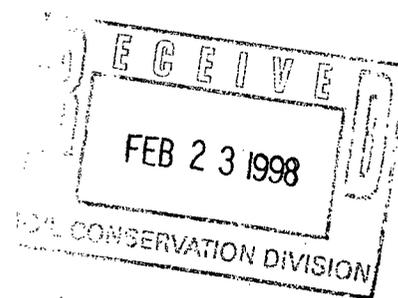


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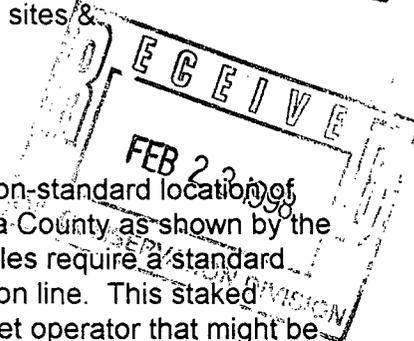
Mr. Michael Stogner
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division
2040 S. Pacheco
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504



RE: Application for Non-Standard Location
San Juan 28-7 Unit Well # 156M - to Avoid Archeological sites &
to avoid drastic relief in the Topography

Dear Mr. Stogner,

The proposed Mesaverde/Dakota well has been staked at a non-standard location of 1045' FSL & 1890' FEL, Section 10, T-27-N, R-7-W, Rio Arriba County as shown by the attached C-102. Blanco Mesaverde and Basin Dakota pool rules require a standard location to be located no closer that 790' from the center section line. This staked location is only 750' from the center section line. The only offset operator that might be affected is Unocal to the south in Section 15, operator of the Rincon Unit. Please find a copy of a certified mail receipt attached where they have been notified.



The archaeological sites around this area were numerous. The proposed location was determined as the only one acceptable. A topographic map is attached showing the location of the proposed well site. The steep grade of the topography is obvious. Attached is a statement from the Neale C. Edward Survey Company stating the reasons for our request of a non-standard location.

The proposed well will be completed and tested separately in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations and eventually downhole commingled following adequate testing and approval for commingling.

A non-standard location order is requested based on the reasons given in the following attachments. If there are further questions concerning this application please call me at (915) 686-5798.

Sincerely,

Kay Maddox

Kay Maddox
Regulatory Agent

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
William J LeMay, Director - OCD, Santa Fe

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CONOCO, INC.
SAN JUAN 28-7 UNIT #156M
1045' FSL, 1890' FEL,
SEC. 10, T27N, R7W, NMPM
RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NM

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN @ CONOCO, INC:

REASONS FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION:

THE PRIMARY REASON FOR THE NON-STANDARD STAKING OF THE SAN JUAN 28-7 UNIT #156M IS THE SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF ARCHEOLOGY THAT WAS DISCOVERED IN THE AREA OF THIS PERSPECTIVE WELL LOCATION. FURTHERMORE, THE DRASTIC RELIEF IN TOPOGRAPHY LENDS ITSELF TO BOTH POOR SITE FOR LOCATION & STEEP ACCESS WHICH IS DIFFICULT TO ADEQUATELY MAINTAIN. FOR THESE REASONS, THE LOCATION STAKED AT 1045' FSL & 1890' FEL WILL HOPEFULLY BE ACCEPTABLE.

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PO Box 2088
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AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

*API Number		*Pool Code	*Pool Name
		72319/71599	Blanco Mesaverde/Basin Dakota
*Property Code	*Property Name		*Well Number
016608	SAN JUAN 28-7 UNIT		156M
*OGRID No.	*Operator Name		*Elevation
005073	CONOCO, INC.		6612'

¹⁰ Surface Location

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Ion	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
0	10	27N	7W		1045	South	1890	East	RIO ARRIBA

¹¹ Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Ion	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

¹² Dedicated Acres	¹³ Joint or Infill	¹⁴ Consolidation Code	¹⁵ Order No.
E/320	Y	U	Non-standard Location (Applied for)

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

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¹⁷ OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

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

Mike L. Mankin
Signature

Mike L. Mankin
Printed Name

Right-Of-Way Agent
Title

2-11-98
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.

JANUARY 7, 1998
Date of Survey

Signature and Seal of Professional Surveyor

6857
Certificate No.

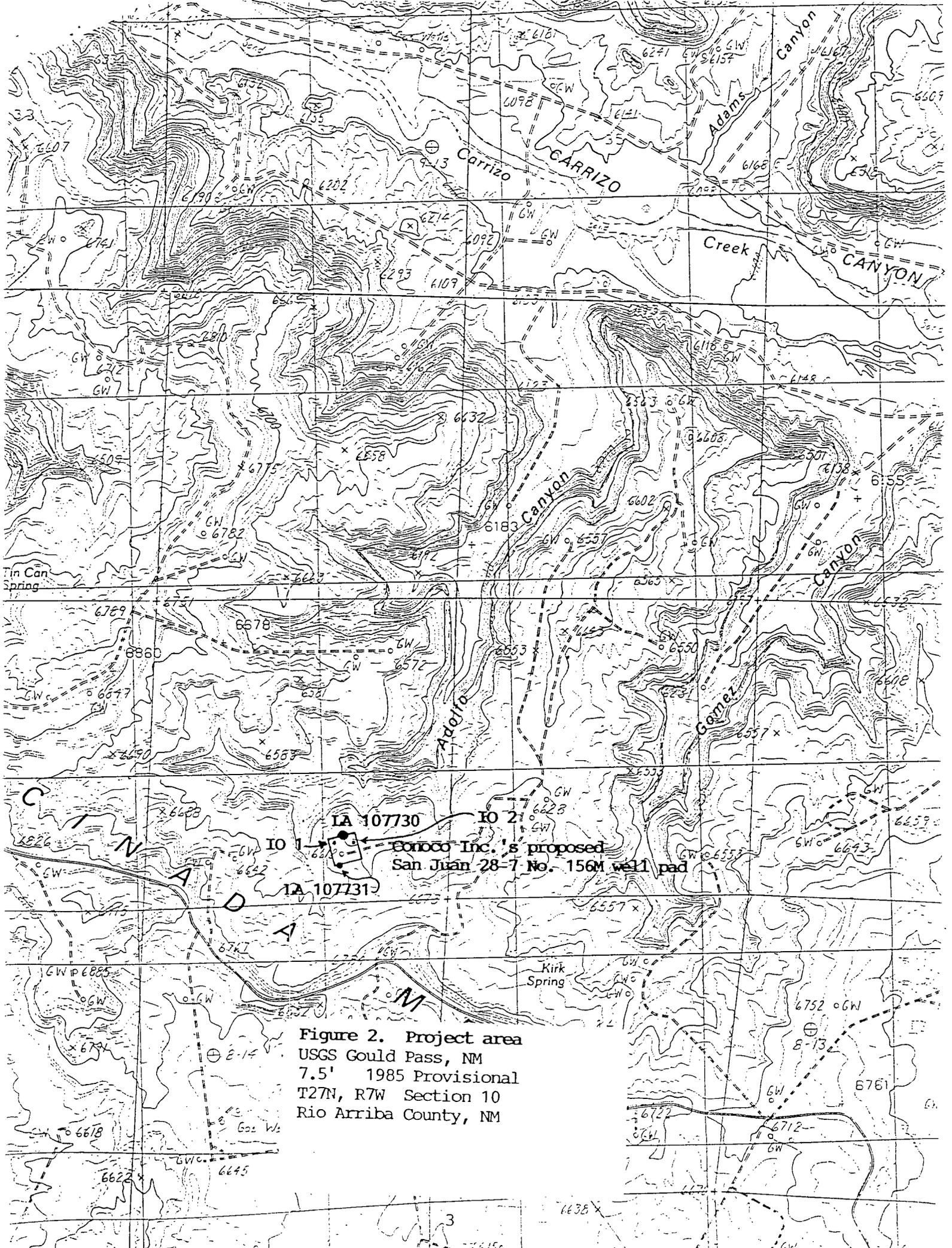
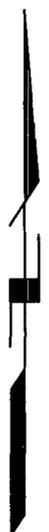
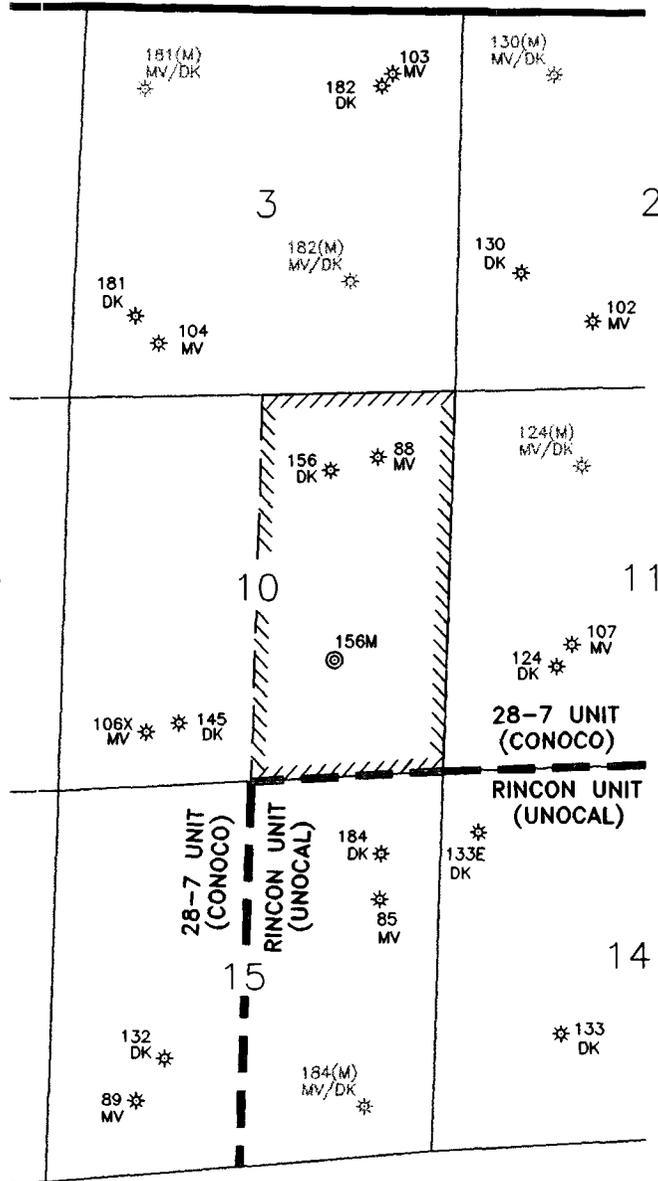


Figure 2. Project area
 USGS Gould Pass, NM
 7.5' 1985 Provisional
 T27N, R7W Section 10
 Rio Arriba County, NM

R 7 W

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**SAN JUAN 28-7 UNIT
RIO ARRIBA CO., N.M.**

<p>NOTES</p> <p>CONOCO OPERATES ALL MESAVERDE AND DAKOTA WELLS WITHIN THE 28-7 UNIT.</p> <p>MAP SHOWS ONLY MESAVERDE AND DAKOTA WELLS</p>	DATE: 02/06/98		EPNGNA MIDLAND DIVISION
	DRAWN BY: GLG		
	CHECKED BY:		
	APPROVED BY:		
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STATE PLANE COORDINATES REFERRED TO NAD27 - N.M. WEST STATE PLANE COORDINATES ZONE - 3003		039 \ 30	28-7_156
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