

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENTFORM APPROVED  
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**SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS**  
Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an  
abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.

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**SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.**

1. Type of Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other		5. Lease Serial No. NMNM13280
2. Name of Operator LINN OPERATING INCORPORATED		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
Contact: NANCY FITZWATER E-Mail: nfitzwat@linnenergy.com		7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.
3a. Address 600 TRAVIS STREET SUITE 5100 HOUSTON, TX 77002	3b. Phone No. (include area code) Ph: 281-840-4266	8. Well Name and No. SMITH RANCH 11 02
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) Sec 11 T20S R33E NESW 2250FSL 2014FWL		9. API Well No. 30-025-31683-00-S1
		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory TEAS
		11. County or Parish, and State LEA COUNTY, NM

## 12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	Venting and/or Flaring
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recompleat horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompleat in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

REQUEST TO FLARE 59 MCF/D FROM THE NMNM13280: LINN HAS SHUT IN THE SMITH RANCH 11 #2 DUE TO A FIRE AT THE DCP MIDSTREAM LINAM RANCH PLANT. WE REQUEST TO FLARE GAS UNTIL THESE REPAIRS ARE COMPLETED OR AT LEAST 90 DAYS.

SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.	
Electronic Submission #153549 verified by the BLM Well Information System For LINN OPERATING INCORPORATED, sent to the Hobbs Committed to AFMSS for processing by KURT SIMMONS on 10/24/2012 (13KMS1317SE)	
Name (Printed/Typed) NANCY FITZWATER	Title SUPERVISOR
Signature (Electronic Submission)	Date 10/05/2012

## THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE

Approved By DUNCAN WHITLOCK	Title SUPERVISORY PET	Date 12/22/2012
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice 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.		
Office Hobbs		

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.

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
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620 East Greene Street  
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220  
575-234-5972

Linn Operating Inc.

December 22, 2012

**Condition of Approval to Flare Gas**

1. Report all volumes on OGOR reports.
2. Comply with NTL-4A requirements
3. Subject to like approval from NMOCD
4. **Flared volumes will still require payment of royalties**
5. Install gas meter on vent/flare line to measure gas prior to venting/flaring operations if it is not equipped as such at this time. Gas meter to meet all requirements for sale meter as Federal Regulations and Onshore Order #5.
6. This approval does not authorize any additional surface disturbance.
7. Submit updated facility diagram as per Onshore Order #3.
8. Approval not to exceed 90 days for date of approval.
9. Submit Subsequent Report with actual volumes of gas flared for each month gas is flared.