

EL PASO NATURAL GAS PRODUCTS COMPANY
EL PASO, TEXAS

March 25, 1963

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ADDRESS REPLY TO:
POST OFFICE BOX 1560
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
Secretary-Director
Oil Conservation Commission
P. O. Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Unorthodox Well Location
Devil's Fork Gallup Pool
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Porter:

El Paso Natural Gas Products Company respectfully requests Administrative Approval for an Unorthodox Location in the Devil's Fork Gallup Pool, said Unorthodox Location to be 805' from the South line and 530' from the West line of Section 9, Township 24 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. We regret that we are unable at this time to give you the Well Number, but we do wish to advise that we will write and give you said Number before drilling operations are commenced. This well will be drilled through the Gallup Formation using rotary tools and mud circulation, and possible productive intervals will be perforated and sand oil fractured.

The Unorthodox Location is in the bottom of the Canyon and immediately adjacent to rock cliffs of considerable height. An Orthodox Location would be on the side of said rock cliffs. As is readily apparent, this application for an Unorthodox Location is based upon extreme topographic conditions in the SW/4 SW/4 of said section. J. Gregory Merrion and Associates are the offset operators, and we are this date notifying them of our application requesting their approval of said application. Inasmuch as El Paso Natural Gas Company is the Unit Operator of the Canyon Largo Unit, we are also notifying them of our application.

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
March 24, 1963
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Enclosed herewith you will find two (2) copies each of Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat and Notice of Intention to Drill. Your approval of this application is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,

EL PASO NATURAL GAS PRODUCTS COMPANY

By James C. Vandiver
James C. Vandiver, Division Landman

APPROVED:
By Ewell N. Walsh
Ewell N. Walsh, Division Petroleum Engineer

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EL PASO NATURAL GAS PRODUCTS COMPANY

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March 25, 1963

ADDRESS REPLY TO:
POST OFFICE BOX 1560
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

J. Gregory Merrion & Associates
P. O. Box 507
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Unorthodox Well Location
Devil's Fork Gallup Pool
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

El Paso Natural Gas Products Company has this date made application to the Oil Conservation Commission for Administrative Approval of an Unorthodox Location in the Devil's Fork Gallup Pool, said location to be 805' from the South line and 530' from the West line of Section 9, Township 24 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations require that we have the approval of all offset operators to this Unorthodox Location. Inasmuch as you are the owner of the lands in Section 16, said Township and Range and immediately offsetting said Unorthodox Location, we hereby respectfully request your approval of our application. This Unorthodox Well Location is based upon extreme topographic conditions which exist in the SW/4 SW/4 of said Section 9.

You will find enclosed herewith one (1) copy each of Notice of Intention to Drill, Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat, and a copy of our Application to the Oil Conservation Commission. If this request meets with your approval, we would appreciate your so noting in the space provided below returning two (2) copies hereof to the attention of the undersigned and retaining a third copy for your files. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

EL PASO NATURAL GAS PRODUCTS COMPANY

APPROVED

J. GREGORY MERRION &
ASSOCIATES

J. Gregory Merrion
Date *March 26, 1963*

By

James C. Vandiver
James C. Vandiver, Division Landman

By

Ewell N. Walsh
Ewell N. Walsh, Division Petroleum Engineer

EL PASO NATURAL GAS PRODUCTS COMPANY

EL PASO, TEXAS

March 27, 1963

ADDRESS REPLY TO:
POST OFFICE BOX 1560
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

Mr. A. L. Porter
Secretary - Director
Oil Conservation Commission
Post Office Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Application for Administrative
Approval of an Unorthodox Location
Devils Fork Gallup Pool
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Porter:

We are enclosing approval of offset operator, J. Gregory Merrion & Associates, for the drilling of an Unorthodox Location in the Devils Fork Gallup Pool, said location to be 805' from the South Line and 530' from the West Line of Section 9, Township 24 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M., Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

We would appreciate your attaching this approval to our Application for Administrative Approval of an Unorthodox Location mailed to you by this office on March 25, 1963.

Very truly yours,

Ewell N. Walsh

Ewell N. Walsh
Division Petroleum Engineer

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 27, 1963

COPY
Mr. Ewell N. Walsh
Division Petroleum Engineer
El Paso Natural Gas Products Company
P. O. Box 1560
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Unorthodox Well Location,
Devils Fork-Gallup Pool, Rio
Arriba County, New Mexico

Dear Red:

We have your application requesting administrative approval of an unorthodox location in the Devils Fork-Gallup Pool, 805 feet from the South line and 530 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 24 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. I am forwarding a copy of the Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat with a copy of this letter to our Aztec District Office in order that they may verify the topography. When the topographic conditions have been verified, we can approve the application upon receipt of a written waiver from J. Gregory Merrion and Associates. If J. Gregory Merrion and Associates do not forward a written waiver, it will be necessary for us to wait 20 days prior to approving the application.

I also am enclosing herewith two copies of the USGS Notice of Intention to Drill that apparently were forwarded to us by mistake.

Very truly yours,

J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney

JMD/esr
Enclosures

cc: Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, New Mexico

GOVERNOR
JACK M. CAMPBELL
CHAIRMAN

MAIN OFFICE OF State of New Mexico

Oil Conservation Commission

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LAND COMMISSIONER
E. S. JOHNNY WALKER
MEMBER

1000 RIO BRAZOS ROAD
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO

STATE GEOLOGIST
A. L. PORTER, JR.
SECRETARY - DIRECTOR

March 29, 1963

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Oil Conservation Commission
Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attn: Mr. James Durrett

Re: Unorthodox Location, Devils Fork
Gallup Pool, Rio Arriba County
New Mexico

Dear Jim:

A field inspection was made on March 29, 1963 by Mr. W.B. Smith of this office of the proposed location of a well to be drilled by El Paso Natural Gas Products Company 800 feet from the South Line and 530 feet from the West Line of Section 9-24N-6W.

Mr. Smith reports that the unorthodox location is justified, as it is located at the base of a cliff and moving of the location any further East would necessitate building a road up the face of the cliff, which would be very expensive. We therefore recommend that the unorthodox location be approved.

Yours very truly

Emerald C. Arnold
Emerald C. Arnold
Supervisor, District #3

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cc: Mr. Ewell N. Walsh
EPNG Products Co.
Box 1560, Farmington, N.M.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 28, 1963

**Mr. Emery C. Arnold
Supervisor, District No. III
Oil Conservation Commission
1000 Rio Brazos Road
Aztec, New Mexico**

**Re: Unorthodox Well Location,
Devils Fork-Gallup Pool, Rio
Arriba County, New Mexico**

Dear Emery:

Please expedite verification of topographic conditions concerning El Paso Natural Gas Products Company's application for an unorthodox location 805 feet from the South line and 530 feet from the West line of Section 9, Township 24 North, Range 6 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

We have now received a waiver from J. Gregory Marrion and can grant this application upon verification of the topography.

Very truly yours,

**J. M. DURRETT, Jr.,
Attorney**

JMD/esr

**cc: Mr. Ewell N. Walsh
Division Petroleum Engineer
El Paso Natural Gas Products Company
P. O. Box 1560
Farmington, New Mexico**

MAIN OFFICE DEC 1963 APR 15 AM 8:35 EL PASO, TEXAS PM 2:41
EL PASO NATURAL GAS PRODUCTS COMPANY

April 11, 1963

ADDRESS REPLY TO:
POST OFFICE BOX 1560
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

Mr. A. L. Porter, Jr.
Secretary-Director
Oil Conservation Commission
Post Office Box 871
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Re: Administrative Order NSL-311

Dear Mr. Porter:

In reply to your letter of April 2, 1963, this is to advise that our unorthodox well location has been assigned the following number:

Canyon Largo Unit Well No. 125
805°/S and 530°/W of Section 9, T24N, R6W
Devils Fork Gallup Pool
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Very truly yours,



Ewell N. Walsh
Division Petroleum Engineer

ENW:EW

cc: Mr. Emery Arnold
Oil Conservation Commission
Aztec, New Mexico

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 3, 1963

El Paso Natural Gas Products Company
P. O. Box 1560
Farmington, New Mexico

Attention: **Mr. Ewell N. Walsh,**
Division Petroleum Engineer

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to Administrative Order NSL-486,
dated April 2, 1963.

Will you please change the number of this order to
NSL-311. The number 486 was assigned to this order by
error.

Very truly yours,

A. L. PORTER, Jr.,
Secretary-Director

ALP/JMD/eez

cc: **Oil Conservation Commission - Aztec**
United States Geological Survey - Farmington

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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Well Location and Acreage Dedication Plat

March 22, 1963

SECTION A.

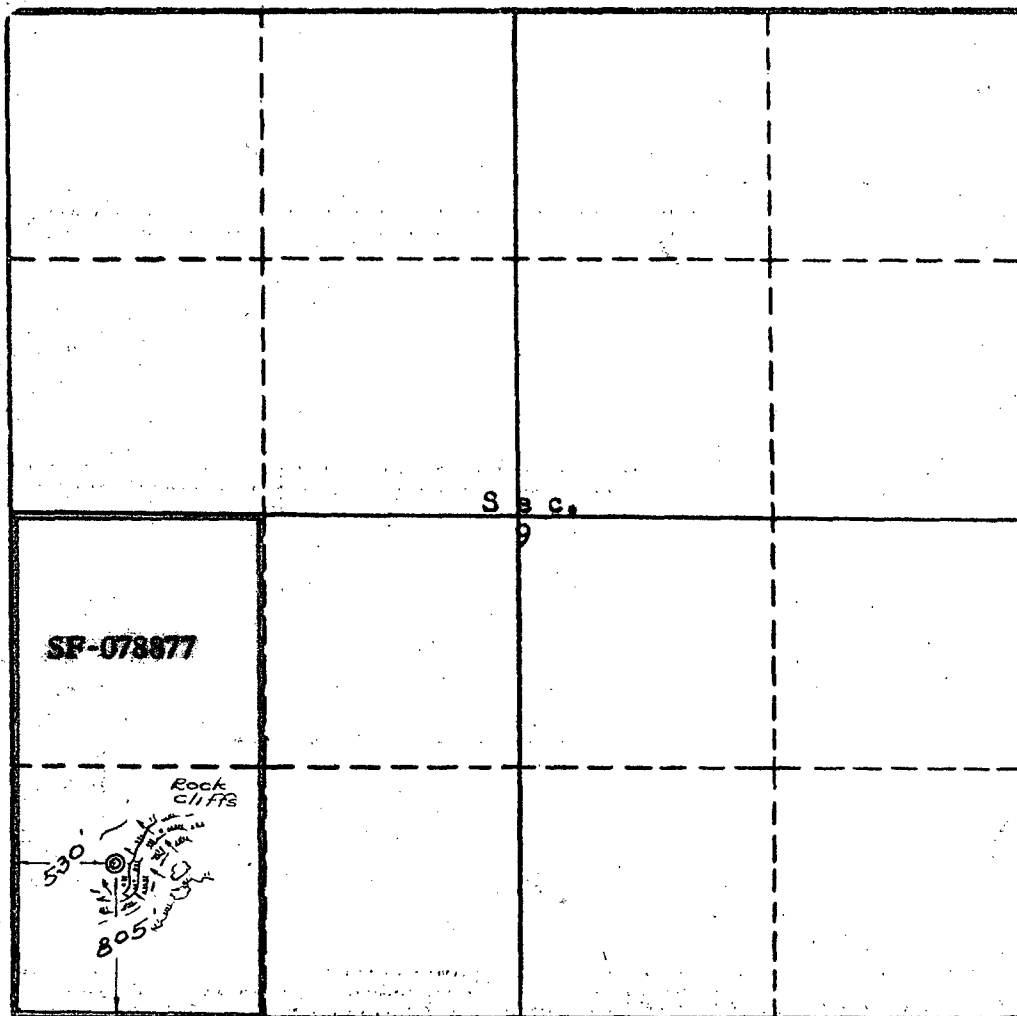
Operator **El Paso Natural Gas Products Company** Lease **Canyon Largo Unit** Date **March 22, 1963** **SF-078877**
 Well No. _____ Unit Letter **M** Section **9** Township **24 North** Range **6 West** NMPM
 Located **805** Feet From **South** Line, **530** Feet From **West** Line
 County **Rio Arriba** G. L. Elevation **6530** Dedicated Acreage _____ Acres
 Name of Producing Formation _____ Pool **Devils Fork**

1. Is the Operator the only owner* in the dedicated acreage outlined on the plat below? Yes ☒ No _____
2. If the answer to question One is "No," have the interests of all the owners been consolidated by communitization agreement or otherwise? Yes _____ No _____. If answer is "Yes," Type of Consolidation _____
3. If the answer to question Two is "No," list all the owners and their respective interests below:

OWNER

LAND DESCRIPTION

SECTION B.



This is to certify that the information in Section A above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

El Paso Natural Gas Products Co.

(OPERATOR)

Original Signed EWELL N. WALSH

(REPRESENTATIVE)

P.O. Box 1560, Farmington, N. M.

(ADDRESS)

This is to certify that the well location shown on the plat in Section B was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date Surveyed **Feb. 26, 1963****Four States Engineering Co.**
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

Emmett F. Cabot Rank
REGISTERED ENGINEER OR
LAND SURVEYOR

Certificate No. **3602**

R-6-W

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530'
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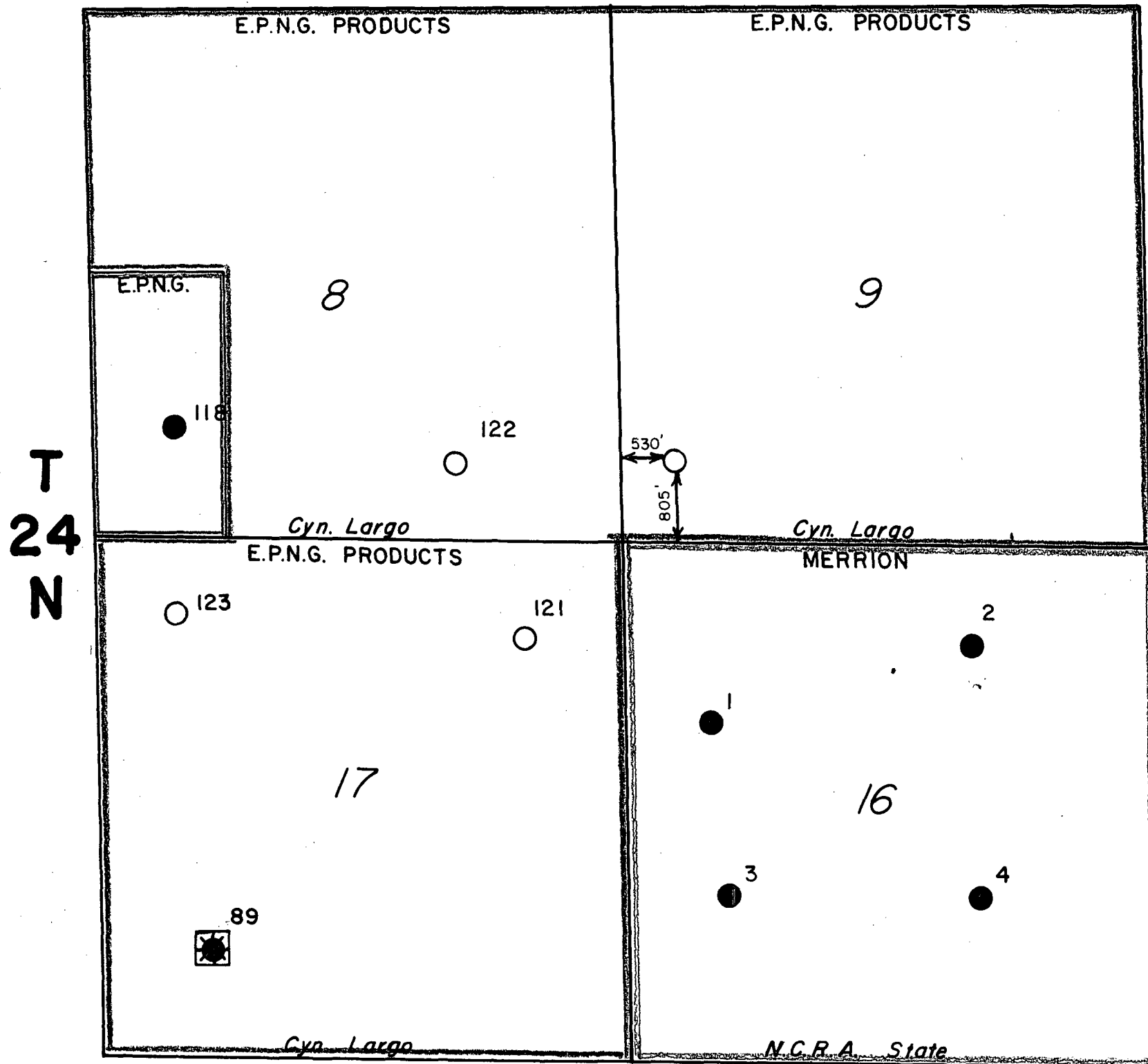
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PLAT INDICATING UNORTHODOX LOCATION OF THE EL PASO NATURAL GAS
PRODUCTS COMPANY

CANYON LARGO UNIT WELL
SW/4 SW/4 Section 9, Township 24N, Range 6W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

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PLAT INDICATING UNORTHODOX LOCATION OF THE EL PASO NATURAL GAS
PRODUCTS COMPANY

CANYON LARGO UNIT WELL
SW/4 SW/4 Section 9, Township 24N, Range 6W
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

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