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

Form C-141  
Revised August 24, 2018  
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

Incident ID	nAPP2320576371
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party: Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado	OGRID: 162683
Contact Name: Laci Luig	Contact Telephone: (432) 571-7800
Contact email: laci.luig@coterra.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD) nAPP2320576371
Contact mailing address: 6001 Deauville Blvd., Suite 300N Midland, TX 79706	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.079316 \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude -103.591916 \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name: Cascade 29 Federal Com 75H Drill Cuttings	Site Type: Lease Road
Date Release Discovered: 7/22/2023	API# (if applicable)

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
B	5	26S	33E	Lea

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☐ Federal ☐ Tribal ☒ Private (Name: Basin Properties \_\_\_\_\_)

### Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

<input type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Condensate	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas	Volume Released (Mcf)	Volume Recovered (Mcf)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units) 1 yard oil based mud/cuttings	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units) 0

#### Cause of Release: Equipment Failure


Around 7:00 pm CST on 7/22/2023, an oil base cuttings spill on a lease road in Lea County, NM was reported to our EHS department. A Waste Management truck was hauling cuttings from the Cactus 148 drilling rig, currently drilling Cimarex Energy's Cascade 29 Federal Com 75H, to Waste Management's landfill in Orla, TX. A mount on the end dump trailer sheared off, allowing slack in the gate of the trailer. Cuttings were found, sporadically, along 3 miles of the caliche lease road going towards Battle Axe Road, and sporadically along ~11 miles of Battle Axe road to the stop sign at C-1. The driver realized his trailer was releasing cuttings after pulling onto C-1 and immediately pulled off the road. Repairs were made to the trailer to prevent additional impact. Waste Management was immediately notified and dispatched a 3rd party contractor to remove all impact found along Battle Axe Road. The impacted lease roads were surface scraped and the impact hauled to the landfill for disposal. A total of 1 cubic yard of oil based mud was released from the trailer.

## Initial Response

- ☒ The source of the release has been stopped.
- ☒ The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment.
- ☒ Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices.
- ☒ All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.

Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Printed Name: Laci Luig \_\_\_\_\_ Title: ESH Specialist \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 7/24/2023 \_\_\_\_\_  
email: laci.luig@coterra.com \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (432) 208-3035 \_\_\_\_\_

**OCD Only**

Received by: Shelly Wells Date: 7/27/2023






# Cascade 29 Fed Com 75H

Oil Based Mud Drill Cuttings Release

Start Point: 32.077698, -103.591803  
B-5-26S-33E

Lease road = 3.1 miles  
Battle Axe road = 11 miles

## Legend

-  Cascade 29 FC 75H cutting - Battle Axe
-  Cascade 29 FC 75H cuttings - lease road
-  OBM - Start

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Google Earth

4 mi

















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CONDITIONS  
  
Action 245149

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Operator: CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO 6001 Deauville Blvd, Ste 300N Midland, TX 79706	OGRID: 162683
	Action Number: 245149
	Action Type: [C-141] Release Corrective Action (C-141)

CONDITIONS

Created By	Condition	Condition Date
scwells	None	7/27/2023