District 1
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.   Policy and a type registration
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 (PIT EXTENSION PERMIT)  Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
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 ordinance.
Operator: Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company LP  OGRID#: 14538  OIL CONS. DIV DIST. 3
Address: PO BOX 4289, Farmington, NM 87499  Facility or well name: HOWELL A 2P.  AUG 0 4 2014
Facility of weit finance. HOWELL A 3B
API Number: <u>30- 045-</u> 35575 OCD Permit Number:
U/L or Qtr/Qtr _C (NENW)_ Section09_ Township _30N Range _08W County: San Juan
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.831783 •N Longitude 107.684442•W NAD: □1927 ☑ 1983
Surface Owner:  Federal  State  Private  Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment
☑ 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       20       mil       ☑ LLDPE       ☐ PVC       ☐ Other         ☑ String-Reinforced         Liner Seams:       ☑ Welded       ☑ Factory       ☐ Other
<u> </u>
Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC   Please Note that though a bit further, Woodriver #2   has ground water @ 130ft.
Usible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other ☐ PVC ☒ Other ☐ PVC
Liner type: Thickness IIII   HDFE   FVC   Other
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

4' Field Fence w/ 1 strand barbed wire on top

Alternate. Please specify

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.	
<u>Variances and Exceptions:</u> 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.	
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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 acce,	m4.nk1.n.n.n.n
material are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.	olabie source
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
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
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. ( <b>Does not apply to below grade tanks</b> )  - 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
<ul> <li>Within an unstable area. (Does not apply to below grade tanks)</li> <li>Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology &amp; Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map</li> </ul>	☐ 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.	☐ Yes ☐ No
- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	
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
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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
<ul> <li>Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.</li> <li>Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image</li> </ul>	☐ 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
Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 N  Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the doc 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 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. and 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: or Permit Number:	nments are  NMAC  15.17.9 NMAC
II.	
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 doc attached.  Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  Design 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 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:	.15.17.9 NMAC
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<u>Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist</u> : 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	
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 F 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	luid Management Pit
14.	
Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be 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	
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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 soun provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. F 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	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ 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	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ NA
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. GW @ 571' - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ 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	☐ 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 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	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ⊠ No
Within 300 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	
Within incorporated municipal houndaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance	Yes No
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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
On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan 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.  Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 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  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	11 NMAC 15.17.11 NMAC
17. Operator Application Contification	
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 believes the complete to the best of my knowledge and believes the complete to the best of my knowledge.	ef.
Name (Print): Arleen White Title: Staff Regulatory Technician	
1 1221 Wish	
Signature: Date: 113114	
e-mail address: arleen.r.white@conocophillips.com  Telephone: 505-326-9517	
OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only) OCD Conditions (see attachment)  OCD Representative Signature:  Approval Date: 8/11/5  Title: OCD Permit Number:	2014
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 is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not 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-lo If different from approved plan, please explain.	op systems only)

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22. Operator Closure Certification:	
I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure repelled. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requireme	
Name (Print):	Title:
Signature:	Date:
e-mail address:	Telephone:

#### Howell A 3B (NEW DRILL)

Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP requests a variance for the items listed below. The requested variance, per 19.15.17.15.A, provides equal or better protection of fresh water, public health & the environment.

#### 1. Fencing

- Fencing as described in Section 5 under Alternate, BR will construct all new fences around
  the temporary pit utilizing 48" steel mesh field-fence (hogwire) on the bottom with a single
  strand of barbed wire on top. T-posts shall be installed every 12 feet and corners shall be
  anchored utilizing a secondary T-post. Temporary pits will be fenced at all times excluding
  drilling or work-over operations, when the front side of the fence will be temporarily removed
  for operational purposes.
  - If the pit is located within 1000 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church, BR will construct all new fences utilizing chain link security fence with two strands of barbed wire on top. T-posts shall be installed every 12 feet and corners shall be anchored utilizing a secondary T-post. Temporary pits will be fenced at all times excluding drilling or work-over operations, when the front side of the fence will be temporarily removed for operational purposes. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.

#### 2. Pit Marker

- BR will also be using a temporary Flat Pit Marker upon closure. The temporary pit will be located with a steel marker, no less than four inches in diameter, cemented in a hole three feet deep in the center of the onsite burial upon the abandonment of all the wells on the pad. The marker will be flush with the ground to allow access of the active well pad and for safety concerns. The marker will include a threaded collar to be used for future abandonment. The top of the marker will contain a welded steel 12" square plate that indicates the onsite burial of the temporary pit.
- The plate will be easily removable and a four foot tall riser will be threaded into the top of the collar marker and welded around the base with the operator's information at the time all wells on the pad are abandoned. The operator's information will include the following: Operator Name, Lease Name, Well Name and number, Unit Number, Section, Township, Range and an indicator that the marker is an onsite burial location.
- BR will notify Public Entity Surface Owners by email in lieu of certified mail. Private Entity Surface Owners will still be notified via certified mail.

#### White, Arleen R

From:

White, Arleen R

Sent:

Wednesday, July 09, 2014 12:37 PM

To:

Mark Kelly

Cc:

'Kelly, Jonathan, EMNRD'; Powell, Brandon, EMNRD

Subject:

HOWELL A 3B - BLM SURFACE OWNER NOTIFICATION

The subject well (HOWELL A 3B) will have a temporary pit that will be closed on-site. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Arleen

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## 2A-30-045-21976 300-30-045-26874

DATA SHEET FOR DEEP GROUND BED CATHODIC PROTECTION WELLS

NORTHWESTERN NEW MEXICO

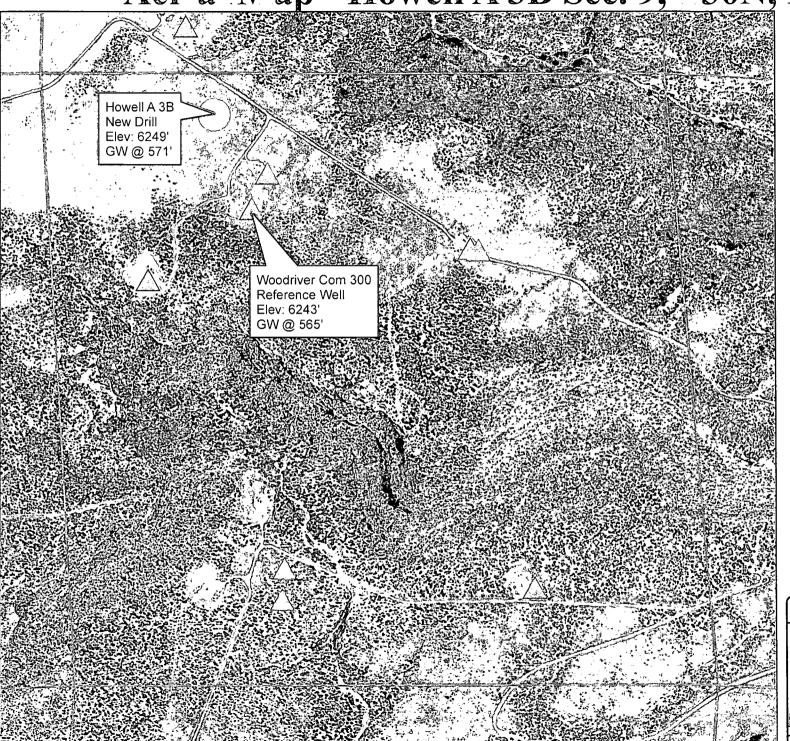
(Submit 3 copies to OCD Aztec Office)

Operator MERIDIAN OIL Location: Unit NW Sec. 9 Twp 30 Rng 8
Name of Well/Wells or Pipeline Serviced WOODRIVER #2A, WOODRIVER COM #300
cps 1458w
Elevation 6219 Completion Date 9/26/79 Total Depth 670 Land Type N/A
Casing, Sizes, Types & Depths N/A
If Casing is cemented, show amounts & types used N/A
If Cement or Bentonite Plugs have been placed, show depths & amounts used
Depths & thickness of water zones with description of water when possible: Fresh, Clear, Salty, Sulphur, Etc. (565')
Depths gas encountered: N/A
Type & amount of coke breeze used: 75 SACKS
Depths anodes placed:590', 585', 550', 545', 540', 535', 530', 525', 520', 455'
Depths vent pipes placed: 610'
Vent pipe perforations: 400' WAY 31 1991.
Remarks: gb #1 ON CON. DIV. I

If any of the above data is unavailable, please indicate so. Copies of all logs, including Drillers Log, Water Analyses & Well Bore Schematics should be submitted when available. Unplugged abandoned wells are to be included.

\*Land Type may be shown: F-Federal; I-Indian; S-State; P-Fee. If Federal or Indian, add Lease Number.

Topo Nap - Howell A 3B Sec. 9, T30N, R8W Legend DSM iWater Howell A 3B New Drill POD WATERS Elev: 6249' GW @ 571' Hydrogeologic **COP** Cathodic Woodriver Com 300 Reference Well Elev: 6243' GW @ 565' ConocoPhillips New drill well is 6' higher in elevation than the reference well. New drill GW @ 571'. Aer'a Nap-Howell A 3B Sec. 9, '30N, R8W Legend





DSM



iWater





Hydrogeologic

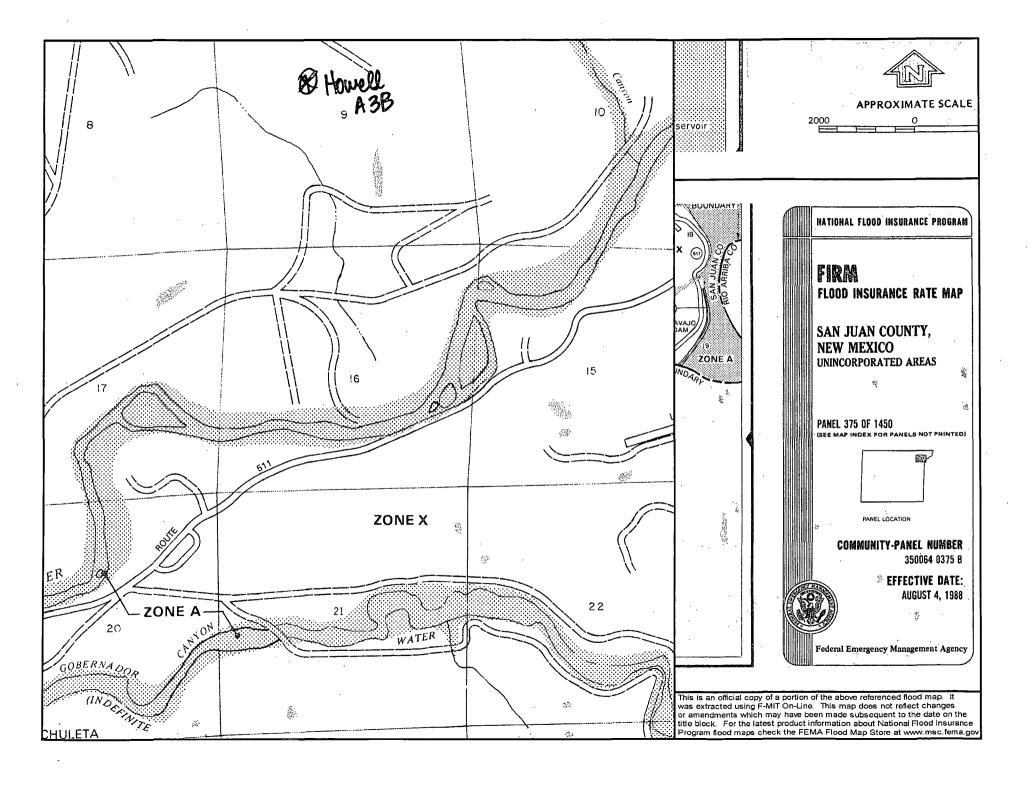


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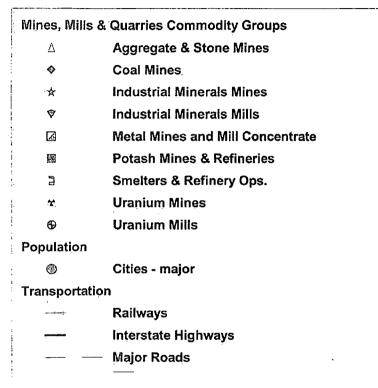


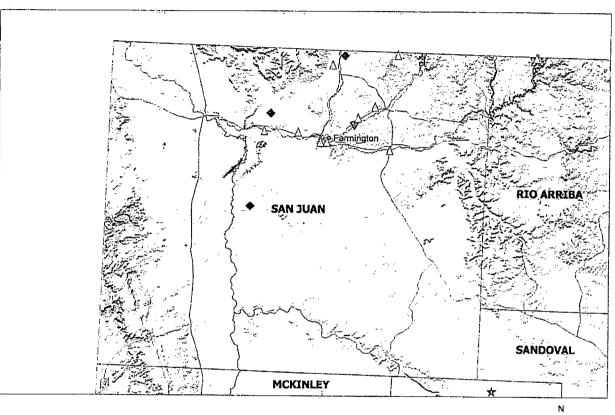
### ConocoPhillips

New drill well is 6' higher in elevation than the reference well. New drill GW @ 571'.



## Mines, Mills and Quarries









#### **PIT Siting Criteria and Compliance Demonstrations**

Well Name:	Howell A 3B	
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1. Depth to groundwater (should not be less than 25 feet):

Depth to groundwater is >100'. The Woodriver Com 300 cathodic reference well has an elevation of 6243' with a ground water depth of (565') as indicated in the Cathodic Groundbed Data sheet attached. The subject well is 6' higher in elevation making depth to groundwater 571'.

2. <u>Distance to watercourse (should not be within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse other significant watercourse or 200 feet from lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake):</u>

Aerial map attached indicates that there are no lakebeds, sinkholes, playa lakes, or watercourses within 200 feet of the proposed pit.

3. <u>Distance to buildings (should not be within 300 feet of any permanent buildings):</u>

Aerial map attached indicates that the pit will not be within 300 feet of any of these locations.

4. <u>Distance to springs or wells (should not be within 300 feet of a private, domestic fresh</u> water well or spring used by less than five (5) households or within 300 feet of any other fresh water well or spring):

Aerial map attached indicates that the pit will not be within 300 feet of any recorded well or spring.

5. <u>Location within a 100 year floodplain (should not be located within a 100 year floodplain)</u>

FEMA map attached indicates that the pit will not be within a 100 year floodplain.

6. Distance to wetlands (should not be within 300 feet):

During initial onsite the well pad was evaluated for Wetland proximity. No wetland was identified within 300 feet of the proposed well pad. See attached Aerial map.

7. Location above subsurface mine (should not overlie a subsurface mine):

The pit will not overlie a mine. The 2010 Mines, Mills, and Quarries map attached indicates that there are no subsurface mines in the area.

8. Presence within unstable area (should not be within an unstable area):

The attached topographic map indicates that the location will not be within an unstable area.

#### Hydrogeological Report for Howell A 3B

#### **Regional Geological context:**

The Nacimiento Formation is of Paleocene age (Baltz, 1967, p. 35). It crops out in a broad band inside the southern and western margins of the central basin and in a narrow band along the west face of the Nacimiento Uplift. The Nacimiento is a nonresistant unit and typically erodes to low, rounded hills or forms badland topography.

The Nacimiento Formation occurs in approximately only the southern two-thirds of the San Juan Basin where it conformably overlies and intertongues with the Ojo Alamo Sandstone (Fassett, 1974, p. 229). The Nacimiento Formation grades laterally into the main part of the Animas Formation (Fassett and Hinds, 1971, p. 34); thus, in this area, the two formations occupy the same stratigraphic interval.

Strata of the Nacimiento Formation were deposited in lakebeds in the central basin area with lesser deposition in stream channels (Brimhall, 1973, p. 201). In general, the Nacimiento consists of drab, interbedded black and gray shale with discontinuous, white, medium- to very coarse grained arkosic sandstone (Stone e al., 1983, p.30). Stone et al. indicated that the formation may contain more sandstone than commonly reported because some investigators assume the slope-forming strata in the unit area shales, whereas in many places the strata actually are poorly consolidated sandstones. Total thickness of the Nacimiento Formation ranges from about 500 to 1,300 feet. The unit generally thickens from the basin margins toward the basin center (Steven et al., 1974). The sandstone deposits within the Nacimiento Formation are much thinner than the total thickness of the formation because their environment of deposition was localized stream channels (Brimhall, 1973, p. 201). The thickness of the combined San Jose, Animas, and Nacimiento Formations ranges from 500 to more than 3.500 feet.

#### **Hydraulic Properties:**

Reported well yields for 53 wells completed in either the Animas or Nacimiento Formations range from 2 to 90 gallons per minute and the median yield is 7.5 gallons per minute. The primary use of water from Nacimiento and Animas Formations is domestic and livestock supplies. There are no known aquifer tests for the Animas or Nacimiento Formations, but specific capacities reported for six wells range from 0.24 to 2.30 gallons per minute per foot of drawdown (Levings et al., 1990).

The Animas and Nacimiento Formations are in many ways hydrologically similar to the San Jose Formation because sands in both units produce approximately the same quantities of water. However, the greater percentage of fine materials in the Animas and Nacimiento Formations may restrict downward vertical leakage to the Ojo Alamo Sandstone or Kirtland Shale. The poorly cemented fine material is highly erodible, forms a badland terrain, and supports only spotty vegetation. These conditions are more conductive to runoff than retention of precipitation.

#### References:

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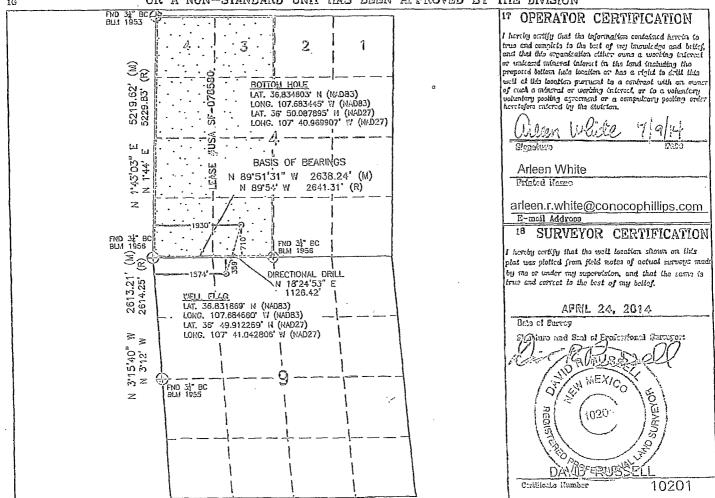
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#### BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS COMPANY LP WELL FLAG HOWELL A #3B LATITUDE: 36.831869° N 359' FNL & 1574' FWL LONGITUDE: 107.684660° W LOCATED IN THE NE/4 NW/4 OF SECTION 9. **CENTER OF PIT** LATITUDE: 36.831783° N T30N, R8W, N.M.P.M., SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO LONGITUDE: 107.684442° W 60 **GROUND ELEVATION: 6249', NAVD 88** ELEVATION: 6235.61 FINISHED PAD ELEVATION: 6247.6', NAVD 88 DATUM: NAD83 & NAVD88 SCALE = 60' 1.) BASIS OF BEARING: BETWEEN FOUND MONUMENTS AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER AND THE NORTH OUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 9. TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE B WEST, N.A.P.M. SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. LINE BEARS: N 89'51'31" VI A DISTANCE OF 2636.24 FEET AS MEASURED BY G.P.S. B' C-5.5 C-8.4 EXISTING PIPELINE 2.) LATITUDE, LONGITUDE AND ELLIPSOIDAL HEIGHT BASED ON AZTEC CORS L1 PHASE CENTER DISTANCES SHOWN ARE GROUND DISTANCES USING A TRAVERSE MERCATOR EXISTING F+3.7 2:1 Slopes Reserve Ptt Deep Positivo droin PROJECTION FROM A YIGSB4 ELLIPSOID, CONVERTED TO NADB3. NAVDBB ELEVATIONS AS PREDICTED BY to receive pit. CENTER OF PIT õ ā 12' Deep 9 3.) LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES DEPICTED ARE APPROXIMATE. PRIOR TO EXCAVATION UNDERGROUND UTILITIES 0 SHOULD BE FIELD VERIFIED. ALL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE FIELD VERIFIED WITH NEW MEXICO ONE-CALL AUTHORITIES AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION. RIG ANCHOR RIG ANCHOR 15' REAR 4.) T-POSTS HAVE BEEN SET TO DEFINE THE EDGE OF DISTURBANCE LIMITS WHICH ARE 50' OFFSETS FROM THE EDGE OF THE STAKED WELL PAD. LAYDOWN F+4.2 Wellhead to back Wellhead to front 5 34"16'49" W 3 110 01 E 5 34 14 29" W 140' 1901 C-1.9 250 SLOPES TO BE CONSTRUCTED TO MATCH 0 $\circ$ THE ORIGINAL CONTOURS Wellhead to side RIG ANCHOR RIG ANCHOR AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE. ±56 LF OF NEW ACCESS ACROSS BLM LANDS TO EXISTING ROAD 130 △ PROPOSED CPS ~ SURFACE OWNERSHIP ~ LAT: 36,832235' N LONG 107.684672" W BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT <u>∤</u>@F+9.2 ĻF+6.0 В C - 0.3TOTAL PERMITTED AREA 330' x 400' = 3.03 ACRES nont: RESERVE PIT DIKE: TO BE B' ABOVE DEEP SIDE (OVERFLOW - 3' WIDE AND 1' ABOVE SHALLOW SIDE). Scarpion Story & Caractic LLC. SCALE: 1" = 60" SCORPION SURVEY & CONSULTING, LLC., INC. IS NOT LIABLE FOR UNDERGROUND UTILITIES OR PIPPLAGES 302 S. Ash JOB No.: COPC489 CONTRACTOR SHOULD CALL ONE-CALL FOR LOCATION OF ANY MARKED OR LAMMARKED, BURIED PHYDLINES OR Aztoc, New Mexico 87410 DATE: 05/07/14 CABLES ON WELL PAD, IN CONSTRUCTION ZONE AND/OR ACCESS ROAD AT LEAST TWO (2) WORKING DAYS PRIOR (505) 334-4607 TO CONSTRUCTION. DRAWN BY: TWT

#### Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP San Juan Basin

#### Maintenance and Operating Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 the following information describes the operation and maintenance of temporary pits on Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company, LP (BR) locations. This is BR's standard procedure for all temporary pits. A separate plan will be submitted for any temporary pit which does not conform to this plan.

#### General Plan:

- 1. BR will operate and maintain a temporary pit to contain liquids and solids and maintain the integrity of the liner and liner system to prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and environment.
- 2. BR will conserve drilling fluids by transferring liquids to pits ahead of the rigs whenever possible. All other drilling fluids will be disposed at Basin Disposal Inc., permit # NM-01-005.
- 3. BR will not discharge or store any hazardous waste in any temporary pit.
- 4. If any pit liner's integrity is compromised, or if any penetration of the liner occurs above the liquid's surface, then BR shall notify the Aztec Division office by phone or email within 48 hours of the discovery and repair the damage or replace the liner.
- 5. If a leak develops below the liquid's level, BR will remove all liquids above the damaged liner within 48 hours and repair the damage or replace the liner, notify the appropriate division office pursuant to 19.15.29 NMAC.
  - A Major Release shall be reported by giving both immediate verbal notice and timely written notice by filing form C-141 within 15 days pursuant to Subsection C, Paragraphs (1) and (2) of 19.15.29.7.A NMAC. A Major Release is:
  - (a) An unauthorized release of a volume, excluding natural gases, in excess of 25 barrels;
    - (b) An unauthorized release of any volume which:
      - (i) results in a fire;
      - (ii) will reach a water course;
      - (iii) may with reasonable probability endanger public health; or
      - (iv) results in substantial damage to property or the environment;
  - (c) An unauthorized release of natural gases in excess of 500 mcf; or
  - (d) A release of any volume which may with reasonable probability be detrimental to water or cause an exceedance of the standards in Section 19, Subsections A, B, C of 19.15.30.9 NMAC.
  - A Minor Release shall be reported by giving timely written notice by the filing of form C-141 within 15 days pursuant to 19.15.29.7 NMAC. A Minor Release is an unauthorized release of a volume, greater than 5 barrels but not more than 25 barrels; or greater than 50 mcf but less than 500 mcf of natural gases.
- 6. The liner shall be protected from any fluid force or mechanical damage through the use of mud pit slides, or a manifold system.
- 7. The pit shall be protected from run-on by constructing and maintaining diversion ditches around the location or around the perimeter of the pit in some cases.
- 8. BR shall immediately remove any visible layer of oil from the surface of the temporary pit after cessation of a drilling or workover operation. Oil absorbent booms will be utilized to contain and remove oil from the pit's surface. An oil absorbent boom will be stored on-site until closure of pit.
- 9. Only fluids generated during the drilling or workover process may be discharged into a temporary pit.
- 10. BR will maintain the temporary pit free of miscellaneous solid waste or debris.
- 11. While a rig is on location, BR will inspect the temporary pit at least once daily to ensure compliance with this plan. Inspections will be logged in the IADC reports. BR will file this log with the Aztec Division office upon closure of the pit.

- 12. After drilling operations, BR will inspect the temporary pit weekly so long as liquids remain in the temporary pit. A log of the inspections will be stored at BR's office electronically and will be filed with the Aztec Division office upon closure of the pit.
- 13. BR shall maintain at least two feet of freeboard for a temporary pit.
- 14. BR shall remove all free liquids from a temporary pit within 60 days from the date the operator releases the drilling rig.
- 15. BR shall remove all free liquids from a cavitation pit within 48 hours after completing cavitation. BR may request additional time to remove liquids from the Aztec Division office if it is not feasible to remove liquids within 48 hours.

# Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP San Juan Basin Pit Design and Construction Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 the following information describes the design and construction of temporary pits on Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company, LP (BR) locations. This is BR's standard procedure for all temporary pits. A separate plan will be submitted for any temporary pit which does not conform to this plan.

#### General Plan:

- 1. BR will design and construct a properly sized and approved temporary pit which will contain liquids and solids and should prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and environment.
- 2. Prior to constructing the pit, (except a pit constructed in an emergency), topsoil will be stockpiled for use as the final cover at the time of closure.
- 3. BR will sign the well location in compliance with 19.15.17.11.C NMAC.
- 4. BR will construct all new fences around the temporary pit utilizing 48" steel mesh field-fence (hogwire) on the bottom with a single strand of barbed wire on top. T-posts shall be installed every 12 feet and corners shall be anchored utilizing a secondary T-post. Temporary pits will be fenced at all times excluding drilling or workover operations, when the front side of the fence will be temporarily removed for operational purposes.
  - If pit is located within 1000 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church, BR will construct all new fences utilizing 72" chain link security fence on the bottom with two strands of barbed wire on top. T-posts shall be installed every 12 feet and corners shall be anchored utilizing a secondary T-post. Temporary/permanent pits will be fenced at all times excluding drilling or workover operations, when the front side of the fence will be temporarily removed for operational purposes. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.
- 5. BR shall construct the temporary pit so that the foundation and interior slopes are firm and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent liner failure.
- 6. BR shall construct the pit so that the slopes are no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H:1V).
- 7. Pit walls will be walked down by a crawler type tractor following construction.
- 8. All temporary pits will be lined with a 20-mil, string reinforced, LLDPE liner, complying with EPA SW-846 method 9090A requirements.
- 9. Geotextile will be installed beneath the liner when rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities cannot be avoided.
- 10. All liners will be anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench at least 18 inches deep.
- 11. BR will minimize liner seams and orient them up and down, not across a slope. Factory seams will be used whenever possible. BR will ensure all field seams are welded by qualified personnel. Field seams will be overlapped four to six inches and will be oriented parallel to the line of maximum slope. BR will minimize the number of field seams in corners and irregularly shaped areas.
- 12. The liner shall be protected from any fluid force or mechanical damage through the use of mud pit slides, or a manifold system.
- 13. The pit shall be protected from run-on by constructing and maintaining diversion ditches around the location or around the perimeter of the pit in some cases.
- 14. The volume of the pit shall not exceed 10 acre-feet, including freeboard.
- 15. Temporary blow pits will be constructed to allow gravity flow to discharge into lined drill pit.
- 16. The lower half of the blow pit (nearest lined pit) will be lined with a 20-mil, string reinforced, LLDPE liner. The upper half of the blow pit will remain unlined as allowed in Rule 19.15.17.11 F.11.
- 17. BR will not allow freestanding liquids to remain on the unlined portion of a temporary blow pit.

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#### Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP San Juan Basin Closure Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 NMAC the following information describes the closure requirements of temporary pits on Burlington Resources Oil Gas Company LP (BR)locations. This is BR's standard procedure for all temporary pits. A separate plan will be submitted for any temporary pit which does not conform to this plan.

All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted to NMOCD within 60 days of closure of pit. Closure report will be filed on C-144 and incorporate the following:

- Details on Capping and Covering, where applicable.
- Plot Plan (Pit Diagram)
- Inspection Reports
- Sampling Results
- C-105
- Copy of Deed Notice will be filed with County Clerk for Fee Wells

#### General Plan:

- 1. All free standing liquids will be removed at the start of the pit closure process from the pit and disposed of in a division—approved facility or recycle, reuse or reclaim the liquids in a manner that the appropriate division district office approves. The facilities to be used will be Basin Disposal (Permit #NM-01-005) and Envirotech Land Farm (Permit #NM-01-011).
- 2. The preferred method of closure for all temporary pits will be in-place burial, assuming that all the criteria listed in 19.15.17.13.D are met.
- 3. The surface owner shall be notified of BR's closing of the temporary pit within 72 hours, but not more than one week, prior to closure via certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 4. Within 6 months of the Rig Off status occurring BR will ensure that temporary pits are closed, re-contoured, and reseeded.
- 5. Notice of Closure will be given prior to closure to the Aztec Division office within 72 hour, but not more than and one week, via email and verbally. The notification of closure will include the following:
  - i. Operator's name
  - ii. Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range. Well name and API number.
- 6. Pit contents will be mixed with non-waste containing, earthen material in order to achieve the solidification process. The solidification process will be accomplished using a combination of natural drying and mechanically mixing. Pit contents will be mixed with non-waste, earthen material to a consistency that is deemed a safe and stable. The mixing ratio shall not exceed 3 parts clean soil to 1 part pit contents and must pass the paint filter liquids test (EPA SW-846, Method 9095) or other test methods approved by the division.
- 7. BR will collect, at a minimum, a five point composite sample of the temporary pit contents to demonstrate that, after the waste is solidified or stabilized with soil or other non-waste material at a ratio of no more than 3:1 soil or other non-waste material to waste, the concentration of any contaminant in the stabilized waste is not higher than the parameters listed in table II of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.
- 8. BR will fold the outer edges of the liner to overlap the waste material prior to the installation of a geomembrane cover. Install a geomembrane cover over the waste material in the lined temporary pit and in a manner that prevents the collection of infiltration water in the lined temporary pit and on the geomembrane cover after the coil cover is in place; the geomembrane cover shall consist of a 20-mil string reinforced LLDPE liner or equivalent cover that the appropriate division district office approves; the geomembrane cover shall be composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions; cover compatibility shall comply with EPA SW -845 Method 9090A.

- 9. Upon completion of solidification and testing standards being passed, the pit area will be backfilled with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material. A minimum of four feet of non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material with chloride concentrations less that 600 mg/kg as analyzed by EPA Method 300.0. The soil cover shall include either the background thickness of topsoil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, whichever is greater. [19.15.17.13 H.3]
- 10. During the stabilization process if the liner is ripped by equipment the Aztec NMOCD office will be notified within 48 hours and the liner will be repaired if possible. If the liner can not be repaired then all contents will be excavated and removed.
- 11. Dig and Haul Material will be transported to the Envirotech Land Farm located 16 miles south of Bloomfield on Angel Peak Road, CR 7175. Permit # NM01001.
- 12. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding. Reshaping will include drainage control, prevent ponding, and prevent erosion. Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be place in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final re-contour shall have a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.
- 13. For those portions of the former temporary pit area no longer needed for production activities, BR will seed the disturbed areas the first favorable growing season after the temporary pit is covered. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical, or by other Division-approved methods. BR will notify the division when reclamation and revegetation is complete.

Reclamation of the temporary pit area will be considered complete when:

- Vegetative cover reflects a life form ratio of +/- 50% of pre-disturbance levels.
- Total percent plant cover of at least 70% of pre-disturbance levels (Excluding noxious weeds).

OR

- Pursuant to 19.15.17.13.H.D, BR will comply with obligations imposed by other applicable federal or tribal agencies in which their re-vegetation and reclamation requirements provide equal or better protection of water, human health and the environment.
- 14. The temporary pit will be located with a steel marker, no less than four inches in diameter, cemented in a hole three feet deep in the center of the onsite burial upon the abandonment of all the wells on the pad. The marker will be flush with the ground to allow access of the active well pad and for safety concerns. The marker will include a threaded collar to be used for future abandonment. The top of the marker will contain a welded steel 12" square plate that indicates the onsite burial of the temporary pit.
  - The plate will be easily removable and a four foot tall riser will be threaded into the top of the collar marker and welded around the base with the operator's information at the time all wells on the pad are abandoned. The operator's information will include the following: Operator Name, Lease Name, Well Name and number, Unit Number, Section, Township, Range and an indicator that the marker is an onsite burial location.

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TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	100 mg/kg
втех	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg
Chloride	EPA Method 300.0	40,000 mg/kg
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	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg
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	втех	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8015M	10 mg/kg

<sup>\*</sup>Or other test methods approved by the division

<sup>\*\*</sup>Numerical limits or natural background level, whichever is greater [19.15.17.13 NMAC - Rp, 19.15.17.13 NMAC, 6/28/13]