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811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
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1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

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

Form C-144  
Revised April 3, 2017

**For temporary pits, below-grade tanks, and multi-well fluid management pits,** submit to the appropriate NMOC District Office.  
**For permanent pits** submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOC District Office.

Pit, Below-Grade Tank, or  
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action: ☐ Below grade tank registration  
☐ Permit of a pit or proposed alternative method  
BGT1 Closure ☒ Closure of a pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
Report ☐ Modification to an existing permit/or registration  
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

**Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, below-grade tank or alternative request**

Please 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: Hilcorp Energy Company OGRID #: 372171  
Address: 382 Road 3100 Aztec, NM 87410  
Facility or well name: Butte 5  
API Number: 30-045-33891 OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
U/L or Qtr/Qtr P Section 18 Township 30N Range 13W County: San Juan  
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.8091944 Longitude -108.2413333 NAD27  
Surface Owner: ☒ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.  
☐ **Pit:** Subsection F, G or J of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Temporary: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover  
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Multi-Well Fluid Management Low Chloride Drilling Fluid ☐ yes ☐ no  
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ String-Reinforced  
Liner Seams: ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Dimensions: L \_\_\_\_\_ x W \_\_\_\_\_ x D \_\_\_\_\_

3.  
☒ **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Volume: 120 bbl Type of fluid: Produced Water  
Tank Construction material: Metal  
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☒ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off  
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☒ Other Unspecified

4.  
☐ **Alternative Method:**  
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

5.  
**Fencing:** Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks*)  
☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (*Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church*)  
☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet  
☐ Alternate. Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

6.

**Netting:** Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks*)

- ☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)

7.

**Signs:** Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

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

8.

**Variations and Exceptions:**

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.

***Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:***

- ☐ Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval.
- ☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

9.

**Siting Criteria (regarding permitting):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC***Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.*****General siting****Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank.**

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

☐ Yes ☐ No  
☒ NA

**Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit.**

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

☐ 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. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within an unstable area. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within a 100-year floodplain. **(Does not apply to below grade tanks)**

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Below Grade Tanks**

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption.

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

**Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid** (maximum chloride content 15,000 mg/liter)

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). (Applies to low chloride temporary pits.)

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet from a occupied 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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 300feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of the initial application.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 100 feet of a wetland.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

### **Temporary Pit Non-low chloride drilling fluid**

Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse, or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in the existence at the time of the initial application;

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet of a wetland.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

### **Permanent Pit or Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit**

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

☐ 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

☐ 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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

10.

#### **Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

11.

#### **Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☐ A List of wells with approved application for permit to drill associated with the pit.
- ☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Hydrogeologic Data - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

12.

**Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  
☐ Climatological Factors Assessment  
☐ Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan  
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC  
☐ Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H<sub>2</sub>S, Prevention Plan  
☐ Emergency Response Plan  
☐ Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization  
☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan  
☐ Erosion Control Plan  
☐ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

13.

**Proposed Closure:** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

**Instructions:** Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.

- Type: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Permanent Pit ☒ Below-grade Tank ☐ Multi-well Fluid Management Pit  
☐ Alternative
- Proposed Closure Method: ☒ Waste Excavation and Removal  
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)  
☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial  
☐ Alternative Closure Method

14.

**Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) **Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☒ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)  
☒ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

15.

**Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Ground water is between 25-50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 100 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). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 feet of a wetland. US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within an unstable area.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within a 100-year floodplain.

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☐ No

16.

**On-Site Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☐ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection K of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)
- ☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

17.

**Operator Application Certification:**

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

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

18.

**OCD Approval:** ☐ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☒ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: Jaclyn Burdine Approval Date: 08/01/2022

Title: Environmental Specialist-A OCD Permit Number: BGT1

19.

**Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

*Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.*

☒ Closure Completion Date: 6/18/2022

20.

**Closure Method:**

- ☒ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
- ☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

21.

**Closure Report Attachment Checklist:** *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☒ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)
- ☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure for private land only)
- ☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)
- ☒ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)
- ☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)
- ☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number
- ☒ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation
- ☒ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique
- ☒ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)


On-site Closure Location: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983

22.

**Operator Closure Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): Amanda Walker Title: Operations/Regulatory Technician – Sr

Signature:  Date: 7/26/2022

e-mail address: mwalker@hilcorp.com Telephone: (346) 237-2177

Hilcorp Energy Company  
San Juan Basin  
Below Grade Tank Closure Report

Lease Name: Butte 5  
API No.: 30-045-33891

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 NMAC the following information describes the closure of the below-grade tank referenced above. All proper documentation regarding closure activities is being included with the C-144.

General Plan:

1. HILCORP shall close a below-grade tank within 60 days of cessation of operations per Subsection G.4 of 19.15.17.13 NMAC. This will include a) below-grade tanks that do not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC or is not included in Paragraph (5) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC within five years, if not retrofitted to comply with Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC; b) an earlier date that the division requires because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health or the environment. For any closure, HILCORP will file the C144 Closure Report as required.

The below-grade tank referenced above was permitted and closed within 60 days of cessation of the below-grade tanks operation.

2. HILCORP shall remove liquids and sludge from a below-grade tank prior to implementing a closure method and shall dispose of the liquids and sludge in a division-approved facility. The facilities to be used will be Basin Disposal (Permit #NM-01-005), JFJ Landfarm % Industrial Ecosystem Inc. (Permit # NM-01-0010B) and Envirotech Land Farm (Permit #NM-01-011). The liner after being cleaned well (Subsection D, Paragraph 1, Subparagraph (m) of 19.15.9.712 NMAC) will be disposed of at the San Juan County Regional Landfill located on CR 3100.

All recovered liquids were disposed of at Basin Disposal (Permit #NM-01-005) and any sludge or soil required to be removed to facilitate closure was hauled to Envirotech Land Farm (Permit #NM-01-011) and JFJ Landfarm % IEI (Permit #NM-01-0010B). The liner was cleaned per Subsection D, Paragraph 1, Subparagraph (m) of 19.15.9.712 NMAC was disposed of at the San Juan County Regional Landfill located on CR 3100.

3. HILCORP will receive prior approval to remove the below-grade tank and dispose of it in a division-approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the appropriate division district office approves.

The below-grade tank was disposed of in a division-approved manner.

4. If there is any on-site equipment associated with a below-grade tank, then HILCORP shall remove the equipment, unless the equipment is required for some other purpose.

All on-site equipment associated with the below-grade tank was removed.

5. HILCORP will test the soils beneath the below-grade tank to determine whether a release has occurred. HILCORP shall collect, at a minimum, a five point, composite sample; collect individual grab samples from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release; and analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC. Hilcorp shall notify the division of its results on form C-141.

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A five point composite sample was taken of the below-grade tank using sampling tools and all samples tested per Subsection B of 19.15.17.1 3(B)(1)(b). (Sample results attached). Form C-141 is attached.

Components	Tests Method	Limit (mg/kg)
Benzene	EPA SW-846 8021B or 8260B	0.2
BTEX	EPA SW-846 8021B or 8260B	50
TPH	EPA SW-846 418.1	100
Chlorides	EPA 300.0	250

6. If HILCORP or the division determines that a release has occurred, then HILCORP shall comply with 19.15.3.116 NMAC and 19.15.1.19 NMAC, as appropriate.

A release **was** determined for the above referenced well.

7. If the sampling program demonstrates that a release has not occurred or that any release does not exceed the concentrations specified in Table I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, then HILCORP shall backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material; construct a division-prescribed soil cover; recontour and re-vegetate the site.

The below-grade tank area passed all requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC and was backfilled with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material.

8. Notice of Closure will be given prior to closure to the Aztec Division office between 72 hours and one week via email or verbally. The notification of closure will include the following:
- Operator's name
  - Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range. Well name and API number.

Notification is attached.

9. The surface owner shall be notified of HILCORP's closing of the below-grade tank 72 hours, but not more than one week, prior to closure as per the approved closure plan via certified mail, return receipt requested.

The closure process notification to the landowner was sent via **email**. (See Attached) (Well located on Federal Land, certified mail is not required for Federal Land per BLM/OCD MOU.)

10. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding. Re-shaping will include drainage control, prevent ponding, and prevent erosion. Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be place in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final re-contour shall have a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.

The below-grade tank area was re-contoured to match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding area. Re-shaping including drainage control, to prevent ponding and erosion. Natural drainages were unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps were placed in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final recontour has a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.

11. HILCORP shall seed the disturbed areas the first favorable growing season following closure of a below-grade tank. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. BLM stipulated seed mixes will be used on federally regulated lands and division-approved seed mixtures (administratively approved if required) will be utilized on all State or private lands. 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. If alternate seed mix is required by the state, private owner or tribe, it will be implemented with administrative approval if needed. Hilcorp will repeat seeding or planting will be continued until successful vegetative growth occurs.

Provision 13 was accomplished through complying with BLM seeding requirements as allowed by the BLM/OCD MOU.

12. A minimum of four feet of cover shall be achieved and the cover shall include one foot of suitable material, with chloride concentrations less than 600 mg/kg as analyzed by EPA Method 300.0, to establish vegetation at the site, or the background thickness of topsoil, whichever is greater.

The below-grade tank area was backfilled and more than four feet of cover was achieved and the cover included one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site.

13. All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted to OCD within 60 days of closure of the below-grade tank. Closure report will be filed on C-144 and incorporate the following:
  - Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation (See Report)
  - Re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques (See Report)
  - Photo documentation of the site reclamation (Included as an attachment)
  - Confirmation Sampling Results (Included as an attachment)
  - Proof of closure notice (Included as an attachment)

7/26/2022



**Mandi Walker**

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From: Mandi Walker  
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 10:14 AM  
To: Abiodun Adedoye; Ben Mitchell; Bobby Spearman; Brandon Sinclair; Chad Perkins; Clara Cardoza; Kandis Roland; l1thomas@blm.gov; Mandi Walker; Mitch Killough; Ryan Joyner; Victoria Venegas  
Cc: Joey Becker; Jamie Huffman  
Subject: Butte 5 - 72hr BGT Closure Notice  
Attachments: 30045338910000\_Butte 5\_BGT Permit\_OCD Appvd.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up  
Due By: Monday, July 18, 2022 3:00 PM  
Flag Status: Flagged

The subject well has a below-grade tank that will be permanently removed. The BGT Permit is attached. Please contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

Well Name: Butte 5  
API#: 30-045-33891  
Location: P,18,30N,13W  
Footages: 1165' FSL & 1330' FEL  
Operator: HEC  
Surface Owner: BLM  
Scheduled Date & Time of Start: **Friday June 18<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm**

**\*\*Please Note Required Photos for Closure\*\***

Well site placard  
Photos of the BGT prior to closure  
The sample location or, more preferred, photos of actual sample collection  
Final state of the area after closure.  
Photos will require captioning including direction of photo, date and time of photo and a description of the image contents.

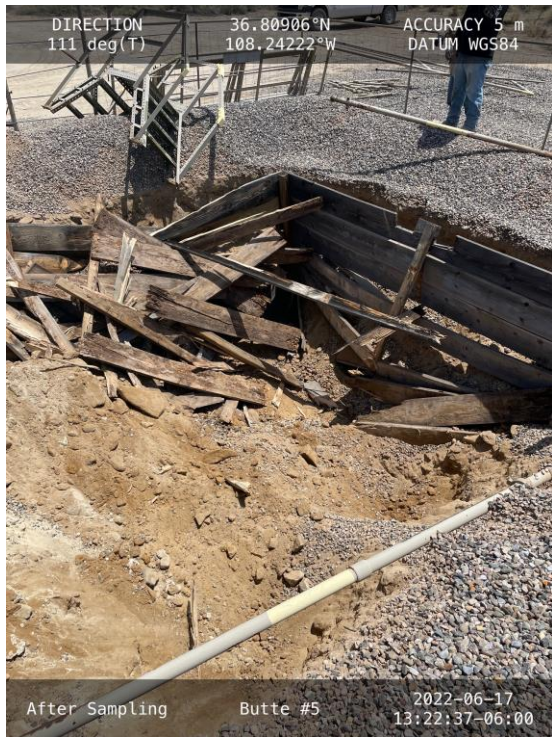
**Mandi Walker**

San Juan North/South (6,7) Regulatory Technician  
Hilcorp Energy  
346.237.2177  
[mwalker@hilcorp.com](mailto:mwalker@hilcorp.com)

Pre Closure Photos







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State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural  
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Oil Conservation Division  
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Santa Fe, NM 87505

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

Incident ID	
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party Hilcorp Energy Company	OGRID 372171
Contact Name Mitch Killough	Contact Telephone 713-757-5247
Contact email mkillough@hilcorp.com	Incident #
Contact mailing address 1111 Travis Street, Houston, Texas 77002	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 36.8091774 \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude -108.2419739 \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name Butte 5	Site Type Well
Date Release Discovered: 6/24/2022 – Date of Hall Environmental Analytical Laboratory report	API# 30-045-33891

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
P	18	30N	13W	San Juan

Surface Owner: ☐ State ☒ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private

### 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

#### Cause of Release:

Historical release discovered during the permanent removal of a below-grade tank (BGT). Refer to attached memo (dated 7/5/2022) for additional information.

Per the memo attached, Hilcorp determined that chlorides exceeded the BGT closure criteria thresholds shown in Condition 7 of the closure plan. Thus, indicating that a potential release occurred. However, chlorides did not exceed the most stringent Closure Criteria for Soils Beneath Below-Grade Tanks listed in Table I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC for groundwater depths (≤50 ft bgs). Hilcorp will proceed with the backfill and ensure that the excavation is backfilled in accordance with Conditions 11-13 of the BGT Closure Plan.


State of New Mexico  
Oil Conservation Division

Incident ID	
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release?
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)?	

**Initial Response**

*The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.
If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why:
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: <u>Mitch Killough</u> Title: <u>Environmental Specialist</u>
Signature:  Date: <u>07/05/2022</u>
email: <u>mkillough@hilcorp.com</u> Telephone: <u>713-757-5247</u>
<b><u>OCD Only</u></b> Received by: _____ Date: _____





## Memorandum

To: Victoria Venegas, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD)

From: Mitch Killough, Hilcorp Energy Company (Hilcorp)

Date: 7/5/2022

Subject: Butte 5 – Permanent Closure of a Below-Grade Tank (BGT)

On 6/14/2022, Hilcorp submitted a 72-hour notice prior to the permanent closure of a BGT at the Butte 5, San Juan County, New Mexico. As required by Condition 7 (*found in the enclosed Closure Plan, received by the NMOCD in 11/2008*), Hilcorp personnel proceeded to collect a 5-pt composite soil sample on 6/17/2022 to determine if any contaminant concentrations exceeded the BGT closure criteria thresholds, per Condition 7. Upon receiving analytical results on 6/24/2022, Hilcorp determined that chlorides exceeded the BGT closure criteria thresholds shown in Condition 7 of the closure plan. Thus, indicating that a potential release occurred (refer to table below). However, chlorides did not exceed NMOCD's most stringent Closure Criteria for Soils Beneath Below-Grade Tanks listed in Table I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC for groundwater depths ( $\leq 50$  ft bgs).

SOIL ANALYTICAL RESULTS												
BUTTE 5												
HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY - L48 WEST												
Soil Sample Identification	Sample Date	Benzene (mg/kg)	Toluene (mg/kg)	Ethylbenzene (mg/kg)	Total Xylenes (mg/kg)	Total BTEX (mg/kg)	Chlorides (mg/kg)	GRO (mg/kg)	DRO (mg/kg)	MRO (mg/kg)	GRO+DRO (mg/kg)	TPH (mg/kg)
Bottom Comp	6/17/2022	<0.017	<0.035	<0.035	<0.070	<0.157	370	<3.5	<14	<47	<17.5	<64.5
NMOCD BGT Closure Criteria		0.2	NE	NE	NE	50	250	NE	NE	NE	NE	100
Table 1 of 19.15.17.13 ( $\leq 50'$ bgs)		10	NE	NE	NE	50	600	NE	NE	NE	NE	100

In accordance with 19.15.17.13(C)(3)(c) NMAC, all contaminant concentrations are less than the parameters listed in Table I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC for groundwater depths ( $\leq 50$  ft bgs). Hilcorp will proceed with closure and ensure that the excavation is backfilled in accordance with Conditions 11-13 of the Closure Plan.

Enclosures: Hall Lab Report (dated 6/24/2022)  
 Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application (received by the NMOCD in 11/2008)

Hilcorp Energy Company  
 1111 Travis Street, Houston, Texas 77002  
 T 713.209.2400 F 713.289.2750



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4901 Hawkins NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
TEL: 505-345-3975 FAX: 505-345-4107  
Website: [www.hallenvironmental.com](http://www.hallenvironmental.com)

June 24, 2022

Mitch Killough  
HILCORP ENERGY  
PO Box 4700  
Farmington, NM 87499  
TEL: (505) 564-0733  
FAX:

RE: Butte 5

OrderNo.: 2206992

Dear Mitch Killough:

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory received 1 sample(s) on 6/18/2022 for the analyses presented in the following report.

These were analyzed according to EPA procedures or equivalent. To access our accredited tests please go to [www.hallenvironmental.com](http://www.hallenvironmental.com) or the state specific web sites. In order to properly interpret your results, it is imperative that you review this report in its entirety. See the sample checklist and/or the Chain of Custody for information regarding the sample receipt temperature and preservation. Data qualifiers or a narrative will be provided if the sample analysis or analytical quality control parameters require a flag. When necessary, data qualifiers are provided on both the sample analysis report and the QC summary report, both sections should be reviewed. All samples are reported, as received, unless otherwise indicated. Lab measurement of analytes considered field parameters that require analysis within 15 minutes of sampling such as pH and residual chlorine are qualified as being analyzed outside of the recommended holding time.

Please don't hesitate to contact HEAL for any additional information or clarifications.

ADHS Cert #AZ0682 -- NMED-DWB Cert #NM9425 -- NMED-Micro Cert #NM0901

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Freeman", is written over a horizontal line.

Andy Freeman  
Laboratory Manager  
4901 Hawkins NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87109

## Analytical Report

Lab Order 2206992

Date Reported: 6/24/2022

## Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: HILCORP ENERGY

Client Sample ID: Bottom Comp

Project: Butte 5

Collection Date: 6/17/2022 1:20:00 PM

Lab ID: 2206992-001

Matrix: MEOH (SOIL)

Received Date: 6/18/2022 9:50:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL	Qual	Units	DF	Date Analyzed
<b>EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE ORGANICS</b>						Analyst: <b>SB</b>
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	14		mg/Kg	1	6/21/2022 4:53:11 PM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	47		mg/Kg	1	6/21/2022 4:53:11 PM
Surr: DNOP	102	51.1-141		%Rec	1	6/21/2022 4:53:11 PM
<b>EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE</b>						Analyst: <b>NSB</b>
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	3.5		mg/Kg	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
Surr: BFB	97.2	37.7-212		%Rec	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
<b>EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES</b>						Analyst: <b>NSB</b>
Benzene	ND	0.017		mg/Kg	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
Toluene	ND	0.035		mg/Kg	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.035		mg/Kg	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.070		mg/Kg	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	95.2	70-130		%Rec	1	6/18/2022 3:36:30 PM
<b>EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS</b>						Analyst: <b>LRN</b>
Chloride	370	60		mg/Kg	20	6/22/2022 12:39:49 PM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

<b>Qualifiers:</b>	*	Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.	B	Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
	D	Sample Diluted Due to Matrix	E	Estimated value
	H	Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded	J	Analyte detected below quantitation limits
	ND	Not Detected at the Reporting Limit	P	Sample pH Not In Range
	PQL	Practical Quantitative Limit	RL	Reporting Limit
	S	% Recovery outside of range due to dilution or matrix interference		

QC SUMMARY REPORT

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

WO#: 2206992  
24-Jun-22

Client: HILCORP ENERGY  
Project: Butte 5

Sample ID: MB-68287		SampType: mblk		TestCode: EPA Method 300.0: Anions						
Client ID: PBS		Batch ID: 68287		RunNo: 88947						
Prep Date: 6/22/2022		Analysis Date: 6/22/2022		SeqNo: 3159736			Units: mg/Kg			
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Chloride	ND	1.5								

Sample ID: LCS-68287		SampType: lcs		TestCode: EPA Method 300.0: Anions						
Client ID: LCSS		Batch ID: 68287		RunNo: 88947						
Prep Date: 6/22/2022		Analysis Date: 6/22/2022		SeqNo: 3159737			Units: mg/Kg			
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Chloride	14	1.5	15.00	0	95.0	90	110			

Qualifiers:

\* Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.

D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix

H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded

ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit

PQL Practical Quantitative Limit

S % Recovery outside of range due to dilution or matrix interference

B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank

E Estimated value

J Analyte detected below quantitation limits

P Sample pH Not In Range

RL Reporting Limit

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# QC SUMMARY REPORT

## Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

WO#: 2206992

24-Jun-22

Client: HILCORP ENERGY

Project: Butte 5

Sample ID: <b>MB-68231</b>	SampType: <b>MBLK</b>		TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8015M/D: Diesel Range Organics</b>							
Client ID: <b>PBS</b>	Batch ID: <b>68231</b>		RunNo: <b>88925</b>							
Prep Date: <b>6/20/2022</b>	Analysis Date: <b>6/21/2022</b>		SeqNo: <b>3158629</b>		Units: <b>%Rec</b>					
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Surr: DNOP	9.1		10.00		90.7	51.1	141			

Sample ID: <b>LCS-68231</b>	SampType: <b>LCS</b>		TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8015M/D: Diesel Range Organics</b>							
Client ID: <b>LCSS</b>	Batch ID: <b>68231</b>		RunNo: <b>88925</b>							
Prep Date: <b>6/20/2022</b>	Analysis Date: <b>6/21/2022</b>		SeqNo: <b>3158631</b>		Units: <b>%Rec</b>					
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Surr: DNOP	4.3		5.000		86.2	51.1	141			

### Qualifiers:

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ND	Not Detected at the Reporting Limit	P	Sample pH Not In Range
PQL	Practical Quantitative Limit	RL	Reporting Limit
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**QC SUMMARY REPORT****Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.**

WO#: 2206992

24-Jun-22

**Client:** HILCORP ENERGY**Project:** Butte 5

Sample ID: <b>mb</b>	SampType: <b>MBLK</b>		TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range</b>							
Client ID: <b>PBS</b>	Batch ID: <b>G88849</b>		RunNo: <b>88849</b>							
Prep Date:	Analysis Date: <b>6/18/2022</b>		SeqNo: <b>3154704</b>		Units: <b>mg/Kg</b>					
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	5.0								
Surr: BFB	1000		1000		102	37.7	212			

Sample ID: <b>2.5ug gro lcs</b>	SampType: <b>LCS</b>		TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range</b>							
Client ID: <b>LCSS</b>	Batch ID: <b>G88849</b>		RunNo: <b>88849</b>							
Prep Date:	Analysis Date: <b>6/18/2022</b>		SeqNo: <b>3154705</b>		Units: <b>mg/Kg</b>					
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	28	5.0	25.00	0	110	72.3	137			
Surr: BFB	2100		1000		212	37.7	212			

Sample ID: <b>2206992-001ams</b>	SampType: <b>MS</b>		TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range</b>							
Client ID: <b>Bottom Comp</b>	Batch ID: <b>G88849</b>		RunNo: <b>88849</b>							
Prep Date:	Analysis Date: <b>6/18/2022</b>		SeqNo: <b>3154709</b>		Units: <b>mg/Kg</b>					
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	19	3.5	17.45	0	109	70	130			
Surr: BFB	1500		697.8		211	37.7	212			

Sample ID: <b>2206992-001amsd</b>	SampType: <b>MSD</b>		TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range</b>							
Client ID: <b>Bottom Comp</b>	Batch ID: <b>G88849</b>		RunNo: <b>88849</b>							
Prep Date:	Analysis Date: <b>6/18/2022</b>		SeqNo: <b>3154710</b>		Units: <b>mg/Kg</b>					
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	19	3.5	17.45	0	110	70	130	0.766	20	
Surr: BFB	1500		697.8		212	37.7	212	0	0	S

**Qualifiers:**

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**QC SUMMARY REPORT****Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.**

WO#: 2206992

24-Jun-22

**Client:** HILCORP ENERGY**Project:** Butte 5

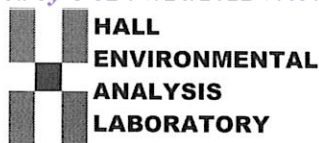
Sample ID: <b>mb</b>	SampType: <b>MBLK</b>	TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8021B: Volatiles</b>								
Client ID: <b>PBS</b>	Batch ID: <b>B88849</b>	RunNo: <b>88849</b>								
Prep Date:	Analysis Date: <b>6/18/2022</b>	SeqNo: <b>3154714</b>	Units: <b>mg/Kg</b>							
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Benzene	ND	0.025								
Toluene	ND	0.050								
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.050								
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.10								
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	0.95		1.000		94.9	70	130			

Sample ID: <b>100ng btex lcs</b>	SampType: <b>LCS</b>	TestCode: <b>EPA Method 8021B: Volatiles</b>								
Client ID: <b>LCSS</b>	Batch ID: <b>B88849</b>	RunNo: <b>88849</b>								
Prep Date:	Analysis Date: <b>6/18/2022</b>	SeqNo: <b>3154715</b>	Units: <b>mg/Kg</b>							
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Benzene	0.90	0.025	1.000	0	90.1	80	120			
Toluene	0.94	0.050	1.000	0	93.9	80	120			
Ethylbenzene	0.93	0.050	1.000	0	93.4	80	120			
Xylenes, Total	2.8	0.10	3.000	0	94.2	80	120			
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	0.94		1.000		93.7	70	130			

**Qualifiers:**

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## Sample Log-In Check List

Client Name: Hilcorp Energy

Work Order Number: 2206992

RcptNo: 1

Received By: Isaiah Ortiz

6/18/2022 9:50:00 AM

I-Ox

Completed By: Isaiah Ortiz

6/18/2022 10:37:40 AM

I-Ox

Reviewed By: @ 06/18/2022

### Chain of Custody

1. Is Chain of Custody complete? Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Present ☐
2. How was the sample delivered? Courier

### Log In

3. Was an attempt made to cool the samples? Yes ☒ No ☐ NA ☐
4. Were all samples received at a temperature of  $>0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $6.0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ? Yes ☒ No ☐ NA ☐
5. Sample(s) in proper container(s)? Yes ☒ No ☐
6. Sufficient sample volume for indicated test(s)? Yes ☒ No ☐
7. Are samples (except VOA and ONG) properly preserved? Yes ☒ No ☐
8. Was preservative added to bottles? Yes ☐ No ☒ NA ☐
9. Received at least 1 vial with headspace  $<1/4"$  for AQ VOA? Yes ☐ No ☐ NA ☒
10. Were any sample containers received broken? Yes ☐ No ☒
11. Does paperwork match bottle labels?  
(Note discrepancies on chain of custody) Yes ☒ No ☐
12. Are matrices correctly identified on Chain of Custody? Yes ☒ No ☐
13. Is it clear what analyses were requested? Yes ☒ No ☐
14. Were all holding times able to be met?  
(If no, notify customer for authorization.) Yes ☒ No ☐

# of preserved  
bottles checked  
for pH:

( $<2$  or  $>12$  unless noted)

Adjusted? \_\_\_\_\_

Checked by: \_\_\_\_\_

IO  
6/18/22

### Special Handling (if applicable)

15. Was client notified of all discrepancies with this order? Yes ☐ No ☐ NA ☒

Person Notified: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom: \_\_\_\_\_

Via: ☐ eMail ☐ Phone ☐ Fax ☐ In Person

Regarding: \_\_\_\_\_

Client Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

16. Additional remarks:

### 17. Cooler Information

Cooler No	Temp $^{\circ}\text{C}$	Condition	Seal Intact	Seal No	Seal Date	Signed By
1	4.8	Good	Not Present			





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Form C-144  
July 21, 200

For temporary pits, closed-loop systems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

2009 NOV 24 AM 11 34

Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or  
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action: ☒ Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
**Existing BGT** ☐ Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
☐ Modification to an existing permit  
**BGT1** ☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

**Instructions:** Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank or alternative request

Please 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: XTO Energy, Inc. OGRID #: 5380  
Address: #382 County Road 3100, Aztec, NM 87410  
Facility or well name: BUTTE #5  
API Number: 30-045-33891 OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
U/L or Qtr/Qtr P Section 18 Township 30N Range 13W County: San Juan  
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.8091944 Longitude 108.2413333 NAD: ☐ 1927 ☒ 1983  
Surface Owner: ☒ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.  
☐ **Pit:** Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMA  
Temporary: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover  
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A  
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ String-Reinforced  
Liner Seams: ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Dimensions: L \_\_\_\_\_ x W \_\_\_\_\_ x D \_\_\_\_\_

3.  
☐ **Closed-loop System:** Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Type of Operation: ☐ P&A ☐ Drilling a new well ☐ Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent)  
☐ Drying Pad ☐ Above Ground Steel Tanks ☐ Haul-off Bins ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Liner Seams: ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

4.  
☒ **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Volume: 120 bbl Type of fluid: Produced Water  
Tank Construction material: Steel  
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off  
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☒ Other Visible sidewalls, vaulted, automatic high-level shut off, no liner  
Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Alternative Method:**  
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.



**Fencing:** Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks*)

- ☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (*Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church*)
- ☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet
- ☒ Alternate. Please specify Four foot height, steel mesh field fence (hogwire) with pipe top railing

7.

**Netting:** Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks*)

- ☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☒ Other Expanded metal or solid vaulted top
- ☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)

8.

**Signs:** Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

- ☐ 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers
- ☒ Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC

9.

**Administrative Approvals and Exceptions:**

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.

**Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:**

- ☐ Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.
- ☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

10.

**Siting Criteria (regarding permitting):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC

**Instructions:** The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to permanent pits) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NA
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**11. Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☒ Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  
☐ Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  
☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  
☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC  
☒ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9  
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  
☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC  
☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Applies only to closed-loop system that use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)

**13. Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

**Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☐ Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  
☐ Climatological Factors Assessment  
☐ Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan  
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC  
☐ Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H<sub>2</sub>S, Prevention Plan  
☐ Emergency Response Plan  
☐ Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization  
☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan  
☐ Erosion Control Plan  
☐ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

**14. Proposed Closure:** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

**Instructions:** Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.

Type: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Permanent Pit ☒ Below-grade Tank ☐ Closed-loop System  
☐ Alternative

Proposed Closure Method: ☒ Waste Excavation and Removal  
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)  
☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial  
☐ Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)

**15. Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) **Instructions:** Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

- ☒ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)  
☒ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

**16. Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13.D NMAC)**

**Instructions:** Please identify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No

**Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:**

☐ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

**17. Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19.15.17.10 NMAC**

**Instructions:** Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No  
☐ NA

Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste

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

☐ Yes ☐ No  
☐ NA

Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No  
☐ NA

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within an unstable area.

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within a 100-year floodplain.

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☐ No

**18. On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.**

☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC

☐ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)

☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

19.

**Operator Application Certification:**

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

Name (Print): Kim Champlin Title: Environmental Representative  
 Signature: Kim Champlin Date: 11-20-08  
 e-mail address: kim\_champlin@xtoenergy.com Telephone: (505) 333-3100

20.

**OCD Approval:** ☒ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: Victoria Venegas Approval Date: 02/22/2022

Title: Environmental Specialist OCD Permit Number: BGT1

21.

**Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

*Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.*

☐ Closure Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

22.

**Closure Method:**

☐ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

23.

**Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:**

*Instructions: Please identify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.*

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Disposal Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disposal Facility Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) ☐ No

*Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:*

- ☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)  
☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation  
☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

24.

**Closure Report Attachment Checklist:** *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)  
☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure)  
☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)  
☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)  
☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)  
☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number  
☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation  
☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique  
☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

On-site Closure Location: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983

25.

**Operator Closure Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_



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Form C-102

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☐ AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

<sup>1</sup> API Number		<sup>2</sup> Pool Code		<sup>3</sup> Pool Name	
<sup>4</sup> Property Code		<sup>5</sup> Property Name			
		BUTTE			
<sup>7</sup> OGRID No.		<sup>6</sup> Operator Name			
		XTO ENERGY INC.			
		<sup>8</sup> Well Number			
		5			
		<sup>9</sup> Elevation			
		5734			

<sup>10</sup> Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
P	18	30-N	13-W		1165	SOUTH	1330	EAST	SAN JUAN

<sup>11</sup> Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
<sup>12</sup> Dedicated Acres					<sup>13</sup> Joint or Infill		<sup>14</sup> Consolidation Code		<sup>15</sup> Order No.

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

16	LOT 1					
	LOT 2					
	LOT 3					
	LOT 4					

FD 3 1/4" BC  
1952 B.L.M.

18

LAT: 36°48'33.1" N. (NAD 27)  
LONG: 108°14'28.8" W. (NAD 27)

FD 3 1/4" BC  
1952 B.L.M.

N 89-49-55 W  
2697.5' (M)

1165'

1330'

N 0-29-13 W  
2635.5' (M)

1348.75'

17 OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

18 SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.

Date of Survey \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Registered Professional Surveyor \_\_\_\_\_

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Certificate Number \_\_\_\_\_



**Lodestar Services, Inc.**  
PO Box 4465, Durango, CO 81302

## Pit Permit Siting Criteria Information Sheet

<b>Client:</b>	XTO Energy
<b>Project:</b>	Pit Permits
<b>Revised:</b>	10/26/2008
<b>Prepared by:</b>	Daniel Newman

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<b>Domestic fresh water well or spring within 500'</b>	No																																										
<b>Any other fresh water well or spring within 1000'</b>	No																																										
<b>Within incorporated municipal boundaries</b>	No																																										
<b>Within defined municipal fresh water well field</b>	890' east of Conner Arroyo																																										
<b>Wetland within 500'</b>	No																																										
<b>Within unstable area</b>	No																																										
<b>Within 100 year flood plain</b>	Zone X																																										
<b>USPLSS:</b>	T30N,R13W,18P																																										
<b>Lat/Long:</b>	36.8091944 / -108.2413333																																										
<b>Geologic formation:</b>	Kirtland and Fruitland Formations																																										
<b>Soil Type:</b>	Entisols																																										
<b>Annual Precipitation:</b>	8.08 inches average																																										
<b>Precipitation Notes:</b>	no significant precipitation events																																										
<b>Attached Documents:</b>	Topo map, ground water data map, ariel photo, mines and quarries map, FEMA map																																										
<b>Mining Activity:</b>	No																																										

**Additional Notes:**

corrected township/range from  
T30N,R13W,18P to  
T30N,R13W,18O

## **BUTTE #5 Below Ground Tank Hydrogeologic Report for Siting Criteria**

### **General Geology and Hydrology**

The San Juan Basin is a typical Rocky Mountain basin with a gently dipping southern flank and a steeply dipping northern flank. Asymmetrically layered Tertiary sandstones and shales, along with Quaternary alluvial deposits, dominate surficial geology (Dane and Bachman, 1965). The proposed pit location will be situated near Coolidge Arroyo, northeast of Twin Mounds and the town of Kirtland.

The predominant geologic formation is the Fruitland Formation/Kirtland Shale of Late Cretaceous age, which underlies surface soils and is often exposed as broad shaley hills (Dane and Bachman, 1965). Deposits of Quaternary alluvial sands also occur prominently near the surface of the area, especially near streams and washes. The Fruitland Formation consists of interbedded sandy shale, carbonaceous shale, sandstone and coal units. The Kirtland Shale is divided into a lower shale member, a middle sandstone unit and an upper sandy shale member. The two formations are difficult to differentiate and are often treated together. The combined thickness of the Fruitland-Kirtland interval ranges from 100 to 2000 feet (Stone et al., 1983).

Cretaceous and Tertiary sandstones, as well as Quaternary alluvial deposits serve as the primary aquifers in the San Juan Basin (Stone et al., 1983). Aquifers within the Fruitland-Kirtland Formations are primarily limited to the Farmington Sandstone Member, which is the middle unit within the Kirtland Shale. Reported discharge from stock wells is about 10 gallons per minute (Stone et al., 1983). The aquifer supplies low yielding stock wells.

The prominent soil type at the proposed site is entisols, which are defined as soils that exhibit little to no profile development ([www.emnrd.state.nm.us](http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us)). Soils are basically unaltered from their parent rock. Miles of arroyos, washes and intermittent streams exist as part of the drainage network towards the San Juan River. These features often cut into soil and other unconsolidated materials, contributing to sedimentation downstream. The sudden influx of water from storm events easily erodes the soils that cover the area and prohibits effective recharge to the underlying aquifers.

Dry and arid weather further prohibit active recharge. The climate of the region is arid, averaging just over 8 inches of rainfall annually. As is typical of the southwestern United States monsoonal weather patterns, most precipitation falls from August through October. The heaviest rainfall occurs in the summer in isolated, intense cloudbursts. November through June is relatively dry. Snow generally falls from December to mid-February and averages less than one-half inch in depth. However, most recharge occurs during the winter months during snowmelt periods from the upper elevations (Western Regional Climate Center [www.wrcc.dri.edu](http://www.wrcc.dri.edu)).

The predominant vegetation is sagebrush and grasses with a more restricted pinon-juniper association (Dick-Peddie, 1993).

### Site Specific Hydrogeology

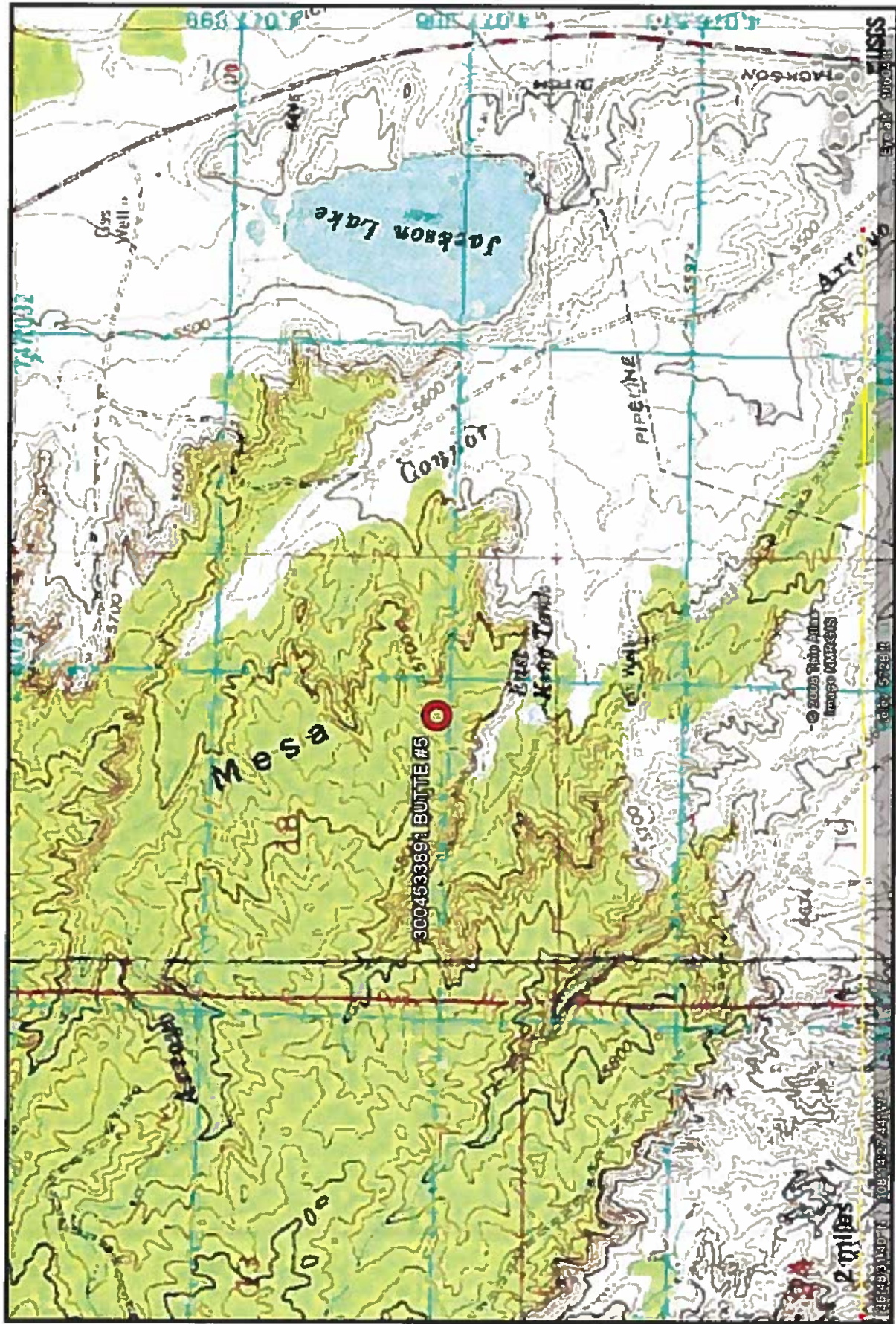
Depth to groundwater is estimated to greater than 100 feet. This estimation is based on data from Stone and others (1983), the USGS Groundwater Atlas of the United States and depth to groundwater data published on the New Mexico State Engineer's iWaters Database website. Local topography and proximity to surface hydrologic features are also taken into consideration.

Beds of water-yielding sandstone are primarily confined to the Farmington Sandstone Member of the Fruitland Formation, which is 20-480 feet thick (Stone et al., 1983). The site is located in a shaley unit of the Fruitland Formation, as evidenced by the relatively flat topography that is easily eroded by arroyos. The eroded surfaces of the arroyos do not expose thick sequences of sandstone outcrops, the presence of which might indicate a water-bearing unit within the immediate subsurface.

Groundwater data available from the NM State Engineer's iWaters Database for wells near the proposed site are attached. Wells located within the area contain groundwater at depths ranging from 9 to 140 feet. The site in question is located near the rim of Conner Arroyo at an elevation of approximately 5760 feet. The closest well to the proposed site sits at an elevation of approximately 5439 feet, at a distance of approximately 1.3 miles to the southeast. This site puts groundwater at a distance of 9 feet below the ground surface.

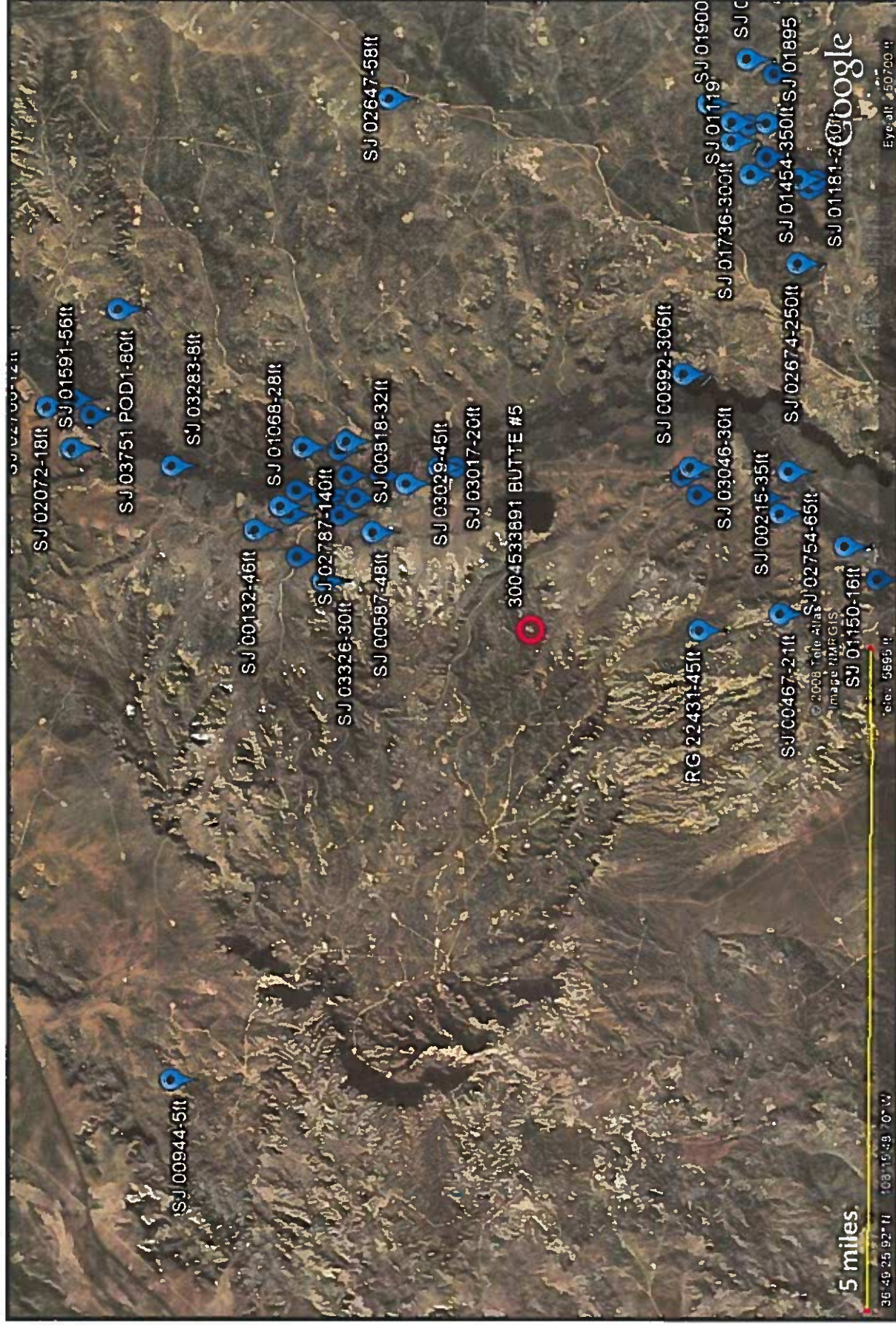
Exposures of shale at the surface and within channel cuts of arroyos suggest groundwater is restricted to deeper sandstone units. However, proximity of the site to the La Plata River should also be considered. Groundwater data recorded from wells drilled with the immediate vicinity of the proposed site put groundwater depth at less than 50 feet. However there is an elevation difference of approximately 300 feet between these wells and the proposed site. Therefore, depth to groundwater is estimated to be greater than 100 feet.





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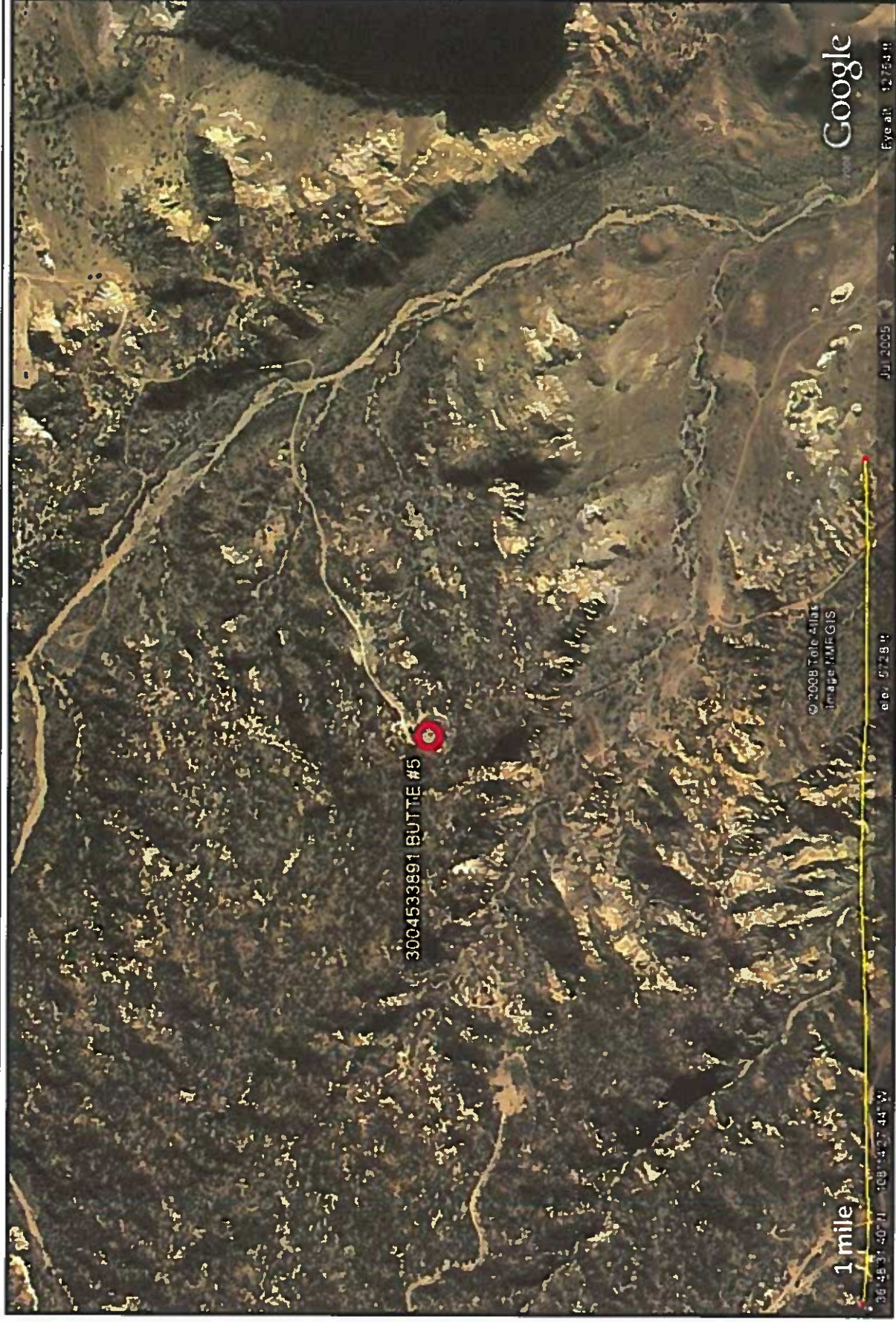
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								Min	Max	Avg
RG	30H	13W	30				1	45	45	45
SJ	30H	13W	01				1	27	27	27
SJ	30H	13W	05				2	3	46	27
SJ	30H	13W	08				13	3	56	27
SJ	30H	13W	09				3	32	140	31
SJ	30H	13W	11				1	53	53	53
SJ	30H	13W	17				3	5	45	25
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SJ	30H	13W	29				2	306	306	306
SJ	30H	13W	29				10	15	65	31
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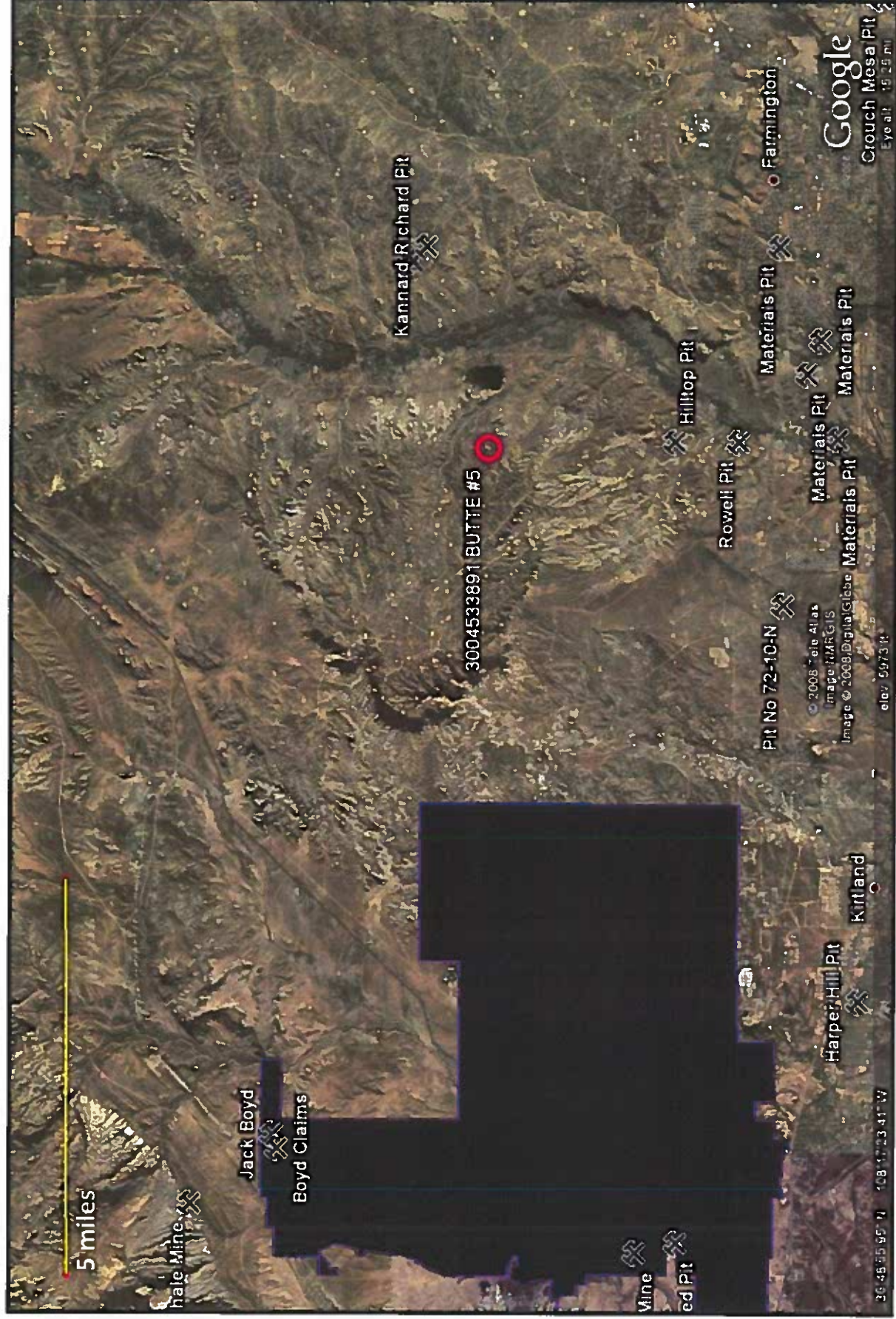


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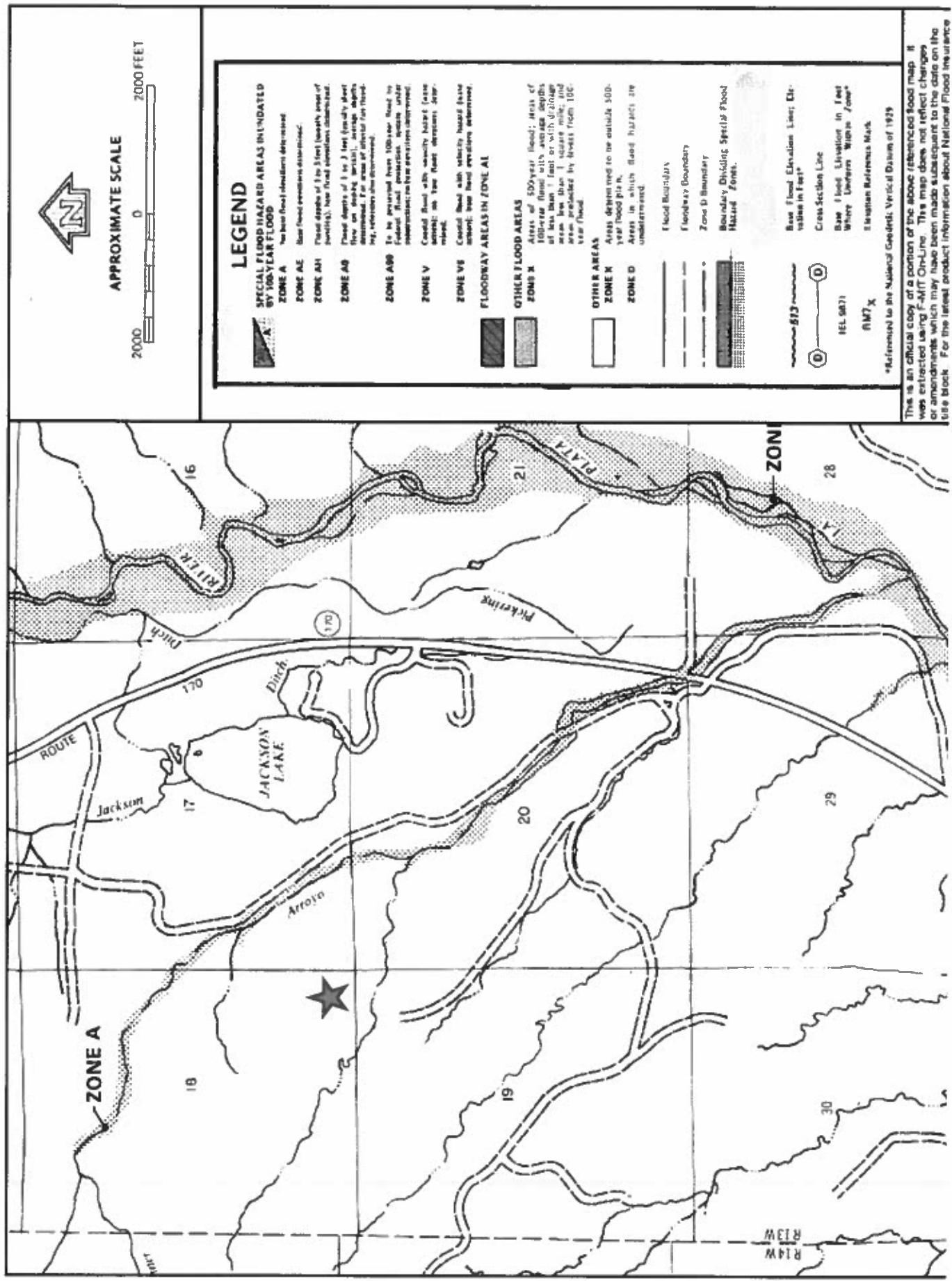
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**XTO Energy Inc.  
San Juan Basin (Northwest New Mexico)  
General Design and Construction Plan  
For Below-Grade Tanks**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC the following information describes the design and construction of below-grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below-grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below-grade tank which does not conform to this plan.

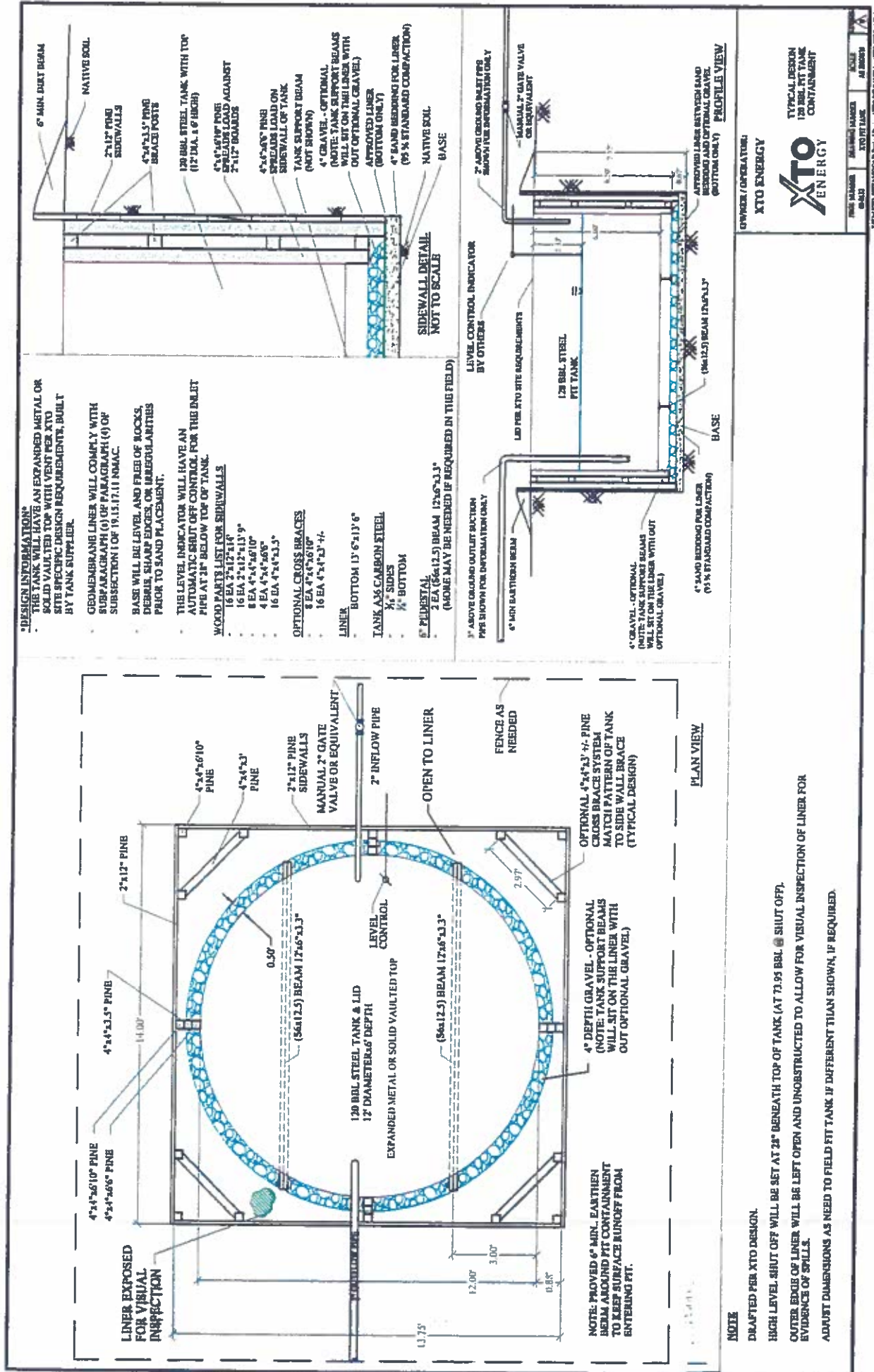
**General Plan**

1. XTO will design and construct below-grade tanks to contain liquids and solids and prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and environment.
2. XTO will post a well sign, in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC, on the existing well site operated by XTO where the existing below-grade tank is located. The sign will list the Operator on record as the operator, the location of the well site by unit letter, section, township, range, and emergency telephone numbers.
3. XTO is requesting approval of an alternative fencing to be used on below-grade tank locations. Below-grade tank locations will be fenced utilizing 48" steel mesh field-fence (hogwire) with pipe railing along the top. A 6' chain link fence will be utilized around the well pad if the well site is within a city limits or ¼ mile of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church. Below-grade tanks located within 1000' of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church will be fenced by 6' chain link fence with at least two strands of barbed wire at the top. All gates associated with below-grade tanks will remain closed and locked when responsible individuals are not on site.
4. XTO shall construct below-grade tanks with an expanded metal covering or solid vaulted top on the top of the below-grade tank.
5. XTO will ensure that below-grade tanks are constructed of materials resistant to the below-grade tank's particular contents and resistant to damage from sunlight. Tanks will be constructed of A36 carbon steel with 3/16" sides and ¼" bottom. (See attached drawing).
6. The below-grade tank system will have a properly constructed foundation consisting of a level base free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent punctures, cracks or indentations of the liner or tank bottom. Sand bedding (4") will be placed on top of a level foundation to ensure prevention of punctures, cracks or indentations of the liner or tank bottom.
7. XTO will construct a berm and/or diversion ditch in a manner that prevents the collection of surface water run-on. Below-grade tanks will be equipped with automatic high level shut-off devices as well as manually operated shut-off valves. (See attached drawing).
8. XTO will construct and use below-grade tanks that do not have double walls. The below-grade tank sidewalls will be open for visual inspection for leaks. The sidewalls of the cellar will be constructed with 2" X 12" pine sidewalls and 4" X 4" pine brace posts. The below-grade tank

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bottom will be elevated a minimum of 6" above the underlying ground surface and the below-grade tank will be underlain with a geomembrane liner to divert leaked liquid to a location that can be visually inspected. (See attached drawing).

9. XTO will equip below-grade tanks designed in this manner with a properly functioning automatic high-level shut-off control device and manual controls to prevent overflows. (See attached drawing).
10. XTO will demonstrate to the OCD that the geomembrane liner complies with the specifications of Subparagraph (a) of Paragraph (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC and obtain approval from OCD prior to the installation of the design. The geomembrane liner shall have a hydraulic conductivity no greater than  $1 \times 10^{-9}$  cm/sec. The geomembrane liner shall be composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acids and alkaline solutions. The liner material shall be resistant to ultraviolet light. Liner compatibility shall comply with EPA SW-846 method 9090A. (See attached drawing).
11. The general specifications for design and construction are attached.





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General Maintenance and Operating Plan  
For Below-Grade Tanks**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.12 NMAC the following information describes the operation and maintenance of below-grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below-grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below-grade tank which does not conform to this plan.

**General Plan**

1. XTO will operate and maintain below-grade tanks to contain liquids and solids, maintain the integrity of the liner and secondary containment system, prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment. Fluid levels will be monitored weekly and high levels will be removed as necessary. Monthly inspections will be conducted to monitor integrity of below-grade tank systems and below-grade tanks will be equipped with automatic high-level shut-off devices.
2. XTO will not allow below-grade tanks to overflow and will use berms and/or diversion ditch to prevent surface run on to enter the below-grade tank. Below-grade tanks will be equipped with automatic high-level shut-off control devices as well as manually operated shut-off valves. See attached drawing for vault design and placement of diversion berms and shut-off devices.
3. XTO will continuously remove any visible or measurable layer of oil from the fluid surface of below-grade tanks in order to prevent significant accumulation of oil.
4. XTO will inspect the below-grade tank monthly and maintain written records for five years. Monthly inspections will consist of documenting the following: (see attached template),
  - Well Name
  - API #
  - Sec., Twn., Rng.
  - XTO Inspector's name
  - Inspection date and time
  - Visible tears in liner
  - Visible signs of tank overflow
  - Collection of surface run on
  - Visible layer of oil
  - Visible signs of tank leak
  - Estimated freeboard
5. XTO will maintain adequate freeboard to prevent over topping of the below-grade tank. High level shut-off devices control the freeboard at an average of 28" beneath the top of the tank.
6. XTO will not discharge into or store any hazardous waste in any below-grade tank.
7. If a below-grade tank develops a leak, or if any penetration of a below-grade tank occurs below the liquids surface, XTO will remove all liquids above the damage or leak line within 48 hours,

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notify the appropriate division district office within 48 hours of the discovery and repair the damage or replace the below-grade tank. If an existing below-grade tank does not meet current requirements of Paragraphs 1-4 of Subsection 1 of 19.15.17.11 NMAC the tank will be modified or retrofitted to comply. If compliance can not be achieved XTO will implement the approved closure plan.



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For Below-Grade Tanks**

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 NMAC the following information describes the closure requirements of below-grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below-grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below-grade tank which does not conform to this plan.

**General Plan**

1. XTO will close below-grade tanks within the time periods provided in 19.15.17.13 NMAC, or by an earlier date that the division requires because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health or the environment.
2. XTO will close a below-grade tank that does not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC or is not included in Paragraph (5) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC within five years after June 16, 2008, if not retrofitted to comply with Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC.
3. XTO will close a permitted below-grade tank within 60 days of cessation of the below-grade tank's operation or as required by the transitional provisions of Subsection B of 19.15.17.17 NMAC in accordance with a closure plan that the appropriate division district office approves. The closure report will be filed on form C-144.
4. XTO will remove liquids and sludge from below-grade tanks prior to implementing a closure method and will dispose of the liquids and sludge in a division-approved facility. Approved facilities and waste streams include:
  - Envirotech Permit No. NM01-0011 and IEI Permit No. NM 01-0010B
    - Soil contaminated by exempt petroleum hydrocarbons
    - Produced sand, pit sludge and contaminated bottoms from storage of exempt wastes
  - Basin Disposal Permit No. NM01-005
    - Produced water
5. XTO will remove the below-grade tank and dispose of it in a division approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the appropriate division district office has approved prior to removal. Any associated liners will be removed, properly cleaned and disposed of per 19.15.9.712 NMAC at San Juan County Landfill. Documentation of the final disposition will be included in the closure report.
6. XTO will remove any on-site equipment associated with a below-grade tank unless the equipment is required for some other purpose.
7. XTO will test the soils beneath the below-grade tank to determine whether a release has occurred. At a minimum 5 point composite sample will be collected along with individual grab samples from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release. Samples will be

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analyzed for BTEX, TPH and chlorides to demonstrate that the benzene concentration, as determined by EPA SW-846 methods 8021B or 8260B or EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 0.2 mg/kg; total BTEX concentration, as determined by EPA SW-846 methods 8021B or 8260B or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 50 mg/kg; the TPH concentration, as determined by EPA method 418.1 or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 100mg/kg, and the chloride concentration, as determined by EPA method 300.1 or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 250 mg/kg, or the background concentration, whichever is greater. XTO will notify the division of its results on form C-141.

8. If XTO or the division determines that a release has occurred, XTO will comply with 19.15.3.116 NMAC and 19.15.1.19NMAC as appropriate.
9. If the sampling program demonstrates that a release has not occurred or that any release does not exceed the concentrations specified in Paragraph (4) of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, XTO will backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material; construct a division prescribed soil cover; recontour and re-vegetate the site.
10. Notice of Closure operations will be given to the Aztec Division District III office between 72 hours and one week prior to the start of closure activities via email or verbally.  
 The notification will include the following:
  - i. Operator's name
  - ii. Well Name and API Number
  - iii. Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range

The surface owner shall also be notified prior to the implementation of any closure operations of below-grade tanks as per the approved closure plan using certified mail, return receipt requested.

11. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding area. Re-shaping will include drainage control, prevent ponding, and prevent erosion. Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be placed in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final re-contour shall have a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.
12. A minimum of 4 feet of cover shall be achieved and the cover shall include 1 foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, or the background thickness of topsoil, whichever is greater. Soil cover will be constructed to the site's existing grade and ponding of water and erosion of the cover material will be prevented with drainage control, natural drainages and silt traps where needed.
13. XTO will seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after the operator closes the pit. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. BLM or Forest Service stipulated seed mixes will be used on federal lands. Vegetative cover will equal 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (un-impacted) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintain that cover through two successive growing seasons. Repeat seeding or planting will be continued until successful vegetative growth occurs.



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14. All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted in closure report form to OCD within 60 days of closure of the below-grade tank. Closure report will be filed on form C-144 and incorporate the following:
- i. Proof of closure notice to division and surface owner;
  - ii. Details on capping and covering, where applicable;
  - iii. Inspection reports;
  - iv. Confirmation sampling analytical results;
  - v. Disposal facility name(s) and permit number(s);
  - vi. Soil backfilling and cover installation;
  - vii. Re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques, (or approved alternative to re-vegetation requirements if applicable);
  - viii. Photo documentation of the site reclamation.

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QUESTIONS

Action 82583

**QUESTIONS**

Operator: HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY 1111 Travis Street Houston, TX 77002	OGRID: 372171
	Action Number: 82583
	Action Type: [C-144] Legacy Below Grade Tank Plan (C-144LB)

**QUESTIONS**

<b>Facility and Ground Water</b>	
<i>Please answer as many of these questions as possible in this group. More information will help us identify the appropriate associations in the system.</i>	
Facility or Site Name	Butte 5
Facility ID (##), if known	Not answered.
Facility Type	Below Grade Tank - (BGT)
Well Name, include well number	Butte 5
Well API, if associated with a well	3004533891
Pit / Tank Type	Not answered.
Pit / Tank Name or Identifier	Not answered.
Pit / Tank Opened Date, if known	Not answered.
Pit / Tank Dimensions, Length (ft)	Not answered.
Pit / Tank Dimensions, Width or Diameter (ft)	Not answered.
Pit / Tank Dimensions, Depth (ft)	Not answered.
Ground Water Depth (ft)	Not answered.
Ground Water Impact	Not answered.
Ground Water Quality (TDS)	Not answered.

**Below-Grade Tank**

Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

Volume / Capacity (bbls)	120
Type of Fluid	Produced Water
Pit / Tank Construction Material	Steel
Secondary containment with leak detection	Not answered.
Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off	Not answered.
Visible sidewalls and liner	Not answered.
Visible sidewalls only	True
Tank installed prior to June 18, 2008	Not answered.
Other, Visible Notation. Please specify	Visible sidewalls, vaulted, automatic high-level shut off, no liner
Liner Thickness (mil)	Not answered.
HDPE (Liner Type)	Not answered.
PVC (Liner Type)	Not answered.
Other, Liner Type. Please specify (Variance Required)	Not answered.

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<b>Fencing</b>	
<i>Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)</i>	
Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top <i>(Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church)</i>	Not answered.
Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet	Not answered.
Alternate, Fencing. Please specify (Variance Required)	4' hogwire

<b>Netting</b>	
<i>Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)</i>	
Screen	Not answered.
Netting	Not answered.
Other, Netting. Please specify (Variance May Be Needed)	expanded metal or solid vaulted top

<b>Signs</b>	
<i>Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (If there are multiple operators at a site, each operator must have their own sign in compliance with Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC.)</i>	
12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers	Not answered.
Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC	True

<b>Variances and Exceptions</b>	
<i>Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.</i>	
<b>Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:</b>	
Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval.	Not answered.
Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval	Not answered.

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**QUESTIONS**

<b>Siting Criteria (regarding permitting)</b> 19.15.17.10 NMAC
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**Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.**

<b>Siting Criteria, General Siting</b>	
Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank	No
NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search	Not answered.
USGS	Not answered.
Data obtained from nearby wells	Not answered.

<b>Siting Criteria, Below Grade Tanks</b>	
Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)	No
Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption	No

<b>Proposed Closure Method</b>	
Below-grade Tank	Below Grade Tank - (BGT)
Waste Excavation and Removal	True
Alternate Closure Method. Please specify (Variance Required)	Not answered.

<b>Operator Application Certification</b>	
Registered / Signature Date	11/20/2008

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I acknowledge that I have received prior approval from the OCD to submit documentation of a legacy below-grade tank on behalf of my operator.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I hereby certify that the information submitted with this documentation is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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jburdine	Closure report shows that release was confirmed. Variance requested as the limits stayed within the 19.15.29 and 19.15.17 NMAC table limits for remediation requirements. Variance granted. All other closure protocols were met BGT Closure report approved.	8/10/2022