

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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PIT REMEDIATION AND CLOSURE REPORT

Risk
Block

Operator: Burlington Resources (Williams Field Services) Telephone: (801) 584-6361
Address: P O. Box 58900, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900
WellName: SJ 27-5 UNIT #78 (73417)
Location: Unit or Qtr/Qtr Sec *D* Sec 5 T 27N R 5W County Rio Arriba
PitType Dehydrator
LandType: BLM

Pit Location: Pit dimensions: length 20 ft., width 17 ft., depth 7 ft.
(Attach diagram)

Reference: Wellhead

Footage from reference: 86 ft.

Direction from reference: 60 Degrees West of South

Depth To Ground Water: Less than 50 feet (20 points)
(Vertical distance from 50 feet to 99 feet (10 points)
contaminants to seasonal high water elevation of ground Greater than 100 feet (0 points) 10
water)

Wellhead Protection Area: Yes (20 points)
(Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or; less than 1000 feet from No (0 points) 0
all other water sources)

Distance To Surface Water: Less than 200 feet (20 points)
(Horizontal distance to perennial 200 feet to 1,000 feet (10 points)
lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, creeks, Greater than 1,000 feet (0 points) 0
irrigation canals and ditches)

Ranking Score (TOTAL POINTS): 10

Date Remediation Started: 11/26/96

Date Completed: 2/28/97

Remediation Method: Excavation ☒

Approx. Cubic Yard 90

(check all appropriate sections)

Landfarmed ☒

Insitu Bioremediation ☐

Other

Landfarmed soil after mechanical aeration.

Remediation Location:

Onsite ☒ Offsite

(ie. landfarmed onsite, name and location of offsite facility)

General Description Of Remedial Action:

The pit was excavated to remove gross petroleum contamination. The excavated material was mechanically aerated, mixed with fertilizer, and placed into an onsite landfarm. After remediation goals were confirmed, the soil was returned to the excavation.

Ground Water Encountered: No

Final Pit:

Closure Sampling:

(if multiple samples, attach sample results and diagram of sample locations and depths)

Sample location SJ 27-5 #78 V-EX-01

A composite sample, made up of 4 points from each excavation face, was collected.

Sample depth Up to 7 feet.

Sample date 12/4/96

Sample time 14:15

Sample Result

Benzene (ppm) 0.97

Total BTEX (ppm) 162

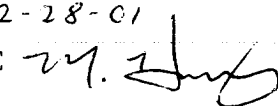
Field Headspace (ppm)

TPH (ppm) 8,430

Ground Water Sample: No

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

DATE 12-28-01

SIGNATURE 

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Mark Harvey for Williams Field Services
Project Coord.

PIT RETIREMENT FORM

73417

Date: 11/2/90

Well Name SJ 27-5 #78 Operator BURLINGTON RESOURCES Sec 5 T. 27N R. 5W UL 1460E

Land Type: BLM STATE FEE INDIAN

County RIO ARriba

One Call Made (505-765-1234)? Y N

Line Marking Evident? Y N

Pit Location:

Reference Wellhead X Other _____

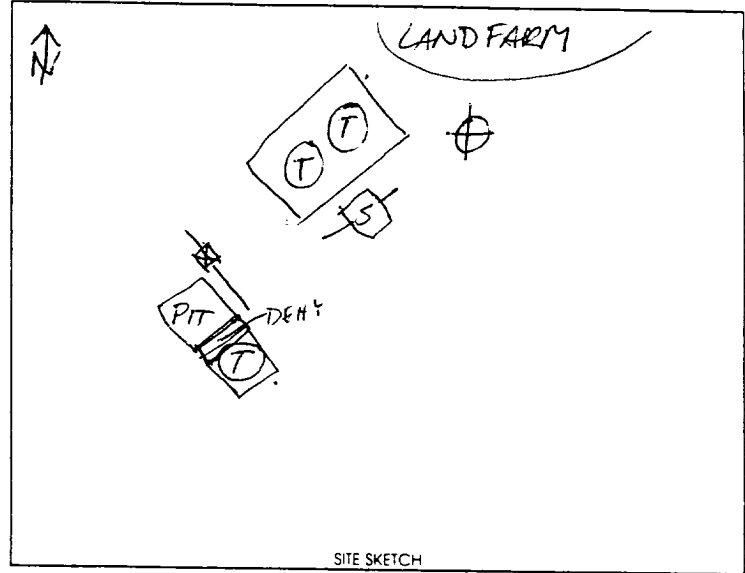
Distance from: 86'

Direction: 60° Degrees _____ E _____ N _____

of
X W S X

Starting Pit Dimensions 10' x 10' x 2'

Final Pit Dimensions 20' x 17' x 7'



SITE SKETCH

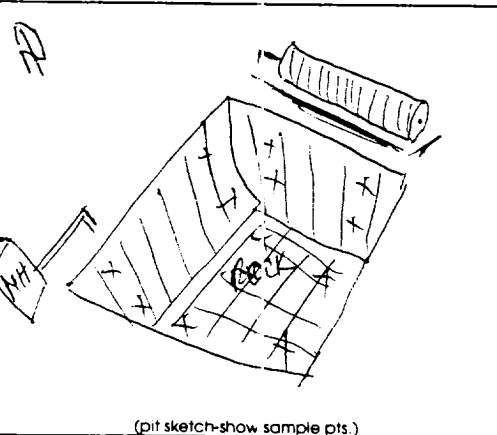
Organic Vapor Readings: Start _____ Soil Description: BROWN SILTY CLAY
 @ 2' _____ GRAY SILTY CLAY
 @ 4' _____
 @ 6' _____
 @ 8' _____
 @ _____
 @ _____

Well Proximity To: Residence, Domestic Water Well, Stock Well NONE
 Arroyo, Wash, Lake, Stream >500 feet to MAJOR WASH
 Estimated or Known Distance to Ground Water >100 feet

Source of Backfill (if other than processed material) _____

Samples collected: Type _____ Progress: Verification: ID 27-5 LF-V-02 soil / water
 Progress: Verification: ID 275 EX-V-02 soil / water
 Progress: Verification: ID SJ 27-5 #78-V-LF-02 soil / water
 Progress: Verification: ID 275-EX-V-02 soil / water

Sample sent to Lab Via: Courier _____ Hand Carried _____ Other _____ Preservative: ICE Other _____



(pit sketch-show sample pts.)

Comments: SET UP, EXCAVATE, SHRED MATERIAL
ADD FERTILIZER, LANDFARM MATERIAL ON SITE.
EXCAVATION WAS LIMITED BY EQUIPMENT
ON THREE SIDES, AND ROCK WALL AND FLOOR.

Soil Shipped to: _____
 Prepared by: W. J. Harris



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Pit Closure and Retirement Addendum- Risk Assessment

The sample analyzed for confirmation at the San Juan 27-5 #78 exhibited elevated levels of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) and / or BTEX. Toxicity information indicates that such levels pose little risk to human health and the environment. This conclusion is based in part on the information below:

Toxicity Information

Toxicity values for TPH have not been established due to the variability of the chemical makeup of TPH. Normally, the toxicity is based on the toxicity of particular constituents of concern that may be present and which are evaluated based on health-based standards. The most common constituents examined include benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene, and xylene.

In the absence of constituents of concern or when the concentrations of the constituents of concern are low, the acceptable level of TPH is established by considering the following:

- ☞ No liquid product should remain in the soil
- ☞ The TPH should not harm vegetation
- ☞ The TPH concentrations should not create an odor nuisance
- ☞ Hydrocarbon vapors which may emanate from the impacted soil should not generate harmful or explosive vapors
- ☞ Site monitoring should indicate that TPH levels are stable or declining

Environmental and Site Conditions

Based on an evaluation of topography, this site is believed to have ground water greater than 50' below ground surface. Due to the immobility of these types of contaminants through soil and a lack of continuous transporting mechanisms, it is very likely that the residual contamination in the pit will degrade in the short term under existing conditions, or certainly during the life of the producing well. Observations and data collected from other sites suggests that contaminant concentrations would diminish vertically and likely be less than 10 ppm within the next 4 - 10 feet of soil depth. Notwithstanding, **bedrock** was discovered at the pit bottom. This condition retards vertical migration of contaminants and serves to significantly limit potential groundwater impact.

While residual TPH and/or BTEX may exist at this site, closure of this site is warranted for the following reasons:

1. The majority of soils which exhibited high levels of TPH and BTEX have been removed.
2. Residual TPH concentrations are below levels considered problematic based on the criteria above.
3. Discharge has been eliminated and a steel tank installed to prevent any future release to soils.
4. Depth to groundwater is estimated at greater than 50'.
5. Vertical migration of contamination is limited due to bedrock and/or the low vertical hydraulic conductivity of underlying soils.
6. TPH / BTEX concentrations will not increase and will degrade over time from natural processes occurring in-situ.
7. Further excavation at the site is impractical due to the presence of bedrock.

Since there are no nearby receptors or domestic water sources, this site poses little risk to human health and the environment. Closure is justified based on the relatively low total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH) concentration and the fact that all closure criteria cannot be practically attained. Additional information may be found in the Technical Background Document titled: *Risk Based Closure of Unlined Surface Impoundment Sites, San Juan Basin, New Mexico.*



Organic Analysis - Pit Closure

Williams Field Services

Project ID: OCD Pits
Sample ID: SJ 27-5 #78 V-EX-01
Lab ID: 5843
Sample Matrix: Soil
Preservative: Cool
Condition: Intact

Report Date: 12/09/96
Date Sampled: 12/04/96
Date Received: 12/04/96
Date Extracted: 12/05/96
Date Analyzed: 12/5-7/96

Target Analyte	Concentration (mg/kg)	Detection Limit (mg/kg)
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Total Aromatic Hydrocarbons

162

Benzene	0.97	0.24
Toluene	24.2	2.38
Ethylbenzene	7.08	2.38
m,p-Xylenes	103	4.76
o-Xylene	26.4	2.38

Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons

8,430


527

Quality Control:	Surrogate	Percent Recovery	Acceptance Limits
	Trifluorotoluene	97	81 - 117%
	Bromofluorobenzene	113	74 - 121%

Reference: Method 5030, Purge and Trap; Method 8020, Aromatic Volatile Organics;
Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Wastes, SW-846, United States
Environmental Protection Agency, Final Update I, July, 1992.

Method 3550 - Sonication Extraction; Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste,
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Method 418.1 - Petroleum Hydrocarbons, Total Recoverable; Chemical Analysis of
Water and Waste, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 1978.

Comments:


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Organic Analysis - Pit Closure

Williams Field Services

Project ID: OCD Pits
Sample ID: SJ 27-5 #78 V-LF-02
Lab ID: 5985
Sample Matrix: Soil
Preservative: Cool
Condition: Intact

Report Date: 12/18/96
Date Sampled: 12/16/96
Date Received: 12/16/96
Date Extracted: 12/17/96
Date Analyzed: 12/17/96

Target Analyte	Concentration (mg/kg)	Detection Limit (mg/kg)
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Total Aromatic Hydrocarbons

50.1

Benzene	ND	0.72
Toluene	4.21	0.72
Ethylbenzene	1.64	0.72
m,p-Xylenes	34.3	1.44
o-Xylene	9.95	0.72

Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons

1,810

130

Quality Control:

Surrogate

Percent Recovery

Acceptance Limits

Trifluorotoluene
Bromofluorobenzene

99
112


81 - 117%
74 - 121%

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