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**VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD**

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**From:** Dale Littlejohn [dale@rthicksconsult.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 04, 2007 7:08 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Larry, EMNRD; VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Randy Hicks (Randy Hicks); 'Scott Rose'; fsted@samson.com  
**Subject:** Samson Livestock "30" Sampling Event

Please accept this email as notice of our intentions to conduct a ground water sampling event at the Samson Livestock "30" former reserve pit site on Thursday December 6, 2007 beginning at 8:30 AM. The site is located 15 miles west of Eunice, NM at Section 30 (unit P), T-21-S, R-35-E. Please contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Thanks,

**Dale T Littlejohn, PG**  
**R T Hicks Consultants Ltd**  
(432) 528-3878 (office)  
(432) 689-4578 (fax)

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**From:** Randy Hicks [r@rthicksconsult.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 09, 2008 6:17 AM  
**To:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Cc:** 'Scott Rose'; 'Dale Littlejohn'; 'Floyd Steed'  
**Subject:** Samson Livestock  
**Attachments:** Final Plate 3 GW Impact Map.pdf

Glenn

On Monday, we should be able to deliver a proposal to use the impaired ground water from the Samson Livestock site (MW-3) for brine drilling water at two well sites and for use in the construction of one new well pad. In about 10-20 days from now, we will be able to use the water periodically over the next 80-90 days when the rigs are drilling the brine section of the holes. We could use the water for construction of the new site as soon as possible.

I would greatly appreciate you setting aside some time to review (and approve) this proposal so we can get a wiggle on and implement the pump-and-use ground water restoration strategy for the Livestock site. The proposal to use the water within a brine drilling program should be a quick review.

Randall Hicks  
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Cell 505-238-9515

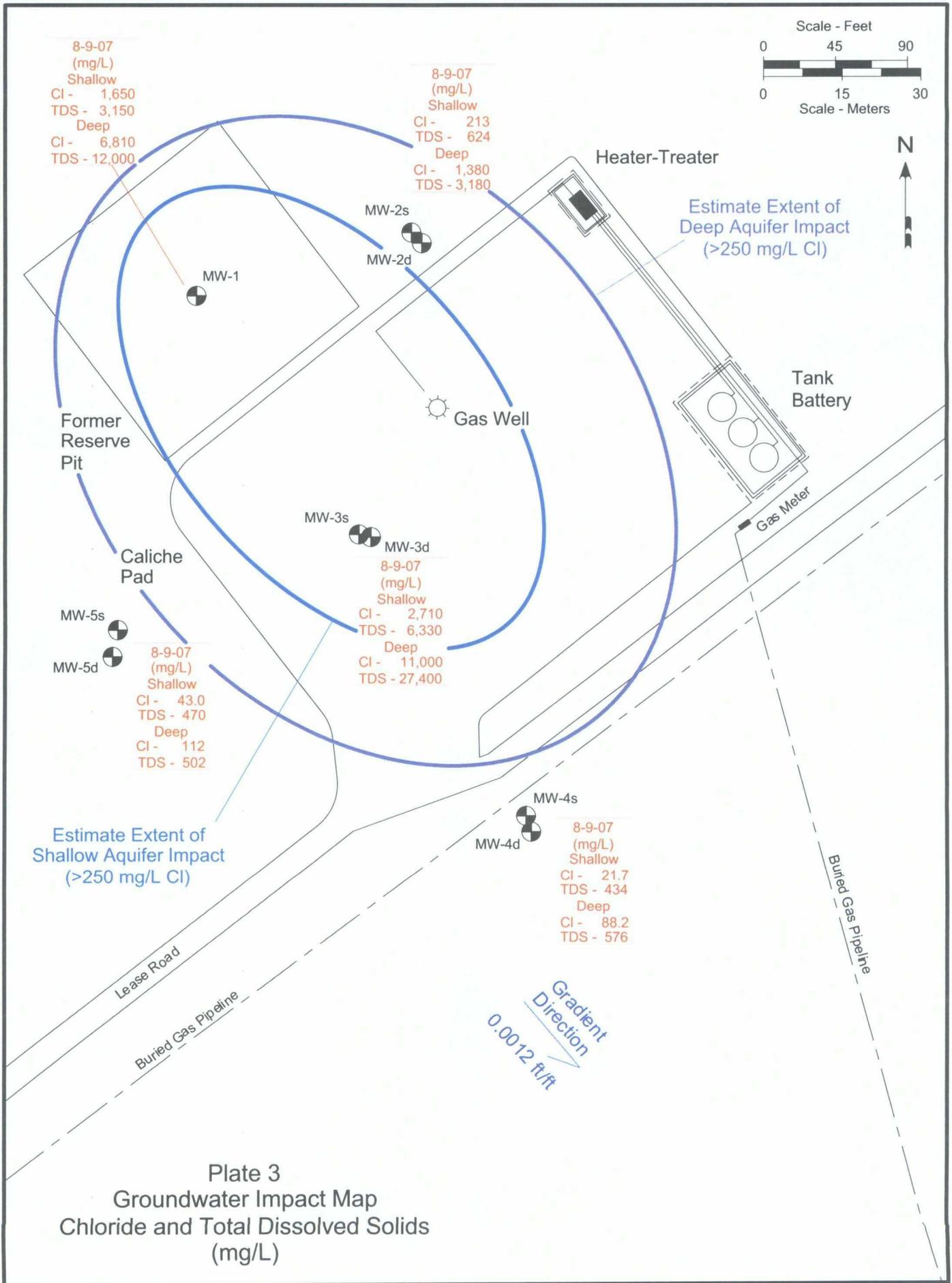
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**From:** Randy Hicks [r@rthicksconsult.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 14, 2008 4:52 PM  
**To:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Cc:** srose@samson.com; fsteed@samson.com; 'Dale Littlejohn'; rochelle@rthicksconsult.com  
**Subject:** Samson Livestock AP 62-0  
**Attachments:** Water Use Letter and Attachment.pdf

Glenn

This letter requests NMOCD approval to implement the pump-and-use ground water restoration strategy proposed in our November 2007 submission to NMOCD.

We request NMOCD approval as soon as possible to pump and use ground water from MW-3d (TDS about 25,000 mg/L) for the brine drilling program at the Osudo site described in the attachment – which will spud very soon.

We request NMOCD review and approval to use water from MW-3d for the Cattleman well brine drilling program as well as using the water sparingly in the fresh water drilling program. The Cattleman well will spud in about 40-60 days from now (after completion of the Osudo well).

We request NMOCD review and approval for the use of the Livestock ground water in lieu of fresh water for construction of the Cattleman location, or other Samson construction projects within the area described in the attachment.

We have started pumping (1.2 GPM) from MW-3 into two frac tanks at the Livestock site in anticipation of NMOCD approval to move forward with the pump-and-use ground water restoration program associated with the brine mud drilling program at the Osudo site.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

We will send out the hard copy of this letter on Friday of this week.

Randall Hicks  
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505-238-9515 - cell

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May 14, 2008

Glenn Von Gonten  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

RE: Samson Livestock "30" Reserve Pit, T21S, R35E, Section 30, Unit P;  
NMOCD Case # AP-62-0, Pump-and-use Ground Water Restoration Strategy

Dear Glenn,

As we discussed last month, Samson proposes to use impaired ground water from the Livestock 30 site for make-up water for drilling. We have begun pumping water from MW-3d into frac tanks in anticipation of your approval of this re-use strategy.

In our November 2007 report to NMOCD we provided the following recommendations for a pump-and-use ground water restoration program at the Livestock site:

1. Place temporary electric pumps in MW-3d and/or MW-1d to enable the withdrawal of a total of about 4 gpm of water for beneficial use on an as-needed basis.
2. When water is needed for road or pad construction, road dust suppression or drilling fluid make-up; place a portable tank on location adjacent to MW-3d.
3. Begin pumping and store the pumped water in portable tank(s). A discharge of 4 gpm will produce sufficient water to fill one 130-barrel water truck every day.
4. Use the chloride-impacted water in lieu of fresh water for drilling fluids make-up water, road dust suppression, construction water for access roads and drilling pads.
5. Record the volume of water used each year.
6. Cease pumping...

The Samson well Osudo 33 State Com #1 (API 30-025-38486) is scheduled to begin drilling with brine mud in within the next few days and the Cattleman #4 well (API # 30-025-38768, ) will spud after completion of the Osudo 33 State Com #1. We want to take this opportunity to pump-and-use as much ground water as possible. Appendix A provides basic environmental information for the Osudo and Cattleman sites to assist NMOCD in the review of this proposal.

Using the Livestock ground water for drilling fluid make-up water (fresh water mud and brine mud) is quite simple, we propose to transport the water to the sites and introduce the water into the brine drilling fluids system, probably via discharge to an approved drilling pit or to on-site, above-ground storage.

Prior to pumping and using the ground water we will submit the following to NMOCD:

- A. Digital image documentation and a description of the ground water pumping and storage program at the Livestock site (Figure 1)
- B. At least one week prior to water use, Samson provides the following information to NMOCD, the surface landowner and/or surface leaseholder:
  - a. The dates of the proposed drilling program that will use the Livestock water
  - b. A copy of the most recent ground water analysis from the recovery wells
  - c. The name and address of the contractors performing the water hauling and construction

- d. The phone numbers of the Samson representative and the contractor's representative (Floyd Steed, [fsteed@samson.com](mailto:fsteed@samson.com), 575-513-1687)
- C. For each truckload of water, the transportation contractor will record the date, time and location of water use.
- D. Annually Samson will provide NMOCD and, if required, the Office of the State Engineer, with a copy of the manifests associated with the water use and the quantity of water used.

Because time is of the essence, we ask that NMOCD review this proposal and our previous submissions to identify any deficiencies that may pose a threat to fresh water, public health, the environment, safety or property. While we have implemented the ground water restoration program since submission of the Stage 1&2 Abatement Plan in September, 2006 using our best judgment and without the benefit of NMOCD comments (and we appreciate your confidence in our program), for this effort we respectfully request a throughout technical review of these proposals (Santa Fe NMOCD or District I) and a review of previously-submitted material.

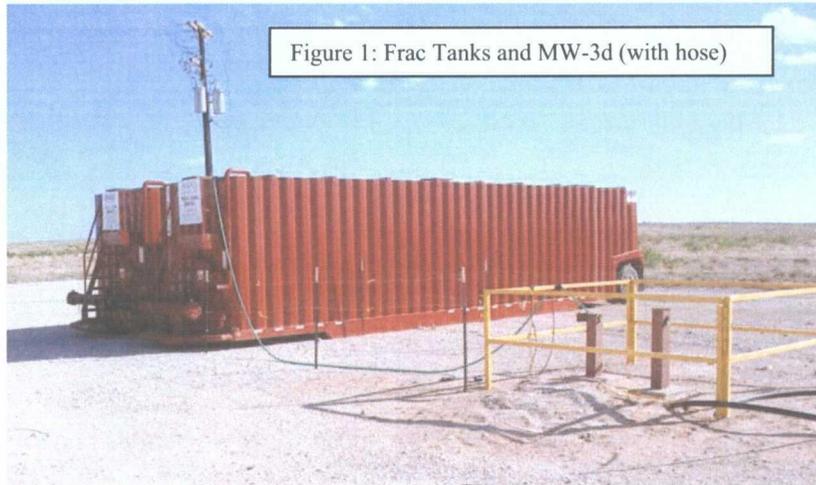


Figure 1: Frac Tanks and MW-3d (with hose)

The protocol for using brackish water in lieu of fresh water for construction and dust suppression is provided in Appendix C of the November report. We are not proposing using the brackish water for dust suppression or construction at the Osudo site. We would like to use ground water from the Livestock site in lieu of fresh water for construction of roads and pads at the Cattleman or other sites in the near future. With respect to dust suppression, we plan to provide more information on the use of brackish water in the future and may propose the Cattleman site for a pilot test of this pump-and-use strategy.

Although, NMOCD review of the dust suppression protocols described in the November 2007 report is premature, your thoughts on using the brackish ground water from the Livestock site in lieu of fresh water for construction of the Cattleman location would be appreciated. We thank you in advance for your comments.

Sincerely,  
R.T. Hicks Consultants, Ltd.

Randall Hicks  
Principal

Copy: Hobbs NMOCD office  
Scott Rose, Samson Resources  
Merchants Livestock Company

## **Appendix A**

### **Hydrogeologic Conditions, Osudo 33 #1 and Cattleman #4 Well Sites**

Plates A-1 and A-2 show that:

1. The location of the Osudo and Cattleman wells are sited on Quaternary Eolian and Pediment deposits (Qep)
2. Water supply wells sited on the Qe/Qp deposits near these sites show a depth to water in excess of 100 feet
3. Water supply wells sited on Tertiary Ogallala Formation show a depth to water of 60-90 feet

An examination of the USGS well data for the area of the Osudo and Cattleman wells shows that the five closest water supply wells are completed in the Chinle Aquifer (see Table A-1). The well depth of these four wells ranges from 230 to 621 feet.

The attached well logs on file at the Roswell Office of the State Engineer show that the water supply wells in the area generally penetrate the Chinle aquifer and do not report saturated Ogallala Formation.

Finally, Samson drilled a boring at the Osudo site to check for shallow ground water. The total depth of the boring was 70 feet with no show of ground water.

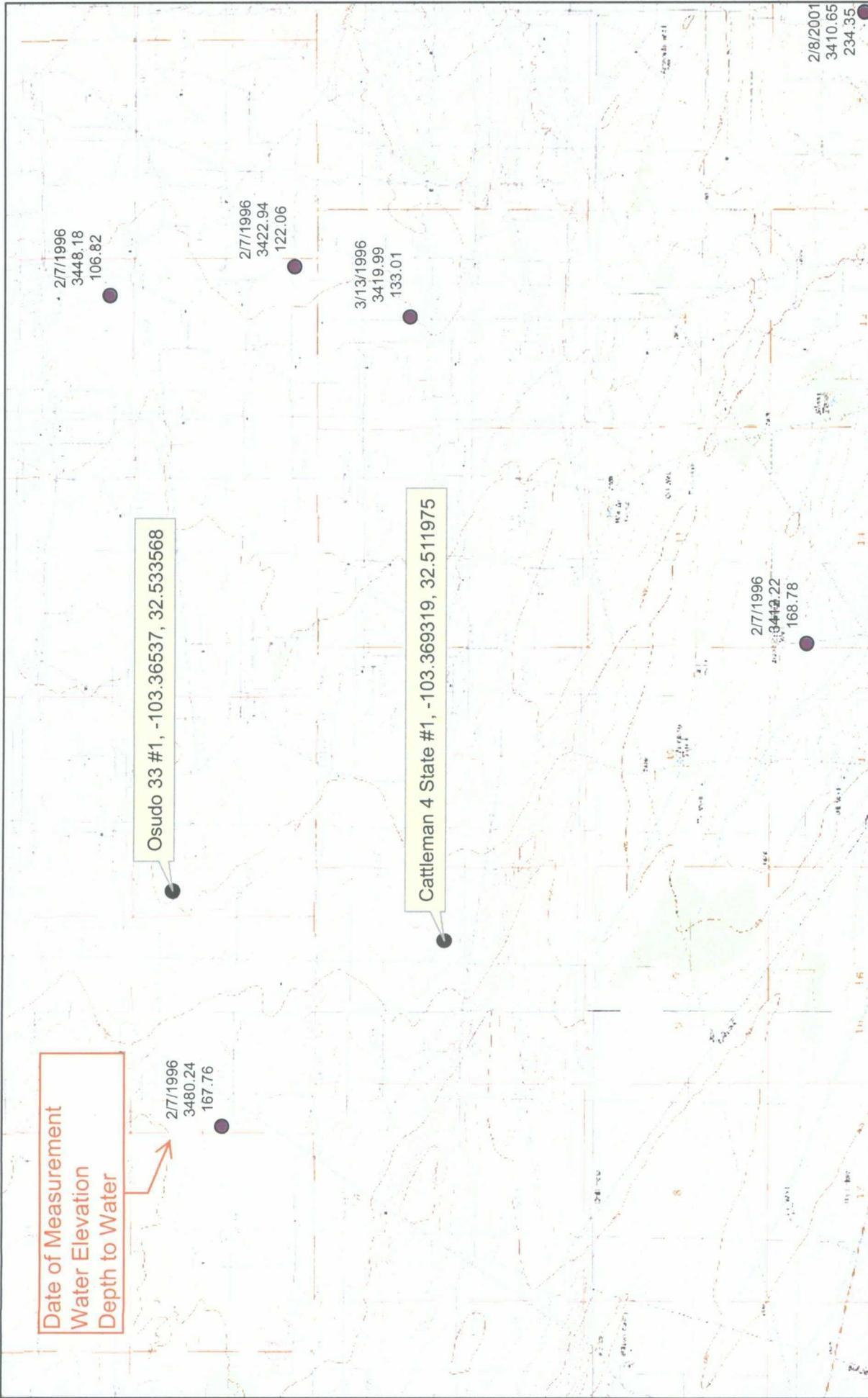
From these data we conclude:

- A. The distance between ground surface and the ground water potentiometric surface at the Osudo 33 #1 and Cattleman 4 #1 sites are more than 120 feet.
- B. Wells encounter ground water at a depth of 200-600 feet below ground surface.
- C. The shallowest ground water beneath the Osudo 33 #1 and Cattleman 4 #1 sites is confined.
- D. The Laws of Fluid Dynamics effectively prevent any constituents (e.g. chloride) in the applied water or in pits from entering the confined ground water zone at these sites.

Table 1: Data from USGS showing the four wells closest to Cattleman #4 in yellow highlight

Site Number	Lat	Long	Date of Measurement	Surface Elevation	Depth to Water	Well Depth	GW Elevation	Aquifer
322752103184801	32.46456931000	-103.31380800000	2/22/1996	3610.00	201.26	214.00	3408.74	231CHNL
322843103174601	32.47873598000	-103.29658530000	2/8/2001	3645.00	234.35	300.00	3410.65	121OGLL
322859103204401	32.48318011000	-103.34603240000	2/7/1996	3581.00	168.78	250.00	3412.22	231CHNL
323032103250401	32.50901291000	-103.41825930000	2/22/1996	3662.00	68.05	110.00	3593.95	121OGLL
323053103191201	32.51484649000	-103.32047680000	3/13/1996	3553.00	133.01	312.00	3419.99	231CHNL
323126103185801	32.52401297000	-103.31658820000	2/7/1996	3545.00	122.06	230.00	3422.94	231CHNL
323146103230101	32.52956833000	-103.38409190000	2/7/1996	3648.00	167.76	621.00	3480.24	231CHNL
323219103190601	32.53873487000	-103.31881140000	2/7/1996	3555.00	106.82	265.00	3448.18	231CHNL





Date of Measurement  
Water Elevation  
Depth to Water

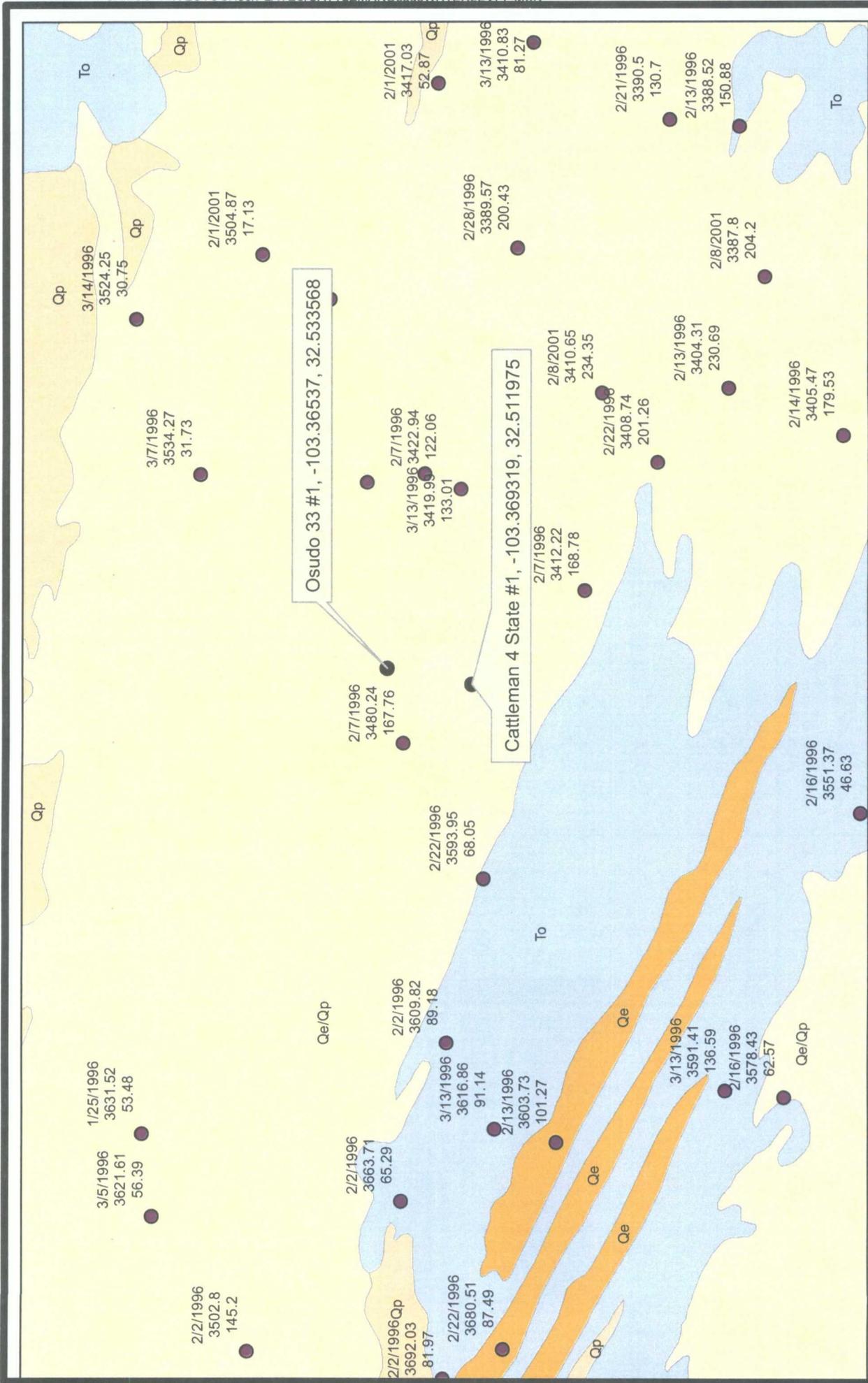
Osudo 33 #1, -103.36537, 32.533568

Cattleman 4 State #1, -103.369319, 32.511975

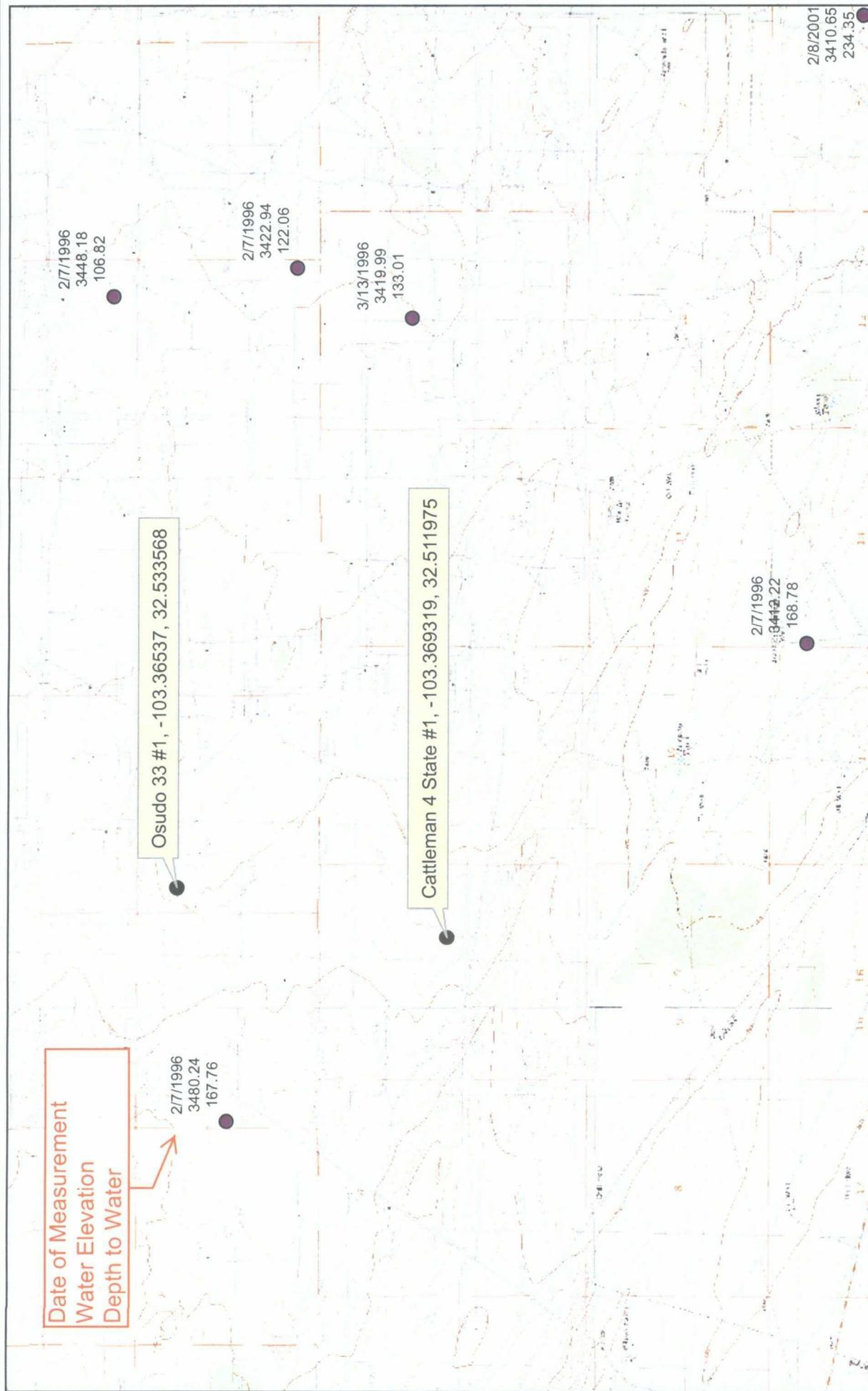


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Topographic Map Showing USGS Data	Plate A-2
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Topographic Map Showing USGS Data  
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 Plate A-2  
 May 2008

City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:

a. \_\_\_\_\_ 1/4 \_\_\_\_\_ 1/4 \_\_\_\_\_ 1/4 \_\_\_\_\_ 1/4 of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.

b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_

c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.

d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling Began \_\_\_\_\_ Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Type tools \_\_\_\_\_ Size of hole \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

Depth in feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

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

Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_

Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Street or Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.
- b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
- d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling Began \_\_\_\_\_ Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Type tools \_\_\_\_\_ Size of hole \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

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 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Date of Receipt

Permit No. **L-1275**

Name of permittee, **Gulf Oil Corp.**

Street or P.O., **Box 1290**, City and State **Fort Worth, Texas**

1. Well location and description: The **shallow** well is located in **NE**  $\frac{1}{4}$ , **SW**  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
(shallow or artesian)

**SW**  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section **13**, Township **20S**, Range **36E**, Elevation of top of

casing above sea level, **unknown** feet; diameter of hole, **-** inches; total depth, **212** feet;

depth to water upon completion, **200** feet; drilling was commenced **19**

and completed **January, 1938**; name of drilling contractor, **Gene R. Burke**

; Address, **Hobbs, N.M.**; Driller's License No. **unknown**

2. Principal Water-bearing Strata:

	Depth in Feet		Thickness	Description of Water-bearing Formation
	From	To		
No. 1	200	212	12	Grey water sand
No. 2				
No. 3				
No. 4				
No. 5				

3. Casing Record:

Diameter in inches	Pounds per ft.	Threads per inch	Depth of Casing or Liner		Feet of Casing	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
6"	unknown	0	172	172	172	none	unknown	

4. If above construction replaces old well to be abandoned, give location:  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$

of Section, Township, Range; name and address of plugging contractor,

date of plugging, 19 describe how well was plugged:



Date of Receipt .....

Permit No. ....

Name of permittee, Amerada Petroleum Corp.

Street or P. O. Drawer D, City and State Monument, M.K.

1. Well location and description: The shallow well is located in S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  26

2660 from W. line & 2540 from N. line  
26 of Section 20S Township 36E Range; Elevation of top of

casing above sea level, ..... feet; diameter of hole, 7 inches; total depth, 400 feet;

depth to water upon completion, 170 feet; drilling was commenced July 16, 1954

and completed July 18, 1954; name of drilling contractor O.R. Kusslewhite

; Address, Box 56, Hobbs, M.K.; Driller's License No. W.D. 99

2. Principal Water-bearing Strata:

No.	Depth in Feet		Thickness	Description of Water-bearing Formation
	From	To		
No. 1	290	305	15	Grey sand
No. 2	325	349	24	Grey Sand
No. 3				
No. 4				
No. 5				

3. Casing Record:

Diameter in inches	Pounds per ft.	Threads per inch	Depth of Casing or Liner		Feet of Casing	Type of Shoe	Perforation	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
none								

4. If above construction replaces old well to be abandoned, give location:  $\frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}$

of Section ..... Township ..... Range .....; name and address of plugging contractor,

date of plugging ..... 19.....; describe how well was plugged: .....

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Street or Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:

a. \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.

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 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling Began \_\_\_\_\_ Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Type tools \_\_\_\_\_ Size of hole \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_

Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Street or Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:  
 a. \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.  
 b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
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 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

**Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA**

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

**Section 3. RECORD OF CASING**

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To

**Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING**

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

**Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD**

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Section 1


(A) Owner of well Humble Oil Co.

Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the

SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  <sup>SE</sup> NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 35 Twp. 20 Rge. 36

(B) Drilling Contractor S&S Water Well Contractors License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling was commenced \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling was completed \_\_\_\_\_ Oct. \_\_\_\_\_ 19 38

(Plat of 640 acres)

Elevation at top of casing in feet above sea level 3545 7/8 Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ 230

State whether well is shallow or artesian \_\_\_\_\_ Depth to water upon completion \_\_\_\_\_

Section 2 PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

No.	Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation
	From	To		
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

Section 3 RECORD OF CASING

Dia in.	Pounds ft.	Threads in	Depth		Feet	Type Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To

Section 4 RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Diameter Hole in in.	Tons Clay	No. Sacks of Cement	Methods Used
From	To				

Section 5 PLUGGING RECORD

Name of Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Tons of Clay used \_\_\_\_\_ Tons of Roughage used \_\_\_\_\_ Type of roughage \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging method used \_\_\_\_\_ Date Plugged \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Cement Plugs were placed as follows:

No.	Depth of Plug		No. of Sacks Used
	From	To	

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Section 1


(Plat of 640 acres)

(A) Owner of well Amerada Oil Corp.  
 Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the  
NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 1 Twp. 21 Rge. 35  
 (B) Drilling Contractor C. O. Anderson License No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 City Lovington State N. M.  
 Drilling was commenced \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
 Drilling was completed June 1954

Elevation at top of casing in feet above sea level \_\_\_\_\_ Total depth of well 312  
 State whether well is shallow or artesian \_\_\_\_\_ Depth to water upon completion \_\_\_\_\_

Section 2

PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

No.	Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation
	From	To		
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

Section 3

RECORD OF CASING

Dia in.	Pounds ft.	Threads in	Depth		Feet	Type Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
7					280			

Section 4

RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Diameter Hole in in.	Tons Clay	No. Sacks of Cement	Methods Used
From	To				

Section 5

PLUGGING RECORD

Name of Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street and Number \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tons of Clay used \_\_\_\_\_ Tons of Roughage used \_\_\_\_\_ Type of roughage \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging method used \_\_\_\_\_ Date Plugged \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Cement Plugs were placed as follows:

No.	Depth of Plug		No. of Sacks Used
	From	To	

Basin Supervisor



City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.
- b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
- d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling Began \_\_\_\_\_ Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Type tools \_\_\_\_\_ Size of hole \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

**Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA**

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

**Section 3. RECORD OF CASING**

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To

**Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING**

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

**Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD**

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:

a. \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ \_\_\_\_\_ ¼ of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.

b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_

c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.

d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling Began \_\_\_\_\_ Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Type tools \_\_\_\_\_ Size of hole \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

**Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA**

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

**Section 3. RECORD OF CASING**

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To

**Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING**

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

**Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD**

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_

Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Street or Post Office Address P.O. Box 670  
 City and State Hobbs, NM 88240

Owner's well No. W-100-700

Well was drilled under Permit No. CP-693 and is located in the:  
1220' FNL and 1520' FWL  
 a. SW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 8 Township 21S Range 36E N.M.P.M.  
 b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.  
 d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor Exeter Drilling Co. License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address 200 N. Lorraine, Suite 1200, Midland, TX 79701

Drilling Began 1/7/87 Completed 2/26/87 Type tools rotary Size of hole 7 7/8 in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is 3586.7 ft. Total depth of well 5000 ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well 1000 ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA (static fluid level)

Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			
4275	5000	725	San Andres	462

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
16	65	8rd	0	415	415	weatherford		
11 3/4	47	8rd	0	2700	2700	weatherford		
8 5/8	32	8rd	0	4350	4350	weatherford		

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Hole Diameter	Sacks of Mud	Cubic Feet of Cement	Method of Placement
From	To				
0	415	20		660	stab. in float collar
415	2700	14 3/4		2491	pump and plug
2700	4350	10 5/8		1579	pump and plug

4350 5000 7 7/8 Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD open hole completion

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

No.	Depth in Feet		Cubic Feet of Cement
	Top	Bottom	
1			



Street or Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Well was drilled under Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is located in the:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{1}{4}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{1}{4}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{1}{4}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township \_\_\_\_\_ Range \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.  
 b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.  
 d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Drilling Began \_\_\_\_\_ Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Type tools \_\_\_\_\_ Size of hole \_\_\_\_\_ in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

**Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA**

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

**Section 3. RECORD OF CASING**

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To

**Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING**

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

**Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD**

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Street or Post Office Address P.O. Box 670  
 City and State Hobbs, NM 88240

Well was drilled under Permit No. CP-670 and is located in the:  
1500 FSL & 1280 FEL

a. 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 5 Township 21S Range 36E N.M.P.M.

b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_

c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.

d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor Chevron U.S.A. Inc. CRO License No. NA

Address P.O. Box 11228 Midland, TX 79702

Drilling Began 9-15-1985 Completed 10-4-1985 Type tools Rotary Size of hole 10 5/8 in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is 3578.5 ft. Total depth of well 5000 ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well 1128 ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			
4252	4876	624	San Andres	318

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
16	65	8	0	417	417	Texas Pattern		
11 3/4	54	8	0	2837	2837	Float		
8 5/8	40.5	8	0	5000	5000	Float	4252	4876

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Hole Diameter	Sacks of Mud	Cubic Feet of Cement	Method of Placement
From	To				
0	417	20"		660	Pump & Plug
417	2837	14 3/4"		4208	Pump & Plug
2837	5000	10 5/8"		2374	Pump & Plug

Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging Method: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



Street or Post Office Address P.O. Box 670  
 City and State Hobbs, NM 88240

Well was drilled under Permit No. CP-697 and is located in the:  
~~1027~~ 1020 <sup>FNL and 1740</sup> <sup>FEL</sup> <sup>LOT 2</sup>  
 a. SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 5 Township 21S Range 36E N.M.P.M.

b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.  
 d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor Exeter Drilling Co. License No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address 200 N. Loraine, Suite 1220, Midland, TX 79701

Drilling Began 1/23/87 Completed 4/13/87 Type tools rotary Size of hole 7 7/8 in.  
 Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is 3552.9 ft. Total depth of well 1200 ft.  
 (static fluid level)  
 Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			
4120	4900	780	San Andres	420

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
16	65	8rd	0	429		Weatherford		
11 3/4	54	8rd	0	2600		Weatherford		
8 5/8	32	8rd	0	4275		Weatherford		

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

Depth in Feet		Hole Diameter	Sacks of Mud	Cubic Feet of Cement	Method of Placement
From	To				
0	429	20		673	stab in float shoe
429	2600	14 3/4		2499	pump and plug
2600	4275	10 5/8		1711	pump and plug
4275	5000	7 7/8			open hole completion

Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging \_\_\_\_\_

No.	Depth in Feet		Cubic Feet of Cement
	Top	Bottom	
1			



Street or Post-Office Address P. O. BOX 1166  
 City and State Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Well was drilled under Permit No. CP 00907 and is located in the:

- a. NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 24 Township 21S Range 35E N.M.P.M. in Lea County.
- b. Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Map No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ of Block No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_  
 Subdivision, recorded in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
- d. X= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Y= \_\_\_\_\_ feet, N.M. Coordinate System \_\_\_\_\_ Zone in the \_\_\_\_\_ Grant.

(B) Drilling Contractor Frederick D. Root License No. WD 1332

Address 1200 E. Bender Blvd., Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

Drilling Began 10-30-2000 Completed 10-30-2000 Type tools Rotary Size of hole 7 7/8 in.

Elevation of land surface or \_\_\_\_\_ at well is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. Total depth of well 224 ft.

Completed well is  shallow  artesian. Depth to water upon completion of well \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Section 2. PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING STRATA

Depth in Feet		Thickness in Feet	Description of Water-Bearing Formation	Estimated Yield (gallons per minute)
From	To			
174	215	41	Sand & Sandstone Stringers	

Section 3. RECORD OF CASING

Diameter (inches)	Pounds per foot	Threads per in.	Depth in Feet		Length (feet)	Type of Shoe	Perforations	
			Top	Bottom			From	To
5 3/4	160 psi				224		184	224

Section 4. RECORD OF MUDDING AND CEMENTING

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

Section 5. PLUGGING RECORD

Plugging Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging Method \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Well Plugged \_\_\_\_\_  
 Plugging approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

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



**VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD**

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**From:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 20, 2008 2:02 PM  
**To:** 'Randy Hicks'  
**Subject:** AP062  
**Attachments:** 2008\_0519 AP062 RT.DOC

Randy,

OCD's conditional approval for Samson to reuse contaminated ground water for drilling fluids only is attached.

*Glenn von Gonten  
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**From:** Randy Hicks [mailto:r@rthicksconsult.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 14, 2008 4:52 PM  
**To:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Cc:** srose@samson.com; fsteed@samson.com; 'Dale Littlejohn'; rochelle@rthicksconsult.com  
**Subject:** Samson Livestock AP 62-0

Glenn

This letter requests NMOCD approval to implement the pump-and-use ground water restoration strategy proposed in our November 2007 submission to NMOCD.

We request NMOCD approval as soon as possible to pump and use ground water from MW-3d (TDS about 25,000 mg/L) for the brine drilling program at the Osudo site described in the attachment – which will spud very soon.

We request NMOCD review and approval to use water from MW-3d for the Cattleman well brine drilling program as well as using the water sparingly in the fresh water drilling program. The Cattleman well will spud in about 40-60 days from now (after completion of the Osudo well).

We request NMOCD review and approval for the use of the Livestock ground water in lieu of fresh water for construction of the Cattleman location, or other Samson construction projects within the area described in the attachment.

We have started pumping (1.2 GPM) from MW-3 into two frac tanks at the Livestock site in anticipation of NMOCD approval to move forward with the pump-and-use ground water restoration program associated with the brine mud drilling program at the Osudo site.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

We will send out the hard copy of this letter on Friday of this week.

9/18/2008



New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Governor

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Cabinet Secretary  
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Division Director  
Oil Conservation Division



**May 19, 2008**

Mr. Scott Rose  
Samson Resources  
Two West Second Street  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103-3103

**RE: RESPONSE TO LETTER OF MAY 14, 2008  
LIVESTOCK 30 STATE NO. 1 LEASE  
SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 21 SOUTH, RANGE 35 EAST  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO  
AP062**

Dear Mr. Rose:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) is responding to the May 14, 2008, "Pump-and-use Ground Water Restoration Strategy" proposal submitted by Mr. Randy Hicks of R. T. Hicks Consultants on Samson Resources' (Samson) behalf. Samson has requested that OCD approve its proposed reuse of chloride contaminated ground water as "...fresh water for drilling fluids make-up water, road dust suppression, construction water for access roads and drilling pads." Samson has proposed that the contaminated ground water that it is extracting at the Livestock 30 State No. 1 lease be reused at two other drill sites. OCD explicitly denies Samson's request to dispose or reuse of contaminated ground water for road dust suppression, construction water for access roads and drilling pads because those activities constitute improper waste disposal, not legitimate reuse. However, OCD will approve Samson's request to reuse chloride contaminated ground water for drilling fluids make-up water only with the following conditions:

1. Samson must obtain approval from OCD's Hobbs District for all "reuse" activities.
2. The approval is for only this reuse of contaminated ground water from the Livestock 30 State No. 1 lease. The contaminated ground water may be reused at any drilling location for drilling fluids make-up water only.
3. Because OCD has not processed Samson's proposed Abatement Plan, it may proceed "at risk."

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Mr. Scott Rose

May 19, 2008

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4. Samson must submit weekly reports to both OCD's Santa Fe and Hobbs offices that document the volume of contaminated ground water that has been transported from the Livestock 30 State No. 1 lease.

5. Samson must document to OCD's satisfaction that it has submitted an application to and has obtained permission from the State Engineer's office to use the ground water at its Livestock 30 State No. 1 lease as proposed.

OCD is not able to review Samson's earlier submittals as requested at this time but will certainly do so when it processes Samson's Abatement Plan.

Sincerely,

Wayne Price  
Environmental Bureau Chief

WP/gvg

cc: Chris Williams  
Larry Johnson  
Thaddeus Kostrubala, SLO  
Alvaro Alvarado, SEO  
Randy Hicks, R. T. Hicks Consultants

**VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD**

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**From:** Randy Hicks [r@rthicksconsult.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 20, 2008 4:10 PM  
**To:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD  
**Cc:** srose@samson.com; fsteed@samson.com; 'Dale Littlejohn'  
**Subject:** RE: AP062

Glenn

Thanks for your affirmative response to using the water for drilling. Your response is what we needed and expected when we needed it.

The surface landowner at the Livestock site is interested in using this water for dust suppression – but we are not prepared to even talk about this re-use option at this time.

With respect to using this brackish water in lieu of the 1000 barrels of fresh water currently used for each location – we would like to pursue this option in the future – but let's get this re-use option for drilling going.

Again – thanks for the response.

Randall Hicks  
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**From:** VonGonten, Glenn, EMNRD [mailto:Glenn.VonGonten@state.nm.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 20, 2008 2:02 PM  
**To:** Randy Hicks  
**Subject:** AP062

Randy,

OCD's conditional approval for Samson to reuse contaminated ground water for drilling fluids only is attached.

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**From:** Randy Hicks [mailto:r@rthicksconsult.com]  
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**Subject:** Samson Livestock AP 62-0

Glenn

This letter requests NMOCD approval to implement the pump-and-use ground water restoration strategy proposed in our November 2007 submission to NMOCD.

We request NMOCD approval as soon as possible to pump and use ground water from MW-3d (TDS about 25,000 mg/L) for the brine drilling program at the Osudo site described in the attachment – which will spud very soon.

We request NMOCD review and approval to use water from MW-3d for the Cattleman well brine drilling program as well as using the water sparingly in the fresh water drilling program. The Cattleman well will spud in about 40-60 days from now (after completion of the Osudo well).

We request NMOCD review and approval for the use of the Livestock ground water in lieu of fresh water for construction of the Cattleman location, or other Samson construction projects within the area described in the attachment.

We have started pumping (1.2 GPM) from MW-3 into two frac tanks at the Livestock site in anticipation of NMOCD approval to move forward with the pump-and-use ground water restoration program associated with the brine mud drilling program at the Osudo site.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

We will send out the hard copy of this letter on Friday of this week.

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