

District I
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

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
Revised June 6, 2013

For temporary pits, below-grade tanks, and multi-well fluid management pits, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.
For permanent pits submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

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

Type of action: ☐ Below grade tank registration
☐ Permit of a pit or proposed alternative method
☐ Closure of a pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
☒ Modification to an existing permit/or registration
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

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Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, 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.

1.
Operator: ENERVEST OPERATING, L.L.C. OGRID #: 143199
Address: 1001 FANNIN ST., STE. 800, HOUSTON, TX 77002
Facility or well name: JICARILLA CONTRACT 147 #SE
API Number: 30-039-23252 OCD Permit Number: 2773
U/L or Qtr/Qtr D Section 7 Township 25N Range SW County: RIO ARriba
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.41911 Longitude -107.40706 NAD: ☐ 1927 ☒ 1983
Surface Owner: ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☒ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.
☐ Pit: Subsection F, G or J of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Temporary: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Multi-Well Fluid Management Low Chloride Drilling Fluid ☐ yes ☐ no
☐ 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 _____

3.
☒ Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Tank #1 JK 8/9/2013
Volume: 95 bbl Type of fluid: PRODUCED WATER
Tank Construction material: STEEL
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☒ Visible sidewalls only ☒ Other SEE CLOSURE PLAN
Liner type: Thickness _____ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☒ Other BGT TO BE CLOSED PER NEW RULE

4.
☐ Alternative Method:
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

5.
Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, 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

6. **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)

7. **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 19.15.16.8 NMAC

8. **Variances 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:

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

9. **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. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.*

General siting

Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank.

- ☒ NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; ☐ USGS; ☐ Data obtained from nearby wells

☐ Yes ☐ No
☒ NA

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit.

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ NA

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. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within an unstable area. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- 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. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☐ No

Below Grade Tanks

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption;.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid (maximum chloride content 15,000 mg/liter)

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). (Applies to low chloride temporary pits.)

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet from a occupied 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 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 300feet 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 search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 100 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Temporary Pit Non-low chloride drilling fluid

Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse, or within 200 feet of any 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 spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in the existence at the time of the initial application;

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Permanent Pit or Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit

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 1000 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 spring or a fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, 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 500 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

10.

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.

- ☐ 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 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - 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 Number: _____ or Permit Number: _____

11.

Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit 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.

- ☐ 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
- ☐ A List of wells with approved application for permit to drill associated with the pit.
- ☐ 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
- ☐ Hydrogeologic Data - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: _____ or Permit Number: _____

12.

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

13.

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 ☒ Below-grade Tank ☐ Multi-well Fluid Management Pit
☐ Alternative
- Proposed Closure Method: ☒ Waste Excavation and Removal
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)
☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial
☐ Alternative Closure Method

14.

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.

- ☒ 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 C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☒ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)
☒ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☒ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

15.

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 require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Ground water is between 25-50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 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

16.

On-Site 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.*

- ☐ 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 E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection K 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 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements 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 H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

17.

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): BART TRAVINO

Title: REGULATORY ANALYST

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 8/13/13

e-mail address: BTRAVINO@ENERVEST.NET

Telephone: 713-659-3500

18.

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

OCD Representative Signature: [Signature]

Approval Date: 8/19/2013

Title: Compliance Officer

OCD Permit Number: _____

19.

Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): 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: _____

20.

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.

21.

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 for private land only)
☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)
☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)
☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)
☐ 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

Operator Closure Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, 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 **Water Column/Average Depth to Water**

No records found.

PLSS Search:

Township: 25N

Range: 05W

The data is furnished by the NMOSE/ISC and is accepted by the recipient with the expressed understanding that the OSE/ISC make no warranties, expressed or implied, concerning the accuracy, completeness, reliability, usability, or suitability for any particular purpose of the data.

EnerVest Operating, LLC (EV)

**BELOW-GRADE TANK
CLOSURE PLAN**

Rule 19.15.17.13

Before June 15, 2013, EV shall close, retrofit, or replace an existing below-grade tank that has not demonstrated integrity.

EV shall close a below-grade tank within the time periods provided in 19.15.17.13 NMAC, or by an earlier date that the division requires because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health or the environment.

- A. EV shall close an existing below-grade tank that does not meet the requirements of Subsection I, paragraphs (1) through (4), of 19.15.17.11 NMAC if not retrofitted to comply with said requirements prior to any sale or change of operator to 19.15.9.9 NMAC.

Any below-grade tank installed prior to June 16, 2008 that is single walled and where any portion of the tank sidewall is below the ground surface and not visible shall equip or retrofit the below-grade tank to comply with paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC, or close it, within 5 years after June 16, 2008.

Within 60 days of cessation of the permitted below-grade tanks operation or as required by Subsection B of 19.15.17.17 NMAC, EV shall close the below-grade tank in accordance with a closure plan that the appropriate division district office approves.

- E. Prior to implementing any closure operations EV shall research county tax records to determine the name and address of the surface owner of the properties involved. EV shall notify this surface owner via Certified U.S. Mail, return receipt requested, of their intent to close said below-grade tank.

Upon determination, EV will notify the appropriate district office verbally and in writing at least 72 hours but not more than one week prior to beginning work. Such notice shall contain at a minimum the following:

Operators Name
Unit letter, Section, Township, & Range of well
Well name and well number
API Number of well

- F. Within 60 days of completion of closure operations, EV will file Form C-144, with attachments, outlining the detailed operations of the closing operations. Such attachments shall include, but not limited to, proof of surface owner and division notifications, confirmation of sampling analysis, disposal facility names and permit numbers, soil backfilling and cover installation, re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques, and photo documentations.

- G. All free standing liquids and sludge will be removed at the start of the below-grade tank closure process from the below-grade tank and disposed of in one of the below division-approved facility as indicated below:

TNT Land Farm	Permit # NM-01-0008	Liquids & Sludge
Environtech Land Farm	Permit # NM-01-0011	Solids
AguaMoss	Permit # 247130	Liquids

EV will obtain prior approval from the division to dispose, recycle, reuse, or reclaim the below-grade tanks and provide documentation of the final disposition of the below-grade tank in the closure report.

Existing liners that are removed as a result of closure will be wiped cleaned and disposed of at a solid waste facility listed below in compliance with Subparagraph (M) of Paragraph (I) of Subsection C 19.15.35.8 NMAC..

San Juan Regional Landfill	Permit # SWM 052426 or
“	Special Waster Permit # SWM052433 “sp”

If there is any on-site equipment associated with a belowgrade tank, EV shall remove the equipment, unless the equipment is required for some other purpose .

Upon removal of the below-grade tank, EV will take, at a minimum, a five point composite sample from where the tank was sitting. EV shall collect individual grab samples will be taken from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release. All samples will be analyzed for the following:

Constituent	Method	Groundwater 51-100 FT	Old Standard
Chloride	EPA 300.0	10,000 mg/kg	250 Mg/kg
TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg	100 mg/kg
BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg	50 mg/kg
Benzene	EPA -SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg	0.2 mg/kg
GRO/DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015B	1,000 mg/kg	500 mg/kg

EV will insure that the results of all sampling shall be reported to the division on approved form C-141. EV understands that the division may require additional delineation upon review of the results.

If sampling demonstrates that concentrations specified above have NOT been exceeded, or that a release has NOT occurred, EV will backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material, construct a division prescribed soil cover, and recontour and re-vegetate the site. The division

prescribed soil cover, recontouring, and re-vegetation shall comply with 19.15.17.13.

If EV or the division determines that a release has occurred, EV shall fully comply with 19.15.29 NMAC and 19.15.30 NMAC as appropriate.

- H. Once EV has closed a below-grade tank, we shall reclaim the site to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. When possible, EV will restore the impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to oil and gas operations by the placement of soil cover.

If the closed area is within the confines of the pad location EV will blend the site to match the pad location as much as possible. Such activities shall prevent erosion, protect fresh water, human health and the environment. EV will obtain written agreement from the surface owner for any alternate re-vegetation proposals and submit to the division for final approval.

The soil cover design will be consistent with the requirements of 19.15.17.13(H)(1) and (3). The soil cover will consist of the background thickness of topsoil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, whichever is greater. The soil cover will be constructed to the site's existing grade and prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material.

EV will seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after closing the below grade tank. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. BLM or Forest Service stipulated seed mixes will be used on federal lands. Vegetative cover will equal 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (un-impacted) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintain that cover through two successive growing seasons. Repeat seeding or planting will be continued until successful vegetative growth occurs. During the two growing seasons that prove viability, there shall be no artificial irrigation of the vegetation.

EV shall notify the division when it has seeded or planted and when it successfully achieves re-vegetation.

EnerVest Operating, LLC (EV)

**BELOW-GRADE TANK
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- A. EV shall close an existing below-grade tank that does not meet the requirements of Subsection I, paragraphs (1) through (4), of 19.15.17.11 NMAC if not retrofitted to comply with said requirements prior to any sale or change of operator to 19.15.9.9 NMAC.

Any below-grade tank installed prior to June 16, 2008 that is single walled and where any portion of the tank sidewall is below the ground surface and not visible shall equip or retrofit the below-grade tank to comply with paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC, or close it, within 5 years after June 16, 2008.

Within 60 days of cessation of the permitted below-grade tanks operation or as required by Subsection B of 19.15.17.17 NMAC, EV shall close the below-grade tank in accordance with a closure plan that the appropriate division district office approves.

- E. Prior to implementing any closure operations EV shall research county tax records to determine the name and address of the surface owner of the properties involved. EV shall notify this surface owner via Certified U.S. Mail, return receipt requested, of their intent to close said below-grade tank.

Upon determination, EV will notify the appropriate district office verbally and in writing at least 72 hours but not more than one week prior to beginning work. Such notice shall contain at a minimum the following:

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Well name and well number
API Number of well

- F. Within 60 days of completion of closure operations, EV will file Form C-144, with attachments, outlining the detailed operations of the closing operations. Such attachments shall include, but not limited to, proof of surface owner and division notifications, confirmation of sampling analysis, disposal facility names and permit numbers, soil backfilling and cover installation, re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques, and photo documentations.

- G. All free standing liquids and sludge will be removed at the start of the below-grade tank closure process from the below-grade tank and disposed of in one of the below division-approved facility as indicated below:

TNT Land Farm	Permit # NM-01-0008	Liquids & Sludge
Environtech Land Farm	Permit # NM-01-0011	Solids
AguaMoss,	Permit # 247130	Liquids

EV will obtain prior approval from the division to dispose, recycle, reuse, or reclaim the below-grade tanks and provide documentation of the final disposition of the below-grade tank in the closure report.

Existing liners that are removed as a result of closure will be wiped cleaned and disposed of at a solid waste facility listed below in compliance with Subparagraph (M) of Paragraph (I) of Subsection C 19.15.35.8 NMAC..

San Juan Regional Landfill	Permit # SWM 052426 or
“	Special Waster Permit # SWM052433 “sp”

If there is any on-site equipment associated with a below-grade tank, EV shall remove the equipment, unless the equipment is required for some other purpose .

Upon removal of the below-grade tank, EV will take, at a minimum, a five point composite sample from where the tank was sitting. EV shall collect individual grab samples will be taken from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release. All samples will be analyzed for the following:

Constituent	Method	Groundwater 51-100 FT	Old Standard
Chloride	EPA 300.0	10,000 mg/kg	250 Mg/kg
TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	2,500 mg/kg	100 mg/kg
BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg	50 mg/kg
Benzene	EPA -SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg	0.2 mg/kg
GRO/DRO	EPA SW-846 Method 8015B	1,000 mg/kg	500 mg/kg

EV will insure that the results of all sampling shall be reported to the division on approved form C-141. EV understands that the division may require additional delineation upon review of the results.

If sampling demonstrates that concentrations specified above have NOT been exceeded, or that a release has NOT occurred, EV will backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material, construct a division prescribed soil cover, and recontour and re-vegetate the site. The division

prescribed soil cover, recontouring, and re-vegetation shall comply with 19.15.17.13.

If EV or the division determines that a release has occurred, EV shall fully comply with 19.15.29 NMAC and 19.15.30 NMAC as appropriate.

- H. Once EV has closed a below-grade tank, we shall reclaim the site to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. When possible, EV will restore the impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to oil and gas operations by the placement of soil cover.

If the closed area is within the confines of the pad location EV will blend the site to match the pad location as much as possible. Such activities shall prevent erosion, protect fresh water, human health and the environment. EV will obtain written agreement from the surface owner for any alternate re-vegetation proposals and submit to the division for final approval.

The soil cover design will be consistent with the requirements of 19.15.17.13(H)(2) and (4). If necessary, EV will remediate the soil beneath the below-grade tank to chloride concentrations less than 600 mg/kg as analyzed by EPA Method 300.0. The soil cover will consist of the background thickness of topsoil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, whichever is greater. The soil cover will be constructed to the site's existing grade and prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material.

EV will seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after closing the below grade tank. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. BLM or Forest Service stipulated seed mixes will be used on federal lands. Vegetative cover will be established to reflect a life-form ratio of plus or minus fifty percent (50%) of pre-disturbance levels and a total percent plant cover of at least seventy percent (70%) of pre-disturbance levels, not including noxious weeds. The disturbed area will be reseeded in the first favorable growing season following closure.

EV shall notify the division when it has seeded or planted and when it successfully achieves re-vegetation.