

State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Department
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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
[X] 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

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: Avant Natural Resources, LLC. OGRID #: 330396
Address: 1515 Wynkoop Street, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202
Facility or well name: Lea Federal Unit #022
API Number: 30-025-39010 OCD Permit Number: P1-00103
U/L or Qtr/Qtr SENE Section 12 Township 20 South Range 34 East County: Lea
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 32.5894966 Longitude -103.5084152 NAD83
Surface Owner: [X] 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
Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____
Tank Construction material: _____
[] Secondary containment with leak detection [] Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
[] Visible sidewalls and liner [] Visible sidewalls only [] Other _____
Liner type: Thickness _____ mil [] HDPE [] PVC [] 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
[] Alternate. Please specify _____

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.
Variations 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.

<u>General siting</u>	
<u>Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank.</u> - <input type="checkbox"/> NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; <input type="checkbox"/> USGS; <input type="checkbox"/> Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
<u>Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit.</u> 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 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. (Does not apply to below grade tanks) - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<u>Below Grade Tanks</u>	
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<u>Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid</u> (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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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:**

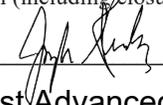
I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

e-mail address: _____ Telephone: _____

18. **OCD Approval:** Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only) OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature:  Approval Date: 6/18/2024

Title: Environmental Specialist Advanced OCD Permit Number: P1-00103

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

22.

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): Sarah Ferreyros Title: Director of Regulatory

Signature: *Sarah Ferreyros* Date: 06/12/2024

e-mail address: sarah@avantrf.com Telephone: 720-854-9020



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PIT CLOSURE REPORT

Lea Federal Unit #022
API #30-025-39010
Permit #P1-00103
Lea County, New Mexico
SENE, Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 34 East
GPS Coordinates: 32.5894966,-103.5084152

PREPARED FOR

Avant Natural Resources, LLC
1515 Wynkoop Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

PREPARED BY

CDH Consulting, LLC
Thornton, Colorado



June 13, 2024

Joseph Kennedy
Environmental Specialist
Environmental Bureau
Oil Conservation Division
New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals, & Natural Resources
506 West Texas Avenue
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

RE: Pit Closure Report
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Permit #P1-00103
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Joseph Kennedy,

On behalf of Avant Natural Resources, LLC (Avant), CDH Consulting, LLC (CDH) is submitting this Pit Closure Report in accordance with 19.15.17.13 New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC) to the New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources-Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) detailing protocols and procedures closing the permitted closed-loop tanks (Attachment A) formerly utilized at the Lea Federal Unit #022 (API #30-025-39010) well production location (Figure 1).

Avant discovered that the Lea Federal Unit #022 had an approved C-144 for a closed-loop tank (Pit Permit #P1-00103) during a recent acquisition. The original application was submitted by Samson Resources Company on June 30, 2008. As the current operator of the Lea Federal Unit #022, and in an effort to be good stewards of the land, Avant's goal is to properly close the closed-loop pit tank system as soon as possible. Recent communication with NMOCD regarding closure of closed-loop tank systems confirmed the following: *the NMOCD does not require sampling for a closed-loop system consisting of only above ground storage containers unless there was a release/spill from the closed-loop system.* The Lea Federal Unit #022 did not have a release reported from the closed-loop system, therefore sampling for closure is not required.

Below is the modification request (to current pit rule requirements) and results from the recent closed-loop system inspection.

MODIFICATION TO AN EXISTING PERMIT/OR REGISTRATION

Avant requests the NMOCD revise the registration to meet the current pit rule requirements and sampling limits (19.15.17.13 NMAC).

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PIT PERMIT CLOSURE

On February 21, 2024, CDH personnel were onsite to complete a closed-loop inspection of the surface in the area where above ground closed-loop tanks were previously located. During the site inspection, no soil staining or signs of a release were observed in the former location of the closed-loop tanks (Attachment B). As no soil staining or signs of a leak or release were observed during the closed-loop inspection, no closure samples were collected.

CDH, on behalf of Avant, requests the NMOCDC approve the closure of Pit Permit #P1-00103.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (303) 501-3415 or KTrantowLim@CDHConsult.com if you have any questions or require additional information.

Kind Regards,

CDH CONSULTING, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth Naka".

Elizabeth Naka
Environmental Scientist

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Trantow Lim".

Karen Trantow Lim, P.G.
Program Manager, Environmental Compliance

cc: Sarah Ferreyros — Avant Natural Resources, LLC (electronic file)

Attachments

- Figure 1 – Site Location
- Attachment A – Initial C-144
- Attachment B – Closed-Loop Inspection

FIGURE

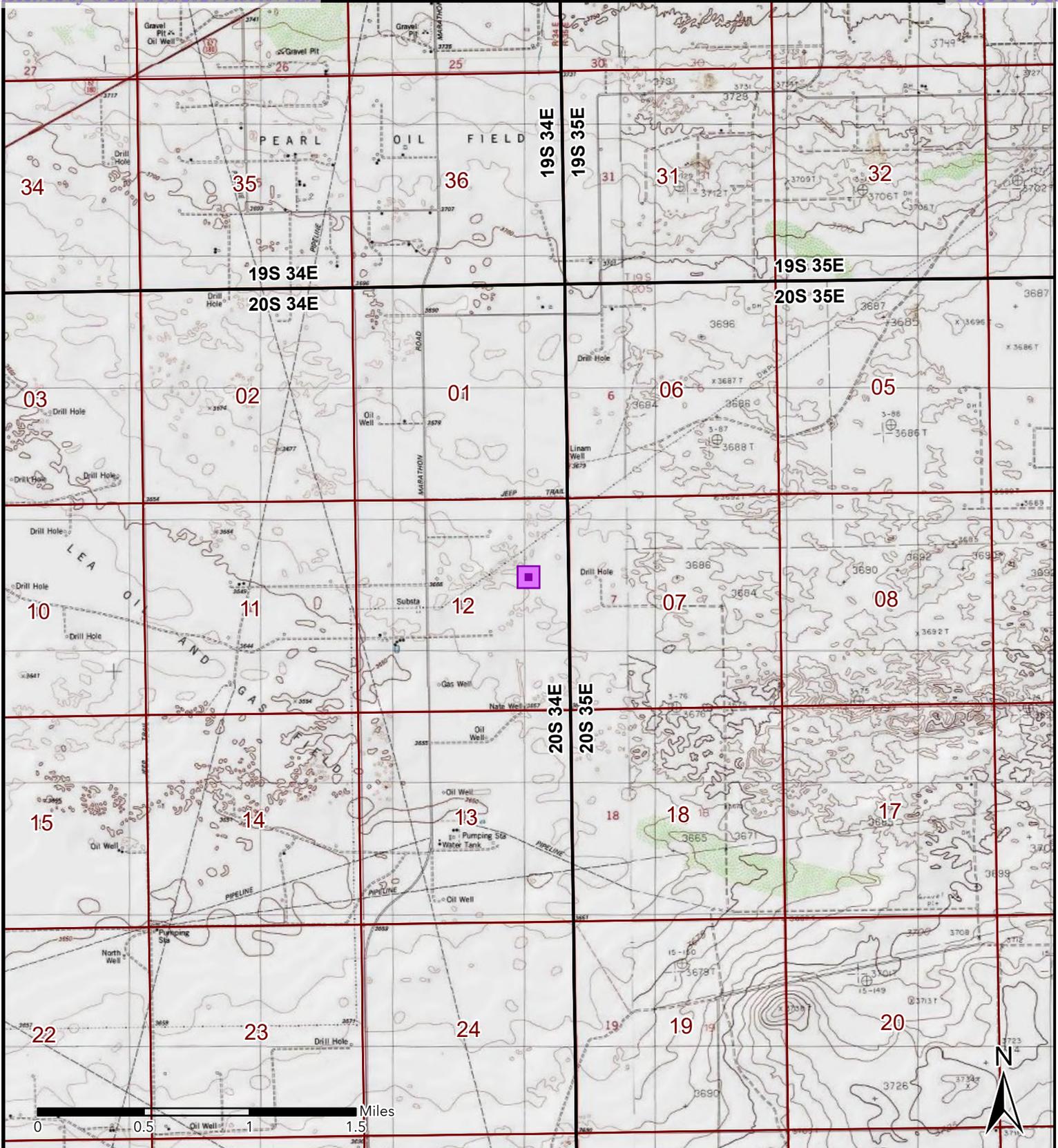


Figure 1 - Site Location
 Lea Federal Unit #022
 Lea County, NM

■ Site Location



Avant Natural Resources

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ATTACHMENT A

Initial C-144 Closed-Loop System Permit Application

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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For temporary pits, closed-loop systems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.
For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

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Operator: Samson Resource Co. OGRID #: 20165
Address: 200 N. Loraine St., Ste 1010; Midland, TX 79701
Facility or well name: Lea Federal Unit # 22
API Number: 30-0 25-39010 OCD Permit Number: P1-00103
U/L or Qtr/Qtr: H/SE NE Section 12 Township 20-5 Range 34-E County: Lea
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 32°35'21.51" N Longitude 103°30'28.27 W NAD: 1927 1983
Surface Owner: Federal State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

Pit: Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Temporary: Drilling Workover
 Permanent Emergency Cavitation Steel Pit
 Lined Unlined
Liner type: Thickness _____ mil LLDPE HDPE PVC
 Other _____ String-Reinforced
Seams: Welded Factory Other _____
Volume: _____ bbl Dimensions: L _____ x W _____ x D _____

Closed-loop System: Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
 Drying Pad Tanks Haul-off Bins Other _____
 Lined Unlined
Liner type: Thickness _____ mil LLDPE HDPE PVC
 Other _____
Seams: Welded Factory Other _____
Volume: _____ bbl _____ yd³
Dimensions: Length _____ x Width _____

Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Volume: _____ bbl
Type of fluid: _____
Tank Construction material: _____
 Secondary containment with leak detection
 Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
 Visible sidewalls and liner
 Visible sidewalls only
 Other _____
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Alternative Method:
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 - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells Yes No
- 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 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks)
 - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image Yes No
 NA
- Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to permanent pits)
 - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image Yes No
 NA
- Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, 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 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 500 feet of a wetland.
 - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site 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

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 - 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: _____

Closed-loop Systems 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.

- Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (required for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
 - Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (required for on-site closure) - 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 - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- NMAC
- Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: _____

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 (I) 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

Type: Drilling Workover Emergency Cavitation Permanent Pit Below-grade Tank Closed-loop System 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 (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)

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 may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

- Ground water is less than 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 between 50 and 100 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.
 - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells Yes No
 NA
- 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 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 private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application.
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- Within a 100-year floodplain.
 - FEMA map Yes No

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 F 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 I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC) *Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings.*

Disposal Facility Name: ATIA CRF Disposal Facility Permit Number: R-9166

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 F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- Construction and Design of Burial Trench (if applicable) 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 Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F 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 I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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): Duke Roush Title: Sr. Surface Landman

Signature: Duke Roush Date: 6/30/08

e-mail address: droush@samson.com Telephone: (432) 683-7063

OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only)

OCD Representative Signature: [Signature] Approval Date: 7/2/08

Title: Geologist OCD Permit Number: P1-00103

Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

Closure Completion Date: _____

Closure Method:

- Waste Excavation and Removal On-Site Closure Method Alternative Closure Method
- If different from approved plan, please explain.

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
- Proof of Deed Notice (if applicable)
- Plot Plan
- Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results
- Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results
- 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: _____

Closed Loop System

Design Plan

Equipment list,

- 2- 250 BBL tanks to hold fluid
- 2- CRI Bins with track system
- 2- 500 BBL frac tanks for fresh water
- 2- 500 BBL frac tanks for brine water

Operation and Maintenance

Closed Loop equipment will be inspected daily by each tour and any necessary maintenance performed
Any leak in system will be repaired and/or contained immediately
OCD notified within 48 hours
Remediation process started

Closure Plan

During drilling operations all liquids, drilling fluids and cuttings
Will be hauled off via CRI(Controlled Recovery Incorporated Permit R-9166).

ATTACHMENT B

Closed-Loop Inspection



CDH Consulting, LLC
Thornton, Colorado
720.431.7468
www.CDHConsult.com

LINER INTEGRITY INSPECTION

Lea Federal Unit #022

API# 30-025-39010

Lea County, New Mexico

Unit H, Section 12, Township 20 South, Range 34 East

GPS Coordinates: 32.5894966, -103.5084152

Prepared For

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Prepared By

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Closed Loop Inspections

3 Client Name: Avant Natural Resources

Location: Lea Federal Unit 22

Time on Location: 2:45 PM Time Off 2:59 PM

Inspector Name: Chris Abeyta

Temperature: 83

Wind: 21 MPH

Humidity: 8

Inspection type: Closed Loop Inspection

Date: 2/21/24

Truck # 102

Tools used: Note 10+ (Samsung) Pictures

Company Inspecting: CDH Consulting

Notes: No Apparent Signs of Stains / Spills

Soil Sample: No Apparent Signs of Stains / Spills

Pump Jack on Location

Closed Loop Inspection
Avant Natural Resources
Lea Federal Unit #022
32.5894966, -103.5084152
Lea County, New Mexico



Photo 1: View north of closed-loop tank location, no staining observed



Photo 2: View northeast of closed-loop tank location, no staining observed

Closed Loop Inspection
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Photo 3: View west of closed-loop tank location, no staining observed

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1220 S. St Francis Dr.
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CONDITIONS

Action 355446

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Operator: Avant Operating, LLC 1515 Wynkoop Street Denver, CO 80202	OGRID: 330396
	Action Number: 355446
	Action Type: [C-144] Temporary Pit Plan (C-144T)

CONDITIONS

Created By	Condition	Condition Date
joseph.kennedy	None	6/18/2024