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Attention Michael Stogner

Gentlemen:

Application For Examiner Hearing - Buffalo Federal Lease, Exception to
Order No. R-3221, as Amended, Lea County, New Mexico

Attached are three (3) copies of the subject Application for Examiner Hearing. Please schedule this matter for hearing before the Division's duly appointed Examiner on the first available Docket.

Yours very truly,


H. A. Ingram
Conservation Coordinator

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cc: Tom Kellahin, Santa Fe
NMOCD, Hobbs

file 9235

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
OF THE
ENERGY MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
CONOCO INC. FOR EXCEPTION TO ORDER
NO. R-3221, AS AMENDED, SECTION 18,
T-18-S, R-32-E, LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Case 9235

A P P L I C A T I O N

Applicant, Conoco Inc., respectfully requests approval to dispose into unlined pits, produced water from wells to be drilled and produced into Conoco Inc.'s Buffalo Federal Tank Battery to be located in the NW/4 SW/4 of Section 18, T-18-S, R-32-E, Lea County, New Mexico, and in support thereof will show:

1. Applicant is owner and operator of the Buffalo Federal Lease which, along with other lands includes the E/2 SW/4 and NW/4 SW/4 of Section 18, T-18-S, R-32-E, Lea County, New Mexico.

2. Applicant intends to drill its Buffalo Federal Well No. 1 at a standard location for an oil well 330' FWL and 1650' FSL of said section, and complete in the East Shugart Delaware Pool.

3. That there appears to be no shallow fresh water in the vicinity of the subject leases for which a present or reasonably foreseeable beneficial use is or will be made that would be impaired by contamination from the proposed disposal pits.

4. That other operators have approved unlined pits offsetting Conoco's acreage.

5. That granting this application will not constitute a hazard to any fresh water supply.

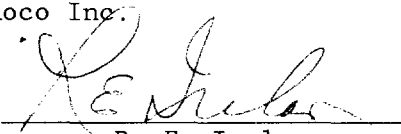
6. That granting this application will prevent waste and will not impair the correlative rights of any party.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be set for hearing before the Division's duly appointed Examiner on October 7, 1987, and upon hearing, an order be entered authorizing the disposal of produced water into unlined pits as described above.

Respectfully submitted,

Conoco Inc.

By


R. E. Ireland

Division Manager of Production
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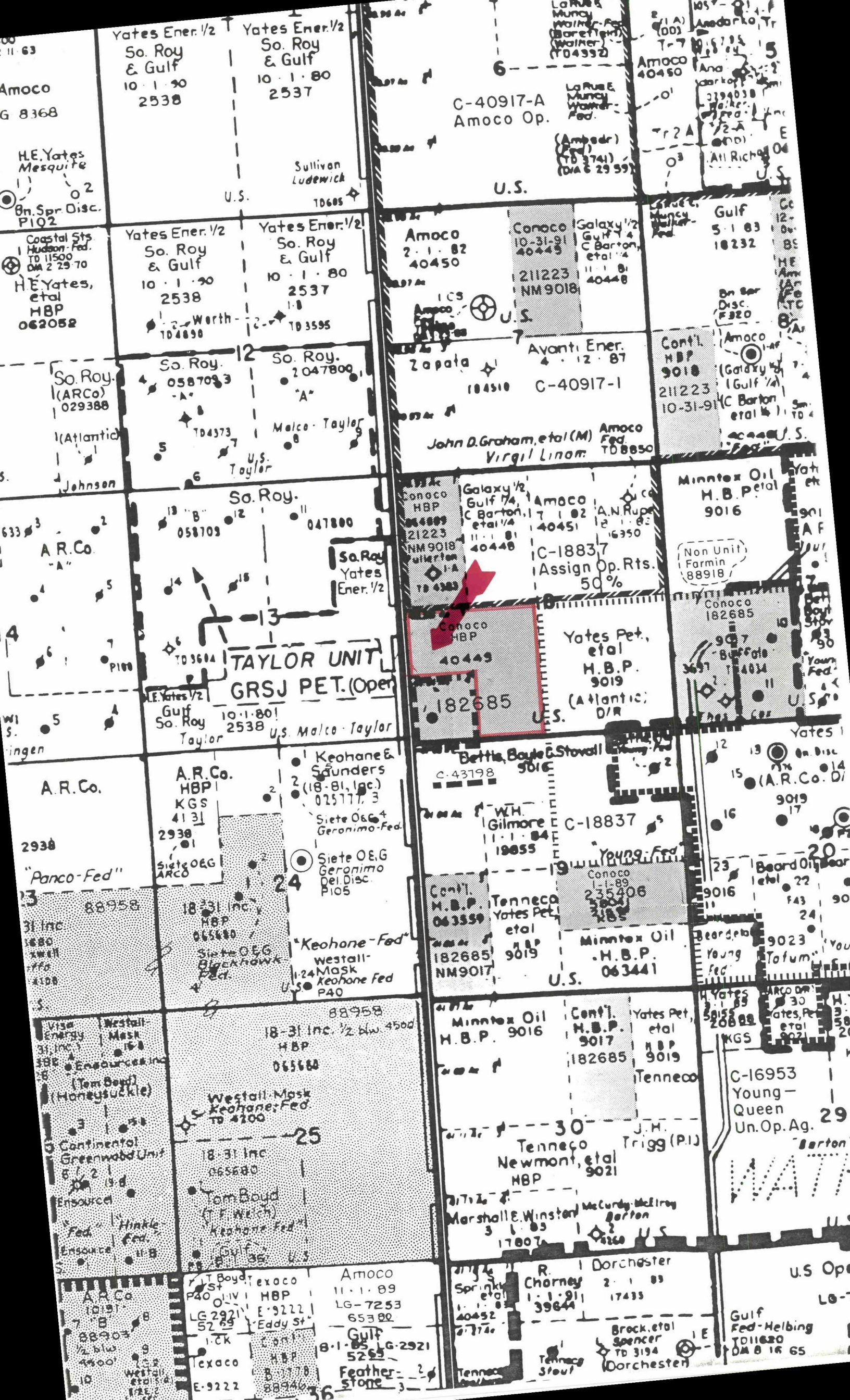
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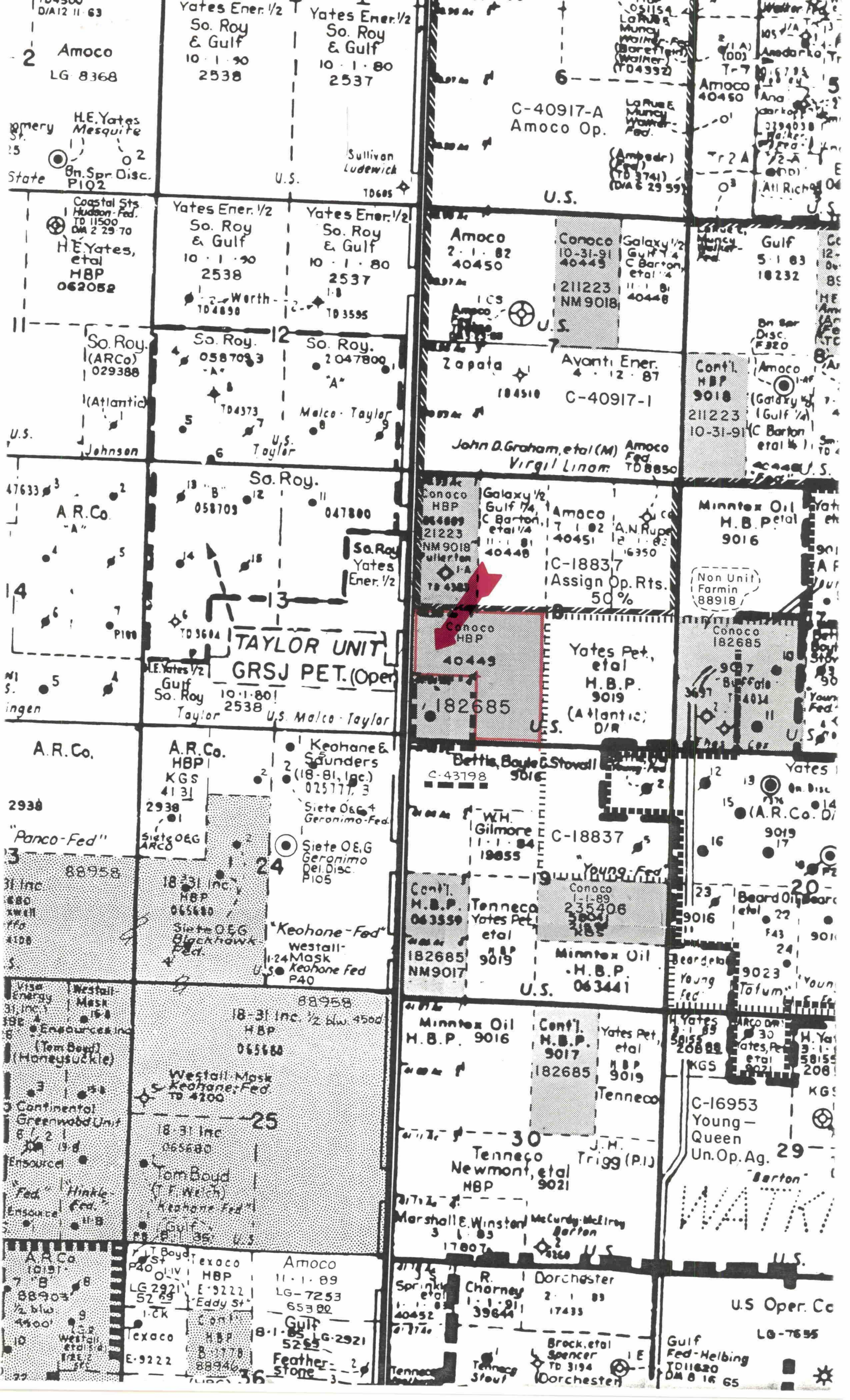
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