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From: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2008 9:42 AM
To: 'Hack Conder'
Cc: Price, Wayne, EMNRD; 'Hall, Sharon'
Subject: RE: ROC BD F-25-1 and 2, NMOCD Case #s 1R426-108 and 1R426-109

Dear Mr. Conder:

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) has received the proposed amendments to the respective ICPs for the above reference sites. The NMOCD hereby conditionally approves the proposed amendments:

- 1) Rice Operating Company must advance the respective borings to a depth of 85 feet bgs.
- 2) Rice Operating Company must monitor the respective open borings for water at least 48 hours after the completion of the respective borings.

Please be advised that NMOCD approval of these amendments does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility should operations pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD approval does not relieve the owner/operator of responsibility for compliance with any OCD, federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 505-476-3489.

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From: Hall, Sharon [mailto:Sharon.Hall@arcadis-us.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2008 2:37 PM
To: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD
Subject: FW: ROC BD F-25-1 and 2, NMOCD Case #s 1R426-108 and 1R426-109

Ed,

Do we have your approval to drill one soil boring at each of these locations to a depth of 75 feet to document that there is no groundwater rather than to drill 5 soil boring and possibly convert one to a monitor well?

Regards,
Sharon

From: Hall, Sharon
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2008 8:05 AM
To: Hansen, Edward J., EMNRD
Cc: Hack Conder
Subject: ROC BD F-25-1 and 2, NMOCD Case #s 1R426-108 and 1R426-109

Ed,

We discussed the procedure to document that there is no groundwater at a site. I have attached the State Engineer's Report for Township 21S, Range 37E, Sections 23,24,25,26,35, and 36. The subject sites are in section 25. You will see from the reports that 29 wells were drilled in these sections. Of the 29 wells only two report groundwater. Both are in Section 23 and the average depth to groundwater is 65 feet. Additionally, the landowner

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at the subject sites told ROC that he has drilled for groundwater and has been unsuccessful.

We have approved Investigation Characterization Plans (ICPS) at these sites. They were approved on 7/18/2007 and the approved scope was to drill 5 soil borings, possibly converting the source boring to a monitor well. We would like to request an amendment to the ICPs in light of the fact that groundwater likely does not occur at these sites. I propose that we drill one soil boring at each site to a depth of 75 feet, ten feet below the average water depth in Section 23.

Your approval of this request will be appreciated. Please let me know if I need to submit a letter of request or a revised ICP. Let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Regards,
Sharon

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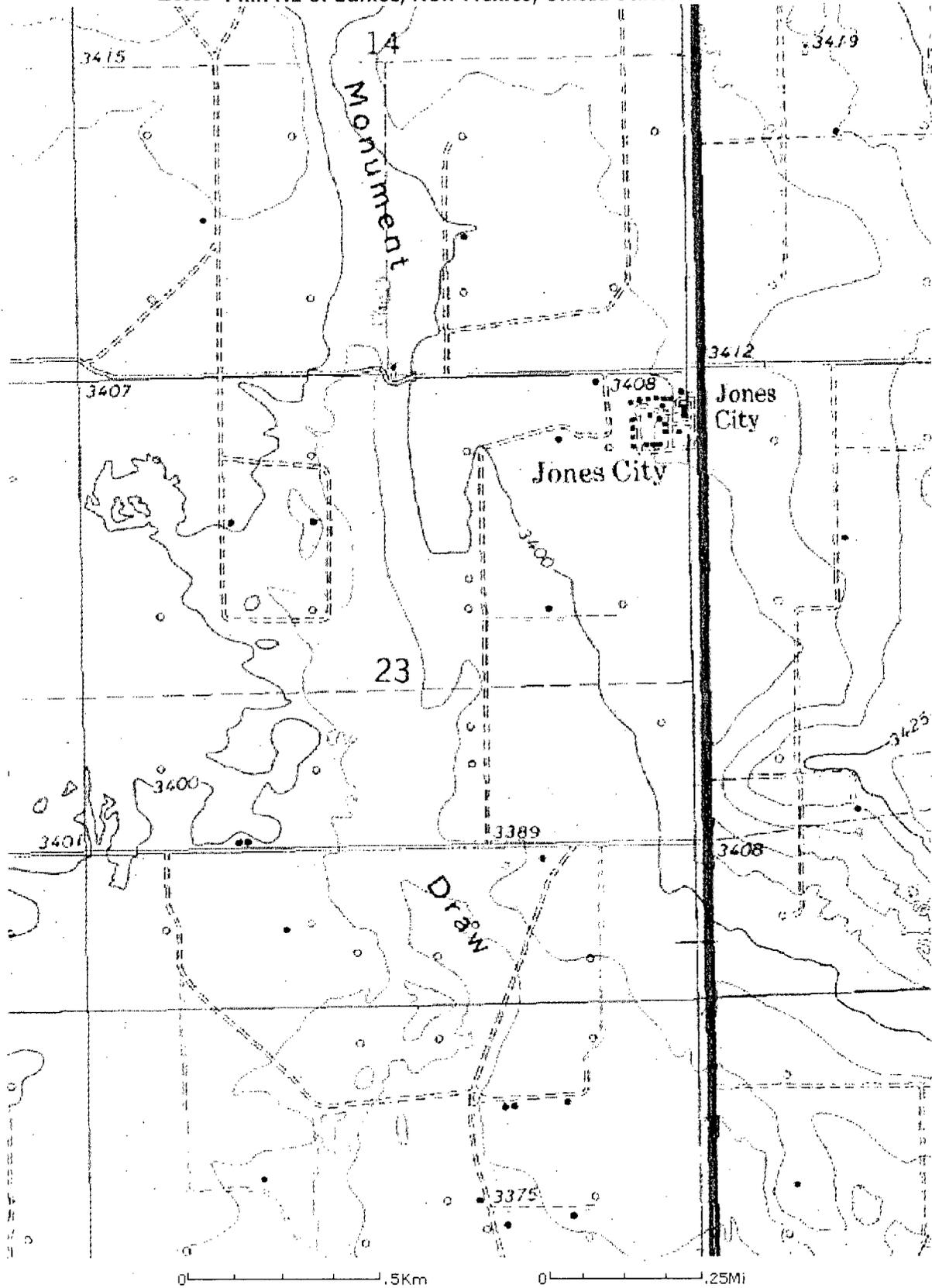


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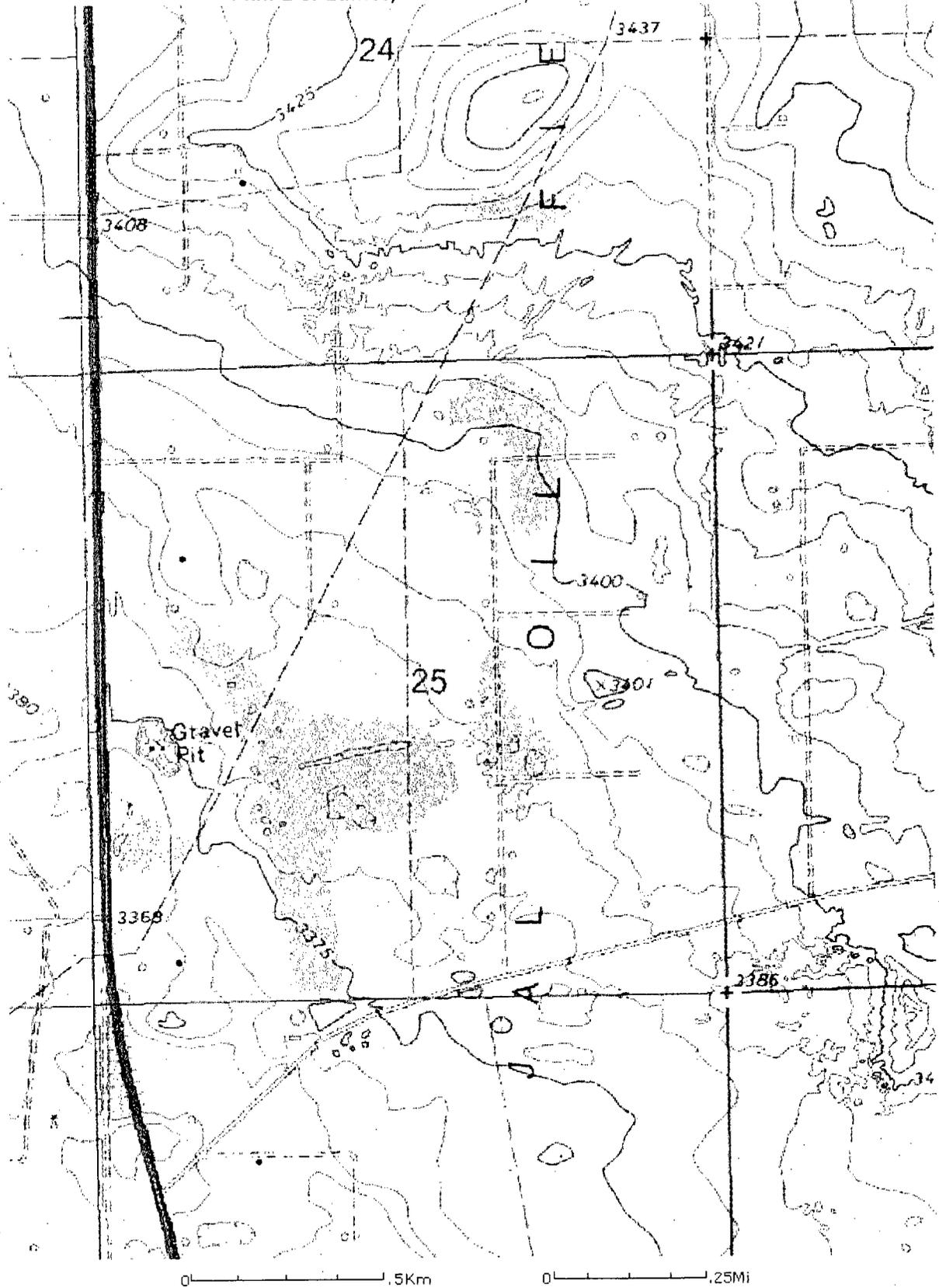


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Township: 21S Range: 37E Sections: 23,24,25,26,35,36

NAD27 X: Y: Zone: Search Radius:

County: Basin: Number: Suffix:

Owner Name: (First) (Last) Non-Domestic Domestic
 All

AVERAGE DEPTH OF WATER REPORT 07/24/2008

Bsn	Tws	Rng	Sec	Zone	X	Y	Wells	(Depth Water in Feet)		
								Min	Max	Avg
CP	21S	37E	23				2	65	65	65

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CP 00229 21S 37E 35 4 3 4
CP 00914 EXPL 21S 37E 36 1 3 4

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CP 00405	STK	0	WILLIAM O. ET AL STEPHENS	CP 00405	21S 37E 35	2 2 1	13
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