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1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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

Form C-141
Revised August 24, 2018
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

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Release Notification

Responsible Party

Responsible Party: BPX Energy	OGRID: 778
Contact Name: Steve Moskal	Contact Telephone: (505) 330-9179
Contact email: steven.moskal@bpx.com	Incident # *(assigned by OCD)* nVF1907328394
Contact mailing address: 1199 Main St., Suite 101, Durango CO, 81301	

Location of Release Source

Latitude: 36.65827° Longitude: -107.71018°
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name: Riddle F LS 001	Site Type: Natural Gas Production Well Pad
Date Release Discovered: Unknown - 1994	API#: 30-045-07407

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
L	17	T28N	R08W	San Juan

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private (*Name:* _____)

Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

☐ Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
☒ Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls): N/A Historical Stockpiles	Volume Recovered (bbls):
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Condensate	Volume Released (bbls):	Volume Recovered (bbls): 0 bbls
☐ Natural Gas	Volume Released (Mcf)	Volume Recovered (Mcf)
☐ Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

Cause of Release:
Approximately 25 years ago, hydrocarbon and produced water impacted soil was placed on the Riddle F LS 001 well pad for onsite landfarming. No known release occurred on this location.

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC? ☐ Yes ☒ No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release?
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?	

Initial Response

The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury

- ☐ The source of the release has been stopped.
- ☐ The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.
- ☐ Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.
- ☐ All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.

If all the actions described above have not been undertaken, explain why:

Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Printed Name: Steve Moskal Title: Environmental Coordinator

Signature:  Date: April 11, 2019

email: steven.moskal@bpx.com Telephone: (505) 330-9179

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Site Assessment/Characterization

This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.

What is the shallowest depth to groundwater beneath the area affected by the release?	10 (ft bgs)
Did this release impact groundwater or surface water?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse or any other significant watercourse?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a wetland?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying a subsurface mine?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying an unstable area such as karst geology?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Are the lateral extents of the release within a 100-year floodplain?	☐ Yes ☒ No
Did the release impact areas **not** on an exploration, development, production, or storage site?	☐ Yes ☒ No

Attach a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) demonstrating the lateral and vertical extents of soil contamination associated with the release have been determined. Refer to 19.15.29.11 NMAC for specifics.

Characterization Report Checklist: ***Each of the following items must be included in the report.***

☒ Scaled site map showing impacted area, surface features, subsurface features, delineation points, and monitoring wells.
☒ Field data
☒ Data table of soil contaminant concentration data
☒ Depth to water determination
☒ Determination of water sources and significant watercourses within ½-mile of the lateral extents of the release
☐ Boring or excavation logs
☐ Photographs including date and GIS information
☒ Topographic/Aerial maps
☒ Laboratory data including chain of custody

If the site characterization report does not include completed efforts at remediation of the release, the report must include a proposed remediation plan. That plan must include the estimated volume of material to be remediated, the proposed remediation technique, proposed sampling plan and methods, anticipated timelines for beginning and completing the remediation. The closure criteria for a release are contained in Table 1 of 19.15.29.12 NMAC, however, use of the table is modified by site- and release-specific parameters.

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Printed Name: Steve Moskal Title: Environmental Coordinator

Signature: Date: April 11, 2019

email: steven.moskal@bpx,com Telephone: (505) 330-9179

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Remediation Plan

Remediation Plan Checklist: ***Each of the following items must be included in the plan.***

☒ Detailed description of proposed remediation technique
☒ Scaled sitemap with GPS coordinates showing delineation points
☒ Estimated volume of material to be remediated
☒ Closure criteria is to Table 1 specifications subject to 19.15.29.12(C)(4) NMAC
☒ Proposed schedule for remediation (note if remediation plan timeline is more than 90 days OCD approval is required)

Deferral Requests Only: ***Each of the following items must be confirmed as part of any request for deferral of remediation.***

☐ Contamination must be in areas immediately under or around production equipment where remediation could cause a major facility deconstruction.

☐ Extents of contamination must be fully delineated.

☐ Contamination does not cause an imminent risk to human health, the environment, or groundwater.

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Printed Name: Steve Moskal Title: Environmental Coordinator

Signature:  Date: April 11, 2019

email: steven.moskal@bpx.com Telephone: (505) 330-9179

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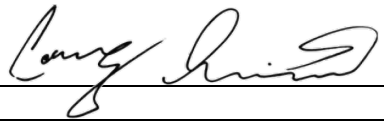
Received by: Cory via Email Date: 4/11/19

☒ Approved ☐ Approved with Attached Conditions of Approval ☐ Denied ☐ Deferral Approved

Signature:  Date: 5/3/16

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Closure

The responsible party must attach information demonstrating they have complied with all applicable closure requirements and any conditions or directives of the OCD. This demonstration should be in the form of a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) including a scaled site map, sampling diagrams, relevant field notes, photographs of any excavation prior to backfilling, laboratory data including chain of custody documents of final sampling, and a narrative of the remedial activities. Refer to 19.15.29.12 NMAC.

Closure Report Attachment Checklist: *Each of the following items must be included in the closure report.*

☐ A scaled site and sampling diagram as described in 19.15.29.11 NMAC

☐ Photographs of the remediated site prior to backfill or photos of the liner integrity if applicable (Note: appropriate OCD District office must be notified 2 days prior to liner inspection)

☐ Laboratory analyses of final sampling (Note: appropriate ODC District office must be notified 2 days prior to final sampling)

☐ Description of remediation activities

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Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

email: _____ Telephone: _____

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Closure approval by the OCD does not relieve the responsible party of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment nor does not relieve the responsible party of compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Closure Approved by: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

BP Remediation Plan

To:	Cory Smith (NMOCD), Emmanuel Adeloye (BLM)
From:	Steve Moskal (BPX)
CC:	Sabre Beebe (BPX)
Date:	4/11/2019
Re:	Riddle F LS 001 - Soil Remediation - Dig and Haul API#: 30-045-07407 (L), S17, T28N, R08W; Fed Serial #SF-080112 Stockpiles GPS: 36.65827°, -107.71018°

Mr. Smith and Mr. Adeloye,

The Riddle F LS 001 site is a plugged and abandoned natural gas production well location within the San Juan Basin Gas Field in San Juan County, New Mexico. The site is located on land managed by the Bureau of Reclamation and Land Management Farmington Field Office (BLM-FFO) and is in an area primarily used for oil and gas production with limited recreation use. The production well was drilled in 1952.

Background

Approximately 20 years ago, circa 1999, hydrocarbon and produced water impacted soil was placed on the Riddle F LS 001 well pad for onsite landfarming. The stockpiles are estimated to contain approximately 10,000-15,000 cubic yards of soil. The presence of these piles prohibits final reclamation and obtaining final abandonment approval of the well pad. Soil sampling of the piles was conducted on December 14, 2018 with results for hydrocarbons below NMOCD spill and release guideline levels. However, the results for chlorides were elevated, preventing beneficial use of the soil to area oil and gas operators.

Proposed Remediation – Removal of Soil

Adherent to the NMAC 19.15.29, the soil with elevated chlorides cannot remain at the current location of the Riddle F LS 001 wellpad. The soil must be removed for either offsite disposal at an NMOCD approved surface waste facility or may be placed at a site where closure criteria for chlorides is acceptable for the given concentration range of 1,200 ppm to 2,000 ppm chloride.

BP has worked with the BLM Farmington Field office personnel of Natural Resource Management to identify open soil borrow pits needing backfill material for final reclamation. Soil will be removed from the Riddle F LS 001 well pad and transported via trucks to the approved and acceptable sites listed below. The soil will be placed into the opened borrow pits and compacted as fill is added. The fill will be placed to ensure a minimum of four feet of native cover or topsoil when complete. The backfilled and covered area will then be reclaimed to BLM requirements, including, contouring, stormwater management, seeding and final abandonment requirements, as agreed upon by pit users and the BLM. Below are the sites identified by the BLM as being acceptable for closure. The table includes the location information as well as any reference material for site ranking criteria following NMAC 19.15.29.12. In the event that the pits are not of adequate size to accept the volume of soil or other unforeseen complications, the soil will be disposed at an NMOCD surface waste facility.

The soil removal will be observed for changing conditions of color, odor, debris, contnents, etc. and report immediately to the NMOCD and BLM if there are any concerns. Once the stockpiles are

removed, within 30 days, BP will perform vadose zone sampling beneath the footprint of the stockpiles, sampling for TPH, BTEX and chlorides to determine if the site meets closure.

Location	Legal Description	GPS Coordinates	Ranking Criteria
Riddle F LS 001 (Stockpile Source)	(L), S17, T28N, R08W	36.65827, -107.71018 Surface Elevation 5,725'	<50' to groundwater. Largo Wash elev. 5,719'.
Doggie Pit	T25N R6W Sec 4 NWSW	36.42718, -107.47983 **Location to be Confirmed** Surface Elevation 6,430'	Greater than 10,000 mg/kg Cl; Reference attached Canyon Largo Unit 486 BGT Registration
Pine Tree Mesa Rock Pit	T25N R6W Sec 9 NWNW	36.41886, -107.48098 Surface Elevation 6,660'	Greater than 10,000 mg/kg Cl; Reference attached Canyon Largo Unit 486 BGT Registration
Kline Mesa Pit	T26N R6W Sec 33 SWNE	36.44578, -107.46996 Surface Elevation, 6,730'	Greater than 10,000 mg/kg Cl Reference attached Klein 26N BGT Registration
~~Unnamed site~~	T26N R8W Sec 22	36.47451, -107.66249	**Less than 100' to wash**
~~Marron Sandstone Pit~~	T27N R8W Sec 27 SENE	36.54655, -107.66284	**Within 150' of tributary of Largo Wash**

Site Ranking

Depth to groundwater at the Riddle F LS 001 stockpile site is estimated to be less than 50 feet from ground surface. This estimation is based on the proximity of Largo Wash being approximately 500 feet away and an elevation difference of approximately 6 feet.

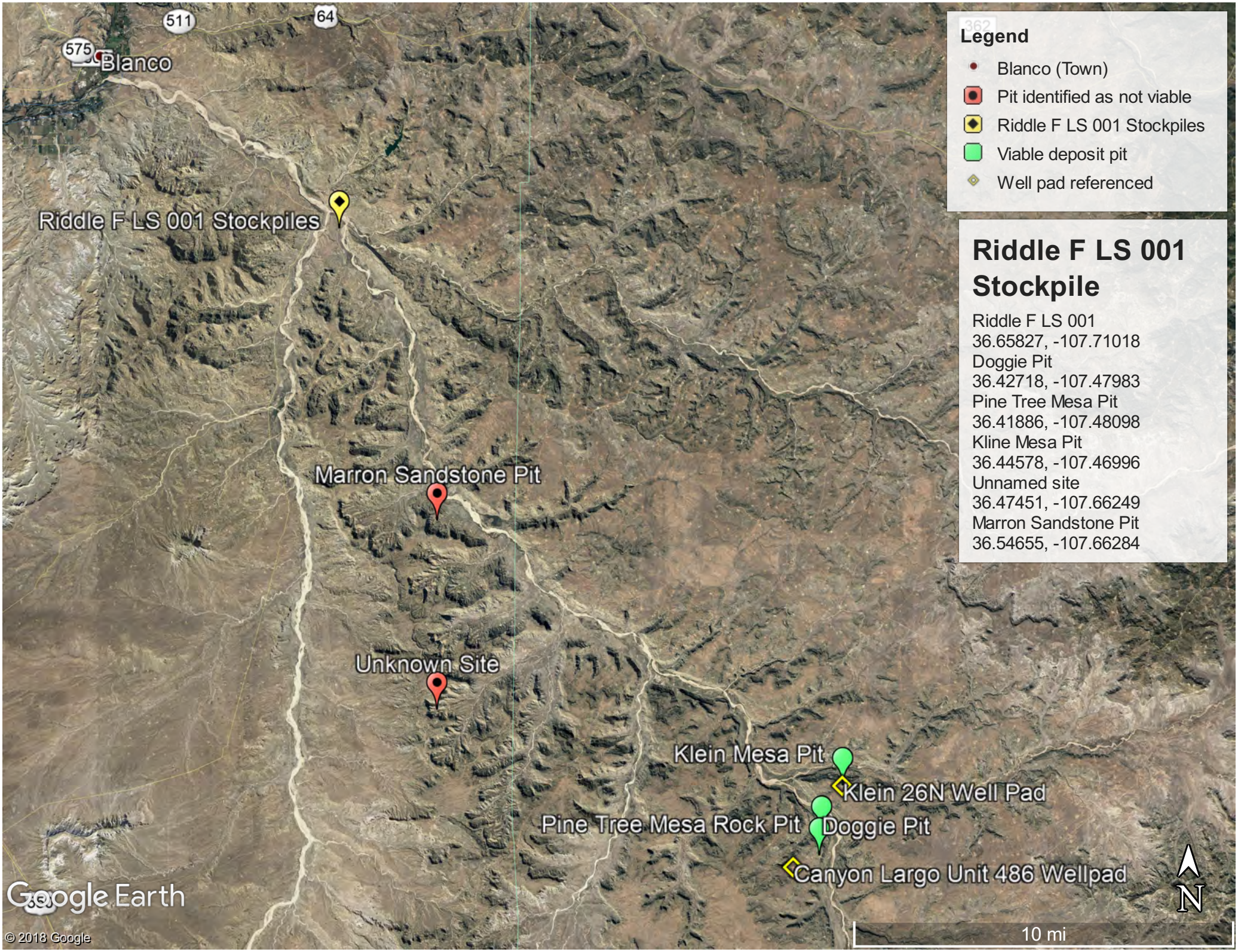
The Marron and unnamed pits are within 150' and 100' of significant ephemeral water ways, defaulting both to 600 mg/kg chloride threshold. These will not be acceptable deposit sites for the soil.

The Doggie, Pine Tree Mesa and Klein Mesa pits are a viable deposit sites for the soil. Each are greater than 100' to groundwater, greater than 200' to a surface water or tributary, greater than 1,000 from a domestic water source, occupied structure/institution and none within a municipal boundary. Attached are reference siting criteria for each. The Pine Tree Mesa pit and Doggie pit are within 4,000 and 6,000 feet of the Canyon Largo Unit 486 well pad, with similar elevation (6,710'). The Klein Mesa Pit is within 200' of the Klein 26N well pad with equal elevations.

Based on the siting criteria, the remediation site closure standards will be 2,500 ppm TPH, 1,000 ppm GRO+DRO, 50 ppm BTEX, 10 ppm benzene and 10,000 ppm chlorides. The soil samples from December 14, 2018 meet these parameters.

Site Closure and Reporting

Once the trucking activity is complete, vadose zone sampling results are received BP will request closure of the Riddle F LS 001 stockpile site within 60 and proceed with final reclamation at the site under the guidance of the BLM.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Doggie and Pine Mesa Pit Map
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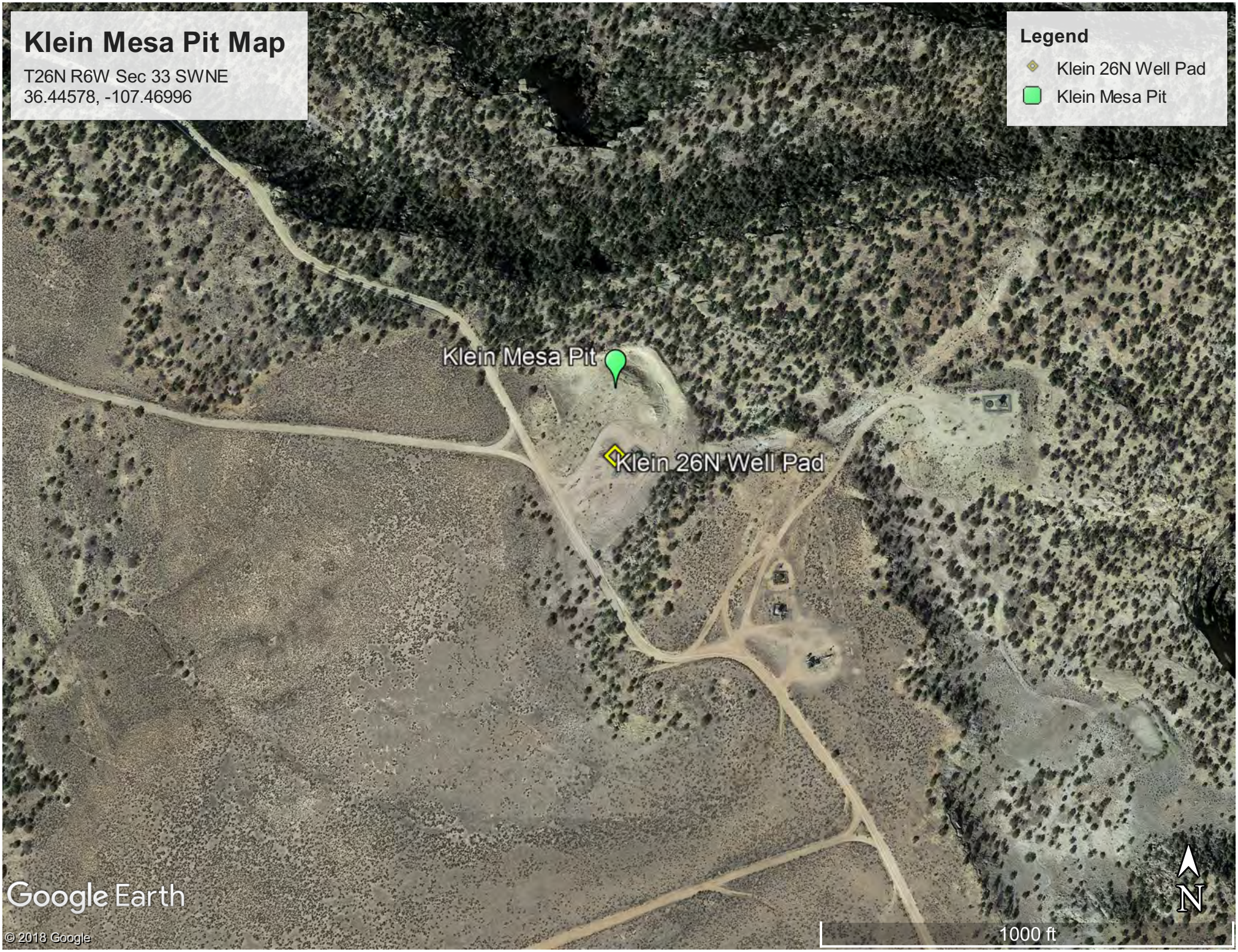
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Form C-144
July 21, 2008

For temporary pits, closed-loop sytems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action:
- [X] Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
- [ ] Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
- [ ] Modification to an existing permit
- [ ] Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank or alternative request

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.

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Operator: **Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company, LP** OGRID#: **14538**
Address: **PO Box 4289, Farmington, NM 87499**
Facility or well name: **CANYON LARGO UNIT 486**
API Number: **3003929722** OCD Permit Number:
U/L or Qtr/Qtr: **F** Section: **8** Township: **25N** Range: **6W** County: **Rio Arriba**
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude: **36.4143°N** Longitude: **-107.4926°W** NAD: [X] 1927 [ ] 1983
Surface Owner: [X] Federal [ ] State [ ] Private [ ] Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

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[ ] **Pit:** Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Temporary: [ ] Drilling [ ] Workover
[ ] Permanent [ ] Emergency [ ] Cavitation [ ] P&A
[ ] Lined [ ] Unlined Liner type: Thickness _____ mil [ ] LLDPE [ ] HDPE [ ] PVC [ ] Other _____
[ ] String-Reinforced
Liner Seams: [ ] Welded [ ] Factory [ ] Other _____ Volume: _____ bbl Dimensions L ____ x W ____ x D ____

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[ ] **Closed-loop System:** Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Type of Operation: [ ] P&A [ ] Drilling a new well [ ] Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent)
[ ] Drying Pad [ ] Above Ground Steel Tanks [ ] Haul-off Bins [ ] Other _____
[ ] Lined [ ] Unlined Liner type: Thickness _____ mil [ ] LLDPE [ ] HDPE [ ] PVD [ ] Other _____
Liner Seams: [ ] Welded [ ] Factory [ ] Other _____

4
[X] **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Volume: **120** bbl Type of fluid: **Produced Water**
Tank Construction material: **Metal**
[ ] Secondary containment with leak detection [X] Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
[ ] Visible sidewalls and liner [ ] Visible sidewalls only [ ] Other _____
Liner Type: Thickness _____ mil [ ] HDPE [ ] PVC [X] Other **Unspecified**

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[ ] **Alternative Method:**
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

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Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC *(Applies to permanent pit, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)*

☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top *(Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church)*

☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet

☒ Alternate. Please specify **4' hog wire fencing topped with two strands barbed wire.**

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Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC *(Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)*

☒ Screen ☐ Netting ☐ Other _____

☐ Monthly inspections *(If netting or screening is not physically feasible)*

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Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

☐ 12" X 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers

☒ Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC

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Administrative Approvals and Exceptions:

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.

Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:

☒ Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district of the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. **(Fencing/BGT Liner)**

☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

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Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17.10 NMAC

Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau Office for consideration of approval. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. **Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above grade-tanks associated with a closed-loop system.**

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. *(Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks)* - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ NA
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. *(Applied to permanent pits)* - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ NA
Within 500 horizonal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site.	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD - Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within a 100-year floodplain - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☒ No

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Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- [X] Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- [ ] Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19:15.17.9
- [X] Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- [X] Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [X] Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- [X] Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

[ ] Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API _____ or Permit _____

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Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- [ ] Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9
- [ ] Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- [ ] Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- [ ] Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

[ ] Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API _____

[ ] Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API _____

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Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- [ ] Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (I) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- [ ] Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- [ ] Climatological Factors Assessment
- [ ] Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design: based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan
- [ ] Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- [ ] Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H2S, Prevention Plan
- [ ] Emergency Response Plan
- [ ] Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization
- [ ] Monitoring and Inspection Plan
- [ ] Erosion Control Plan
- [ ] Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Proposed Closure: 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.

Type: [ ] Drilling [ ] Workover [ ] Emergency [ ] Cavitation [ ] P&A [ ] Permanent Pit [X] Below-grade Tank [ ] Closed-loop System [ ] Alternative

Proposed Closure Method: [X] Waste Excavation and Removal **(Below-Grade Tank)**

[ ] Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)

[ ] On-site Closure Method (only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)

[ ] In-place Burial [ ] On-site Trench

[ ] Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)

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Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

- [X] Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)
- [X] Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC)
Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit #: _____

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit #: _____

Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?
☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:

☐ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specification - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropraite requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Siting Criteria (Regarding on-site closure methods only: 19.15.17.10 NMAC

Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS: Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; satellite image	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal fee of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of the initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confiramtion or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☐ No

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On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) ***Instructions: Each of the following items must bee attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
☐ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)
☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Operator Application Certification:

I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): Crystal Tafoya Title: Regulatory Technician

Signature: Crystal Tafoya Date: 12/22/2008

e-mail address: crystal.tafoya@conocophillips.com Telephone: 505-326-9837

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OCD Approval: ☐ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: _____ **Approval Date:** _____

Title: _____ **OCD Permit Number:** _____

21

Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.

☐ **Closure Completion Date:** _____

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Closure Method:

☐ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)

☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

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Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:

Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit Number: _____

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit Number: _____

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and opeartions?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate complilane to the items below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:

☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation

☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

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Closure Report Attachment Checklist: ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☐ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)

☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure)

☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)

☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)

☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)

☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number

☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation

☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

On-site Closure Location: Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____ NAD ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983

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Operator Closure Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is ture, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

e-mail address: _____ Telephone: _____

New Mexico Office of the State Engineer
POD Reports and Downloads

Township: 25N Range: 06W Sections:

NAD27 X: Y: Zone: Search Radius:

County: Basin: Number: Suffix:

Owner Name: (First) (Last) ○ Non-Domestic ○ Domestic ◉ All

POD / Surface Data Report | Avg Depth to Water Report | Water Column Report

Clear Form | iWATERS Menu | Help

WATER COLUMN REPORT 08/20/2008

(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)
(quarters are biggest to smallest)

POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column (in
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SJ 00681	25N	06W	21	4	1	4					80	
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Record Count: 3

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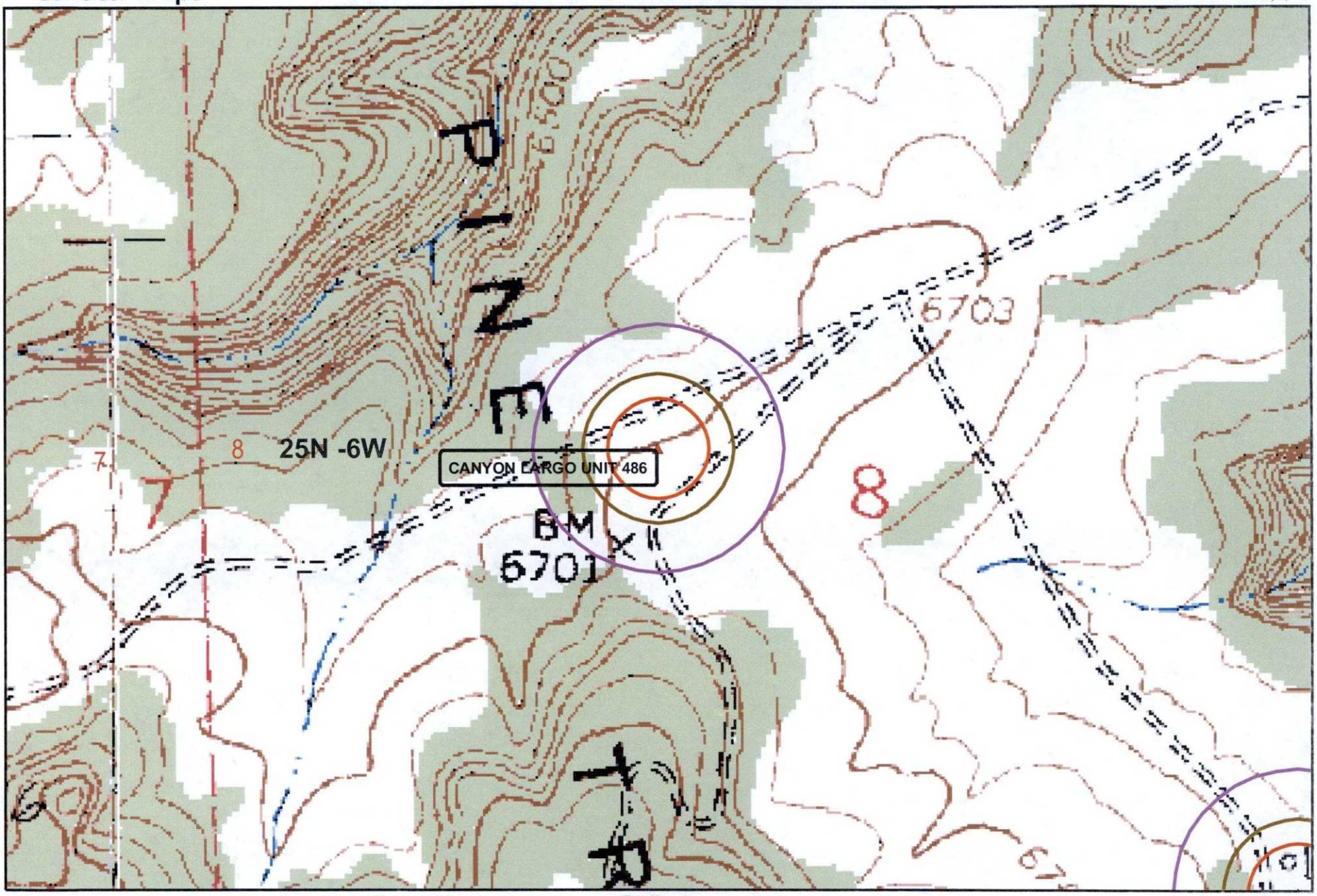
USGS TOPO MAP

CANYON LARGO UNIT 486



Wetlands data aquired from U.S. Fish and Wildlife
http://wetlandswms.er.usgs.gov

Ground Water
- iWaters
- COP

Buffers
- 200ft
- 300ft
- 500ft
- Wetlands

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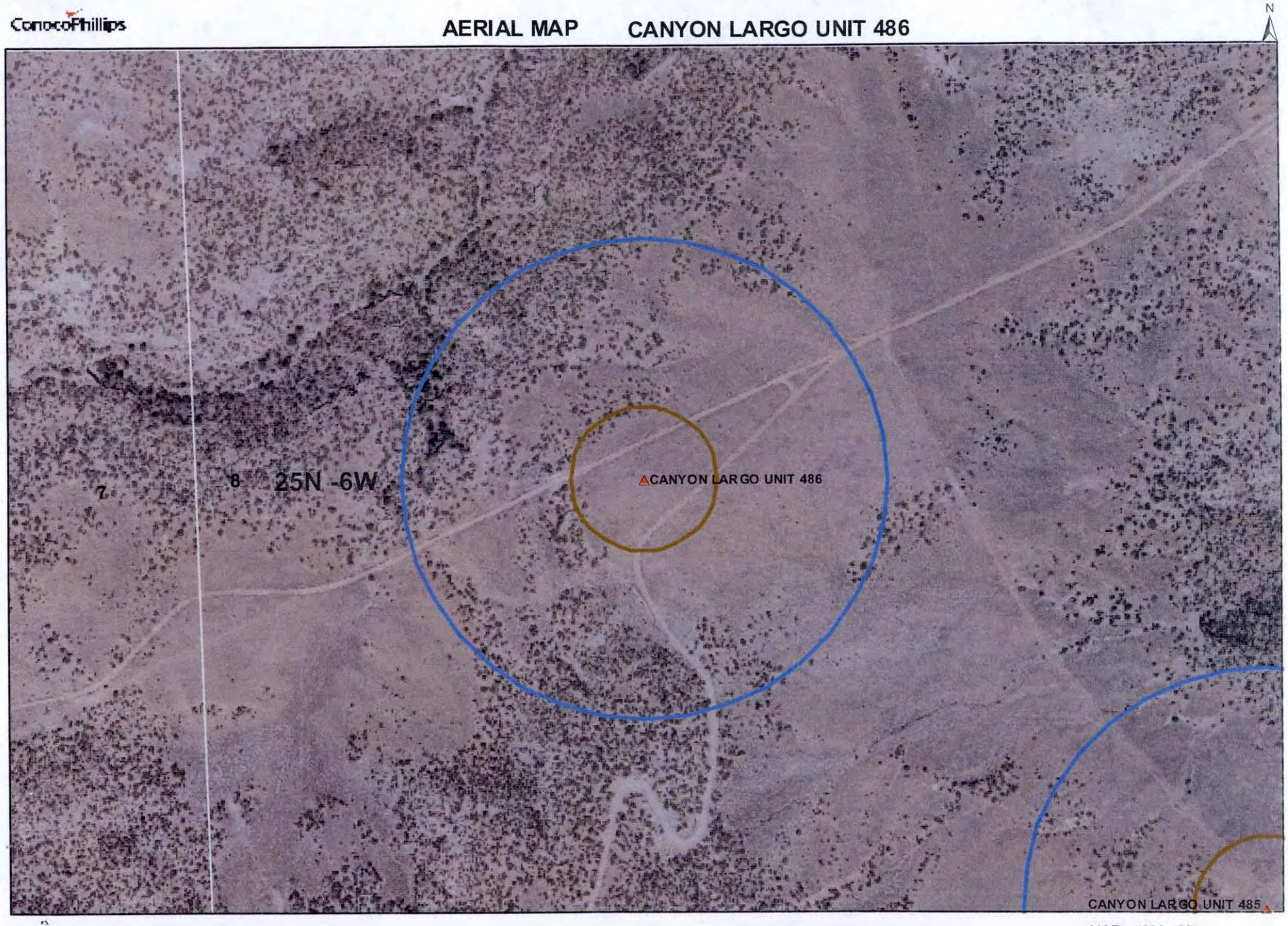
AERIAL MAP CANYON LARGO UNIT 486



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Mines, Mills and Quarries Web Map

CANYON LARGO UNIT 486

Unit Letter: F, Section: 08, Town: 025N, Range: 006W

Mines, Mills & Quarries Commodity Groups

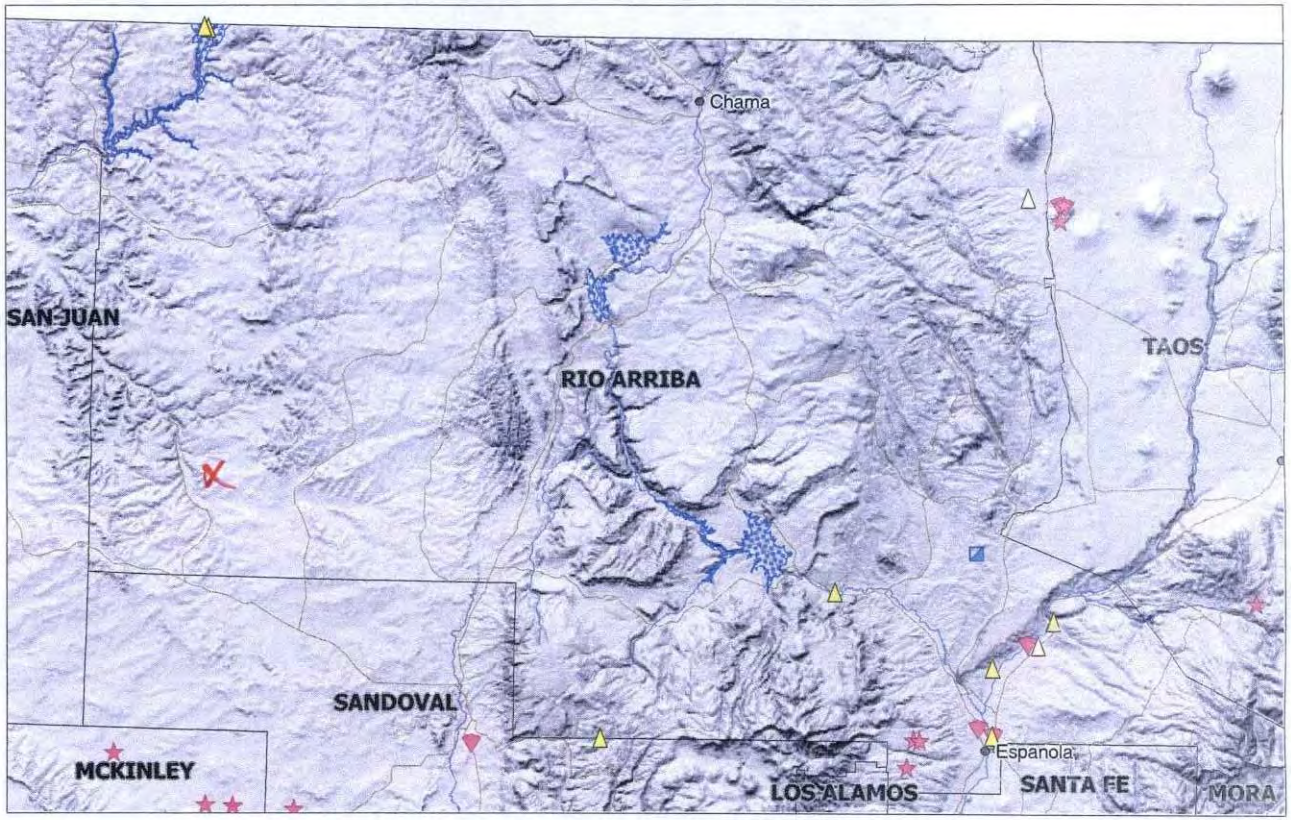
- Aggregate & Stone Mines
- Coal Mines
- Industrial Minerals Mines
- Industrial Minerals Mills
- Metal Mines and Mill Concentrate
- Potash Mines & Refineries
- Smelters & Refinery Ops.
- Uranium Mines
- Uranium Mills

Population

- Cities - major

Transportation

- Railways
- Interstate Highways
- Major Roads



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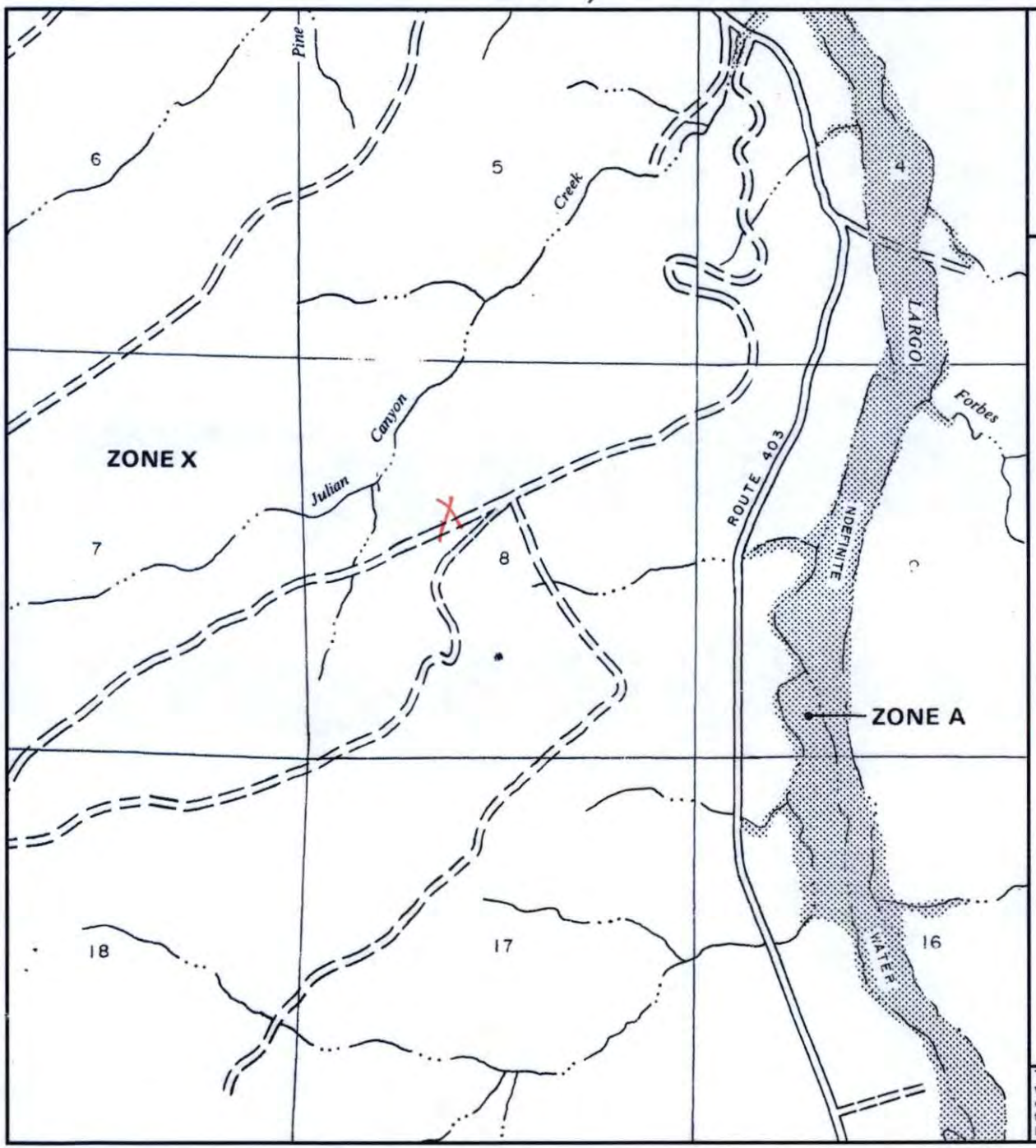

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NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

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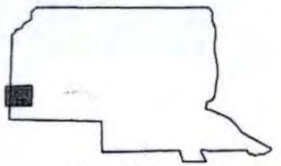
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
UNINCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 725 OF 1325
(SEE MAP INDEX FOR PANELS NOT PRINTED)



PANEL LOCATION

COMMUNITY-PANEL NUMBER
350049 0725 B

EFFECTIVE DATE:
JANUARY 5, 1989

Federal Emergency Management Agency

CANYON LARGO UNIT 486

Site Specific Hydrogeology

A visual site inspection confirming the information contained herein was performed on the well 'CANYON LARGO UNIT 486', which is located at 36.4143 degrees North latitude and 107.4926 degrees West longitude. This location is located on the Gonzales Mesa 7.5' USGS topographic quadrangle. This location is in section 8 of Township 25 North Range 6 West of the Public Land Survey System (New Mexico Principal Meridian). This location is located in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The nearest town is Nageezi, located 17.3 miles to the southwest. The nearest large town (population greater than 10,000) is Farmington, located 45.4 miles to the northwest (National Atlas). The nearest highway is State Highway 403, located 1.2 miles to the southeast. The location is on BLM land and is 4,249 feet from the edge of the parcel as notated in the BLM land status layer updated January 2008. This location is in the Blanco Canyon. New Mexico, Sub-basin. This location is located 2043 meters or 6701 feet above sea level and receives 10.5 inches of rain each year. The vegetation at this location is classified as Colorado Plateau Pinon-Juniper Woodland as per the Southwest Regional Gap Analysis Program.

The estimated depth to ground water at this point is 119 feet. This estimation is based on the data published on the New Mexico Engineer's iWaters Database website and water depth data from ConocoPhillips' cathodic wells. Groundwater data available from the NM State Engineer's iWaters Database for wells near the proposed site are attached. The nearest stream is 1,043 feet to the west and is classified by the USGS as an intermittent stream. The nearest perennial stream is 4,265 feet to the west. The nearest water body is 4,217 feet to the west. It is classified by the USGS as an intermittent lake and is 0.7 acres in size. The nearest spring is 6,302 feet to the southwest. All stream, river, water body and spring information was determined as per the USGS Hydrographic Dataset (High Resolution), downloaded 3/2008. The nearest water well is 5,930 feet to the southwest. The nearest wetland is a 0.8 acre other located 4,220 feet to the west. The slope at this location is 1 degree to the northwest as calculated from USGS 30M National Elevation Dataset. This information is also discerned from the aerial and topographic map included. The surface geology at this location is SAN JOSE FORMATION--Siltstone, shale, and sandstone with a Sandstone dominated formations of all ages substrate. The soil at this location is 'Orlie fine sandy loam, 1 to 8 percent slopes' and is well drained and not hydric with moderate erosion potential as taken from the NRCS SSURGO map unit, downloaded January 2008. The nearest underground mine is 26.0 miles to the southwest as indicated on the Mines, Mills and Quarries Map of New Mexico provided.

Regional Hydrogeological context:

The San Jose Formation of Eocene age occurs in New Mexico and Colorado, and its outcrop forms the land surface over much of the eastern half of the central basin. It overlies the Nacimiento Formation in the area generally south of the Colorado-New Mexico State line and overlies the Animas Formation in the area generally north of the State line. The San Jose Formation was deposited in various fluvial-type environments. In general, the unit consists of an inter-bedded sequence of sandstone, siltstone, and variegated shale. Thickness of the San Jose Formation generally increases from west to east (200 feet in the west and south to almost 2,700 feet in the center of the structural basin). Ground water is associated with alluvial and fluvial sandstone aquifers. Thus, the occurrence of ground water is mainly controlled by the distribution of sandstone in the formation. The distribution of such sandstone is the result of original depositional extent plus any post-depositional modifications, namely erosion and structural deformation. Transmissivity data for San Jose Formation are minimal. Values of 40 and 120 feet squared per day were determined from two aquifer tests (Stone et al, 1983, table 5). The reported or measured discharge from 46 water wells completed in San Jose Formation ranges from 0.15 to 61 gallons per minute and the median is 5 gallons per minute. Most of the wells provide water for livestock and domestic use. The San Jose Formation is a very suitable unit for recharge from precipitation because soils that form on the unit are sandy and highly permeable and therefore readily adsorb precipitation. However, low annual precipitation, relatively high transpiration and evaporation rates, and deep dissection of the San Jose Formation by the San Juan River and its tributaries all tend to reduce the effective recharge to the unit.

Stone et al., 1983, Hydrogeology and Water Resources of the San Juan Basin, New Mexico: Socorro, New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources Hydrologic Report 6, 70 p.

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

District II
1301 W. Grand Ave., 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, NM 87505

Form C-144
July 21, 2008

For temporary pits, closed-loop sytems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action:
- [X] Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
- [ ] Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
- [ ] Modification to an existing permit
- [ ] Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank or alternative request

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.

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Operator: **Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company, LP** OGRID#: **14538**
Address: **PO Box 4289, Farmington, NM 87499**
Facility or well name: **KLEIN 26N**
API Number: **3003930341** OCD Permit Number:
U/L or Qtr/Qtr: **G** Section: **33** Township: **26N** Range: **6W** County: **Rio Arriba**
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude: **36.4452990°N** Longitude: **-107.4694200°W** NAD: [X] 1927 [ ] 1983
Surface Owner: [X] Federal [ ] State [ ] Private [ ] Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2
[ ] **Pit:** Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Temporary: [ ] Drilling [ ] Workover
[ ] Permanent [ ] Emergency [ ] Cavitation [ ] P&A
[ ] Lined [ ] Unlined Liner type: Thickness _____ mil [ ] LLDPE [ ] HDPE [ ] PVC [ ] Other _____
[ ] String-Reinforced
Liner Seams: [ ] Welded [ ] Factory [ ] Other _____ Volume: _____ bbl Dimensions L ____ x W ____ x D ____

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[ ] **Closed-loop System:** Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Type of Operation: [ ] P&A [ ] Drilling a new well [ ] Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent)
[ ] Drying Pad [ ] Above Ground Steel Tanks [ ] Haul-off Bins [ ] Other _____
[ ] Lined [ ] Unlined Liner type: Thickness _____ mil [ ] LLDPE [ ] HDPE [ ] PVD [ ] Other _____
Liner Seams: [ ] Welded [ ] Factory [ ] Other _____

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[X] **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Volume: **120** bbl Type of fluid: **Produced Water**
Tank Construction material: **Metal**
[ ] Secondary containment with leak detection [X] Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
[ ] Visible sidewalls and liner [ ] Visible sidewalls only [ ] Other _____
Liner Type: Thickness _____ mil [ ] HDPE [ ] PVC [X] Other **Unspecified**

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[ ] **Alternative Method:**
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

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Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC *(Applies to permanent pit, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)*

☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top *(Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church)*

☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet

☒ Alternate. Please specify **4' hog wire fencing topped with two strands barbed wire.**

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Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC *(Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)*

☒ Screen ☐ Netting ☐ Other _____

☐ Monthly inspections *(If netting or screening is not physically feasible)*

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Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

☐ 12" X 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers

☒ Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC

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Administrative Approvals and Exceptions:

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.

Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:

☒ Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district of the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. **(Fencing/BGT Liner)**

☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

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Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17.10 NMAC

Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau Office for consideration of approval. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. **Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.**

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. *(Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks)* - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ NA
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. *(Applied to permanent pits)* - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ NA
Within 500 horizonal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD - Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within a 100-year floodplain - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☒ No

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Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- [X] Hydrogeologic Report (Below grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- [ ] Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9
- [X] Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- [X] Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [X] Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- [X] Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

[ ] Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API _____ or Permit _____

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Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- [ ] Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9
- [ ] Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- [ ] Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- [ ] Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

[ ] Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API _____

[ ] Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API _____

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Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- [ ] Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- [ ] Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- [ ] Climatological Factors Assessment
- [ ] Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design. based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan
- [ ] Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- [ ] Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- [ ] Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H2S, Prevention Plan
- [ ] Emergency Response Plan
- [ ] Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization
- [ ] Monitoring and Inspection Plan
- [ ] Erosion Control Plan
- [ ] Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Proposed Closure: 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.

Type: [ ] Drilling [ ] Workover [ ] Emergency [ ] Cavitation [ ] P&A [ ] Permanent Pit [X] Below-grade Tank [ ] Closed-loop System [ ] Alternative

Proposed Closure Method:
- [X] Waste Excavation and Removal **(Below-Grade Tank)**
- [ ] Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
- [ ] On-site Closure Method (only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)
  - [ ] In-place Burial [ ] On-site Trench
- [ ] Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)

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Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

- [X] Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)
- [X] Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- [X] Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC)
Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit #: _____

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit #: _____

Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?
☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:

☐ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specification - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Siting Criteria (Regarding on-site closure methods only: 19.15.17.10 NMAC

Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; satellite image	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal fee of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of the initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☐ No

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On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) ***Instructions: Each of the following items must bee attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
☐ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)
☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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Operator Application Certification:

I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): Crystal Tafoya Title: Regulatory Technician

Signature: Crystal Tafoya Date: 12/22/2008

e-mail address: crystal.tafoya@conocophillips.com Telephone: 505-326-9837

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OCD Approval: ☐ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: _____ **Approval Date:** _____

Title: _____ **OCD Permit Number:** _____

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Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.

☐ **Closure Completion Date:** _____

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Closure Method:

☐ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)

☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

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Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:

Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit Number: _____

Disposal Facility Name: _____ Disposal Facility Permit Number: _____

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations.

☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation

☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

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Closure Report Attachment Checklist: ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☐ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)

☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure)

☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)

☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)

☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)

☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number

☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation

☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

On-site Closure Location: Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____ NAD ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983

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Operator Closure Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is ture, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

e-mail address: _____ Telephone: _____

New Mexico Office of the State Engineer
POD Reports and Downloads

Township: 26N Range: 06W Sections:

NAD27 X: Y: Zone: Search Radius:

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Owner Name: (First) (Last) Non-Domestic Domestic All

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WATER COLUMN REPORT 08/20/2008

(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)
(quarters are biggest to smallest)

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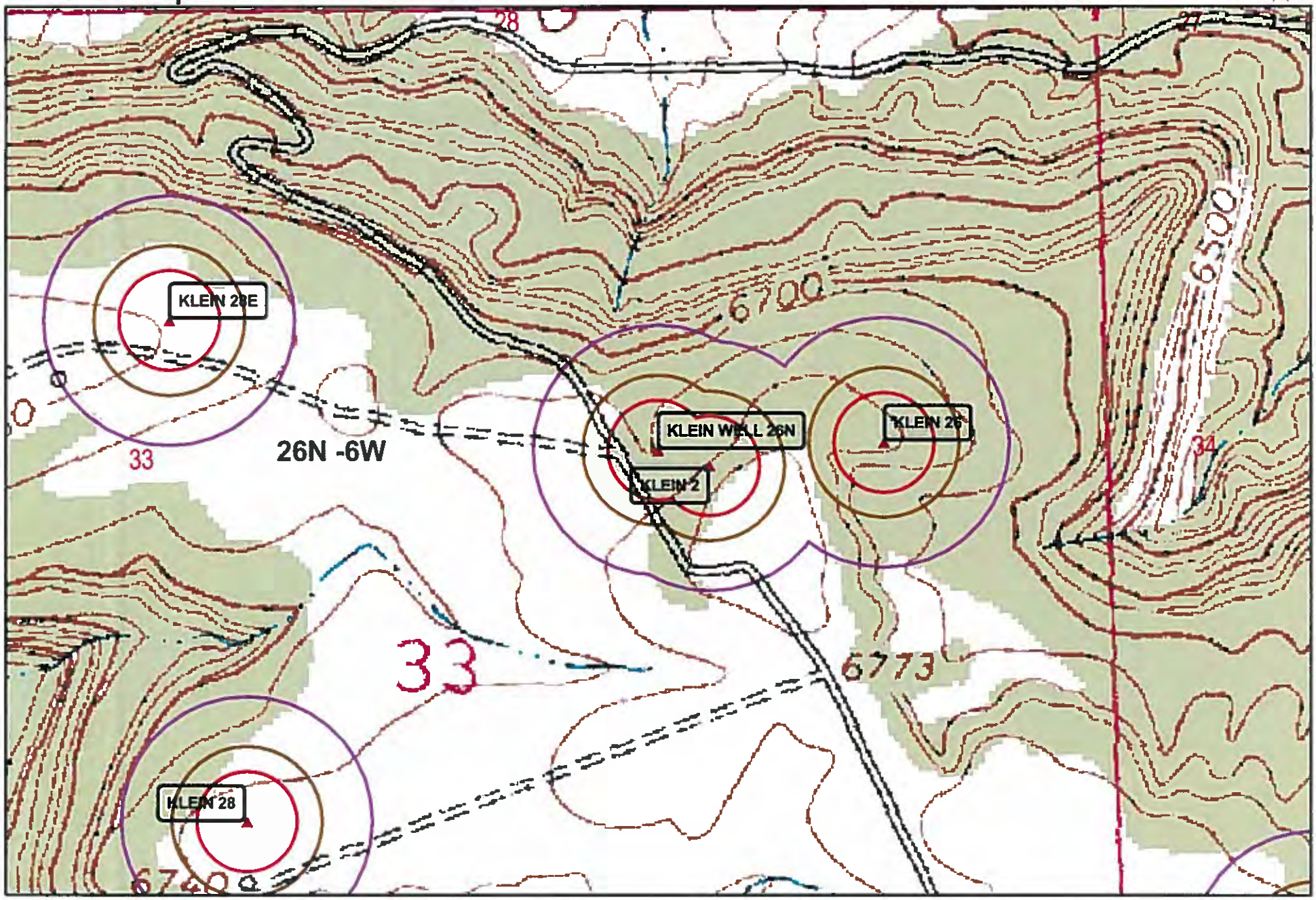
USGS TOPO MAP KLEIN WELL 26N



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http://wetlandswms.er.usgs.gov

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- Wetlands

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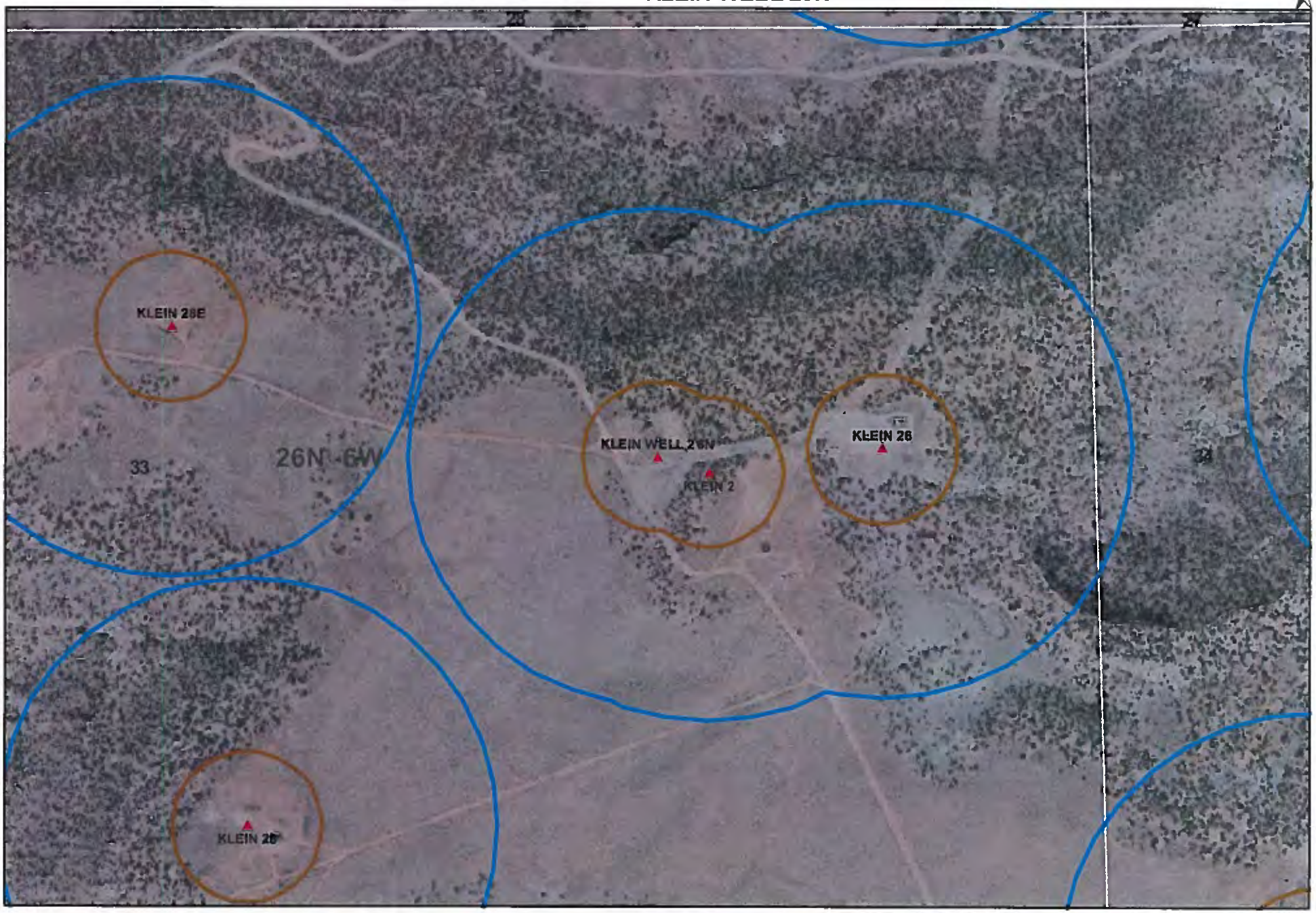
AERIAL MAP KLEIN WELL 26N



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Mines, Mills and Quarries Web Map

KLEIN WELL 26N

Unit Letter: , Section: 33, Town: 26N, Range: 6W

Mines, Mills & Quarries Commodity Groups

- Aggregate & Stone Mines
- Coal Mines
- Industrial Minerals Mines
- Industrial Minerals Mills
- Metal Mines and Mill Concentrate
- Potash Mines & Refineries
- Smelters & Refinery Ops.
- Uranium Mines
- Uranium Mills

Population

- Cities - major

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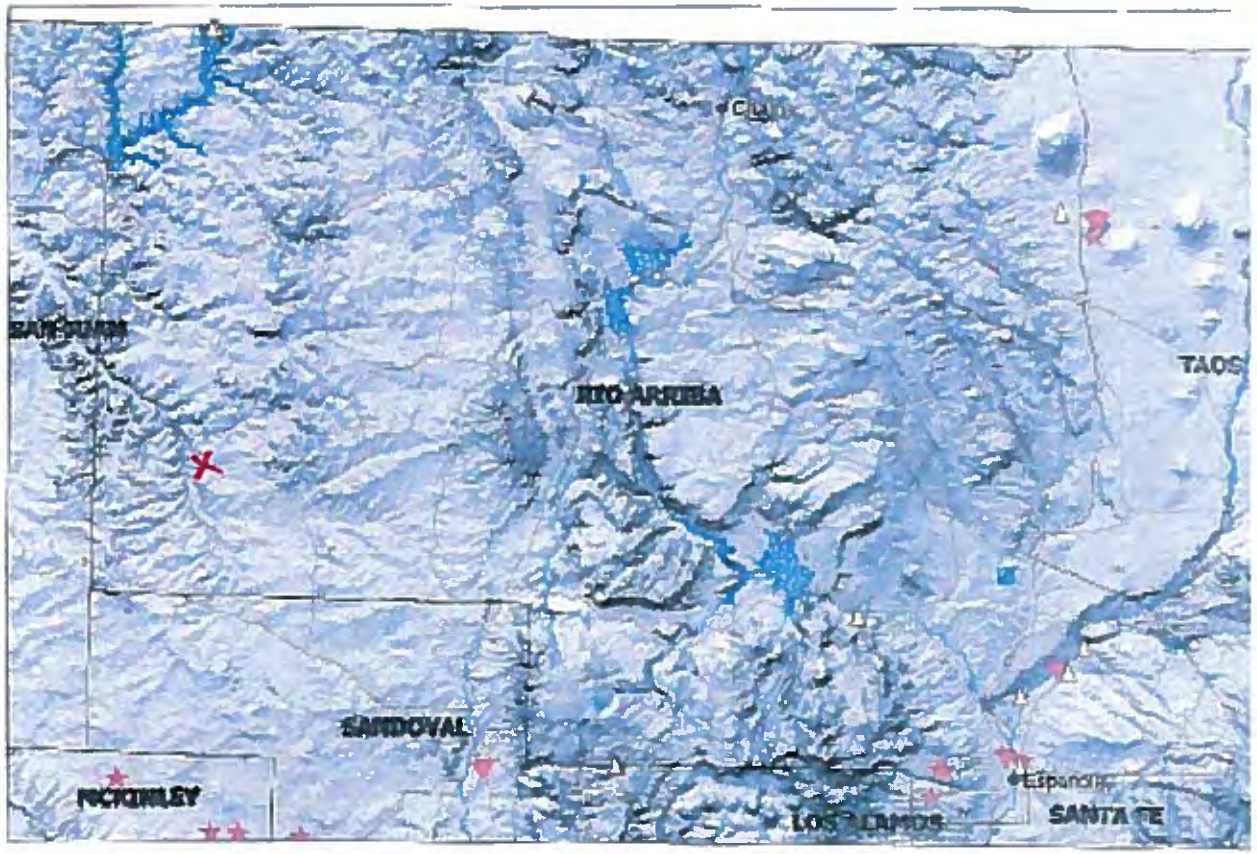

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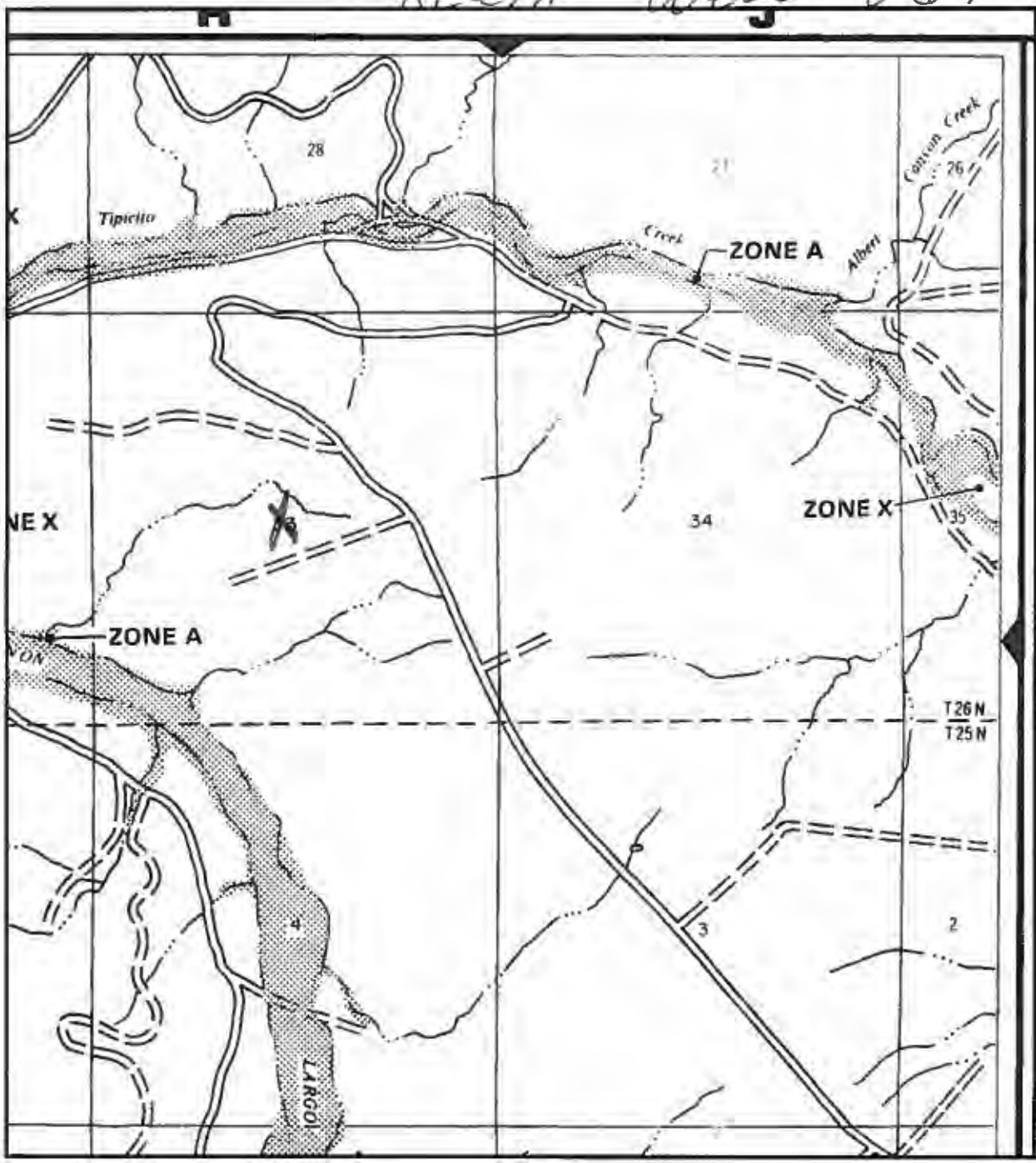
Klein Well 26 N



APPROXIMATE SCALE

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NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

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FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO
UNINCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 725 OF 1325
(SEE MAP INDEX FOR PANELS NOT PRINTED)

PANEL LOCATION

COMMUNITY-PANEL NUMBER
350049 0725 B

EFFECTIVE DATE:
JANUARY 5, 1999

Federal Emergency Management Agency

KLEIN WELL 26N

Site Specific Hydrogeology

A visual site inspection confirming the information contained herein was performed on the well 'KLEIN WELL 26N', which is located at 36.445299 degrees North latitude and 107.46942 degrees West longitude. This location is located on the Gonzales Mesa 7.5' USGS topographic quadrangle. This location is in section 33 of Township 26 North Range 6 West of the Public Land Survey System (New Mexico Principal Meridian). This location is located in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The nearest town is Nageezi, located 19.6 miles to the southwest. The nearest large town (population greater than 10,000) is Farmington, located 45.5 miles to the northwest (National Atlas). The nearest highway is State Highway 403, located 3.1 miles to the south. The location is on BLM land and is 3,692 feet from the edge of the parcel as notated in the BLM land status layer updated January 2008. This location is in the Blanco Canyon. New Mexico, Sub-basin. This location is located 2058 meters or 6750 feet above sea level and receives 10.5 inches of rain each year. The vegetation at this location is classified as Colorado Plateau Pinon-Juniper Woodland as per the Southwest Regional Gap Analysis Program.

The estimated depth to ground water at this point is 393 feet. This estimation is based on the data published on the New Mexico Engineer's iWaters Database website and water depth data from ConocoPhillips' cathodic wells. Groundwater data available from the NM State Engineer's iWaters Database for wells near the proposed site are attached. The nearest stream is 664 feet to the northwest and is classified by the USGS as an intermittent stream. The nearest perennial stream is named Tapicito Creek and is 2,758 feet to the north. The nearest water body is 6,187 feet to the southeast. It is classified by the USGS as an intermittent lake and is 0.2 acres in size. The nearest spring is 7,666 feet to the south. All stream, river, water body and spring information was determined as per the USGS Hydrographic Dataset (High Resolution), downloaded 3/2008. The nearest water well is 2,473 feet to the north. The nearest wetland is a 412.7 acre Ravine located 2,702 feet to the north. The slope at this location is 3 degrees to the northwest as calculated from USGS 30M National Elevation Dataset. This information is also discerned from the aerial and topographic map included. The surface geology at this location is SAN JOSE FORMATION--Siltstone, shale, and sandstone with a Sandstone dominated formations of all ages substrate. The soil at this location is 'Vessilla-Menefee-Orlie complex, 1 to 30 percent slopes' and is well drained and not hydric with severe erosion potential as taken from the NRCS SSURGO map unit, downloaded January 2008. The nearest underground mine is 27.8 miles to the north as indicated on the Mines, Mills and Quarries Map of New Mexico provided.

Regional Hydrogeological context:

The San Jose Formation of Eocene age occurs in New Mexico and Colorado, and its outcrop forms the land surface over much of the eastern half of the central basin. It overlies the Nacimiento Formation in the area generally south of the Colorado-New Mexico State line and overlies the Animas Formation in the area generally north of the State line. The San Jose Formation was deposited in various fluvial-type environments. In general, the unit consists of an interbedded sequence of sandstone, siltstone, and variegated shale. Thickness of the San Jose Formation generally increases from west to east (200 feet in the west and south to almost 2,700 feet in the center of the structural basin). Ground water is associated with alluvial and fluvial sandstone aquifers. Thus, the occurrence of ground water is mainly controlled by the distribution of sandstone in the formation. The distribution of such sandstone is the result of original depositional extent plus any post-depositional modifications, namely erosion and structural deformation. Transmissivity data for San Jose Formation are minimal. Values of 40 and 120 feet squared per day were determined from two aquifer tests (Stone et al, 1983, table 5). The reported or measured discharge from 46 water wells completed in San Jose Formation ranges from 0.15 to 61 gallons per minute and the median is 5 gallons per minute. Most of the wells provide water for livestock and domestic use. The San Jose Formation is a very suitable unit for recharge from precipitation because soils that form on the unit are sandy and highly permeable and therefore readily adsorb precipitation. However, low annual precipitation, relatively high transpiration and evaporation rates, and deep dissection of the San Jose Formation by the San Juan River and its tributaries all tend to reduce the effective recharge to the unit.

Stone et al., 1983, Hydrogeology and Water Resources of the San Juan Basin, New Mexico: Socorro, New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources Hydrologic Report 6, 70 p.