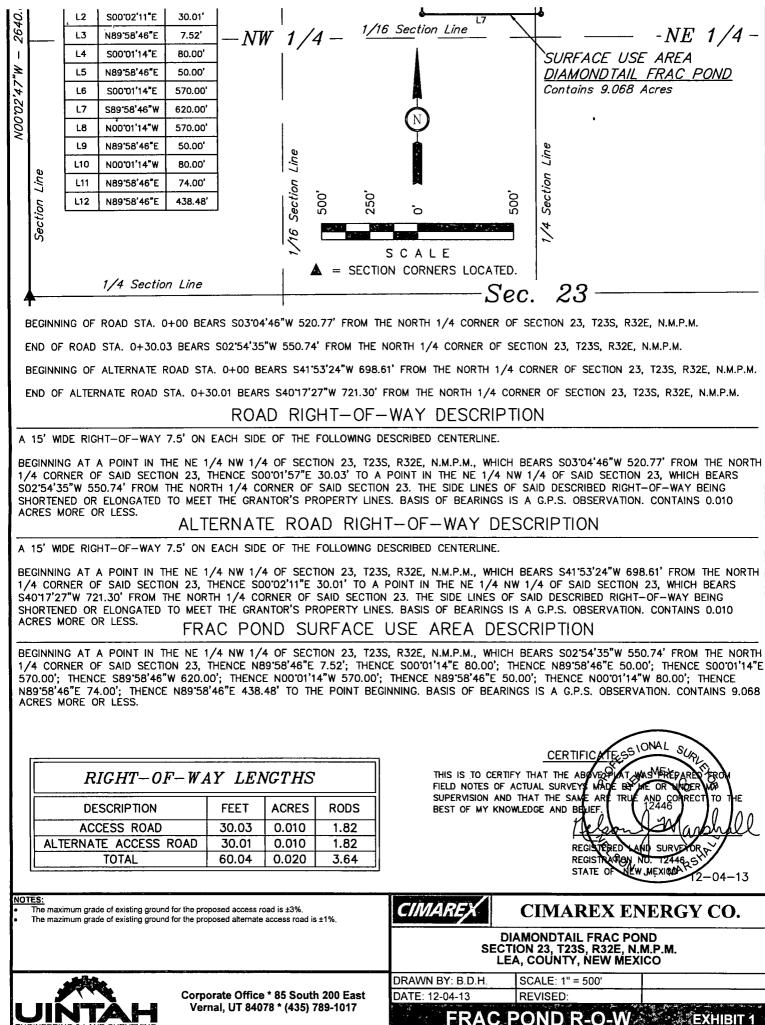
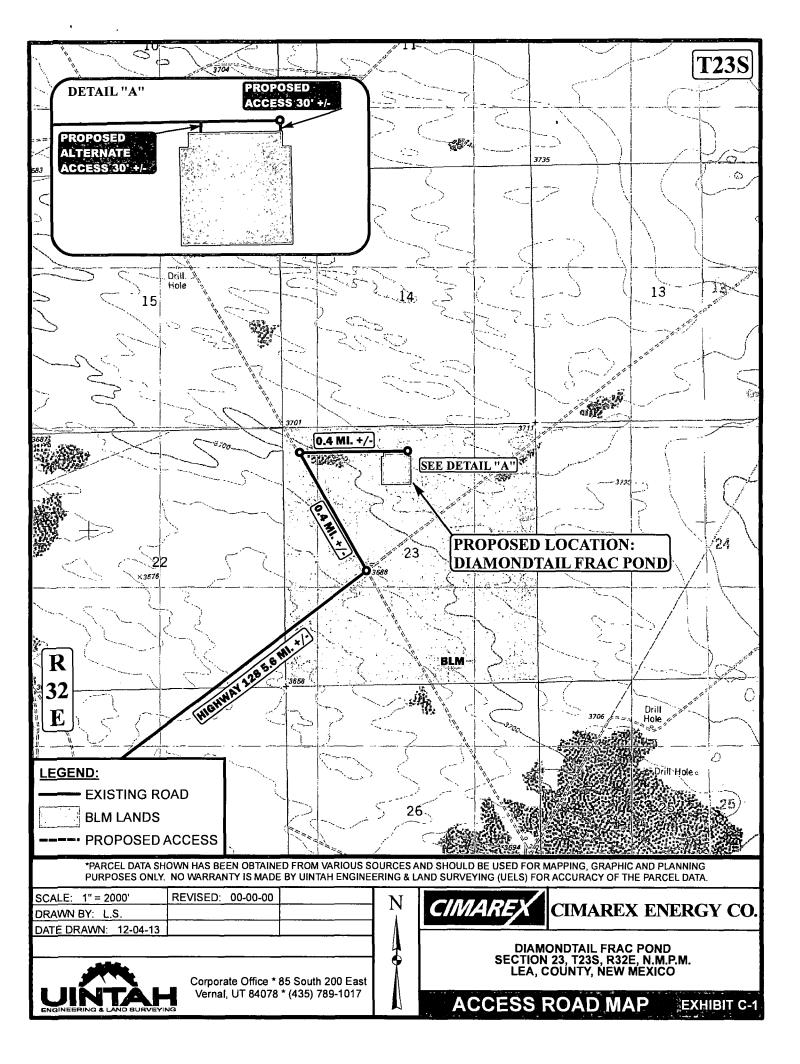
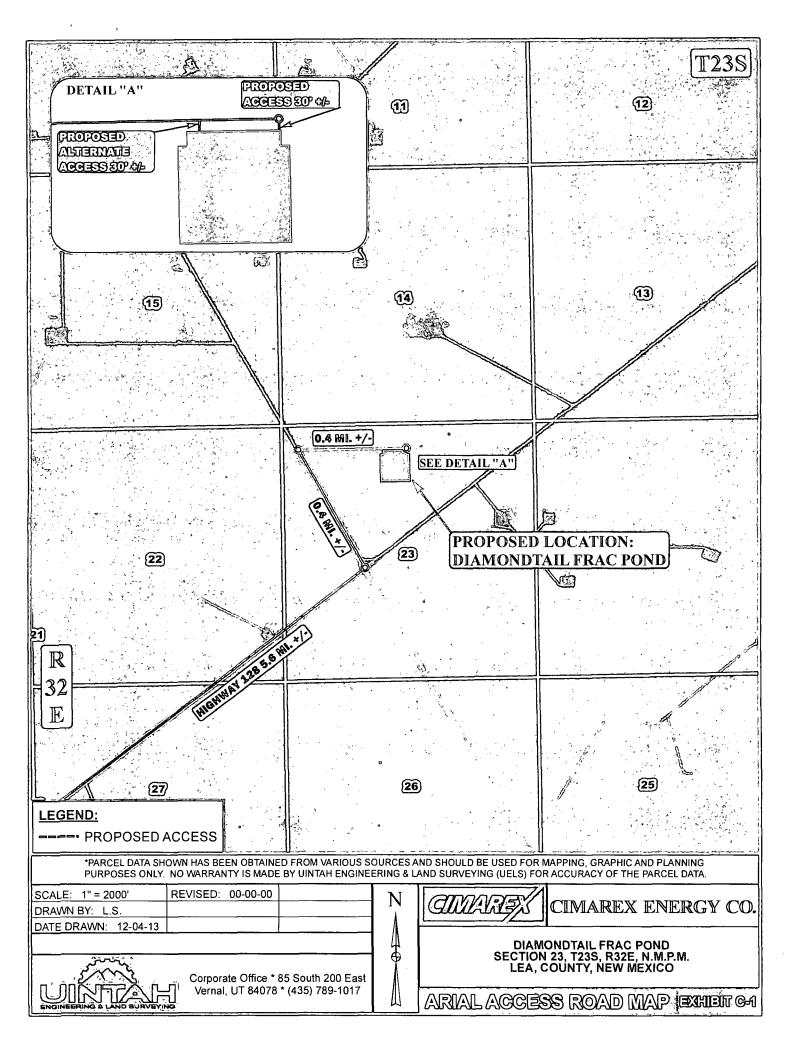
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FRAC POND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

A copy of the application (APD, Grant, or Sundry Notice) and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and diagram, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to see a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all conditions of approval.

Holder agrees to comply with the following conditions of approval to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

Lesser Prairie Chicken Timing Stipulations

Timing Limitation Stipulation/Condition of Approval for Lesser Prairie-Chicken: Oil and gas activities including 3-D geophysical exploration, and drilling will not be allowed in lesser prairie-chicken habitat during the period from March 1st through June 15th annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, geophysical exploration other than 3-D operations, and pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period. Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 ft. from the source of the noise.

1. The Holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this permit.

2. The Holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated.

- 3. Required Standard Conditions of Approval:
 - a. Notification

Contact the Supervisory Environmental Protection Specialist, Jim Amos, at 575-234-5909 at least 24 hours prior to starting construction.

b. Freshwater Only

The frac pond will only be authorized to contain freshwater and testing of water quality is required. Additives are not allowed without consent of the authorized officer in writing.

c. <u>Contamination</u>

If at any time the water in the frac pond becomes polluted with salts or other contaminants, use of the frac pond will cease and desist, and all liquids will be removed from the frac pond and disposed of properly. The operator will preclude

releases of oil into open pits. The operator must remove any accumulation of oil, condensate, or contaminant in a pit within 48 hours of discovery.

d. Authorized Disturbance

Confine all construction and maintenance activity to the approved authorized area applied for in the application.

e. Facilities

Porto-johns and trash containers will be on-location during fracturing operations or any other crew-intensive operations. Grey-water, sewage, and trash shall be removed from the site and disposed of properly at a state approved facility.

f. Escape Ramps

The operator will construct and maintain frac ponds to prevent livestock, wildlife, and humans from becoming entrapped. At a minimum, the operator will construct and maintain escape ramps, ladders, or other methods of avian and terrestrial wildlife escape in frac ponds. Escape ramps must be installed at every corner of the frac pond and in the center of each side if that side exceeds 100 feet in length. Escape ramps must be in contact with the side of the frac pond, bottom of the frac pond, and the top of the frac pond berm. Escape ramps <u>cannot</u> be made of metal and <u>cannot</u> be steeper than a 3:1 slope (Horizontal Distance: Vertical Distance) or 30% slope. (*Examples of escape ramps: 12" wide wooden planks wrapped in matting, felt lining, etc.*)

g. <u>Frac Pond Pipelines</u>

Temporary pipelines flowing from the frac pond to the target well will be laid along existing roadways unless an exception has been granted by the authorized officer in writing.

h. Mineral Material from Excavation

Mineral materials extracted during construction of the frac pond will be stored onlocation and/or used for constructing the frac pond.

i. Frac Pond Liner

The frac pond will be lined with at least a 30 mil. plastic liner. The plastic lining will be removed prior to final abandonment.

j. <u>Topsoil Stockpile</u>

The operator shall strip at least the top 6 inches of soil (root zone) from the entire frac pond area and stockpile the topsoil approximately 25 feet outside the bermed perimeter of the pond in a low profile manner, reasonably protected from wind and water erosion. Topsoil shall not be used for constructing the frac pond. The topsoil will be used for final reclamation purposes only.

k. Frac Pond Fence

The operator will install and maintain exclosure fencing on all sides of the frac pond to prevent access to public, livestock, and large forms of wildlife. The fence shall be installed at the base of the berm and never on top of the berm. Construction of the fence shall consist of steel and/or wooden posts set firmly into natural ground. Hog panel or chain-link fencing must be used as the fence and tied securely to the fence posts. Barbed-wire fencing or electric fences <u>shall not</u> be used. The fence height <u>shall not</u> be shorter than six (6) feet. The erected fence shall be maintained in adequate condition until the frac pond is reclaimed.

I. Erosion Prevention

Install earthen erosion-control structures as are suitable for the specific terrain and soil conditions.

m. Reclamation Start

- I. Reclamation efforts will commence immediately after the frac pond is no longer needed for the purpose of completing wells.
- II. Within 3 months of completion of frac operations on associated wells, all earthwork and final reclamation must be completed. This includes reclaiming and/or removal of:
 - i. Any roads approved for use with the pond
 - ii. Surface water lines
 - iii. Tanks, pumps, fencing etc.

Requirements for Operations and Final Reclamation:

4. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the frac pond, any pollutant should be released from the contaminated frac pond, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of holder, regardless of fault.

Upon failure of holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge, or to repair all damages resulting there-from, the Authorized Officer may take such measures as he deems necessary to control and clean up the discharge and restore the area, including where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve holder of any responsibility as provided herein.

5. Any cultural and/or paleontological resources (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf shall be immediately reported to the Authorized Officer. Holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery will be made by the Authorized Officer to determine appropriate actions to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the Authorized Officer after consulting with the holder.

6. The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

7. After all disturbed areas have been satisfactorily contoured and prepared for seeding the location needs to be revegetated with the seed mixture provided. Seeding may need to be repeated until revegetation is successful. Operators shall contact Jim Amos,

Supervisor, Environmental Protection – (575)234-5909, **prior** to beginning surface reclamation operations.

8. Seeding is required: Use the following seed mix.

| () seed mixture 1 | () seed mixture 3 |
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| () seed mixture 2 | () seed mixture 4 |
| (X) LPC mixture | () Aplomado Falcon mix |

Seed Mixture for LPC Sand/Shinnery Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)* per acre. There shall be <u>no</u> primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (smaller/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed* per acre:

| Species | <u>lb/acre</u> |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Plains Bristlegrass | 5lbs/A |
| Sand Bluestem | 5lbs/A |
| Little Bluestem | 3lbs/A |
| Big Bluestem | 6lbs/A |
| Plains Coreopsis | 2lbs/A |
| Sand Dropseed | 1lbs/A |

*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed

Temporary Freshwater Pipelines (Drilling and Fracturing Operations) CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Must follow existing disturbance.

Maintain a copy of your temporary permit and your approved route diagram on location. BLM personnel may request to see a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all conditions of approval.

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- 2. Standard Conditions of Approval:
 - Temporary pipelines must be removed within 30-45 days from this route unless granted in writing by the authorized officer.
 - Temporary pipelines flowing from the frac pond to the target well(s) will be laid along existing roadways unless an exception has been granted by the authorized officer.
 - Pipe will be hand-carried and hand-laid along any cross country portion of the approved route.
 - Areas impacted (disturbed greater than vegetation compaction) by your project may require full reclamation.
 - Pipelines will be empty before disassembly. Flow water back to the pond whenever possible.
 - Do not restrict traffic on existing roads. Place ramps where needed.
 - Pipe will be placed not more than 2 feet off the edge of existing lease roads, 2-track roads, or buried pipeline corridors.
 - All pumps will be placed on existing disturbance (pads, roads, etc.).

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