

### Reuse Recycling Requests

### 2018 - Present

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Sent:	Friday, January 18, 2019 4:06 PM
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Subject:	RE: [EXT] RE: Artesia Refinery (GW-28 and UICI-8-1): Notification Letter for Equipment
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	LLC October 4, 2018 (OCD COMMUNICATION COMMUNIQUE ONLY)

Robert:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division is in re-receipt of Navajo's 10.18.18 e-mail msg. below.

Since the Artesia Refinery wastewater disposition is not onto land surface or into injection wells, it would appear this notification does not rise to a "Modification" under the GW-28 Discharge Permit requiring public notice under 20.6.2.3108 NMAC, but it is still regarded to be a "minor" modification under the permit (GW-28) by OCD.

OCD recently informed the Permittee that Item No. 4 below developed by OCD may not be correct, and OCD is currently working with the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) to resolve the issue of any applicable regulations and jurisdiction(s) which may apply to Navajo's sale of wastewater to a "third party" for use in the Oilfields of NM only. Jim Griswold informed me he is working to meet with NMED to determine the above. OCD will notify Navajo of the Agencies determination. Navajo also responded to Jim on the intended use of the wastewater, i.e., oilfield vs. non-oilfield. Navajo recently responded they are making sure the third party uses the wastewater for oilfield activities only. Navajo also indicated there will be no sale of refinery wastewater until OCD resolves this matter.

OCD updated the admin. record "Reuse, Recycling Requests" thumbnail today.

Please contact me if you have questions or wish to communicate further.

Thank you.

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### **Hazardous Fluid Prevention/Management**

Navajo has two constituents of concern in the refinery waste water effluent – selenium and benzene.

Selenium:

- Managed by a primary process (SeRT). High selenium water streams are routed through this filtration unit.
- This unit treats water prior to introduction to the waste water treatment plant (WWTP).
- Ferric chloride is a secondary or backup for any operational issues with the SeRT. This is a simple chemical addition (small chemical pump) that is located upstream of the secondary clarifier unit in the WWTP.
- From quarterly monitoring of the waste water effluent data [Se], the waste water effluent selenium concentration is generally 10% of the hazardous toxicity characteristic value (1.0 mg/L).
- Saturation of the SeRT media occurs very slowly, and Navajo believes that the current monitoring program is sufficient to prevent the release of selenium hazardous waste water.

Benzene:

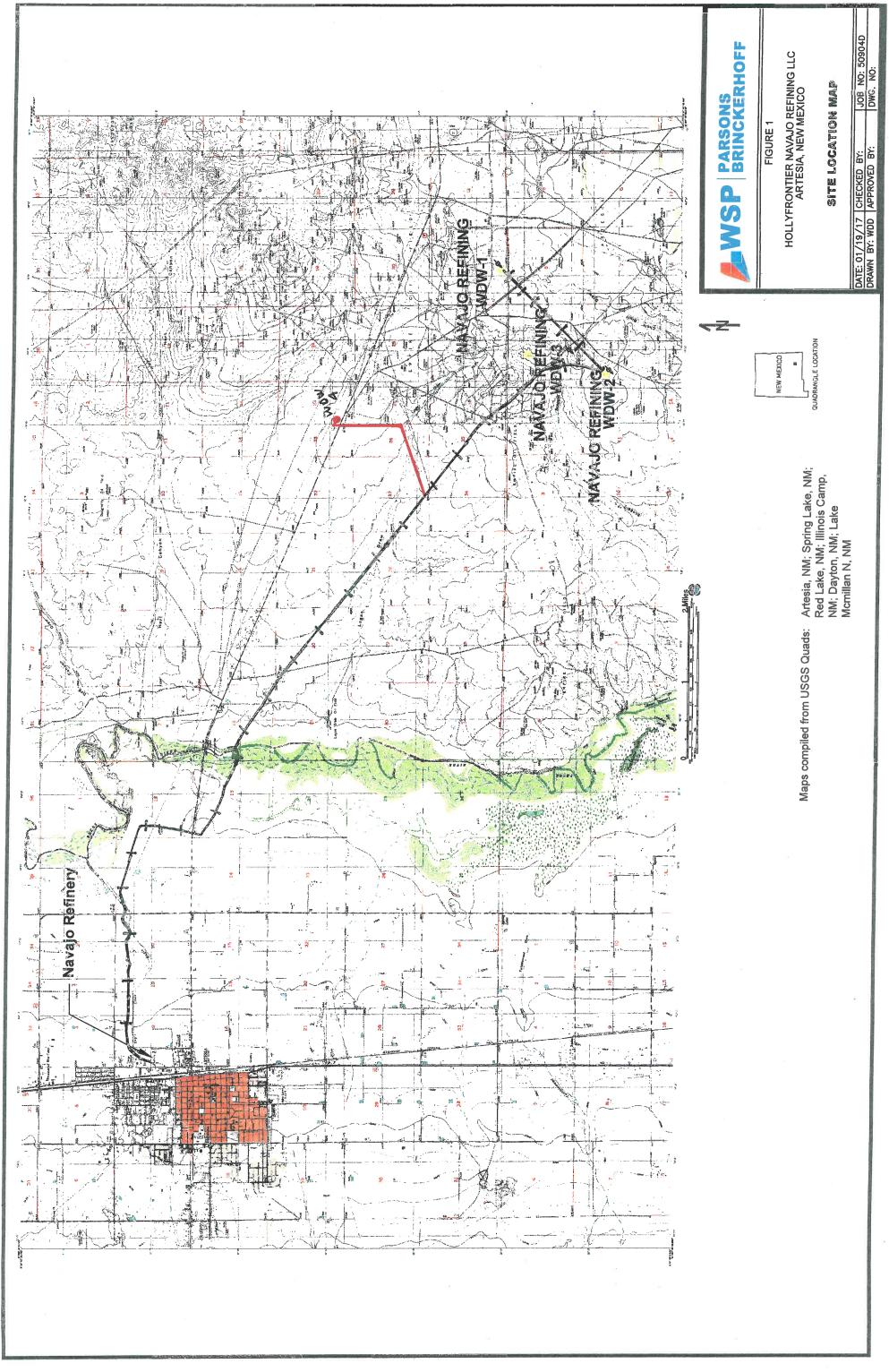
- Navajo is currently batch treating waste water in two aggressive biological treatment units (ABTs).
- Waste water is tested during treatment and is retained until the effluent benzene concentration is below the hazardous toxicity characteristic value (0.5 mg/L).
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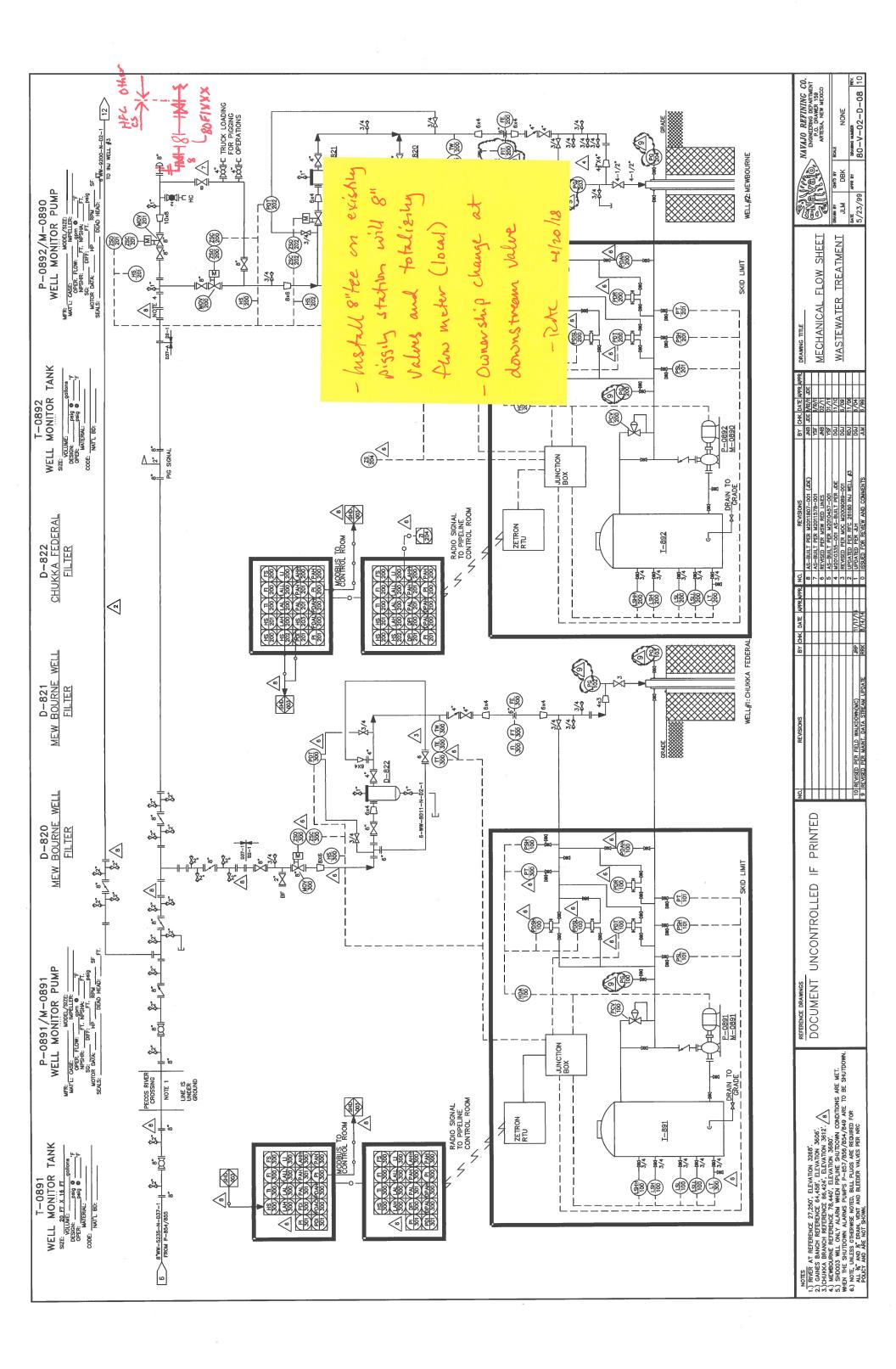
Navajo also utilizes internal notification processes to mitigate WWTP upsets.

### **Refinery Waste Water Release Contingency Plan**

In the event of a pipeline release of refinery waste water, the following steps are followed. These steps are generally sequential, but can overlap, as needed.

- 1. If an alarm sounds indicating an increase in pipeline effluent flow or for low pipeline pressure, utilize the pipeline shutdown procedure.
- 2. Close MOVs located along the pipeline in order to isolate the pipeline and decrease the volume of water released.
- 3. Identify the leak location.
- 4. Internal notifications:
  - a. Maintenance Department to repair the line.
  - b. Environmental Department for release reporting, including verbal notifications and C-141 forms (as applicable).
- 5. Permitting:
  - a. 1-call to initiate excavation for pipeline repairs
  - b. Excavation permitting and Safe Work Permitting (confined space, as applicable)
- 6. Commence and complete pipeline repairs.
- 7. Pre-startup Safety Review
- 8. Start up the effluent pipeline using the startup procedure to place the line back in service.
- 9. Address surface impacts as applicable.





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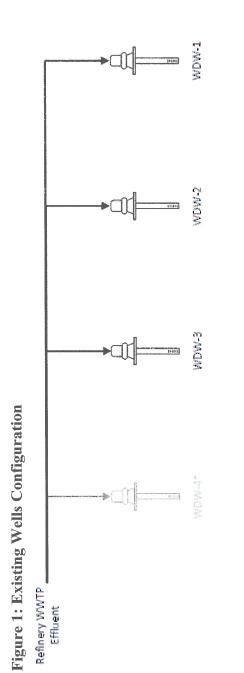
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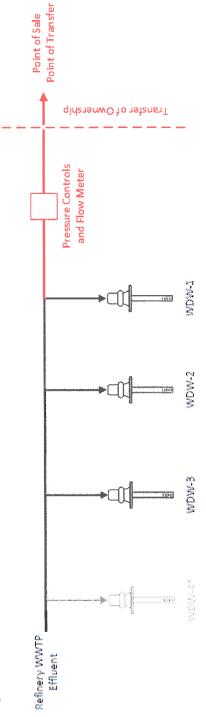
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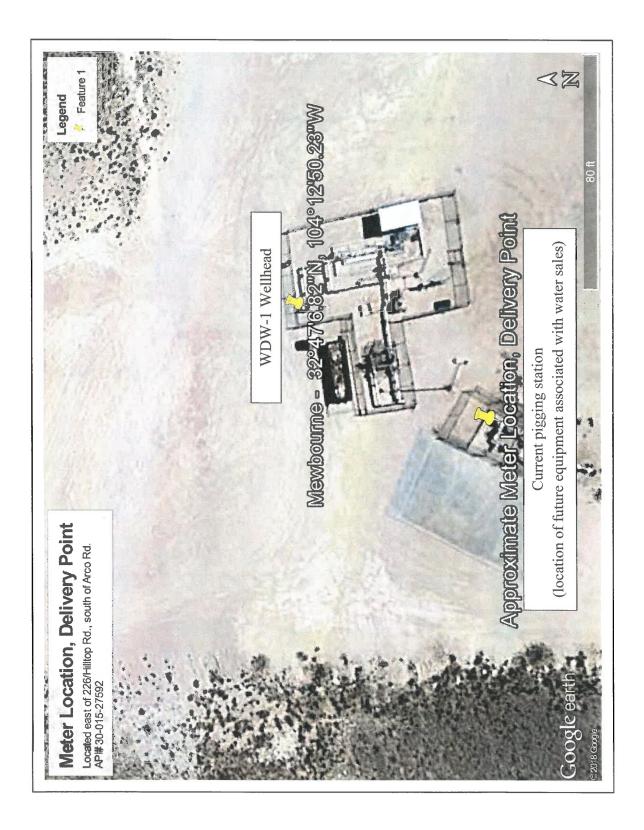
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## Figure 2: Modified Wells Configuration (modifications are shown in red)



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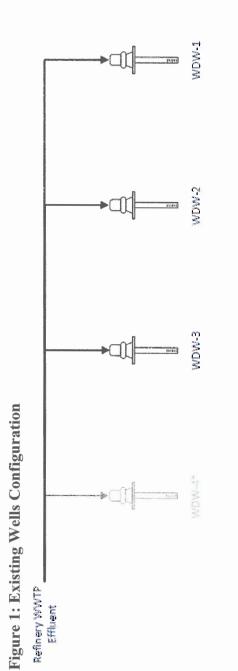
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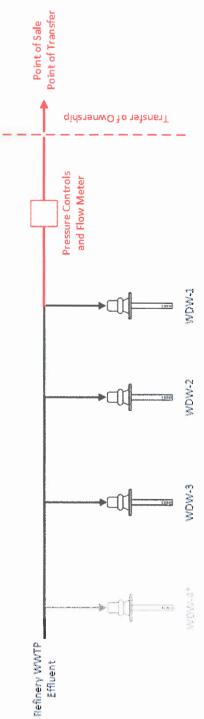
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Attachment A Process Schematic



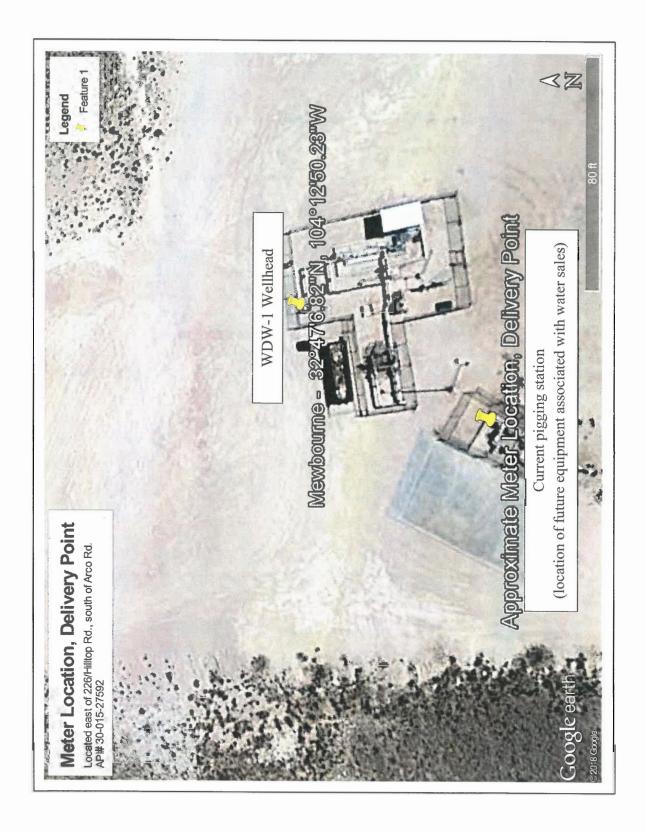
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**Attachment B** Equipment Modifications Location



Refinery Wastewater Reuse and Fresh Water Preservation in New Mexico to Support Oilfield Production

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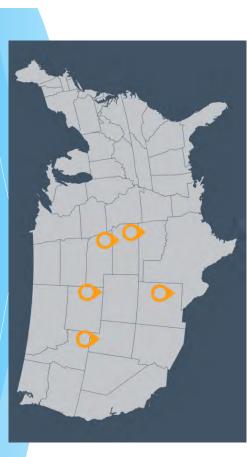


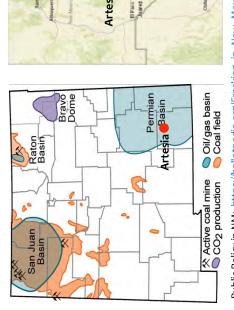
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# HollyFrontier Navajo Refining

- HollyFrontier Navajo Refining
- \* Began in 1920s
- \* Holly Corp 1969
- HollyFrontier Corporation
  - \* One of five HollyFrontier refineries
    - \* Total refining capacity of 460,000 bpd
- \* Headquartered in Dallas, TX
  - \* Navajo Artesia/Lovington
- \* 100,000 bpd crude capacity
  - \* Local Permian gathering

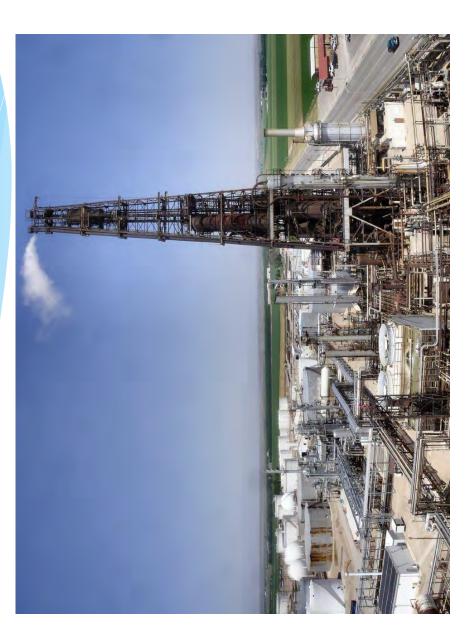




Public Policy in NM: <u>https://ballotpedia.org/Fracking\_in\_New\_Mexico</u> BakerHughes Rig Count - http://phx.corporate-ir.net/phoenix.zhtml?c=79687&p=irol-reportsother

### **Refinery Regulatory**

- \* Permitting
- \* POTW Cities of Artesia & Lovington
  - \* NM EnvironmentDepartment
- \* NM Office of StateEngineer
  - \* Oil ConservationDivision



# Refinery and Oilfield Activity Location

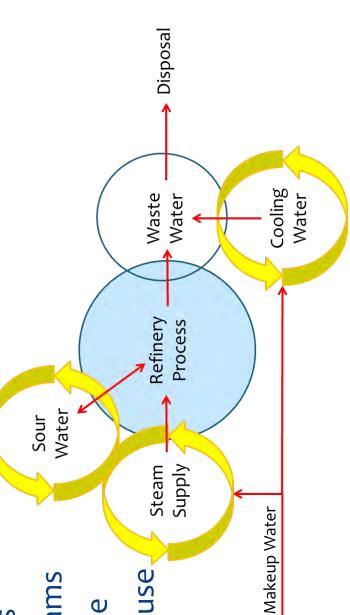
- \* Arid location
- \* Annual Average Rainfall
- Limited surface
   water for
   demands
  - Limited fresh water rights
- Competing
   demand for water
- \* Municipal
- \* Agriculture
  - \* Oilfield



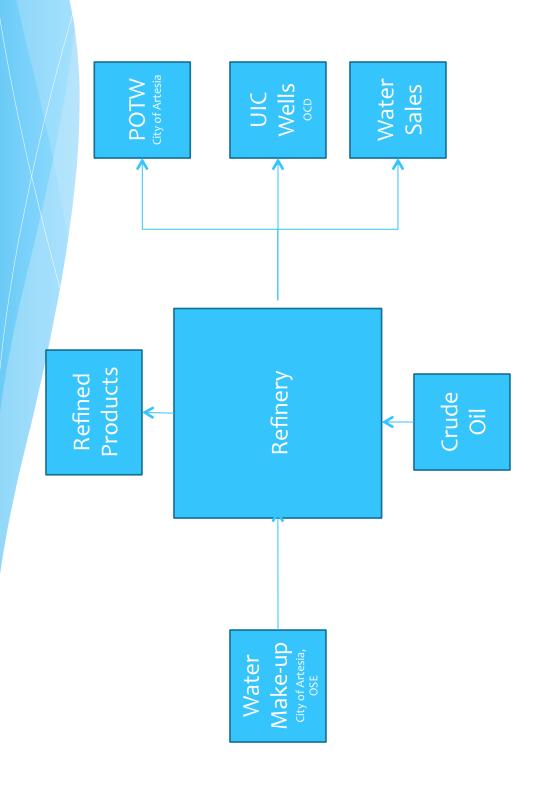




- \* Heavily dependent on water
- \* Integrated processes
- \* Internal recycle streams
- \* Refinery Performance
- Evaluating further reuse
   options to improve
   efficiency



## **Refinery Disposal Options**



### **Benefits of Reuse**



### \* E&P

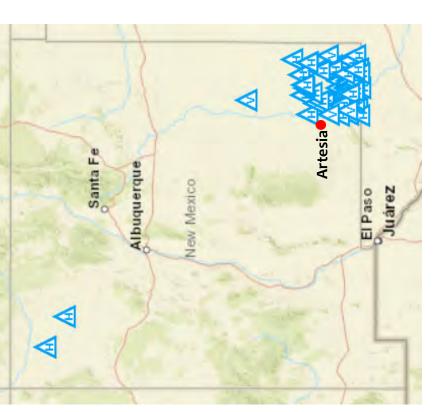
- Reduce costs
- \* Pipeline/Continuous Delivery
- \* Preserve freshwater resources
- \* Refinery
- \* Longevity for refinery
- \* New partnerships
- \* Revenue

### **Oilfield Demand**

- \* Oil and Gas well drilling fluids
- Hydraulic fracturing
- Downhole operations
- \* Volumes:
- \* 1.1 MG/well (Eddy Cty) avg frac volume New Mexico Oll & Gas Rigs Since 2000





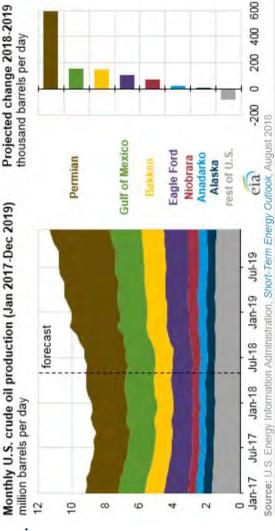


## **Reuse Considerations**

- Demand will the trend continue?
- **Refinery liability** \*
- Water quality
- \* Very consistent
- Discharge Batch operation
  - Regular quality testing
- Delivery
- Plant upset, mechanical failure, etc.
  - Weather
- **Contracts and Procurement** \*
- Define purchaser responsibilities
  - Payment
- Purchaser Responsibilities \*
- Partners with good practices and financials
- Broker to third parties
- Commitment ×

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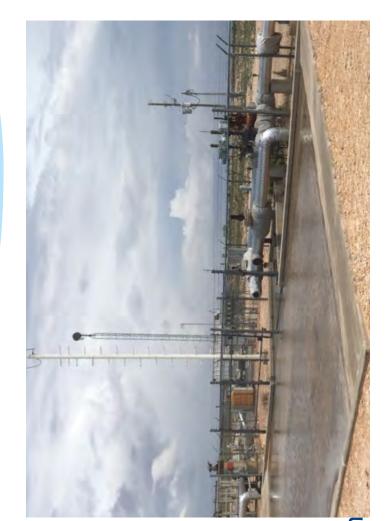
# Refinery Evaluation and Tasks

- \* Due diligence of purchaser
- \* Regulatory
- \* NMOCD
- \* Permitting
- \* Oilfield non-exempt nonhazardous waste water stream
- \* City of Artesia
- \* OSE
- \* Contracts



## Purchaser Responsibilities

- \* Regulatory Purchaser
- Managing refinery waste stream
  - \* NMOCD
- \* Permitting Reuse/Recycling
  - \* Reporting
- \* Release Notification
- \* Investigation/cleanup
  - \* Disposal
- Rights of way surface access
- \* Deconstruction/demobilization



### In Summary

- \* Beneficial reuse program
- Pollution and waste minimization \*
- \* Implementation

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