrogen sulfide is detected or suspected, monitoring equipment will be acquired for monitoring and/or testing.



**RKI Exploration & Production**  
**Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan**  
**For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

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**RKI Exploration & Production**  
**Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan**  
**For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

**General H2S Emergency Actions:**

1. All personnel will immediately evacuate to an up-wind and if possible up-hill "safe area".
2. If for any reason a person must enter the hazardous area, they must wear a SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus).
3. Always use the "buddy system"
4. Isolate the well/problem if possible
5. Account for all personnel
6. Display the proper colors warning all unsuspecting personnel of the danger at hand.
7. Contact the Company personnel as soon as possible if not at the location (use the enclosed call list as instructed)

At this point the company representative will evaluate the situation and coordinate the necessary duties to bring the situation under control, and if necessary, the notification of the emergency response agencies and nearby residents.

**EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR AN UNCONTROLLABLE RELEASE OF H2S**

1. All personnel will don the self contained breathing apparatus
2. Remove all personnel to the "safe area" (always use the buddy system)
3. Contact company personnel if not on location]
4. Set in motion the steps to protect and or remove the general public to and upwind "safe area" Maintain strict security & safety procedures while dealing with the source.
5. No entry to any unauthorized personnel
6. Notify the appropriate agencies:   City Police -- City Street(s)  
  State Police -- State Rd.  
  County Sheriff -- County Rd.
7. Call the NMOCD

## **RKI Exploration & Production LLC**

### **Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

If at this time the supervising person determines the release of H<sub>2</sub>S cannot be contained to the site location and the general public is in harms way he will take the necessary steps to protect the workers and the public.

**EMERGENCY CALL LIST:** (Start and continue until ONE of these people has been contacted)

	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>MOBILE</u>	<u>HOME</u>
RKI E&P	1-800-667-6958		
Gene Simer	575-885-1313	575-706-3225	575-885-6302
Tim Haddican	405-949-2329	405-823-2872	405-348-5515

#### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE NUMBERS:**

State Police	Eddy County		575 -748-9718
State Police	Lea County		575-392-5588
Sheriff	Eddy County		575-746-2701
Sheriff	Lea County		
Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance)	Eddy County		911 or 505-746-2701
	Lea County	Eunice	911 or 505-394-3258
Emergency Response	Eddy County SERC		575--476-9620
	Lea County		
Artesia Police Dept			575--746-5001
Artesia Fire Dept			575--746-5001
Carlsbad Police Dept			575-885-2111
Carlsbad Fire Dept			575--885-3125

**EMERGENCY CALL LIST (CONT.)**

Loco Hills Police Dept		575- 677-2349
Jal Police Dept		575- .395-2501
Jal Fire Dept		575- .395-2221
Jal Ambulance		575- .395-2221
Eunice Police Dept		575- 394-0112
Eunice Fire Dept		575- .394-3258
Eunice Ambulance		575- .394-3258
Hobbs Police Dept		575- .397-3365
Hobbs Fire Dept		575- .397-9308
NMOCD	District 1 (Lea, Roosevelt, Curry)	575- .393-6161
	District 2 (Eddy, Chavez)	575- .748-1283
Lea County Information		575- .393-8203
Callaway Safety	Eddy/Lea Counties	575- .392-2973
BJ Services	Artesia	575- .746-3140
	Hobbs	575- .392-5556
Halliburton	Artesia	1-800-523-2482
	Hobbs	1-800-523-2482
Wild Well Control	Midland	432-550-6202
	Mobile	432-553-1166

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**Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan**  
**For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

**PROTECTION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC (ROE)**

- 100 ppm at any public area (any place not associated with this site)
- 500 ppm at any public road (any road with the general public may travel)
- 100 ppm radius of ¼ mile in New Mexico will be assumed if there is insufficient data to do the calculations, and there is a reasonable expectation that H<sub>2</sub>S could be present in concentrations greater than 100 ppm in the gas mixture

**CALCULATIONS FOR THE 100 PPM (ROE) "PASQUILL-GIFFORD EQUATION"**

$X = [(1.589) (\text{mole fraction}) (Q\text{-volume in std cu ft}) \text{ to the power of } (0.6258)]$

**CALCULATION FOR THE 500 PPM ROE:**

$X = [(.4546) (\text{mole fraction}) (Q - \text{volume in std cu ft}) \text{ to the power of } (0.6258)]$

**Example:**

If a well/facility has been determined to have 150 / 500 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S in the gas mixture and the well/facility is producing at a gas rate of 100 MCFPD then:

150 ppm  $X = [(1.589) (.00015) (100,000 \text{ cfd}) \text{ to the power of } (.6258)]$   
 $X = 7 \text{ ft.}$

500 ppm  $X = [(.4546) (.0005) (100,000 \text{ cfd}) \text{ to the power of } (.6258)]$   
 $X = 3.3 \text{ ft.}$

**(These calculations will be forwarded to the appropriate District NMOCD office when Applicable)**

**PUBLIC EVACUATION PLAN:**

- Notification of the emergency response agencies of the hazardous condition and implement evacuation procedures.
- A trained person in H<sub>2</sub>S safety shall monitor with detection equipment the H<sub>2</sub>S concentration, wind and area exposure (ROE). This person will determine the outer perimeter of the hazardous area. The extent of the evacuation area will be determined from the data being collected. Monitoring shall continue until the situation has been resolved. (All monitoring equipment shall be UL approved, for use in class 1 groups A, B, C & D, Division 1, hazardous locations. All monitor will have a minimum capability of measuring H<sub>2</sub>S, oxygen and flammable values.)

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- Law enforcement shall be notified to set up necessary barriers and maintain such for the duration of the situation as well as aid in the evacuation procedure.
- The company supervising personnel shall stay in communication with all agencies through out the duration of the situation and inform such agencies when the situation has been contained and the effected area(s) is safe to enter.

**PROCEDURE FOR IGNITING AN UNCONTROLABLE CONDITION:**

1. Human life and/or property are in danger.
2. There is no hope of bringing the situation under control with the prevailing conditions at the site.

**INSTRUCTION FOR IGNITION:**

1. Two people are required. They must be equipped with positive pressure, self contained breathing apparatus and a "D" ring style full body, OSHA approved safety harness. Non flammable rope will be attached.
2. One of the people will be qualified safety person who will test the atmosphere for H<sub>2</sub>S, oxygen and LFL. The other person will be the company supervisor; he is responsible for igniting the well.
3. Ignite up wind from a distance no closer than necessary. Make sure that where you ignite from has the maximum escape avenue available. A 25 mm flare gun shall be used, with a  $\pm$  500 ft. range to ignite the gas.
4. Prior to ignition, make a final check with combustible gases.
5. Following ignition, continue with the emergency actions & procedures as before.

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**REQUIRED EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT:**

1. **Breathing apparatus:**
  - Rescue packs (SCBA) -- 1 unit shall be placed at each breathing area, 2 shall be stored in the safety trailer.
  - Work/Escapes packs -- 4 packs shall be stored on the rig floor with sufficient air hose not to restrict work activity
  - Emergency Escape Packs -- 4 packs shall be stored in the doghouse for emergency evacuation.
2. **Signage & Flagging:**
  - One color code condition sign will be placed at the entrance to the site reflecting the possible conditions at the site.
  - A colored conditioned flag will be on display, reflecting the condition at the site at the time.
3. **Briefing Area:**
  - Two perpendicular areas will be designated by signs and readily accessible.
4. **Wind Socks:**
  - Two windsocks will be placed in strategic locations, visible from all angles.
5. **H2S Detectors & Alarms:**
  - The stationary detector with three sensors will be placed in the upper dog house if equipped, set to visually alarm @ 10 ppm and audible at 14 ppm. Calibrate a minimum of every 30 days or as needed. The sensors will be placed in the following places: (Gas sample tubes will be stored in the safety trailer)
    - Rig Floor
    - Bell Nipple
    - End of flow line or where well bore fluid are being discharged.
6. **Auxiliary Rescue Equipment:**
  - Stretcher
  - Two OSHA full body harness
  - 100 ft. 5/8 inch OSHA approved rope.
  - 1 -- 20# class ABC fire extinguisher
  - Communication via cell phones on location and vehicles on location.



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**USING SELF CONTAINED BREATHING AIR EQUIPMENT (SCBA):**

- (SCBA) SHOULD BE WORN WHEN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ARE PERFORMED:
  - Working near the top or on the top of a tank
  - Disconnecting any line where H<sub>2</sub>S can reasonably be expected
  - Sampling air in the area to determine if toxic concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S can exist.
  - Working in areas where over 10 ppm on H<sub>2</sub>S has been detected.
  - At any time there is a doubt as the level of H<sub>2</sub>S in the area.
- All personnel shall be trained in the use of SCBA prior to working in a potentially hazardous location.
- Facial hair and standard cycleglasses are not allowed with SCBA.
- Contact lenses are never allowed with SCBA.
- Air quality shall be continuously checked during the entire operation.
- After each use, the SCBA unit shall be cleaned, disinfected, serviced and inspected.
- All SCBA shall be inspected monthly.

**RESCUE AND FIRST AID FOR VICTIMS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H<sub>2</sub>S) POISONING:**

- Do not panic
- Remain calm and think
- Get on the breathing apparatus

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- Remove the victim to the safe breathing area as quickly as possible. Up wind and uphill from source or cross wind to achieve upwind.
- Notify emergency response personnel.
- Provide artificial respiration and or CPR, as necessary.
- Remove all contaminated clothing to avoid further exposure.
- A minimum of two personnel on location shall be trained in CPR and First Aid.

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H<sub>2</sub>S is extremely toxic. The acceptable ceiling for eight hours of exposure is 10 ppm, which is .001% by volume. H<sub>2</sub>S is approximately 20% heavier than air (Sp. Gr = 1.19) (Air = 1) and colorless. It forms an explosive mixture with air between 4.3% and 46%. By volume hydrogen sulfide is almost as toxic as hydrogen cyanide and is 5-6 times more toxic than carbon monoxide.

COMMON NAME	CHEMICAL ABBREV.	SPECIFIC GRVTY.	THRESHOLD LIMITS	HAZARDOUS LIMITS	LETHAL CONCENTRATIONS
Hydrogen Sulfide	H <sub>2</sub> S	1.19	10 ppm 15 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600ppm
Hydrogen Cyanide	HCN	0.94	10 ppm	150 ppm/hr	300 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	2.21	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm
Chlorine	Cl <sub>2</sub>	2.45	1 ppm	4 ppm/hr	1000 ppm
Carbon Monoxide	CO	0.97	50 ppm	400 ppm/hr	1000 ppm
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	1.52	5000 ppm	5%	10%
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	0.55	90,000	Combustible @ 5%	N/A

**Threshold Limit:** Concentrations at which it is believed that all workers may be repeatedly exposed, day after day without adverse effects.

**Hazardous Limit:** Concentrations that may cause death.

**Concentrations:** Concentrations that will cause death with short term exposure.

**Threshold Limit:** NIOSH guide to chemical hazards  
(10 ppm)

#### PHYSICAL EFFECTS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE:

CONCENTRATION	PHYSICAL EFFECTS
.001% 10 ppm	Obvious and unpleasant odor. Safe for 8 hr. exposure
.005% 50 ppm	Can cause some flu like symptoms and can cause pneumonia.
.01% 100 ppm	Kills the sense of smell in 3-15 minutes. May irritate the eyes and throat.
.02% 200 ppm	Kills the sense of smell rapidly. Severely irritates the eyes and throat. Severe flu-like symptoms after 4 or more hours May cause lung damage and or death.
.06% 600 ppm	Loss of consciousness quickly, death will result if not rescued promptly.

## **SURFACE USE PLAN**

**RKI Exploration & Production, LLC**

**RDX Federal 15 #5**

**990' FSL & 2310' FEL**

**Section 15, T. 26 S., R. 30 E**

**Eddy County, New Mexico**

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

### **1. EXISTING ROADS:**

A. DIRECTIONS: Go south of Carlsbad, NM, on Highway 285, for 24 miles. Turn east onto the Whitethorn Road (County Road 725) for 10.3 miles. Turn east on lease road (El Paso Gas Pipeline Road) for 3.3 miles. Turn south on lease road for 1.4 miles. Turn east on lease road for 1.8 miles. The new road will begin at this point, south, for 596.2 ft. to the southeast corner of the proposed well location. All existing roads are either paved or a caliche lease road.

B. See attached plats and maps provided by Basin Surveys.

### **2. PROPOSED ACCESS ROAD:**

- A. The new access road will begin at the southeast corner of the proposed well, north for 596.2 ft., to the existing lease road. The new road will be 14 feet in width (driving surface) and will be adequately drained to control runoff and soil erosion.
- B. The road will be surfaced with a 6" rolled and compacted caliche,
- C. No culverts, cattleguards or fence cuts will be necessary. The new road will be ditched on both sides of the road for proper drainage.

### **3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELLS:**

- A. There is an existing well 1/4 mile to the east. (SESE1/4 of section 15, T. 26 S., R. 30 E.).
- B. See attached lease map showing all the wells within a one mile radius around the proposed well.

4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES:

- A. The production facilities for this lease is located at the #2 well in the SESE1/4 of the section.
- B. In the event that the well is productive, the company will install a, 2-7/8" steel, flowline from the well, following the access road to the battery at the #2 well (See Exhibit B for proposed flowline route). The line length will be 1500 ft.

5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

The well will be drilled using a combination of water mud systems as outlined in the Drilling Program. The water will be obtained from commercial water stations in the area and hauled to the location by transport truck using the existing and proposed roads shown in the attached survey plats. If a commercial water well is nearby, a temporary, surface poly line, will be laid along existing roads or other ROW easements and the water pumped to the well. No water well will be drilled on the location.

6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

All caliche obtained for the proposed well pad and access road will be up to the dirt contractor to locate prior to construction.

7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

- A. The well will be drilled utilizing a closed loop mud system. Drill cuttings will be held in roll-off style mud boxes and taken to an NMOCD approved disposal site.
- B. Drilling fluids will be contained in steel mud pits.
- C. Water produced from the well during completion will be held temporarily in steel tanks and then taken to an NMOCD approved commercial disposal facility.
- D. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.
- E. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
- F. All trash, junk, and other waste materials will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary landfill.

8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES:

No campsite, airstrip, or other facilities will be built as a result of the operation of this well.

9. WELL SITE LAYOUT:

- A. Exhibit A shows the dimensions of the proposed well pad.
- B. The proposed well pad size will be 300' x 325' (See Exhibit A). There will be no reserve pit due to the well being drilled utilizing a closed loop mud system. The closed loop system will meet the NMOCD requirements 19.15.17.
- C. The Basin Surveyor's plat, Form C-102 and Exhibit A, shows how the well will be turned to a V-Door East.
- D. A 600' x 600' area has been staked and flagged.

10. PLANS FOR SURFACE RECLAMATION:

- A. After concluding the drilling and/or completion operations, if the well is found non-commercial, all the equipment will be removed, the surface material, caliche, will be removed from the well pad and road and transported to the original caliche pit or used for other roads. The original stock piled top soil will be returned to the pad and contoured, as close as possible, to the original topography. The access road will have the caliche removed and the road ripped, barricaded and seeded as directed by the BLM.
- B. If the well is a producer, the portions of the location not essential to production facilities or space required for workover operations, will be reclaimed and seeded as per BLM requirements.

11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP:

- A. The surface is owned by the U. S. Government and is administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The surface is multiple use with the primary uses of the region for the grazing of livestock and the production of oil and gas.
- B. The grazing lessee is H & K Farms (Phantom Banks Grazing Allotment).

12. OTHER INFORMATION:

- A. The area surrounding the well site is in a gentle sloped, shallow gravelly loam, rolling hills type area. The vegetation consists of Creosote, Javelina Bush, three-awns and some dropseed species.
- B. There is no permanent or live water in the immediate area.
- C. There are no dwellings within 2 miles of this location.
- D. A Class III Cultural Resources Examination has been completed and the results will be forwarded to the BLM office.

13. BOND COVERAGE:

Bond Coverage is Nationwide Bond Number NMB-000460.

**OPERATORS REPRESENTATIVE:**

The RKI Exploration and Production, LLC representatives responsible for ensuring compliance of the surface use plan are listed below:

**Surface:**

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1403 Springs Farm Place  
Carlsbad, NM 88220  
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**ON-SITE PERFORMED ON 3/13/08 RESULTED IN PROPOSED WELL LOCATION  
BEING OKAYED AT THE ORIGINAL LOCATION OF 990 FSL & 2310 FEL.**

**PRESENT AT ON-SITE:**

**GENE SIMER - RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION  
BARRY HUNT – BLM  
BASIN SURVEYORS**



# **RKI Exploration & Production LLC**

P.O. Box 370, Carlsbad, NM 88221  
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July 17, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Barry Hunt is employed by RKI Exploration & Production to sign as their agent for APD's and Right of Ways in the states of New Mexico and Texas.

If you have any questions, please contact me at my office at 575-885-1313.

Sincerely,

RKI Exploration & Production, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gene Simer", written in a cursive style.

Gene Simer  
Production Superintendent

## **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access road proposed herein; that I am familiar with the conditions that presently 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 I, or RKI Exploration and Production, LLC am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U. S. C. 1001 for the filing of false statements. Executed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 2010.

Signed: Barry W. Hunt

Printed Name: Barry Hunt

Position: Agent for RKI Exploration & Production, LLC.

Address: 1403 Springs Farm Place, Carlsbad, NM 88220

Telephone: (575) 361-4078

E-mail: [specialtpermitting@gmail.com](mailto:specialtpermitting@gmail.com)

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# PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, LLC.
LEASE NO.:	NM102036
WELL NAME & NO.:	RDX FEDERAL 15 #5
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	990' FSL & 2310' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	SAME
LOCATION:	Section 15, T. 26 S., R 30 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico

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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)**

The access road shall connect the northeast corner of the pad with the existing lease road to the north. The pad shall be constructed with the v-door to the north to accommodate this change.

### Phantom Banks Heronries

Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 ft. from the source of the noise.

## **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) 234-5972 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. V-DOOR DIRECTION: north**

### **C. TOPSOIL**

The operator shall stockpile the topsoil in a low profile manner in order to prevent wind/water erosion of the topsoil. The topsoil will be used for interim and final reclamation.

### **D. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM**

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

### **E. 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.

### **F. 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.

## **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 thirty (30) 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**

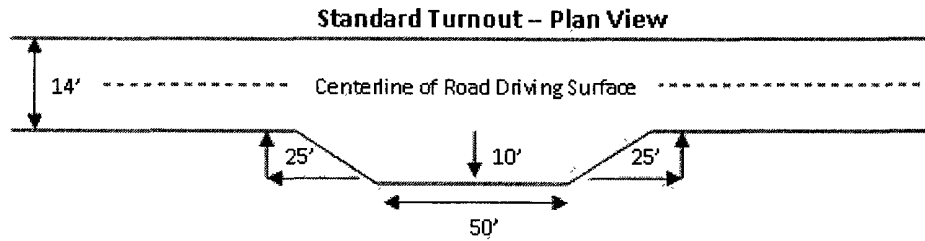
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### **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 be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:

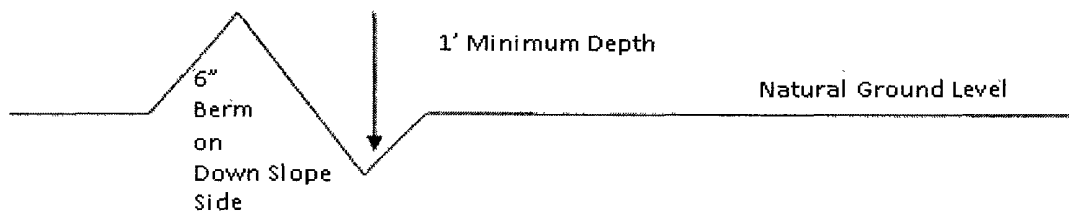


### **Drainage**

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outslowing 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:

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

### **Culvert Installations**

Appropriately sized culvert(s) shall be installed at the deep waterway channel flow crossing.

### **Cattleguards**

An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).



Any existing cattleguard(s) on the access road 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 cattleguard(s) that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

A gate shall be constructed and fastened securely to H-braces.

### Fence Requirement

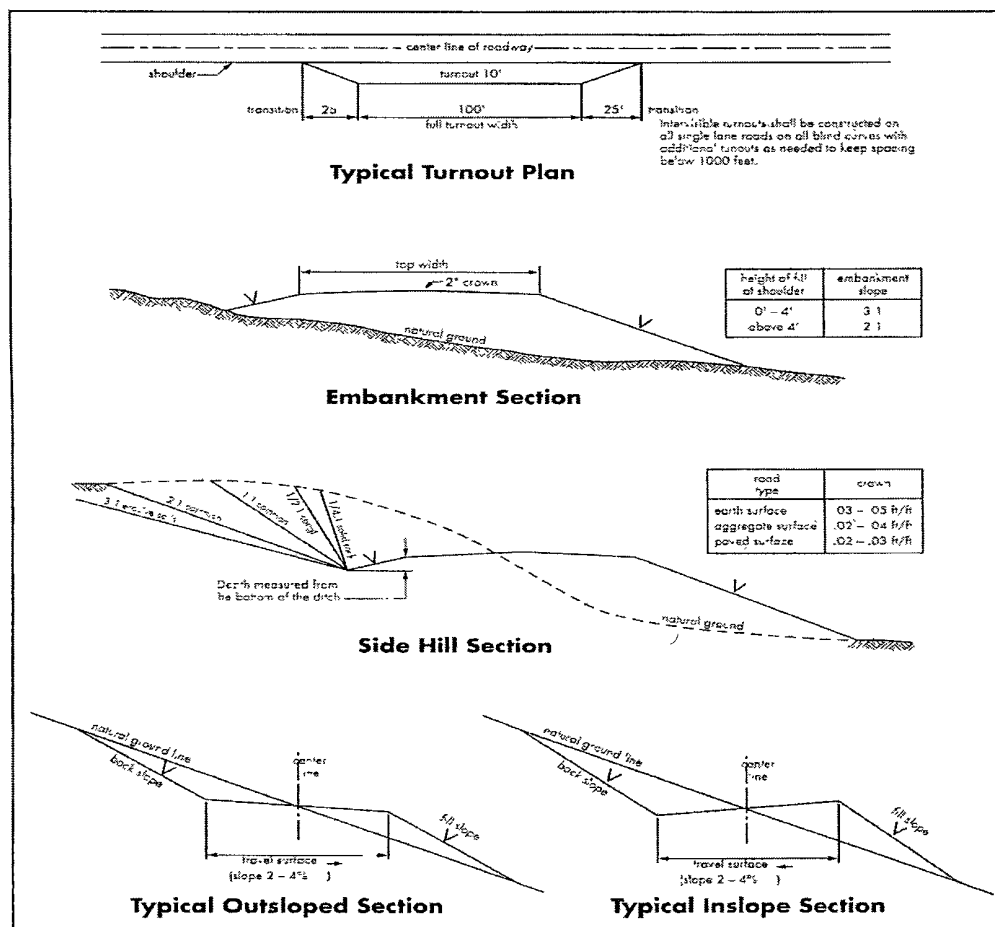
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

### Public Access

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

**Figure 1 – Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections**



## **VII. DRILLING**

### **A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS**

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests

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

1. **Although there are no measured amounts of Hydrogen Sulfide reported, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.**
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.
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 are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
4. **The record of the drilling rate along with the CAL/GR/N well log run from TD to surface will be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

### **B. CASING**

**Changes to the approved APD casing and cement program require submitting a sundry and receiving approval prior to work. Failure to obtain approval prior to work will result in an Incident of Non-Compliance being issued.**

**Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.**

**Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater for all casing strings. Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.**

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

**Medium Cave/Karst**

**Possible lost circulation in Redbeds and evaporates to the base of the Castile group.**

**Possible lost circulation in the Delaware and Bone Spring groups.**

1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at **approximately 755 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt)** 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.
2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 8-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:
  - ☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.  
**Additional cement may be needed. Excess cement calculates to 17%.  
Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to cave/karst.**

**If 75% or greater lost circulation occurs while drilling the intermediate casing hole, the cement on the production casing must come to surface.**

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **5-1/2** inch production casing is:
  - a. First stage to DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office before proceeding with second stage cement job.
  - b. Second stage above DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement should tie-back at least 300 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.
4. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

### C. PRESSURE CONTROL

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **2000 (2M) psi. 5M tested as a 2M.**
  - a. **For surface casing only:** If the BOP/BOPE is to be tested against casing, the wait on cement (WOC) time for that casing is to be met (see WOC statement at start of casing section). Independent service company required.
3. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the **8-5/8 inch** intermediate casing shoe shall be **3000 (3M) psi. 5M tested as a 3M.**
4. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
  - a. Casing cut-off and BOP installation will not be initiated until the cement has had a minimum of 8 hours setup time for a water basin. The casing shall remain stationary and under pressure for at least eight hours after the operator places the cement. In the potash area, the minimum time is 12 hours and the casing shall remain stationary and under pressure during this time period. Casing shall be under pressure if the operator uses some acceptable means of holding pressure or if the operator employs one or more float valves to hold

the cement in place. Testing the BOP/BOPE against a plug can commence after meeting the above conditions plus the BOP installation time.

- b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug.
- c. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
- d. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. **A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.**
- e. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

#### **D. DRILL STEM TEST**

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

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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.

##### **Containment Structures**

The containment structure shall be constructed to hold the capacity of the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

##### **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, Munsell Soil Color Chart # 5Y 4/2

#### **B. PIPELINES**

##### **STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES**

**A copy of the grant and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you 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. The 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. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards 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 especially, 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. The 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 agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.
4. The holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. The 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 the 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 the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the 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 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 the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder of any responsibility as provided herein.

6. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to the authorized right-of-way width of 25 feet.

7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation will be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.

8. The 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 or dune areas, the pipeline will be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather than suspended across these features.

9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of 24 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.

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## **C. ELECTRIC LINES**

**Not Applied for in APD**



## **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

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)\* per acre. There shall be no primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will 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). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed\* per acre:

<u>Species</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains lovegrass ( <i>Eragrostis intermedia</i> )	0.5
Sand dropseed ( <i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i> )	1.0
Sideoats grama ( <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> )	5.0

\*Pounds of pure live seed:

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