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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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FORM APPROVED
OMB NO. 1004-0136
Expires: February 28, 1995

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR DEEPEN

5. LEASE DESIGNATION AND SERIAL NO. NM 17238

6. IF INDIAN, ALLOTTEE OR TRIBE NAME

7. UNIT AGREEMENT NAME

8. FARM OR LEASE NAME, WELL NO. Python 3 Federal #2

9. API WELL NO. 30-025-34913

10. FIELD AND POOL, OR WILDCAT Teas Bone Spring

11. SEC., T., R., M., OR BLK. AND SURVEY OR AREA Section 3, T20S, R33E

12. COUNTY OR PARISH Lea 13. STATE New Mexico

14. DISTANCE IN MILES AND DIRECTION FROM NEAREST TOWN OR POST OFFICE* 5 miles NE of Halfway, New Mexico

15. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED* LOCATION TO NEAREST PROPERTY OR LEASE LINE, FT. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 855'

16. NO. OF ACRES IN LEASE 40

17. NO. OF ACRES ASSIGNED TO THIS WELL 40

18. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED LOCATION* TO NEAREST WELL, DRILLING, COMPLETED, OR APPLIED FOR, ON THIS LEASE, FT. 855'

19. PROPOSED DEPTH ~~9,000'~~ 9700'

20. ROTARY OR CABLE TOOLS Rotary

21. ELEVATIONS (Show whether DF, RT, GR, etc.) 3,573 GR

22. APPROX. DATE WORK WILL START* 02/01/00

SECRETARY'S POTASH
P.111.D POTASH

23. PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM

SIZE OF HOLE	GRADE, SIZE OF CASING	WEIGHT PER FOOT	SETTING DEPTH	QUANTITY OF CEMENT
17-1/2"	13-3/8" H40	48#	1300'	500 sx cmt, circ to surface
11"	8-5/8" K55	24# & 32#	3300' 5,000'	1,200 sx cmt, circ to surface
7-7/8"	5-1/2" N80	17# & 20#	9700' 9,000'	1,500 sx cmt, tie back to 8-5/8" casing

WITNESS
WITNESS
CAPTAIN CONTROLLED WATER BASIN
Circulate

Propose to drill well to sufficient depth to evaluate the Bone Spring formation. After reaching TD, logs will be run and casing set if the evaluation is positive. Perforate, test and stimulate as necessary to establish production.

Acreage dedication 40; SE of Section 3.

PROPOSED TD NO. 15742
PROPOSED LENO 25261
POOL CODE 589601
EFF. DATE 2-7-2000
API NO. 30-025-34913

APPROVAL SUBJECT TO
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND
SPECIAL STIPULATIONS
ATTACHED

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12/23/99

IN ABOVE SPACE DESCRIBE PROGRAM: If proposal is to deepen, give data on present productive zone and proposed new productive zone. If proposal is to drill or deepen directionally, give pertinent data on subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths. Give blowout preventer program, if any.

24. SIGNED [Signature] TITLE Drilling Superintendent DATE 12/16/99

(This space for Federal or State office use)

PERMIT NO. _____ APPROVAL DATE 775 08 2000

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon. CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY:

(ORIG. SGD.) M. J. CHÁVEZ STATE DIRECTOR

APPROVED BY _____ TITLE _____ DATE _____

*See Instructions On Reverse Side

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

[Signature]

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ROSWELL, NM

DISTRICT I
P.O. Box 1980, Hobbs, NM 88241-1980

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102
Revised February 10, 1994
Submit to Appropriate District Office
State Lease - 4 Copies
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

DISTRICT II
P.O. Drawer DD, Artesia, NM 88211-0719

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
P.O. Box 2088

DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

DISTRICT IV
P.O. BOX 2088, SANTA FE, N.M. 87504-2088

AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-025-34913	Pool Code 58960	Pool Name Teas Bone Spring
Property Code 25261	Property Name PYTHON 3 FEDERAL	Well Number 2
OGRID No. 015742	Operator Name NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY	Elevation 3573

Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
0	3	20 S	33 E		855	SOUTH	1650	EAST	LEA

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

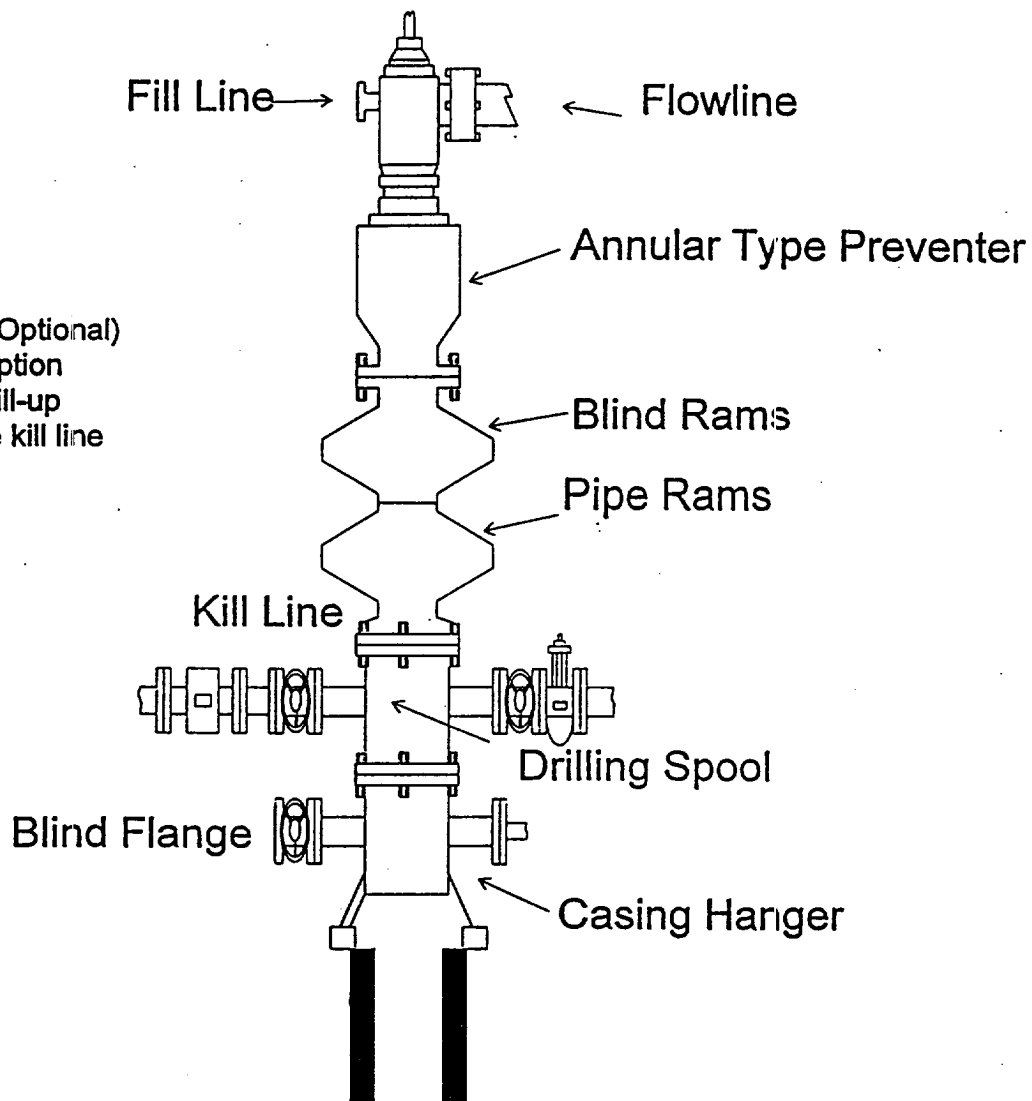
UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

Dedicated Acres	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No.
40	N		

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

	<p>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p><i>I hereby certify the the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.</i></p> <p><i>E. R. Willis</i> Signature</p> <p>E. R. Willis Printed Name</p> <p>Drilling Superintendent Title</p> <p>August 3, 1999 Date</p>
	<p>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p><i>I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat 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 belief.</i></p> <p>MAY 19, 1999</p>
	<p>Date Surveyed _____ DMCC</p> <p>Signature _____</p> <p>Professional Seal _____</p> <p>RONALD J. EDSON NEW MEXICO REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR 3239 99-1-0442 5-21-99</p>
	<p>Certificate No. RONALD J. EDSON 3239</p> <p>EDSON 12641</p> <p>McDONALD 12185</p>

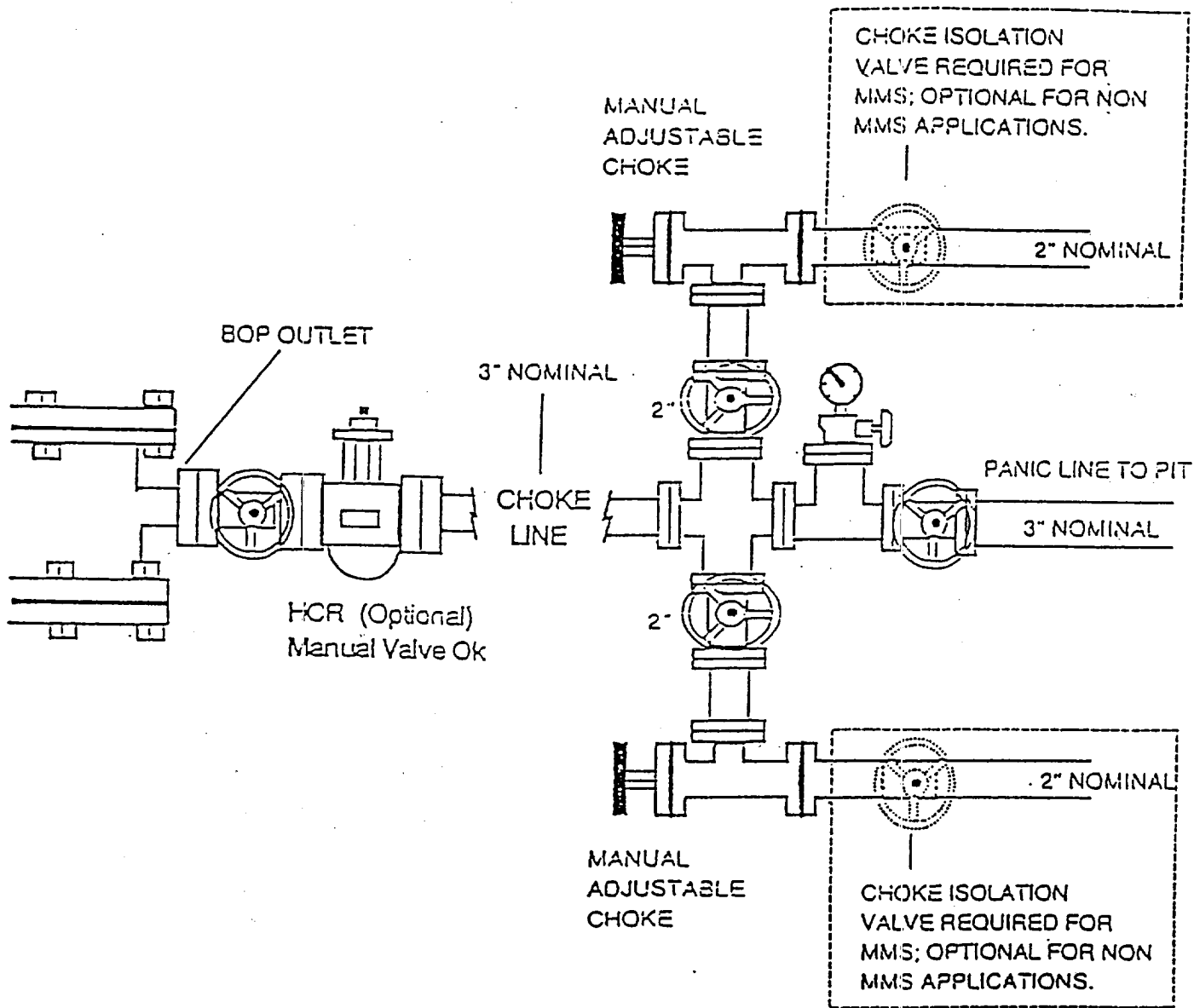
NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY
BOPE SCHEMATIC



Rotating Head (Optional)
Drilling Nipple option
must include a fill-up
line. Do not use kill line
for fill up.

900 Series

NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY
CHOKE MANIFOLD
2M AND 3M SERVICE



WARNING

**YOU ARE ENTERING A H2S AREA
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY**

1. BEARDS OR CONTACT LENSES NOT ALLOWED
2. HARD HATS REQUIRED
3. SMOKING IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY
4. BE WIND CONSCIOUS AT ALL TIMES
5. CHECK WITH NEARBURG SUPERINTENDENT AT MAIN OFFICE

NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY

(915) 686-8235



**HYDROGEN SULFIDE DRILLING OPERATIONS PLANS
NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY
PYTHON 3 FEDERAL COM #2**

1. HYDROGEN SULFIDE TRAINING

- A. All regularly assigned personnel, contracted or employed by Nearburg Producing Company, will receive training from a qualified instructor in the following areas prior to commencing drilling potential hydrogen sulfide bearing formations in this well:
1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H₂S).
 2. The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
 3. The proper use of H₂S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures and prevailing winds.
 4. The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.
- B. In addition, supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:
1. The effects of H₂S on metal components. If high tensile tubulars are to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
 2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
 3. The contents and requirements of the H₂S Drilling Operations Plan.
- C. There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H₂S zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly H₂S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H₂S Drilling Operations Plan. This plan shall be available at the well site. All personnel will be required to carry documentation that they have received the proper training.

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2. H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS

Note: All H2S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested and operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500 feet above, or three days prior to penetrating the first zone containing or reasonably expected to contain H2S.

A. Well Control Equipment:

1. Flare line with continuous pilot.
2. Choke manifold with a minimum of one remote choke.
3. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all sizes with properly sized closing unit.
4. Auxiliary equipment to include: annular preventer, mud-gas separator, rotating head and flare gun with flares as needed.

B. Protective Equipment for Essential Personnel:

Mark II Surviveair 30-minute units located in the dog house and at briefing areas, as indicated on well site diagram.

C. H2S Detection and Monitoring Equipment:

1. Two portable H2S monitors positioned and location for best coverage and response. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H2S levels of 20 ppm are reached.
2. One portable SO2 monitor positioned near flare line.

D. Visual Warning systems:

1. Wind direction indicators as shown on well site diagram.
2. Caution/Danger signs shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted a high visibility yellow with black lettering of sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used when appropriate. See example attached.

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E. Mud Program

1. The Mud Program has been designed to minimize the volume of H₂S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weights, safe drilling practices and the use of H₂S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H₂S bearing zones.
2. A mud-gas separator will be utilized as needed.

F. Metallurgy

All drill strings, casing, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventers, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and line and valves shall be suitable for H₂S service.

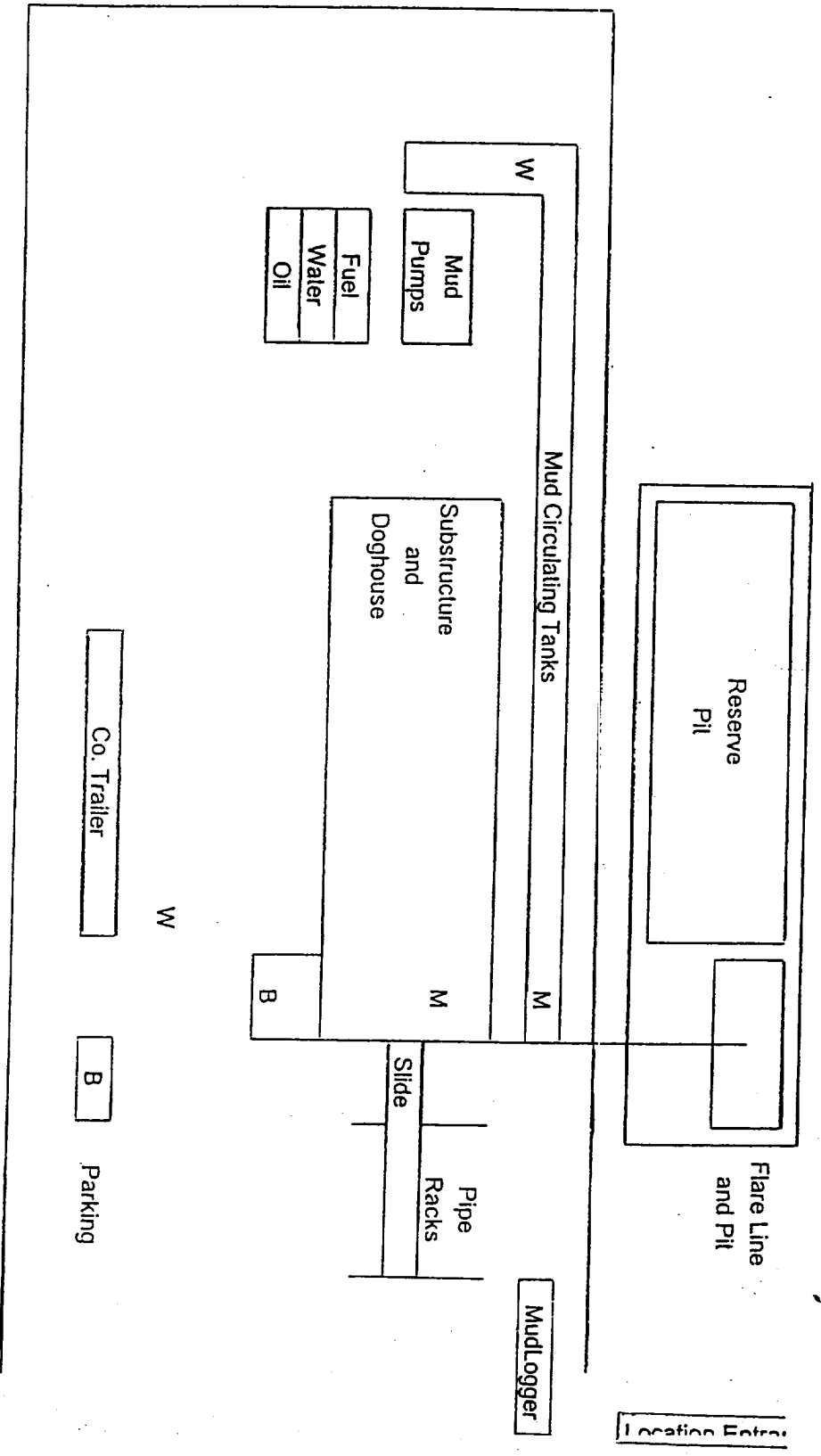
G. Communication

1. Cellular telephone communications in company vehicles and mud logging trailer.
2. Land line (telephone) communications at area office.

H. Well Testing

Drill stem testing will be performed with a minimum number of personnel in the immediate vicinity, which are necessary to safely and adequately conduct the test. The drill stem testing in an H₂S environment will be conducted during the daylight hours.

**NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY
HYDROGEN SULFIDE DRILLING OPERATIONS LOCATION PLAN**



- M - H2S Monitors with alarms at bell nipple and shale shaker
- W - Wind Direction Indicators
- B - Safe Briefing areas with caution signs and protective breathing equipment.
Minimum 150' from wellhead.

Prevailing Wind Directions: Summer - South/Southwest
Winter - North/Northwest

STATEMENT ACCEPTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATIONS

Nearburg Producing Company
3300 North "A" Street, Bldg 2, Suite 120
Midland, Texas 79705

The undersigned accepts all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions covering operations conducted on the leased land or portion thereof, as described below:

Lease No: NM -17238

Legal Description of Land: 855' FSL & 1,650' FEL
Section 3, T20S, R33E
Lea County, New Mexico

Formation(s) (if applicable): Wildcat - Morrow

Bond Coverage: \$25,000 statewide bond of Nearburg Producing Company

BLM Bond File No: NM1307

Date

12/7/99


H. R. Willis

Drilling Superintendent

**ATTACHMENT TO FORM 3160-3
PYTHON 3 FEDERAL #2
SECTION 3, T20S, R33E
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

DRILLING PROGRAM

1. GEOLOGIC NAME OF SURFACE FORMATION

Sand Dunes

2. ESTIMATED TOPS OF IMPORTANT GEOLOGIC MARKERS

T/Rustler	1,400'	T/Bone Spring	8,125'
T/Yates	3,360'	T/1 st Bone Spring SD	9,280'
T/Capitan Reef	3,650'		
T/Delaware	5,500'		

3. ESTIMATED DEPTHS OF ANTICIPATED FRESH WATER, OIL, OR GAS

Brushy Canyon	6,570'	Oil
1st Bone Spring Sd.	9,280'	Oil

4. CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM

<u>Casing Size</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Joint</u>
13-3/8"	0 -	1,300'	48#	H40	STC
8-5/8"	0' -	2,000'	24#	J55	STC
8-5/8"	2,000' -	4,400'	32#	J55	STC
8-5/8"	4,400' -	5,000'	32#	S80	STC
5-1/2"	0' -	9,600'	17#	J55,N80	LTC

Equivalent or adequate grades and weights of casing may be substituted at time casing is run, depending on availability.

We plan to drill a 17-1/2" hole to equal 1,300'. 13-3/8" casing will be cemented with 500 sx or volume necessary to circulate to surface.

11" hole will be drilled to 5,000' and 8-5/8" casing will be cemented with 1,200 sx or volume necessary to bring cement back to surface.

7-7/8" hole will be drilled and 5-1/2" production casing will be cemented with approximately 1,500 sx of Class "H" tying back 200' into 8 5/8" intermediate casing.

5. MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS FOR PRESSURE CONTROL

The BOP stack will consist of a 3,000 psi working pressure, dual ram type preventer and annular.

A BOP sketch is attached.

6. TYPES AND CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROPOSED MUD SYSTEM

Spud and drill to 1,300' with fresh water mud for surface string. The intermediate section will be drilled with 10 ppg brine to 5,000'. Intermediate casing will be run at this depth. The production section from 5,000' to 9,600' will be 8.8 – 9.2 ppg cut Brine/Pac/XCD system with mud weight sufficient to control formation pressures.

7. AUXILLARY WELL CONTROL AND MONITORING EQUIPMENT

None required.

8. LOGGING, TESTING, AND CORING PROGRAM

DLL/CNL/LDT/CAL/GR logging is planned. Drill stem tests, cores and sidewall cores are possible.

9. ABNORMAL CONDITIONS, PRESSURES, TEMPERATURES & POTENTIAL HAZARDS

None anticipated.

BHP expected to be 3,500 psi.

10. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE:

Is planned that operations will commence on with drilling and completion operation lasting about 45 day.

SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN FOR
DRILLING, COMPLETION, AND PRODUCING

NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY
PYTHON 3 FEDERAL #2
SECTION 3-T20S-R33E
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

LOCATED

5 mile Northeast of Halfway, New Mexico

OIL & GAS LEASE

NM - 17238

RECORD LESSEE

Eva G. Manning

BOND COVERAGE

\$25,000 statewide bond of Nearburg Producing Company

ACRES IN LEASE

40 acre

GRAZING LEASE

Kenneth Smith
PO Box 764
Carlsbad, NM 88221

POOL

Teas Bone Spring

EXHIBITS

- A. Area Road Map
- B. Drilling Rig Layout
- C. Vicinity Oil & Gas Map
- D. Topographic & Location Verification Map
- E. Well Location & Acreage Dedication Map

This well will be drilled to a depth of approximately 9,600'.

1. EXISTING ROADS

A. Exhibit A is a portion of a section map showing the location of the proposed well as staked.

B. Exhibit C is a plat showing existing roads in the vicinity of the proposed well site.

2. ACCESS ROADS

A. Length and Width

The access road will be built and is shown on Exhibit D. It will be approximately 1008' of access road.

B. Surface Material

Existing.

C. Maximum Grade

Less than five percent.

D. Turnouts

None necessary.

E. Drainage Design

Existing.

F. Culverts

None necessary.

G. Gates and Cattle Guards

None needed.

3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELLS

Existing wells in the immediate area are shown in Exhibit C.

4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES

Necessary production facilities for this well will be located on the well pad.

5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY

It is not contemplated that a water well will be drilled. Water necessary for drilling will be purchased and hauled to the site over existing roads shown on Exhibit D.

6. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL

- A. Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate in the drilling pits until the pits are dry.
- B. Water produced during tests will be disposed of in the drilling pits.
- C. Oil produced during tests will be stored in test tanks.
- D. Trash will be contained in a trash trailer and removed from well site.
- E. All trash and debris will be removed from the well site within 30 days after finishing drilling and/or completion operations.

7. ANCILLARY FACILITIES

None required.

8. WELL SITE LAYOUT

Exhibit B shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, mud pits, reserve pit, and trash pit, and the location of major rig components.

9. PLANS FOR RESTORATION OF THE SURFACE

- A. After completion of drilling and/or completion operations, all equipment and other material not needed for operations will be removed. The well site will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the site in an as aesthetically pleasing condition as possible.
- B. After abandonment, all equipment, trash, and junk will be removed and the site will be clean.

10. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Topography

The land surface at the well site is rolling native grass with a regional slope being to the east.

B. Soil

Topsoil at the well site is sandy soil.

C. Flora and Fauna

The location is in an area sparsely covered with mesquite and range grasses.

D. Ponds and Streams

There are no rivers, lakes, ponds, or streams in the area.

E. Residences and Other Structures

There are no residences within a mile of the proposed well site.

F. Archaeological, Historical, and Cultural Sites

None observed on this area.

G. Land Use

Grazing

H. Surface Ownership

Bureau of Land Management

11. OPERATOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

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3300 North "A" Street, Bldg 2, Suite 120
Midland, Texas 79705
Office: (915) 686-8235
Home: (915) 697-2484

12. CERTIFICATION

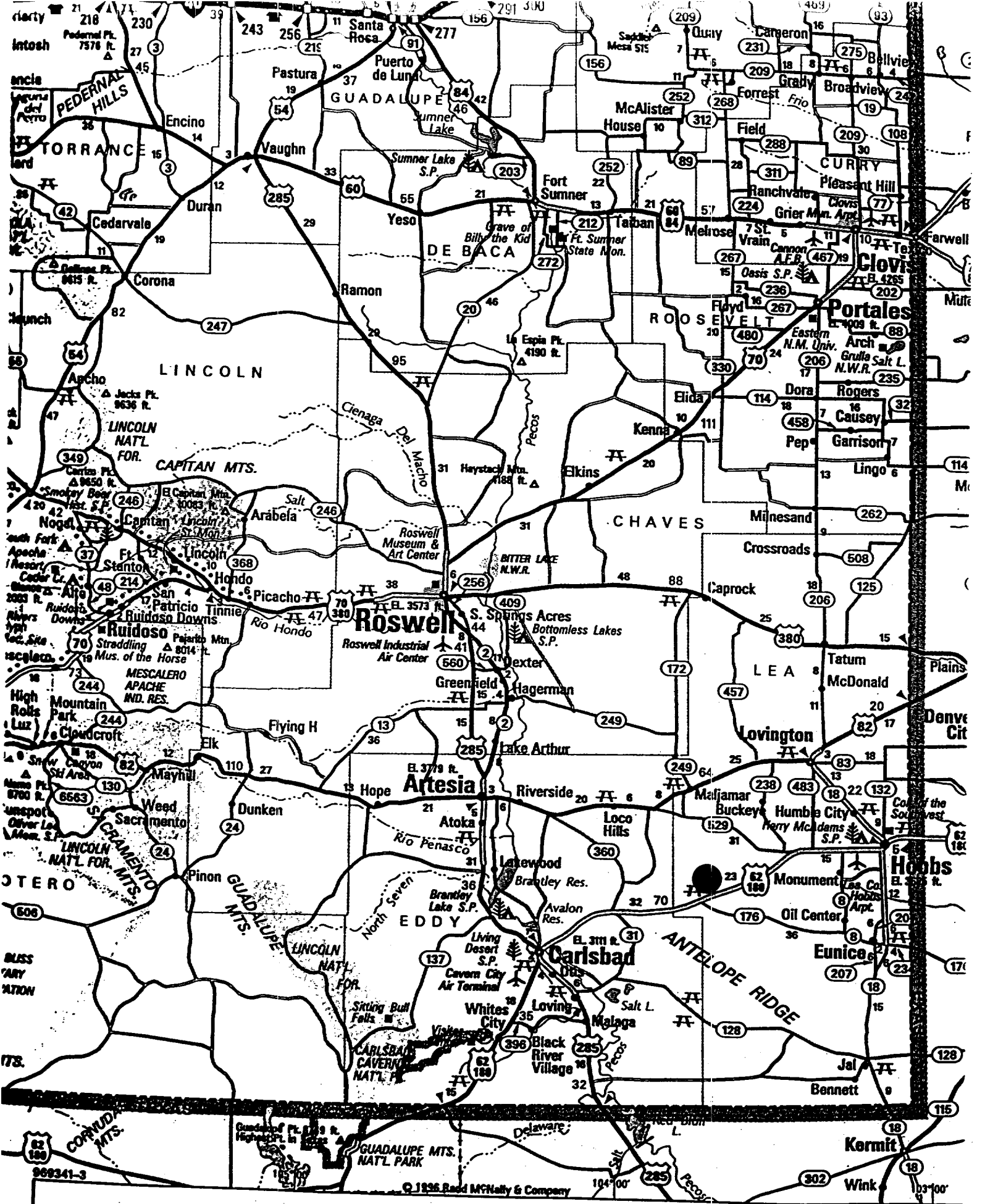
I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Nearburg Producing Company and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

Date

12/15/99

H. R. Willis

Drilling Superintendent

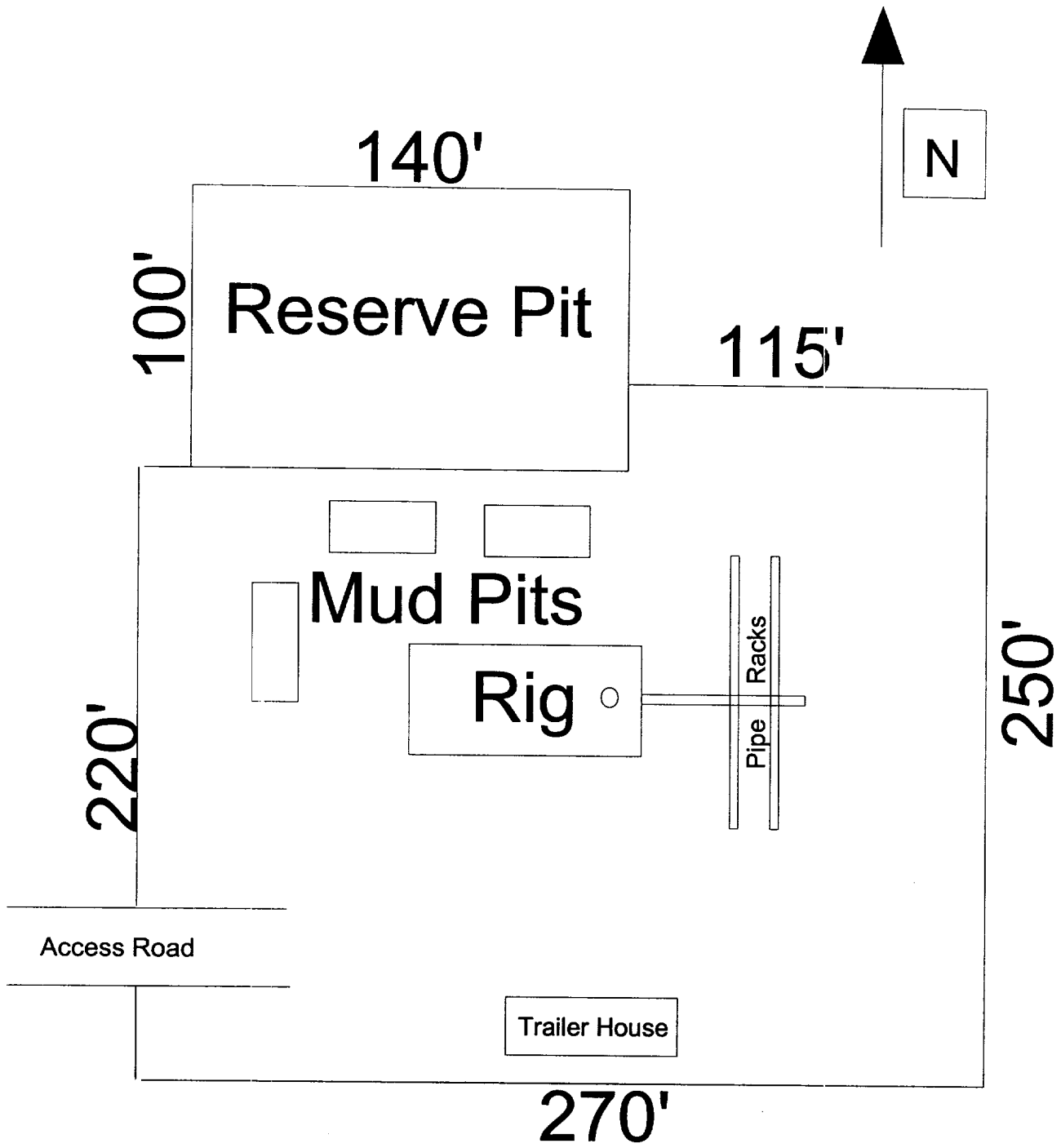


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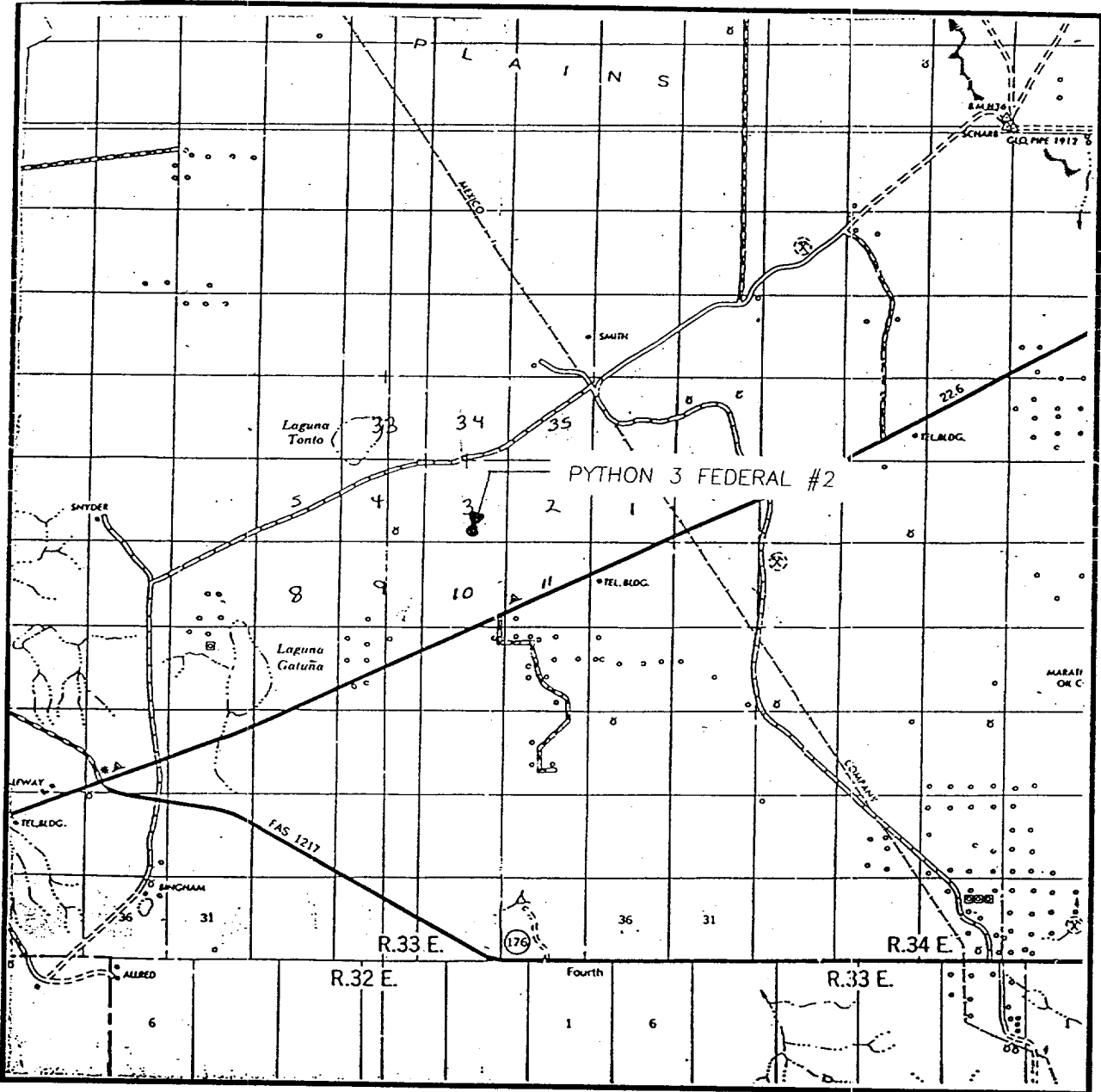
104°00'

103°00'



**EXHIBIT B
 DRILLING RIG LAYOUT
 NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY
 PYTHON 3 FEDERAL #2
 SCALE 1" = 50'**

VICINITY MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

SCALE: 1" = 2 MILES

SEC. 3 TWP. 20-S RGE. 33-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

COUNTY LEA

DESCRIPTION 855' FSL & 1650' FEL

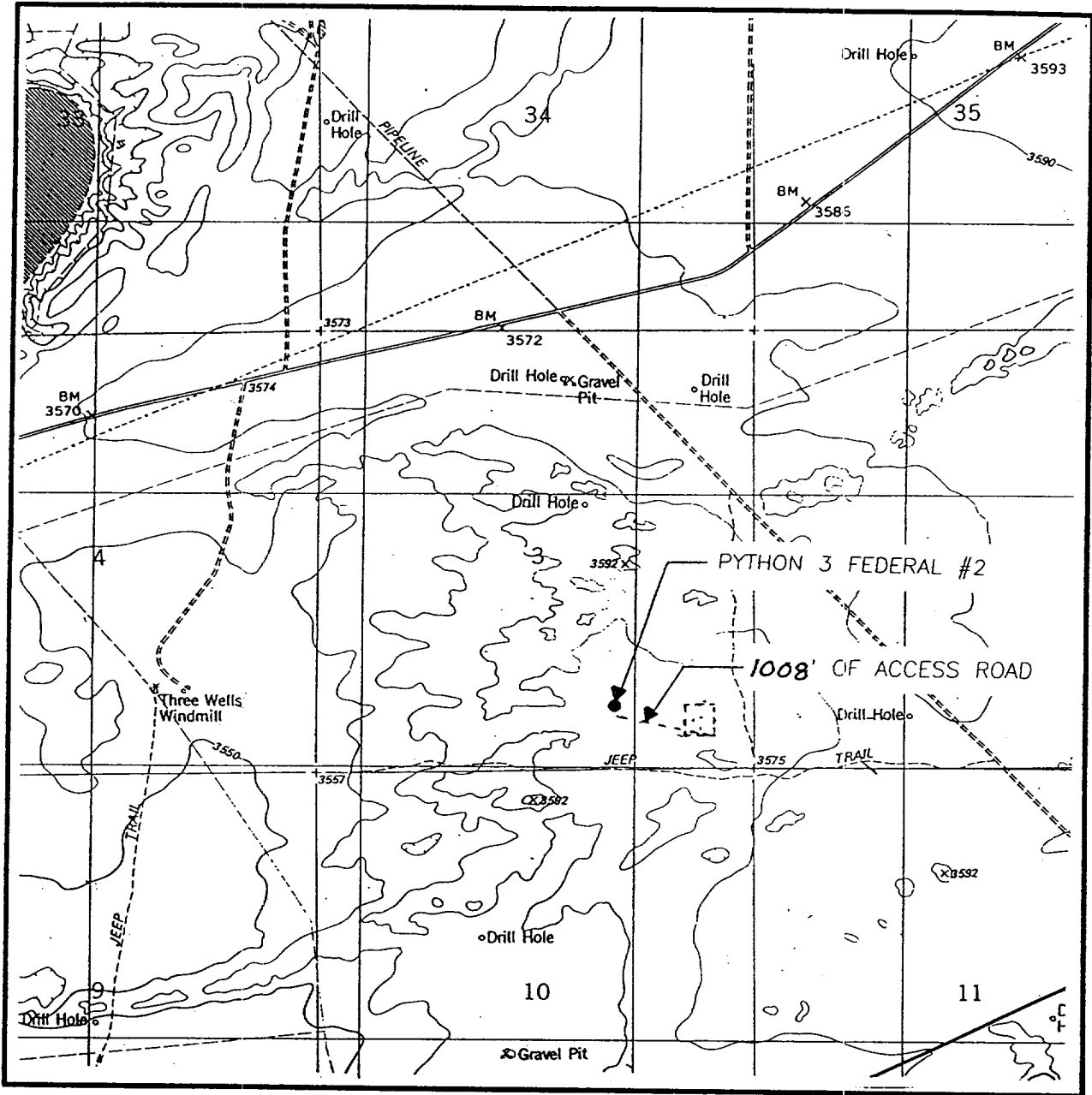
ELEVATION 3573

OPERATOR NEARBURG PRODUCING COMPANY

LEASE PYTHON 3 FEDERAL

JOHN WEST SURVEYING
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO
(505) 393-3117

LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:
LAGUNA GATUNA - 10'

SEC. 3 TWP. 20-S RGE. 33-E

SURVEY _____ N.M.P.M.

COUNTY _____ LEA

DESCRIPTION 855' FSL & 1650' FEL

ELEVATION _____ 3573

OPERATOR _____ NEARBURG

LEASE _____ PRODUCING COMPANY

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U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

LAGUNA GATUNA, N.M.

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