

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

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

Form C-144  
July 21, 2008

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.

Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or  
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action: ☐ Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
Existing BGT ☐ Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
☒ Modification to an existing permit  
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

**Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, 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: <u>XTO Energy, Inc.</u> OGRID #: <u>5380</u> Address: <u>#382 County Road 3100, Aztec, NM 87410</u> Facility or well name: <u>Bolack C LS #15</u> API Number: <u>30-045-06127</u> OCD Permit Number: _____ U/L or Qtr/Qtr <u>L</u> Section <u>33</u> Township <u>27N</u> Range <u>08W</u> County: <u>San Juan</u> Center of Proposed Design: Latitude <u>36.542330</u> Longitude <u>107.703600</u> NAD: <input type="checkbox"/> 1927 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1983 Surface Owner: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment
2.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Pit:</b> Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Temporary: <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Cavitation <input type="checkbox"/> P&A <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input type="checkbox"/> Unlined Liner type: Thickness _____ mil <input type="checkbox"/> LLDPE <input type="checkbox"/> HDPE <input type="checkbox"/> PVC <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> String-Reinforced Liner Seams: <input type="checkbox"/> Welded <input type="checkbox"/> Factory <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Volume: _____ bbl Dimensions: L _____ x W _____ x D _____
3.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Closed-loop System:</b> Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Type of Operation: <input type="checkbox"/> P&A <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling a new well <input type="checkbox"/> Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent) <input type="checkbox"/> Drying Pad <input type="checkbox"/> Above Ground Steel Tanks <input type="checkbox"/> Haul-off Bins <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input type="checkbox"/> Unlined Liner type: Thickness _____ mil <input type="checkbox"/> LLDPE <input type="checkbox"/> HDPE <input type="checkbox"/> PVC <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Liner Seams: <input type="checkbox"/> Welded <input type="checkbox"/> Factory <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
4.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Below-grade tank:</b> Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Volume: <u>120</u> bbl Type of fluid: <u>Produced Water</u> Tank Construction material: <u>Steel</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary containment with leak detection <input type="checkbox"/> Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off <input type="checkbox"/> Visible sidewalls and liner <input type="checkbox"/> Visible sidewalls only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Visible sidewalls, vaulted, automatic high-level shut off, no liner</u> Liner type: Thickness _____ mil <input type="checkbox"/> HDPE <input type="checkbox"/> PVC <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
5.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Alternative Method:</b> Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

6.

**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 Four foot height, steel mesh field fence (hogwire) with pipe top railing

7.

**Netting:** Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks*)

- ☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☒ Other Expanded metal or solid vaulted top
- ☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)

8.

**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 19.15.3.103 NMAC

9.

**Administrative Approvals 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:**

- ☐ Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.
- ☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

10.

**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. 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. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 500 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

11.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

12.

**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 (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9  
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only 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 (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: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Applies only to closed-loop system that use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)

13.

**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 H<sub>2</sub>S, 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

14.

**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 ☐ 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)

15.

**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

16.

**Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or 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. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No

*Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:*

☐ 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

17.

**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.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; 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

18.

**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/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements 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 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

19.

**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): Kim Champlin Title: Environmental Representative

Signature: Kim Champlin Date: 01/02/2009

e-mail address: kim\_champlin@xtoenergy.com Telephone: (505) 333-3100

20.

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

OCD Representative Signature: [Signature] Approval Date: 05/11/14

Title: Environmental Engineer OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

21.

**Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** Subsection K of 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: \_\_\_\_\_

22.

**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.

23.

**Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:**

**Instructions:** Please identify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:

- ☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)  
☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation  
☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

24.

**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)  
☐ 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

25.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

NEW MEXICO OIL AND GAS COMMISSION

Well Location and Ownership Information

MARCH 4, 1958

Operator **EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY**

Well No. **15-C** Unit Letter **L** Section **33**

Location **1800** Feet From **SOUTH** East From **WEST**

County **SAN JUAN** G. L. Elevation **6782**

Name of Producing Formation **MESA VERDE**

**BOLACK**

**SF 079232**

Township **27-N** Range **8-W** NMPM

East From **WEST** Line

Distance Acreage **320** Acre

Plat **BLANCO MV EXT.**

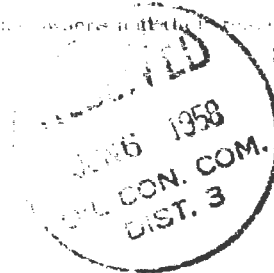
1. Is the Operator the only owner in the town and range contained on this plat?

Yes ☒ No ☐

2. If the answer to question one is "No", are the other owners notified by registered mail of the proposed dedication or otherwise? Yes ☐ No ☐ If answer is "No", type of notification:

3. If the answer to question two is "No", list all the owners notified by registered mail:

Owner



Section 33

I hereby certify that the information on Section 33 above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**El Paso Natural Gas Company**  
(Operator)

Original Signed **D. C. Johnson**  
(Representative)

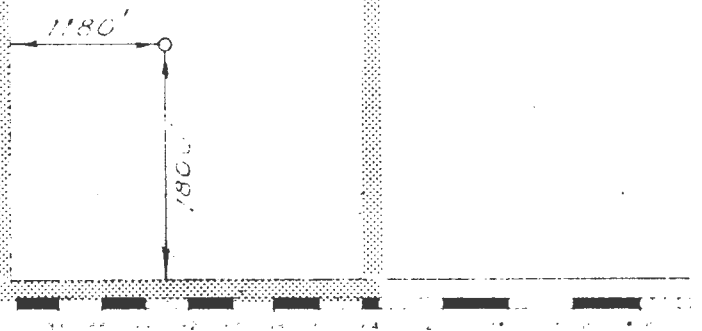
**Box 197**

Address

**Farmington, New Mexico**

**SECTION 33**

**SF 079232**



**NOTE: THIS PLAT REISSUED TO SHOW PICTURED CLIFF DEDICATION ABANDONED. THIS WELL WILL BE COMPLETED IN MESA VERDE FORMATION ONLY.**

This plat is a copy of the original well location map and is not a legal document. It is not to be used as evidence in any court of law. It is to be used only for reference purposes.

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**FEBRUARY 13, 1958**

*David C. Johnson*  
Registered Professional Engineer and Surveyor

Farmington, New Mexico



**Pit Permit  
Siting Criteria  
Information**

Client:	XTO Energy
Project:	tank permitting
Revised:	29-Nov-08
Prepared by:	Trevor Ycas

API#: 30-045-06127

USPLSS: 27N 08W 33 L

Name: BOLACK C LS No. 015

Lat/Long: 36.542330°, -107.703600°

Depth to groundwater: depth > 100'

Geologic formation: San Jose Formation (Tsj)

Distance to closest continuously flowing watercourse: 14.6 miles NW to 'San Juan River'

site elevation:  
2035m/6677'

Distance to closest significant watercourse, lakebed, playa lake, or sinkhole: ~1.5 miles W to 'Blanco Canyon' main wash channel; 2.2 miles E to 'Largo Canyon' main channel

Soil Type: Rockland

Permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church within 300' NO

Annual Precipitation: Navajo Dam: 12.95", Gobernador: 11.98", Capulin Rgr Stn.: 14.98", Otis: 10.41"

Domestic fresh water well or spring within 500' NO

Precipitation Notes: Historical daily max. precip.: 4.19" (Bloomfield)

Any other fresh water well or spring within 1000' NO

Within incorporated municipal boundaries NO

Attached Documents: 26N7W\_iWaters.pdf, 26N08W\_iWaters.pdf, 26N09W\_iWaters.pdf, 27N07W\_iWaters.pdf, 27N08W\_iwaters.pdf, 27N09W\_iwaters.pdf, 28N07W\_iWaters.pdf, 28N08W\_iWaters.pdf, 28N09W\_iWaters.pdf

Within defined municipal fresh water well field NO

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Wetland within 500' NO

Mining Activity: None Near

Within unstable area NO

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Within 100 year flood plain NO - FEMA Zone 'X'

**Additional Notes:**

drains to 'Largo Canyon'  
via 'Onofre Jaquez  
Canyon'

Atop Blanco Mesa, SW of 'Onofre Jaquez  
Canyon'

## **Bolack C #15 Below Grade Tank Hydrogeologic Report for Siting Criteria**

### **General Geology and Hydrology**

The San Juan Basin is a typical Rocky Mountain basin with a gently dipping southern flank and a steeply dipping northern flank. Asymmetrically layered Tertiary sandstones and shales, along with Quaternary alluvial deposits, dominate surficial geology (Dane and Bachman, 1965). The proposed pit location will be located in the central Largo Canyon region of the San Juan Basin south of Hollis Pass, south and west of Onofre Jaquez Canyon, atop Blanco Mesa. The predominant geologic formation is the San Jose Formation of Tertiary age, which underlies surface soils and is often exposed (Dane and Bachman, 1965). Deposits of Quaternary alluvial and aeolian sands occur prominently near the surface of the area, especially near streams and washes.

Cretaceous and Tertiary sandstones, as well as Quaternary alluvial deposits serve as the primary aquifers in the San Juan basin (Stone et al., 1983). In most of the proposed area, the San Jose Formation lies at the surface and overlies the Nacimiento Formation. Thickness of the San Jose ranges from 200 to 2700 feet, thickening from west to east (Stone et al., 1983). Aquifers within the coarser and continuous sandstone bodies of the San Jose Formation are between 0 and 2700' deep in this section of the basin (Stone et al., 1983). Groundwater within these aquifers flows toward the San Juan River. Little specific Hydrogeologic data is available for the San Jose Formation system, but "numerous well and springs used for stock and domestic supplies" draw their water from the San Jose Formation (Stone et al, 1983).

The prominent soil type at the proposed site are entisols and aridisols, which are defined as soils that exhibit little to no any profile development ([www.emnrd.state.nm.us](http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us)). Soils are basically unaltered from their parent rock. Miles of arroyos, washes and intermittent streams exist as part of the drainage network towards the San Juan River. These features often cut into soil and other unconsolidated materials, contributing to sedimentation downstream. The sudden influx of water from storm events easily erodes the soils that cover the area and prohibits effective recharge to the underlying aquifers.

Dry and arid weather further prohibit active recharge. The climate of the region is arid, averaging just over 8 inches of rainfall annually. As is typical of the southwestern United States monsoonal weather patterns, most precipitation falls from August through October. The heaviest rainfall occurs in the summer in isolated, intense cloudbursts. November through June is relatively dry. Snow generally falls from December to mid-February and averages less than one-half inch in depth. However, most recharge occurs during the winter months during snowmelt periods from the upper elevations (Western Regional Climate Center [www.wrcc.dri.edu](http://www.wrcc.dri.edu)).

The predominant vegetation is sagebrush and grasses with a more restricted pinon-juniper association (Dick-Peddie, 1993).



## Site Specific Hydrogeology

Depth to groundwater is estimated to be greater than 100 feet. This estimation is based on data from Stone and others (1983), the USGS Groundwater Atlas of the United States and depth to groundwater data published on the New Mexico State Engineer's iWaters Database website. Local topography and proximity to surface hydrologic features are also taken into consideration.

Beds of water-yielding sandstone are present in the San Jose Formation, which are fluvial in origin and are interbedded with mudstone, siltstone, shale. "Extensive intertonguing" of different members of this formation is reported (Stone et al, 1983). Porous sandstones form the principal aquifers, while relatively impermeable shales and mudstones form confining units between the aquifers (Stone et al., 1983). Local aquifers exist within the San Jose Formation at depths greater than 100 feet and thicknesses of the aquifer can be up to several hundred feet (USGS, Groundwater Atlas of the US) (Stone et al, 1983).

The site in question is located on relatively flat ground atop Blanco Mesa at an elevation of approximately 6670 feet and approximately 1.5 miles east of Blanco Canyon. This site drains to Largo Canyon, some 2.2 miles to the east. This region is deeply incised by canyons, washes, gullies and arroyos, with large, flat-topped mesas the other dominant topographic feature. The mesas are composed of cliff-forming sandstone, and systems of dry washes and their tributaries are evident on the attached aerial image. Groundwater is expected to be shallow within Largo Canyon and within major tributary systems. However, an elevation difference between the site and the base of Blanco Canyon of over 400 feet suggests groundwater is considerably deeper at the proposed site.

Groundwater data available from the NM State Engineer's iWaters Database for wells near the proposed site are attached. Groundwater data is extremely limited in this region; the nearest iWaters data point lies 2.4 miles west in Blanco Canyon (SJ02961). Other 'nearby' iWaters wells are located 8 miles north-northwest (SJ02800), 5.4 miles northeast (SJ02314), and 2.9 miles east-southeast (SJ02410).

Wells located at similar elevations along Largo Canyon contain groundwater primarily at depths greater than 18 feet, occasionally in excess of 500 feet. A map showing the location of wells in reference to the proposed pit location is attached. An elevation difference of over 400 feet between the site and the nearest major stream channel suggests groundwater is likely deeper than 100 feet.





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(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)  
(quarters are biggest to smallest)

POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column	Water (in feet)
SJ 02283	28N	08W	14	4	2	1				540	480	60	
SJ 00209	28N	08W	17	3	2	1				15			
SJ 00209 -AMENDED-S	28N	08W	17	4	1	1				15			
SJ 00209 S	28N	08W	17	4	1	1				15		15	
SJ 00163 S	28N	08W	18	4	4	2			1450	800		650	

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POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column	Water (in feet)
SJ 00002	28N	07W	14	1					375			
SJ 03116	28N	07W	21	3	3				98	20		78

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(acres ft per annum)		(quarters are 1-6W 2-6W 3-6W 4-6W)		(quarters are biggest to smallest)		X Y are in Feet		UTM are in Meters		Start Date	Finish Date	Depth Well
DB File	Nbr	Use	Diversion	Owner	Source	1st	2nd	3rd	4th			
SJ 07849	3	PDL	20	ROSA B. MARTINEZ	Artesian	28N	06W	13	2	4	1	1551
SJ 00200	3	OFM	20	BURLINGTON RESOURCES OIL & GAS	Shallow	28N	06W	23	3	3	05/23/1967	245
SJ 03005	3	STK	3	DON SCHREIBER	Shallow	28N	06W	21	4	2	08/10/2000	290
SJ 03043	3	STK	3	JANE SCHREIBER	Shallow	28N	06W	21	4	2	09/02/2000	150
SJ 03091	3	STK	3	JANE SCHREIBER	Shallow	28N	06W	22	3	3	05/17/2001	300
SJ 03443	3	STK	3	DON SCHREIBER	Shallow	28N	06W	22	3	3	11/10/2005	420
SJ 03675	3	DOM	3	ARTURO R. SANCHEZ	Shallow	28N	06W	14	4	3	02/20/2006	450
SJ 03700	3	STK	3	JANE SCHREIBER	Shallow	28N	06W	12	2	4	02/25/2006	450

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DB File Mbr	(acre ft per annum) Use Diversion Owner	POD Number	(quarters are 1-QW 2-QE 3-QW 4-QE) (quarters are highest to smallest)	X Y are in Feet	X Y are in Meters	Start Date	Finish Date	Depth Dept
			Source Trs Eng Sec q q q	Zone X	UTM Zone Easting Northing			Well Water

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Owner Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Non-Domestic ☐ Domestic ☒ All

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POD Number	Twp	Rng	Sec	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Water Column	Water (in feet)
SJ 02410	27N	08W	36	1	3	2			2200		

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POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column	Water (in feet)
RG 81025	27N	07W	35	4	3	3				560	465	95	
SJ 00195	27N	07W	15	2						1633	500	1133	
SJ 02314	27N	07W	17	3	3					355	320	35	
SJ 02408	27N	07W	21	2	1	3				400	300	100	
SJ 03274	27N	07W	35	3	4	4				450			
SJ 02404	27N	07W	35	4	3	3				550	250	300	

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(quarters are 1-W 2-W 3-W 4-W)

(acre ft per annum)		(quarters are 1-W 2-W 3-W 4-W)									
DB File No	Use	Diversion	Owner	Source	Tvs	Wing	Sec	q	q	q	q
SJ 00061	DOM	0	EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY	Shallow	27N	06W	32	3	3	3	3
SJ 00062	DOM	0	EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY	Shallow	27N	06W	32	3	3	3	3
SJ 00213	IND	17	EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY	Shallow	27N	06W	32	1	4	4	4
SJ 02291	STK	3	BLM	Shallow	27N	06W	23	4	3	1	1
SJ 02403	DOM	2	JOE OR WILMA KAIME	Shallow	27N	06W	30	3	1	3	3
SJ 03001	DOM	3	CHARLES E. BRADLEY	Shallow	27N	06W	07	2	2	1	1

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County:            Basin:            Number:            Suffix:           

Owner Name: (First)            (Last)            ☐ Non-Domestic ☐ Domestic ☒ All

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POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column	Water (in feet)
SJ 02961	26N	09W	01	2	2	3					1500			
SJ 02962	26N	09W	01	3	2	3					1500			
SJ 01756	26N	09W	11	2	2	3					75	40	35	
SJ 03811	26N	09W	12	3	3	3					348	175	173	
SJ 00412	26N	09W	16	4	2						202	65	137	
SJ 00214	26N	09W	26	2	4	2					946	230	716	
SJ 00064	26N	09W	26	4	2	1					490	215	275	
SJ 00063	26N	09W	26	4	2	3					479	234	245	

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POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column	Water (in feet)
SJ 02405	26N	08W	01	3	4	3				180	100	80	
SJ 02411	26N	08W	01	4	4	1				6000			
SJ 02407	26N	08W	01	4	4	1				2200			

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 (quarters are biggest to smallest)

POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column	Water (in feet)
SJ 02409	26N	07W	01	1	2	2					700	400	300	
SJ 02402	26N	07W	05	3	3	2					36	18	18	
SJ 00071	26N	07W	15	4	1	2					365	26	339	
SJ 00070	26N	07W	15	4	2	3					335	22	313	
SJ 02406	26N	07W	30	3	2	1					280	180	100	

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Owner Name: (First)  (Last)  ☐ Non-Domestic ☐ Domestic ☒ All

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(quarters are biggest to smallest)

POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Well	Depth	Water	Column	Water (in feet)
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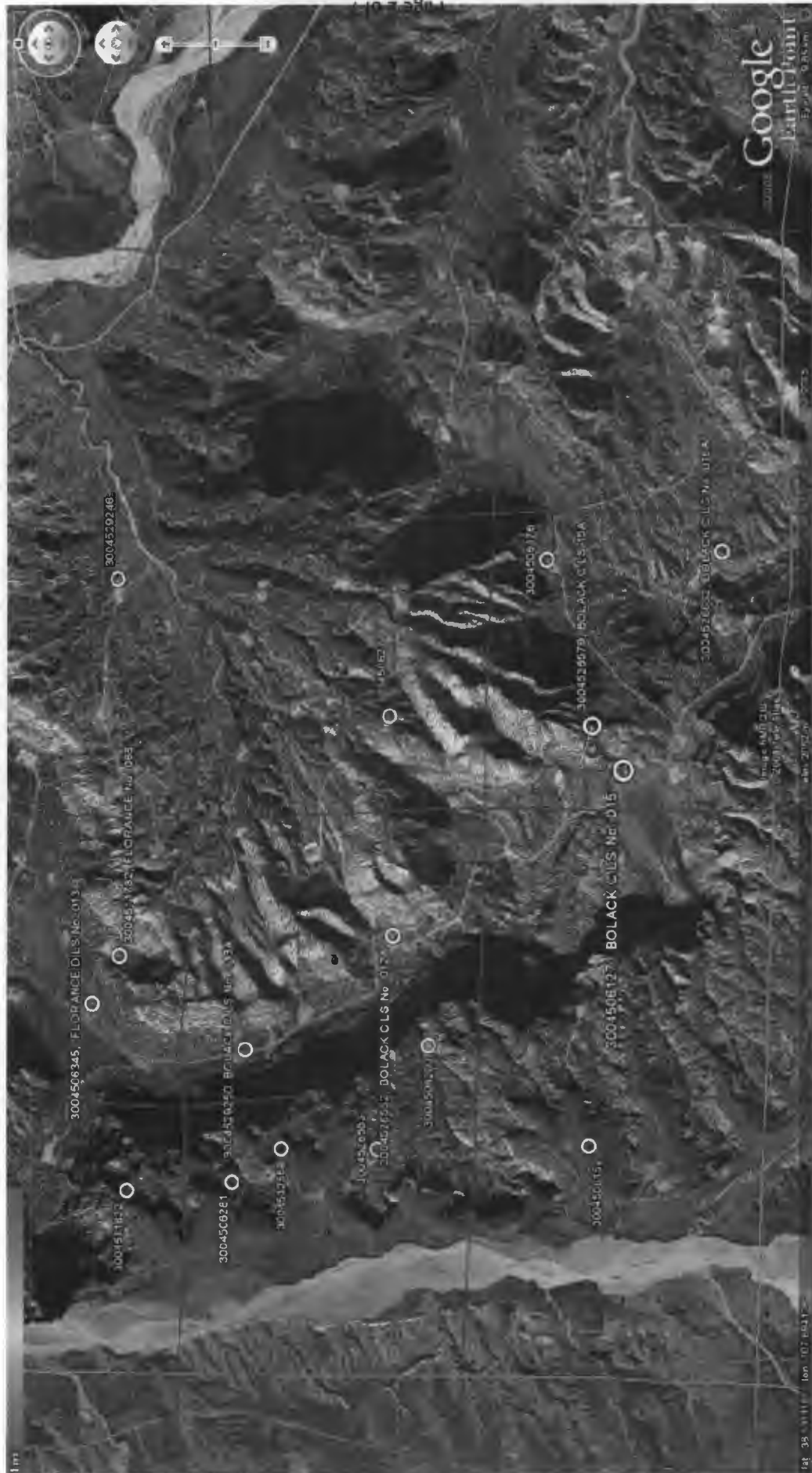
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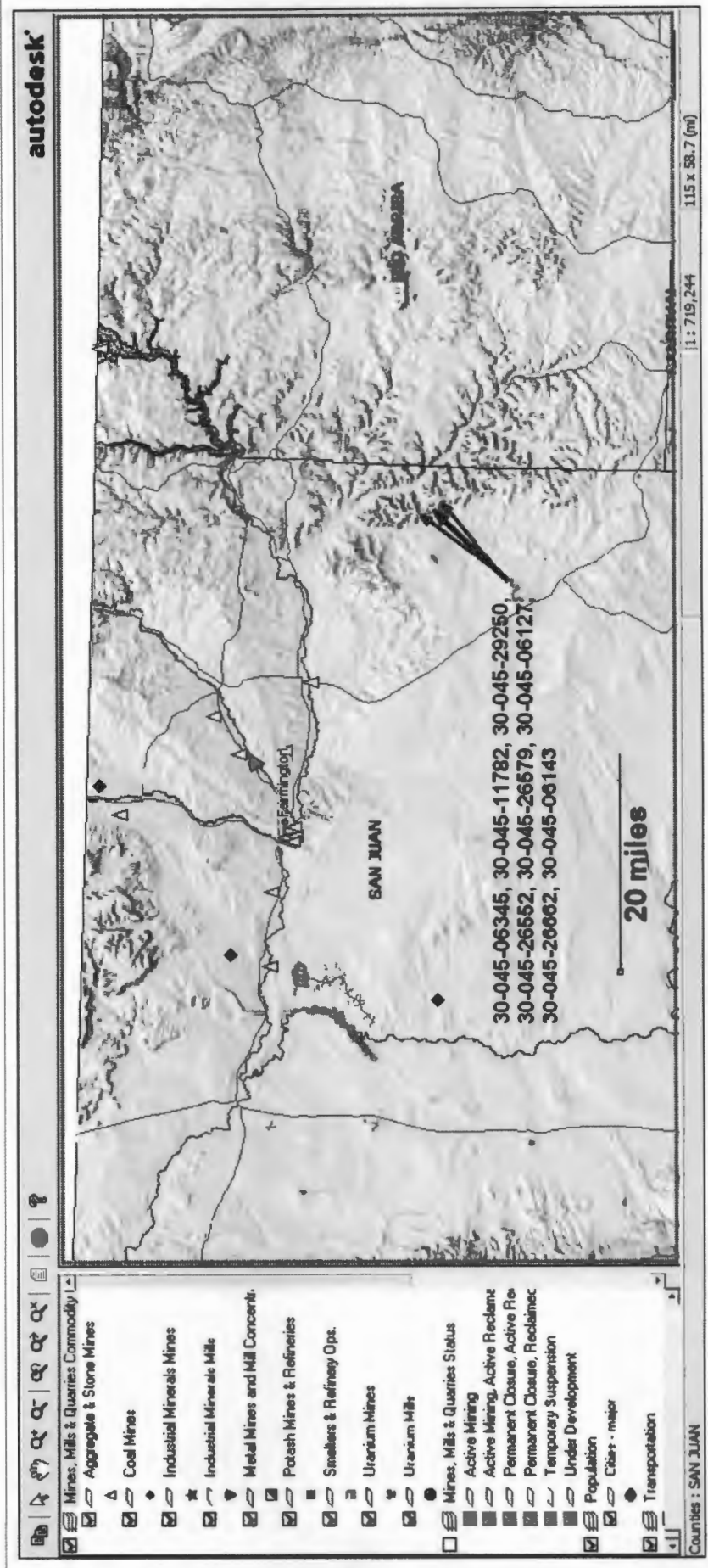
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<b>SJ 03746 POD1</b>	28N	09W	20	1	2	3					190	40	150	
<b>SJ 00018</b>	28N	09W	20	3	1	4					135	71	64	
<b>SJ 02800</b>	28N	09W	24	4	2	3					200			

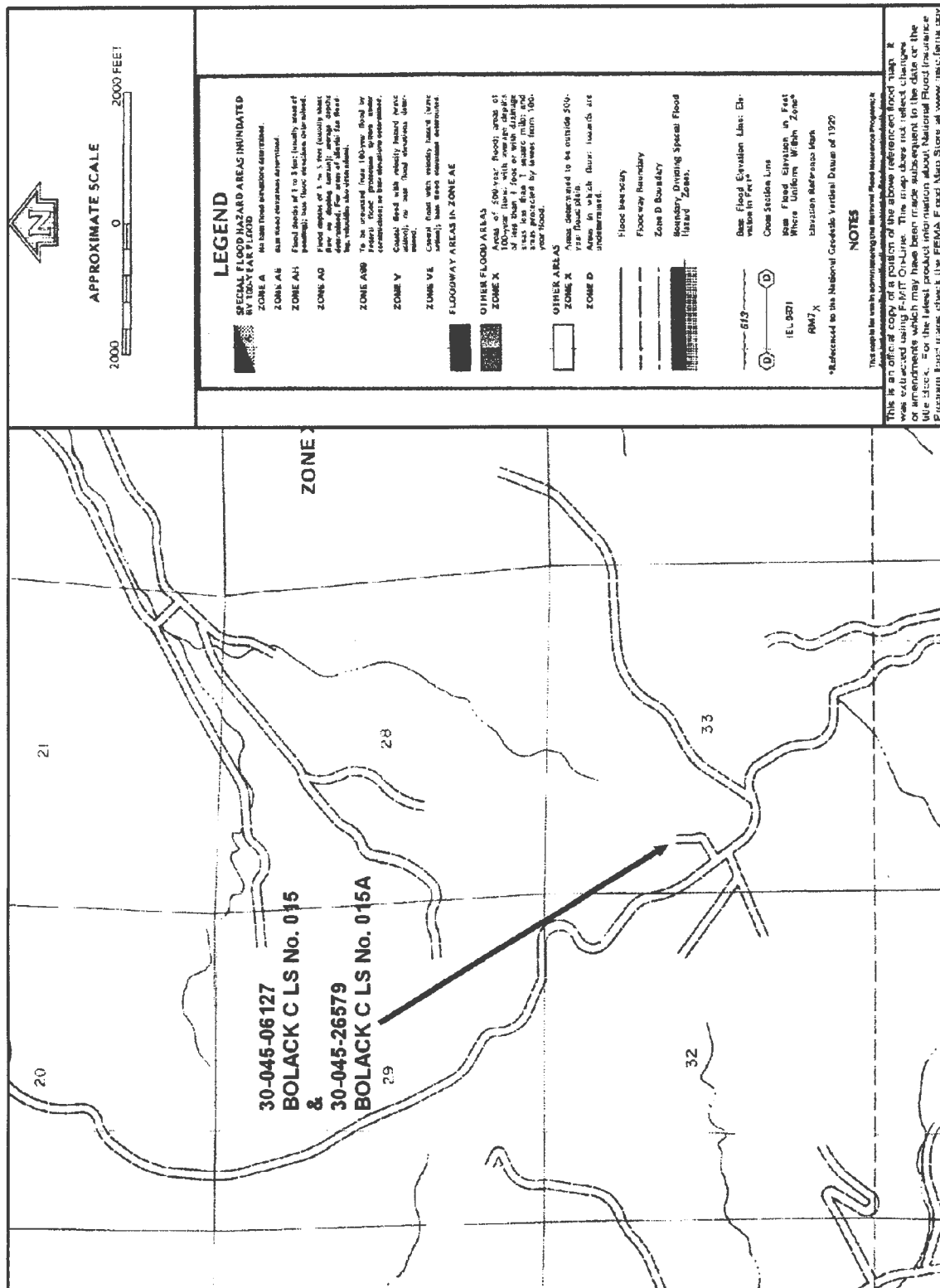
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# Mines, Mills and Quarries Web Map





**XTO Energy Inc.**  
**San Juan Basin (Northwest New Mexico)**  
**General Design and Construction Plan**  
**For Below-Grade Tanks**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC the following information describes the design and construction of below-grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below-grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below-grade tank which does not conform to this plan.

**General Plan**

1. XTO will design and construct below-grade tanks to contain liquids and solids and prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and environment.
2. XTO will post a well sign, in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC, on the existing well site operated by XTO where the existing below-grade tank is located. The sign will list the Operator on record as the operator, the location of the well site by unit letter, section, township, range, and emergency telephone numbers.
3. XTO is requesting approval of an alternative fencing to be used on below-grade tank locations. Below-grade tank locations will be fenced utilizing 48" steel mesh field-fence (hogwire) with pipe railing along the top. A 6' chain link fence will be utilized around the well pad if the well site is within a city limits or ¼ mile of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church. Below-grade tanks located within 1000' of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church will be fenced by 6' chain link fence with at least two strands of barbed wire at the top. All gates associated with below-grade tanks will remain closed and locked when responsible individuals are not on site.
4. XTO shall construct below-grade tanks with an expanded metal covering or solid vaulted top on the top of the below-grade tank.
5. XTO will ensure that below-grade tanks are constructed of materials resistant to the below-grade tank's particular contents and resistant to damage from sunlight. Tanks will be constructed of A36 carbon steel with 3/16" sides and ¼" bottom. (See attached drawing).
6. The below-grade tank system will have a properly constructed foundation consisting of a level base free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent punctures, cracks or indentations of the liner or tank bottom. Sand bedding (4") will be placed on top of a level foundation to ensure prevention of punctures, cracks or indentations of the liner or tank bottom.
7. XTO will construct a berm and/or diversion ditch in a manner that prevents the collection of surface water run-on. Below-grade tanks will be equipped with automatic high level shut-off devices as well as manually operated shut-off valves. (See attached drawing).
8. XTO will construct and use below-grade tanks that do not have double walls. The below-grade tank sidewalls will be open for visual inspection for leaks. The sidewalls of the cellar will be constructed with 2" X 12" pine sidewalls and 4" X 4" pine brace posts. The below-grade tank

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bottom will be elevated a minimum of 6" above the underlying ground surface and the below-grade tank will be underlain with a geomembrane liner to divert leaked liquid to a location that can be visually inspected. (See attached drawing).

9. XTO will equip below-grade tanks designed in this manner with a properly functioning automatic high-level shut-off control device and manual controls to prevent overflows. (See attached drawing).
10. XTO will demonstrate to the OCD that the geomembrane liner complies with the specifications of Subparagraph (a) of Paragraph (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC and obtain approval from OCD prior to the installation of the design. The geomembrane liner shall have a hydraulic conductivity no greater than  $1 \times 10^{-9}$  cm/sec. The geomembrane liner shall be composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acids and alkaline solutions. The liner material shall be resistant to ultraviolet light. Liner compatibility shall comply with EPA SW-846 method 9090A. (See attached drawing).
11. The general specifications for design and construction are attached.



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**San Juan Basin (Northwest New Mexico)**  
**General Maintenance and Operating Plan**  
**For Below-Grade Tanks**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.12 NMAC the following information describes the operation and maintenance of below-grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below-grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below-grade tank which does not conform to this plan.

**General Plan**

1. XTO will operate and maintain below-grade tanks to contain liquids and solids, maintain the integrity of the liner and secondary containment system, prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment. Fluid levels will be monitored weekly and high levels will be removed as necessary. Monthly inspections will be conducted to monitor integrity of below-grade tank systems and below-grade tanks will be equipped with automatic high-level shut-off devices.
2. XTO will not allow below-grade tanks to overflow and will use berms and/or diversion ditch to prevent surface run on to enter the below-grade tank. Below-grade tanks will be equipped with automatic high-level shut-off control devices as well as manually operated shut-off valves. See attached drawing for vault design and placement of diversion berms and shut-off devices.
3. XTO will continuously remove any visible or measurable layer of oil from the fluid surface of below-grade tanks in order to prevent significant accumulation of oil.
4. XTO will inspect the below-grade tank monthly and maintain written records for five years. Monthly inspections will consist of documenting the following: (see attached template),
  - Well Name
  - API #
  - Sec., Twn., Rng.
  - XTO Inspector's name
  - Inspection date and time
  - Visible tears in liner
  - Visible signs of tank overflow
  - Collection of surface run on
  - Visible layer of oil
  - Visible signs of tank leak
  - Estimated freeboard
5. XTO will maintain adequate freeboard to prevent over topping of the below-grade tank. High level shut-off devices control the freeboard at an average of 28" beneath the top of the tank.
6. XTO will not discharge into or store any hazardous waste in any below-grade tank.
7. If a below-grade tank develops a leak, or if any penetration of a below-grade tank occurs below the liquids surface, XTO will remove all liquids above the damage or leak line within 48 hours,

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notify the appropriate division district office within 48 hours of the discovery and repair the damage or replace the below-grade tank. If an existing below-grade tank does not meet current requirements of Paragraphs 1-4 of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC the tank will be modified or retrofitted to comply. If compliance can not be achieved XTO will implement the approved closure plan.

# MONTHLY BELOW GRADE TANK INSPECTION FORM

**Well Name:**

**API No.:**

## Legals

Sec:

**Township:**

**Range:**

[illegible]

**Notes:**

Provide Detailed Description:

**Misc:**



**XTO Energy Inc.**  
**San Juan Basin (Northwest New Mexico)**  
**General Closure Plan**  
**For Below-Grade Tanks**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 NMAC the following information describes the closure requirements of below-grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below-grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below-grade tank which does not conform to this plan.

**General Plan**

1. XTO will close below-grade tanks within the time periods provided in 19.15.17.13 NMAC, or by an earlier date that the division requires because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health or the environment.
2. XTO will close a below-grade tank that does not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC or is not included in Paragraph (5) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC within five years after June 16, 2008, if not retrofitted to comply with Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC.
3. XTO will close a permitted below-grade tank within 60 days of cessation of the below-grade tank's operation or as required by the transitional provisions of Subsection B of 19.15.17.17 NMAC in accordance with a closure plan that the appropriate division district office approves. The closure report will be filed on form C-144.
4. XTO will remove liquids and sludge from below-grade tanks prior to implementing a closure method and will dispose of the liquids and sludge in a division-approved facility. Approved facilities and waste streams include:
  - Envirotech Permit No. NM01-0011 and IEI Permit No. NM 01-0010B
    - Soil contaminated by exempt petroleum hydrocarbons
    - Produced sand, pit sludge and contaminated bottoms from storage of exempt wastes
  - Basin Disposal Permit No. NM01-005
    - Produced water
5. XTO will remove the below-grade tank and dispose of it in a division approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the appropriate division district office has approved prior to removal. Any associated liners will be removed, properly cleaned and disposed of per 19.15.9.712 NMAC at San Juan County Landfill. Documentation of the final disposition will be included in the closure report.
6. XTO will remove any on-site equipment associated with a below-grade tank unless the equipment is required for some other purpose.
7. XTO will test the soils beneath the below-grade tank to determine whether a release has occurred. At a minimum 5 point composite sample will be collected along with individual grab samples from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release. Samples will be

analyzed for BTEX, TPH and chlorides to demonstrate that the benzene concentration, as determined by EPA SW-846 methods 8021B or 8260B or EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 0.2 mg/kg; total BTEX concentration, as determined by EPA SW-846 methods 8021B or 8260B or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 50 mg/kg; the TPH concentration, as determined by EPA method 418.1 or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 100mg/kg; and the chloride concentration, as determined by EPA method 300.1 or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 250 mg/kg, or the background concentration, whichever is greater. XTO will notify the division of its results on form C-141.

8. If XTO or the division determines that a release has occurred, XTO will comply with 19.15.3.116 NMAC and 19.15.1.19NMAC as appropriate.
9. If the sampling program demonstrates that a release has not occurred or that any release does not exceed the concentrations specified in Paragraph (4) of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, XTO will backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material; construct a division prescribed soil cover; recontour and re-vegetate the site.
10. Notice of Closure operations will be given to the Aztec Division District III office between 72 hours and one week prior to the start of closure activities via email or verbally.  
The notification will include the following:
  - i. Operator's name
  - ii. Well Name and API Number
  - iii. Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range

The surface owner shall also be notified prior to the implementation of any closure operations of below-grade tanks as per the approved closure plan using certified mail, return receipt requested.

11. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding area. Re-shaping will include drainage control, prevent ponding, and prevent erosion. Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be placed in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final re-contour shall have a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.
12. A minimum of 4 feet of cover shall be achieved and the cover shall include 1 foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, or the background thickness of topsoil, whichever is greater. Soil cover will be constructed to the site's existing grade and ponding of water and erosion of the cover material will be prevented with drainage control, natural drainages and silt traps where needed.
13. XTO will seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after the operator closes the pit. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. BLM or Forest Service stipulated seed mixes will be used on federal lands. Vegetative cover will equal 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (un-impacted) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintain that cover through two successive growing seasons. Repeat seeding or planting will be continued until successful vegetative growth occurs.

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14. All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted in closure report form to OCD within 60 days of closure of the below-grade tank. Closure report will be filed on form C-144 and incorporate the following:
- i. Proof of closure notice to division and surface owner;
  - ii. Details on capping and covering, where applicable;
  - iii. Inspection reports;
  - iv. Confirmation sampling analytical results;
  - v. Disposal facility name(s) and permit number(s);
  - vi. Soil backfilling and cover installation;
  - vii. Re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques, (or approved alternative to re-vegetation requirements if applicable);
  - viii. Photo documentation of the site reclamation.

**From:** Lowe, Leonard, EMNRD  
**To:** ["Hoekstra, Kurt"](#)  
**Subject:** Approved Request for closure plan only Bolack C LS # 15  
**Date:** Sunday, May 11, 2014 11:39:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [Approved Bolack C LS # 15, API # 30-045-06127-2.pdf](#)  
**Importance:** High

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Kurt Hoekstra,

OCD Approves closure of BGT at Bolack C LS # 15, API # 30-045-06127.

See attachment.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 07, 2014 6:38 AM  
**To:** Lowe, Leonard, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Request for closure plan only Bolack C LS # 15

Leonard Lowe,

Please accept this email as a request for approval of the closure plan only for the BGT at the Bolack C LS # 15 well site

(API #30-045-06127) located in Unit L, Section 33, Township 27N, Range 8W, Lat. 36.52811 Long -107.69233 San Juan

County, New Mexico. Our records indicate the closure plan was submitted on 1-9-2009. This BGT will be closed due to the P & A of this location.

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