

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

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

Form C-141
Revised August 8, 2011

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company WPX Energy Production	Contact Karolina Blaney	
Address PO Box 640	Telephone No. 970 683 2295	
Facility Name Chaco 264-H	Facility Type Well Site	
Surface Owner BLM	Mineral Owner BLM	API No. 30-039-31287

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter L	Section 5	Township 23N	Range 6W	Feet from the	North/South Line 1345'	Feet from the	East/West Line 259'	County Rio Arriba
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Latitude 36.250107 Longitude -107.500528

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release Produced Water	Volume of Release 280 BBLS	Volume Recovered 260 BBLS
Source of Release: A valve failed on an offline tank.	Date and Hour of Occurrence 5-16-15 13:00	Date and Hour of Discovery 5-16-15 13:00
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Brandon Powell NMOCD, Cory Smith, NMOCD & Shari Ketcham NMBLM	
By Whom? Vanessa Fields	Date and Hour 5-16-15 at 13:40 pm	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse. N/A	
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.* N/A		

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Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*

The valve blew open while the contractor was attempting to transfer drilling mud back into the mud pits.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*

- When the release occurred, WPX drilling personnel, already on-site, had vac trucks dispatched to the location to recover the drilling mud,
- Dirt berms were constructed to contain the spill
- Due to the short period of time that the mud was inside the containment structure, ~260 bbls of the lost fluids were recovered.
- No fluids migrated off the location.
- The impacted area was excavated and the impacted soil is temporarily stored in roll-off bins pending disposal.
- The excavated area will be sampled for TPH, BTEX and chlorides
- The compromised valve will be evaluated and replaced with a new one

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD 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 NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD 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.

Signature: <i>Karolina Blaney</i>	OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION	
Printed Name: Karolina Blaney	Approved by Environmental Specialist: <i>[Signature]</i>	
Title: Environmental Specialist	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:

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E-mail Address: Karolina.blaney@wpxenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 5/21/15 Phone: 970 683 2295		

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary