

Form 3160-3  
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DEC 31 2012

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER**

OCD Hobbs

FORM APPROVED  
OMB No. 1004-0137  
Expires March 31, 2007

5. Lease Serial No. <b>NMNM-2512</b>		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name	
7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No. <b>Nm NM-072602X</b>		8. Lease Name and Well No. <b>NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #177</b>	
9. API Well No. <b>30-025-40903</b>		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory <b>EUNICE; BLI-TU-DRI, NORTH</b>	
11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area <b>LOT 3 SEC 3 T21S R37E</b>		12. County or Parish <b>LEA</b>	
13. State <b>NM</b>		14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* <b>APPROX 5 MILES NORTH OF EUNICE, NM</b>	
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) <b>900'</b>	16. No. of acres in lease <b>708 ACRES</b>	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well <b>37.75 ACRES</b>	
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. <b>~200'</b>	19. Proposed Depth <b>~7200'</b>	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file <b>BLM - CO - 1463 NATIONWIDE</b>	
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) <b>3481'</b>	22. Approximate date work will start* <b>As Soon As Approved</b>	23. Estimated duration <b>~ 8 - 10 DAYS</b>	
24. Attachments			

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, shall be attached to this form:

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| 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.<br>2. A Drilling Plan.<br>3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office). | 4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above).<br>5. Operator certification<br>6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer. |
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25. Signature <i>Sorina L Flores</i>		Name (Printed/Typed) <b>SORINA L. FLORES</b>	Date <b>7/9/12</b>
Title <b>SUPV OF DRILLING SERVICES</b>			
Approved by (Signature) <i>/s/ James A. Amos</i>		Name (Printed/Typed)	Date <b>DEC 27 2012</b>
Title <b>FIELD MANAGER</b>		Office <b>CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE</b>	

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, are attached.

**APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS**

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make 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.

\*(Instructions on page 2)

Capitan Controlled Water Basin

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01/02/13*Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached**SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

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## PRIVATE SURFACE OWNER AGREEMENT

OPERATOR: APACHE CORPORATION

WELL NAME: NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #177

UL: 1 SECTION: 3 TOWNSHIP: 21S RANGE: 37E

LOCATION: 900' FNL & 1885' FWL COUNTY: LEA STATE: NM

LEASE NUMBER: NMNM - 002512

### STATEMENT OF SURFACE USE

The surface to the subject land is owned by ROBERT MC CASLAND

PO BOX 206

EUNICE, NM 88231

The surface owner has been contacted regarding the drilling of the subject well, and an agreement for surface use has been negotiated.

**CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the statements made in this statement are to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

NAME: JEREMY WARD

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 6/5/12

TITLE: DRILLING ENGINEER

To expedite your Application to Drill please fax the completed form to the  
Bureau of Land Management (575) 234-5927 or (575) 885-9264  
Attn: Legal Instruments Examiner  
620 E. Green Street  
Carlsbad, NM 88220

The original document with signature should be mailed as soon as possible.

DRILLING PLAN: BLM COMPLIANCE  
(Supplement to BLM 3160-3)

**APACHE CORPORATION (OGRID: 873) NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #177**

Lease #: NM-2512 Projected TD: 7200' GL: 3481'  
900' FNL & 1885' FWL LOT: 3 SEC: 3 T21S R37E LEA COUNTY, NM

1. **GEOLOGIC NAME OF SURFACE FORMATION:** Quaternary Aeolian Deposits
2. **ESTIMATED TOPS OF GEOLOGICAL MARKERS & DEPTHS OF ANTICIPATED FRESH WATER, OIL OR GAS:**

FORMATION	WELL DEPTH	WATER/OIL/GAS
Quaternary Aeolian	Surf	
Rustler	1341'	
Salt Top	1398'	
Salt Bottom	2516'	
Yates	2663'	
Seven Rivers	2916'	
Queen	3484'	
Grayburg	3810'	
San Andres	4082'	
Glorieta	5279'	
Paddock	5327'	
Blaine	5702'	Oil
Tubb	6150'	Oil
Drinkard	6596'	Oil
ABO	6852'	Oil
TD	7200'	
Depth to Ground Water:	~ 75'	

All fresh water & prospectively valuable minerals, as described by BLM, encountered during drilling, will be recorded by depth and adequately protected. All oil & gas shows within zones of correlative rights will be tested to determine commercial potential.

3. **CASING PROGRAM:** All casing is new & API approved

HOLE SIZE	DEPTH	OD CSG	WEIGHT	COLLAR	GRADE	COLLAPSE	BURST	TENSION
12-1/4"	0' – 1390'	8-5/8"	24#	STC	J-55	1.125	1.0	1.8
7-7/8"	0' -7200'	5-1/2"	17#	LTC	L-80	1.125	1.0	1.8

4. **CEMENT PROGRAM:**

**A. 8-5/8" Surface cmt with (100% excess cmt to Surface):**

Lead: 500 sx Class C w/ 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.13# CF, 3# LCM1, 0.005 gps FP-6L, 4% Bentonite  
(13.5 ppg, 1.75 yld) Comp Strengths : 12 hr – 500 psi 24 hr – 782 psi

Tail: 200 sx Class C w/ 1% CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.13 # CF, 0.005 gps FP-6L  
(14.8 ppg, 1.34 yld) Comp Strengths : 12 hr – 755 psi 24 hr – 1347 psi

**B. 5-1/2" Production cmt with (30% excess cmt; cmt to surf):**

Lead: 600 sx (35:65) Poz Cl C w/ 5% CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.125 # CF, 3# LCM1, 0.5% FL52, 0.005gps FP6L, 6% Bentonite, 0.3% Sodium Metasilicate  
(12.6ppg, 2.0 yld) Comp Strengths: 12 hr – 603 psi 24 hr – 850 psi

Tail: 350 sx (50:50) Poz Cl C w/ 5% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 0.13% CF, 3# LCM1 + 0.005gps FP6L + 2% Bentonite + 1% FL25 + 1% BA58 + 0.1% Sodium Metasilicate (14.2 ppg, 1.31 yld) Comp Strengths: 12 hr – 850 psi 24 psi – 1979 psi

**\*\* The above cmt volumes could be revised pending caliper measurement from open hole logs. TOC is designed to reach surface on Surface and Production. The above slurry design may change, but will meet BLM specifications. All slurries will be tested prior to loading to confirm thickening times & a lab report furnished to Apache. Fluid loss will be tested & reported on slurries with fluid loss additives. Lab test report will be furnished prior to pumping cement.**

## 5. PROPOSED CONTROL EQUIPMENT

"EXHIBIT 5" shows a 900 series 11" 3M psi WP BOP consisting of an annular bag type preventer, middle blind rams, bottom pipe rams. The BOP will be nipped up on the 8-5/8" csg and utilized continuously until TD is reached. The BOP will be tested at 2000 psi, maximum surface pressure is not expected to exceed 3M psi, BHP is calculated to be approximately 3168 psi. \*All BOP's and associated equipment will be tested as per BLM *Drilling Operations Order #2*. The BOP will be operated and checked each 24 hr period & the blind rams will be operated & checked when the drill pipe is out of the hole. Functional tests will be documented on the daily driller's log. "EXHIBIT 5" also shows a 3M psi choke manifold with a 4" panic line. Full opening stabbing valve & Kelly cock will be on derrick floor in case of need. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected in this well. No nearby wells have encountered any problems.

*\*Contingency: Apache respectfully requests a variance for using a flex hose contingent on type of rig used due to rig scheduling.*

## 6. AUXILIARY WELL CONTROL EQUIPMENT / MONITORING EQUIPMENT:

9" x 3000 psi Double BOP/Blind & pipe ram (3M BOP/BOPE to be used as 2M system)  
4-1/2" x 3000 psi Kelly valve  
9" x 3000 psi mud cross – H2S detector on production hole  
Gate-type safety valve 3" choke line from BOP to manifold  
2" adjustable chokes – 4" blow down line  
Fill up line as per Onshore Order #2

## 7. PROPOSED MUD CIRCULATION SYSTEM: (Closed Loop System)

INTERVAL	MW (ppg)	VISC (sec/qt)	FLUID LOSS (cc)	MUD TYPE
0' – 1390'	8.3	28 – 32	NC	Fresh Water
1390 – 7100'	10	28 – 32	NC	Brine
7100' – TD	10.1 – 10.2	32 – 33	10 - 12	Cut Brine

**\*\* The necessary mud products for weight addition and fluid loss control will be on location at all times. In order to run open hole logs & casing, the above mud properties may have to be altered to meet these needs.**

## 8. LOGGING, CORING & TESTING PROGRAM: See LOA

- OH logs: Dual Laterolog, MSFL, CNL, Litho-Density, Spectral Gamma Ray, Caliper & Sonic from TD back to last csg shoe.
- Run CNL, Gamma Ray from last csg shoe back to surface.
- No cores or DST's are planned at this time. Mud log will be included on this well.
- Additional testing will be initiated subsequent to setting the 5-1/2" production casing. Specific intervals will be targeted based on log evaluation, geological sample shows & drill stem tests.

## 9. POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. In the event abnormal pressures are encountered, however, the proposed mud program will be modified to increase the mud-weight. There is known presence of H<sub>2</sub>S in this area. If H<sub>2</sub>S is encountered the operator will comply with the provisions of *Onshore Oil & Gas Order No. 6 (SEE EXHIBIT 6)*. No lost circulation is expected to occur. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Estimated BHP: 3168 psi and estimated BHT: 115°.

## 10. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE AND DURATION OF OPERATIONS:

Road and location construction will begin after BLM has approved APD. Anticipated spud date will be as soon after BLM approval and as soon as rig will be available. Move in operations and drilling is expected to take 10 - 15 days. If production casing is run then an additional 90 days will be needed to complete well and construct surface facilities and/or lay flow lines in order to place well on production.

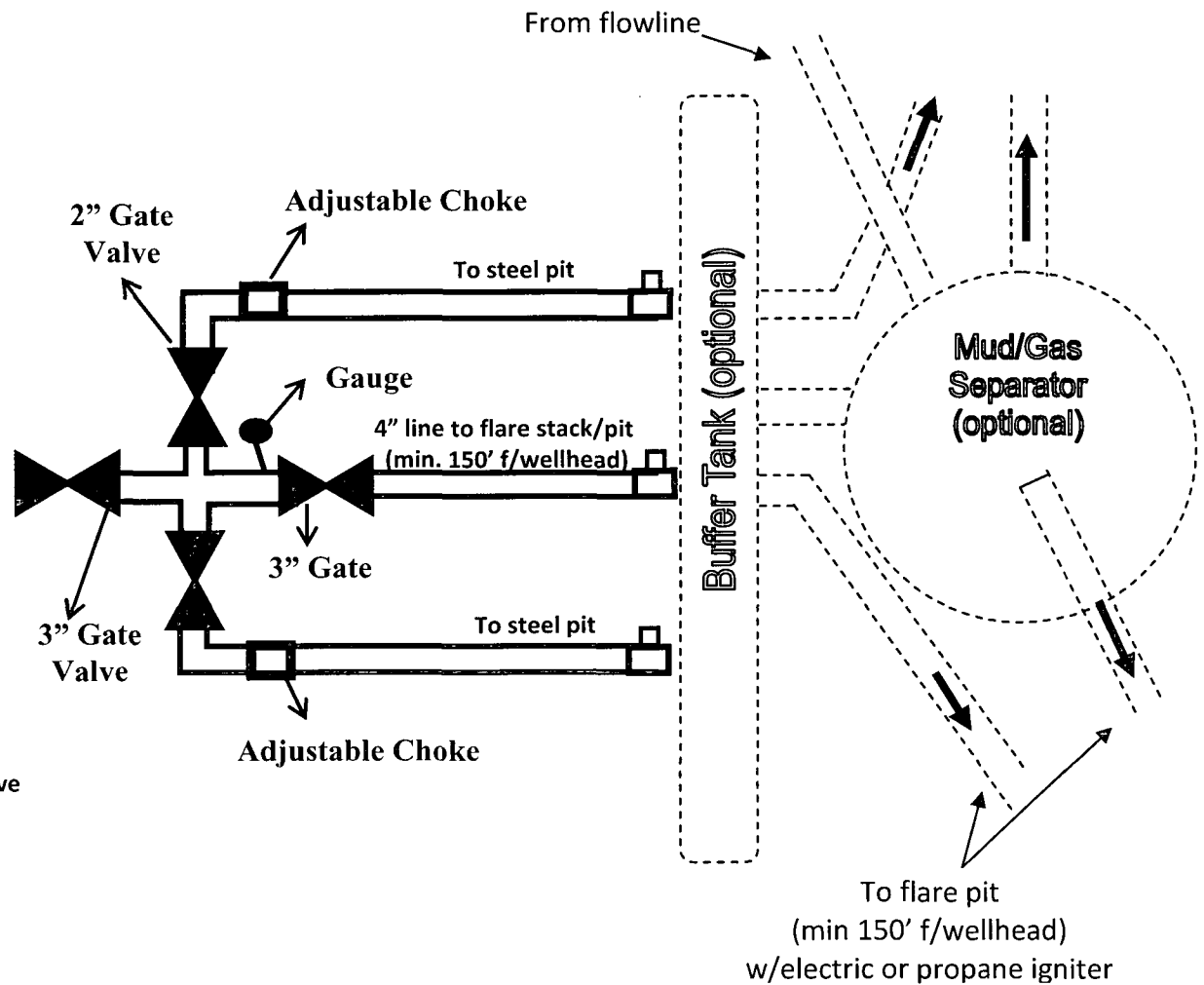
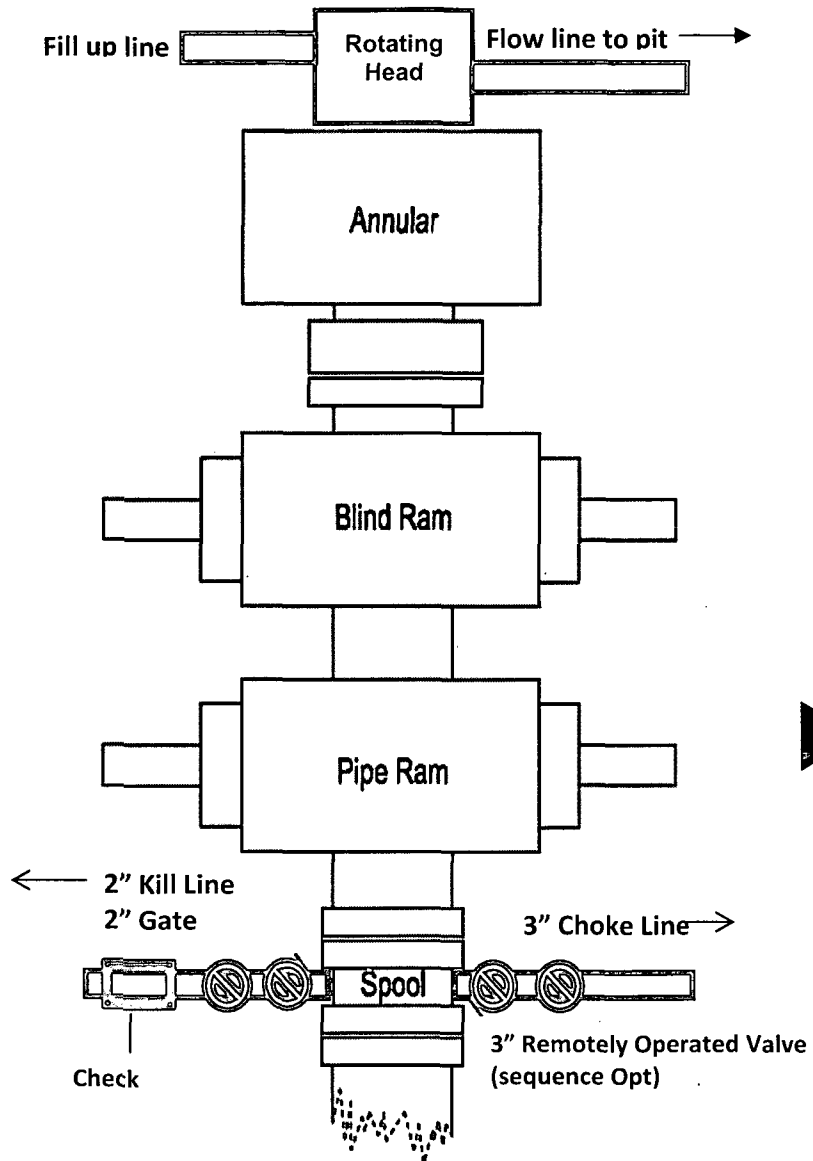
## 11. OTHER FACETS OF OPERATION:

After running csg, cased hole Gamma Ray, Neutron Collar logs will be run from TD back to all possible productive zones. The Eunice, BLI-TU-DRI, North formations will be perforated and stimulated in order to establish production. The well will be swab tested & potentialized as an oil well.

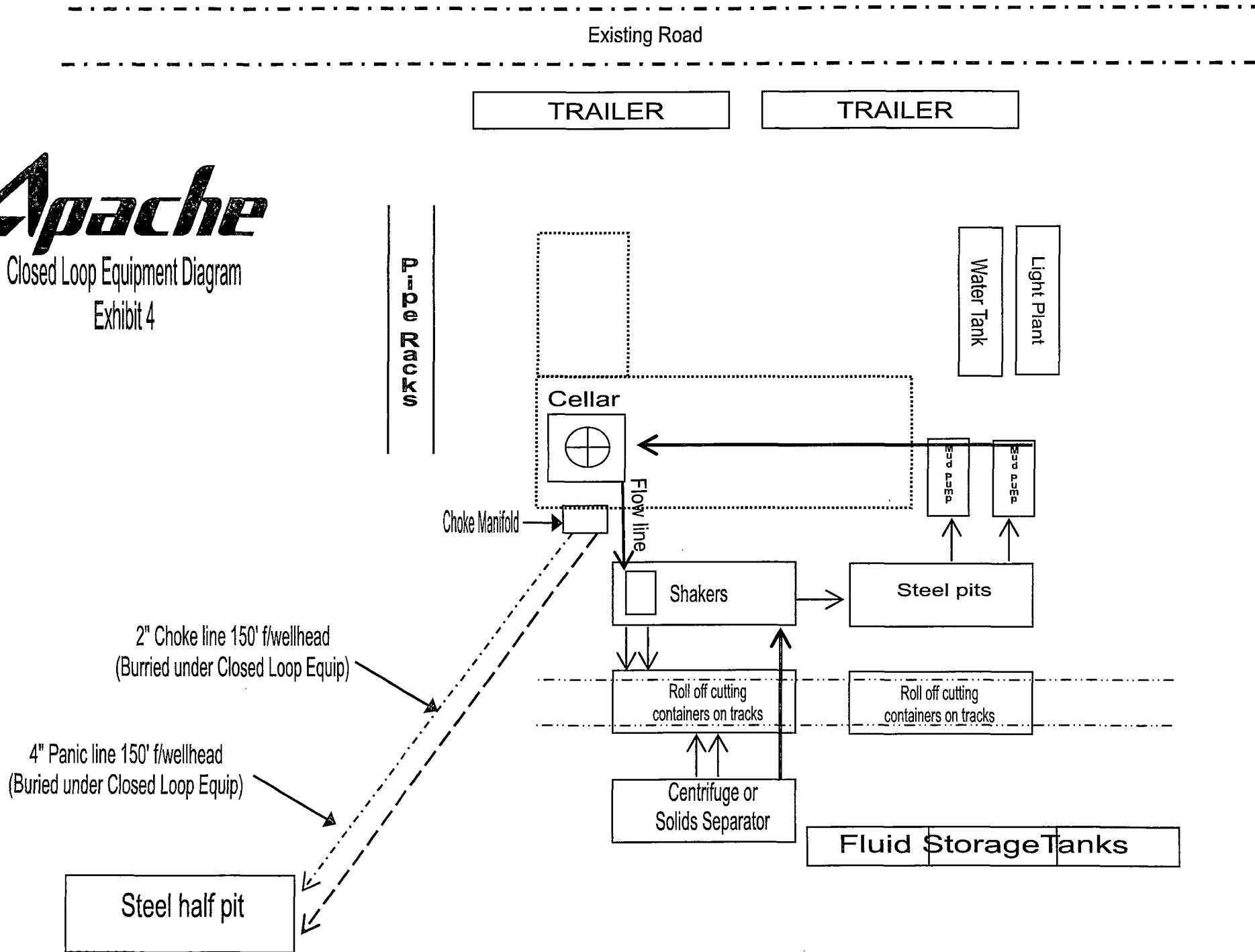
## 3M psi BOPE & Choke Manifold

### Exhibit 3

All valve & lines on choke manifold are 2" unless noted.  
Exact manifold configuration may vary



**Apache**  
Closed Loop Equipment Diagram  
Exhibit 4





**DESIGN PLAN, OPERATING & MAINTENANCE PLAN, & CLOSURE PLAN  
FOR OCD FOR C-144**

**NORTHEAST DRINKARD UNIT #177**

**DESIGN PLAN**

Fluid & cuttings coming from drilling operations will pass over the Shale Shaker with the cuttings going to the Sundance Inc / CRI haul off bin and the cleaned fluid returning to the working steel pits.

Equipment includes:

- 2 – 500 bbl steel frac tanks (fresh water for drilling)
- 2 – 180 bbl steel working pits
- 3 – 75 bbl steel haul off bins
- 2 – Pumps (6-1/2" x 10" PZ 10 or equivalent)
- 1 – Shale shaker
- 1 – Mud cleaner – QMAX MudStripper

**OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE PLAN**

Inspection to occur every tour for proper operation of system and individual components. If any problems are found they will be repaired and/or corrected immediately.

**CLOSURE PLAN**

All haul bins containing cuttings will be removed from location and hauled to Sundance Incorporated (NM-01-0003) disposal site located 3 miles East of Eunice, NM on the Texas border / Controlled Recovery, Inc's (NM-01-0006) disposal site located near mile marker 66 on Highway 62/180.

Sorina L. Flores  
Supv of Drilling Services