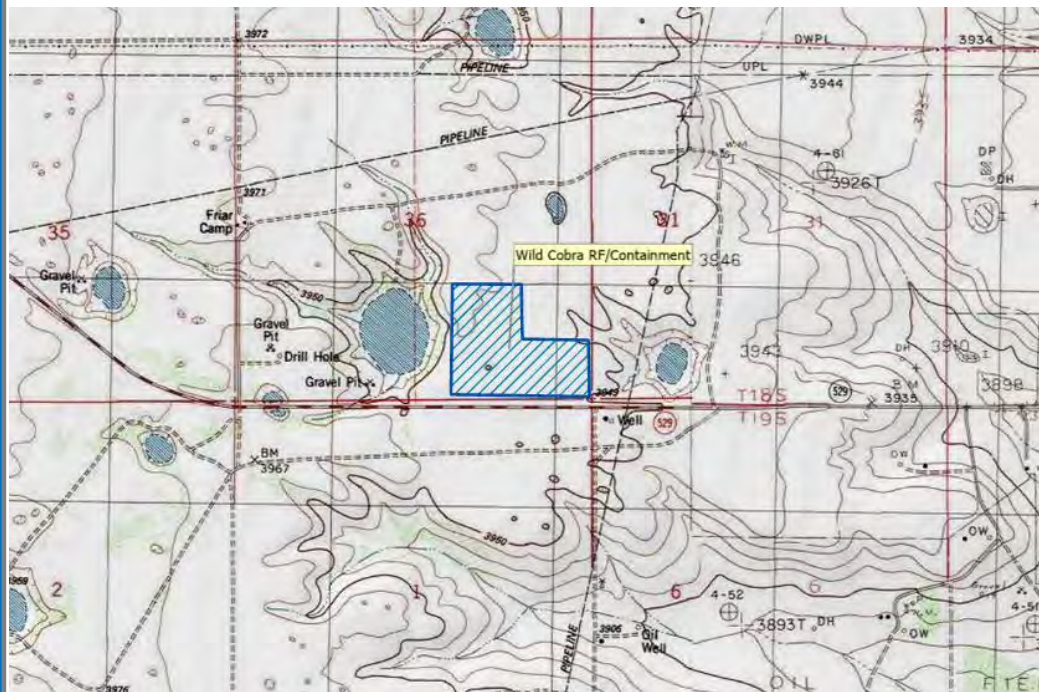


- ***Transmittal Letter***
- ***Closure Cost Estimate***
- ***Siting Criteria Demonstration with Plates & Appendices***



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October 2, 2024

Ms. Leigh Barr
EMNRD - Oil Conservation Division
1220 S. St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505
Via E-Mail

Ms. Victoria Venegas
NMOCD - District 2
811 S. First St.
Artesia, NM 88210
Via E-Mail

RE: Solaris Water Midstream, LLC, Wild Cobra Recycling Facility and Containments
In-ground Containment Registration and AST Permit
Section 36 T18S R34E, Lea County

Dear Ms. Barr and Ms. Venegas:

On behalf of Solaris Water Midstream, LLC, R.T. Hicks Consultants is pleased to submit a C-147 permit registration for the above-referenced project. Solaris anticipates that construction will commence in Q3 of 2024. Produced water will flow into the containment soon thereafter.

Volume 1 of the C-147 package contains:

- Transmittal Letter
- Closure cost estimate for the In-Ground Containment.
- Siting Criteria Demonstration with Plates and Appendices

Volume 2 contains:

- The C-147 Form to register the in-ground containment
- Stamped Design Drawings with Liner Equivalency Demonstration and Avian Deterrence
- Recently Approved Plans for Design/Construction, O&M, Closure

Volume 3 is a permit that contains

- C-147 Form & AST Design Sketch
- Stamped Design Drawings and Specifications
- Plans for Design/Construction, O&M, and Closure
- AST Set Up SOP
- Variances for AST Storage Containments

This submission refers to the following elements that some OCD reviewers have considered variances for in-ground containments:

1. An equivalency demonstration written by experts for the proposed 40-mil HDPE secondary liner has been previously approved by OCD. We maintain that the language of the Rule is clear, and a variance is not required.

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2. OCD has approved the proposed Avian Protection Plan (Bird-X Mega Blaster Pro) for other containments. Thus, the plan meets the requirement of the rule that the “otherwise protective of wildlife, including migratory birds” and a variance is not required.
3. Using the proposed deer fence in lieu of a 4-strand barbed wire fence is not a variance. Because feral pigs, javelina and deer are present in the area, a tall game fence is required to comply with Section 19.15.34.12 D.1 of the Rule. The specification for fencing provided in 19.15.34.12 D.2 contradicts D.1 because pigs will move beneath the lower strand of a 4-foot high barbed wire fence and deer will jump over. Thus, compliance with D.2 results in a violation of D.1. We maintain that compliance with D.1 is the critical component of the Rule and operators need not be required to submit a variance request to follow Best Management Practices and comply with the Rule. Nevertheless, Solaris will attach 4 strands of barbed wire to the game fence if required by OCD.

Solaris will transmit the registration package to OCD via the OCD.Online portal. In compliance with 19.15.34.10 of the Rule, Solaris provided this package to the New Mexico SLO, the surface owner. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this permit or the attached C-147, please contact me. As always, we appreciate your work ethic and diligence.

Sincerely,
R.T. Hicks Consultants



Randall T. Hicks PG
Principal

Copy: Solaris Water Midstream, LLC,
SLO

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Wild Cobra In-Ground Containment and AST Containment Financial Assurance Cost Estimate

Attached is the cost estimate for reclamation of the Wild Cobra Recycling In-Ground and AST containments. Total bonding is (\$753,521.00+\$34,976.88=) **\$788,497.88**.

Wild Cobra In-Ground Containments

The contractor's detailed estimate for closure of the in-ground containment immediately follows this outline of closure costs.

Closure sampling and analysis cost is estimated at \$1725 (sampling) plus \$2,700 (laboratory cost) to "test the soils beneath the containment for contamination with a five-point composite sample which includes stained or wet soils, if any, and that sample shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I" of Rule 34.

RT Hicks Consultants will assist with the sampling as necessary and prepare the Closure Report for the site. Total closure sampling costs are estimated at \$7500. The cost estimates from Cascade Services (attached) and from RT Hicks Consultants are presented below.

Cascade Services

<i>All work elements required by Rule 34</i>	\$ 746,021.00
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RT Hicks Consultants

Preparation of sampling results and closure report	\$ 7,500.00
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Total for in ground Containment Closure Activities	\$ 753,521.00
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AST Containment

Total estimated cost for closure, reclamation, and restoration of the facility (AST, fencing,etc.) pursuant to Rule 34 is **\$34,976.88** based upon the work elements shown in the table (below). We used the same estimate as previously approved AST Containments. As described in the transmittal letter, the AST Containment will be placed on the extended working pad in the southwest corner of the recycling facility. The cost for reclamation of the AST pad is included in the estimate.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNITS	UNIT PRICE	Rule 34 TOTAL PRICE
Wild Cobra AST Containment			
Removal of AST and Liner and Disposal	1	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Assess soil for impacts	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00

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Subtotal:	\$32,500.00
Est. Tax	\$2,476.88
Total for AST Closure Activities	\$34,976.88

The reclamation must meet terms set forth in the surface lease agreement with the landowner who received a copy of the registration.

Please contact Randall Hicks if you have any questions concerning this closure cost estimate.

Cascade Services, LLC

3403 E County Road 44
Midland, TX 79705
www.cascadeservicesllc.com



Estimate

ADDRESS	SHIP TO	ESTIMATE	1771
Solaris Water Midstream LLC	Solaris Water Midstream LLC	DATE	10/15/2024
9651 Katy Freeway, Suite 400	9651 Katy Freeway, Suite 400		
Houston, TX 77024	Houston, TX 77024		
CUSTOMER PROJECT NAME	PROJECT LOCATION COORDINATES		
Wild Cobra Closure	32.6977340014, -103.511030998		

DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	RATE	AMOUNT
This is pricing a package to reclaim the twin 1mm bbl pond cells Mobilize equipment to site.	1		258,000.00	258,000.00
Dirt reclaim of pond consist of- Bury all material (Caliche, Gypsum, Sand, ect.) below ground level, backfill pond area with uncontaminated soil from pond walls. Pond area will be reclaimed to natural elevations and water flow patterns. All stockpiled strippings will be put down last to ensure ground has been completely returned to native design.				
Environmental soil sampling This will include digging 6 sample locations for each containment. One composite sample from 0-4 feet below surface and one discrete sample from each location at 4.25 feet Cost include trip, labor, materials, and laboratory testing	1		1,725.00	1,725.00
Environmental Soil testing Before earthwork can begin the soil must be tested for contamination in case of liner leakage. Cost include trip, labor, materials, and laboratory testing of 18 tests.	1		2,700.00	2,700.00
Broadcast seeding of pond area Seed will be a native mix for Lea County NM	1		3,000.00	3,000.00

Includes purchase of seed mix and placement			
Fence removal and disposal Fence estimated at 5,837 ft per pond This includes removal of all posts, braces, wire, fabric, gates, and hardware.	1	21,356.00	21,356.00
Remove and dispose of all four layers out of both pits	5,160,000	0.089	459,240.00

Preferred payment method: ACH/Wire
Email AR@cascadeservicesllc.com for ACH/Wire details.

Remit Checks To:
Cascade Services LLC
PO Box 200954
Dallas, TX 75320-0954

**THIS ESTIMATE IS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS & CONDITIONS ATTACHED.

**If pumping is needed due to weather conditions, a \$350 daily fee will be charged on final invoice.

**Materials will be invoiced upon receipt of customer purchase order or job approval.

**This estimate may not include tax and may be added on invoice unless customer provides a valid tax exemption document.

Questions? Email AR@Cascadeservicesllc.com

SUBTOTAL	746,021.00
TAX	0.00
TOTAL	\$746,021.00

Accepted By

Accepted Date

SITING CRITERIA DEMONSTRATION

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SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM
WILD COBRA CONTAINMENT

Geology

As shown on Plates 1 and 2, the Wild Cobra Containment location is about 1.7 miles south of Ironhouse Draw and about, 2.5 miles north-northeast of the southern edge of the Mescalero Ridge.

The Mescalero Ridge is the mesa edge that marks the western and southern edges of the Southern Great Plains in southeastern New Mexico. The Plains were originally deposited in Tertiary time as an extensive and continuous alluvial sheet sloping to the southeast from uplands to the west. They unconformably lie on top of the Chinle formation.

Later erosion of the Pecos Valley has removed the Ogallala formation within the Valley as well as some of the upper Chinle formation. As such, the Great Plains are now isolated from their source uplands to the west and considerably reduced in extent.

The lower erosional surface in the Pecos Valley is composed of reworked Ogallala material deposited as alluvium on the further eroded Chinle formation surface. The existing surface is referred to as the Mescalero Plain. Several drainages have eroded northwards into the Southern Great Plains from the Mescalero Plain in this area. The Wild Cobra Containment location is situated north and west of several of these drainages.

On Plate 2, the various formations shown are:

- The bottom and slopes of the several drainages are composed of eroded and reworked Ogallala formation and are mapped as Quaternary piedmont (Qp). These are shown in green on the Plate.
- The Great Plains are mapped as the Ogallala formation (To) and are blue on the Plate. Because the underlying Chinle is composed of indurated silts and clays, it acts as an aquiclude to the infiltrating vadose zone water in the overlying Ogallala materials. Groundwater within the Ogallala is unconfined. The uppermost surface of the Chinle is often referred to as the redbed(s).
- The Mescalero Plain is mapped as Quaternary eolian and Quaternary piedmont deposits (Qe/Qp) and shown as tan on the Plate.

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WILD COBRA CONTAINMENT**Distance to Groundwater**

Plate 1, Plate 2, and the discussion below demonstrates that groundwater (fresh water as defined by NMOCD Rules) at the location is greater than 50 feet beneath the area of interest that will include the location of the recycling containment.

Plates 1 and 2 are topographic and geologic maps that show:

1. The Wild Cobra Containment area identified by the blue stippled polygon
2. Water wells from the OSE database as a blue triangle inside colored circles that indicate well depth. OSE wells are often mislocated in the WATERS database as older wells are plotted in the center of the quarter, quarter, quarter, of the Section Township and Range. Additionally, the OSE database can include locations of proposed wells (i.e. permit applications). In this case, the permit data generally show “no date” and “DTW=0” as data. Plate 1 has screened the OSE data and eliminated permit information from Plate 1.
3. Water wells from the USGS database as large triangles color-coded to the formation from which the well draws water.
4. Water wells, which are not documented in the public databases but were identified by field inspection, other published reports or by staff of Hicks Consultants (Misc.) as colored squares (Misc. well database).
5. The depth-to-water from the most recent available measurement for each well is provided adjacent to the well symbol on Plate 1.
6. The groundwater elevation from the most recent available measurement for each well is provided adjacent to the well symbol on Plate 2.

OSE Wells

L-15235 is about 0.60 miles northeast of corners of the Wild Cobra location. It was drilled in 2021. The location is in one of the drainages that have been eroded into the upper surface of the Southern Great Plains from the lower Mescalero Plain. The well is at an elevation of about 3925 feet, 25 feet lower than the elevation of the Wild Cobra Containment on the upper Llano Estacado surface. The well was drilled to a total depth of 162 feet. The drillers log records 27 feet of “white rock”, probably caliche, immediately below the surface. Forty-six feet of “sandstone” are reported overlying brown sand and gravel on top of the Red Clay marking the upper surface of the Chinle formation. The two coarse grained beds above the Chinle are the water bearing beds.

Water was found to be at a depth of 75 feet upon completion of drilling. This corresponds to a groundwater elevation of $(3925-75=)$ 3850 feet.

L-10380 plots as being about 1.1 miles southwest of the Wild Cobra Containment. Historical aerial photos show no evidence of a well in this area. However, a bit more than 0.6 miles west-

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northwest of this location is an electric well at the northern edge of a small playa. We consider this to be the likely location of the well. The well was drilled in 1984. Total depth was 153 feet with the depth to groundwater being 100 feet upon completion.

The drillers log shows that the upper 22 feet are primarily caliche and “rock”. Fourteen feet of sand and sandstone overlies 115 feet of sand, the water bearing zone. Beneath the sand, the top of the Chinle surface is noted as a sandy red clay. The surface elevation is recorded as 3959 on the USGS Topographic map. The elevation of groundwater upon completion of the well was 3859 feet.

USGS Wells

USGS-15118 is 0.50 miles south of the southeast corner of the Wild Cobra location. It has a listed elevation of 3922 feet. The topographic map shows it at an elevation of 3912 feet. Eight readings are shown from 1962 to 1996. Depth to water varies from 62.1 feet (1966) to 60.7 feet (1976). The corresponding groundwater elevations are 3860.1 (1966) to 3861.4 (1976). To be conservative, we have assumed that the higher elevation is representative of the Wild Cobra location. The resulting groundwater elevation is $(3950-3861.4=)$ 88.6 feet.

USGS-15294 has coordinates that plot about 0.60 miles to the northeast of the Wild Cobra Containment site. No historical aerial photographs back to 1996 show anything at this location. It is more likely that this well is actually associated with the L15235 location, an OSE well discussed above. It is about 0.3 miles northwest of the USGS coordinates for USGS-15294. Two measurements exist from January 1961 and March 1966. Depths to water were 69.75 feet and 72.5 feet with corresponding water table elevations of 3874.25 and 3871.5 feet.

USGS-15403 is 1.49 miles south of the Wild Cobra Containment site and is called the Three Windmill. It is at an elevation of 3927 feet. Seven measurements exist from 1961 to 1991. Depth to water has varied from 77.3 feet (1966) to 74.0 feet (1991). The highest elevation of the water table is 3868 feet (1991).

Groundwater Elevation Maps

Figure 1 shows the 1961 Nicholson Clebsch groundwater elevation map overlain on an aerial photograph. The figure also shows the groundwater elevation and date of the USGS wells near the Wild Cobra location. The Wild Cobra location is between the 3850- and 3875-foot contours. Using the site elevation of 3950 feet gives a depth to water at the site of $(3950-3862.5=)$ 87.5 feet

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Figure 1: Nicholson and Clebsch groundwater contours (1961)



Figure 2 shows the 1978 Open File 95 groundwater elevation map overlain on an aerial photograph. Again, the groundwater elevation and date of the USGS wells near the Wild Cobra location are shown. The 3660-foot contour passes through the Wild Cobra location. Using the site elevation of 3950 feet gives a depth to water at the site of $(3950-3860=)$ 90 feet

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Figure 2: Open File Report 95 groundwater contours (1978)



Finally, Figure 3 shows the 2007 USGS Map of Groundwater Elevation in Lea County with USGS well data shown. The Wild Cobra location is between the 3840- and 3860-foot groundwater contours. An interpolation gives a depth to water at the site of (3950-3850=) 100 feet.

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Figure 3: Tillery groundwater contours (2007)



The drop in water table elevation with time documented at the Wild Cobra location is consistent with the increased use of Ogallala groundwater and has been observed over much of the Southern Great Plains.

Conclusions

Our conclusions honor all data that we know are accurate to the best of our ledge. We conclude:

- The elevation of the ground surface at the Wild Cobra Containment site is about 3950 feet ASL.
- The Ogallala Formation is the uppermost aquifer beneath the site, The underlying Chinle formation acts as an aquiclude. This surface slopes to the southeast, the direction of groundwater flow.

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- The closest USGS well to the site is USGS-15118, 0.50 miles south of the southeast corner of the location. Eight measurements of the well exist from 1962 to 1996 with groundwater elevations varying from 3860 feet (1966) to 3861.5 feet (1976).
- Assuming this groundwater elevation represented conditions at the Wild Cobra location, the corresponding depths to groundwater at the Wild Cobra location are $(3950 - 3860 =) 90$ feet and $(3950 - 3861.5 =) 88.5$ feet.
- Interpolations of groundwater elevation were made from three groundwater elevation maps: Nickolson and Clebsch (1961), Open File Report 95 (1978), and Tillery (2008). The corresponding depths to water beneath the Wild Cobra location were 87.5 feet, 90 feet, and 100 feet respectively. As a note, the data from USGS-15118 agrees quite closely with Figure 2 of about same date.
- The increase in depth to water with time beneath the Southern Great Plains has been observed over large areas.
- Data from USGS-15118 and interpolations of groundwater elevation from 1961, 1978, and 2008 are consistent and demonstrate that groundwater is at a depth greater than 50 feet.
- An extrapolation of the data suggests that groundwater is currently at a depth greater than 105 feet at the Wild Cobra location.

Distance to Municipal Boundaries and Fresh Water Fields

Plate 3 demonstrates that the Wild Cobra Containment is not within incorporated municipal boundaries or within defined municipal fresh water well fields covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended.

- The closest municipality is Monument, NM approximately 14 miles southeast of the Wild Cobra Containment.
- The closest public supply well belongs to the Monument water Users Cooperative. The municipal supply well is about 13 miles to the southeast.

Distance to Subsurface Mines

Plate 4 and our general reconnaissance of the Wild Cobra Containment demonstrate that the nearest mines are caliche pits. This location is not within an area overlying a subsurface mine.

- The closest caliche pit is 1300 feet to the west. Additional pits are one mile to the south with another located about 1.10 miles to the west northwest.
- There are no subsurface mines in the area shown in Plate 4.

Distance to High or Critical Karst Areas

Plate 5 shows the Sand Dune site is not within a mapped zone of high or critical with respect to BLM Karst areas.

- The proposed containment is located within a “low” potential karst area.
- The nearest “high” or “critical” potential karst area is located approximately 20 miles southwest of the proposed containment.
- We observed no evidence of solution voids or unstable ground near the site during the field inspection.

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WILD COBRA CONTAINMENT**Distance to 100-Year Floodplain**

Plate 6 demonstrates that the Sand Dune Containment is within Zone D as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency with respect to the Flood Insurance Rate 100-Year Floodplain.

- FEMA describes the location as an area with possible but undetermined flood hazards. No flood hazard analysis has been conducted.
- Our field inspection and examination of the topography permits a conclusion that the location is not within any floodplain and has low risk for flooding.
- The nearest mapped flood hazard is about 17 miles to the east and on the northwest side of Hobbs.

Distance to Surface Water

Plate 7 shows that the closest intermittent streams mapped by the USGS. The site visit and photographs demonstrate that the Containment area is not within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse or 200-feet of any other significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark) or spring.

- The closest water bodies are mapped as Lake/Ponds. They are playas on the surface of the Southern Great Plains, the Llano Estacado. They are 310 feet west of the western boundary of the location and 940 feet east of the eastern boundary of the location. 950 feet northeast of the location is a smaller playa.
- The closest intermittent stream is 320 feet northwest of the location's northwest corner. This stream drains into the northeast side of the playa west of the location's western boundary (see above). Also draining to this playa from the southwest is another intermittent stream. At its closest to the location, this stream is 680 feet from the southwest corner. South of New Mexico 529, there are intermittent streams 2000 feet south of the southeast corner and 2200 feet south of the southwest corner
- The drainage area northeast of the northeast corner of the Wild Cobra location has ephemeral flow and does not meet the criteria of a significant watercourse. By NMOCD definition, a "Watercourse" is a river, creek, arroyo, canyon, draw or wash or other channel having definite banks and bed with visible evidence of the occasional flow of water. Our field visit (see Figure 9 in Appendix Site Photographs) found that in this portion of the drainage area there were no defined banks. A defined channel bed was also not present. Vegetation occupying the topographic low is composed of grasses rather than the adjacent scrub vegetation as a result of the occasional additional moisture.

Distance to Permanent Residence or Structures

Plates 8a and 8b and the site visit demonstrates that the location is not within 1000 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, church, or other structure in existence at the time of initial application.

- The nearest infrastructure is a well pad immediately east of the Wild Cobra Containment location. NM Highway 529, oriented east to west, is immediately south of the location.
- No residences or other structures are in the area.

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Distance to Non-Public Water Supply

Plates 1 and Plate 8b demonstrate that the Wild Cobra Containment site is not within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.

- Plate 1 shows the locations of all area water wells, active or plugged.
- Plate 8b shows the Wild Cobra location in larger scale. The Plate's topographic map shows a well (the clear circle) 500 feet southeast of the southeast corner of the Wild Cobra location. Our site visit on May 23, 2024 found no existing well at this location. Examination of historical aerial photos show that there has been little to no activity on the access road since 2014. The access road has been fenced off since 2019. Examination of historical aerial photographs shows features consistent with that of a former oil field supply well at this location.
- There are no domestic water wells located within 1,000 feet of the area of interest.
- No springs were identified within the mapping area (see Plates 1 and 8b)

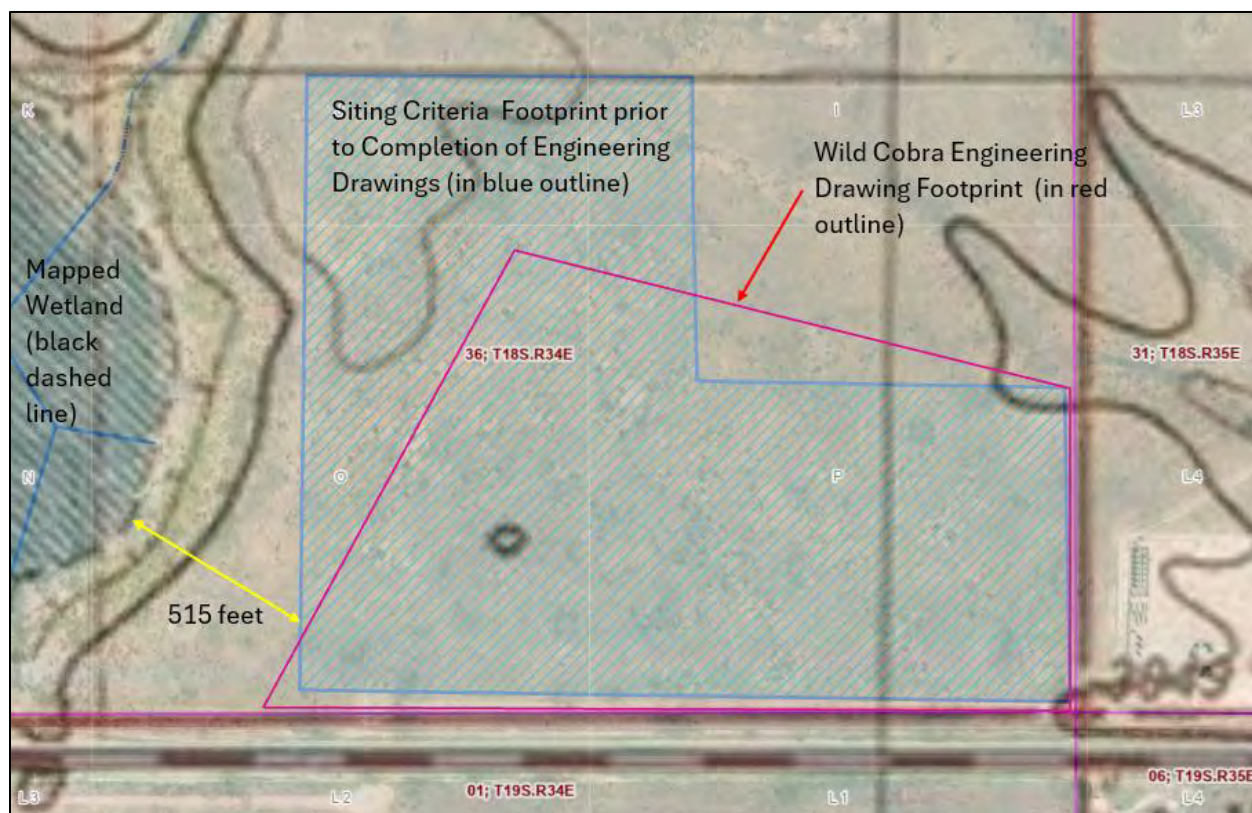
Distance to Wetlands

At the time that we began the siting criteria demonstration, the Wild Cobra engineering plans did not exist. As such we began the demonstrations using the L-shaped area visible on the Plates. The now completed engineering plans use a smaller area with a quadrilateral shape. Figure 4 (below) and Plate 9 demonstrate that the Wild Cobra Engineering Plan is not within 500 feet of any mapped wetland identified in the New Mexico database.

- The nearest designated wetlands are the 3 playas described earlier in the surface water section
- By NMOCD definitions, "Wetlands" are those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions in New Mexico. As can be seen in Figure 9 (Appendix Site Photographs), the bottom of the topographic low is occupied by grasses rather than hydrophytic vegetation. This feature is an ephemeral drainage and does not meet the criteria of a wetland.
- We note that while the USA Wetlands database lists most of the intermittent drainages and some of the ephemeral drainages in the area as wetlands (Plate 9), it is unlikely that these drainage reaches meet the NMOCD definition.
- Natural wetlands (freshwater ponds) are not observed in the area.

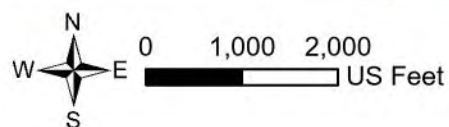
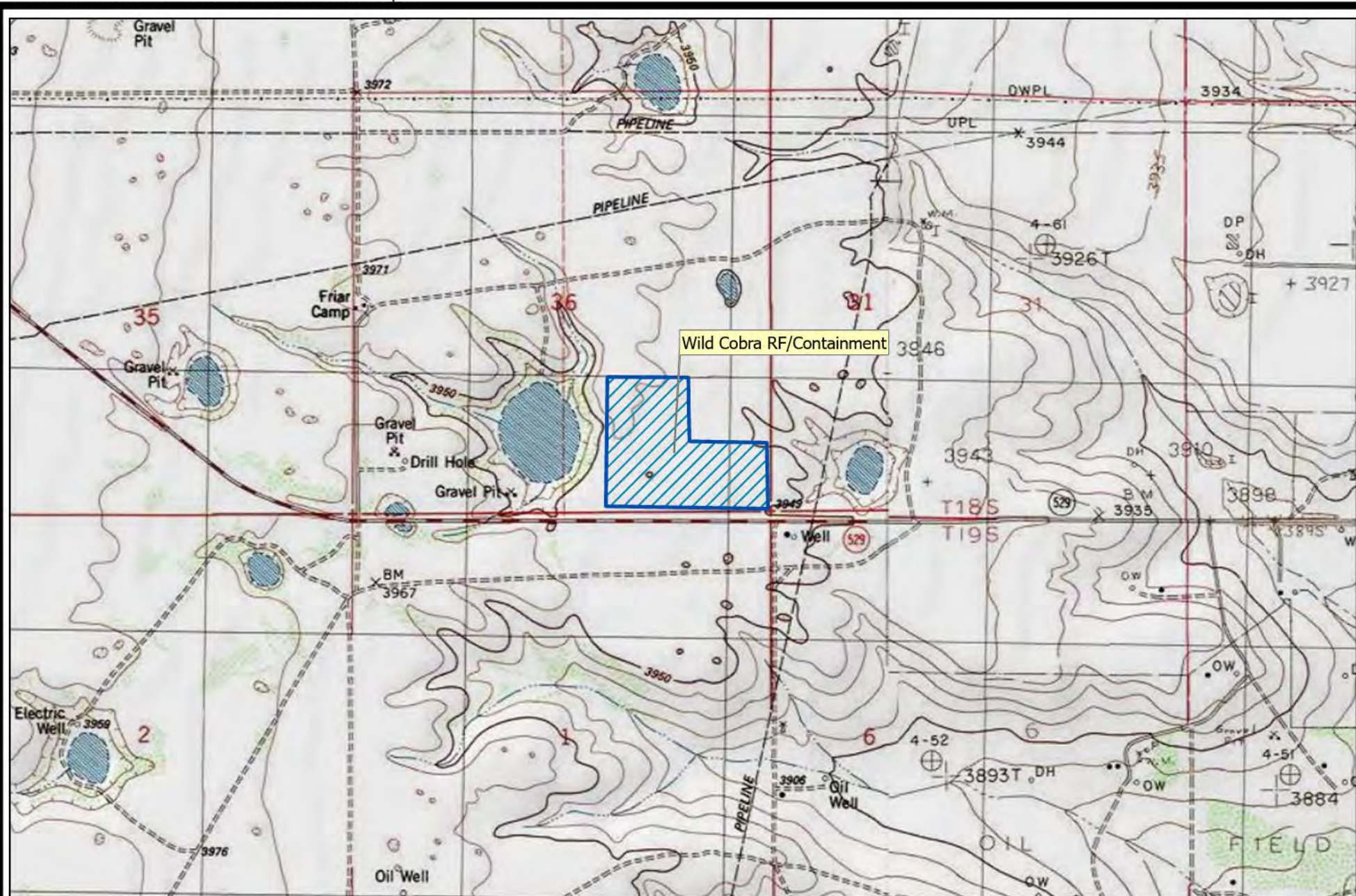
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Figure 4: Topographic map showing the originally proposed Wild Cobra area (blue outline) and the quadrilateral area from the completed engineering plans (red outline). The distance to the playa west of the location is shown with a yellow line. The distance to the liner's anchor trench is greater.



SITING CRITERIA DEMONSTRATION PLATES

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

Nearby Wells and Borings with Depth to Water

Solaris Water Midstream
 Wild Cobra RF & Containments

Plate 1

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	Recycling Containment Area
USGS Gauging Station (GW Elev, Date)	
Aquifer Code, Well Status	
	Alluvium/Bolsom
	Alluvium/Bolsom, Site was being pumped.
	Ogallala
	Ogallala, Nearby site that taps the same aquifer was being pumped.
	Ogallala, Site was being pumped.
OSE Water Wells (DTW/Date)	
Well Depth (ft)	
	<=150
	151-350
NM_Geology	
Map Unit,Description	
	Qe/Qp, Quaternary-Eolian Piedmont Deposits
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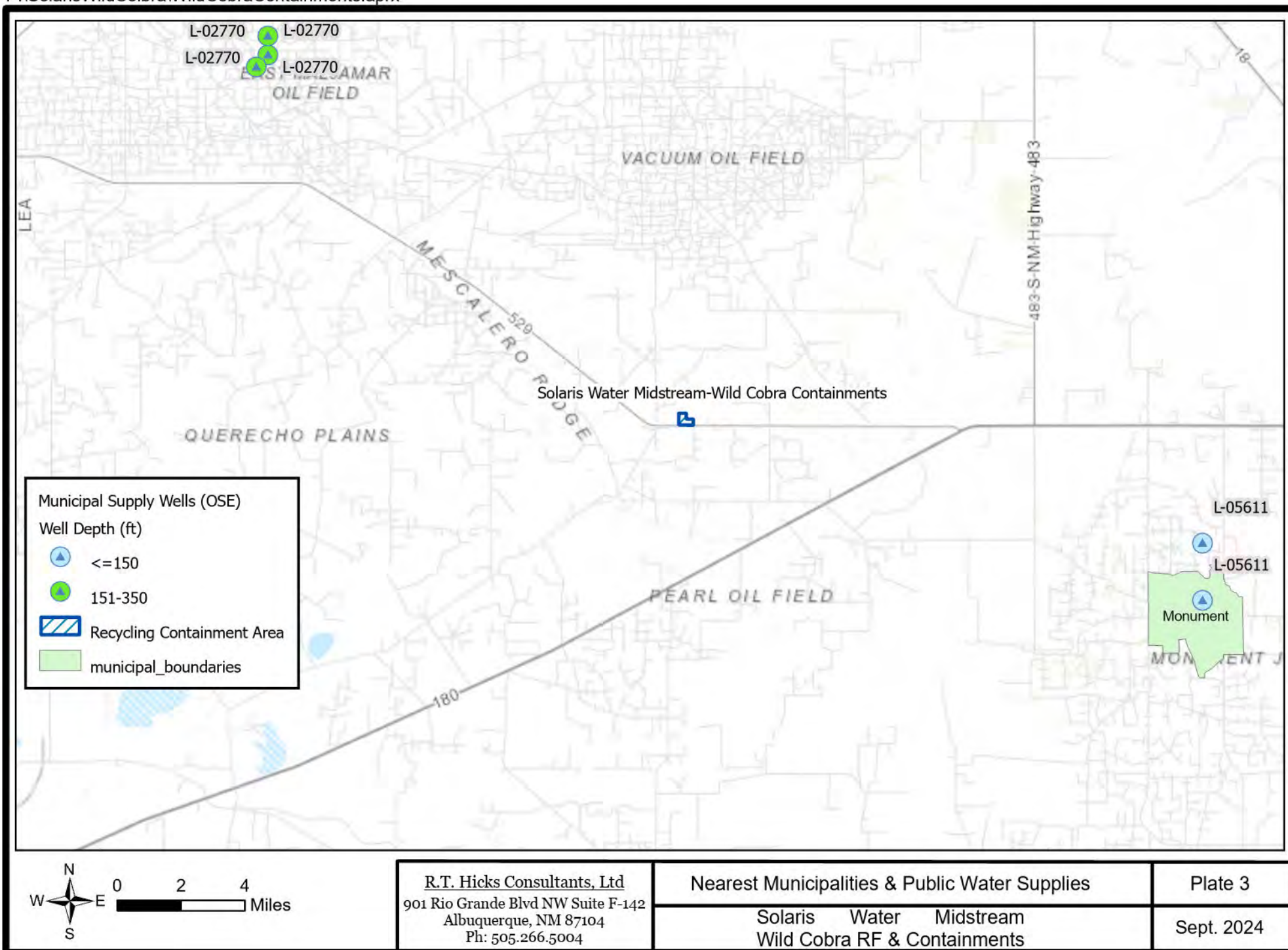
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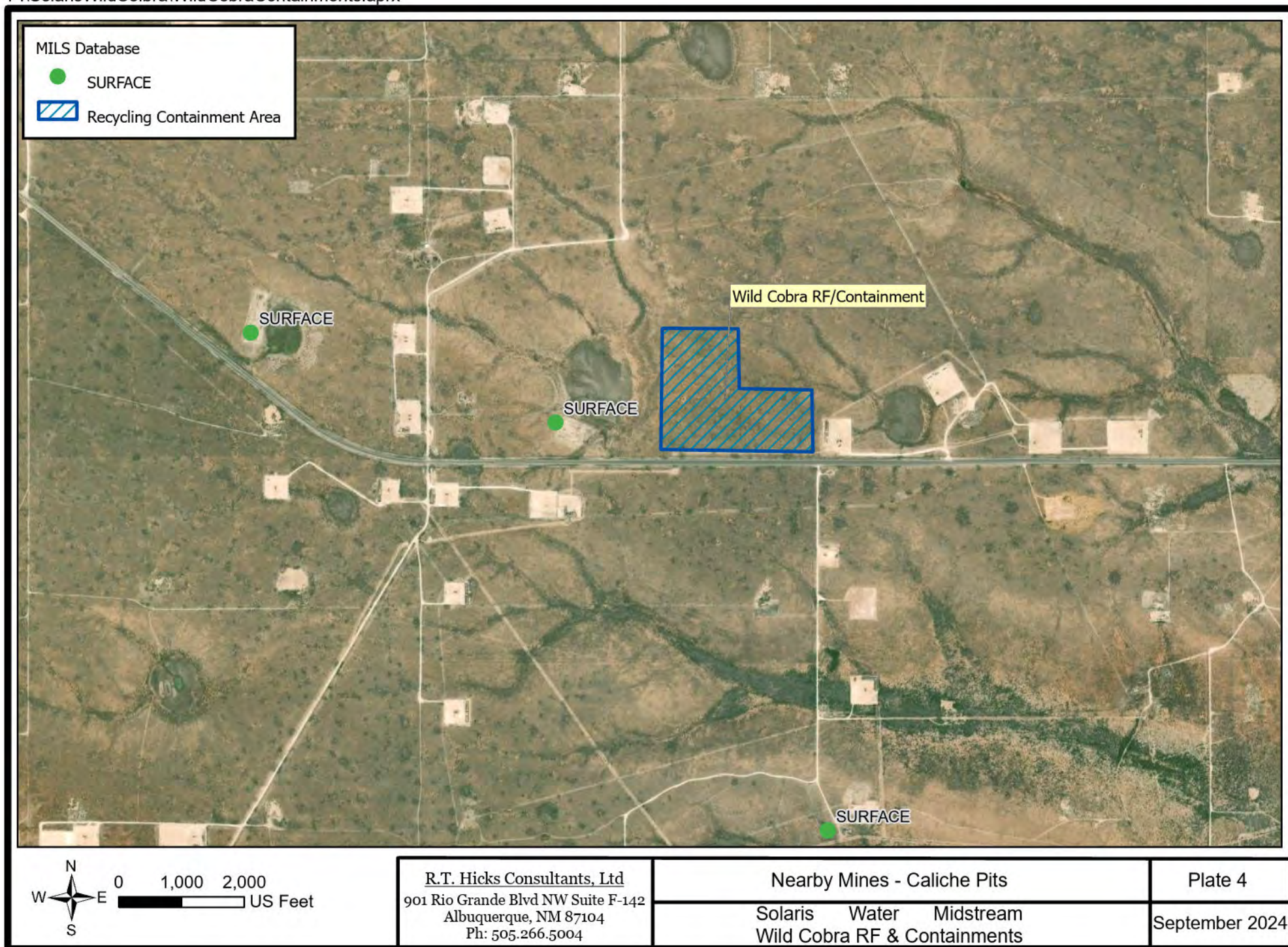
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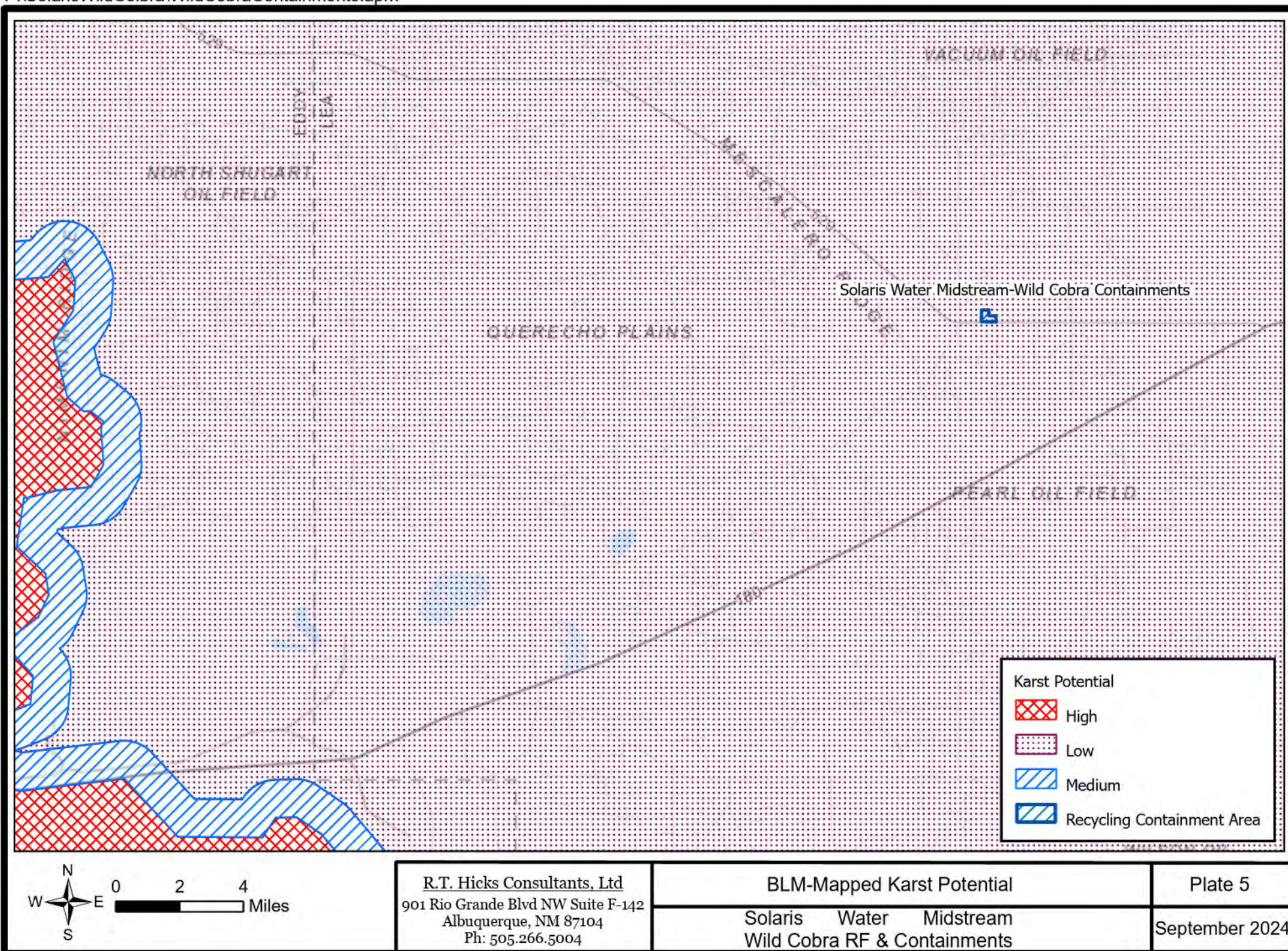
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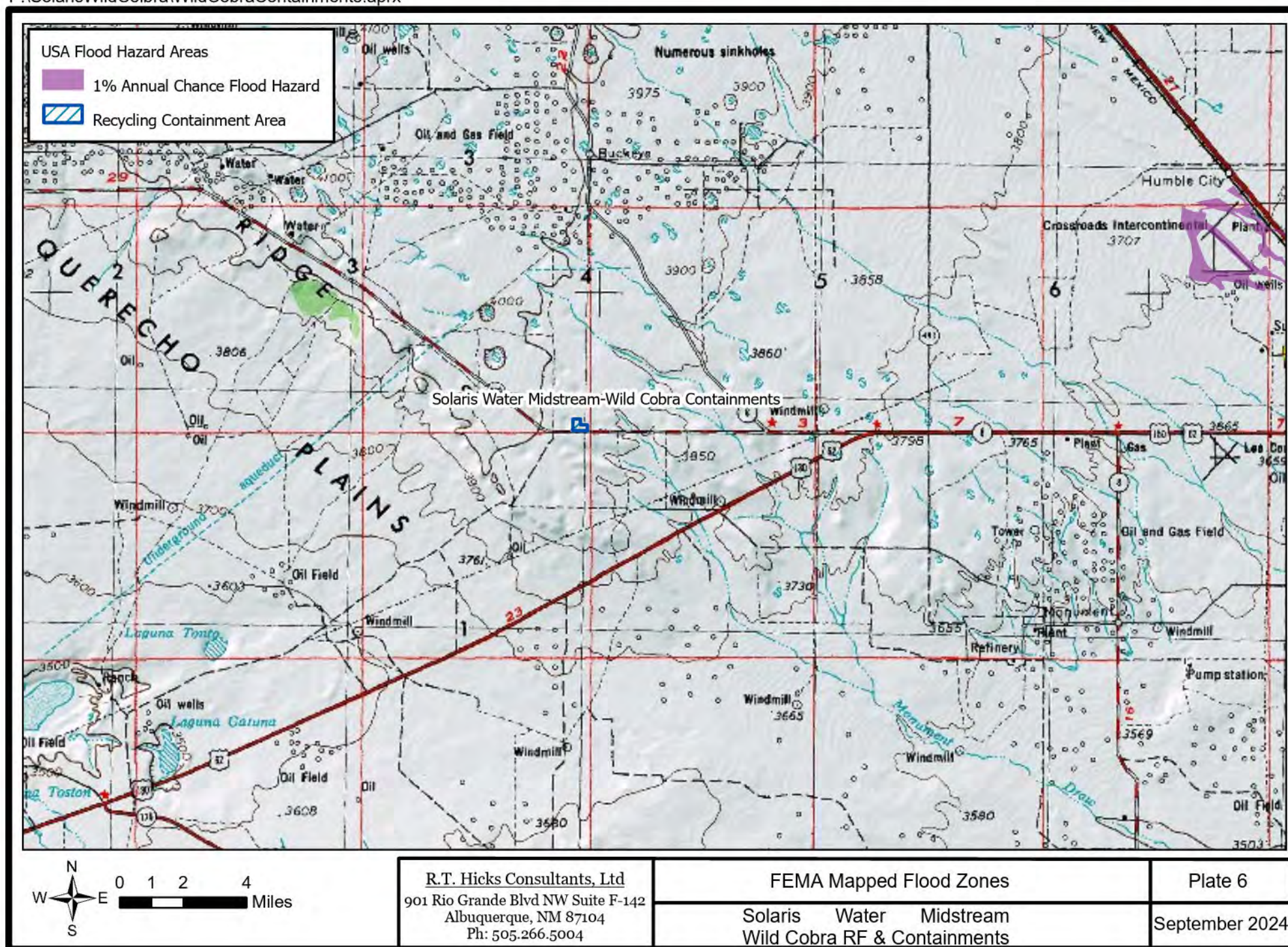
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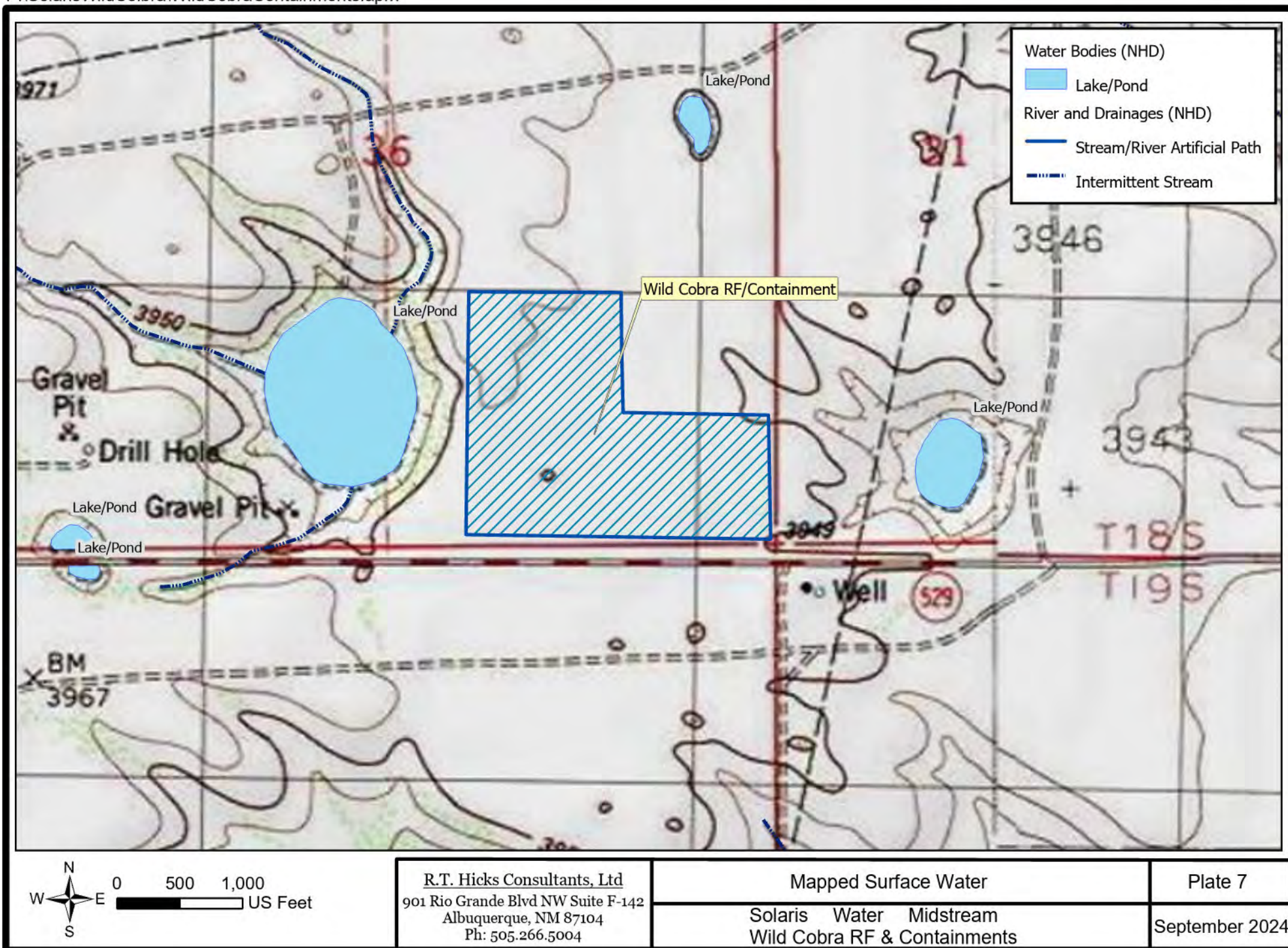
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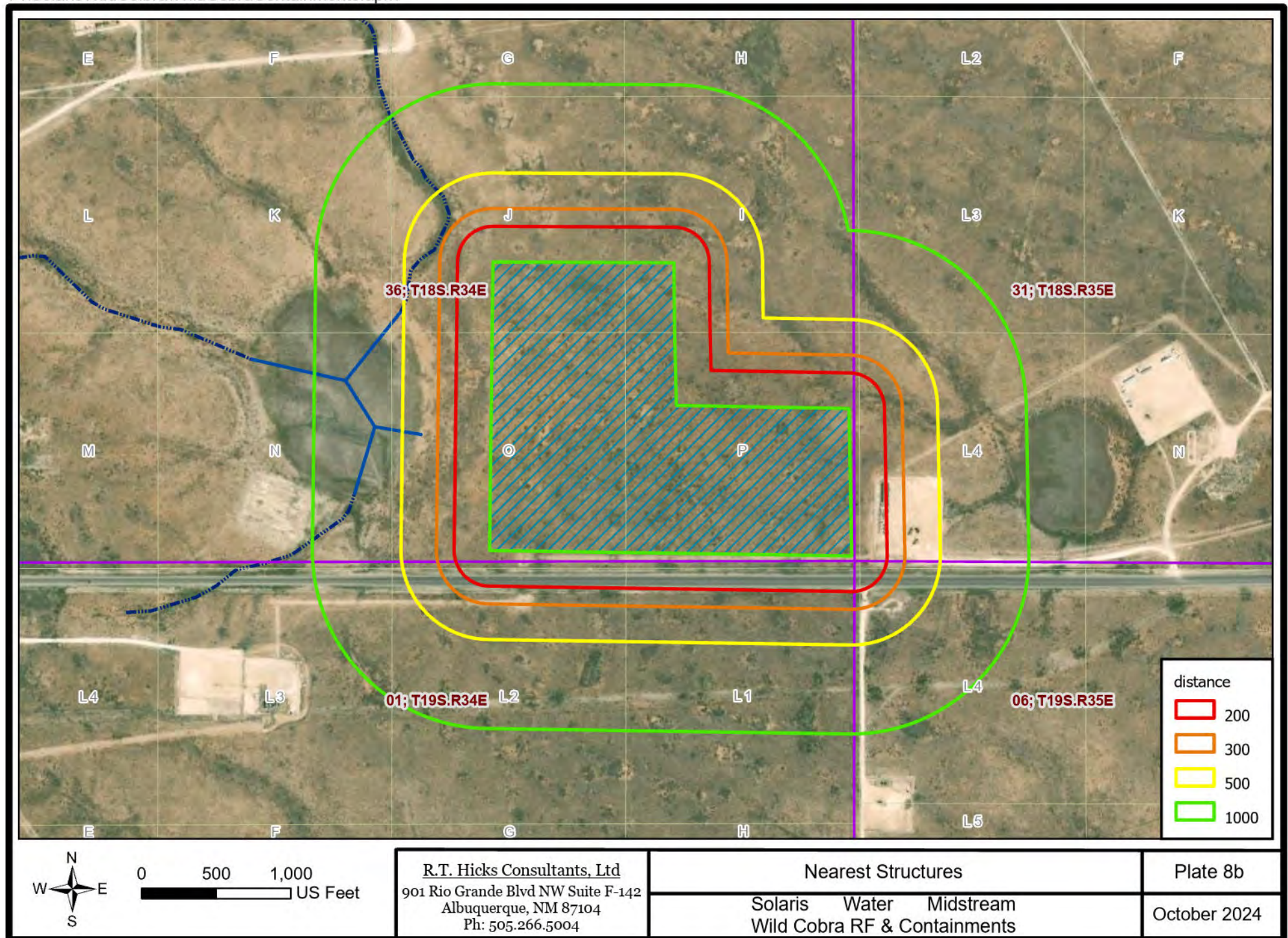
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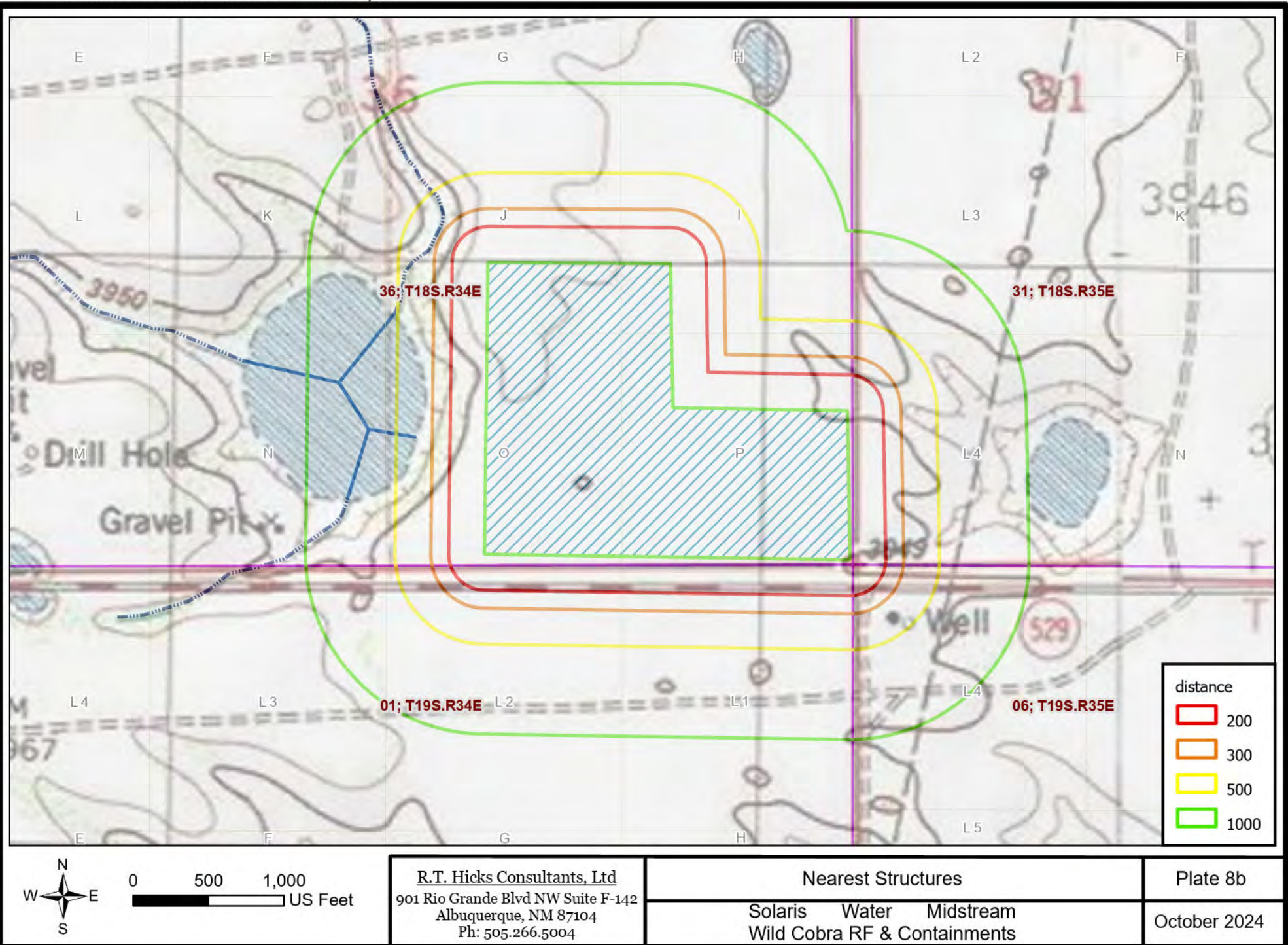
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USA Wetlands

- Marine
- Estuarine
- Palustrine
- Riverine
- Lacustrine
- Recycling Containment Area

Wild Cobra RF/Containment

0 5001,000 US Feet

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Mapped USA Wetlands

Solaris Water Midstream - Wild Cobra RF & Containments

Plate 9

October 2024

APPENDIX WELL LOGS & USGS DATA

Revised June 1972

STATE ENGINEER OFFICE
WELL RECORD

FIELD ENGR. LOG

Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

(A) Owner of well Mesa Petroleum Owner's Well No. _____
Street or Post Office Address c/o Glenn's Water Well Service
City and State Box 692 Tatum, New Mexico 88267

Well was drilled under Permit No. L-8567 L-9576 and is located in the:

a. 1/4 N¹/₂ 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 35 Township 18-S Range 34-E N.M.P.M.
b. Tract No. _____ of Map No. _____ of the _____
c. Lot No. _____ of Block No. _____ of the _____
Subdivision, recorded in _____ County.
d. X= _____ feet, Y= _____ feet, N.M. Coordinate System _____ Zone in
the _____ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor Glenn's Water Well Service License No. WD 421
Address Box 692 Tatum, New Mexico 88267

Drilling Began 10/24/84 Completed 10/24/84 Type tools Rotary Size of hole 9 7/8 in.Elevation of land surface or _____ at well is 3792 ft. Total depth of well 180 ft.Completed well is ☒ shallow ☐ artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well 130 ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			
125	160	35	sand and clay stringers	50

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
6 5/8	.125		0	180	180		119	180

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Hole Diameter	Sacks of Mud	Cubic Feet of Cement	Method of Placement
From	To				

Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD

Plugging Contractor _____
Address _____
Plugging Method _____
Date Well Plugged _____
Plugging approved by: _____

State Engineer Representative

No.	Depth in Feet		Cubic Feet of Cement
	Top	Bottom	
1			
2			
3			
4			

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Date Received October 29, 1984 Quad _____ FWL _____ FSL _____File No. L-9576 Use OWD Location No. 18.34.35.11142

Section 6. LOG OF HOLE

[illegible]

Section 7. REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the foregoing is a true and correct record of the above described hole.

INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be executed in triplicate, preferably typewritten, and submitted to the appropriate district office of the State Engineer. All sections except Section 5, shall be answered as completely and accurately as possible when any well is drilled, repaired, or deepened. When this form is used as a plugging record, only Section 1(a) and Section 5 need be completed.

STATE ENGINEER OFFICE

WELL RECORD

Section 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

(A) Owner of well Charles B. Gillespie, Jr. Owner's Well No. State P # 1
Street or Post Office Address P.O. Box 8
City and State Midland, Texas 79702

Well was drilled under Permit No. L-10,380 and is located in the:
a. 520'FSL 1200'FEL-SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of Section 2 Township 19S Range 34E N.M.P.M.
b. Tract No. _____ of Map No. _____ of the _____
c. Lot No. _____ of Block No. _____ of the _____
Subdivision, recorded in Lea County.
d. X= _____ feet, Y= _____ feet, N.M. Coordinate System _____ Zone in
the _____ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor Abbott Bros. Drilling License No. WD-46
Address P.O. Box 637, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240
Drilling Began 3/8/94 Completed 3/11/94 Type tools Cable Size of hole 10 in.
Elevation of land surface or _____ at well is _____ ft. Total depth of well 153' ft.
Completed well is ☒ shallow ☐ artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well 100' ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			
100	153	53	Sand	

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
5½	14	WElded	0	153	153		78	153

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Hole Diameter	Sacks of Mud	Cubic Feet of Cement	Method of Placement
From	To				

Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD

Plugging Contractor _____
Address _____
Plugging Method _____
Date Well Plugged _____
Plugging approved by: _____
State Engineer Representative

No.	Depth in Feet		Cubic Feet of Cement
	Top	Bottom	
1			
2			
3			
4			

Date Received 03/16/94 FOR USE OF STATE ENGINEER ONLY 510861
Quad _____ FWL _____ FSL _____
File No. L-10,380 Use OWD Location No. 19S.34E.2.443114

Section 7. REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be executed in triplicate, preferably typewritten, and submitted to the appropriate district office of the State Engineer. All sections, except Section 5, shall be answered as completely and accurately as possible when any well is drilled, repaired or deepened. If this form is used as a plugging record, only Section 1 and Section 2 shall be completed.



WELL RECORD & LOG

OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER

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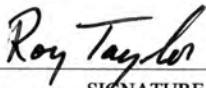
1. GENERAL AND WELL LOCATION	OSE POD NO. (WELL NO.) L- 15235 POD 1		WELL TAG ID NO. 20FAF		OSE FILE NO(S). L-15235			
	WELL OWNER NAME(S) Wilberta Tivis				PHONE (OPTIONAL) 575-369-8419			
	WELL OWNER MAILING ADDRESS P.O. Box 1614				CITY STATE ZIP Eunice NM 88231			
	WELL LOCATION (FROM GPS)	DEGREES LATITUDE 32	MINUTES 42	SECONDS 25 N	* ACCURACY REQUIRED: ONE TENTH OF A SECOND			
		LONGITUDE -103	29	56 W	* DATUM REQUIRED: WGS 84			
DESCRIPTION RELATING WELL LOCATION TO STREET ADDRESS AND COMMON LANDMARKS - PLSS (SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE) WHERE AVAILABLE SWNESENW Sec 31 T18 R34E								
2. DRILLING & CASING INFORMATION	LICENSE NO. WD-1626		NAME OF LICENSED DRILLER Roy Taylor			NAME OF WELL DRILLING COMPANY Roy Taylor Drilling		
	DRILLING STARTED 11/18/2021		DRILLING ENDED 11/18/2021		DEPTH OF COMPLETED WELL (FT) 162		BORE HOLE DEPTH (FT) 162	
					DEPTH WATER FIRST ENCOUNTERED (FT) 75'			
	COMPLETED WELL IS: <input type="checkbox"/> ARTESIAN <input type="checkbox"/> DRY HOLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SHALLOW (UNCONFINED)						STATIC WATER LEVEL IN COMPLETED WELL (FT) 75'	
	DRILLING FLUID: <input type="checkbox"/> AIR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUD ADDITIVES - SPECIFY:							
	DRILLING METHOD: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ROTARY <input type="checkbox"/> HAMMER <input type="checkbox"/> CABLE TOOL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER - SPECIFY:							
	DEPTH (feet bgl)		BORE HOLE DIAM. (inches)	CASING MATERIAL AND/OR GRADE (include each casing string, and note sections of screen)	CASING CONNECTION TYPE (add coupling diameter)	CASING INSIDE DIAM. (inches)	CASING WALL THICKNESS (inches)	SLOT SIZE (inches)
	FROM	TO						
	0	122'	10"	PVC	Glue	5.135	.214	NA
	122'	162'	10"	PVC	Glue	5.135	.214	.032
3. ANNULAR MATERIAL	DEPTH (feet bgl)		BORE HOLE DIAM. (inches)	LIST ANNULAR SEAL MATERIAL AND GRAVEL PACK SIZE-RANGE BY INTERVAL	AMOUNT (cubic feet)	METHOD OF PLACEMENT		
	FROM	TO						
	0	20'	10"	Bentonite	8.18	Poured		
	20'	120'	10"	3/8 vealmore gravel	40.91	Poured		
	120'	162'	10"	8/16 Silica Sand	17.18	Poured		

FOR OSE INTERNAL USE

WR-20 WELL RECORD & LOG (Version 04/30/19)

FILE NO. L-15235	POD NO. 1	TRN NO. 712372
LOCATION 18S-35E-31	WELL TAG ID NO. 20FAF	PAGE 1 OF 2

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4. HYDROGEOLOGIC LOG OF WELL	DEPTH (feet bgl)		THICKNESS (feet)	COLOR AND TYPE OF MATERIAL ENCOUNTERED - INCLUDE WATER-BEARING CAVITIES OR FRACTURE ZONES (attach supplemental sheets to fully describe all units)	WATER BEARING? (YES / NO)	ESTIMATED YIELD FOR WATER- BEARING ZONES (gpm)	
	FROM	TO					
	0	1'	1'	Top Soil	Y ✓ N		
	1'	28'	27'	White Rock	Y ✓ N		
	28'	74'	46'	Sand Stone	Y ✓ N		
	74'	122'	48'	Brown Sand	✓ Y N		
	122'	158'	36'	Gravel	✓ Y N		
	158'	162	4'	Red Clay	Y N		
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	METHOD USED TO ESTIMATE YIELD OF WATER-BEARING STRATA: <input type="checkbox"/> PUMP <input type="checkbox"/> AIR LIFT <input type="checkbox"/> BAILER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER – SPECIFY:				TOTAL ESTIMATED WELL YIELD (gpm): 0.00		
	5. TEST; RIG SUPERVISION	WELL TEST	TEST RESULTS - ATTACH A COPY OF DATA COLLECTED DURING WELL TESTING, INCLUDING DISCHARGE METHOD, START TIME, END TIME, AND A TABLE SHOWING DISCHARGE AND DRAWDOWN OVER THE TESTING PERIOD.				
		MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION: <div style="text-align: right;">05E DIT DEC 7 2021 PM 1:35</div>					
PRINT NAME(S) OF DRILL RIG SUPERVISOR(S) THAT PROVIDED ONSITE SUPERVISION OF WELL CONSTRUCTION OTHER THAN LICENSEE:							
6. SIGNATURE	BY SIGNING BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED WELL. I ALSO CERTIFY THAT THE WELL TAG, IF REQUIRED, HAS BEEN INSTALLED AND THAT THIS WELL RECORD WILL ALSO BE FILED WITH THE PERMIT HOLDER WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF WELL DRILLING.						
	 _____ SIGNATURE OF DRILLER / PRINT SIGNEE NAME				Roy Taylor _____ DATE		

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WR-20 WELL RECORD & LOG (Version 04/30/2019)

FILE NO.	L-15235	POD NO.	1	TRN NO.	712372
LOCATION	18S-35F-3	241	WELL TAG ID NO.	JOFAF	PAGE 2 OF 2

The USGS well data discussed for the Wild Cobra Reuse Facility is presented below.

USGS 324016103301701 19S.34E.12.24432 aka USGS-15403

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

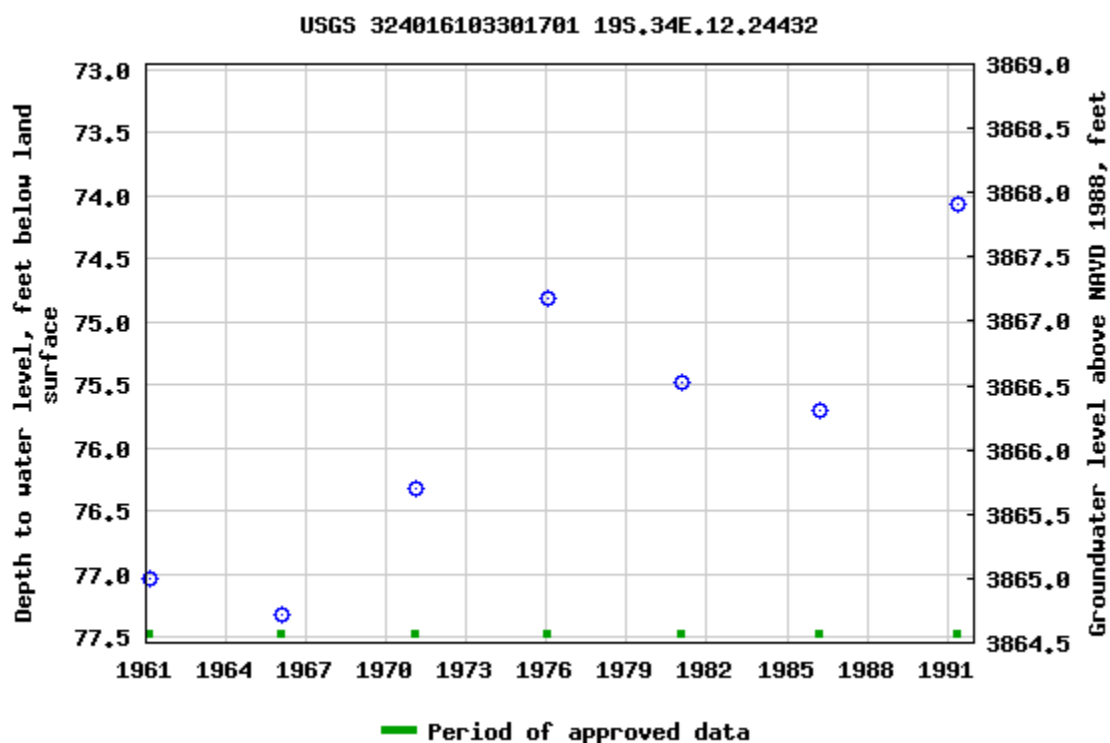
Latitude 32°40'16", Longitude 103°30'17" NAD27

Land-surface elevation 3,942 feet above NAVD88

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

This is USGS 15403. It plots to a location 1.81 miles south of the southeast corner of the site. Nothing is present at this location. More likely is that it is the Three Windmill site about 0.31 miles to the northwest and about.



USGS 324103103291701 19S.35E.06.422133 aka USGA-XX

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

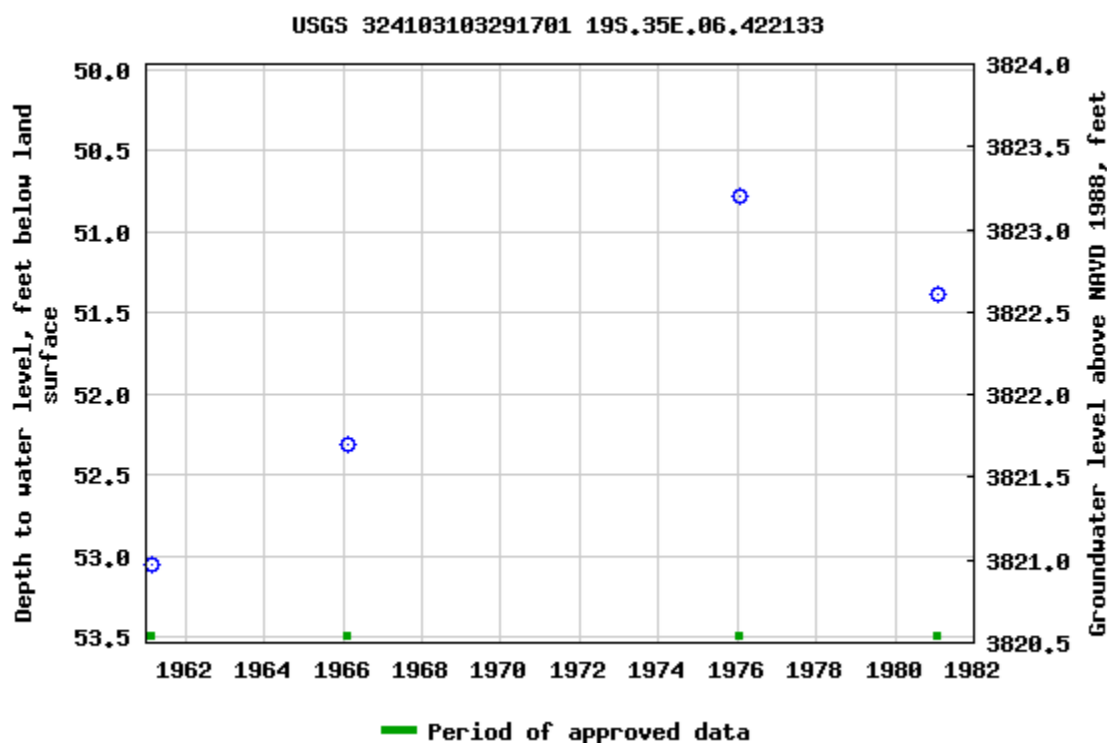
Latitude 32°41'03", Longitude 103°29'17" NAD27

Land-surface elevation 3,874 feet above NAVD88

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

This is USGS-15412, about 2.51 miles southeast of the Wild Cobra site. Nothing is visible in aerial photographs. The topographic maps indicate that a windmill was/is present at this location. well more than 30 years ago.



USGS 324107103301101 19S.35E.06.133314 aka USGS-15118

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

Latitude 32°41'25", Longitude 103°30'17" NAD27

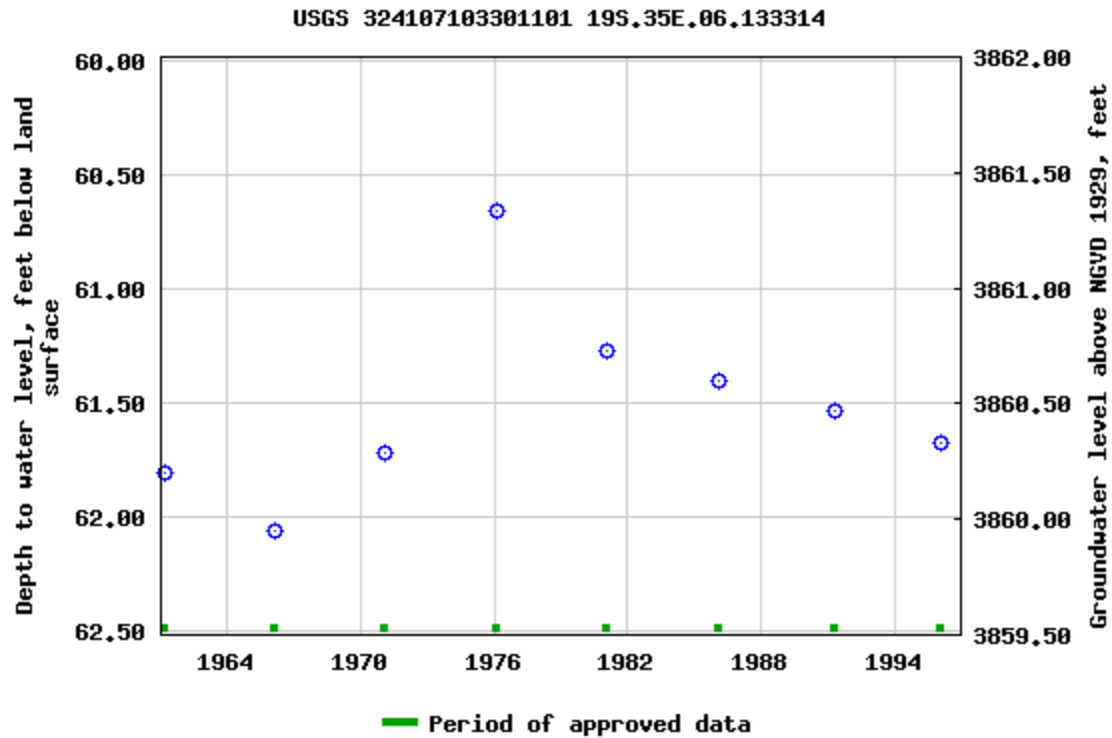
Land-surface elevation 3,922.00 feet above NGVD29

The depth of the well is 130 feet below land surface.

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

The well is pumped by a windmill and is 0.49 miles south of the Wild Cobra location. The USGS description (above) lists it at 3922 feet. Correlation of topographic maps with aerial photographs gives an elevation of 3912 feet. s



USGS 324210103294901 18S.35E.31.142113 aka USGS-15294

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

Latitude 32°42'10", Longitude 103°29'49" NAD27

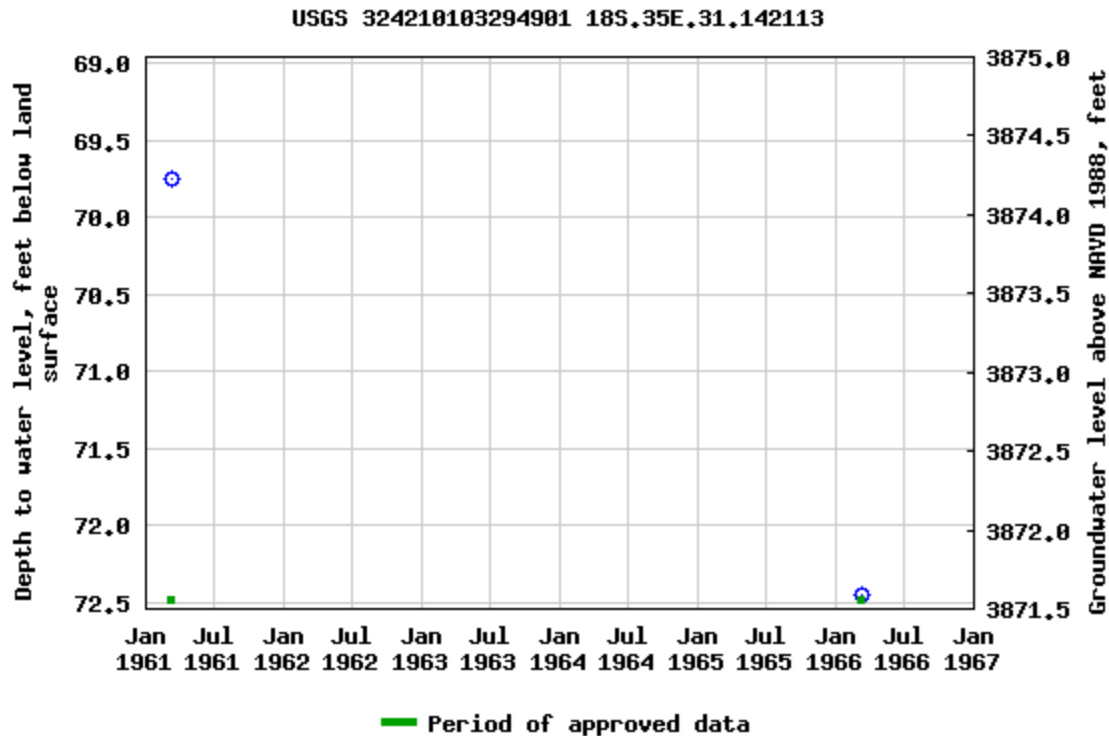
Land-surface elevation 3,944 feet above NAVD88

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

This well is USGS-15294

Most likely it is one of the wells at the L-15235 location.



USGS 324210103294902 18S.35E.31.142113A aka USGS-15293

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

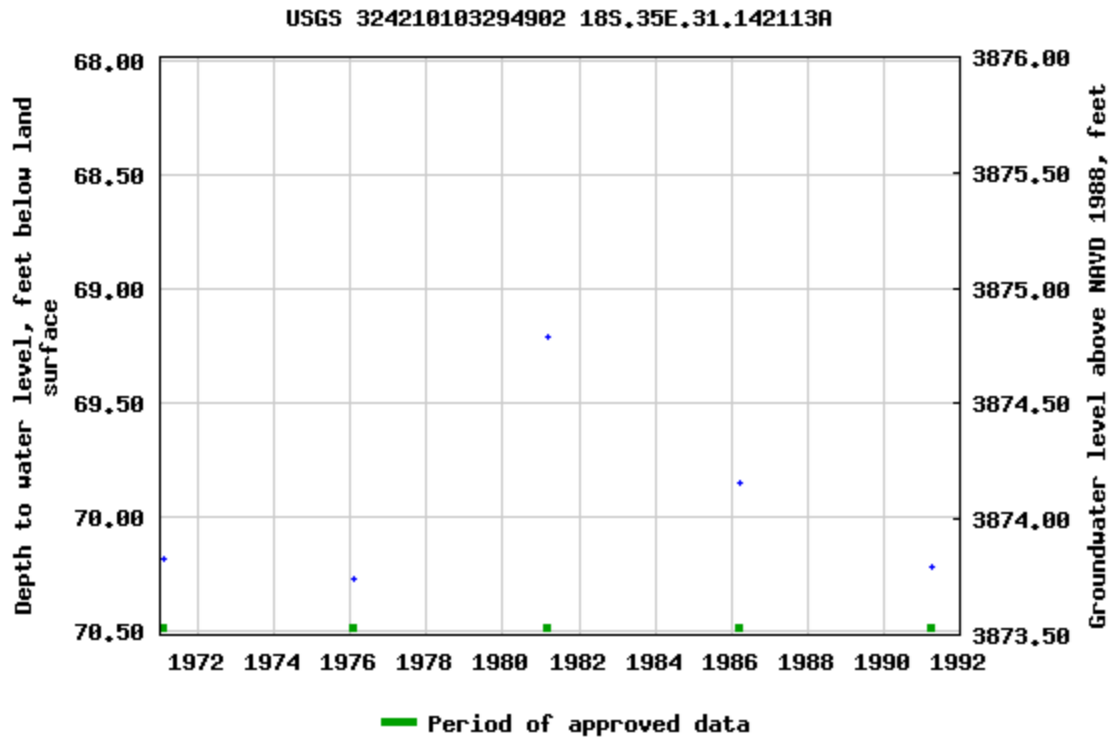
Latitude 32°42'10", Longitude 103°29'49" NAD27

Land-surface elevation 3,944 feet above NAVD88

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

This well is 0.64 miles northeast of the small playa on the east side of the Wild Cobra Containment. There is nothing on the aerial photographs at this location. It is most likely related to L-15235 (as is USGS-15294) which is 0.31 miles to the northwest.



USGS 324304103311201 18S.34E.25.13111 aka USGS-15163

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

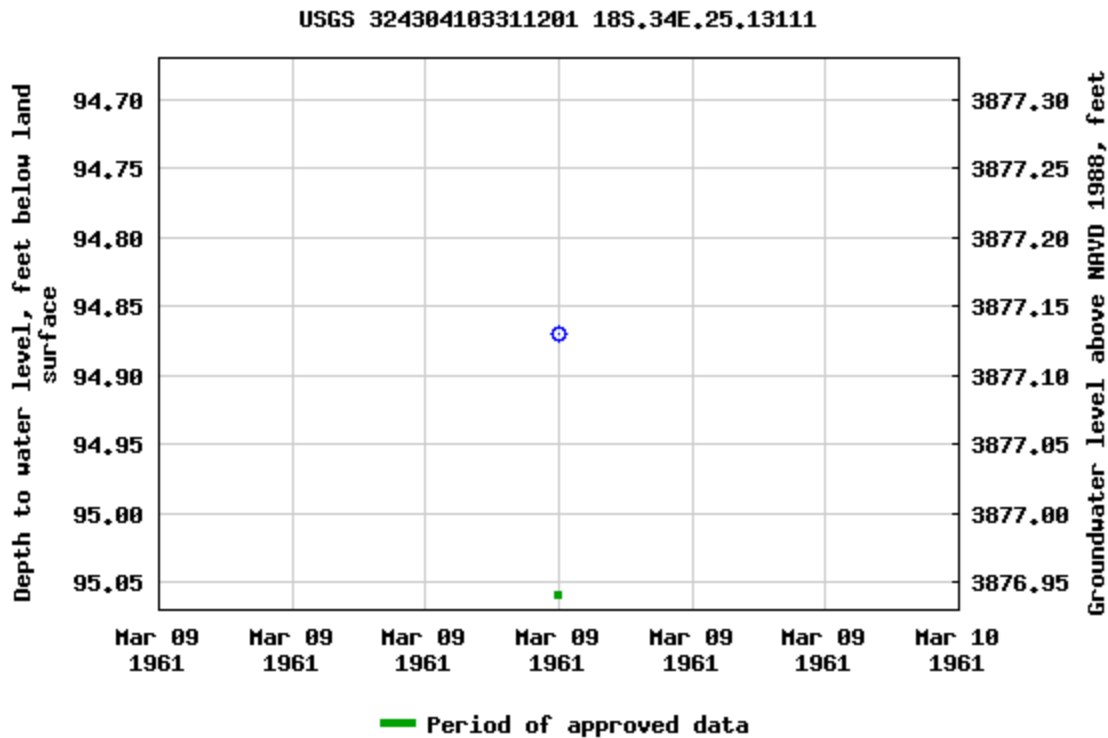
Latitude 32°43'04", Longitude 103°31'12" NAD27

Land-surface elevation 3,972 feet above NAVD88

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

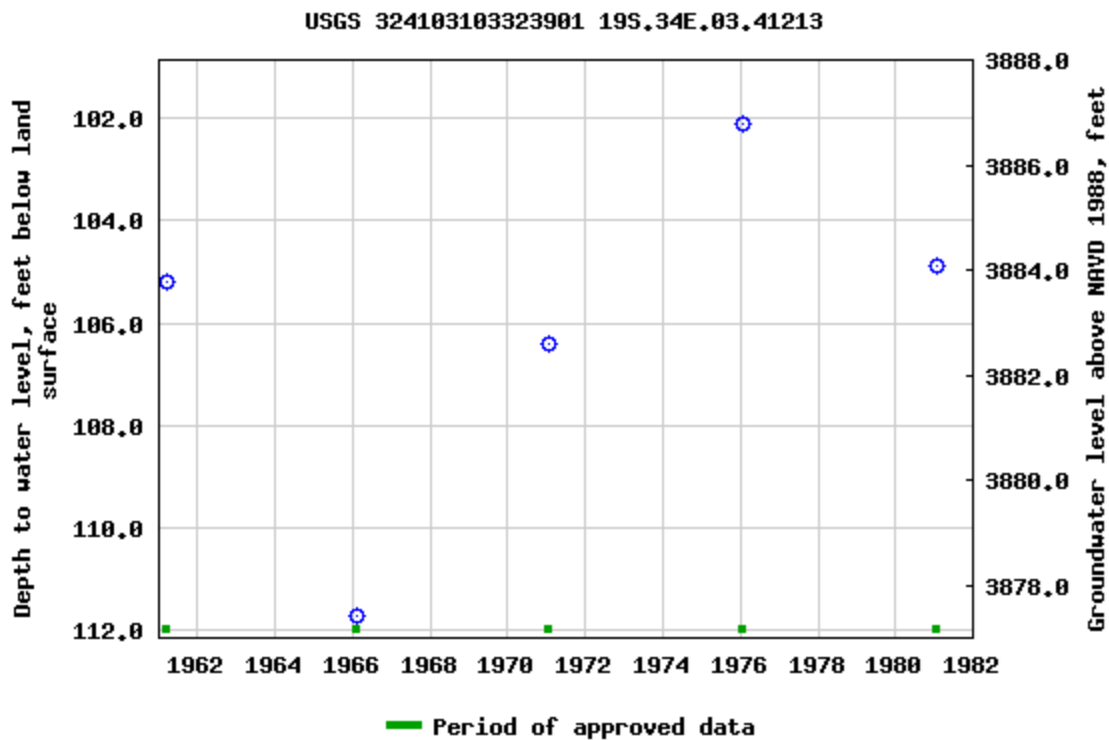
This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

This is USGS-15163. This locale is currently occupied by an oil well pad and a caliche pit since at least 1996.



USGS 324103103323901 19S.34E.03.41213 aka USGS-15175
Lea County, New Mexico
Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007
Latitude 32°41'03", Longitude 103°32'39" NAD27
Land-surface elevation 3,989 feet above NAVD88
This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.
This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

This well is southwest of the location and is USGS-15175. Its likely actual location is about 0.34 miles to the north northwest where there is a windmill and water tanks for cattle.



USGS 324304103311201 18S.34E.25.13111

Lea County, New Mexico

Hydrologic Unit Code 13070007

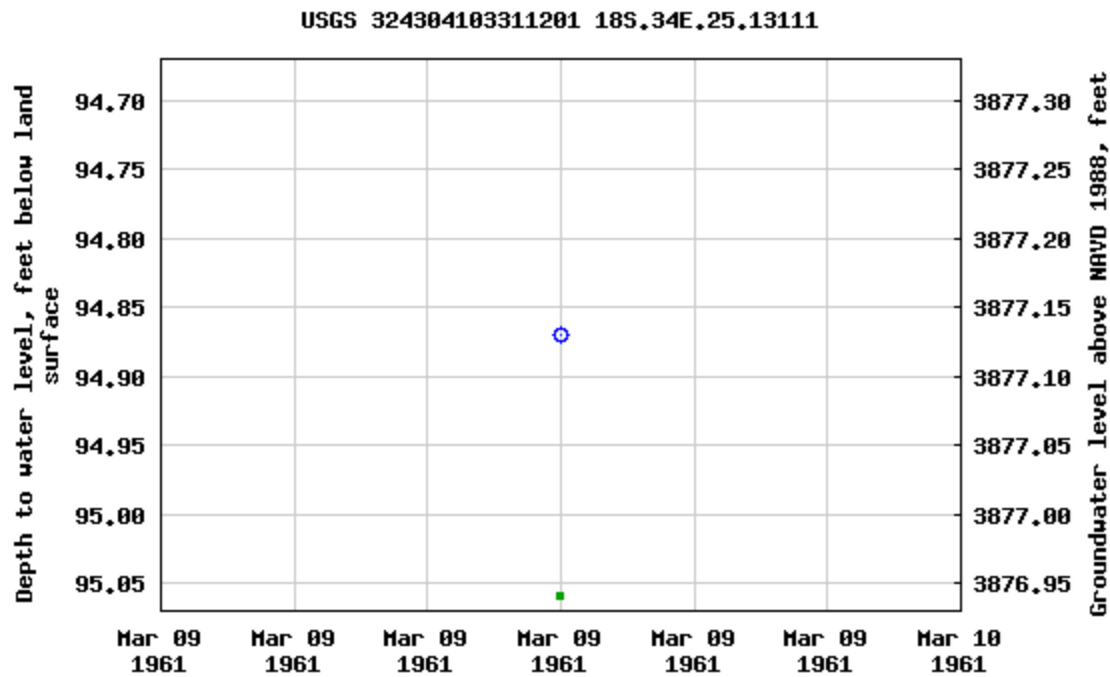
Latitude 32°43'04", Longitude 103°31'12" NAD27

Land-surface elevation 3,972 feet above NAVD88

This well is completed in the High Plains aquifer (N100HGHPLN) national aquifer.

This well is completed in the Ogallala Formation (121OGLL) local aquifer.

The well is about 1.2 miles to the northwest. There is no well there currently.



APPENDIX SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

R.T. HICKS CONSULTANTS, LTD.***Figures***

The photographs were taken during R T Hicks Consultants site visit on May 23, 2024. The aerial photo below shows the photograph locations as numbered green circles. If multiple photos were taken at a location, they are designated as a, b, etc. North is up in the aerial image.



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Figure 1: *View to the north from location 16.*



Figure 2: *View to the south from location 16.*



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Figure 3: View is to the south from location 7. The tank battery east of the Wild Cobra location is on the left horizon



Figure 4: Looking southeast from location 4. The channel leads to the smaller playa east of the Wild Cobra location. The playa can be seen below the horizon in the middle of the image.



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Figure 5: View is to the west from location 14 of the playa west of the Wild Cobra location. The playa is below the horizon and centered in the photo.



Figure 6: View is to the south down the drainage leading to the western playa from location 21.



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Figure 7: *View to the south from the north side of the Wild Cobra area at location 22.*



Figure 8: *View to the west of the western playa floor from location 18.*



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Figure 9: View to the northeast across drainage area from location 8.



September 2024

Rule 34 Registration: Volume 2
Wild Cobra Recycling Facility
Section 36, T18S, R34E, Lea County

- *C-147 Form*
- *Stamped Design Drawings*
- *Recently Approved Plans for Design/Construction, O&M, Closure*

Prepared for:
Solaris Midstream Waters, LLC
Houston, Texas

Prepared by:

R.T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd.
901 Rio Grande NW F-142
Albuquerque, New Mexico

C-147

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

Form C-147
Revised October 11, 2022

<https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/ocd-e-permitting/>

Recycling Facility and/or Recycling Containment

Type of Facility: ☒ Recycling Facility ☒ Recycling Containment*
Type of action: ☐ Permit ☒ Registration
☐ Modification ☐ Extension
☐ Closure ☐ Other (explain) _____

*** At the time C-147 is submitted to the division for a Recycling Containment, a copy shall be provided to the surface owner.**

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: Solaris Water Midstream LLC (For multiple operators attach page with information) OGRID #: 371643
Address: 9611 Katy Freeway, Suite 900, Houston, TX 77024
Facility or well name (include API# if associated with a well): Wild Cobra Recycle Facility
OCD Permit Number: 1RF-533 (For new facilities the permit number will be assigned by the district office)
U/L or Qtr/Qtr O and P Section 36 Township 18 S Range 34 E County: Lea
Surface Owner: ☐ Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.
☒ **Recycling Facility:**
Location of recycling facility (if applicable): Latitude 32.697546 Longitude -103.511095 (approx) NAD83
Proposed Use: ☒ Drilling* ☒ Completion* ☒ Production* ☒ Plugging*
***The re-use of produced water may NOT be used until fresh water zones are cased and cemented**
☐ Other, **requires permit for other uses. Describe use, process, testing, volume of produced water and ensure there will be no adverse impact on groundwater or surface water.**
☒ Fluid Storage
☒ Above ground tanks ☒ Recycling containment ☐ Activity permitted under 19.15.17 NMAC explain type _____
☐ Activity permitted under 19.15.36 NMAC explain type: _____ ☐ Other explain _____
☐ For multiple or additional recycling containments, attach design and location information of each containment
☐ **Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** ☐ Recycling Facility Closure Completion Date: _____

3.
☒ **Recycling Containment:**
☐ Annual Extension after initial 5 years (attach summary of monthly leak detection inspections for previous year)
Center of Recycling Containment (if applicable): Latitude 32.697734 Longitude -103.511031 (approx.) NAD83
☐ For multiple or additional recycling containments, attach design and location information of each containment
☐ Lined ☐ Liner type: Thickness 60 mil pri & 40 mil sec mil ☐ LLDPE ☒ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other _____
☐ String-Reinforced
Liner Seams: ☒ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other _____ Volume: _____ bbl Dimensions: L _____ x W _____ x D 20 ft
☐ Recycling Containment Closure Completion Date: _____ See Attachment Drawings and Plans, Shapes are irregular.

4.

Bonding:

- ☐ Covered under bonding pursuant to 19.15.8 NMAC per 19.15.34.15(A)(2) NMAC (These containments are limited to only the wells owned or operated by the owners of the containment.)
- ☒ Bonding in accordance with 19.15.34.15(A)(1). Amount of bond \$ _____ (work on these facilities cannot commence until bonding amounts are approved)
- ☒ Attach closure cost estimate and documentation on how the closure cost was calculated. See Transmittal Letter, Vol. 1

5.

Fencing:

- ☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet
- ☒ Alternate. Please specify _____ Fixed knot woven wire, 8- foot height. See Sheets 6 and 12 of Containment Plans

6.

Signs:

- ☒ 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers
- ☐ Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC

7.

Variances:

Justifications and/or demonstrations that the proposed variance will afford reasonable protection against contamination of fresh water, human health, and the environment.

Check the below box only if a variance is requested:

- ☒ Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval. If a Variance is requested, include the variance information on a separate page and attach it to the C-147 as part of the application.

If a Variance is requested, it must be approved prior to implementation.

See Transmittal Letter for Variances

8.

Siting Criteria for Recycling Containment

Instructions: The applicant must provide attachments that demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below as part of the application. Potential examples of the siting attachment source material are provided below under each criteria.

General siting**Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the Recycling Containment.**

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

Plates 1 and 2

☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ NA

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

Plate 3

☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ NA

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Minerals Division

Plate 4

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within an unstable area.

- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; topographic map

Plate 5

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within a 100-year floodplain. FEMA map

Plate 6

☐ Yes ☒ 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

Plate 7

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 1000 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

Plate 8

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

Plates 1 and 7

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; topographic map; visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

Plate 9

☐ Yes ☒ No

9.

Recycling Facility and/or Containment Checklist:**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements.
☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements.
☒ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements.
☒ Site Specific Groundwater Data -
☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations –
☒ **Certify that notice of the C-147 (only) has been sent to the surface owner(s)**

10.

Operator Application Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this application are true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): Drew Dixon Title: SVP- Land and RegulatorySignature: *Drew Dixon* Date: 10/22/2024e-mail address drew.dixon@ariswater.com Telephone: 832-304-9028

11.

OCD Representative Signature: *Victoria Venegas* Approval Date: 10/29/2024Title: Environmental Specialist OCD Permit Number: 1RF-533

- ☒ OCD Conditions
☐ Additional OCD Conditions on Attachment

RECYCLING CONTAINMENT DESIGN DRAWINGS

WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM

SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST

LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

32° 41' 51.8418" N, 103° 30' 39.7116" W

32.697734°, -103.511031°



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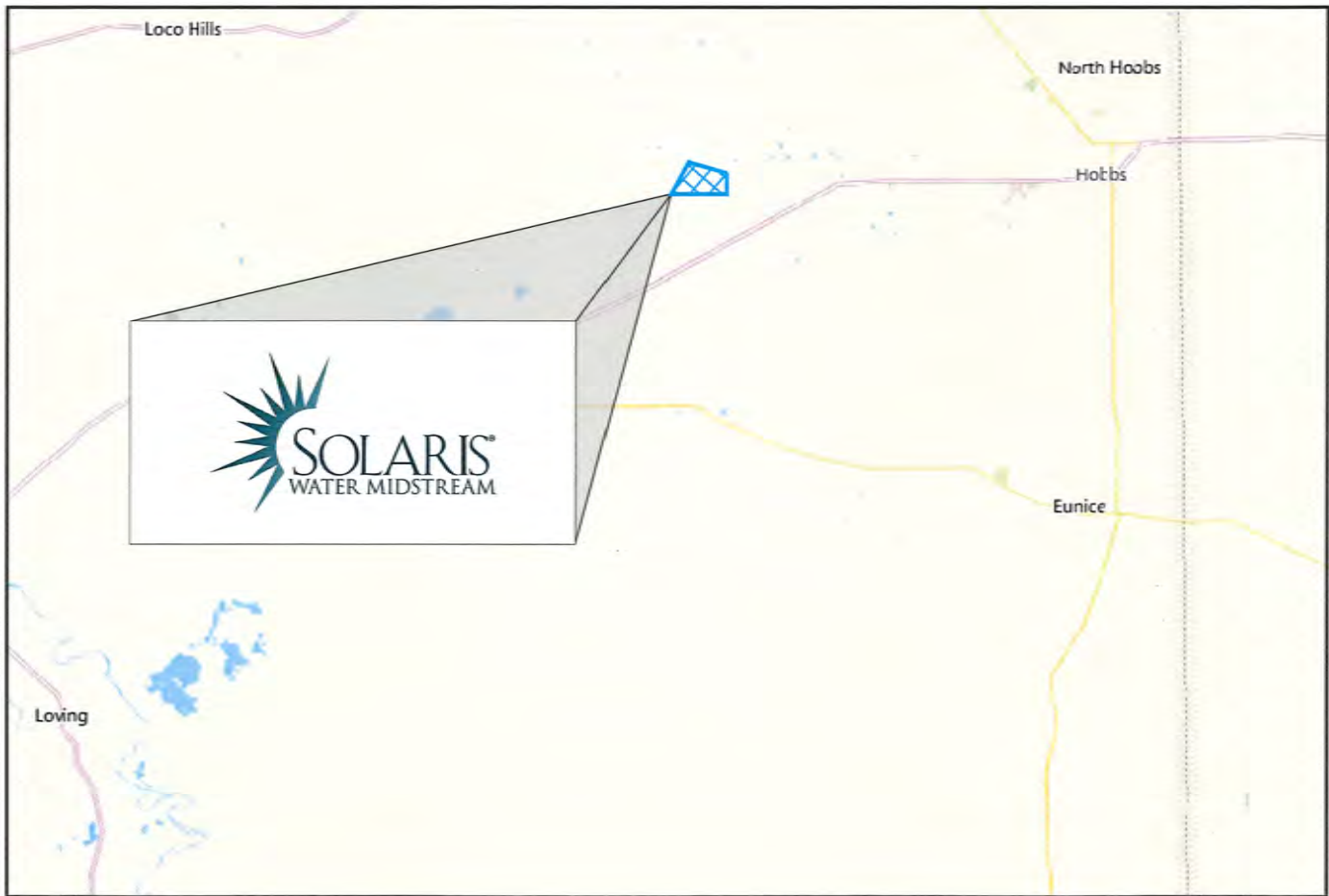
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UTILITY CAUTION

THE CONTRACTOR IS CAUTIONED THE LOCATION AND DEPTH OF EXISTING UTILITIES AS SHOWN ON THESE PLANS ARE BASED ON PUBLICLY AVAILABLE RECORDS OF THE VARIOUS UTILITY COMPANIES AND FIELD MEASUREMENTS. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS NOT TO BE RELIED ON AS BEING PRECISE OR COMPLETE. THE CONTRACTOR MUST CONTACT THE LOCAL UTILITY LOCATION CENTER AT LEAST 72 HOURS BEFORE ANY EXCAVATION TO REQUEST EXACT FIELD LOCATIONS OF THE UTILITIES.



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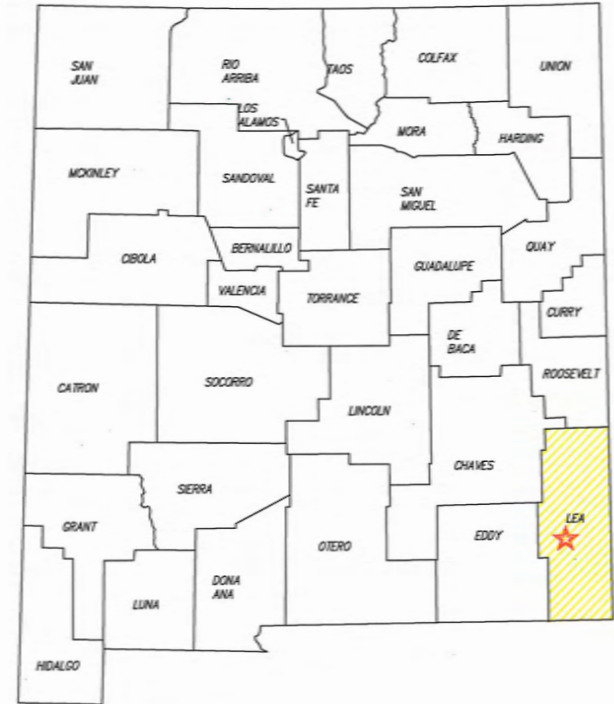
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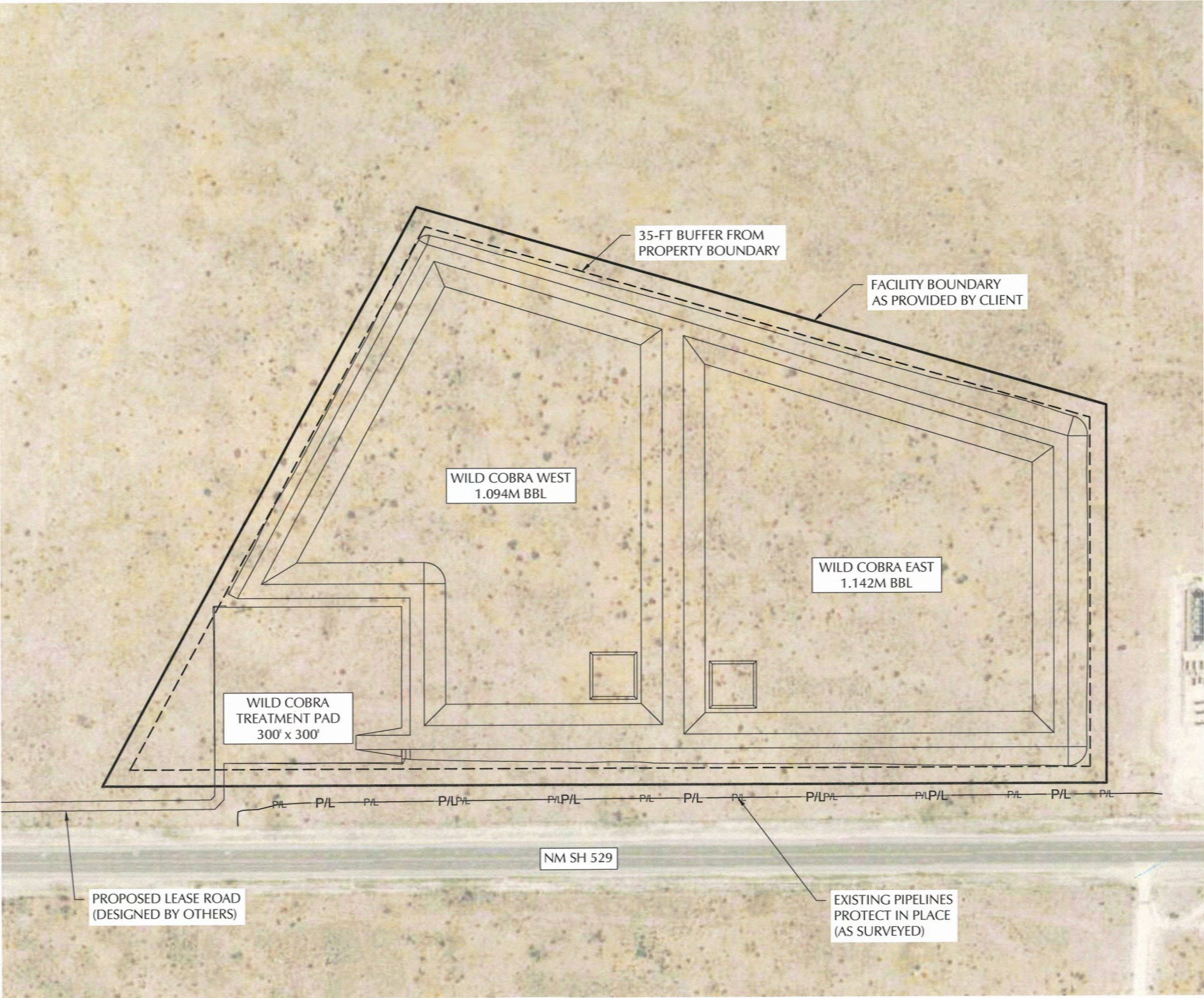
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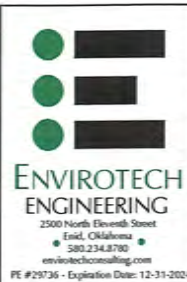
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Owner	Solaris Water Midstream		
Site Name	Wild Cobra Recycle Facility East Pit		
	Top	Bottom	Max
Lagoon Features			Liq. Level
Side slope Ratio	3		3
Maximum Depth (ft)	20.0		17.0
Lagoon Top Width (ft)	785	695	767
Lagoon Top Length (ft)	843	758	825
Maximum Total Vol (ft ³)	8,076,018		6,411,616
Maximum Total Vol (bbls)	1,438,493		1,142,031

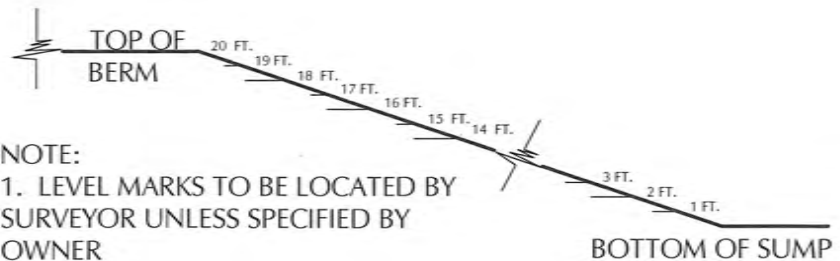
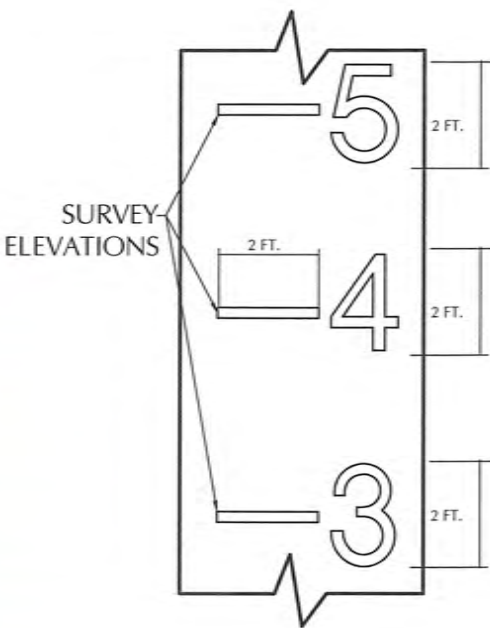
Freeboard
Maximum Capacity
Storage Volume
Floor
Sump

Elevation	Lagoon Liq Depth	Storage	Remaining Stor Vol	Gallons Storage	BBLS Storage	Percent of Total Volume	Vol in lagoon	Gallons Storage	Vol in Lagoon	Vol in Lagoon	Percent Total Vol
ft	ft	ft	ft ³	gal	bbbls	%	ft ³	gal	bbbls	ac-ft	%
3967.50	20.0	0.0	-	-	-	0.0%	8,076,018	60,416,689	1,438,493	183.40	100%
3964.50	19.0	1.0	561,862	4,218,252	100,435	7.0%	7,512,156	56,198,418	1,338,058	172.46	93%
3961.50	18.0	2.0	1,118,638	8,368,730	199,251	11.9%	6,957,380	52,048,160	1,239,242	159.72	86%
3962.50	17.0	3.0	1,664,401	12,451,387	296,462	20.6%	6,411,616	47,965,302	1,142,031	147.19	79%
3961.50	16.0	4.0	2,201,227	16,467,376	392,080	27.3%	5,874,791	43,949,313	1,046,412	134.87	73%
3960.50	15.0	5.0	2,729,187	20,417,045	486,120	33.8%	5,346,831	39,999,644	952,372	122.75	66%
3959.50	14.0	6.0	3,248,355	24,300,946	578,594	40.2%	4,827,663	36,115,743	859,899	110.83	60%
3958.50	13.0	7.0	3,758,806	28,119,626	669,515	46.5%	4,317,212	32,297,064	768,978	99.11	53%
3957.50	12.0	8.0	4,260,612	31,873,640	758,896	52.8%	3,815,406	28,543,049	679,596	87.59	47%
3956.50	11.0	9.0	4,753,848	35,563,538	846,751	58.9%	3,322,170	24,853,151	591,742	76.27	41%
3955.50	10.0	10.0	5,238,587	39,189,867	933,092	64.9%	2,837,431	21,226,822	505,401	65.14	35%
3954.50	9.0	11.0	5,714,902	42,753,183	1,017,933	70.8%	2,361,116	17,663,506	420,560	54.20	29%
3953.50	8.0	12.0	6,182,868	46,254,032	1,101,286	76.6%	1,893,150	14,162,657	337,206	43.46	23%
3952.50	7.0	13.0	6,642,557	49,692,967	1,183,166	82.3%	1,433,461	10,723,723	255,327	32.91	18%
3951.50	6.0	14.0	7,094,044	53,070,540	1,263,584	87.8%	981,974	7,346,150	174,908	22.54	12%
3950.50	5.0	15.0	7,537,401	56,387,297	1,342,555	93.3%	538,617	4,029,393	95,938	12.36	7%
3949.50	4.0	16.0	7,865,485	58,841,696	1,400,993	97.4%	210,532	1,574,993	37,500	4.83	3%
3948.50	3.0	17.0	8,016,452	59,971,079	1,427,883	99.3%	59,566	445,611	10,610	1.37	1%
3947.50	2.0	18.0	8,058,324	60,284,323	1,435,341	99.8%	17,694	132,367	3,152	0.41	0%
3946.50	1.0	19.0	8,067,735	60,354,726	1,437,017	99.9%	8,283	61,963	1,475	0.19	0%
3945.50	0.0	20.0	8,076,018	60,416,689	1,438,493	100.0%	-	-	-	-	0%

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Site Name	Wild Cobra Recycle Facility West Pit		
	Top	Bottom	Max
Lagoon Features			Liq. Level
Side slope Ratio	3		3
Maximum Depth (ft)	20.0		17.0
Lagoon Top Width (ft)	505	415	487
Lagoon Top Length (ft)	837	758	819
Maximum Total Vol (ft ³)	7,814,689		6,146,099
Maximum Total Vol (bbls)	1,391,945		1,094,737

Freeboard
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Elevation	Lagoon Liq Depth	Storage	Remaining Stor Vol	Gallons Storage	BBLS Storage	Percent of Total Volume	Vol in lagoon	Gallons Storage	Vol in Lagoon	Vol in Lagoon	Percent Total Vol
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3965.50	20.0	0.0	-	-	-	0.0%	7,814,689	58,461,686	1,391,945	179.40	100%
3964.50	19.0	1.0	565,885	4,233,387	100,795	7.2%	7,248,804	54,228,300	1,291,150	166.41	93%
3963.50	18.0	2.0	1,122,055	8,394,092	199,859	14.3%	6,692,634	50,067,595	1,192,086	153.64	86%
3962.50	17.0	3.0	1,668,589	12,482,717	297,208	21.4%	6,146,099	45,978,969	1,094,737	141.10	79%
3961.50	16.0	4.0	2,205,570	16,499,867	392,854	28.2%	5,609,119	41,961,819	999,091	128.77	72%
3960.50	15.0	5.0	2,733,076	20,446,142	486,813	35.0%	5,081,613	38,015,545	905,132	116.66	65%
3959.50	14.0	6.0	3,251,189	24,322,144	579,099	41.6%	4,563,500	34,139,543	812,846	104.76	58%
3958.50	13.0	7.0	3,759,988	28,128,474	669,726	48.1%	4,054,700	30,333,213	722,219	93.08	52%
3957.50	12.0	8.0	4,259,556	31,865,736	758,708	54.5%	3,555,133	26,595,951	633,237	81.61	45%
3956.50	11.0	9.0	4,749,971	35,534,531	846,060	60.8%	3,064,718	22,927,156	545,885	70.36	39%
3955.50	10.0	10.0	5,231,314	39,135,461	931,797	66.9%	2,583,375	19,326,225	460,148	59.31	33%
3954.50	9.0	11.0	5,704,395	42,674,580	1,016,061	73.0%	2,110,294	15,787,106	375,883	48.45	27%
3953.50	8.0	12.0	6,167,108	46,136,132	1,098,479	78.9%	1,647,581	12,325,554	293,466	37.82	21%
3952.50	7.0	13.0	6,621,719	49,537,078	1,179,454	84.7%	1,192,970	8,924,608	212,491	27.39	15%
3951.50	6.0	14.0	7,067,580	52,872,567	1,258,871	90.4%	747,109	5,589,120	133,074	17.15	10%
3950.50	5.0	15.0	7,504,772	56,143,200	1,336,743	96.0%	309,917	2,318,487	55,202	7.11	4%
3949.50	4.0	16.0	7,679,372	57,449,382	1,367,842	98.3%	135,317	1,012,304	24,102	3.11	2%
3948.50	3.0	17.0	7,766,685	58,102,567	1,383,394	99.4%	48,004	359,119	8,550	1.10	1%
3947.50	2.0	18.0	7,796,995	58,329,320	1,388,793	99.8%	17,694	132,367	3,152	0.41	0%
3946.50	1.0	19.0	7,806,406	58,399,723	1,390,470	99.9%	8,283	61,963	1,475	0.19	0%
3945.50	0.0	20.0	7,814,689	58,461,686	1,391,945	100.0%	-	-	-	-	0%



- NOTE:
- LEVEL MARKS TO BE LOCATED BY SURVEYOR UNLESS SPECIFIED BY OWNER
 - MARKS TO BE MADE BY AN EXTRUSION WELDER USING BLACK FILAMENT (OR WHITE FILAMENT ON BLACK LINER).
 - MARKS SHOULD BEGIN AT THE TOP OF BERM AND CONTINUE TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SUMP. (TOP OF BERM SHOULD READ 20-FT, BOTTOM OF SUMP +1-FT SHOULD READ 1-FT)
 - REFERENCE PIT CAPACITY TABLES FOR ACCURATE ELEVATIONS



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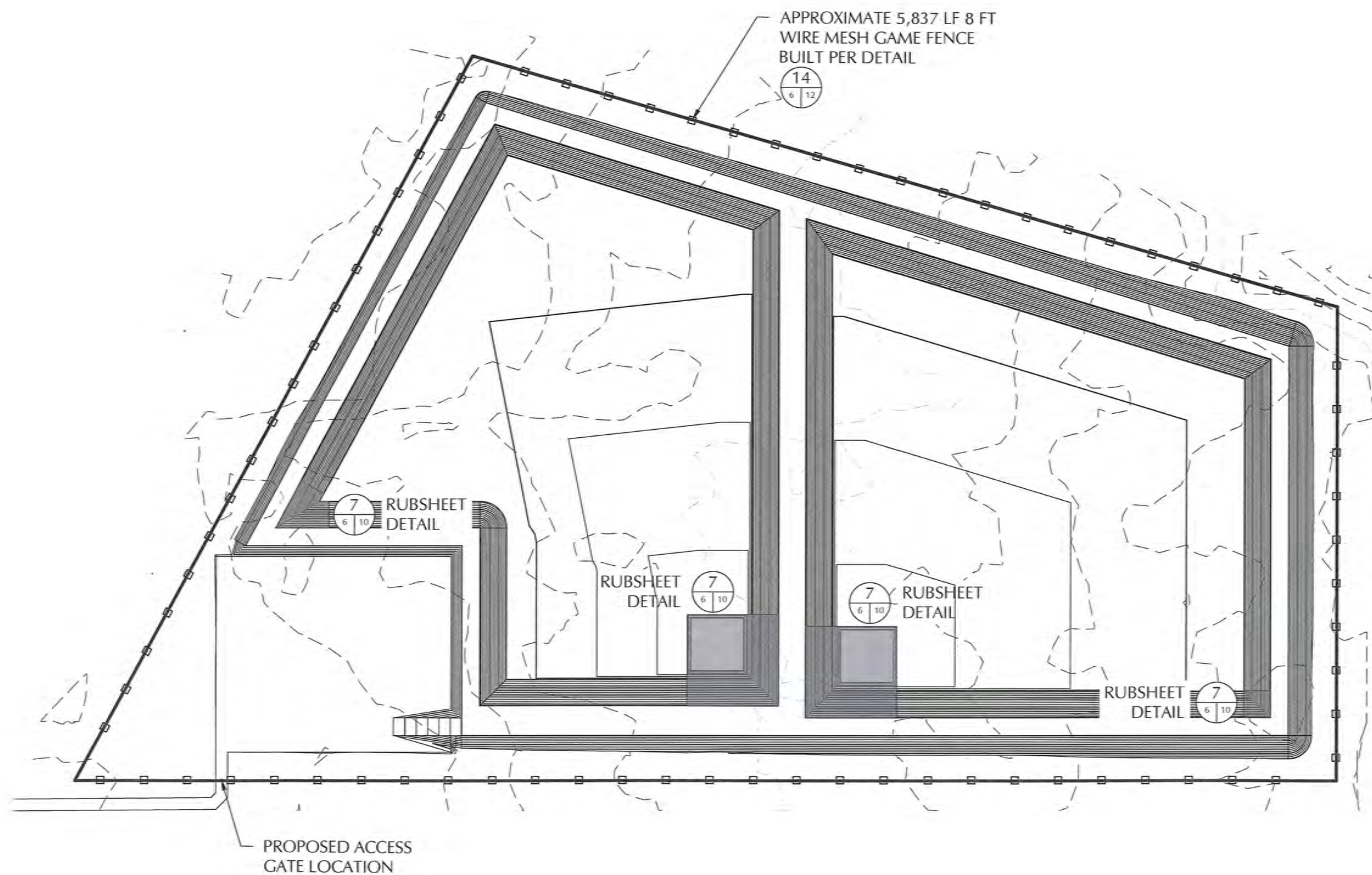
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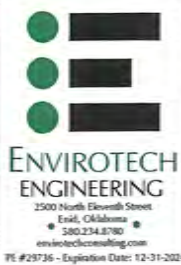
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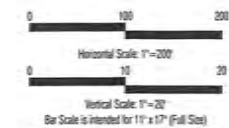
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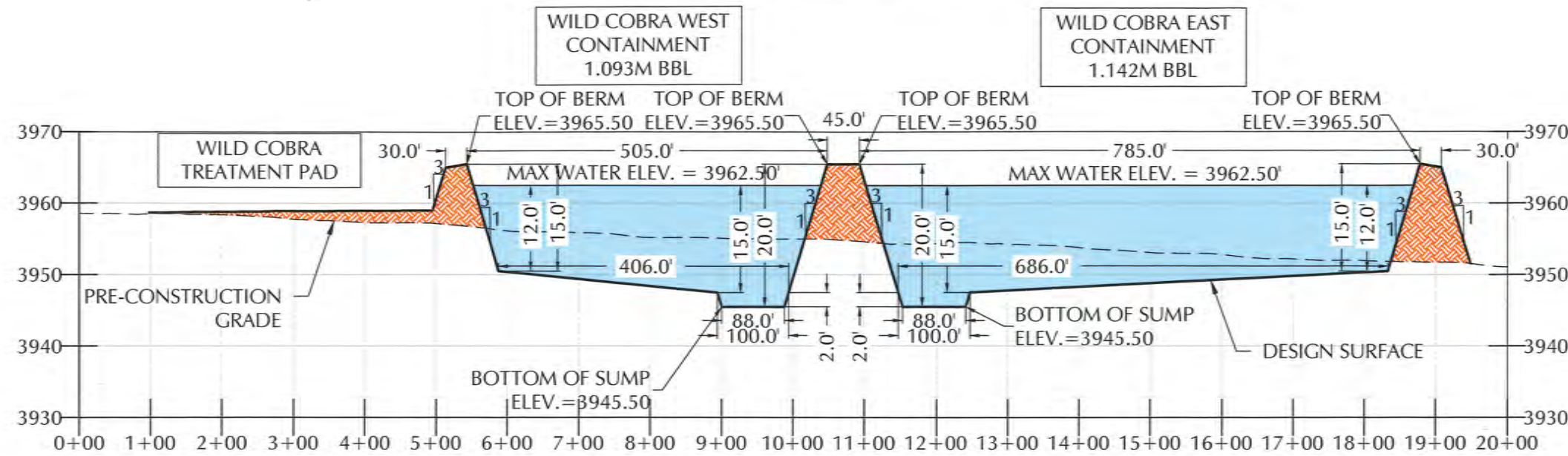


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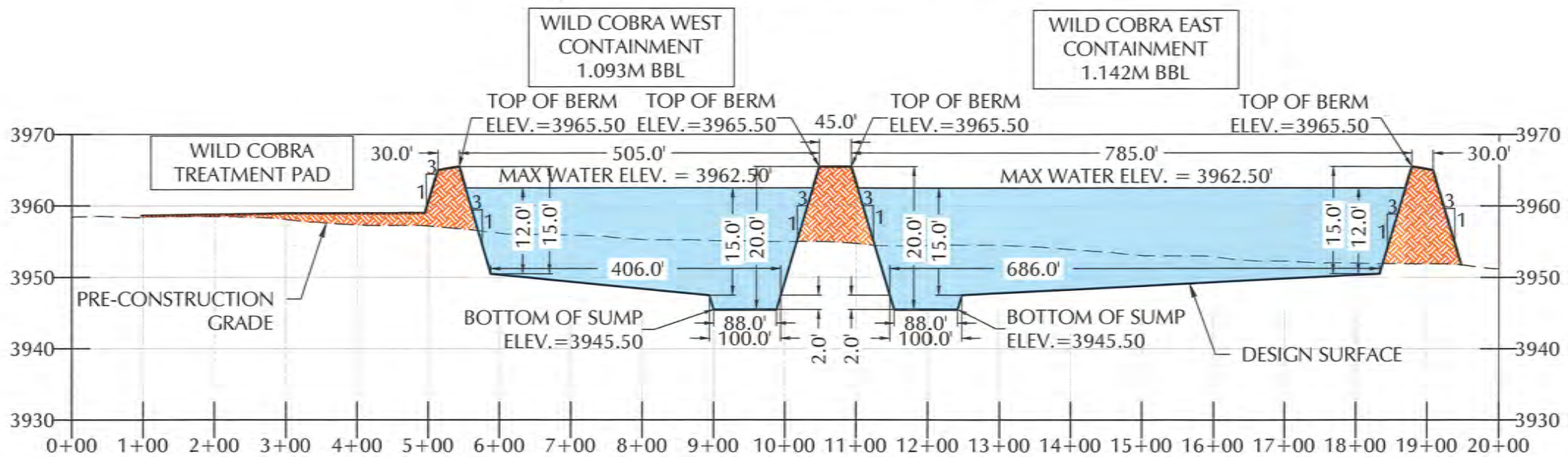
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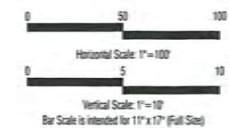
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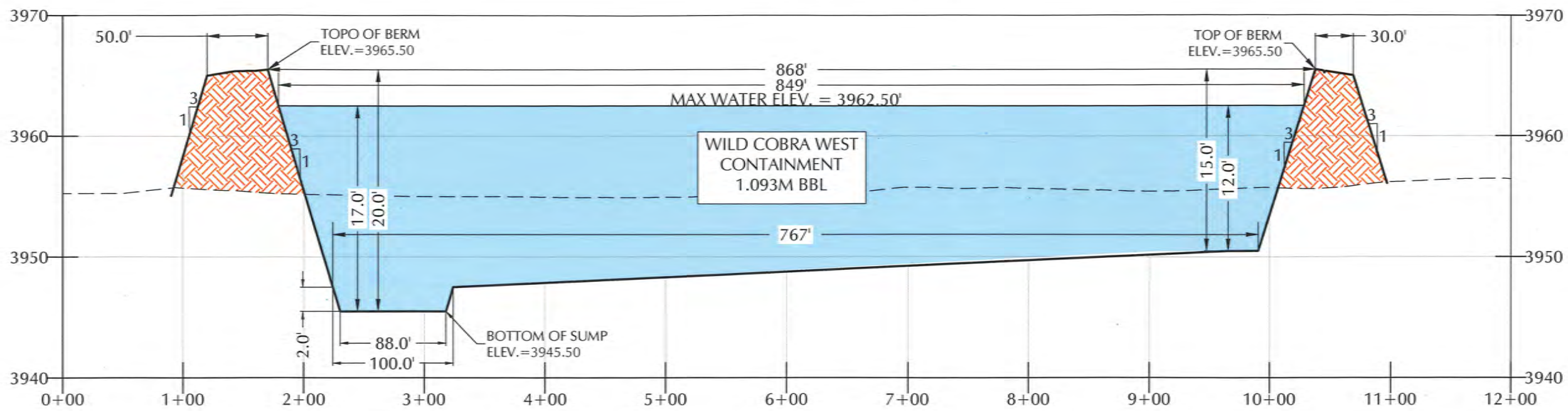


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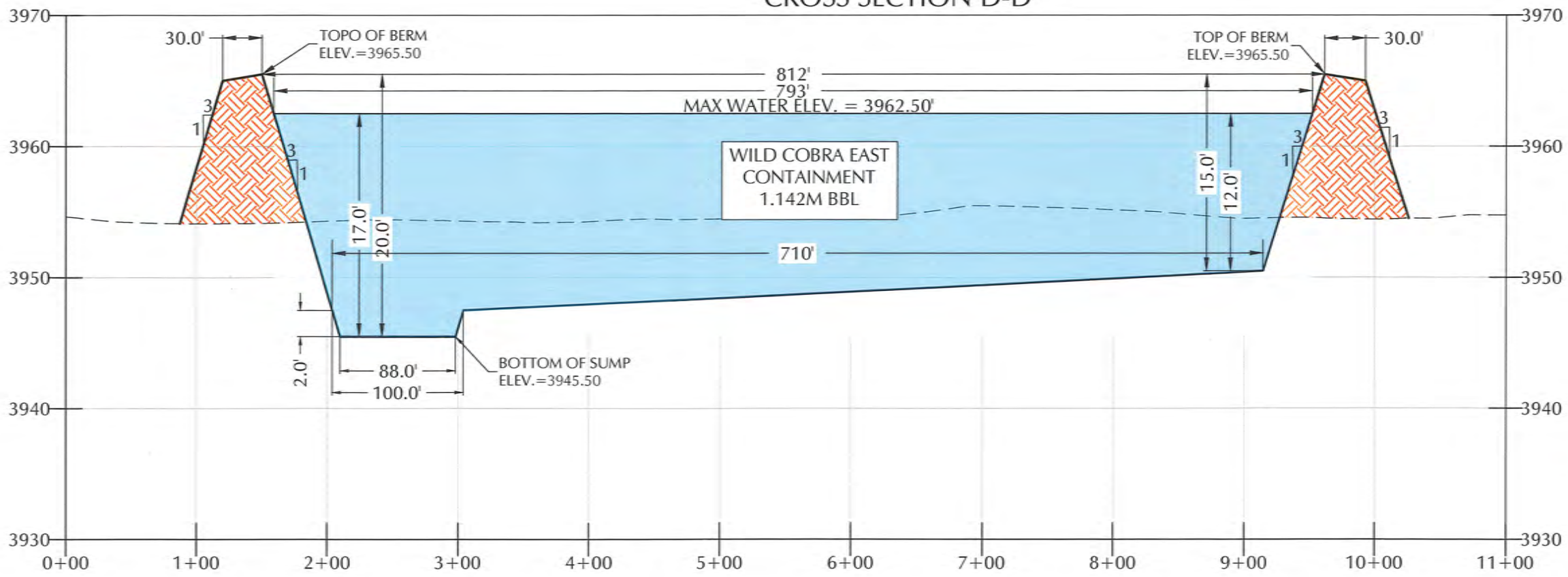
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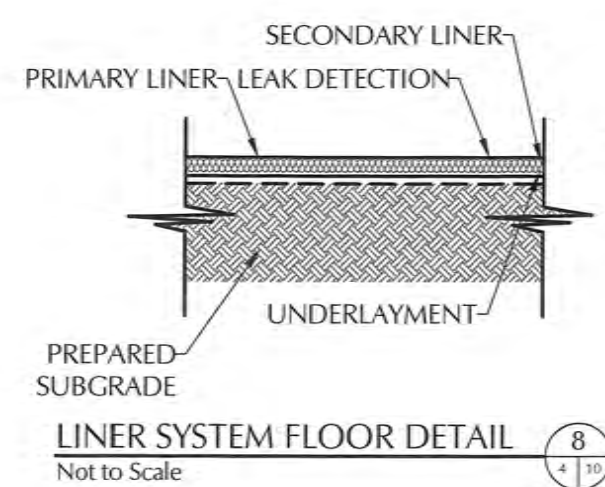
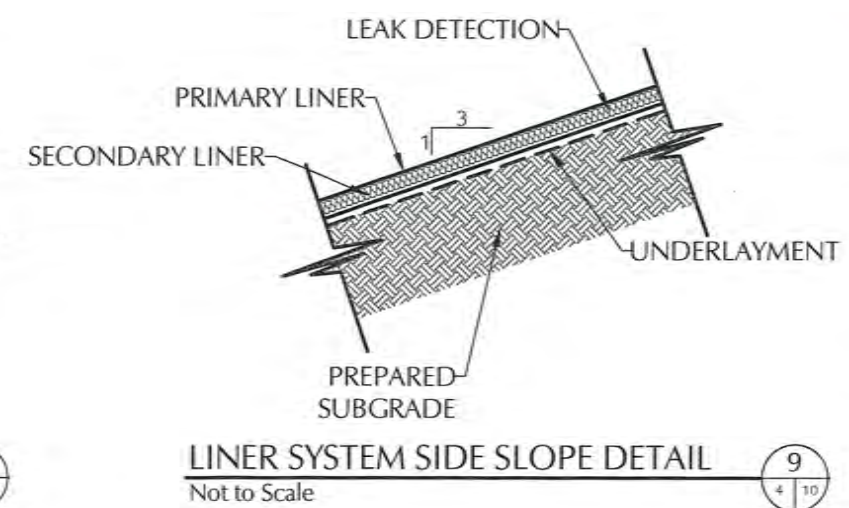


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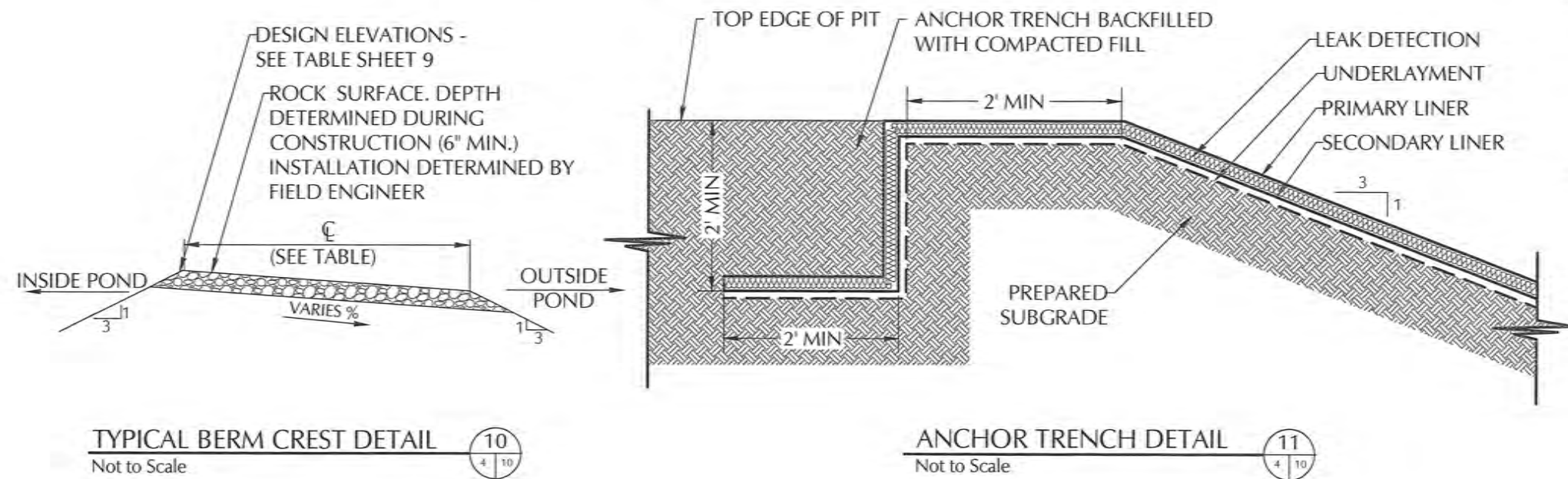
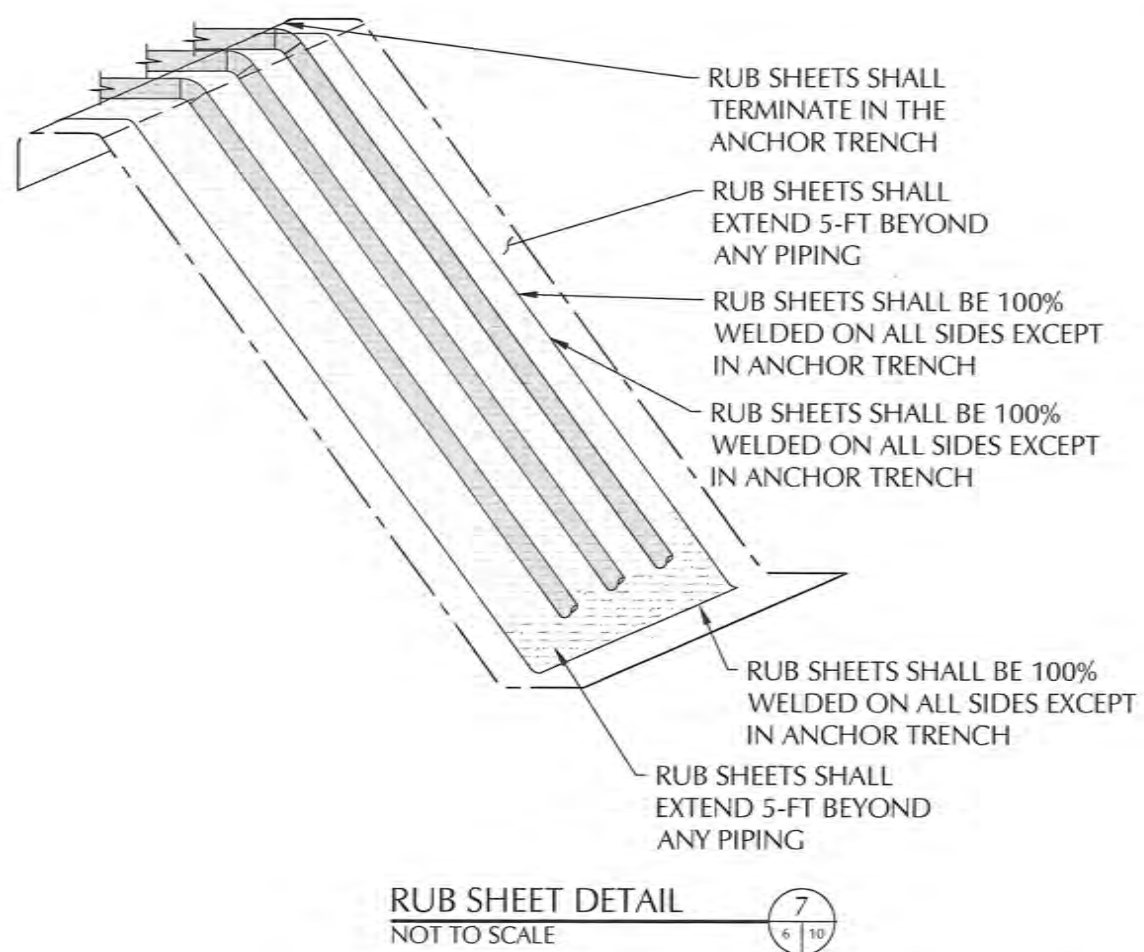
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- GENERAL NOTES:**
1. SEE REFERENCE TABLES SHEET 9 FOR LINER SPECIFICATIONS
 2. PREPARED SUBGRADE MEANS COMPACTED SMOOTH SUBGRADE FREE OF ROCK, ROOTS, WOOD DEBRIS, CONCRETE RUBBLE AND ANY SHARP OBJECTS THAT MIGHT PUNCTURE THE HDPE LINER.
 3. ALL INTERIOR SLOPES AND TOP OF BERMS TO BE SMOOTH DRUM ROLLED.
 4. ALL EMBANKMENT SLOPES SHALL HAVE A RATIO OF 3:1, COMPACTED EARTH EMBANKMENTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED WITH 8 INCH (MAXIMUM LOOSE LIFTS), COMPACTED TO 95% STANDARD PROCTOR DENSITY (ASTM D698), AND MOISTURE CONDITIONS TO +/- 2% OPTIMUM MOISTURE (ASTM D698)
 5. PERFORM GEOTECHNICAL ANALYSIS ON EXISTING SOIL TO CONFIRM SOIL IS SUITABLE FOR USE IN THE LEVEE.
 6. ALL BOTTOM OF PITS SHALL SLOPE TO THE SUMP.





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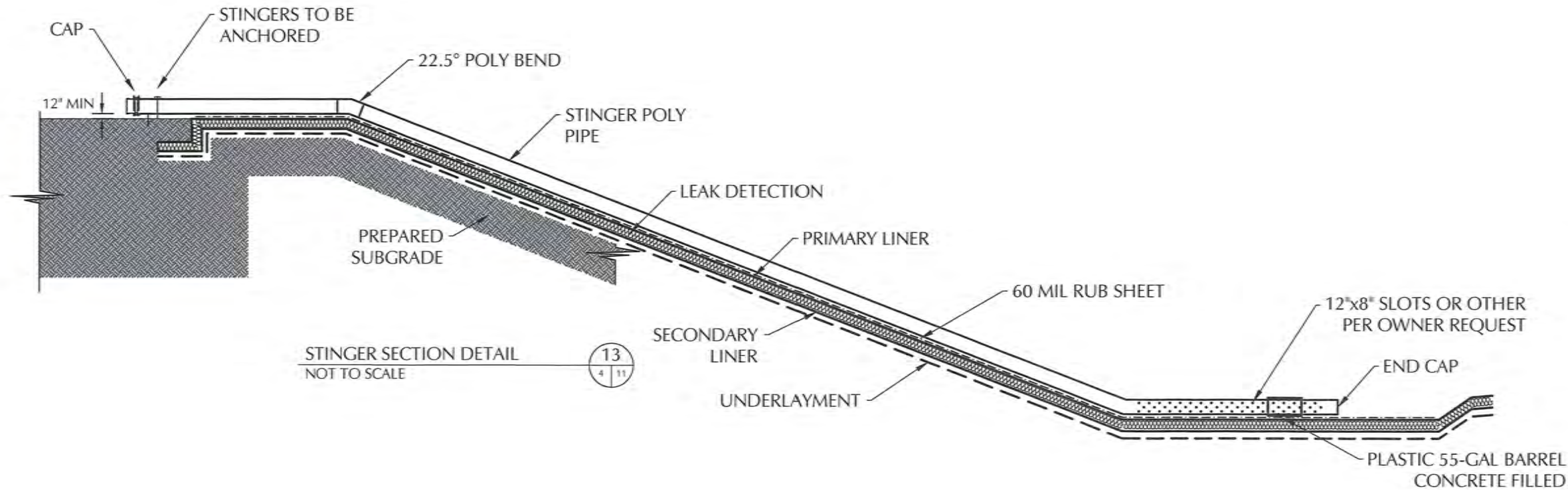
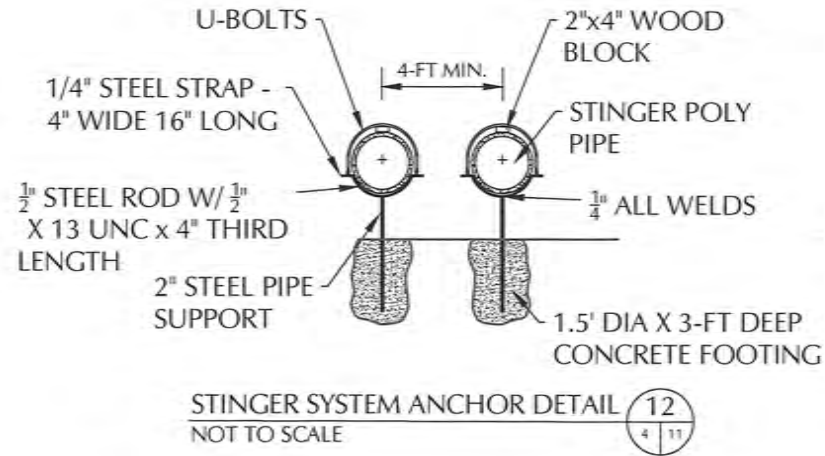
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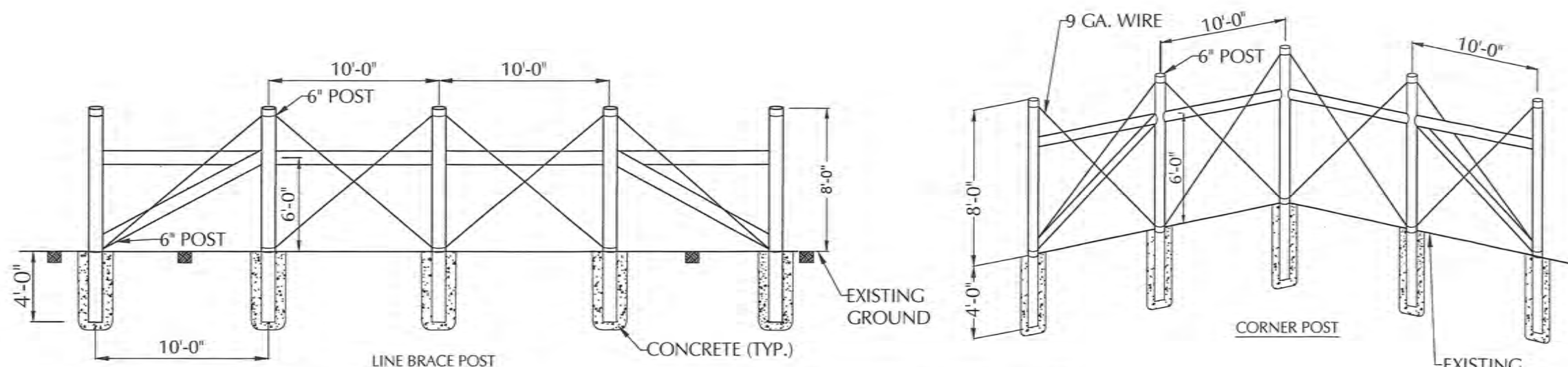
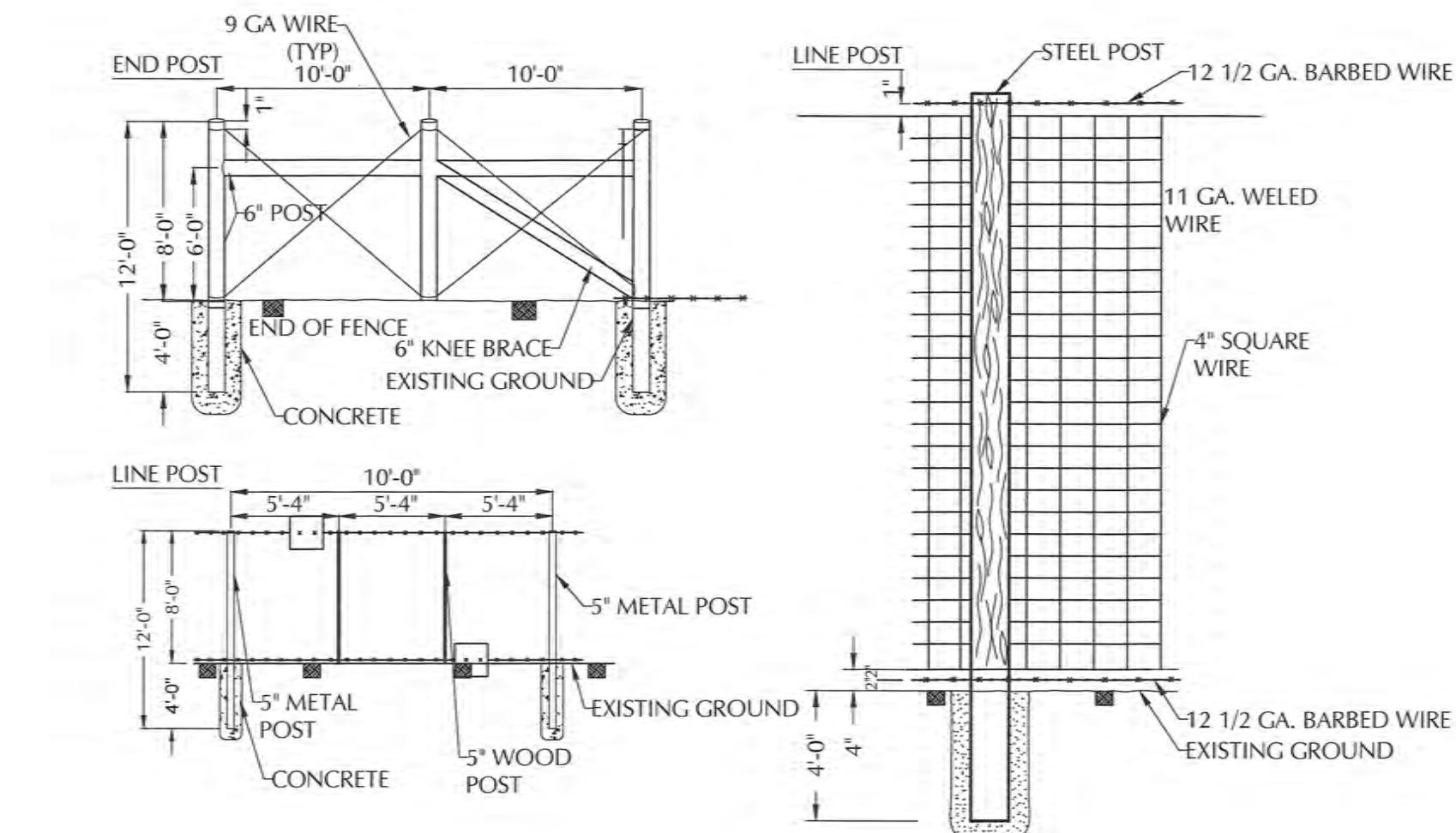


FENCE DETAILS
WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY
SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM
SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 18 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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GENERAL NOTES:

- AT EACH LOCATION WHERE AN ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION OR SECONDARY LINE CROSSES A BARRIER FENCE, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FURNISH AND INSTALL A GROUND CONFORMING TO ARTICLE 250 OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE- THE GROUND ROD SHALL BE A MINIMUM DIAMETER OF 1/2-IN. AND 8-FT. IN LENGTH, AND DRIVEN AT LEAST 7 1/2 FT. INTO THE GROUND. THE ROD SHALL BE CONNECTED TO EACH WIRE WITH A MINIMUM AWG NO. 8 STRANDED COPPER WIRE. GROUNDING WILL NOT BE PAID FOR SEPARATELY BUT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE WORK.
- LINE BRACE POSTS SHALL BE SPACED AT 400 FT. INTERVALS, WHERE FENCING IS CONTINUOUS AND WHERE END, CORNER AND LINE BRACE POSTS ARE NOT SPECIFIED.
- ALL LINE POSTS SHALL BE 5 IN. MIN. DIAMETER AND 12 FT. LONG. ALL END, CORNER AND LINE BRACE POSTS SHALL BE 6 IN. MIN. DIAMETER AND 12 FT. LONG.
- BARBED WIRE SHALL BE DOUBLE WRAPPED AND TIED OFF AT END POSTS, CORNER POSTS AND LINE BRACE POSTS.
- WOVEN WIRE SHALL BE SINGLE WRAPPED AND TIED OFF. FENCE TO BE CONTINUED, SHALL BE RESTARTED IN LIKE MANNER. WOVEN WIRE FENCE FABRIC SHALL CONFORM TO AASHTO M279 (ASTM A 116) DESIGN NO. 1047-6-11 WITH CLASS 1 COATING.
- STEEL BARBED WIRE SHALL CONFORM TO AASHTO M 200 (ASTM A 121) 12-1/2 GAGE WITH CLASS 1 COATING.
- ALL FENCE WIRE TIES, BRACE WIRES, STAPLES AND OTHER WIRE APPURTENANCES SHALL BE GALVANIZED IN CONFORMANCE WITH AASHTO M 232.
- THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR RE-ESTABLISHING DISTURBED OR DESTROYED SURVEY MONUMENTS TO THE APPROPRIATE ACCURACY.
- ALL MISCELLANEOUS HARDWARE SHALL BE FURNISHED GALVANIZED OR ALUMINUM COATED. ALL METAL PIPE POSTS SHALL BE CAPPED.
- READY MIX CONCRETE MAY BE USED AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR CLASS "A" CONCRETE FOR THE CONCRETE FOOTING IF APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER.



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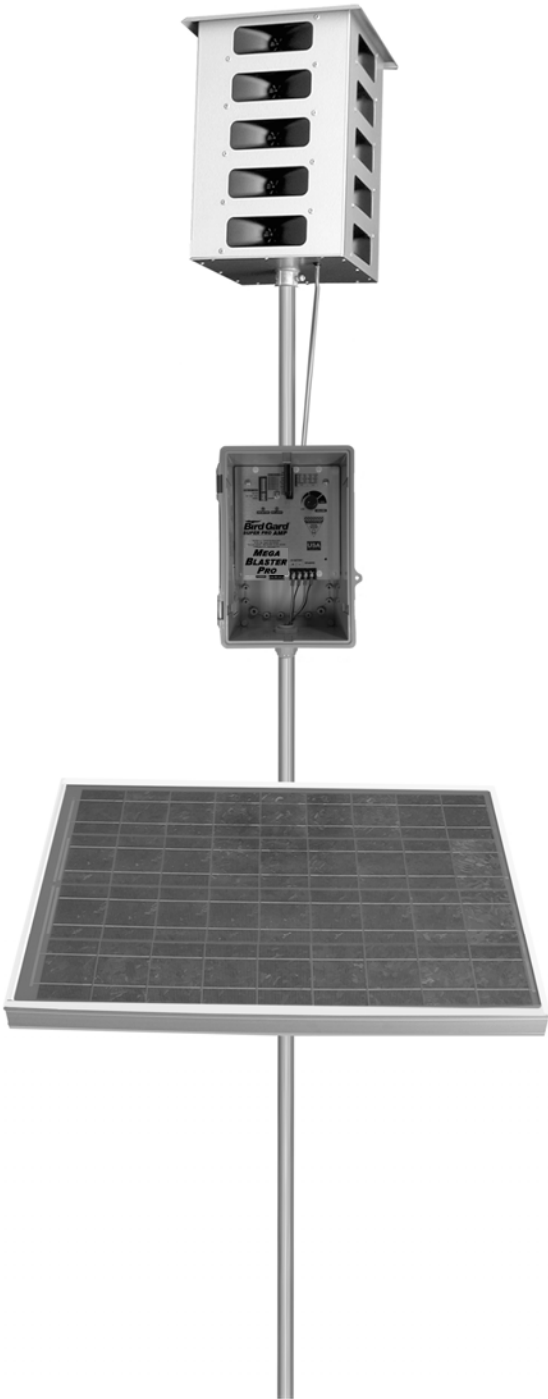
AVIAN DETERRENT SYSTEM

MEGA BLASTER PRO



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Overview

The Bird-X Mega Blaster Pro utilizes the innate power of the natural survival instincts of birds to effectively repel them. Digital recordings of distressed and alarmed birds, along with the sounds made by their natural predators are broadcast through high fidelity weather-resistant speakers over the top of areas. This action triggers a primal fear and flee response. Pest birds soon relocate to where they can feed without feeling threatened.

Your Bird-X Mega Blaster Pro system consists of:

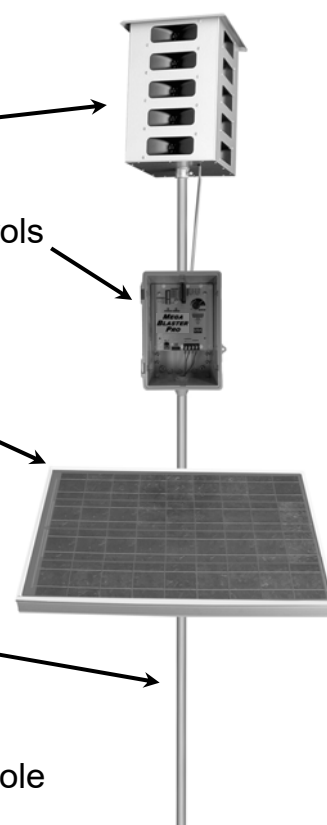
20-Speaker Tower broadcasts the bird sounds

Control Unit produces the bird sounds and contains all operational controls

Solar Panel recharges the 12-volt deep cycle battery

Items needed but not included:

- (1) **Mounting Pole or Mast** tall enough to raise the 20-Speaker Tower at least 5 feet above the top of the areas, trees or other obstructions
- (1) **12-volt Deep Cycle Battery** (RV/Marine) Group 27 or larger wet cell
- (1) **T-Post** or similar (Optional) may be needed to support the mounting pole
- (1) **Bailing Wire or zip-tie** (Optional) to secure the Mounting Pole to the T-Post



CAUTION: THE MEGA BLASTER PRO IS CAPABLE OF PRODUCING SOUNDS UP TO 125 DECIBELS. PROPER HEARING PROTECTION MUST BE WORN ANYTIME THE UNIT IS TURNED ON.



Bird Control Management Guidelines

An active bird control management program is a key to successfully repelling pest birds. Bird feeding patterns may take several days or weeks to break. Follow all suggestions for maximum effectiveness. Read all instructions prior to installation.

For best results:

- **It is extremely important to fully protect your entire area from birds.** Any areas not fully protected will allow birds to begin feeding at the fringes of the sound coverage. They will soon become bolder and learn the sounds are nothing to fear. This will cause the effectiveness to diminish. Complete Bird-X product coverage forces birds to leave the area entirely.
- Install the Mega Blaster Pro unit at least two weeks before birds are attracted to your area. It is much easier to keep birds away before they have found a food source than it is to repel them once they have developed a feeding pattern.
- Most birds begin feeding from the perimeter of an area. Place Mega Blaster Pro units so the sound protection covers past the edges of the area.
- Birds will often use tall trees for roosting and observation. If birds are in bordering trees it is necessary to position the units so the sound protection covers the trees as well.
- Mount the 20-Speaker Tower at least five feet above trees, areas and structures for maximum coverage. The higher the better. Sound will disperse or reflect off structures or foliage. Mount control unit out of direct sun, if possible.
- When first installed, run Mega Blaster Pro units at FULL volume and on SHORT time off periods. This ensures maximum "bird stress" and creates a hostile environment.
- Watch for changes in bird activity and adjust the location of your Mega Blaster Pro unit if needed.
- **Check the battery and unit settings often to insure continuous bird control. Be certain that the system is not turned down or has a dead battery. Field hands or harvesters may turn down the volume.**
- Changing settings and switches often helps to prevent bird habituation. Periodically change the switch settings of the eight sounds (turning them ON or OFF). NEVER turn OFF the distress calls of the target birds you are trying to repel and always keep at least one predator bird sound turned ON.
- If different bird species enter the protected area and begin causing damage contact us immediately for an updated Sound Recording Card designed to repel the new invading birds.
- Remember that the Mega Blaster Pro system is a management tool, and should be used as part of your overall bird control strategy, sometimes in conjunction with other bird control techniques and devices.

Be aware that under extreme drought or other adverse conditions, birds will disregard all deterrents and risks in order to survive

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Technical Memorandum: 40-mil HDPE as Alternative Secondary Liner System for In Ground Recycling Containment Facilities

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I have investigated the suitability of application for 40 mil HDPE geomembrane as an equivalent secondary liner to 30 mil scrim reinforced LLDPE (LLDPEr) in the application for In Ground Recycling Containment facilities. *In summary, it is my professional opinion that the specified 40 mil HDPE geomembrane will provide a secondary liner system that is equal to or better than 30 mil scrim reinforced LLDPEr and will provide the requisite protection of fresh water, public health and the environment for many years when engineering design provides requisite site/soil/slope preparation and when used in concert with requisite primary liners and drainage layers.*

It is understood that the lining system under discussion is composed of a 60 mil HDPE Primary liner, geonet drainage layer and a 40 mil HDPE Secondary liner. *In consideration of the secondary lining system application, size of impoundment and depth, design details as well as the chemical nature of typical processed water, it is my professional opinion that the 40 mil HDPE geomembrane will provide the requisite barrier against processed water loss and will function effectively as a secondary liner.*

The following are discussion points that hopefully will exhibit the equivalency of a 40 mil HDPE secondary liner to that of a 30 mil LLDPEr.

The nature and formulation of the 40 mil HDPE resin is the same as the Primary 60 mil HDPE. The major difference is that the 40 mil HDPE is lower in thickness (more flexible and less puncture resistant). However, in covered conditions, HDPE will resist aging and degradation and remain intact for many decades. In fact, a secondary liner of 40 mil HDPE will outlast an exposed 60 mil HDPE liner. According to the Geosynthetic Research Institute (GRI) study on lifetime prediction (GRI Paper No. 6), the half life of HDPE (GRI GM 13) exposed is > 36 years and the half-life of HDPE covered or buried is greater than 100 years. It is understood that in order to ensure compliance of materials, the primary 60 mil HDPE to be used must meet or exceed GRI GM 13 Standards. Likewise, the secondary liner that is not exposed to the same environmental and chemical conditions must meet or exceed GRI GM 13 for non-reinforced HDPE. Adhering to the minimum requirements of the GRI Specifications, 40 mil HDPE when used as a secondary liner will be equally as protective as the primary 60 mil HDPE liner (reference: www.geosynthetic-institute.org/grispecs) and equally as protective as a 30 mil scrim reinforced LLDPEr liner.

Durability of Geomembranes is directly affected by exposure conditions. Buried or covered geomembranes are not affected by the same degradation mechanisms (UV, Ozone, Chemical, Stress, Temperature, etc) as are fully exposed geomembranes. In this regard, the secondary liner material and thickness can be much less robust than the fully exposed primary liner which in this case is 60 mil HDPE. This is also the case for

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landfill lining systems where the secondary geomembrane in a bottom landfill cell may be 40 mil HDPE.

Thermal Fusion Seaming Requirements. Thermal seaming and QC seam test requirements for geomembranes are product specific and usually prescribed by the sheet manufacturer. Dual wedge thermal fusion welding is commonly used on HDPE and QC testing by air channel (ASTM D 5820) is fully acceptable and recognized as an industry standard. In this regard, there should be no exception requirement for seaming and QC testing as both the Primary and Secondary geomembranes are HDPE. This is fully covered in comprehensive specifications for both the Primary and Secondary geomembranes (Reference: www.ASTM.org/Standards).

Potential for Leakage through the Primary and Secondary Liners. Leakage through geomembrane liners is directly a function of the height of liquid head above any hole or imperfection. The geonet drainage media provides immediate drainage to a low point or sump and thus no hydrostatic head or driving gradient is available to push leakage water through a hole in the secondary liner. In this regard, secondary geomembrane materials can be (and usually are) much less in thickness and also polymer type. Hydraulic Conductivity through the 40 mil HDPE liner material is extremely low due to the polymer type, structure and crystallinity and exceeds requirements of EPA SW-846 Method 9090A.

Chemical Attack. Chemical attack to polymeric geomembranes is directly a function of type of chemical, temperature and exposure time. Again, the HDPE Primary provides the chemically resistant liner and is QC tested to reduce potential defects or holes. If there is a small hole, the geonet drain takes any leakage water immediately to the sump for extraction. Thus, exposure time is very limited on a secondary liner in addition to low temperature, little volume and virtually no head pressure. In this regard, a chemically resistant geomembrane material such as 40 mil HDPE can be specified for the secondary and is a fully acceptable alternate to 30 mil scrim reinforced LLDPEr.

Mechanical Properties Characteristics. Geomembranes of different polymer and/or structure (i.e., reinforced vs non-reinforced) cannot be readily compared using such characteristics as tensile stress/strain, tear, puncture and polymer requirements. For a 40 mil HDPE liner material to function as a Secondary liner it should meet or exceed the manufacturers minimum requirements for Density, Tensile Properties, Tear, Puncture as well as other properties such as UV resistance. The sheet material must also meet or exceed GRI GM 13 minimum requirements. *In this regard, a 40 mil HDPE will be equivalent to a 30 mil LLDPEr as a secondary liner for the conditions listed below:*

- *The subgrade or compacted earth foundation will be smooth, free of debris or loose rocks, dry, unyielding and will support the lining system.*
- *The side slopes for the containment shall be equal to or less than 3H:1V.*
- *The physical properties and condition of the subgrade or liner foundation*

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- (i.e., density, slope, moisture) will be inspected and certified by a Professional Engineer that it meets or exceeds specification requirements.
- Immediately prior to installation, the installation contractor shall inspect and sign off on the subgrade conditions that they meet or exceed the HDPE manufacturer and installers requirements.
 - A protective geotextile will be placed on the finished and accepted subgrade between subgrade and the 40 mil HDPE Secondary liner.
 - A 200 mil geonet will be placed over the 40 mil HDPE Secondary Liner.
 - A 60 mil HDPE Primary liner will be placed over the 200 mil geonet drainage layer.

If you have any questions on the above technical memorandum or require further information, give me a call at 720-289-0300 or email geosynthetics@msn.com

Sincerely Yours,

RK Frobel

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References:

NMAC 19.15.34.12 A DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS FOR A RECYCLING CONTAINMENT

Geosynthetic Research Institute (GRI) Published Standards and Papers 2017
www.geosynthetic-institute.org

ASTM Geosynthetics Standards 2017
www.ASTM.org/Standards

DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION PLAN

Design and Construction Plan In Ground Containments

This plan addresses construction of the earthen containments.

Magrym Engineers is providing the design of the containment and their plans are presented in this submission.

Dike Protection and Structural Integrity

The design and operation provide for the confinement of produced water, prevention of releases and prevention of overtopping due to wave action or rainfall. Additionally, the design prevents run-on of surface water as the containment is surrounded by an above-grade levee (a berm) and/or diversion ditch (between the levee and the soil stockpile) to prevent run-on of surface water.

Stockpile Topsoil

Where topsoil is present, prior to constructing containment, the operator will strip and stockpile the topsoil for use as the final cover or fill at the time of closure.

Signage

The operator will place an upright sign no less than 12 inches by 24 inches with lettering not less than two inches in height in a conspicuous place on the fence surrounding the containment. The sign is posted in a manner and location such that a person can easily read the legend. The sign will provide the following information:

- the operator's name,
- the location of the site by quarter-quarter or unit letter, section, township and range, and
- emergency telephone numbers

Fencing

The operator will provide for a fence to enclose the recycling containment in a manner that deters unauthorized wildlife and human access. As specified in the design drawings, the operator will employ a chain-link or game fence. If required by the District Office, the operator will add four-strands of barbed wire to comply with the text of the Rule. Because feral pigs, javelina and deer are present in the area, a chain link or game fence is required in order to comply with Section 19.15.34.12 D.1 of the Rule because pigs will move beneath the lower strand of a 4-strand, 4-foot high barbed wire fence and deer will jump over. However, 19.15.34.12 D.2 requires "a four-foot fence that has at least four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced in the interval between one foot and four feet above ground level". Therefore, a barbed wire specification will be added to the game fence to avoid a variance if required by the OCD District Office.

19.15.34.12 A Design and Construction Specifications

(1). The operator shall design and construct a recycling containment to ensure the confinement of produced water, to prevent releases and to prevent overtopping due to wave action or rainfall.
(8). The operator of a recycling containment shall design the containment to prevent run-on of surface water. The containment shall be surrounded by a berm, ditch or other diversion to prevent run-on of surface water

19.15.34.12 B. Prior to constructing containment, the operator shall strip and stockpile the topsoil for use as the final cover or fill at the time of closure

19.15.34.12 C. Signs.

The operator shall post an upright sign no less than 12 inches by 24 inches with lettering not less than two inches in height in a conspicuous place on the fence surrounding the containment. The operator shall post the sign in a manner and location such that a person can easily read the legend. The sign shall provide the following information: the operator's name, the location of the site by quarter-quarter or unit letter, section, township and range, and emergency telephone numbers

19.15.34.12 D. Fencing

(1) The operator shall fence or enclose a recycling containment in a manner that deters unauthorized wildlife and human access and shall maintain the fences in good repair. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.
(2) Recycling containments shall be fenced with a four-foot fence that has at least four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced in the interval between one foot and four feet above ground level.

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As stated in the O&M plan, the operator will ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.

Netting and Protection of Wildlife

The perimeter game/chain-link fence will be effective in excluding stock and most terrestrial wildlife. If requested by the surface owner, the game fence can include a fine mesh from the base to 1 foot above the ground to exclude the small reptiles (e.g. dune sagebrush lizard).

The recycling containment will be protective of wildlife, including migratory birds through the implementation of an Avian Protection Plan, routine inspections and the perimeter fence.

The avian protection plan includes the use of a Bird-X Mega Blaster Pro¹ as a primary hazing program for avian species. The device will be equipped with sounds suitable for the Permian Basin environment. In addition to this sonic device, staff will routinely inspect the containment for the presence of avian species and, if detected, will use a blank cartridge or shell in a handgun, starter pistol or shotgun as additional hazing. Decoys of birds of prey may be placed on the game fence and other roosts around the open water to provide additional hazing.

The O&M plan calls for the operator to inspect for and, within 30 days of discovery, report the discovery of dead migratory birds or other wildlife to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the division district office in order to facilitate assessment and implementation of measures to prevent incidents from reoccurring.

Earthwork

The containment will have a properly constructed foundation and interior slopes consisting of a firm, unyielding base, smooth and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent the liner's rupture or tear. Geotextile is required under the liner when needed to reduce localized stress-strain or protuberances that otherwise may compromise the liner's integrity.

This volume provides the stamped drawings for the containment with the following design/construction specifications:

- a) levee has inside grade no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H: 1V).

19.15.34.12 E Netting.

The operator shall ensure that a recycling containment is screened, netted or otherwise protective of wildlife, including migratory birds. The operator shall on a monthly basis inspect for and, within 30 days of discovery, report the discovery of dead migratory birds or other wildlife to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the division district office in order to facilitate assessment and implementation of measures to prevent incidents from reoccurring.

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(2) A recycling containment shall have a properly constructed foundation and interior slopes consisting of a firm, unyielding base, smooth and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent the liner's rupture or tear. Geotextile is required under the liner when needed to reduce localized stress-strain or protuberances that otherwise may compromise the liner's integrity...

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- b) levee outside grade is no steeper than three horizontal feet to one vertical foot (3H: 1V)
- c) top of the levee is wide enough to install an anchor trench and provide adequate room for inspection and maintenance.
- d) The containment floor design calls for a slope toward the sump in the corner(s).

Liner and Drainage Geotextile Installation

The containment has a primary (upper) liner and a secondary (lower) liner with a leak detection system appropriate to the site's conditions.

The primary (upper) liner is a geomembrane liner composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to ultraviolet light, petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. It is 60-mil HDPE. The secondary liner is specified in the design drawings and is 40-mil HDPE or thicker and is equivalent to 30-mil LLDPE (in accordance with a previously approved variance) Liner compatibility meets or exceeds a subsequent relevant publication to EPA SW-846 method 9090A.

The recycling containment design has a leak detection system between the upper and lower geomembrane liners of 200-mil geonet to facilitate drainage. The leak detection system consists of a properly designed drainage and collection and removal system placed above the lower geomembrane liner in depressions and sloped to facilitate the earliest possible leak detection. The containment floor design calls for a slope toward the sump in the corner(s) of the containment, as shown in the design drawings. This slope combined with the highly transmissive geonet drainage layer provide for rapid leak detection.

The liners and drainage material will be installed consistent with the Manufacturer's specifications. In addition to any specifications of the Manufacturer, protocols for liner installation include measures to:

- i. minimizing liner seams and orient them up and down, not across, a slope of the levee.
- ii. use factory-welded seams where possible.
- iii. use field seams in geosynthetic material that are thermally seamed and prior to field seaming, overlap liners four to six inches.
- iv. minimize the number of field seams and comers and irregularly shaped areas.
- v. provide for no horizontal seams within five feet of the

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(2) ...The operator shall construct the containment in a levee with an inside grade no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H:1V). The levee shall have an outside grade no steeper than three horizontal feet to one vertical foot (3H:1V). The top of the levee shall be wide enough to install an anchor trench and provide adequate room for inspection and maintenance.

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(3) Each recycling containment shall incorporate, at a minimum, a primary (upper) liner and a secondary (lower) liner with a leak detection system appropriate to the site's conditions.

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(4) All primary (upper) liners in a recycling containment shall be geomembrane liners composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to ultraviolet light, petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. All primary liners shall be 30-mil flexible PVC, 45-mil LLDPE string reinforced or 60-mil HDPE liners. Secondary liners shall be 30-mil LLDPE string reinforced or equivalent with a hydraulic conductivity no greater than 1×10^{-9} cm/sec. Liner compatibility shall meet or exceed the EPA SW-846 method 9090A or subsequent relevant publications.

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(7) The operator of a recycling containment shall place a leak detection system between the upper and lower geomembrane liners that shall consist of 200-mil geonet or two feet of compacted soil with a saturated hydraulic conductivity of 1×10^{-5} cm/sec or greater to facilitate drainage. The leak detection system shall consist of a properly designed drainage and collection and removal system placed above the lower geomembrane liner in depressions and sloped to facilitate the earliest possible leak detection.

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(5) The operator of a recycling containment shall minimize liner seams and orient them up and down, not across, a slope of the levee. Factory welded seams shall be used where possible. The operator shall ensure field seams in geosynthetic material are thermally seamed. Prior to field seaming, the operator shall overlap liners four to six inches...

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- slope's toe.
- vi. use qualified personnel to perform field welding and testing.
- vii. avoid excessive stress-strain on the liner
- viii. The edges of all liners are anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench that is at least 18 inches deep

At points of discharge into the lined earthen containment the pipe configuration effectively protects the liner from excessive hydrostatic force or mechanical damage during filling.

The design shows that at any point of discharge into or suction from the recycling containment, the liner is protected from excessive hydrostatic force or mechanical damage. External discharge or suction lines do not penetrate the liner.

Pumping from the containment to hydraulic fracturing operations is the responsibility of stimulation contractors. Typically, lines are permanently placed in the containment with floats attached to prevent damage to the liner system. The containment may be equipped with permanent HDPE stinger (supported by a sacrificial liner or geotextile) for withdrawal of fluid if the owner deems necessary during operations.

Leak Detection and Fluid Removal System Installation

The leak detection system, contains the following design elements

- a. The 200-mil HyperNet Geonet drainage material between the primary and secondary liner that is sufficiently permeable to allow the transport of fluids to the observation ports (Appendix A).
- b. The containment floor is sloped towards the monitoring riser pipe to facilitate the earliest possible leak detection of the containment bottom. A pump may be placed in the observation port to provide for fluid removal.
- c. Piping will withstand chemical attack from any seepage, structural loading from stresses and disturbances from overlying water, cover materials, equipment operation or expansion or contraction (see Appendix A).

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(5) ...The operator shall minimize the number of field seams and corners and irregularly shaped areas. There shall be no horizontal seams within five feet of the slope's toe. Qualified personnel shall perform field welding and testing.

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(3) The edges of all liners shall be anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench. The anchor trench shall be at least 18 inches deep.

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(6) At a point of discharge into or suction from the recycling containment, the operator shall insure that the liner is protected from excessive hydrostatic force or mechanical damage. External discharge or suction lines shall not penetrate the liner.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

CLOSURE PLAN

Operation and Maintenance Plan In Ground Containments

Overview

The operator will operate and maintain the lined earthen containment to contain liquids and solids (blow sand and minimal precipitates from the produced water) and maintain the integrity of the liner system in a manner that prevents contamination of fresh water and protects public health and the environment as described below. The purpose of the lined earthen containment is to facilitate recycling, reuse and reclamation of produced water derived from oil and gas wells. During periods when water for E&P operations is not needed, produced water will discharge to injection wells or to a pipeline for transfer to another recycling facility. The containment will not be used for the disposal of produced water or other oilfield waste.

The operation of the containment is summarized below.

- A. Produced water generated from nearby oil and gas wells is delivered to a treatment system located as indicated in the C-147.
- B. Unless specified in the transmittal letter, after treatment, the produced water discharges into the containment.
- C. When required, produced water is removed from the containment for E&P operations. At this time, produced water will be used for drilling beneath the freshwater zones (beneath surface casing), for well stimulation (e.g. hydraulic fracturing) and other E&P uses as approved by OCD.
- D. Whenever the maximum fluid capacity of the containment is reached, treatment and discharge to the containment ceases (see Freeboard and Overtopping Plan, below).
- E. The operator will keep accurate records and shall report monthly to the division the total volume of water received for recycling, with the amount of fresh water received listed separately, and the total volume of water leaving the facility for disposition by use on form C-148 (see attached example).
- F. The operator will maintain accurate records that identify the sources and disposition of all recycled water that shall be made available for review by the division upon request.

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Recycling containments may not be used for the disposal of produced water or other oilfield wastes.

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The operator of a recycling facility shall keep accurate records and shall report monthly to the division the total volume of water received for recycling, with the amount of fresh water received listed separately, and the total volume of water leaving the facility for disposition by use on form C-148.

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The operator of a recycling facility shall maintain accurate records that identify the sources and disposition of all recycled water that shall be made available for review by the division upon request.

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- G. The containment shall be deemed to have ceased operations if less than 20% of the total fluid capacity is used every six months following the first withdrawal of produced water for use. The operator will report cessation of operations to the appropriate division district office. The appropriate division district office may grant an extension to this determination of cessation of operations not to exceed six months.

The operation of the lined earthen containment will follow the mandates listed below:

1. The operator will not discharge into or store any hazardous waste (as defined by 40 CFR 261 and NMAC 19.15.2.7.H.3) in the containments.
2. If the containment's primary liner is compromised above the fluid's surface, the operator will repair the damage or initiate replacement of the primary liner within 48 hours of discovery or seek an extension of time from the division district office.
3. If the primary liner is compromised below the fluid's surface, the operator will remove all fluid above the damage or leak within 48 hours of discovery, notify the division district office and repair the damage or replace the primary liner.
4. If any penetration of the containment liner is confirmed by sampling of fluid in the leak detection system (see Monitoring, Inspection, and Reporting Plan; below), the operator will:
 - a. Begin and maintain fluid removal from the leak detection/pump-back system,
 - b. Notify the district office within 48 hours (phone or email) of the discovery,
 - c. Identify the location of the leak, and
 - d. Repair the damage or, if necessary, replace the containment liner.
5. The operator will install, or maintain on site, an oil absorbent boom or other device to contain an unanticipated release and the operator will remove any visible layer of oil from the surface of the recycling containment.
6. The operator will report releases of fluid in a manner consistent with NMAC 19.15.29
7. The containment will be operated to prevent the collection of surface water run-on.

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A recycling containment shall be deemed to have ceased operations if less than 20% of the total fluid capacity is used every six months following the first withdrawal of produced water for use. The operator must report cessation of operations to the appropriate division district office. The appropriate division district office may grant an extension to this determination of cessation of operations not to exceed six months.

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(4) If the containment's primary liner is compromised above the fluid's surface, the operator shall repair the damage or initiate replacement of the primary liner within 48 hours of discovery or seek an extension of time from the division district office.

(5) If the primary liner is compromised below the fluid's surface, the operator shall remove all fluid above the damage or leak within 48 hours of discovery, notify the division district office and repair the damage or replace the primary liner.

19.15.34.13 B

(7) The operator shall install, or maintain on site, an oil absorbent boom or other device to contain an unanticipated release.

(1) The operator shall remove any visible layer of oil from the surface of the recycling containment.

19.15.34.8 A

(6) All releases from the recycling and re-use of produced water shall be handled in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

Operation and Maintenance Plan In Ground Containments

8. The operator will maintain the containment free of miscellaneous solid waste or debris.
9. The operator will maintain at least three feet of freeboard for the containment and will use a free-standing staff gauge to allow easy determination of the required 3-foot of freeboard.
10. As described in the design/construction plan, the injection or withdrawal of fluids from the containment is accomplished through hardware that prevents damage to the liner by erosion, fluid jets or impact from installation and removal of hoses or pipes.
11. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.
12. The operator will maintain the fences in good repair.

Monitoring, Inspection, and Reporting Plan

The operator will inspect the recycling containment and associated leak detection systems weekly while it contains fluids. The operator shall maintain a current log of such inspections and make the log available for review by the division upon request.

Weekly inspections consist of:

- reading and recording the fluid height of staff gauges,
- recording any evidence that the pond surface shows visible oil,
- visually inspecting the containment's exposed liners
- checking the leak detection system for any evidence of a loss of integrity of the primary liner.
- inspect diversion ditches and berms around the containment to check for erosion and collection of surface water run-on.
- inspect the leak detection system for evidence of damage or malfunction and monitor for leakage.

As stated above, if a liner's integrity is compromised, or if any penetration of the liner occurs, then the operator will take appropriate action within 48 hours, based on if above or below water surface, as noted above.

19.15.34.13

(6) The containment shall be operated to prevent the collection of surface water run-on.

19.15.34.13 B

(2) The operator shall maintain at least three feet of freeboard at each containment.

19.15.34.13 B

(3) The injection or withdrawal of fluids from the containment shall be accomplished through a header, diverter or other hardware that prevents damage to the liner by erosion, fluid jets or impact from installation and removal of hoses or pipes.

19.15.34.12 D

(1) The operator shall fence or enclose a recycling containment in a manner that deters unauthorized wildlife and human access and shall maintain the fences in good repair. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.

19.15.34.13 A

The operator shall inspect the recycling containment and associated leak detection systems weekly while it contains fluids. The operator shall maintain a current log of such inspections and make the log available for review by the division upon request.

Operation and Maintenance Plan In Ground Containments

Monthly, the operator will:

- A. Inspect the containment for dead migratory birds and other wildlife. Within 30 days of discovery, report the discovery of dead migratory birds or other wildlife to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the division district office in order to facilitate assessment and implementation of measures to prevent incidents from reoccurring.
- B. Report to the division the total volume of water received for recycling, with the amount of fresh water received listed separately, and the total volume of water leaving the facility for disposition by use on form C-148.
- C. Record sources and disposition of all recycled water.

The operator will maintain a log of all inspections and make the log available for the appropriate Division district office's review upon request. An example of the log is attached to this section of the permit application.

Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan

The method of operation of the containment allows for maintaining freeboard with very few potential problems. When the capacity of the containment is reached (3-feet of freeboard), the discharge of produced water ceases and the produced water generated by nearby oil and gas wells is managed by an injection well(s).

If rising water levels suggest that 3-feet of freeboard will not be maintained, the operator will implement one or more of the following options:

- I. Cease discharging produced water to the containment.
- II. Accelerate re-use of the produced water for purposes approved by the Division.
- III. Transfer produced water from the containment to injection wells.

The reading of the staff gauge typically occurs daily when treatment operations are ongoing and weekly when discharge to the containment is not occurring.

19.15.34.12 E

The operator shall on a monthly basis inspect for and, within 30 days of discovery, report the discovery of dead migratory birds or other wildlife to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the division district office in order to facilitate assessment and implementation of measures to prevent incidents from reoccurring.

19.15.34.9 E

The operator of a recycling facility shall keep accurate records and shall report monthly to the division the total volume of water received for recycling, with the amount of fresh water received listed separately, and the total volume of water leaving the facility for disposition by use on form C-148.

19.15.34.9 F

The operator of a recycling facility shall maintain accurate records that identify the sources and disposition of all recycled water that shall be made available for review by the division upon request.

Operation and Maintenance Plan In Ground Containments

Protocol for Leak Detection Monitoring, Fluid Removal and Reporting

As shown in Appendix A, the leak detection system includes a monitoring system. Any fluid released from the primary liner will flow to the collection sump, where fluid level monitoring is possible at the monitoring riser pipe associated with the leak detection system.

Staff may employ a portable electronic water level meter to determine if fluid exists in the monitoring riser pipe. Obtaining accurate readings of water levels in a sloped pipe beneath a containment can be a challenge. An electrician's wire snake may be required to push the probe to the bottom of the port and the probe may be fixed in a 2-inch pipe "dry housing" to avoid false readings due to water condensation on the pipe. There are many techniques to determine the existence of water in the sumps – including low flow pumps and a simple small bailer affixed to an electrician's snake. The operator will use the method that works best for this containment.

If seepage from the containment into the leak detection system is suspected by a positive fluid level measurement, the operator will:

1. Re-measure fluid levels in the monitoring riser pipe on a daily basis for one week to determine the rate of seepage.
2. Collect a water sample from the monitoring riser pipe to confirm the seepage is produced water from the containment via electrical conductivity and chloride measurements.
3. Notify NMOCD of a confirmed positive detection in the system within 48 hours of sampling (initial notification).
4. Install a pump into the monitoring riser pipe sump to continually (manually on a daily basis or via automatic timers) remove fluids from the leak detection system into the containment until the liner is repaired or replaced.
5. Dispatch a liner professional to inspect the portion of the containment suspected of leakage during a "low water" monitoring event.
6. Provide NMOCD a second report describing the inspection and/or repair within 20 days of the initial notification.

Operation and Maintenance Plan In Ground Containments

If the point of release is obvious from a low water inspection, the liner professional will repair the loss of integrity. If the point of release cannot be determined by the inspection, the liner professional will develop a more robust plan to identify the point(s) of release. The inspection plan and schedule will be submitted to OCD with the second report. The operator will implement the plan upon OCD approval.

Closure Plan In Ground Containments

Overview

After operations cease, the operator will remove all fluids within 60 days and close the containment within six months from the date the operator ceases operations from the containment for use.

The operator shall substantially restore the impacted surface area to

- a. the condition that existed prior to the construction of the recycling containment or
- b. to a condition imposed by federal, state trust land or tribal agencies on lands managed by those agencies as these provisions govern the obligations of any operator subject to those provisions,

The surface owner will impose a closure design that conforms to their needs for the site. The operator understands that a variance will be submitted to OCD to allow for any alternative closure protocol.

Excavation and Removal Closure Plan – Protocols and Procedures

The containment is expected to hold a small volume of solids, the majority of which will be windblown sand and dust with some mineral precipitates from the water

1. The operator will remove all liquids from the containment and either:
 - a. Dispose of the liquids in a division-approved facility, or
 - b. Recycle, reuse or reclaim the water for reuse in drilling and stimulation.
2. The operator will close the recycling containment by first removing all fluids, contents and synthetic liners and transferring these materials to a division approved facility.
3. After the removal of the containment contents and liners, soils beneath the containment will be tested by collection of a five-point (minimum) composite sample which includes stained or wet soils, if any, and that sample shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I of 19.15.34.14.
4. After review of the laboratory results:
 - a. If any contaminant concentration is higher than the parameters listed in Table I, additional delineation may be required, and the operator must receive approval before proceeding with closure.

19.15.34.14 A

Once the operator has ceased operations, the operator shall remove all fluids within 60 days and close the containment within six months from the date the operator ceases operations from the containment for use.

19.15.34.14 E

The operator shall substantially restore the impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to the construction of the recycling containment.

19.15.34.14 G

The re-vegetation and reclamation obligations imposed by federal, state trust land or tribal agencies on lands managed by those agencies shall supersede these provisions and govern the obligations of any operator subject to those provisions, provided that the other requirements provide equal or better protection of fresh water, human health and the environment.

19.15.34.14 B

The operator shall close a recycling containment by first removing all fluids, contents and synthetic liners and transferring these materials to a division approved facility.

19.15.34.14 C

The operator shall test the soils beneath the containment for contamination with a five-point composite sample which includes stained or wet soils, if any, and that sample shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I below.

19.15.34.14 C

(1) If any contaminant concentration is higher than the parameters listed in Table I, the division may require additional delineation upon review of the results and the operator must receive approval before proceeding with closure.

Closure Plan In Ground Containments

- b. If all contaminant concentrations are less than or equal to the parameters listed in Table I, then the operator will proceed to
- backfill with non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material - Or
 - undertake an alternative closure process pursuant to a variance request after approval by OCD.

Reclamation and Re-vegetation

- The operator will reclaim the containment's location to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area.
- Topsoils and subsoils shall be replaced to their original relative positions and contoured so as to achieve erosion control, long-term stability and preservation of surface water flow patterns.
- The disturbed area shall then be reseeded in the first favorable growing season following closure of a recycling containment.

Closure Documentation

Within 60 days of closure completion, the operator shall submit a closure report on form C-147, including required attachments, to document all closure activities including sampling results and the details on any backfilling, capping or covering, where applicable. The closure report shall certify that all information in the report and attachments is correct and that the operator has complied with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in division rules or directives.

The operator shall notify the division when reclamation and re-vegetation are complete. Specifically the notice will document that all ground surface disturbing activities at the site have been completed, and a uniform vegetative cover has been established that reflects a life-form ratio of plus or minus fifty percent (50%) of pre-disturbance levels and a total percent plant cover of at least seventy percent (70%) of pre-disturbance levels, excluding noxious weeds.

19.15.34.14 C

(2) If all contaminant concentrations are less than or equal to the parameters listed in Table I, then the operator can proceed to backfill with non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material.

19.15.34.14 E

Once the operator has closed the recycling containment, the operator shall reclaim the containment's location to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. Topsoils and subsoils shall be replaced to their original relative positions and contoured so as to achieve erosion control, long-term stability and preservation of surface water flow patterns. The disturbed area shall then be reseeded in the first favorable growing season following closure of a recycling containment.

19.15.34.14 D

Within 60 days of closure completion, the operator shall submit a closure report on form C-147, including required attachments, to document all closure activities including sampling results and the details on any backfilling, capping or covering, where applicable. The closure report shall certify that all information in the report and attachments is correct and that the operator has complied with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in division rules or directives.

19.15.34.14 H

The operator shall notify the division when reclamation and re-vegetation are complete.

19.15.34.14 F

Reclamation of all disturbed areas no longer in use shall be considered complete when all ground surface disturbing activities at the site have been completed, and a uniform vegetative cover has been established that reflects a life-form ratio of plus or minus fifty percent (50%) of pre-disturbance levels and a total percent plant cover of at least seventy percent (70%) of pre-disturbance levels, excluding noxious weeds.

October 2024

C-147 Permit Package

Wild Cobra AST Containment

Section 36, T18S, R34E, Lea County

Volume 3:

- *C-147 Form*
- *Design/Construction, Operations and Maintenance, & Closure Plans*
- *Engineering Drawings & Liner Specifications*
- *Three Amigos AST Setup SOP*
- *Variances for AST Storage Containments*
- *Applicability of Engineering Variances to Permian Basin Conditions*



Topographic map of Wild Cobra site.

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Houston, Texas

Prepared by:
R.T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd.
901 Rio Grande NW F-142
Albuquerque, New Mexico

C-147

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Energy Minerals and Natural Resources
Department Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505
<https://www.emnrd.nm.gov/ocd/ocd-e-permitting/>

Form C-147
Revised October 11, 2022

Recycling Facility and/or Recycling Containment

Type of Facility: ☒ Recycling Facility ☒ Recycling Containment*
Type of action: ☒ Permit ☐ Registration
☐ Modification ☐ Extension
☐ Closure ☐ Other (explain) _____

*** At the time C-147 is submitted to the division for a Recycling Containment, a copy shall be provided to the surface owner.**

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: Solaris Water Midstream LLC (For multiple operators attach page with information) OGRID #: 371643
 Address: 9611 Katy Freeway, Suite 900, Houston, TX 77024
 Facility or well name (include API# if associated with a well): Wild Cobra Recycle Facility and AST Containment
 OCD Permit Number: 1RF-533 (For new facilities the permit number will be assigned by the district office)
 U/L or Qtr/Qtr O and P Section 36 Township 18 S Range 34 E County: Lea
 Surface Owner: ☐ Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.
☒ **Recycling Facility:** Wild Cobra Recycle Facility
 Location of recycling facility (if applicable): Latitude 32.697546 Longitude -103.511095 (approx) NAD83
 Proposed Use: ☒ Drilling* ☒ Completion* ☒ Production* ☒ Plugging*
**The re-use of produced water may NOT be used until fresh water zones are cased and cemented*
☐ Other, *requires permit for other uses. Describe use, process, testing, volume of produced water and ensure there will be no adverse impact on groundwater or surface water.*
☒ Fluid Storage
☒ Above ground tanks ☒ Recycling containment ☐ Activity permitted under 19.15.17 NMAC explain type _____
☐ Activity permitted under 19.15.36 NMAC explain type: _____ ☐ Other explain _____
☐ For multiple or additional recycling containments, attach design and location information of each containment
☐ **Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** ☐ Recycling Facility Closure Completion Date: _____

3.
☒ **Recycling Containment:**
☐ Annual Extension after initial 5 years (attach summary of monthly leak detection inspections for previous year)
 Center of Recycling Containment (if applicable): Latitude 32.697670 Longitude -103.511093 (approx.) NAD83
☐ For multiple or additional recycling containments, attach design and location information of each containment
☐ Lined ☐ Liner type: Thickness 40 Primary mil ☒ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other Secondary: 30 mill LLDPE
☐ String-Reinforced
 Liner Seams: ☒ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other _____ Volume: 40,000 bbl Dimensions: L _____ x W _____ x D _____
☐ Recycling Containment Closure Completion Date: _____ See Attached Drawings and Plans

4.

Bonding:

☐ Covered under bonding pursuant to 19.15.8 NMAC per 19.15.34.15(A)(2) NMAC (These containments are limited to only the wells owned or operated by the owners of the containment.)

☒ Bonding in accordance with 19.15.34.15(A)(1). Amount of bond \$ _____ (work on these facilities cannot commence until bonding amounts are approved)

See Transmittal Letter for closure costs and bonding estimate - Vol. 1

☒ Attach closure cost estimate and documentation on how the closure cost was calculated.

5.

Fencing:

☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet

☒ Alternate. Please specify _____ Fixed knot woven wire, 8- foot height. See Sheets 6 and 12 of Containment Plans in Vol. 2

6.

Signs:

☒ 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers

☐ Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC

7.

Variances:

Justifications and/or demonstrations that the proposed variance will afford reasonable protection against contamination of fresh water, human health, and the environment.

Check the below box only if a variance is requested:

☒ Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval. If a Variance is requested, include the variance information on a separate page and attach it to the C-147 as part of the application.

If a Variance is requested, it must be approved prior to implementation.

See Transmittal Letter for Variances

8.

Siting Criteria for Recycling Containment

Instructions: The applicant must provide attachments that demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below as part of the application. Potential examples of the siting attachment source material are provided below under each criteria.

General siting

Plates are in Vol. 1

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the Recycling Containment.

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

Plates 1 and 2

☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ NA

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

Plate 3

☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ NA

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Minerals Division

Plate 4

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within an unstable area.

- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; topographic map

Plate 5

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within a 100-year floodplain. FEMA map

Plate 6

☐ Yes ☒ 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

Plate 7

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 1000 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

Plate 8

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

Plates 1 and 7

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; topographic map; visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

Plate 9

☐ Yes ☒ No

9.

Recycling Facility and/or Containment Checklist:**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements.
☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements.
☒ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements.
☒ Site Specific Groundwater Data -
☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations –
☒ **Certify that notice of the C-147 (only) has been sent to the surface owner(s)**

10.

Operator Application Certification:

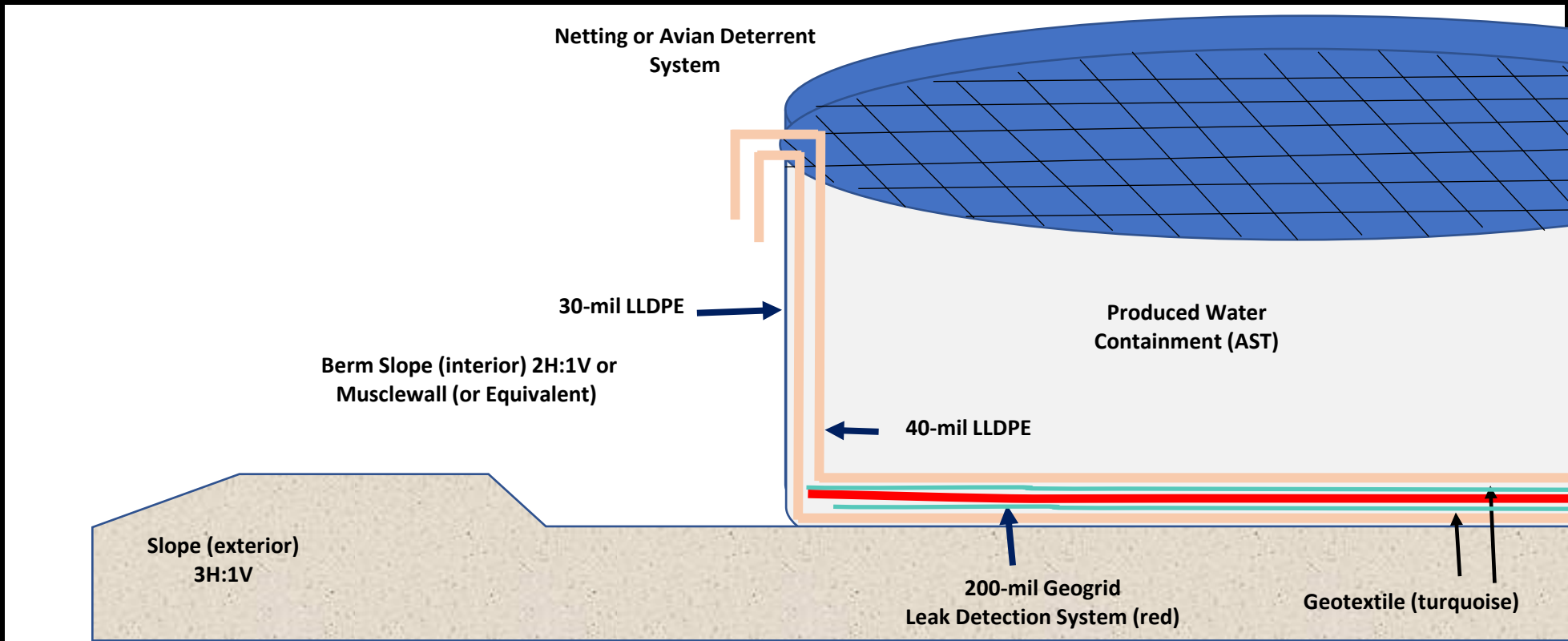
I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this application are true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): Drew Dixon Title: SVP- Land and RegulatorySignature: *Drew Dixon* Date: 10/22/2024e-mail address drew.dixon@ariswater.com Telephone: 832-304-9028

11.

OCD Representative Signature: *Victoria Venegas* Approval Date: 10/29/2024Title: Environmental Specialist OCD Permit Number: 1RF-533

- ☒ OCD Conditions _____
☒ Additional OCD Conditions on Attachment _____



Description of Leak Detection System

- 40-mil LLDPE comprise primary liner and 30-mil LLDPE comprise the secondary liner
- 200-mil geogrid drainage layer lies between the primary and secondary liner per Plate 2
- Geotextile between the geogrid and each liner
- > 3-inch deep sump excavated on down slope side of AST per Sump Design Drawing
- A small hose runs from the collection sump to top of AST via tube
- Every week, a portable self-priming peristaltic pump connects to the leak detection system.
- The self-priming pump discharge hose runs back into the AST, on top of the primary liner
- If fluid is detected, it is tested for conductance to determine the origin of the water (i.e. produced water or condensation)

R.T. Hicks Consultants Albuquerque, NM	Design Sketch	Plate 1
	Solaris Water Midstream - Wild Cobra AST	Oct 2024

Determine slope of pad and low point of AST

200 mil geogrid placed

above 8-oz geotextile and 30-mil secondary liner

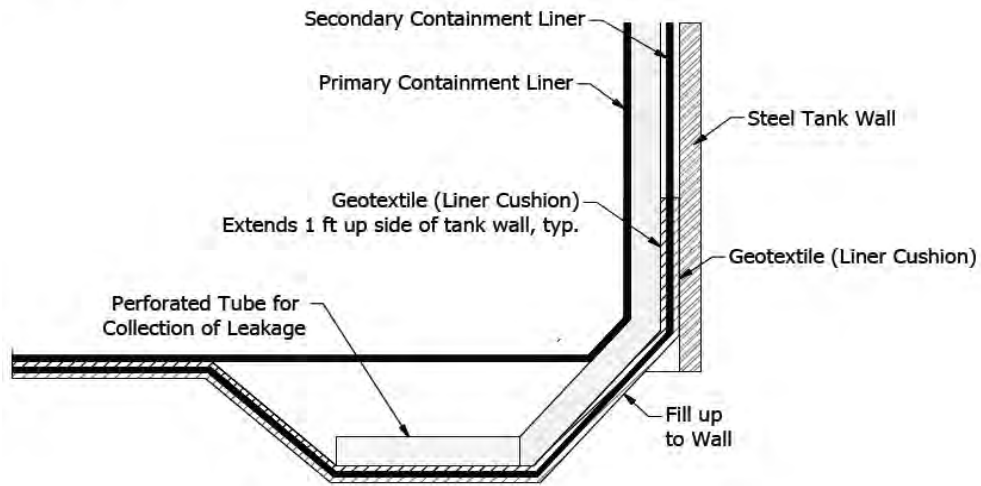
inside of AST after set up, before installation of primary liner

below two 40-mil primary liner system

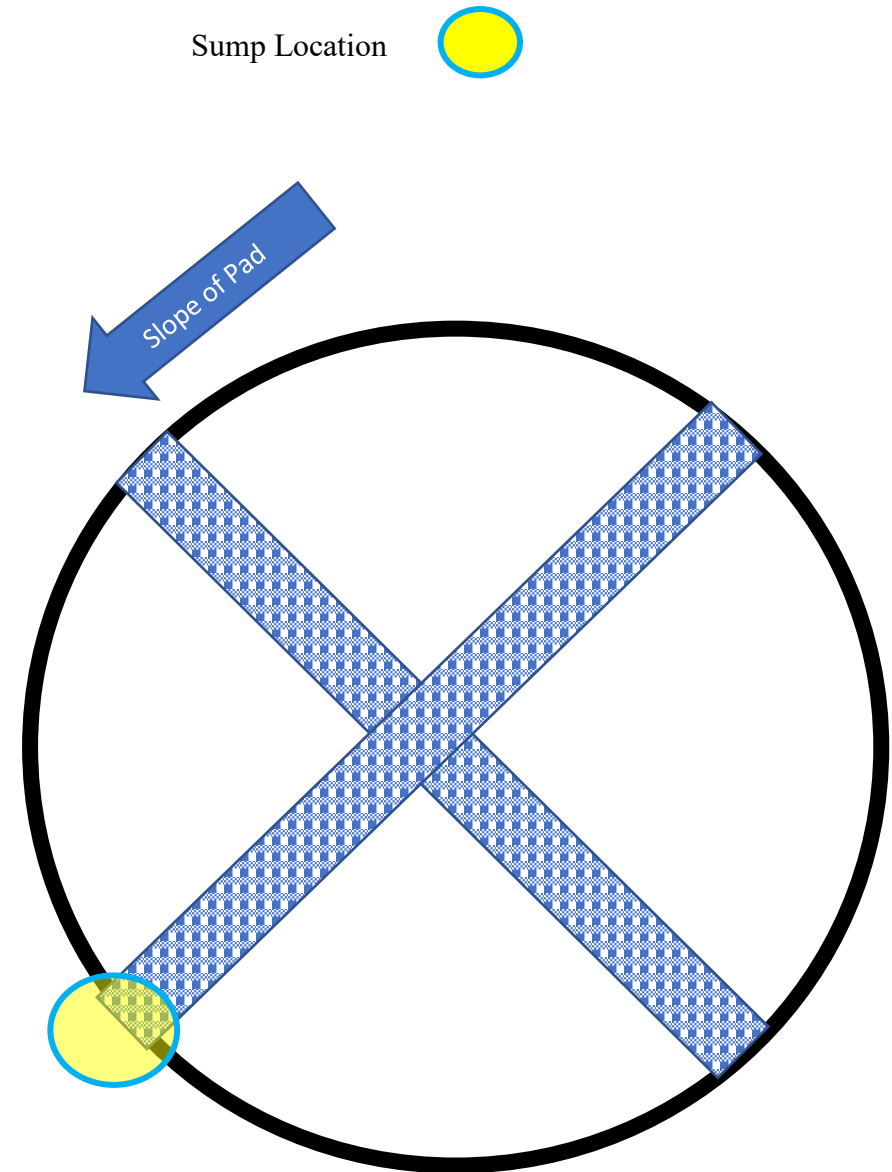
geotextile is placed around the 200-mil geogrid drainage system

Sump at lowest point of the AST set up

Leak detection riser pipe/hose installed per SOP



SECTION B
SUMP DETAIL



R.T. Hicks Consultants
Albuquerque, NM

Layout of Geogrid Drainage Mat

Plate 2

Solaris Water Midstream - Wild Cobra AST

Oct. 2024

DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION PLAN

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE PLAN

CLOSURE PLAN

Design and Construction Plan Above Ground Tank (AST) Containments

General

Examination of the engineering drawings, the SOP for set-up, plus the history of solid performance of these AST Containments demonstrates that the AST Containment is designed and will be assembled to ensure the confinement of produced water, to prevent releases and to prevent overtopping due to wave action or rainfall. As the AST Containments are generally less than 190 feet in diameter, wave action is not a meaningful consideration.

These AST Containments are constructed of 12-foot high steel panels and are netted or employ the Mega Blaster Pro avian deterrent system to prevent ingress of migratory birds. Unless OCD denies the requested variance for fencing, AST Containments will be enclosed by a 4-strand barbed wire fence to comply with the Rule to fence or enclose a recycling containment in a manner that deters unauthorized wildlife and human access and shall maintain the fences in good repair.

The operator shall post an upright sign no less than 12 inches by 24 inches with lettering not less than two inches in height in conspicuous places surrounding the containment. The operator shall post the sign in a manner and location such that a person can easily read the legend. The sign shall provide the following information: the operator's name, the location of the site by quarter-quarter or unit letter, section, township and range, and emergency telephone numbers.

Site Preparation

Foundation for AST Containment

Preparation of the soils on site is required to form a dependable base for the AST Containment in accordance with the SOP. If the location of the AST Containment is on an existing pad, the operator has stripped and stockpiled the topsoil for use as the final cover or fill at the time of closure. If the pad is new construction, the operator will strip and stockpile the soil for reclamation upon cessation of site activities.

19.15.34.12 A

(1) The operator shall design and construct a recycling containment to ensure the confinement of produced water, to prevent releases and to prevent overtopping due to wave action or rainfall.

19.15.34.12 D

(1) The operator shall fence or enclose a recycling containment in a manner that deters unauthorized wildlife and human access and shall maintain the fences in good repair. The operator shall ensure that all gates associated with the fence are closed and locked when responsible personnel are not onsite.

19.15.34.12 C

Signs. The operator shall post an upright sign no less than 12 inches by 24 inches with lettering not less than two inches in height in a conspicuous place on the fence surrounding the containment. The operator shall post the sign in a manner and location such that a person can easily read the legend. The sign shall provide the following information: the operator's name, the location of the site by quarter-quarter or unit letter, section, township and range, and emergency telephone numbers.

19.15.34.12 B

Stockpiling of topsoil. Prior to constructing containment, the operator shall strip and stockpile the topsoil for use as the final cover or fill at the time of closure.

Design and Construction Plan Above Ground Tank (AST) Containments

The foundation soils may be roller compacted smooth and free of loose aggregate over ½ inch. If required by the AST Set Up protocol, compaction characteristics must meet or exceed 95% of Standard Proctor Density in accordance with ASTM D 698.

Examination of the SOP shows that the AST Containment contractor will conform to the following mandates of the Rule:

- the AST Containment will have a properly constructed compacted earth foundation and interior slopes (vertical steel) consisting of a firm, unyielding base, smooth and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent the liner's rupture or tear.
- Geotextile will be placed under the liner where needed to reduce localized stress-strain or protuberances that otherwise may compromise the liner's integrity.
- If the AST Containment is within a levee, the inside grade is no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H: 1V) and the outside grade no steeper than three horizontal feet to one vertical foot (3H: 1V). The vertical steel walls of the AST Containment are the *subject of a requested variance*.

The Operator will ensure that at a point of discharge into or suction from the recycling containment, the liner is protected from excessive hydrostatic force or mechanical damage and external discharge or suction lines shall not penetrate the liner.

Liner and Leak Detection Materials

The liner and geotextile specifications show that all primary (upper) liners in a recycling containment shall be geomembrane liners composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to ultraviolet light, petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. All primary liners shall be *an equivalent liner [to that stated in Rule 34] approved by OCD pursuant to a variance*. The liner system is presented in an earlier section of this submission.

All secondary liners shall be *an equivalent liner [to that stated in Rule 34] or approved by OCD pursuant to a*

19.15.34.12 A

(2) A recycling containment shall have a properly constructed foundation and interior slopes consisting of a firm, unyielding base, smooth and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent the liner's rupture or tear. Geotextile is required under the liner when needed to reduce localized stress-strain or protuberances that otherwise may compromise the liner's integrity. The operator shall construct the containment in a levee with an inside grade no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H:1V). The levee shall have an outside grade no steeper than three horizontal feet to one vertical foot (3H:1V). The top of the levee shall be wide enough to install an anchor trench and provide adequate room for inspection and maintenance.

19.15.34.12 A

(6) At a point of discharge into or suction from the recycling containment, the operator shall insure that the liner is protected from excessive hydrostatic force or mechanical damage. External discharge or suction lines shall not penetrate the liner.

19.15.34.12 A

(4) All primary (upper) liners in a recycling containment shall be geomembrane liners composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to ultraviolet light, petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. All primary liners shall be 30-mil flexible PVC, 45-mil LLDPE string reinforced or 60-mil HDPE liners. Secondary liners shall be 30-mil LLDPE string reinforced or equivalent with a hydraulic conductivity no greater than 1×10^{-9} cm/sec. Liner compatibility shall meet or exceed the EPA SW-846 method 9090A or subsequent relevant publications.

Design and Construction Plan Above Ground Tank (AST) Containments

variance. The liner system is presented in an earlier section of this submission.

Liner compatibility shall meet or exceed the EPA SW-846 method 9090A or subsequent relevant publications.

The AST Containment will have a leak detection system between the upper and lower geomembrane liners that shall consist of 200-mil geonet to facilitate drainage.

Install Secondary Liner, Leak Detection System and Secondary Containment

All AST containments holding produced water will have a primary (upper) liner and a secondary (lower) liner with a leak detection system appropriate to the site's conditions. The rule states that the edges of all secondary liners shall be anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench. The anchor trench shall be at least 18 inches deep. *The lack of an anchor trench with an AST Containment is also the subject of requested variance.*

The AST Containment Contractor will cause the recycling containment will have a leak detection system between the upper and lower geomembrane liners that shall consist of 200-mil geonet to facilitate drainage. The leak detection system shall consist of a properly designed drainage and collection and removal system placed above the lower geomembrane liner in depressions and sloped to facilitate the earliest possible leak detection (see attached design sketch).

The 12-foot high steel walls of the AST effectively prevent run-on of surface water into the AST. The steel walls provide an excellent diversion of run-on into the AST, thereby complying with the Rule.

AST Containment Setup

As with the secondary liner, AST Containment contractor will minimize liner seams and orient them up and down, as much as possible, not across, a slope. Factory welded seams shall be used where possible. AST Containment contractor will employ field seams in geosynthetic material that are thermally seamed. Prior to field seaming, AST Containment contractor shall

19.15.34.12 A

(3) Each recycling containment shall incorporate, at a minimum, a primary (upper) liner and a secondary (lower) liner with a leak detection system appropriate to the site's conditions. The edges of all liners shall be anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench. The anchor trench shall be at least 18 inches deep.

19.15.34.12 A

(7) The operator of a recycling containment shall place a leak detection system between the upper and lower geomembrane liners that shall consist of 200-mil geonet or two feet of compacted soil with a saturated hydraulic conductivity of 1×10^{-5} cm/sec or greater to facilitate drainage. The leak detection system shall consist of a properly designed drainage and collection and removal system placed above the lower geomembrane liner in depressions and sloped to facilitate the earliest possible leak detection.

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(8) The operator of a recycling containment shall design the containment to prevent run-on of surface water. The containment shall be surrounded by a berm, ditch or other diversion to prevent run-on of surface water.

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(5) The operator of a recycling containment shall minimize liner seams and orient them up and down, not across, a slope of the levee. Factory welded seams shall be used where possible. The operator shall ensure field seams in geosynthetic material are thermally seamed. Prior to field seaming, the operator shall overlap liners four to six inches. The operator shall minimize the number of field seams and corners and irregularly shaped areas. There shall be no horizontal seams within five feet of the slope's toe. Qualified personnel shall perform field welding and testing.

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overlap liners four to six inches and minimize the number of field seams and corners and irregularly shaped areas. There shall be no horizontal seams within five feet of the AST Containment bottom. Qualified personnel shall perform field welding and testing.

Fluid Injection/Withdrawal Flow Diverter

The injection or withdrawal of fluids from the containment shall be accomplished through a header, diverter or other hardware that prevents damage to the liner by erosion, fluid jets or impact from installation and removal of hoses or pipes.

19.15.34.13 B

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General Specifications

This plan provides additional protocols to cause the proposed recycling containments (AST Containments) to conform to NMOCD Rules.

The operator will maintain and operate the recycling containments and facility in accordance with the following plan to contain liquids and maintain the integrity of the liner to prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment.

- The operator will use the treated produced water in the containments for drilling, completion (stimulation), producing or processing oil or gas or both. If other uses are planned, the operator will notify the OCD though the submission of a modified C-147.
- For all exploration and production operations that use produced water, the operator will conduct these activities in a manner consistent with hydrogen sulfide gas provisions in 19.15.11 NMAC or NORM provisions in 19.15.35 NMAC, as applicable.
- The operator will address all releases from the recycling and re-use of produced water in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

19.15.34.10 B

Recycling containments may hold produced water for use in connection with drilling, completion, producing or processing oil or gas or both.

19.15.34.8 A

(6) All releases from the recycling and re-use of produced water shall be handled in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

19.15.34.10 B

Recycling containments may hold produced water for use in connection with drilling, completion, producing or processing oil or gas or both. Such fluids may include fresh water, brackish water, recycled and treated water, fluids added to water to facilitate well drilling or completion, water produced with oil and gas, flowback from operations, water generated by an oil or gas processing facility or other waters that are gathered for well drilling or completion but may not include any hazardous waste.

19.15.34.8 A

(5) All operations in which produced water is used shall be conducted in a manner consistent with hydrogen sulfide gas provisions in 19.15.11 NMAC or NORM provisions in 19.15.35 NMAC, as applicable.

19.15.29.6

To prohibit releases and require persons who operate or control the release or the location of the release to report the unauthorized release of oil, gases, produced water, condensate or oil field waste including regulated NORM or other oil field related chemicals, contaminants or mixtures of those chemicals or contaminants that occur during drilling, producing, storing, disposing, injecting, transporting, servicing or processing and to establish procedures for reporting, site assessment, remediation, closure, variance and enforcement.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operator will not discharge into or store any hazardous waste in the recycling containments, but they may hold fluids such as freshwater, brackish water, recycled and treated water, water generated by oil or gas processing facilities, or other waters that are gathered for well drilling or completion. The recycling facility will not be used for the disposal of produced water. The operator will maintain the containments free of miscellaneous solid waste or debris. | <p>19.15.34.9 G
Recycling facilities may not be used for the disposal of produced water.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operator will verify that no oil is on the surface of the contained fluid. If oil is observed, the oil shall be removed using an absorbent boom or other device and properly disposed at an approved facility. An absorbent boom or other device will be maintained on site. | <p>19.15.34.13 B
(1) The operator shall remove any visible layer of oil from the surface of the recycling containment
(7) The operator shall install, or maintain on site, an oil absorbent boom or other device to contain an unanticipated release.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operator will install and use a header and diverter described in the design/construction plan in order to prevent damage to the liner by erosion, fluid jets or impact from installation and removal of hoses or pipes during injection or withdrawal of liquids. | <p>19.15.34.13 B
(3) The injection or withdrawal of fluids from the containment shall be accomplished through a header, diverter or other hardware that prevents damage to the liner by erosion, fluid jets or impact from installation and removal of hoses or pipes.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operator shall maintain at least three feet of freeboard at each containment. | <p>19.15.34.13 B
(2) The operator shall maintain at least three feet of freeboard at each containment.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the liner develops a leak or if any penetration of the liner occurs above the liquid's surface, then the operator will repair the damage or initiate replacement of the liner within 48 hours of discovery or will seek a variance from the division district office within this time period. | <p>19.5.34.13 B
(4) If the containment's primary liner is compromised above the fluid's surface, the operator shall repair the damage or initiate replacement of the primary liner within 48 hours of discovery or seek an extension of time from the division district office.</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If visible inspection suggests that the liner developed a leak or if any penetration of the liner occurs below the liquid's surface, then the operator will remove all liquid above the damage or leak line within 48 hours of discovery. The operator will also notify the district division office within this same 48 hours of the discovery and repair the damage or replace the liner. | <p>(5) If the primary liner is compromised below the fluid's surface, the operator shall remove all fluid above the damage or leak within 48 hours of discovery, notify the division district office and repair the damage or replace the primary liner.</p> |

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- In the event of a leak due to a hole in the liner, the following steps will be followed:
 1. If the source of the fluid is uncertain, comparative field tests may need to be performed on both the water in the containment and that which may have been released (e.g. pH, conductance, and chloride).
 2. If the fluid is found to be coming from the containment, determine the location from which the leak is originating.
 3. Mark the point where the water is coming out of the tank.
 4. Locate the puncture or hole in the liner.
 5. Empty the containment to the point of damage in liner.
 6. Clean area of liner that needs to be repaired.
 7. Cut out piece of material (patch or tape) to overlay liner.
 8. Either weld the patch to the injured area in the liner or apply tape over the rupture.
 9. Make sure rupture is completely covered.
 10. Monitor as needed.

The operator will inspect and remove, as necessary, surface water run-on accumulated in the secondary containment

Monitoring, Inspections, and Reporting

An inspection log will be maintained by the operator and will be made available to the division upon request. Inspection will include: freeboard monitoring, leak detection, identifying potential hazards that may have developed, change in site conditions or if the contents of the containment change from the initial use.

Weekly inspections consist of:

- Reading and recording the fluid height of staff gauges and freeboard
- Recording any evidence of visible oil on surface

19.15.29.8 B.

Requirements. For all releases regardless of volume, the responsible party shall comply with 19.15.29.8 NMAC and shall remediate the release. For major and minor releases, the responsible party shall also comply with 19.15.29.9, 19.15.29.10, 19.15.29.11, 19.15.29.12 and 19.15.29.13 NMAC.

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(6) The containment shall be operated to prevent the collection of surface water run-on.

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The operator shall inspect the recycling containment and associated leak detection systems weekly while it contains fluids. The operator shall maintain a current log of such inspections and make the log available for review by the division upon request.

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- Visually inspecting the containments exposed liners
- Checking the leak detection system for any evidence of a loss of integrity of the primary liner
- Inspect any diversion ditches and berms around the containment to check for erosion and collection of surface water run-on.
- Inspect the leak detection system for evidence of damage or malfunction and monitor for leakage.
- Inspect netting (may not be used if Mega Blaster Pro avian deterrent is used) for damage or dead wildlife, including migratory birds. Operator shall report the discovery of a dead animal to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the district within 30 days of discovery. Further prevention measures may be required.

Additional monitoring to identify hazards that may have developed, changes in site conditions, tank use, and to enable early detection of structural issues such as uneven tank panel settlement, soil settlement, liner damage, insufficient liner slack or leaks. If changes are noted the AST contractor should be notified

- If observed conditions indicate a potential tank failure is imminent, the vicinity will be immediately cleared and the AST will be drained.

Monthly, the operator will:

- Report to the division, the total volume of water received for recycling, with the amount of fresh water received listed separately, and the total volume of water leaving the facility for disposition by use on form C-148.
- Record sources and disposition of all recycled water.

Cessation of Operations

If less than 20% of the total fluid capacity is utilized every six months, beginning from the first withdraw, operation of the facility has ceased and the division district office will be

19.15.34.12 E

Netting. The operator shall ensure that a recycling containment is screened, netted or otherwise protective of wildlife, including migratory birds. The operator shall on a monthly basis inspect for and, within 30 days of discovery, report the discovery of dead migratory birds or other wildlife to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the division district office in order to facilitate assessment and implementation of measures to prevent incidents from reoccurring.

19.15.34.9 E

The operator of a recycling facility shall keep accurate records and shall report monthly to the division the total volume of water received for recycling, with the amount of fresh water received listed separately, and the total volume of water leaving the facility for disposition by use on form C-148.

19.15.34.13 C

A recycling containment shall be deemed to have ceased operations if less than 20% of the total fluid capacity is used every six

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notified. The division district may grant an extension not to exceed six months to determine the cessation of operations.

The operator will remove all fluids from the recycling facility within 60 days of cessation of operations. An extension, not to exceed 2 months, may be granted by the district division for the removal of fluids from the facility.

The breakdown of the containments follows the reverse order of the setup steps presented in the set-up manual.

months following the first withdrawal of produced water for use. The operator must report cessation of operations to the appropriate division district office. The appropriate division district office may grant an extension to this determination of cessation of operations not to exceed six months.

19.15.34.14 A

Once the operator has ceased operations, the operator shall remove all fluids within 60 days and close the containment within six months from the date the operator ceases operations from the containment for use. The division district office may grant an extension for the removal of all fluids not to exceed two months.

Closure Plan Above Ground Tank Containment (AST)

Closure Plan

The containments are expected to contain a small volume of solids, the majority of which will be windblown sand and dust with some mineral precipitates from the water.

The operator will notify the division district (phone or email) before initiating closure of the containments and/or facility.

Excavation and Removal Closure Plan – Protocols and Procedures

1. Residual fluids in the containments will be sent to disposal at a division-approved facility.
2. The operator will remove all solid contents and transfer those materials to the following division-approved facility:
Disposal Facility Name: R360
Permit Number NM 01-0006
3. If possible, geomembrane textiles and liners that exhibit good integrity may be recycled for use as an under liner of tank batteries or other use as approved by OCD.
4. Disassemble the recycling containment infrastructure according to manufacturer's recommendations
5. After the disassemble of the containments and removal of the contents and liners, soils beneath the tanks will be tested as follows
 - a. Collect a five-point (minimum) composite from beneath the liner to include any obviously stained or wet soils, or any other evidence of impact from the containments for laboratory analyses for the constituents listed in Table I of 19.15.34.14 NMAC.
 - b. If any concentration is higher than the parameters listed in Table I, additional delineation may be required, and closure activities will not proceed without Division approval.
 - c. If all constituents' concentrations are less than or equal to the parameters listed in Table I, then the operator will backfill the facility as necessary using non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material and proceed to reclaim the surface to pre-existing conditions.

19.15.34.14 B

The operator shall close a recycling containment by first removing all fluids, contents and synthetic liners and transferring these materials to a division approved facility.

19.15.34.14 C

The operator shall test the soils beneath the containment for contamination with a five-point composite sample which includes stained or wet soils, if any, and that sample shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I below.

(1) If any contaminant concentration is higher than the parameters listed in Table I, the division may require additional delineation upon review of the results and the operator must receive approval before proceeding with closure.

(2) If all contaminant concentrations are less than or equal to the parameters listed in Table I, then the operator can proceed to backfill with non-waste containing, uncontaminated, earthen material.

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Closure Documentation

Within 60 days of closure completion, the operator will submit a closure report (Form C-147) to the District Division, with necessary attachments to document all closure activities are complete, including sampling results and details regarding backfilling and capping as necessary.

In the closure report, the operator will certify that all information in the report and attachments is correct and that the operator has complied with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the closure plan.

Reclamation and Revegetation

The operator will reclaim the surface to safe and stable pre-existing conditions that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. "Pre-existing conditions" may include a caliche well pad that existed prior to the construction of the recycling containment and that supports active oil and gas operations.

Areas not reclaimed as described herein due to their use in production or drilling operations will be stabilized and maintained to minimize dust and erosion.

For all areas disturbed by the closure process that will not be used for production operations or future drilling, the operator will

1. Replace topsoils and subsoils to their original relative positions
2. Grade so as to achieve erosion control, long-term stability and preservation of surface water flow patterns
3. Reseed in the first favorable growing season following closure

Federal, state trust land, or tribal lands may impose alternate reclamation and revegetation obligations that provide equal or better protection of fresh water, human health, and the environment. Revegetation and reclamation plans imposed by the surface owner will be outlined in communications with the OCD.

The operator will notify the division when the site meets the surface owner's requirements or exhibits a uniform vegetative cover that reflects a life-form ratio of plus or minus fifty percent (50%) of pre-disturbance levels and a total percent plant cover of at least seventy percent (70%) of pre-disturbance levels, excluding noxious weeds. The operator will notify the Division when reclamation and re-vegetation is complete.

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Within 60 days of closure completion, the operator shall submit a closure report on form C-147, including required attachments, to document all closure activities including sampling results and the details on any backfilling, capping or covering, where applicable. The closure report shall certify that all information in the report and attachments is correct and that the operator has complied with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in division rules or directives.

19.15.34.14 E

Once the operator has closed the recycling containment, the operator shall reclaim the containment's location to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. Topsoils and subsoils shall be replaced to their original relative positions and contoured so as to achieve erosion control, long-term stability and preservation of surface water flow patterns. The disturbed area shall then be reseeded in the first favorable growing season following closure of a recycling containment. The operator shall substantially restore the impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to the construction of the recycling containment.

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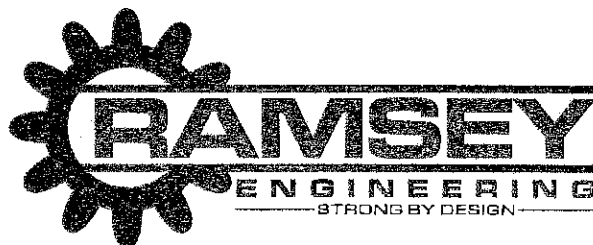
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19.15.34.14 F

Reclamation of all disturbed areas no longer in use shall be considered complete when all ground surface disturbing activities at the site have been completed, and a uniform vegetative cover has been established that reflects a life-form ratio of plus or minus fifty percent (50%) of pre-disturbance levels and a total percent plant cover of at least seventy percent (70%) of pre-disturbance levels, excluding noxious weeds.

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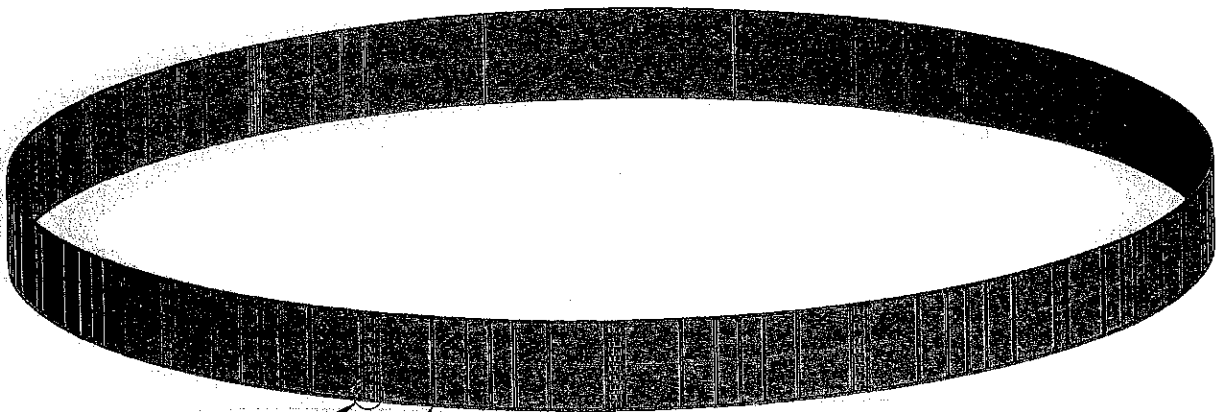
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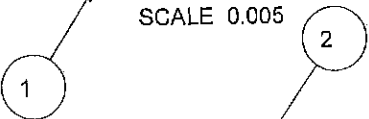
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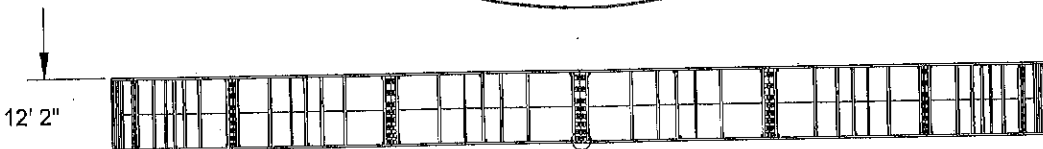
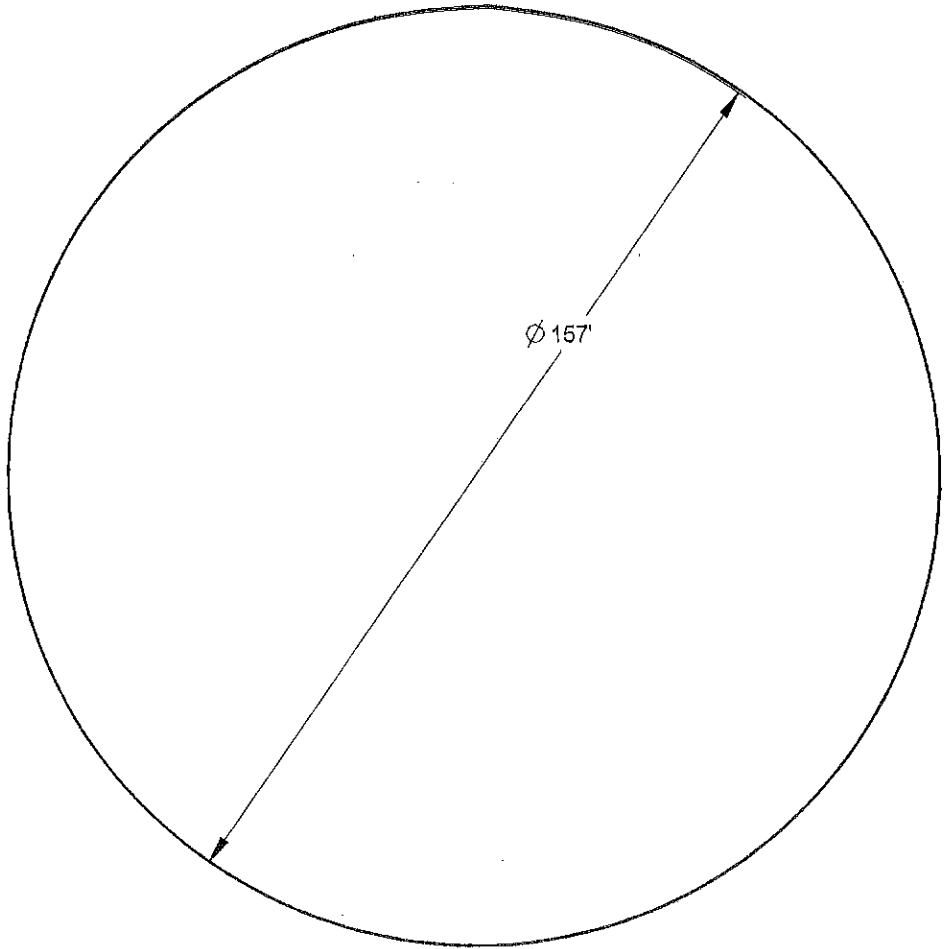


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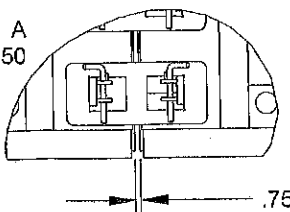


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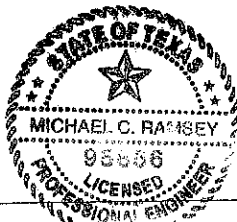


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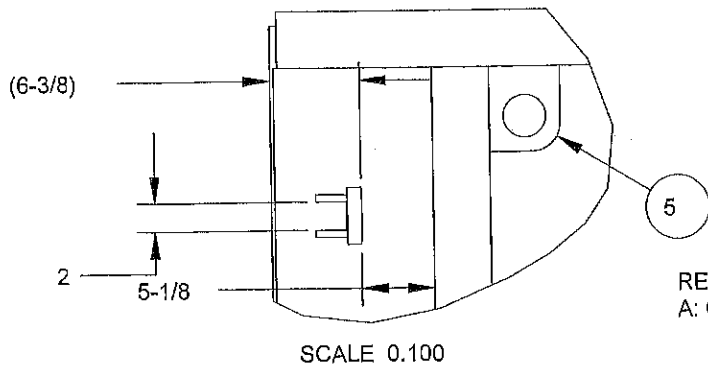
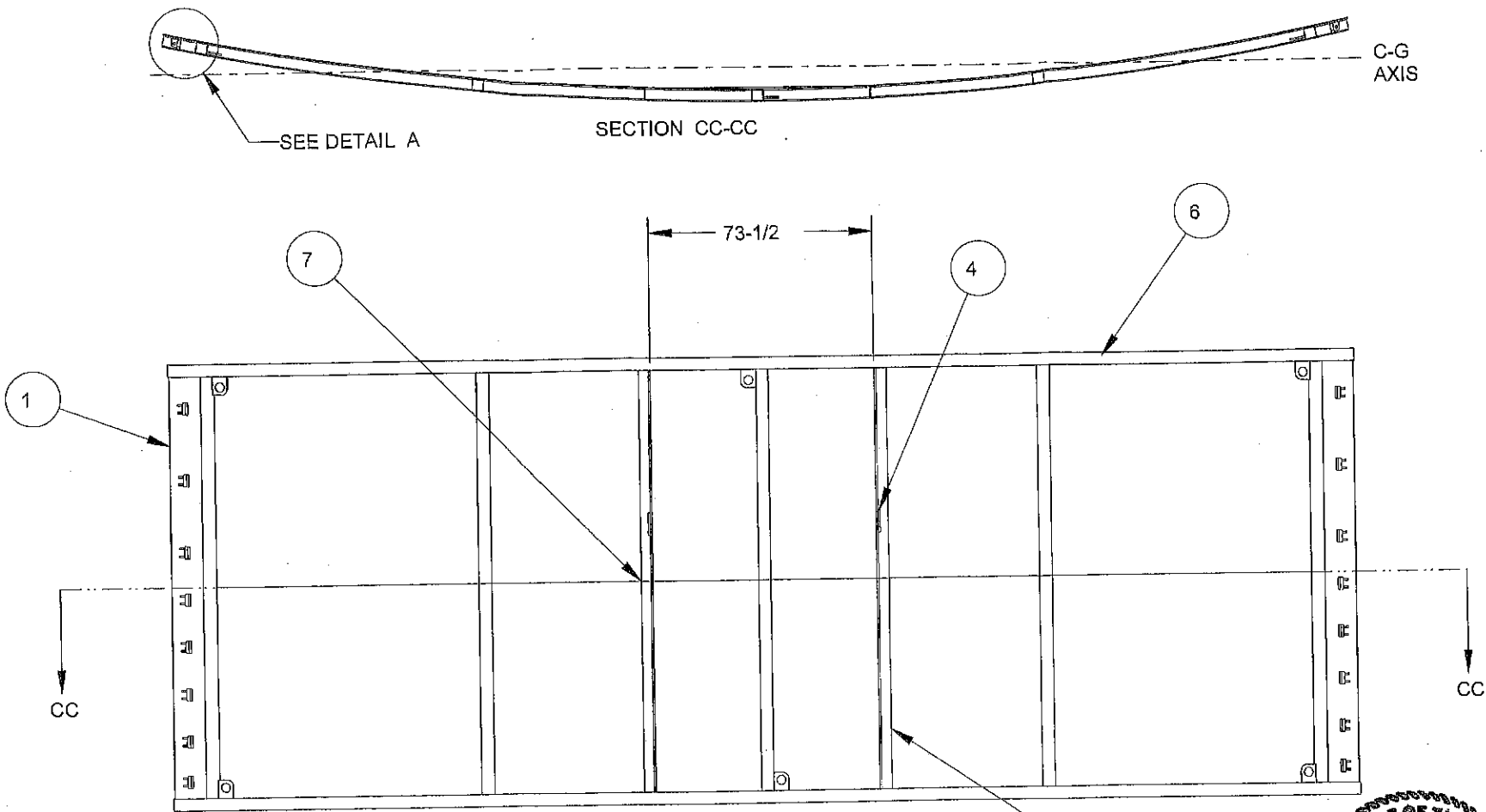
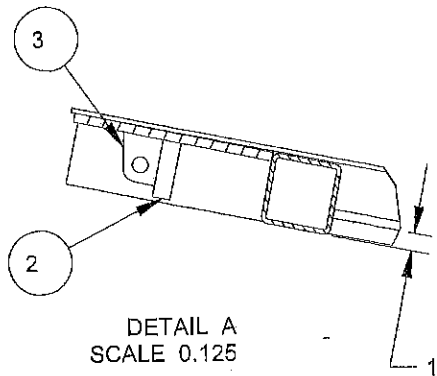
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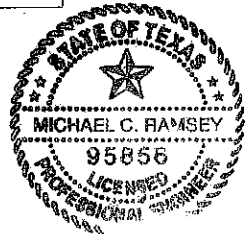
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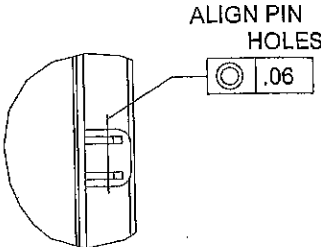
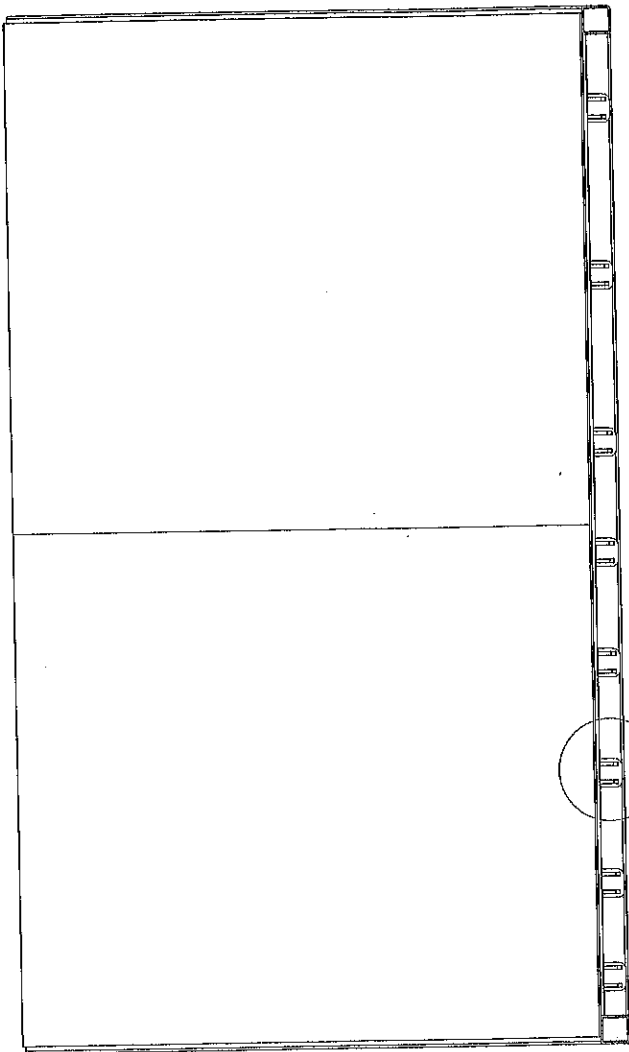
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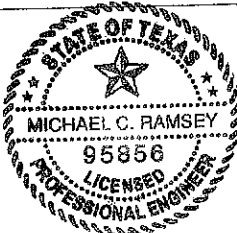
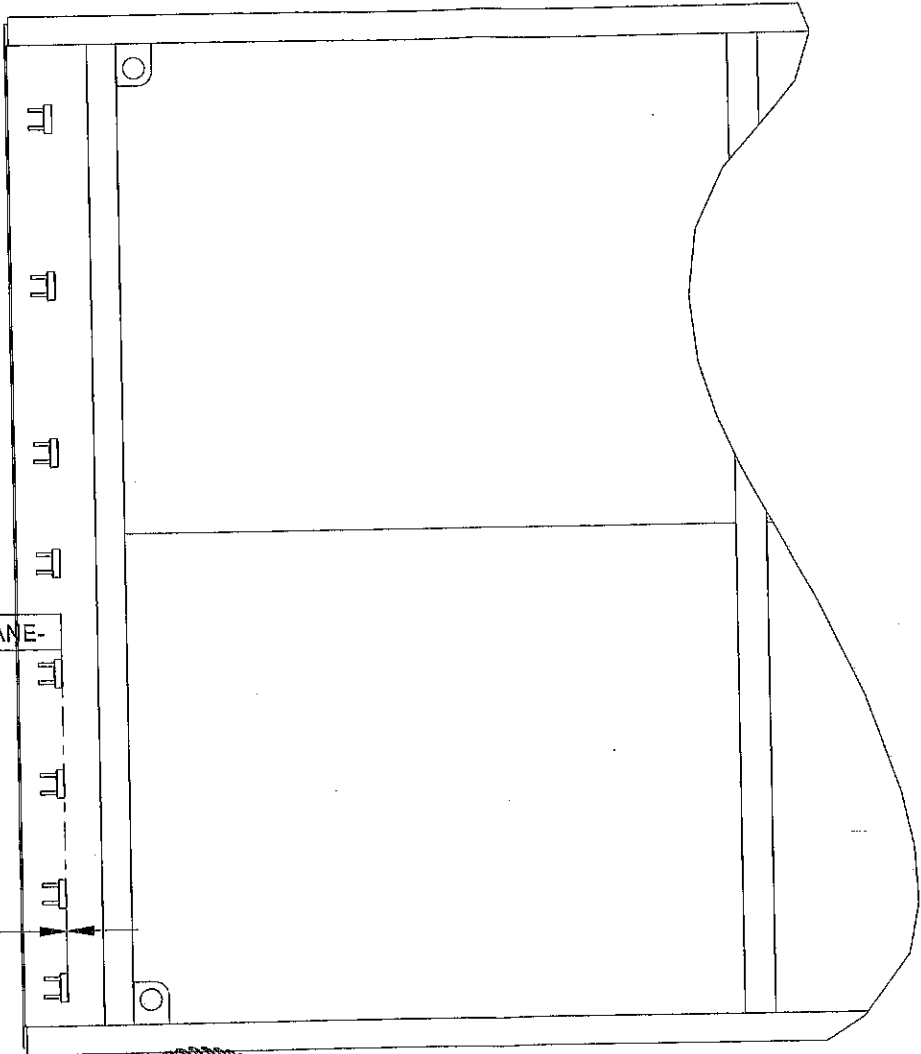


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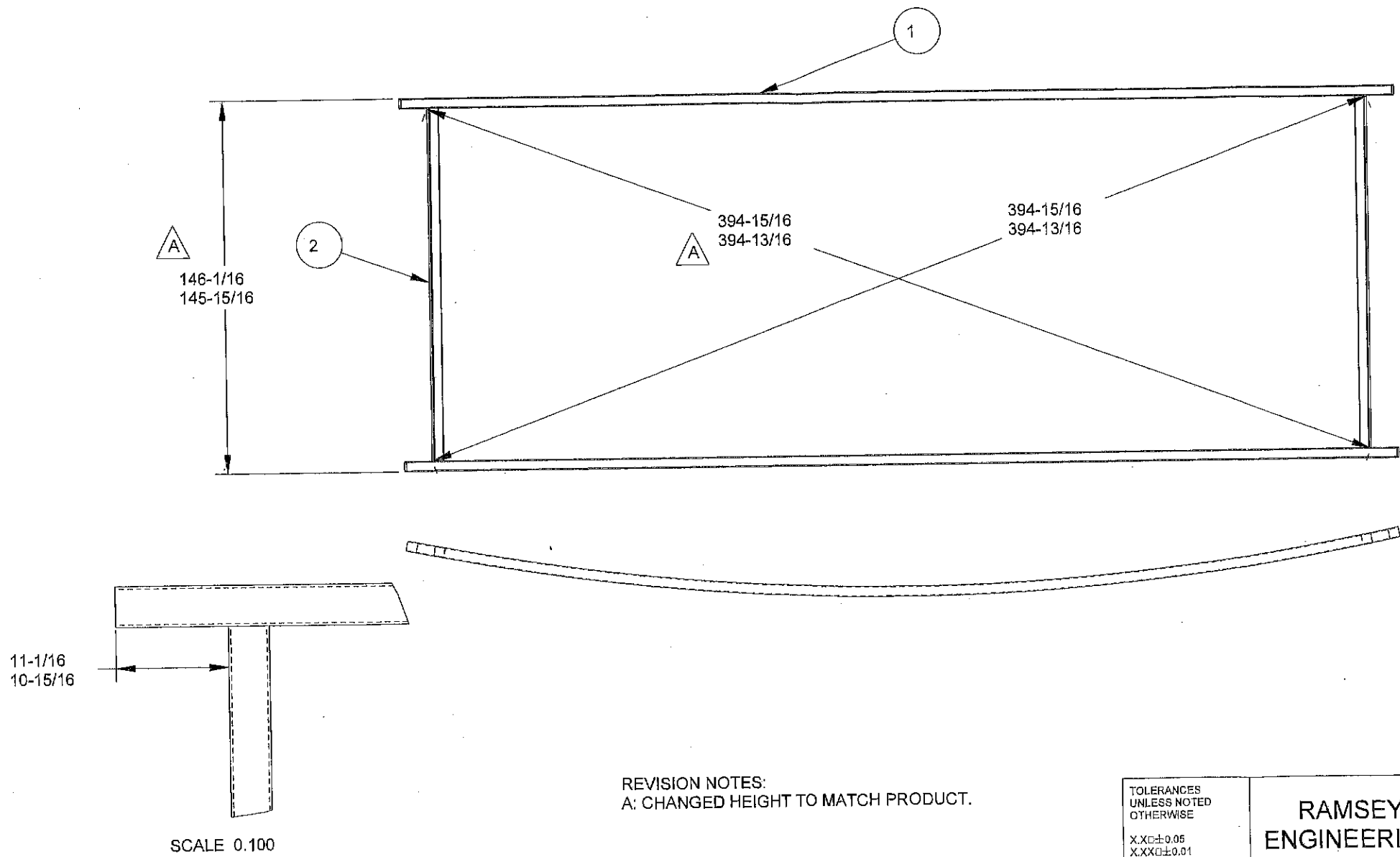
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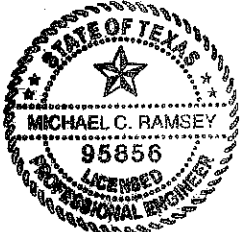
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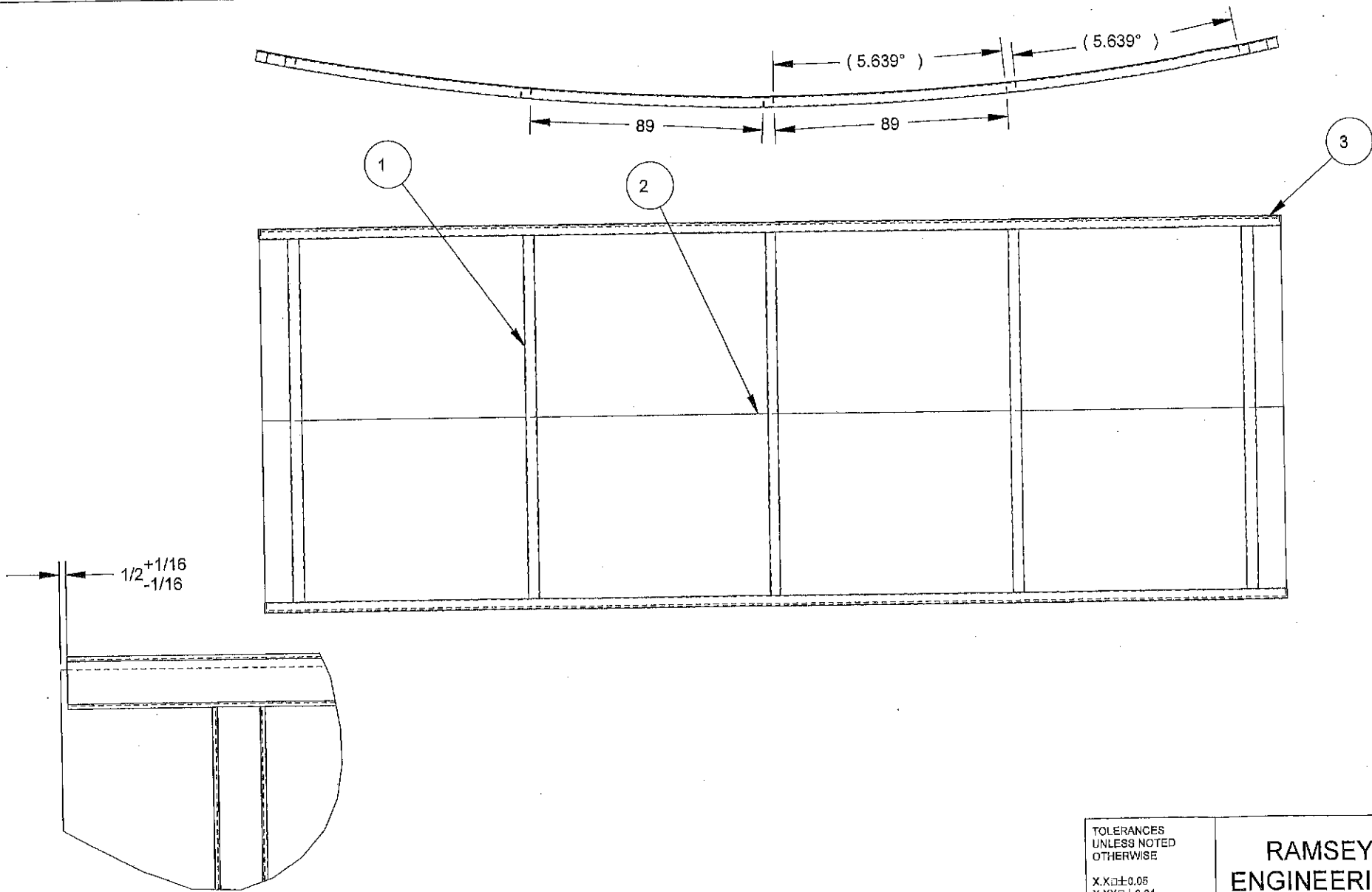
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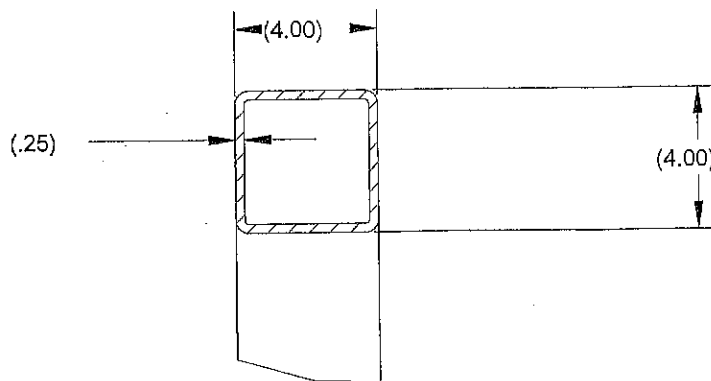
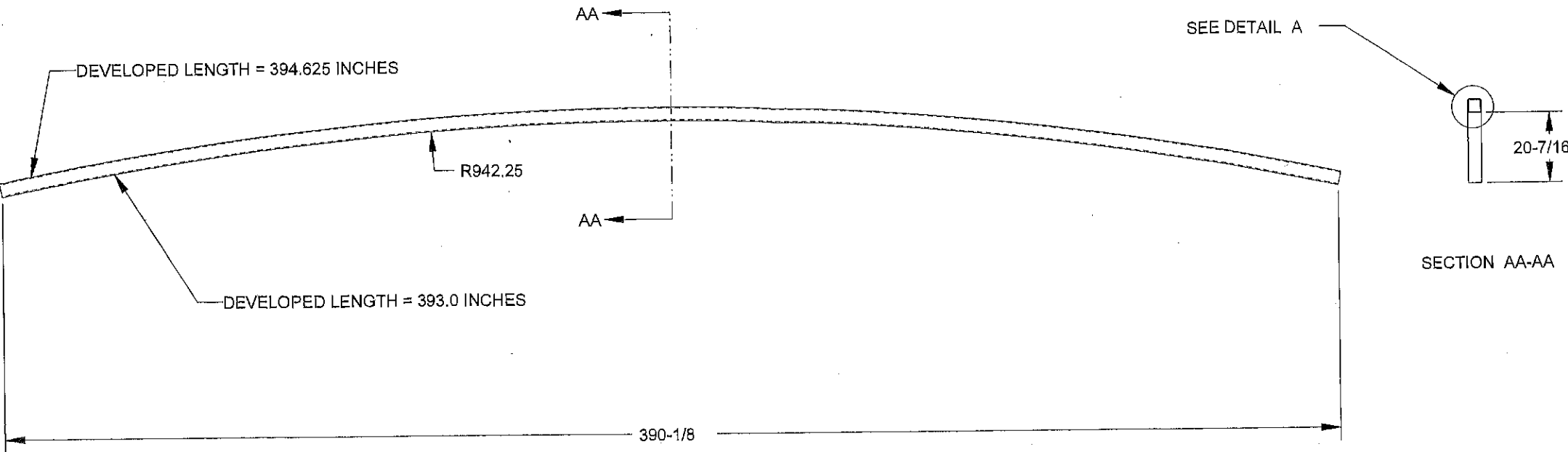


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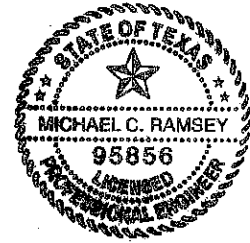
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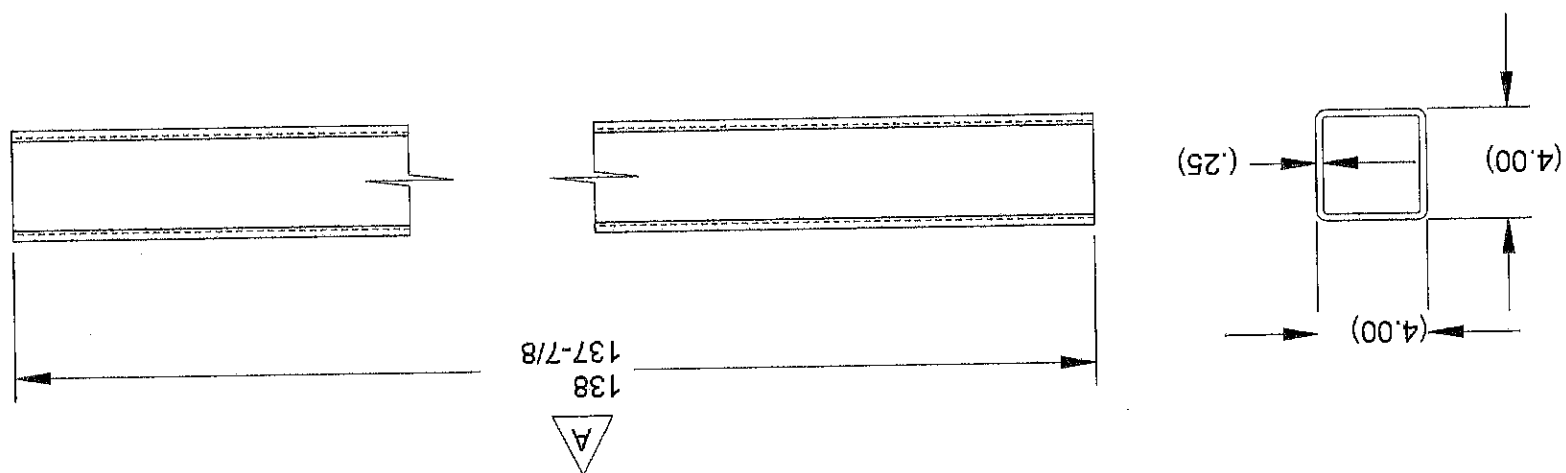
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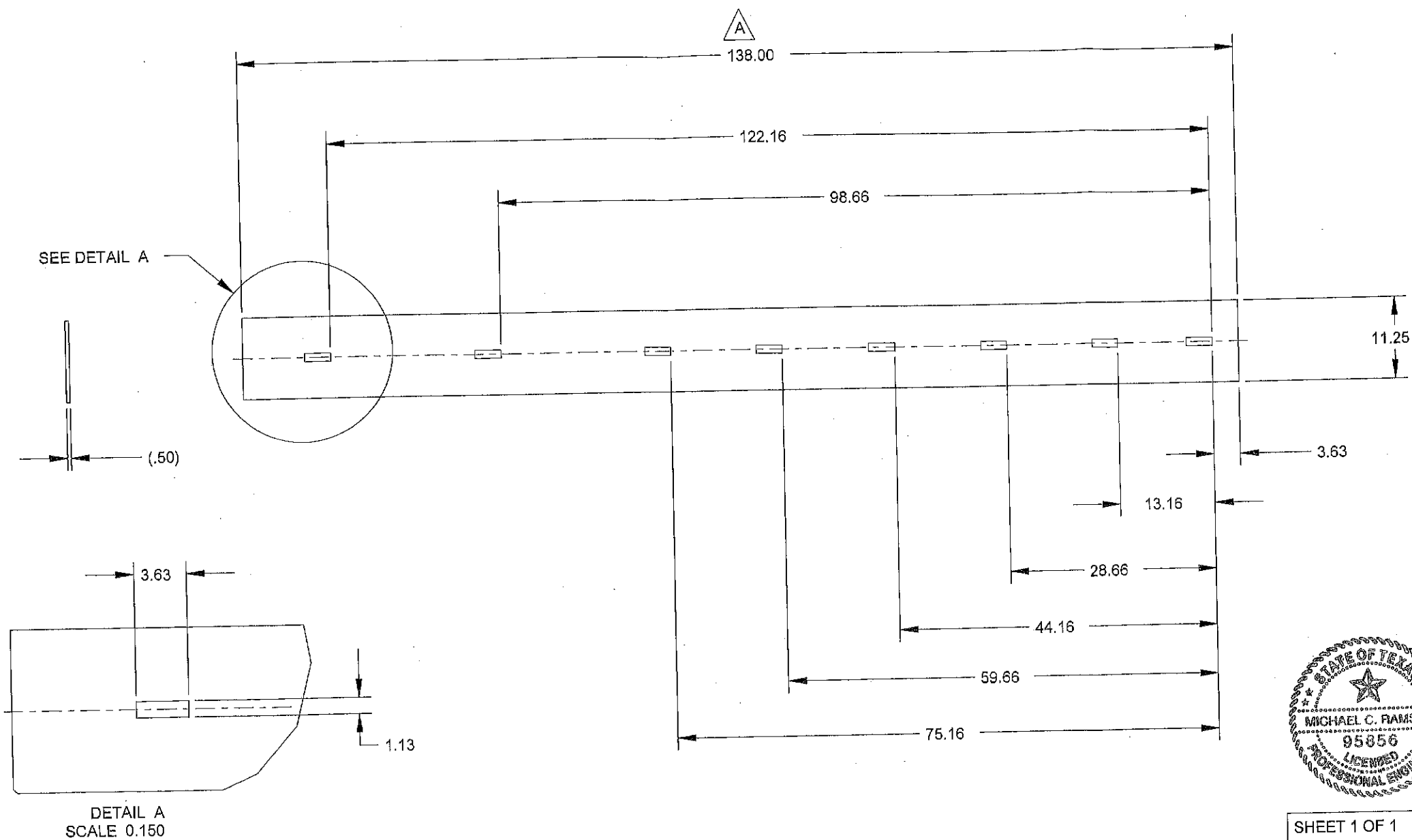
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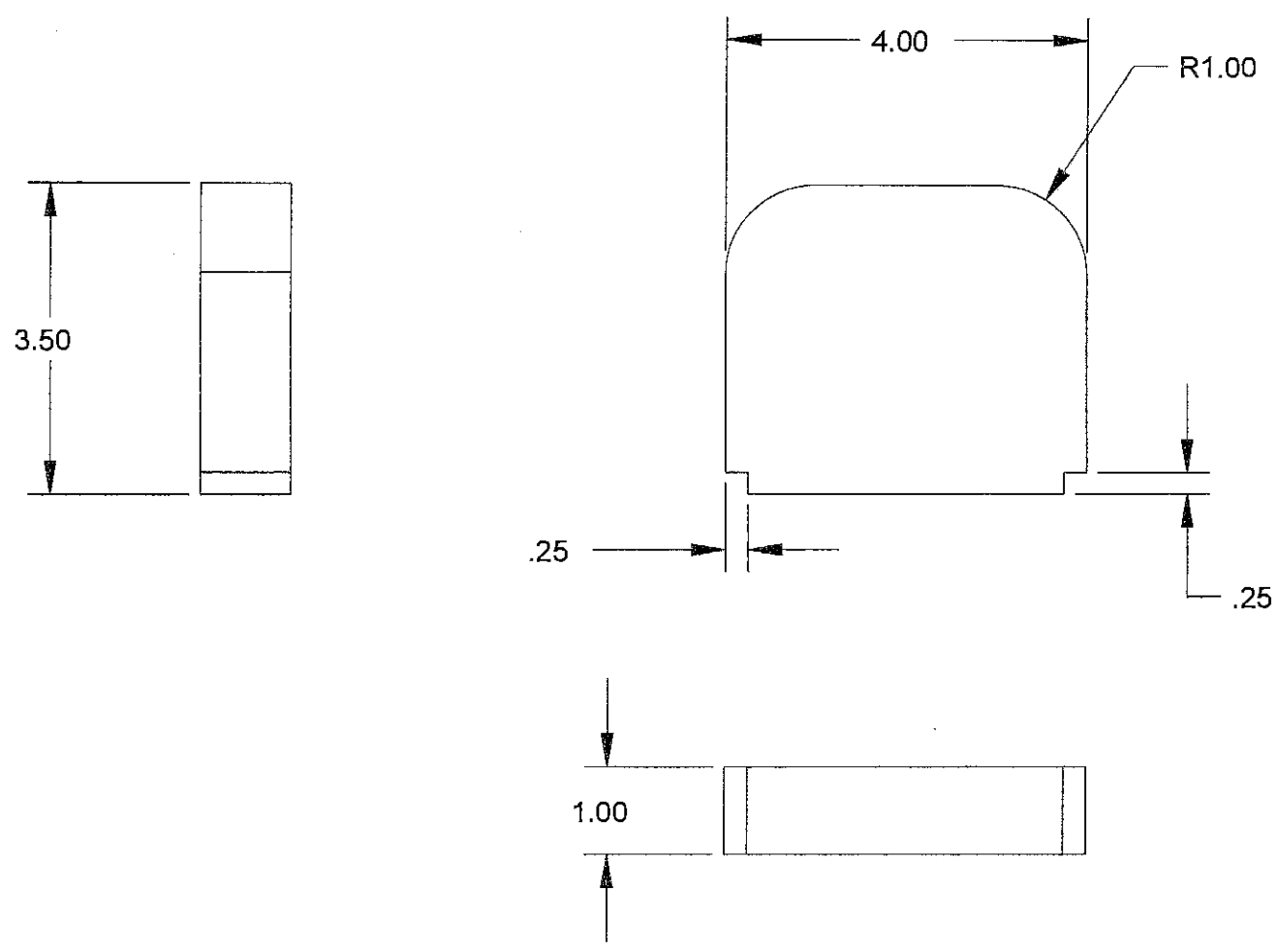




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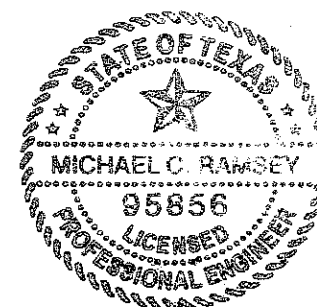
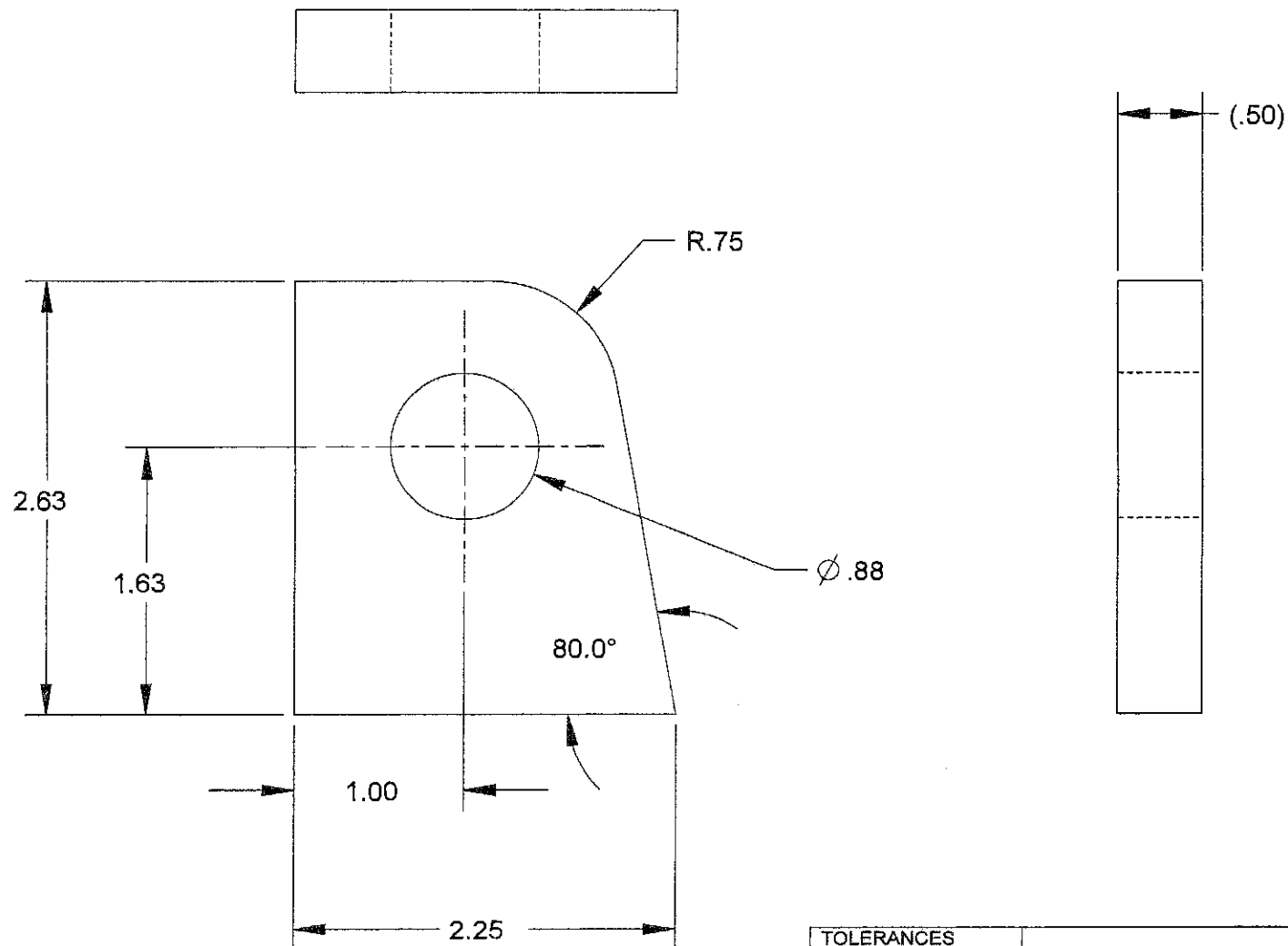
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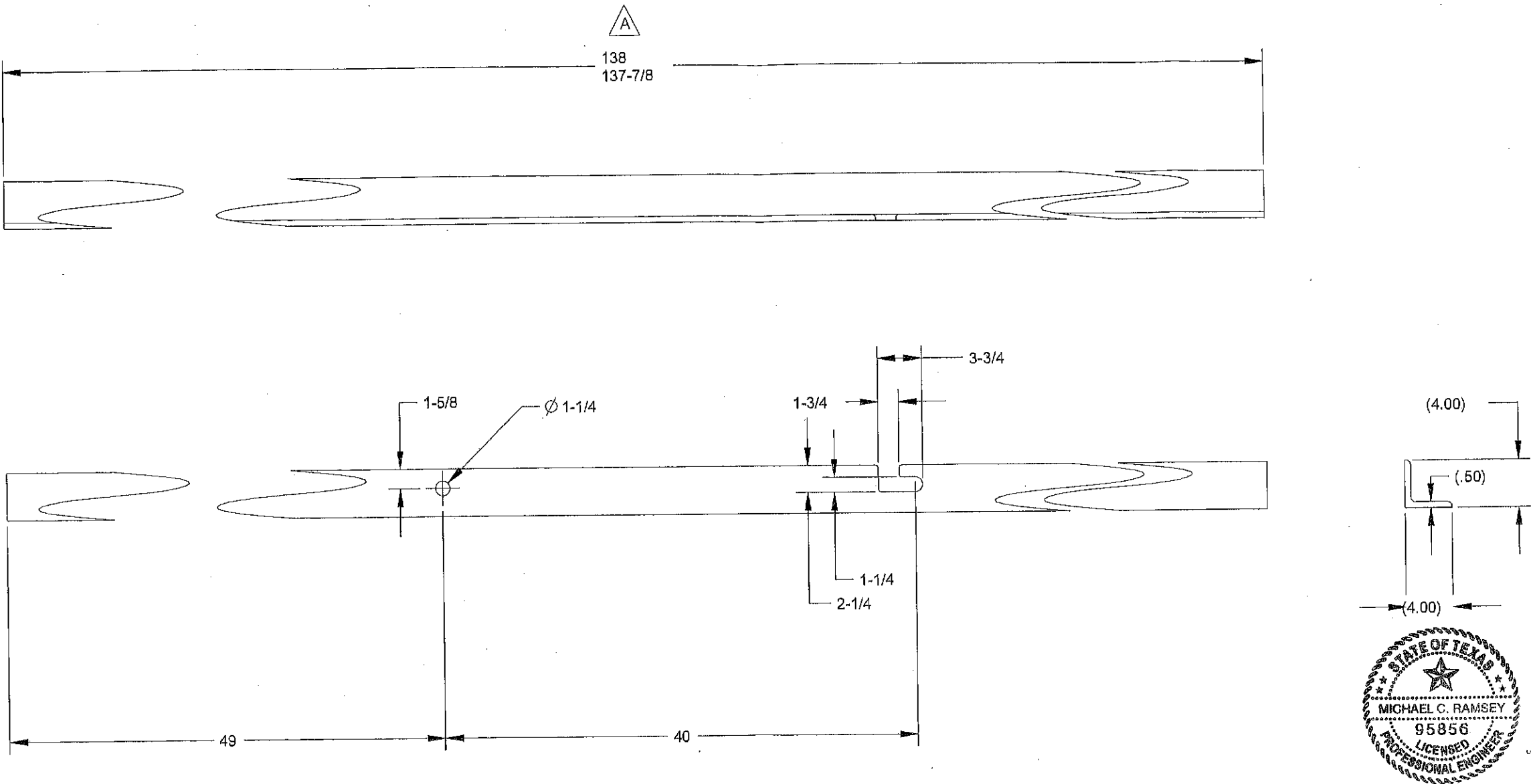
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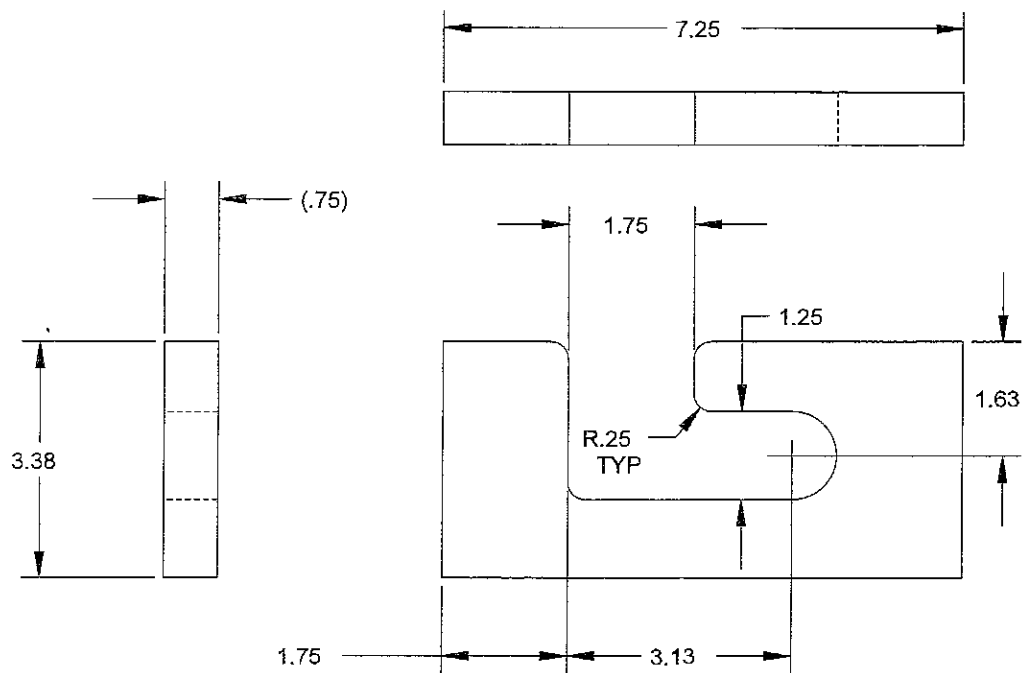
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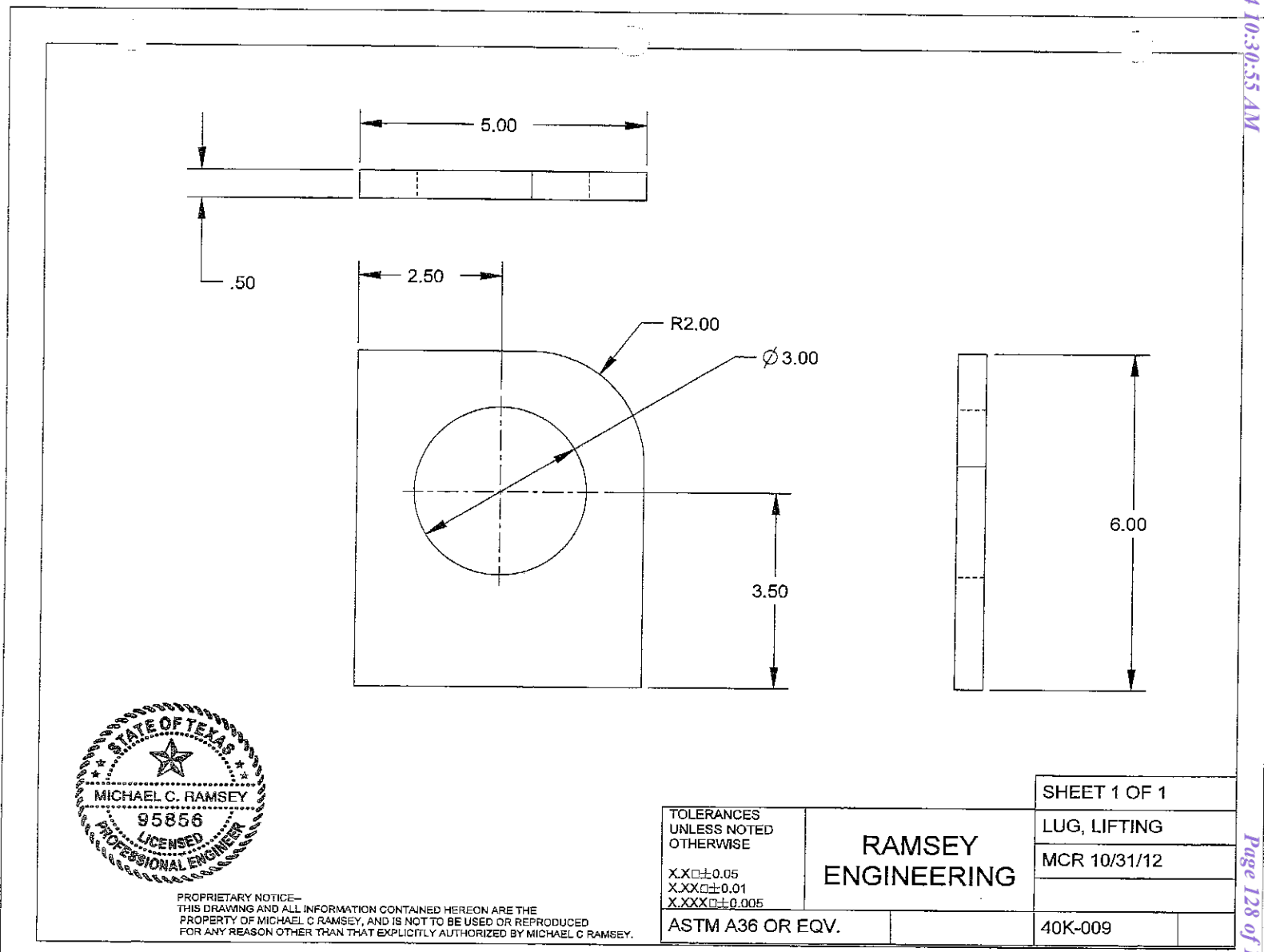
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PROPERTY TEST METHOD UNIT M.A.R.V. (Minimum Average Roll Value)

Weight (Typical) ASTM D 5261 oz/yd² (g/m²) 10.0 (339)
 Grab Tensile ASTM D 4632 lbs (kN) 250 (1.11)
 Grab Elongation ASTM D 4632 % 50
 Trapezoid Tear Strength ASTM D 4533 lbs (kN) 100 (0.444)
 CBR Puncture Resistance ASTM D 6241 lbs (kN) 700 (3.11)
 Permittivity* ASTM D 4491 sec.⁻¹ 1.2
 Water Flow* ASTM D 4491 gpm/ft² (l/min/m²) 80 (3251)
 AOS* ASTM D 4751 US Sieve (mm) 100 (0.150)
 UV Resistance ASTM D 4355 %/hrs 70/500

PACKAGING

Roll Dimensions (W x L) – ft. 12.5 x 360 / 15 x 300
 Square Yards Per Roll 500
 Estimated Roll Weight – lbs. 320

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TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

Geomembrane 40mil LLDPE

Property	Test Method	Frequency (A)	Unit Metric	Solmax 140-7000
Thickness (Nominal +/- 10%) (E)	ASTM D 5199	Every roll	mm	1.00
Resin Density	ASTM D 1505	1/Batch	g/cc	<0.926
Melt Index-190/2.16(max)	ASTM D 1238	1/Batch	g/10min	1.0
Sheet Density (C)	ASTM D 1505	Every 2 rolls	g/cc	<0.939
Carbon Black Content (D)	ASTM D 4218	Every 2 rolls	%	2.0 - 3.0
Carbon Black Dispersion	ASTM D 5596	Every 6 rolls	Category	Cat. 1 / Cat. 2
Oxidative Induction Time (min. avg)	ASTM D3895	1/Batch	min	100
Tensile Properties (min. avg)(B)	ASTM D 6693	Every 2 rolls		
Strength as Break			kN/m	23
Elongation at Break			%	800
2% Modulus (max.)	ASTM D 5323	PerFormulation	kN/m	420
Tear Resistance (min. avg.)	ASTM D 1004	Every 6 rolls	N	85
Puncture Resistance (min. avg.)	ASTM D 4833	Every 6 rolls	N	215
Dimensional Stability	ASTM D 1204	Every 6 rolls	%	+/- 2
Multi-Axial Tensile (min.)	ASTM D 5617	PerFormulation	%	90
Oven Aging-% retained after 90 days	ASTM D 5721	PerFormulation		
STD OIT (min. avg.)	ASTM D 3895		%	35
HP OIT (min. avg.)	ASTM D 5885		%	60
UV Resistance-% retained after 1600 hr	GRI-GM-11	PerFormulation		
HP-OIT (min. avg.)	ASTM D 5885		%	35

Note;

- (A) Testing frequency based on standard roll dimensions and one batch is approximately 180,000 lbs (or one railcar).
 (B) Machine Direction (MD) and Cross Machine Direction (XMD or TD) average values should be on the basis of 5 specimens each direction.
 (C) Correlation table is available for ASTM D792 vs. ASTM D1505. Both methods give the same results.
 (D) Correlation table is available for ASTM D1603 vs. ASTM D4218. Both methods give the same results.
 (E) The minimum average thickness is +/- 10% of the nominal value.

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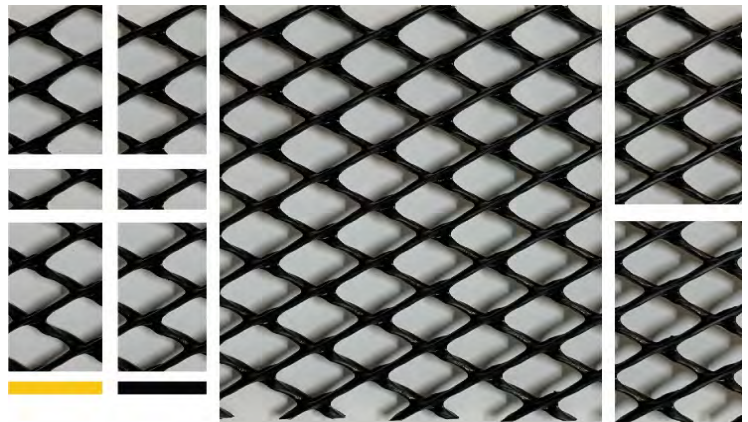
PROPERTY	TEST METHOD	UNIT	VALUE	QUALIFIER
Thickness	ASTM D 5199	mm	5.08	MAV ⁽³⁾
Carbon Black	ASTM D 4218	%	2.0	MAV
Tensile Strength	ASTM D 7179	N/mm	7.87	MAV
Melt Flow	ASTM D 1238 ⁽²⁾	g/10 min	1.0	Maximum
Density	ASTM D 1505	g/cm ³	0.94	MAV
Transmissivity ⁽¹⁾	ASTM D 4716	m ² /sec	2.0 x 10 ⁻³	MAV

Notes:

(1) Transmissivity measured using water at 21 ± 2 °C (70 ± 4 °F) with a gradient of 0.1 and a confining pressure of 479 kPa between steel plates after 15 minutes. Values may vary with individual labs.

(2) Condition 190/2.16

(3) Minimum average value



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Geomembrane 30mil LLDPE

Property	Test Method	Frequency (A)	Unit Metric	Solmax 130-2000
Thickness (min. avg.)	ASTM D 5199	Every roll	mm	0.75
Thickness (min.)	ASTM D 5199	Every roll	mm	0.68
Resin Density	ASTM D 1505	1/Batch	g/cc	<0.926
Melt Index-190/2.16(max)	ASTM D1238	1/Batch	g/10min	1.0
Sheet Density (C)	ASTM D1505	Every 2 rolls	g/cc	<0.939
Carbon Black Content (D)	ASTM D 4218	Every 2 rolls	%	2.0 - 3.0
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Tensile Properties (min. avg)(B)	ASTM D 6693	Every 2 rolls		
Strength as Break			kN/m	20
Elongation at Break			%	750
2% Modulus (max.)	ASTM D 5323	PerFormulation	kN/m	315
Tear Resistance (min. avg.)	ASTM D 1004	Every 6 rolls	N	70
Puncture Resistance (min. avg.)	ASTM D 4833	Every 6 rolls	N	200
Dimensional Stability	ASTM D 1204	Every 6 rolls	%	+/- 2
Multi-Axial Tensile (min.)	ASTM D 5617	PerFormulation	%	90
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Policy Template

APPROVALS

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Please refer to the SOP MANUAL for the current controlled revision and approval records.

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1. PURPOSE

This procedure is being implemented to standardize the process for installing Epic 360 Tanks and to ensure the quality from a standardized plan.

2. SCOPE

This procedure applies to the installations of Tank in a Tank Epic Tanks

3. DEFINITIONS

- Epic 360 Tank – Above ground tank used for water containment. Permanent or temporary structure used in industrial processes where large volumes of water are needed.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

- SOP process owner – On-Site Epic Supervisor designated by management
- Supervising Crew Leader – Ensure that SOP is strictly followed as the source for correct assembly and installation of Epic Tanks and managing their crew in a safe and productive manner. Also responsible for making sure all rigging is done in the correct manor within the capabilities of the equipment.
- Crew – Labor portion of the assembly/installation process
 - Crew Size to be a Minimum of five (5) persons consisting of at least one (1) certified Telehandler Operator, one (1) certified Skid Loader Operator, one (1) certified Welder (liner), and Spotter with a Crew Leader.

5. REQUIREMENTS

- Overall site must be level to $\pm 0.50''$
- Soil compaction must meet ASTM D-698A, 90% or greater.
- Final grade must be a smooth compacted surface, utilizing 1" of smaller crushed aggregate.

6. POLICY


Procedure for installing Epic 360 Tanks.

6.1 Prepare Surface Area

- Assure that all site / ground requirements are met and signed off on by EPP personnel prior to operations.
- Once level, find the center of tank location and mark ground with paint. Determine radius of secondary tank and mark ground for footprint of the tank.
- Obtain textile and appropriate liner, as determined by customer or internal specifications.

6.2 Ground Cover Installation

- Determine whether any special conditions exist for tank installation.

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- Apply textile to the entire footprint of the tank, including secondary tank if applicable. Re-mark the painted footprint on top of the textile to serve as a guide for the wall panel placement.
- Apply liner material over the textile extending it 15 feet past the edge of the tank footprint utilizing a Skid Loader with Spreader Bar and Z-Arm attachments (Caution full rolls of liner can weight up to 4,000 lb. NO butt seams permitted on tank liners.
- Trial welds to be performed and peel and shear tested prior to seaming step panel liner together.
- All welded seams to be Air Channel tested.
- QAQC documentation to be provided at project completion upon request.
- Fold the primary tank liners liner back toward the center of the tank footprint allowing sufficient space to place the wall panels.
- Secondary tank liner will be maneuvered during primary tank install to reduce/eliminate any traffic on it.

6.3 Primary Tank Wall Assembly

- Panels weight up to 8,600 lbs. each. A 10,000 lb Telehandler or greater should be used when handling and installing these panels. Use **Extreme Caution** when performing this process. Panels create large amounts of risk if not properly handled and/or secured. All lifting needs performed with Certified Leg Slings and will adhere to the minimum angles referenced in Chain Length Angle Chart.
- Hold a safety meeting to determine who the signal person will be. The designated signal person will be the **ONLY** person to give direction to the Telehandler operator. However, anyone can give the **STOP** signal.
- Transporting tank panels from designated onsite storage location to be done using rated and certified lift chains, attach two (2) hooks to the top of the wall panel and attach two (2) hooks to the bottom of the wall panel at D-Rings. Verify that certified lift chains are adjusted to the proper length to achieve an angle greater than 30° between the plain between the D-Rings and the lift chains.
- Using rated and certified lift chains, attach two (2) hooks to the top of the wall panel. Verify that certified lift chains are adjusted to the proper length to achieve an angle greater than 30° between the plain between the D-Rings and the lift chains.
- Attach tag lines to the bottom of the wall panel to assist in guiding the panel during installation.
- Equipment operator will place the wall panel in its designated location. While still supported by chains and the telehandler, a Skid loader with J-Hook attachment will be hooked to panel for support.
- Once the second wall panel is in place, bolt the panels together utilizing 1-1/4”–7x5” Grade A490 Structural Bolts tightened to a minimum of 800 ft-lbs of torque utilizing air or electric impact wrenches as needed.
- Install the first three (3) wall panels following the same process.
- Be sure to leave the J-Hook in place until all but the last 3 panel are installed.

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- Repeat this setting and bolting processes until the entire circumference is complete for the remaining panels.
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6.4 Primary Tank Liner Installation

- Utilize Ladders for Ingress and Egress of tank, making sure to follow 3 points of contact safety protocol.
- Transition foam is placed around bottom inside perimeter of tank.
- Attach pull line to the edge of the liner and pull line over top of the wall panels utilizing a telehandler.
- Secure liner to the top of the wall panels using the (3) clamps per panel. While clamping, inspect the liner to ensure it is not in a “stressed” condition and be sure to leave enough slack so that the liner can conform to the walls once the tank is filled with water.
- Trim any excess liner material from the outer edge of the tank wall.

6.5 Secondary Tank Wall Assembly

- Panels weight up to 8,600 lbs. each. A 10,000 lb Telehandler or greater should be used when handling and installing these panels. Use **Extreme Caution** when performing this process. Panels create large amounts of risk if not properly handled and/or secured. All lifting needs performed with Certified Leg Slings and will adhere to the minimum angles referenced in Chain Length Angle Chart.
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- Be sure to leave the J-Hook in place until all but the last 3 panel are installed.
- Repeat this setting and bolting processes until the entire circumference is complete for the remaining panels.

6.6 Secondary Tank Liner Installation

- Utilize Ladders for Ingress and Egress of tank, making sure to follow 3 points of contact safety protocol.
- Transition foam is placed around bottom inside perimeter of tank.
- Attach pull line to the edge of the liner and pull line over top of the wall panels utilizing a telehandler.
- Secure liner to the top of the wall panels using the (3) clamps per panel. While clamping, inspect the liner to ensure it is not in a “stressed” condition and be sure to leave enough slack so that the liner can conform to the walls once the tank is filled with water.
- Trim any excess liner material from the outer edge of the tank wall. All work at height to be performed from a man-lift.

6.7 Installation of Tank Accessories

- Utilizing a Telehandler all required tubing need hung and anchored to mounting tabs on tank panels.
- Utilizing a Telehandler all required steps and observation decks need anchored to mounting tabs on tank panels.

6.8 Final Inspection

- A final walk around needs completed with Supervising Crew Leader and customer representative to ensure that it was built to the customer specifications.

7. APPLICABLE REFERENCES

- Chain Length Angle Chart

**Variances and/or Equivalency Demonstrations for
Above Ground Steel Tank Modular Recycling
Storage Containments (AST) Primary and
Secondary Liners**

Additional VARIANCE FOR RECYCLING STORAGE CONTAINMENTS (Inground and AST)

- **Alternative Testing Methods**
- **Fencing AST Containments**

Request for OCD Approval of Alternative Test Methods to Analyze Concentrations of TPH and Chloride

The prescriptive mandates of the Rule that are the subject of this request are the following subsections of NMAC 19.15.17.13 [emphasis added], 19.15.34.14 and 19.15.29. 12 D

19.15.17.13 CLOSURE AND SITE RECLAMATION REQUIREMENTS:

D.(5) The operator shall collect, at a minimum, a five point composite of the contents of the temporary pit or drying pad/tank associated with a closed-loop system to demonstrate that, after the waste is solidified or stabilized with soil or other non-waste material at a ratio of no more than 3:1 soil or other non-waste material to waste, the concentration of any contaminant in the stabilized waste is not higher than the parameters listed in Table II of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.

The referenced Table II, which is reproduced in part below, notes the Method with asterisk signifying: “*Or other test methods approved by the division”.

Table II Closure Criteria for Burial Trenches and Waste Left in Place in Temporary Pits			
Depth below bottom of pit to groundwater less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**
25-50 feet	Chloride	EPA Method 300.0	20,000 mg/kg
	TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1	100 mg/kg

19.15.34.14 CLOSURE AND SITE RECLAMATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RECYCLING CONTAINMENTS:

C. The operator shall test the soils beneath the containment for contamination with a five-point composite sample which includes stained or wet soils, if any, and that sample shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I below.

(1) If any contaminant concentration is higher than the parameters listed in Table I, the division may require additional delineation upon review of the results and the operator must receive approval before proceeding with closure.

The referenced Table I, which is reproduced in part below, notes the Method with asterisk signifying: “*Or other test methods approved by the division”.

Table I Closure Criteria for Recycling Containments			
Depth below bottom of containment to groundwater less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**
51 feet - 100 feet	Chloride	EPA 300.0	10,000 mg/kg
	TPH (GRO+DRO+MRO)	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	2,500 mg/kg

After sampling solids of more than 50 drilling pits in the Permian Basin, we have observed and reported to OCD on numerous occasions significant problems with non-petroleum drilling additives (e.g. starch) interfering with the laboratory method 418.1. It is not surprising that in many instances we found no correlation between the laboratory results using 418.1 and the results using Method 8015.

We request approval of Method 8015 (GRO + DRO + MRO) for Method 418.1.

19.15.29.12 D. CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS. The responsible party must take the following action for any major or minor release containing liquids.

(1) The responsible party must test the remediated areas for contamination with representative five-point composite samples from the walls and base, and individual grab samples from any wet or discolored areas. The samples must be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I of 19.15.29.12 NMAC or constituents from other applicable remediation standards.

The referenced Table I, is reproduced in part below.

Table I Closure Criteria for Soils Impacted by a Release			
Minimum depth below any point within the horizontal boundary of the release to ground water less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Method*	Limit**
≤ 50 feet	Chloride***	EPA 300.0 or SM4500 Cl B	600 mg/kg
	TPH (GRO+DRO+MRO)	EPA SW-846 Method 8015M	100 mg/kg
	BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50 mg/kg
	Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	10 mg/kg

We request approval of EPA 300.0 or SM4500 for the analysis of chloride.

Demonstration that OCD Approval Will Provide Equal or Better Protection of Fresh Water, Public Health and the Environment

The purpose of TPH analyses in the Pit Rule is to measure total petroleum hydrocarbons not all non-polar compounds, such as starch or cellulose that can interfere with Method 418.1. While Method 418.1 may provide some useful data for transportation of crude oil or condensate spills to disposal, the addition of non-polar organic materials in drilling fluids, especially for horizontal wells, renders Method 418.1 highly problematic to determine compliance with the Rule. Using Method 8015 for TPH (GRO+DRO+MRO) provides a better measurement of what we believe the Commission intended operators to measure.

In hearings before the Oil Conservation Commission technical arguments were presented regarding the use of SM4500 in lieu of EPA 300.00 for chloride analysis for Rule 29. The Division and the Commission agreed that these two methods provide equal or better protection of fresh water, public health and the environment.

Statement Explaining Why the Applicant Seeks a Variance

The prescriptive mandates of the Rule that are the subject of this variance request are presented below with **emphasis added**:

D. Fencing.

(1) The operator shall **fence or enclose** a recycling containment **in a manner that deters unauthorized wildlife and human access** and shall maintain the fences in good repair. The operator shall ensure that all **gates associated with the fence are closed and locked** when responsible personnel are not onsite.

(2) Recycling containments **shall be fenced with a four foot fence that has at least four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced** in the interval between one foot and four feet above ground level.

E. Netting. The operator shall ensure that **a recycling containment is screened, netted or otherwise protective of wildlife, including migratory birds**. The operator shall on a monthly basis inspect for and, within 30 days of discovery, report the discovery of dead migratory birds or other wildlife to the appropriate wildlife agency and to the division district office in order to facilitate assessment and implementation of measures to prevent incidents from reoccurring.

The subject AST employs netting or sonic bird hazing (Mega Bird X with bird calls specific to the Permian Basin). These methods effectively protect avian species such as waterfowl and bats. OCD and BLM have approved both methods per Rule 34 and by BLM Rules respectively.

The steel structure of the AST is 11-feet high, which obviously encloses the containment “in a manner that deters...[terrestrial] wildlife.” Thus, the steel structure meets the mandate of the Rule for enclosure. Thus, netting and the steel structure meet the mandate of Rule 34 for deterring/protecting avian and terrestrial wildlife.

Because AST Containments have a steel stairway between ground surface and the open top, the operator proposes the following deterrent to unauthorized human access:

1. Install gate (e.g. <https://www.saferack.com/saferack-yellowgate-adjustable-safety-swing-gates/>) or chain across the stairway
2. Place an appropriate sign on the gate or chain to help deter unauthorized human access to the open top of the containment
3. Provide for a mechanism to lock the gate when responsible personnel are not onsite.

Demonstration That the Variance Will Provide Equal or Better Protection of Fresh Water, Public Health and the Environment

We believe the proposed protocol provides equal protection of Public Health as a 4-strand barbed wire fence.

***40-mil Non-reinforced LLDPE Liner as Alternate
Primary and 30-mil Non-reinforced LLDPE as Secondary
Liner for Above Ground Steel Tank Modular Recycling
Storage Containments***

STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY THE APPLICANT SEEKS A VARIANCE FOR 40 MIL NON-REINFORCED LLDPE GEOMEMBRANE AS AN ALTERNATIVE PRIMARY AND 30 MIL NON-REINFORCED AS ALTERNATIVE SECONDARY LINER FOR MODULAR STEEL AST CONTAINMENT

The prescriptive mandates of the Rule that are the subject of this variance request are the following subsections of 19.15.34.12

NMAC 19.15.34.12 A DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS FOR A RECYCLING CONTAINMENT

(4) All primary (upper) liners in a recycling containment shall be geomembrane liners composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to ultraviolet light, petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. *All primary liners shall be 30-mil flexible PVC, 45-mil LLDPE string reinforced or 60-mil HDPE liners. Secondary liners shall be 30-mil LLDPE string reinforced or equivalent with a hydraulic conductivity no greater than 1×10^{-9} cm/sec. Liner compatibility shall meet or exceed the EPA SW-846 method 9090A or subsequent relevant publications.*

The applicant proposes one layer of 40-mil LLDPE non-reinforced as a primary liner and a secondary liner comprised of one layer of 30-mil LLDPE non-reinforced material

Rule 34 did not consider Above Ground Steel Storage Tanks that employ liners as a primary and secondary containment method.

This material is more readily available than the prescribed liners in the Rule and provides superior flexibility and conformity characteristics. Due to the vertical steel walls, 60-mil HDPE, 45 or 30-mil LLDPE string reinforced liners and 30-mil PCV liners are not sufficiently flexible for use in these modular containments.

All liners will have a hydraulic conductivity no greater than 1×10^{-9} cm/sec and meet or exceed EPA SW-846 method 9090A.

Demonstration That the Variance Will Provide Equal or Better Protection of Fresh Water, Public Health and the Environment

The following technical documents provide supportive data to demonstrate that this liner system (*with integrated leak detection system*) provides equal or better protection of fresh water, public health and the environment by providing the requisite containment and protection. Attached is a technical comparison of the proposed material is compared to what is advised through Rule 34. A second memorandum provides clarification that the engineering requirements for site preparation, which ensures functionality of the liner system, is crosscutting to varied locations/sites within the Permian Basin. Liner specifications are also included in submission.

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Technical Memorandum: 40-mil LLDPE as Alternative Primary with 30-mil LLDPE as Alternative Secondary Liner System for Modular Steel AST Recycling Containment
NMAC 19.15.34.12 A (4)

In consideration of the liner application for modular AST impoundments, size and depth of the AST, design details for modular tanks as well as estimated length of at least five years of service time, it is my professional opinion that a 40 mil LLDPE (non-reinforced) and a 30 mil LLDPE (non-reinforced) geomembrane system will provide the requisite barrier against produced water loss as an alternative primary and secondary liner system. *The two proposed liners, 40 mil LLDPE as Primary liner and 30 mil LLDPE Secondary liner, will function equal to or better than 45 mil String Reinforced LLDPE, 30 mil PVC, or 60 mil HDPE liners as a primary liner and 30 mil LLDPE string reinforced as a secondary liner system. Additionally, this two-layer system with integrated leak detection system, will provide requisite protection for the environment that is equal to or better than the above primary and secondary liner systems referenced in OCD rule 34.* The following are discussion points that will exhibit the attributes of a 40 mil/30 mil LLDPE lining system:

The nature and formulation of LLDPE resin is very similar to HDPE. The major difference is that LLDPE is lower density, lower crystallinity (more flexible and less chemical resistant). However, LLDPE will resist aging and degradation and remain intact for many years in exposed conditions. The LLDPE resin is virtually the same for non-reinforced 30 or 40 mil LLDPE and string reinforced 30 or 45 mil LLDPE geomembranes and both will provide requisite containment and be equally protective for this application, enduring UV and chemical degradation in the produced water environment.

Flexibility Requirements. Non-reinforced LLDPE geomembranes are less stiff and far more flexible than string reinforced geomembranes as well as 60 mil HDPE and in this regard are preferred for installations in vertical wall tanks such as this proposed installation. LLDPE provides a very flexible sheet that enables it to be fabricated into large panels, folded for shipping and installed on vertical walls transitioned to flat bottom. Non-reinforced LLDPE sheet will conform better than a string reinforced LLDPE to the tank dimensions under hydrostatic loading and will exhibit less wrinkling and creasing during and after installation.

Thermal Fusion Seaming Requirements. Thermal seaming and QC seam test requirements for geomembranes are product specific and usually prescribed by the sheet manufacturer. Both dual wedge and single wedge thermal fusion welding is commonly used on LLDPE and QC testing by air channel (ASTM D 5820) or High Pressure Air Lance (ASTM D 4437) is fully acceptable and recognized as industry standards. In this regard, either non-reinforced LLDPE or string-reinforced LLDPE will be acceptable as far as QC and thermal fusion seaming methods are concerned.

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Potential for Leakage through the Primary and Secondary Liners. Leakage through geomembrane liners is directly a function of the height of liquid head above any hole or imperfection. The geonet drainage media between the primary and secondary LLDPE geomembranes at the base of the AST in this application provides immediate drainage to a low point or outside the Modular AST Impoundment and thus no hydrostatic head or driving gradient is available to push leakage water through a hole in the Secondary LLDPE liner .

Leakage through any Primary geomembrane is driven by size of hole and depth and will be detected by the increase of water in the drainage system and the volume being pumped out of the secondary containment. In this regard and for this variance, the Primary consists of 40 mil LLDPE geomembrane which will perform equal to or better than a single layer of string reinforced LLDPE for potential leakage. Thus, if a leak occurs through the top layer, it will be effectively contained by the second layer of 30 mil LLDPE geomembrane. If required, location of holes in the Primary can be found by Electrical Leak Location Survey (ELLS) using a towed electrode (ASTM D 7007). Holes found can then be repaired and thus water seepage into the leakage collection and drainage system will be kept to a minimum. Dependent on OCR requirements for Action Leakage Rate (ALR), the leakage volumes may only be monitored. For example, a typical ALR is < 20 gpad whereas a rapid and large leak (RLL) may be > 100 gpad. Most states specify maximum ALR values for waste and process water impoundments usually in the range of 100 to 500 gpad. However, New Mexico does not specify an ALR for waste or process water impoundments (GRI Paper No. 15).

LLDPE (and string reinforced LLDPE) can be prefabricated into large panels and thus both types offer the following for Containment:

- Prefabrication in factory-controlled conditions into very large panels (up to 30,000 sf) results in ease of installation, less thermal fusion field seams and less on site QC and CQA. (It should be noted that HDPE cannot be prefabricated into panels and requires considerably more on-site welding and QC).
- Large prefabricated panels will provide better control of thermal fusion welding in a factory environment that will improve the liner system integrity for the long term. Ease of installation of large prefabricated custom size panels results in a greater reduction of installation time and associated installation and QC costs
- The Non-reinforced LLDPE geomembrane provides superior lay flat characteristics and conformability which allows for more intimate contact with the underlying soil, geonet, or geotextile and tank walls as well as overlying materials thus providing better flow characteristics for drainage of water. String reinforced LLDPE exhibits more wrinkling and when overlaid or in contact with a geonet drain, wrinkles tend to form pockets and dams affecting drainage of any leakage water to the exterior of the Modular AST Impoundment.

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- Both types of LLDPE geomembrane are easily repaired using the same thermal fusion bonding method without the need for special surface grading preparation for extrusion welding as is typically used in repair of HDPE geomembranes. However, string reinforced LLDPE requires that all cut edges with exposed scrim must be encapsulated with extrusion bead. No encapsulation is required on non-reinforced LLDPE.

In summary, it is my professional opinion that the liner system of 40 mil non-reinforced LLDPE geomembrane as Primary liner and 30 mil non reinforced LLDPE Secondary liner, with integrated leak detection system, will provide protection that is equal to or better than 45 mil string reinforced LLDPE, 30 mil PVC, 60 mil HDPE (primary liner) and 35 mil LLDPE (secondary liner) and meets requirements as defined by the rule as an alternative liner system (resistance to UV and chemical exposure and required hydraulic conductivity). Additionally, this liner system will provide a superior installation in the AST environment and function better than liners referenced in the OCD rule and will provide the requisite protection of fresh water, public health and the environment for at least 3 years in the produced water recycling environment.

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STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY THE APPLICANT SEEKS A VARIANCE FOR 40 MIL NON-REINFORCED LLDPE GEOMEMBRANE AS AN ALTERNATIVE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LINER FOR MODULAR STEEL AST CONTAINMENT

The prescriptive mandates of the Rule that are the subject of this variance request are the following subsections of 19.15.34.12

NMAC 19.15.34.12 A DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS FOR A RECYCLING CONTAINMENT

(4) All primary (upper) liners in a recycling containment shall be geomembrane liners composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to ultraviolet light, petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. *All primary liners shall be 30-mil flexible PVC, 45-mil LLDPE string reinforced or 60-mil HDPE liners. Secondary liners shall be 30-mil LLDPE string reinforced or equivalent with a hydraulic conductivity no greater than 1×10^{-9} cm/sec.* Liner compatibility shall meet or exceed the EPA SW-846 method 9090A or subsequent relevant publications.

The applicant proposes one layer of 40-mil LLDPE as a primary liner and a secondary liner comprised of one layer of 40-mil LLDPE material.

Rule 34 did not consider Above Ground Steel Storage Tanks that employ liners as a primary and secondary containment method.

This material is more readily available than the prescribed liners in the Rule and provides superior flexibility and conformity characteristics. Due to the vertical steel walls, 60-mil HDPE, 45 or 30-mil LLDPE string reinforced liners and 30-mil PCV liners are not sufficiently flexible for use in these modular containments.

Demonstration That the Variance Will Provide Equal or Better Protection of Fresh Water, Public Health and the Environment

The following technical documents provide supportive data to demonstrate equal or better protection of fresh water, public health and the environment by providing the requisite containment and protection. Technical comparison of the proposed material is compared to what is advised through Rule 34 is discussed. A second memorandum provides clarification that the engineering requirements for site preparation, which ensures functionality of the liner system, is crosscutting to varied locations within the Permian Basin. Stamped plans from design engineer confirm applicability of this liner system to this specific site.

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Primary/Secondary Liner System for Modular Steel AST Recycling
Containment**

NMAC 19.15.34.12 A (4)

In consideration of the Primary lining application (modular AST impoundment), size of the AST and depth, design details for modular tanks as well as estimated length of up to five years of service time, it is my professional opinion that a 40 mil LLDPE geomembrane will provide the requisite barrier against processed water loss. It should be noted that the 40 mil LLDPE exceeds the OCD mandate for a Secondary lining system. *The two proposed 40 mil LLDPE liners will function equal to or better than 45 mil String Reinforced LLDPE, 30 mil PVC, or 60 mil HDPE liners as a primary liner and 30 mil LLDPE string reinforced as a secondary liner system. Additionally, the 40 mil LLDPE in a two-layer system will provide requisite protection for the environment that is equal to or better than the above primary and secondary liner systems referenced in OCD rule 34.* The following are discussion points that will exhibit the attributes of a 40 mil LLDPE lining system:

The nature and formulation of LLDPE resin is very similar to HDPE. The major difference is that LLDPE is lower density, lower crystallinity (more flexible and less chemical resistant). However, LLDPE will resist aging and degradation and remain intact for many years in exposed conditions. The LLDPE resin is virtually the same for non-reinforced 40 mil LLDPE and string reinforced 45 mil LLDPE geomembranes and both will provide requisite containment and be equally protective for this application.

Flexibility Requirements. Non-reinforced LLDPE geomembranes are less stiff and far more flexible than string reinforced geomembranes as well as 60 mil HDPE and in this regard are preferred for installations in vertical wall tanks such as this proposed installation. LLDPE provides a very flexible sheet that enables it to be fabricated into large panels, folded for shipping and installed on vertical walls transitioned to flat bottom. Non-reinforced LLDPE sheet will conform better than a string reinforced LLDPE to the tank dimensions under hydrostatic loading and will exhibit less wrinkling and creasing during and after installation.

Thermal Fusion Seaming Requirements. Thermal seaming and QC seam test requirements for geomembranes are product specific and usually prescribed by the sheet manufacturer. Both dual wedge and single wedge thermal fusion welding is commonly used on LLDPE and QC testing by air channel (ASTM D 5820) or High Pressure Air Lance (ASTM D 4437) is fully acceptable and recognized as industry standards. In this regard, either non-reinforced LLDPE or string-reinforced LLDPE will be acceptable as far as QC and thermal fusion seaming methods are concerned.

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geomembranes at the base of the AST in this application provides immediate drainage to a low point or outside the Modular AST Impoundment and thus no hydrostatic head or driving gradient is available to push leakage water through a hole in the Secondary LLDPE liner .

Leakage through any Primary geomembrane is driven by size of hole and depth and will be detected by the increase of water in the drainage system and the volume being pumped out of the secondary containment. In this regard and for this variance, the Primary consists of 40 mil LLDPE geomembrane which will perform equal to or better than a single layer of string reinforced LLDPE for potential leakage. Thus, if a leak occurs through the top layer, it will be effectively contained by the second layer of 40 mil LLDPE geomembrane. If required, location of holes in the Primary can be found by Electrical Leak Location Survey (ELLS) using a towed electrode (ASTM D 7007). Holes found can then be repaired and thus water seepage into the leakage collection and drainage system will be kept to a minimum. Dependent on OCR requirements for Action Leakage Rate (ALR), the leakage volumes may only be monitored. For example, a typical ALR is < 20 gpad whereas a rapid and large leak (RLL) may be > 100 gpad. Most states specify maximum ALR values for waste and process water impoundments usually in the range of 100 to 500 gpad. However, New Mexico does not specify an ALR for waste or process water impoundments (GRI Paper No. 15).

Both non-reinforced LLDPE and string reinforced LLDPE can be prefabricated into large panels and thus both types offer the following for Containment:

- Prefabrication in factory-controlled conditions into very large panels (up to 30,000 sf) results in ease of installation, less thermal fusion field seams and less on site QC and CQA. (It should be noted that HDPE cannot be prefabricated into panels and requires considerably more on-site welding and QC).
- Large prefabricated panels will provide better control of thermal fusion welding in a factory environment that will improve the liner system integrity for the long term. Ease of installation of large prefabricated custom size panels results in a greater reduction of installation time and associated installation and QC costs
- The Non-reinforced LLDPE geomembrane provides superior lay flat characteristics and conformability which allows for more intimate contact with the underlying soil, geonet, or geotextile and tank walls as well as overlying materials thus providing better flow characteristics for drainage of water. String reinforced LLDPE exhibits more wrinkling and when overlaid or in contact with a geonet drain, wrinkles tend to form pockets and dams affecting drainage of any leakage water to the exterior of the Modular AST Impoundment.
- Both types of LLDPE geomembrane are easily repaired using the same thermal fusion bonding method without the need for special surface grinding/preparation for extrusion welding as is typically used in repair of HDPE geomembranes.

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However, string reinforced LLDPE requires that all cut edges with exposed scrim must be encapsulated with extrusion bead. No encapsulation is required on non-reinforced LLDPE.

In summary, it is my professional opinion that the two layers of 40 mil non-reinforced LLDPE geomembranes will provide a Primary/Secondary liner system that is equal to or better than 45 mil string reinforced LLDPE, 30 mil PVC, 60 mil HDPE (primary liner) and 35 mil LLDPE (secondary liner). Additionally, the two layers of 40 mil LLDPE will provide a superior installation and function better than liners referenced in the OCD rule. The two layers of 40 mil non-reinforced LLDPE will provide the requisite protection of fresh water, public health and the environment for at least 5 years in the frack water environment.

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***Slope and Anchor Variance Request for Above Ground
Steel Tank Modular Recycling Storage Containments***

STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY THE APPLICANT SEEKS A VARIANCE FOR SLOPE AND ANCHOR FOR MODULAR STEEL AST CONTAINMENT

Statement Explaining Why the Applicant Seeks a Variance

The prescriptive mandates of the Rule that are the subject of this variance request are the following subsections of NMAC 19.15.34.12.

NMAC 19.15.34.12 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS FOR A RECYCLING CONTAINMENT:

A. An operator shall design and construct a recycling containment in accordance with the following specifications.

(2) A recycling containment shall have a properly constructed foundation and interior slopes consisting of a firm, unyielding base, smooth and free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent the liner's rupture or tear. Geotextile is required under the liner when needed to reduce localized stress-strain or protuberances that otherwise may compromise the liner's integrity. *The operator shall construct the containment in a levee with an inside grade no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot (2H:1V). The levee shall have an outside grade no steeper than three horizontal feet to one vertical foot (3H:1V).* The top of the levee shall be wide enough to install an anchor trench and provide adequate room for inspection and maintenance.

(3) Each recycling containment shall incorporate, at a minimum, a primary (upper) liner and a secondary (lower) liner with a leak detection system appropriate to the site's conditions. *The edges of all liners shall be anchored in the bottom of a compacted earth-filled trench. The anchor trench shall be at least 18 inches deep.*

The applicant requests a variance to prescribed slope and anchor in the setting of above ground modular steel containments.

With respect to storage of produced water for use in lieu of fresh water, Rule 34 is written for earthen, lined pits, not free-standing modular impoundments that employ liners as their primary fluid containment system. A modular impoundment consists of a professionally designed steel tank ring with vertical walls. There is no slope to consider as the segmental steel sections are set vertical.

There is no anchor trench as envisioned by the Rule, liners are anchored to the top of the steel walls with clips, no anchor trench is required.

Demonstration That the Variance Will Provide Equal or Better Protection of Fresh Water, Public Health and the Environment

The following technical memorandum provides supportive data to demonstrate equal or better protection of fresh water, public health and the environment by providing the requisite containment and protection.

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Technical Memorandum: Slope and Anchor Trench Variance for Above Ground Steel Modular Containments

NMAC 19.15.34.12 A (2), (3)

Side Slope

The design of soil side slope (inclination) is a geotechnical engineering design consideration. Liquid impoundments such as fresh water or process water containments are usually built within an excavation or with raised earthen embankments. For a liquid impoundment with an exposed liner system, the slope soils and construction dictate slope inclination and very detailed slope stability analysis may be required to determine if slope failure within the embankment will occur once loaded with impounded water. Slope failure may also occur during construction or when the impoundment is empty. A maximum slope is usually specified and is dependent on soil type and cohesive strength, saturated or unsaturated conditions, etc. Detailed analysis for slope stability can be found in "Designing with Geosynthetics" by R.M Koerner as well as many geotechnical books.

A modular impoundment, on the other hand, consists of a professionally designed steel tank ring with vertical walls. *There is no slope to consider as the segmental steel sections are set vertical.* Design of steel tanks, in regard to hydrostatic loading, wind loading, seismic loads, etc. are thoroughly referenced with detailed procedures in the design code - American Petroleum Institute (API) 650-98 "Welded Steel Tanks for Oil Storage". *There are no requirements for maximum slope inclination other than perhaps 90 degrees or vertical wall.*

Anchor Trench

All earthen impoundments with a geomembrane lining system require some form of top of slope anchor, the most common of which is an excavated and backfilled anchor trench usually set back at least 3 ft from the top of slope. Again, there are detailed procedures for anchor trench design in "Designing with Geosynthetics" by R.M Koerner.

A Modular Impoundment requires mechanical anchoring of the geomembrane at the top of the vertical steel wall using standard liner clips that prevent the geomembrane or geomembrane layers from slipping down the side wall. These are detailed in the Tank Installation Manual. *There are no requirements for an "anchor trench" as this is not an in-ground impoundment.*

In summary, based on the design and specifications of a modular steel impoundment, there is no requirement for a maximum interior slope angle of 2H:1V due to the fact that this impoundment is a steel tank with vertical walls. Additionally, there is no requirement for an anchor trench as the geomembrane is attached to the top of the Modular Impoundment vertical walls with large steel clips. This provides the requisite protection of fresh water, public health and the environment for many years.

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***Applicability of Variances for Modular AST Containments
in the Permian Basin of New Mexico***

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Technical Memorandum: Applicability of Variances for Modular AST Containments in the Permian Basin of New Mexico
NMAC 19.15.34.12 A (2)

I have reviewed the most recent historical variances for AST Containments in the document titled "Variances for C-147 Registration Packages Permian Basin of New Mexico" (January 2020) and examined the applicable design drawings and permits for the following modular AST containments located in the Permian Basin of New Mexico.

- C-147 Registration Package for Myox Above Ground Storage Tank Section 32, T25S, R28E, Eddy County (January 20, 2020)
- C-147 Registration Package for Fez Recycling Containment and Recycling Facility Area (100+ acres) Section 8, T25-S, R35-E, Lea County, Volume 2 – Above-Ground Storage Tank Containments
- Hackberry 16 Recycling Containments and Recycling Facility Section 16, T19S, R31E, Eddy County

Locations of the modular containments range from west of the Pecos River to slightly west of Jal, NM. All locations exhibit different surface and subsurface geology, different topography and are of various sizes and volumes. *However, in regard to structural integrity of the base soils that support the AST and in particular the geomembrane containment system, the specification requirements are the same.* The foundation soils must be roller compacted smooth and free of loose aggregate over ½ inch. Compaction characteristics must meet or exceed 95% of Standard Proctor Density in accordance with ASTM D 698. This specification requirement is specific and causes the general or earthworks contractor to meet this standard regardless of the site- specific geology or topography. Provided that the design drawings and associated specifications call out the minimum requirements for subsoils compaction (i.e., 95% Standard Proctor Density – ASTM D 698), the design engineer or owners representative will carry out soils testing on the foundation materials to provide certainty to the AST containment owner that the earthworks contractor has met these obligations.

Thus, provided that the contractor meets the minimum specified requirements for foundation soils preparation and density, the location, geology or depth to groundwater will make no difference in regard to geomembrane liner equivalency as demonstrated by the AST variances presented in this volume and are considered valid for meeting NMOCD Rule 34 requirements for all locations within the Permian Basin of New Mexico.

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Forensics investigations into geotechnical and geosynthetics failures; providing expert report and testimony on failure analysis; providing design and peer review on landfill lining and cover system design, mine waste reclamation, water treatment facilities, hydro-technical canal, dam, reservoir and mining projects, floating reservoir covers; oil and gas waste containment; design of manufacturers technical literature and manuals; development and presentation of technical seminars; new product development and testing; MQA/CQA program design and implementation.

Polyfelt Ges.m.b.H., Linz, Austria and Denver Colorado: As U.S. technical manager, primary responsibilities included technical development for the Polyfelt line of geosynthetics for the U.S. civil engineering market as well as worldwide applications.

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U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado: As technical specialist, responsibilities included directing laboratory research, design and development investigations into geosynthetics and construction materials for use on large western water projects such as dams, canals, power plants and other civil structures. Included were material research, selection and testing, specification writing, large scale pilot test programs, MQA/CQA program design and supervision of site installations. Prime author or contributor to several USBR technical publications incorporating geosynthetics.

University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona: As research engineer at the Water Resources Research Center, responsibilities included research, design and development of engineering materials and methods for use in construction of major water projects including potable water reservoirs, canals and distribution systems. Prime author or contributor to several WRRC technical publications.

Northeast Utilities, Hartford, Connecticut: As field engineer for construction at Northeast Utilities, responsibilities included liaison for many construction projects including additions to power plants, construction of substations, erection of fuel oil pipelines and fuel oil storage tanks. Responsibilities also included detailed review, inspection and reporting on numerous construction projects.

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Good afternoon Mr. Gallagher.

NMOCD has reviewed the recycling containment permit application and related documents, submitted by [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC on September 3, 2024, Application ID: 395890, for 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] in O-36-18S-34E, Lea County, New Mexico. [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC requested variances from 19.15.34 NMAC for 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628].

The following variances have been approved:

- The variance to 19.15.34.14 NMAC Table I for the use of alternate analytical method 8015/8015M for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) is approved.
- The variance to 19.15.34.14 NMAC Table I for the use of alternate analytical method EPA 300.0 or SM4500 for the analysis of chloride is approved.
- The variance to 19.15.34.12.A.(2) NMAC for the no side-slope requirements for the AST containment with vertical walls is approved.
- The variance to 19.15.34.12.A.(3) NMAC for the liners to be anchored to the top of the AST steel walls with no anchor trenches is approved.
- The variance to 19.15.34.12.A.(4) NMAC for the installation on the AST containment of a 40-mil non-reinforced LLDPE primary liner and a 30-mil non-reinforced LLDPE secondary liner is approved or a liner system consisting of a 40-mil non-reinforced LLDPE primary liner and a 40-mil non-reinforced LLDPE secondary liner is approved.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC will notify the OCD through OCD Permitting of the installation of the liner system and provide the specifications of the liner system that has been installed.
- The variance from 19.15.34.13.E NMAC for the installation of an audible "Bird-X Mega Blaster Pro" bird deterrence system is approved.
- The variance to NMAC 19.15.34.12.D to install a gate or chain across the stairway between the ground surface and the open-top of the AST containment is approved. The operator should place an appropriate sign on the gate or chain to prevent unauthorized human access to the open top of the containment and provide a mechanism to lock the gate when responsible personnel is not onsite.

The form C-147 and related documents for 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] is approved with the following conditions of approval:

- The purpose of this permit is for oil and gas activities regulated under the NMAC 19.15.34.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 19.15.34 NMAC is adopted pursuant to the Oil and Gas Act, Paragraph (15) of Section 70-2-

12(B) NMSA 1978, which authorizes the division to regulate the disposition of water produced or used in connection with the drilling for or producing of oil and gas or both and Paragraph (21) of Section 70-2-12(B) NMSA 1978 which authorizes the regulation of the disposition of nondomestic wastes from the exploration, development, production or storage of crude oil or natural gas.

- 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] is approved for five years of operation from the date of permit application of October 25, 2024.
- 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] permit expires on October 25, 2029. If [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC wishes to extend operations past five years, an annual permit extension request must be submitted using an OCD form C-147 through OCD Permitting by September 25, 2029.
- 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] consists of one (1) above ground tank containment (AST) of 40,000.00 BBL, one (1) earthen containment of 1,142,000.00 bbl and one (1) earthen containment of 1,094,000.00 bbl. The total fluid capacity of 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] is 2,276,000.00 bbl.
- The total closure cost estimated of 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] in the amount of \$ 788,497.88, meets the requirements of NMAC 19.15.34.15.A.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC cannot receive produced water in the 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] until after the original copy of the financial assurance has been accepted by NMOCD.
- The financial assurance should be mailed to: EMNRD - Oil Conservation Division, Administration and Compliance Bureau. 1220 S. St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC shall construct, operate, maintain, close, and reclaim 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] in compliance with NMAC 19.15.34 NMAC.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC shall notify OCD, through OCD Permitting when construction of 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] commences.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC shall notify NMOCD through OCD Permitting when recycling operations commence and cease at 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628].
- A minimum of 3-feet freeboard must be maintained at 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] at all times during operations.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC shall submit monthly reports of recycling and reuse of produced water, drilling fluids, and liquid oil field waste on OCD form C-148 via OCD Permitting even if there is zero activity.
- If less than 20% of the total fluid capacity is utilized every six months, beginning from the first withdrawal, operations of the 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] is considered ceased and a notification of cessation of operations should be sent electronically to OCD Permitting. A request to extend the cessation of operations, not to exceed six months, may be submitted using a C-147 form through OCD Permitting. If after that 6-month extension period, the 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] is not utilized at a minimum of 20% fluid capacity, no additional extensions would be granted, and the operator would be directed to remove all fluids and proceed with the closure requirements.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC shall inspect the recycling containment and associated leak detection systems weekly while it contains fluids. The operator shall maintain a current log of such inspections and make the log available for review by the division upon request according to 19.15.34.13.A.
- [371643] SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC shall comply with 19.15.29 NMAC Releases in the event of any release of produced water or other oil field waste at 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628].

Please reference number 1RF-533 - WILD COBRA RECYCLE FACILITY AND AST CONTAINMENT [fVV2430336628] in all future communications.

Regards,

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