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OCD has used various methods on the infamous Carlsbad Brine well to determine a two-dimensional surface plot, but these methods are questionable for deep brine wells, does not give good three-dimensional aspects and is certainly not cost effective.

## Again, Wasserhund request a waiver and commits to working with OCD to find an acceptable method.

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<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> As pointed out above, this estimate cannot be backed by any geophysical method. Wasserhund can use a mathematical configuration to estimate the cavern volume, but cannot provide any three-dimensional pictorial with any accuracy.

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<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: Wasserhund's Consultant (Price LLC) has requested a variance on this requirement in the past annual reports. Due to intermittent production times, flow rate variation, pressure build ups, brine density changes, monthly injection and production numbers can vary outside of the 90%-110% range, but over time always comes back to normal and generally falls within the 105% range.

There are many reasons for this as we have discussed, and thus the requirement to suspend operations is not based on any real parameter or trend that may be an immediate threat to the well, groundwater or the environment. The current requirement puts operators in a continuous violation and interruption of operations.

Of course notwithstanding, if you have a well that takes water without producing, or starts to pressure up, then you know you may have lost circulation or communicated to a pressure zone, then immediate action should be taken and notification to the agency.

The point to be made here is that this parameter is a trailing indicator not a leading indicator. Of course a continued pattern for a few months would be beneficial.

#### Therefore, Wasserhund recommends the following language:

Wasserhund will monitor the brine well operation and if the well has a sudden loss or gain of pressure, lost circulation, unexpected water flow, specific gravity changes significantly, or a continued pattern of difference between the fresh water injected and production of brine that falls out side of the acceptable range of 90-110%, then Wasserhund will shut down operations and notify the OCD within 72 hours.

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**2.D. CLOSURE:** Reads; "The Permittee shall submit an updated closure plan, with third-party cost estimate for its well pursuant to 20.6.2.5209 NMAC and as specified in Permit Conditions 2.I and 5.B to address: well plug and abandonment, land surface restoration; environmental groundwater monitoring (if applicable); pipeline abandonment; and five years of surface subsidence monitoring."

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: A closure plan has been submitted to address the items listed above, however during discussions with OCD staff, the surface subsidence monitoring was allowed for three years. **Wasserhund hereby request this condition be changed to reflect the three years rather than five.** 

In addition, Wasserhund would like for the word "Pipeline" be removed as it has certain connotations in the oilfield and the fact there are no dedicated pipelines at the BW-04 facility.

We recommend using the language "piping removal or underground line abandonment."

#### 2.G. RELEASE REPORTING: "As Listed in Draft Permit"

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> The entire language appears to come from the WQCC part 20.6.2.1203 NMAC (**NOTIFICATION OF DISCHARGE-REMOVAL**)

The WQCC reporting conditions and the OCD reporting conditions are not exactly the same. It appears OCD is mixing regulations and may cause confusion with the operator and the local district offices.

Therefore Wasserhund recommends that the entire language under 2.G. Release reporting be removed and replaced with the following:

All releases shall be reported and corrective actions taken pursuant to OCD rule 19.15.29 (Releases).

**2.I. BONDING OR FINANCIAL ASSURANCE:** Draft permit reads in part; "Pursuant to 20.6.2.5210B(17) NMAC, the Permittee shall maintain at a minimum, a single well plugging bond in the amount that it shall determine, in accordance with Permit Conditions 2.D and 5.B, to cover potential costs associated with plugging and abandonment of the Class III well, surface restoration, environmental ground water monitoring (if applicable), pipeline abandonment, along with five years of surface subsidence monitoring thereafter. OCD may require additional financial assurance to ensure adequate funding is available to plug and abandon the well and/or for any required environmental related corrective actions."

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: As requested above, recommend removing the word "Pipeline" and replace with the following language.

#### "piping removal or underground line abandonment."

- **2.J. ANNUAL REPORT: Reads** in part "The Permittee shall submit its annual report pursuant to 20.6.2.3107 NMAC to OCD's Environmental Bureau by June 1st of the following year. The annual report shall include the following:
  - Semi-annual monitor well analytical data results;

Wasserhund Response: Wasserhund has requested a waiver on the new requirement for a monitor well. Please remove.

- Pipeline hydrostatic test results;
- Pipeline visual leak inspection monitoring results at joints;

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> As mentioned above, Wasserhund does not have any pipelines. Please remove.

 The Permittee shall file its Annual Report in an electronic format with a hard copy submittal to OCD's Environmental Bureau.

Wasserhund Response: Wasserhund requests waiver of a hardcopy unless OCD specifically has need for it. Wasserhund will supply upon individual request.

**3.A. OPERATING REQUIREMENTS:** Reads in part; "The Permittee shall comply with the operating requirements specified in 20.6.2.5206A NMAC and 20.6.2.5206A NMAC to ensure that:"

"Pipeline: Initial hydrostatic testing of pipeline is required for any pressure loss, leakage, etc. at joints. The hydrostatic test report with "as-built" pipeline transect and associated construction information shall be submitted to OCD for approval before pipeline activation. Mandatory Hydrostatic Testing of the pipeline is required after leakage and/or before the expiration date of the Permit. The pipeline shall be constructed with an Emergency Shut-Down Device with block off locations for pipeline isolation, access, cleaning, testing, etc. Daily pipeline inspection and monitoring is required at a minimum for the first week and each time the pipeline is brought back into service after shut-down, service work, etc. The pipeline shall be inspected within 8-hours of pipeline pressure loss, upset, etc. Weekly inspection and monitoring at a minimum is required thereafter. Inspection record keeping is required and shall include the date and time of each inspection, inspectors name and contact information, weather conditions with inspection summary, any conclusion on pipeline condition with any recommendations. Spills or release locations shall include GPS Coordinates and be handled in accordance with Permit Condition 2.G."

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> It appears that some of the new brine wells recently permitted does have a long brine water lines and OCD has boiler plated this in all permits.

Wasserhund's BW-04 brine system does not have a pipeline by definition, but only has aboveground lines other than fresh water. The lines from the brine tanks to load lines are underlain with a secondary containment. There is one short aboveground brine line from the well over to the aboveground tanks.

Wasserhund requests that item 3, be removed from the draft permit.

#### 3.D. MECHANICAL INTEGRITY FOR CLASS III WELLS: Reads in Part;

"The MIT shall consist of a 30-minute test at a minimum pressure of 500 psig measured at the surface when tubing is removed and a plug is installed within 20 ft. of the casing shoe depth."

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> Pursuant to **19.15.26.11** (TESTING, MONITORING, STEP-RATE TESTS, NOTICE TO THE DIVISION, REQUESTS FOR PRESSURE INCREASES) The minimum test pressure is 300 psig.

Wasserhund request that the permit reflect this change from 500 psig to 300 psig.

**3.D.2.b Reads** in part; "Passes casing MIT if final test pressure is within +/- 10% of starting pressure, if approved by OCD (Note: Passes cavern test on a case-by-case basis determined by OCD);"

Wasserhund understands the sensitivity issue on cavern tests due to formation and water compressibility factors, but OCD not allowing some tolerance is not practical.

Wasserhund request that at a minimum tolerance of +/-1% be allowed, and more on a case by case basis approved by OCD.

**3.D.2.d Reads** in part; "All chart recorder information, charts containing appropriate information, calibration sheets, etc. shall be provided to OCD within 5 working days of completing an MIT."

Wasserhund Response: In order to be consistent with OCD rule
19.15.7.14.G (SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS (Form C-103)

Wasserhund Request that 30 working days be allowed to submit the information along with the required C-103.

**3.E. WELL WORKOVER OPERATIONS:** In part reads; "Properly completed Forms C-103 and/or C-105 must be filed with OCD upon completion of workover activities and copies included in that year's Annual Report"

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<u>Wasserhund's response:</u> Wasserhund hereby request that the submittal of monthly reports be omitted and the reports will be submitted in the annual report.

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While a mathematical configuration can be estimated, there is no way to accurately confirm the size and shape using a geophysical method or tool.

OCD has used various methods on the infamous Carlsbad Brine well to determine a two-dimensional surface plot, but these methods are questionable for deep brine wells, does not give good three-dimensional aspects and is certainly not cost effective.

## Again, Wasserhund request a waiver and commits to working with OCD to find an acceptable method.

a. "The Permittee shall provide an estimate of the size and shape of the solution cavern at least annually in the Annual Report (Condition 2.J), based on fluid injection and brine production data."

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: As pointed out above, this estimate cannot be backed by any geophysical method. Wasserhund can use a mathematical configuration to estimate the cavern volume, but cannot provide any three-dimensional pictorial with any accuracy.

b. "The Permittee shall compare the ratio of the volume of injected fluids to the volume of produced brine monthly. If the average ratio of injected fluid to produced brine varies is less than 90% or greater than 110%, the Permittee shall report this to OCD and cease injection and production operations of its Class III well within 24 hours. The Permittee shall begin an investigation to determine the cause of this abnormal ratio within 72 hours. The Permittee shall submit to OCD a report of its investigation within 15 days of cessation of injection and production operations of its Class III well for further instructions."

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: Wasserhund's Consultant (Price LLC) has requested a variance on this requirement in the past annual reports. Due to intermittent production times, flow rate variation, pressure build ups, brine density changes, monthly injection and production numbers can vary outside of the 90%-110% range, but over time always comes back to normal and generally falls within the 105% range.

There are many reasons for this as we have discussed, and thus the requirement to suspend operations is not based on any real parameter or trend that may be an immediate threat to the well, groundwater or the environment. The current requirement puts operators in a continuous violation and interruption of operations.

Of course notwithstanding, if you have a well that takes water without producing, or starts to pressure up, then you know you may have lost circulation or communicated to a pressure zone, then immediate action should be taken and notification to the agency.

The point to be made here is that this parameter is a trailing indicator not a leading indicator. Of course a continued pattern for a few months would be beneficial.

#### Therefore, Wasserhund recommends the following language:

Wasserhund will monitor the brine well operation and if the well has a sudden loss or gain of pressure, lost circulation, unexpected water flow, specific gravity changes significantly, or a continued pattern of difference between the fresh water injected and production of brine that falls out side of the acceptable range of 90-110%, then Wasserhund will shut down operations and notify the OCD within 72 hours.

Within 30 days, Wasserhund will submit a corrective action plan for OCD approval.

**2.D. CLOSURE:** Reads; "The Permittee shall submit an updated closure plan, with third-party cost estimate for its well pursuant to 20.6.2.5209 NMAC and as specified in Permit Conditions 2.I and 5.B to address: well plug and abandonment, land surface restoration; environmental groundwater monitoring (if applicable); pipeline abandonment; and five years of surface subsidence monitoring."

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: A closure plan has been submitted to address the items listed above, however during discussions with OCD staff, the surface subsidence monitoring was allowed for three years. **Wasserhund hereby request this condition be changed to reflect the three years rather than five.** 

In addition, Wasserhund would like for the word "Pipeline" be removed as it has certain connotations in the oilfield and the fact there are no dedicated pipelines at the BW-04 facility.

We recommend using the language "piping removal or underground line abandonment."

#### 2.G. RELEASE REPORTING: "As Listed in Draft Permit"

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> The entire language appears to come from the WQCC part 20.6.2.1203 NMAC (**NOTIFICATION OF DISCHARGE-REMOVAL**)

The WQCC reporting conditions and the OCD reporting conditions are not exactly the same. It appears OCD is mixing regulations and may cause confusion with the operator and the local district offices.

Therefore Wasserhund recommends that the entire language under 2.G. Release reporting be removed and replaced with the following:

All releases shall be reported and corrective actions taken pursuant to OCD rule 19.15.29 (Releases).

2.I. BONDING OR FINANCIAL ASSURANCE: Draft permit reads in part; "Pursuant to 20.6.2.5210B(17) NMAC, the Permittee shall maintain at a minimum, a single well plugging bond in the amount that it shall determine, in accordance with Permit Conditions 2.D and 5.B, to cover potential costs associated with plugging and abandonment of the Class III well, surface restoration, environmental ground water monitoring (if applicable), pipeline abandonment, along with five years of surface subsidence monitoring thereafter. OCD may require additional financial assurance to ensure adequate funding is available to plug and abandon the well and/or for any required environmental related corrective actions."

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: As requested above, recommend removing the word "Pipeline" and replace with the following language.

#### "piping removal or underground line abandonment."

- **2.J. ANNUAL REPORT: Reads** in part "The Permittee shall submit its annual report pursuant to 20.6.2.3107 NMAC to OCD's Environmental Bureau by June 1st of the following year. The annual report shall include the following:
  - Semi-annual monitor well analytical data results;

Wasserhund Response: Wasserhund has requested a waiver on the new requirement for a monitor well. Please remove.

- Pipeline hydrostatic test results;
- Pipeline visual leak inspection monitoring results at joints;

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> As mentioned above, Wasserhund does not have any pipelines. Please remove.

 The Permittee shall file its Annual Report in an electronic format with a hard copy submittal to OCD's Environmental Bureau.

Wasserhund Response: Wasserhund requests waiver of a hardcopy unless OCD specifically has need for it. Wasserhund will supply upon individual request.

**3.A. OPERATING REQUIREMENTS:** Reads in part; "The Permittee shall comply with the operating requirements specified in 20.6.2.5206A NMAC and 20.6.2.5206A NMAC to ensure that:"

"Pipeline: Initial hydrostatic testing of pipeline is required for any pressure loss, leakage, etc. at joints. The hydrostatic test report with "as-built" pipeline transect and associated construction information shall be submitted to OCD for approval before pipeline activation. Mandatory Hydrostatic Testing of the pipeline is required after leakage and/or before the expiration date of the Permit. The pipeline shall be constructed with an Emergency Shut-Down Device with block off locations for pipeline isolation, access, cleaning, testing, etc. Daily pipeline inspection and monitoring is required at a minimum for the first week and each time the pipeline is brought back into service after shut-down, service work, etc. The pipeline shall be inspected within 8-hours of pipeline pressure loss, upset, etc. Weekly inspection and monitoring at a minimum is required thereafter. Inspection record keeping is required and shall include the date and time of each inspection, inspectors name and contact information, weather conditions with inspection summary, any conclusion on pipeline condition with any recommendations. Spills or release locations shall include GPS Coordinates and be handled in accordance with Permit Condition 2.G."

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> It appears that some of the new brine wells recently permitted does have a long brine water lines and OCD has boiler plated this in all permits.

Wasserhund's BW-04 brine system does not have a pipeline by definition, but only has aboveground lines other than fresh water. The lines from the brine tanks to load lines are underlain with a secondary containment. There is one short aboveground brine line from the well over to the aboveground tanks.

Wasserhund requests that item 3, be removed from the draft permit.

#### 3.D. MECHANICAL INTEGRITY FOR CLASS III WELLS: Reads in Part;

"The MIT shall consist of a 30-minute test at a minimum pressure of 500 psig measured at the surface when tubing is removed and a plug is installed within 20 ft. of the casing shoe depth."

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> Pursuant to **19.15.26.11** (TESTING, MONITORING, STEP-RATE TESTS, NOTICE TO THE DIVISION, REQUESTS FOR PRESSURE INCREASES) The minimum test pressure is 300 psig.

Wasserhund request that the permit reflect this change from 500 psig to 300 psig.

**3.D.2.b Reads** in part; "Passes casing MIT if final test pressure is within +/- 10% of starting pressure, if approved by OCD (Note: Passes cavern test on a case-by-case basis determined by OCD);"

Wasserhund understands the sensitivity issue on cavern tests due to formation and water compressibility factors, but OCD not allowing some tolerance is not practical.

Wasserhund request that at a minimum tolerance of +/-1% be allowed, and more on a case by case basis approved by OCD.

**3.D.2.d Reads** in part; "All chart recorder information, charts containing appropriate information, calibration sheets, etc. shall be provided to OCD within 5 working days of completing an MIT."

Wasserhund Response: In order to be consistent with OCD rule
19.15.7.14.G (SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS (Form C-103)

Wasserhund Request that 30 working days be allowed to submit the information along with the required C-103.

**3.E. WELL WORKOVER OPERATIONS:** In part reads; "Properly completed Forms C-103 and/or C-105 must be filed with OCD upon completion of workover activities and copies included in that year's Annual Report"

Wasserhund Response: Wasserhund hereby request that the OCD form C-105 not be required for pressure test, tubing repair, and miscellaneous remedial

work, unless the casing is altered, new casing installed, or different tubing is installed and the setting depth is changed over a 100 feet.

**3.F. FLUIDS INJECTION AND BRINE PRODUCTION VOLUMES AND PRESSURES:** Reads in part; "The Permittee shall submit monthly reports of its injection and production volumes on or before the 10th day of the following month.

<u>Wasserhund's response:</u> Wasserhund hereby request that the submittal of monthly reports be omitted and the reports will be submitted in the annual report.

"The Permittee shall suspend injection if the monthly injection volume is less than 110% or greater than 120% of associated brine production. If such an event occurs, the Permittee shall notify OCD within 24 hours."

<u>Wasserhund's response</u>: **Wasserhund recommends this part be omitted as it conflicts with draft permit condition 2.B.2.b.** 

**3.G. AREA OF REVIEW (AOR):** Reads; "The Permittee shall report within 72 hours of discovery any new wells, conduits, or any other device that penetrates or may penetrate the injection zone within a 1-mile radius from its Class III well. OCD shall be notified within 24 hours of having knowledge of any wells lacking cement within the cavern interval within a 1/2-mile radius from the Class III well"

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> Wasserhund has no ability to control wells that are permitted in the area nor be able to control the casing programs. This is solely OCD's responsibility.

Wasserhund's consultant (Price LLC) has had numerous conversations with OCD concerning this issue. OCD was suppose to implement a program that ID's brine wells so the OCD District offices would be able to control permitting of proximity wells.

Wasserhund also does an annual review of the wells located within ½ mile radius. OCD's bureau chief agreed a ½ mile AOR is sufficient, not the one mile specified.

Therefore, Wasserhund request that this section be omitted from the permit conditions.

**5. SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE:** Reads in part;

**5.B. BONDING OR FINANCIAL ASSURANCE:** "The Permittee shall submit an estimate of the minimum cost to properly close, plug and abandon its UIC Class III well, conduct ground water restoration if applicable, and any post-operational monitoring as may be needed (see 20.6.2.5210B(17) NMAC) within 90 days of permit issuance, and/or the Closure Plan addresses this requirement and is approved by OCD. The Permittee's cost estimate shall be based on third person estimates. After review, OCD will require the Permittee to submit a single well plugging bond based on the third person cost estimate."

<u>Wasserhund Response:</u> Wasserhund was required to submit this with the application. **Wasserhund requests this be removed from the permit conditions.** 

**5.D. SOLUTION CAVERN CHARACTERIZATION PLAN:** The Permittee shall submit the Solution Cavern Characterization Plan required in accordance with Permit Condition 2.B.2 within 180 days of permit issuance.

<u>Wasserhund Response</u>: As pointed out above, there is no geophysical method or plan that is currently cost effective. **Wasserhund request this requirement be waived until OCD has a method that is viable and can be applied to most brine wells.** 

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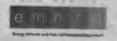
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Elise Rodriguez, the undersigned, on oath states that she is an authorized Representative of The Albuquerque Journal, and that this newspaper is duly qualified to publish legal notices or advertisements within the meaning of Section 3, Chapter 167, Session Laws of 1937, and that payment therefore has been made of assessed as court cost; that the notice, copy of which hereto attached, was published in said paper in the regular daily edition, for 1 time(s) on the following date(s):

06/30/2019

Sworn and subscribed before me. Notary Public, in and for the County of Bernalillo and State of New Mexico this  1 day of July of 2019	
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Statement to come at the end of month.	
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#### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

(BW-4) Wasserhund Inc., Jon Gandy, Owner, P.O. Box 2140, Lovington, NM 88260, has submitted an application for an Underground Injection Control (UIC) Class III Brine Well Discharge Permit Renewal for the "Eldson State No. 1" (API# 30-025-26883), located 567 FSL and 162 FWL, UL: M in Section 31, Township 16 South, Range 35 East (Lat. N 32.87313", Long.: W 103.50503"), NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. The brine well is located on State Road 238 approximately 7 milea west and 5 miles south of Lovington, New Mexico.

The brine production flow process is termed "normal flow" which consists of fresh water injection through the 2-3/8 in. tubing at an average surface injection rists of 10 - 15 gpm or approximately 475 bbl/day at an injection pressure range of 260 - 289 psig to a depth of approximately 2,460 ft. bgl. Brine is produced to surface via a 5-1/2 in. flush joint casing annulus directed through a whipstock window in 7 in. casing offset at an approximate depth of 1,734 ft. bgl to a depth of 2,100 bgl or at least 100 ft. below the top of the Salado "Salt" Formation at about 2,000 ft. bgl. Injection and production flow may temporarily be reversed as required periodically to clean the tubing and annulus. Injection pressure shall not exceed the permitted maximum surface injection pressure (MSIP) of 400 psig. Fresh water is supplied by a water supply well located approximately T NUMBER

The brine station is approximately 100 ft. east of the brine well with an approximate 4,250 bbl. brine tank(s) storage capacity. The tank storage system is constructed with concrete and synthetic liners to prevent any spills or leaks from impacting land surface.

Brine fluid is expected to be at a Total Dissolved Solids-TDS concentration of about 324,000 ppm. Groundwater most ilkely to be affected by a spill, leak or accidental discharge is at a depth of approximately 85 ft. bgl with a TDS concentration of approximately 450 ppm. The dis-charge permit addresses well construction, operation, monitoring, ground subsidence, associated surface fa-cilities, financial assurance, closure, and provides a contingency plan in the event of an accidental dis-charge.

The OCD has determined the renewal application is administratively complete and has prepared a draft permit. The OCD will accept comments and statements of interest regarding this application and will create a facility-specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices. Persons interested in obtaining further information, submitting comments or requesting to be on a facility-specific mailing list may contact the Environmental Bureau Chief of the OCD at the address given above. The permit may be viewed at the above address between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or at the OCD web site <a href="http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/cod/">http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/cod/</a>. Persons interested in obtaining a copy of the application and draft permit may contact the OCD at the address given above. Prior to ruling on any proposed permit, the Director shall allow a period of at least thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice, during which interested persons may submit comments or request that OCD hold a public hearing. Requests for a hearing shall set forth the reasons why a hearing should be held. A hearing will be held if the Director determines there is significant public interests.

If no hearing is held, the Director will approve the proposed permit based on information available, including all comments received. If a public hearing is held, the director will approve or disapprove the proposed permit based on information in the permit application and information submitted at the hearing.

Para obtener más información sobre esta solicitud en español, sirvase comunicarse por favor: New Mexico Energy, Minerais and Natural Resources Department (Depto. Del Energia, Minerals y Recursos Naturales de Nuevo México), Oil Conservation Division (Depto. Conservación Del Petróleo), 1220 South St. Francis Divie, Santa Fe, New México (Contacto: Laura Tulk, 575-748-1283) 575-748-1283).

GIVEN under the Seal of New Mexico Oll Conservation Com-mission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 30th day of June 2019.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Adrienne Sandoval, Director

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Rodriguez, the undersigned, on oath states that she is an authorized Representative of Notice is hereby given that pursuant to New Mexico Water que Journal, and that this newspaper is duly qualified to publish legal notices Quality Control Commission Regulations (20.6.2.3108 NMAC), hents within the meaning of Section 3, Chapter 167, Session Laws of 1937, and that submitted to the Director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation efore has been made of assessed as court cost; that the notice, copy of which hereto Division ("OCD"), 1220 S. Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New s published in said paper in the regular daily edition, for 1 time(s) on the following

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#### Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

From: Wayne Price <wayneprice@q.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2019 1:16 PM

**To:** Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

**Cc:** Wayne Price; jonrgandy Gandy

**Subject:** [EXT] BW-04 Land Owner Notification

Attachments: NMSLO Cert Letter PN BW-04 copy.pdf; ATT00001.txt

Dear Carl,

Please find attached verification that Wasserhund sent the landowner notification. Please file.

Certified-Return Receipt: 7017 2620 0000 4580 3735

April 3, 2019

New Mexico State Land Office 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87504

Reference: Salt Lease M197520001

Subject: Landowner Notification

Dear NMSLO:

Please find enclosed a revised Public Notice concerning the OCD permit renewal process for Brine Well-BW-04 located in Lea County NM.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call or E-mail Wayne Price-Price LLC consultant for Wassehund Inc. @ 505-715-2809 or <a href="wayneprice@q.com">wayneprice@q.com</a>.

In addition you may contact Mr. Carl Chavez (NMOCD) as noted in the Public Notice.

Sincerely,

Wayne Price-Price LLC

CC: Jon Gandy-Wasserhund Inc. Carl Chavez-NMOCD

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Lea Regional Announces New

Pain Management Service

#### New Mexico Roundup News From Around The State

#### Former Hidalgo County Economic Developer Convicted Of Child Molestation

LORDSBURG — A for- Wis., last summer. four years in prison for mo-lesting a boy in Fountain City,

mer economic developer for the city and for Hiddley County has been sentenced to of a child. A criminal com-

fondled and abused a 13-yearold boy. The offense took
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## Roswell Man's Dream Of Horse Racing Venue Faces Long Odds

ROSWELL — A Chaves County property owner has dreams of a horse racing and horse training facility on his land east of the city, and he plans to pursue the idea in spite of objections of some neighbors and a vote against it by a local commission.

Six people spoke against Margarito Rodriguez's request for a special use permit at a Nov. 20 meeting of the Roswell-Chaves County Extraterritorial Zoning (ETZ)

Prior to the meeting, 37 sion to the ETZ Authority. people had signed a petition in opposition to the permit, submitting their complaints to the Chaves County Planning and Zoning Depart-ment.

After listening to Rodriguez and his neighbors, the commission voted 4-0 to deny Rodriguez's application to train and race quarter horses.

Rodriguez said after the vote that he intended to ap-peal the commission's deci-

to the commission that the request for a public horse racing venue be denied but said a horse training facility would be compatible with the area, if certain conditions were met. The city of Roswell, represented by Planning and Zoning Admin-istrator Director Merideth Hildreth, took the same posi-

Rodriguez, however, told Chaves County Planning
Director Marlin Johnson and
his staff had recommended
his staff had recommended

a public horse racing venue.

The commissioners noted that nothing would prohibit Rodriguez from training horses for himself or others, as long as he does not make that operation a commercial enterprise and no gambling is associated with it

Rodriguez has 30 days to file an appeal, according to

## Pearce Announces Candidacy To Head State GOP

SANTA ROSA — U.S. nounced his candidacy for Rep. Steve Pearce, who was chairman of the Republican defeated in his bid for New Party of New Mexico.

Mexico governor, has anIf elected by the party's

State Central Committee, Pearce will serve a two-year term as chairman.

The selection for a new

## Plastic Gun Results In Brief Clovis High School Lockdown

tion gun.

According to a release from the Clovis Police Department, officers were dispatched to CHS after a parent had reported seeing a male student with a gray and

but all entrances are locked.

According to information supplied by Capt. Roman Romero of the CPD, units from the CPD, Curry County Sheriff's Office and New Mexico State Police arrived black hooded sweatshirt and on the scene at 1:03 p.m.,

and charged with the delin-quent act of interference with the educational process.

A black imitation handgun was recovered from the ju-venile.

A second student.

CLOVIS — The high school had a brief lockdown Nov. 19, and two teens were arrested in an incident that started with a plastic imitawalked by an officer who was speaking with a witness and called the witness a "(expletive) snitch." The of-ficer detained Maes, reason-ing in the report that Maes decided to include himself in

It was discovered Maes had an outstanding warrant for larceny, criminal damage and residential burglary. He was arrested for the warrant, and also charged with intimidation of a witness.

Lea Regional Medical Center (LRMC) CEO Timothy
Thornell is pleased to announce a new service, Pain
Management that is being offered at Lea Regional by a new

provider, Jose Luis Ramirez, provider, Jose Luis Rainnez, CRNA, NPSM-C. Pain management is the process of providing medical care that alleviates or reduces acute or chronic pain.

Acute pain is short term,

and is normally attributed to a recent illness, injury, or sur-gery. The level of pain im-proves with the healing process.

Chronic pain is prolonged pain that ranges from mild to severe and may be constant or

recurring.

Jose will treat pain related to: the neck, lower back, lumbago nerve, sciatic nerve, headaches, migraines, and complex regional pain syn-drome. Jose works as a part of a pain management team, con-sulting with patient's primary care provider. Jose will offer interventions in the office or ultrasound and fluoroscopic X-ray guided injections in an outpatient hospital setting. LRMC CEO Tim Thornell

stated, "We're thrilled to offer this new service to the resi-dents of Lea County and the association of provider like Jose Luis. Jose has a profes-sional yet soothing manner. He listens to his patients concerns and evaluates the severity and causes of their pain. He provides his patients with treatment options and they select the best treatment together." Tim continued, "While Jose treats chronic pain patients, he also treats migraines. Mi-graines can be a debilitating nuisance to people who suffer from them, and almost 40 million Americans suffer from migraines. Jose can help peo-

ticing in New Mexico for the past eight years. He has almost 15 years of experience in the medical field. He received his Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from New Mexico State University, and Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia from Mount Marty College in Yankton, SD. Jose has also completed an Advanced Pain Management Fellowship at the University of South Florida in Tampa, FL. Jose is Board Certified in interventional pain management and anesthesiol-

objective is to improve the quality of life for the complex acute and chronic pain patient by providing compassionate and quality comprehensive pain management care with a patient centered focus in a rural community." He continued, "Everyone in Lea County has been warm and welcoming to me, especially the staff at Lea Regional. I look forward to building a long-term Pain Management program here, so that my patients do not have to drive two or more hours to get the care they need. I also look forward to helping my patients

get back to their lives by alle-viating their pain."

Jose Luis is seeing patients now at Lea Regional Medical Group: Primary & Urgent Care located at 5320 N. Lov-ington Hwy., please call (575) 492-LRMG (5764) to schedule an appointment. Or visit our website, www.MyHobbs-Doc.com to learn more. Patients may need a referral, and they should check with their primary care provider.

#### Public Notice

Renewal of Discharge Permit (BW-004) Wasserhund Inc., P.O. Box 2140 Lovington, New Mexico 88260. Jon Gandy has filed a permit renewal application with the New Mexico 0il Conservation Division (OCD) to renew the operating permit for the UIC Class Ill Brine Well "Edison State No. 1" (API# 30-025-26883) UI: M Section 31 Township 16 South, Range 35 East, 567 FSL, 162 FWL, Lat. 32.87313", Long, 103.55053" ANDBAS, MPMH, Lee County, New Mexico.

This site is located on State Road 238 and approximately 7 miles west and 5 miles south of Lovington

Fresh water is injected down a 2460° long 2-3/8° tubing arrangement contained in a 5-1/2° casing (annulus) whipstock offset located at 1734 feet. The casing is set at a depth of 2100 feet below the surface, which is 50 feet into the Salado Salt Formation.

Anticipated 10lb/gal quality brine water from the Salado salt formation is returned to the surface thru the casing annulus.

The site produces approximately 25,000 barrels of brine water per month with an average injection pressure of 260-280 psig. Maximum injection/test pressure is limited by an auto-pressure shut down switch.

Ground water in this area is approximately 75 feet below the ground surface and has a total dissolved solid content of 600-700 mg/l.

This facility has the capacity to store approximately 4,250 bbls of brine water in above ground tanks and is designed and permitted to have no intentional water contaminants discharged to the surface or subsurface for the protection of groundwater. The system has concrete and synthetic liners to prevent any spills or leaks from reaching the ground surface.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Wasserhund Inc.at the address above or you may contact Wayne Price 505-715-2809 or E-mail wayneprice@q.com. Wasserhund Inc. welcomes your input.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) will accept comments and statements of interest regarding this application and will create a facility-specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices. Interested persons may contact Carl Chavez-Environmental Engineer, Oil Conservation Division (OCD) 505-476-3465 or by writing 1220 South Saint Francis, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505.

Published in the Lovington Leader November 29, 2018

#### Public Notice

Renovación del Permiso de Vuelco (BWK004) Wassherhund Inc., apartado postal 2140, ciudad de Lovington, estado de Nuevo México, C.P. 88260, Jon Gando presentó una solicitud de renovación de permisa ante la División de Preservación del Petróleo de Nuevo México (New Mexico di Conservation Division (OCD) para renovar el permiso operativo del pozo de agua salmuera "Etidon State N° 1° de UIC clase II (API# 300 C525/26883) UL: N° sección 31, Comuna 16 Sur, Área 35 Oriental, 567 FSI, 162 FWI, Lat 32.87313°, Long, 103.50503° NADB3, NMPM, Condado de Lea, estado de Nuevo México.

Se ubica el presente sitio en Camino Estatal 238 y aproximadamente 7 millas hacia el oeste y 5 millas hacia el sur de la ciudad de Lovington, estado de Nuevo México.

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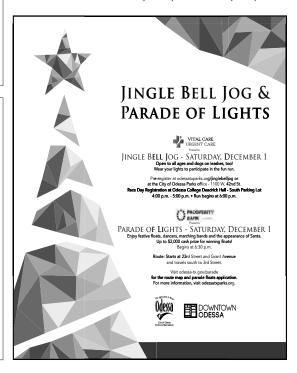
Frank Gutierrez, lead in- \$5,000 fine vestigator for the 10th Judi-cial District Attorney's Office in Tucumcari, wrote the criminal complaint and filed it in magistrate court Nov. 8. In the complaint, Gutierrez

accuses Jones in 33 counts of unlawful use or theft of an ATM or credit card and 33 counts of identity theft.

Both types of charges are fourth-degree felonies that carry a penalty of up to 18 months in jail or up to a from Curry County.

According to the com-plaint, Jones used a debit or credit card for 17 transactions at Logan Food Mart, eight at Allsup's in Tucumcari, seven at Sun Valley Rides (the carnival company at the Quay County Fair) and one at Hud-son Auto Supply in Tucumcari.

District Attorney Tim Rose stated in an email the victims, a husband and wife, were



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Sent: Monday, December 10, 2018 4:37 PM

**To:** Estes, Bob, DCA

**Cc:** Eck, David; 'Wayne Price'; jonrgandy Gandy; Griswold, Jim, EMNRD

**Subject:** RE: wasserhund bw 4

Attachments: log 109256.pdf; Map of BW-4 Mineral Ownership.pdf; Map of BW-4 on State Land.pdf

Bob, et al.:

Thank you for the Department of Cultural Affairs-Historic Preservation Division (HPD) letter (see attachment) with a finding and recommended action for the Permittee to contact the State Land Office.

OCD also confirms the well to be on State Lands (see attached Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department GIS Land Map). However the Mineral Ownership Map (also attached) indicates the U.S. does not own minerals at the well location.

By receipt of this e-mail, the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) requires the Permittee to respond to the attached HPD letter for the OCD Administrative Record and permitting consideration.

Thank you.

----Original Message-----From: Estes, Bob, DCA

Sent: Monday, December 10, 2018 2:45 PM

To: Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD < Carl J. Chavez@state.nm.us>

Cc: Eck, David <deck@slo.state.nm.us>

Subject: FW: wasserhund bw 4

'Afternoon Carl,

Here is SHPO's response to the Wasserhund permit renewal (BW-4) in Lea county.

Please note that the property ownership on the application may be in error.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call me directly at 505-827-4225 or email me.

Bob Estes Ph.D. HPD Staff Archaeologist New Mexico State Historic Preservation Division 407 Galisteo St., Suite 236 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 ----Original Message-----

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December 10, 2018

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Environmental Engineer
Oil Conservation Bureau-Environmental Bureau Mining and Minerals Division
1220 South St. Francis Drive
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Re: Wassrhund Inc. Brine Well Discharge Permit renewal BW-4 (HPD Log 109256)

Dear Mr. Chavez:

This letter is in response to the above referenced permit renewal application received at the Historic Preservation Division (HPD) on November 09, 2018. According to the application, the proposed project is within Township 16 South, Range 35 East, Section 31.

My review shows that the NM State Land Office (SLO) owns the surface and minerals, although the renewal application indicates the land is private property. Additional research strongly suggests that the property owner listed in the application is leasing the surface rights from the SLO.

I reviewed our records to determine if cemeteries, burial grounds or cultural resources listed on the State Register of Cultural Properties or the National Register of Historic Places exist within or near the permit area. Our records show that there are no cultural resources listed on the National Register or State Register within or near the proposed permit area and no known cemeteries or burial grounds.

Our records also show that there have been only two surveys to identify cultural resource near the permit area. Although no cultural resources were identified during those surveys, we do not have enough information to be sure that no cultural resources on state land have been, or will be affected.

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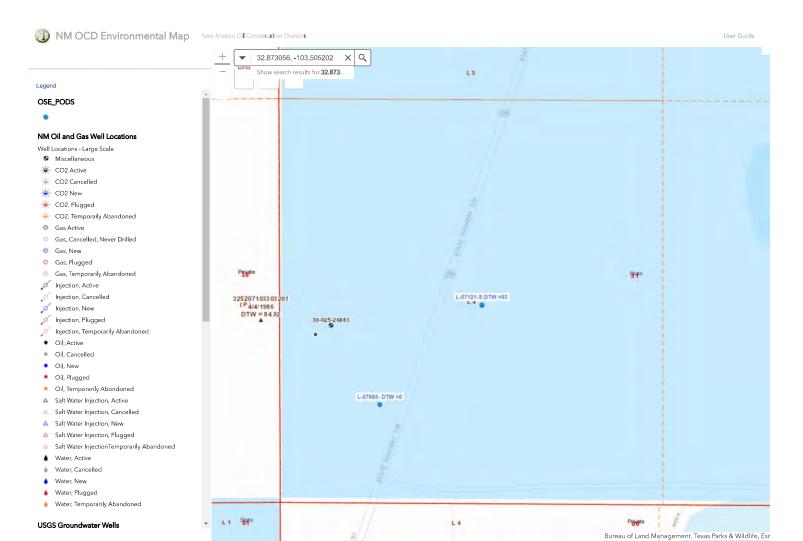
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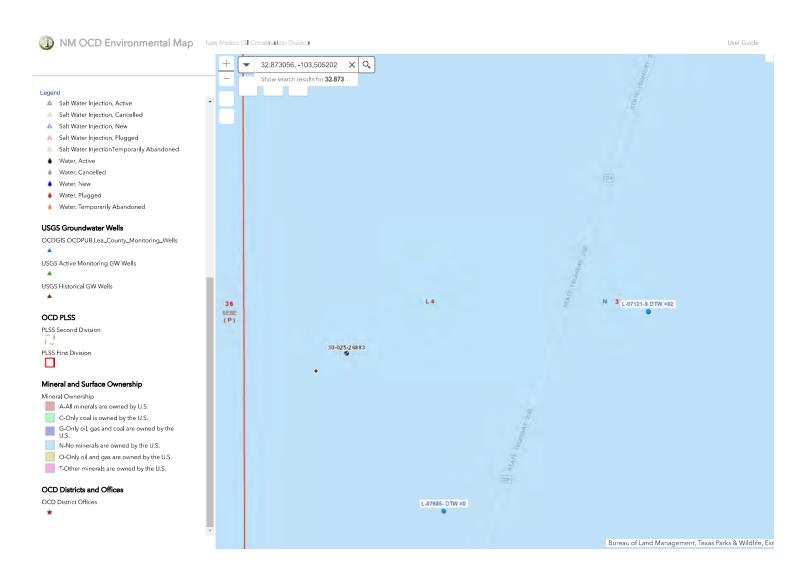
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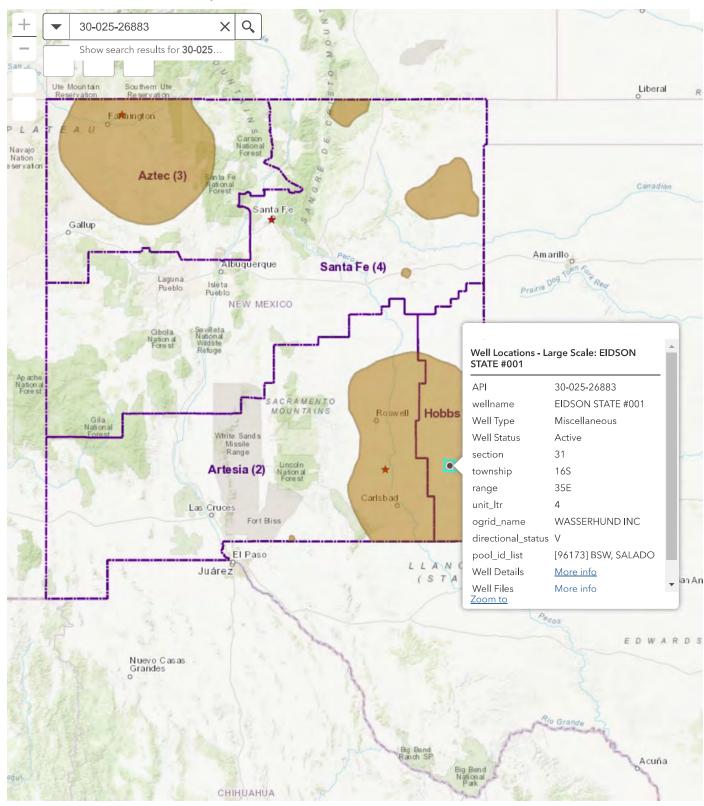




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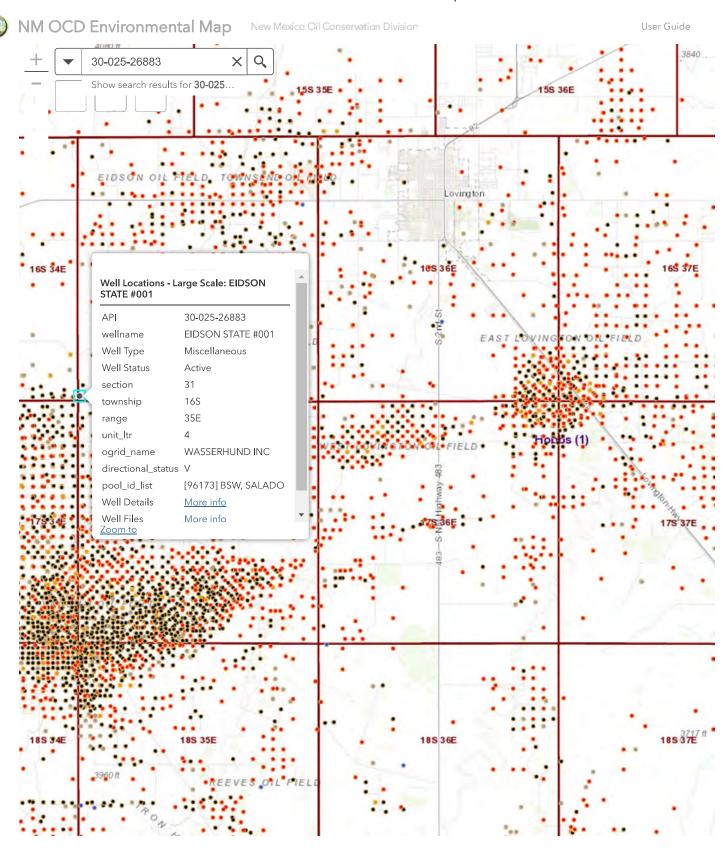
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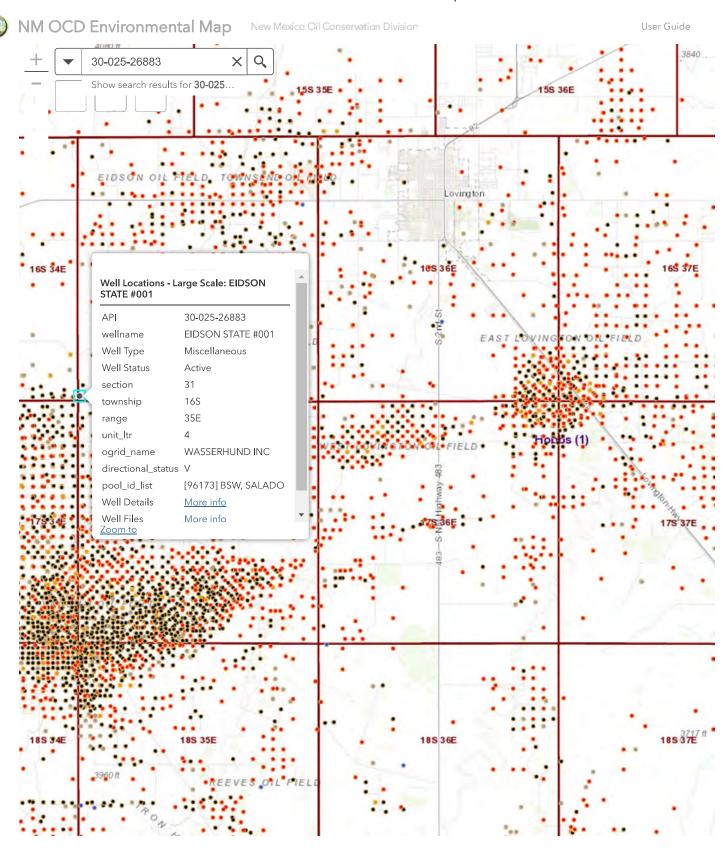


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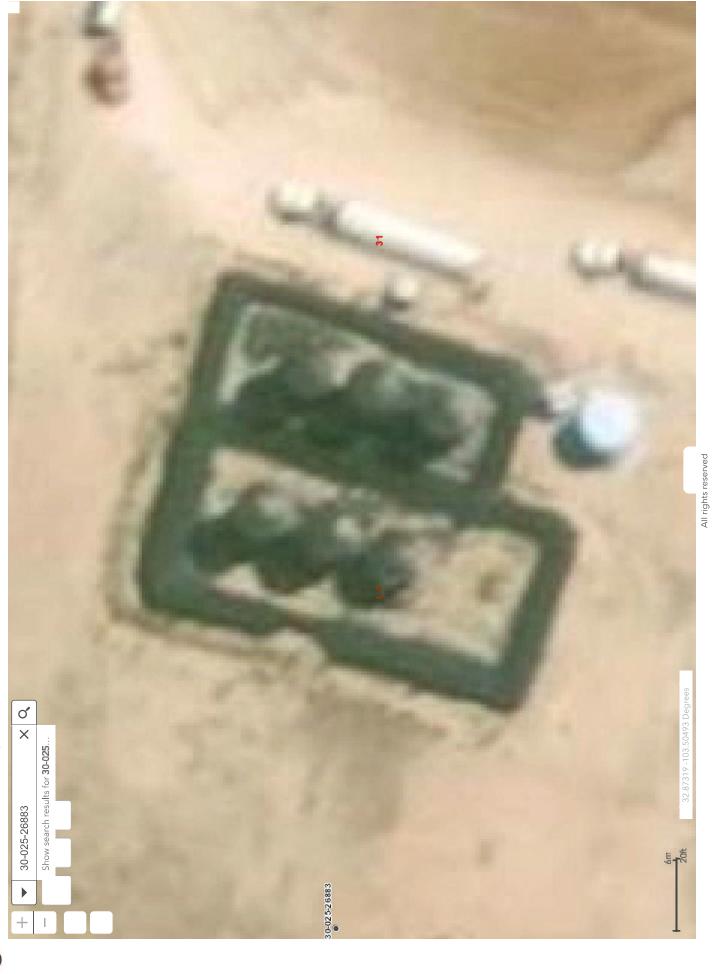
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**NOVEMBER 9, 2018** 

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT NO: 5995 4032

Mr. Wayne Price- Price LLC C/O: Mr. Larry Gandy Wasserhund Inc. P.O. Box 2140 Lovington, New Mexico 88260

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After review of the application with additional information, the OCD has determined Wasserhund's application is "administratively complete" per New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission regulations (20.6.2.3108 NMAC).

Wasserhund's obligation to provide public notice should commence and be demonstrated to the OCD in a timely manner. The OCD will also provide notice to various governmental groups. Depending upon the level of public interest, a hearing may be scheduled on this matter. Regardless, the OCD will continue review of the application and may request additional information.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at (505) 476-3490, U.S. Mail at the address below, or e-mail at <u>carlj.chavez@state.nm.us</u>. On behalf of the OCD, I wish to thank you and your staff for your continued cooperation in this process.

Sincerely,

Carl J. Chavez

**Environmental Engineer** 

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xc: OCD Hobbs District Office

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Sent: Saturday, November 3, 2018 11:04 PM

To: Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

**Cc:** Wayne Price; Larry Gandy; jonrgandy Gandy

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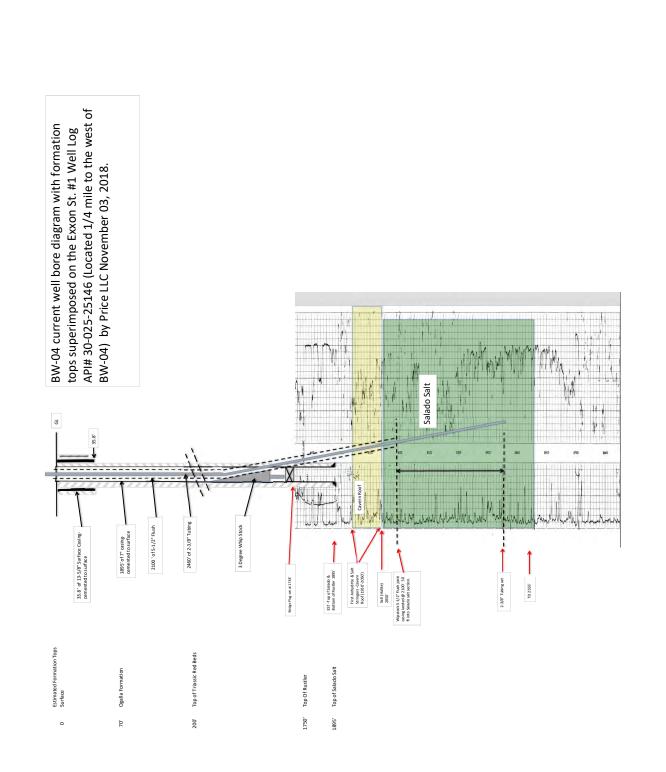
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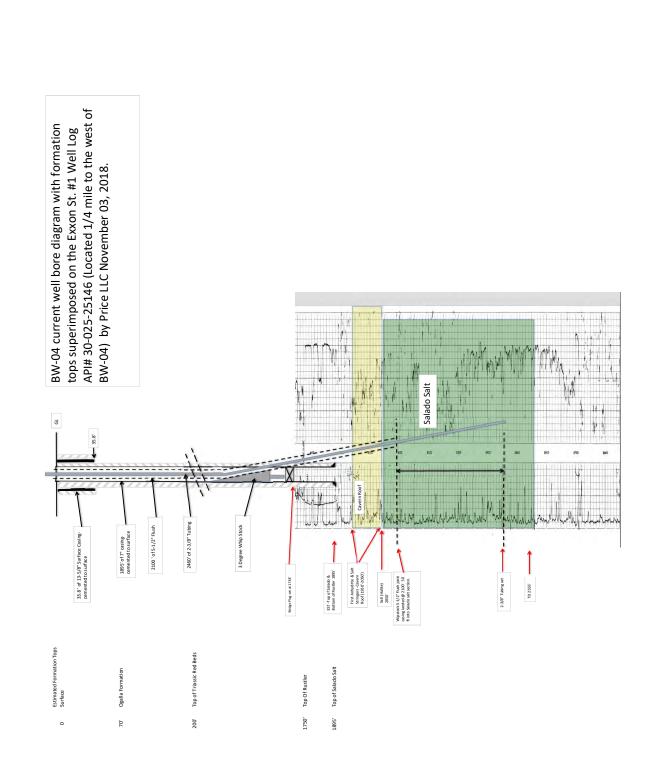
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Sent: Tuesday, October 2, 2018 8:40 AM

**To:** Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD

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Subject: Re: [EXT] BW-4 (Wasserhund, Inc. Eidson State #1 API# 30-025-26883): OCD Not

Administratively Complete Letter Communication E-mail

Thank you Carl, this will really help me to achieve Admin approval.

On Oct 2, 2018, at 8:32 AM, Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD < <u>Carl J. Chavez@state.nm.us</u>> wrote:

Wayne:

Good morning.

A few additional comments to convey on the public notice (take a look at historical public notices):

- 1. "This site" should be changed to "The Eidson State No. 1 brine well is located";
- 2. Add UL: M with (SW/4 SW/4);
- 3. Include the API# 30-025-26883;
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- 5. Brine quality;
- 6. DTW  $\sim 70$  ft.

After OCD admin. complete determination is realized, some financial assurance info. to communicate:

- 1. WQCC Bonds are now required for brine wells to be in place before permit may be issued;
- 2. A Closure Plan for OCD approval with cost estimate to plug well, surface reclamation, 2-yrs. post closure subsidence monitoring, and any decommissioning of pipeline and surface infrastructure;
- 3. Upon approval of the closure plan and cost estimate, the Operator may proceed to obtain the WQCC Bond and upon approval by OCD, may request the release of any remaining bonds on the well with OCD;

Technical info. requested to proceed with permit when admin. completeness is achieved:

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- 3. It would appear the MSIP is about 348 based on top of whip stock;
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Thank you.

Mr. Carl J. Chavez, CHMM (#13099) New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department 1220 South St Francis Drive Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 Ph. (505) 476-3490

E-mail: CarlJ.Chavez@state.nm.us

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From: Wayne Price < wayneprice@q.com > Sent: Monday, October 1, 2018 6:40 PM

To: Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD < <a href="mailto:Chavez@state.nm.us">CarlJ.Chavez@state.nm.us</a>>

Cc: Wayne Price <wayneprice@q.com>; Larry Gandy <lgandy@gandycorporation.com>; Griswold, Jim,

EMNRD <Jim.Griswold@state.nm.us>

Subject: [EXT] Re: BW-4 (Wasserhund, Inc. Eidson State #1 API# 30-025-26883): OCD Not

Administratively Complete Letter

Thank you Carl, will work on.

On Oct 1, 2018, at 11:55 AM, Chavez, Carl J, EMNRD < Carl J. Chavez@state.nm.us > wrote:

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Mssrs: Larry Gandy and Wayne Price,

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#### **OCTOBER 1, 2018**

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT NO: 5995 4070

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The department has determined based on 20.6.2.3108 NMAC that the application is **not administratively complete**.

The OCD has identified the following deficiencies:

- 1) The description of the activities that produce the discharge are not fully described as required by 20.6.2.3108(F)(3) NMAC. OCD requires more details about the brine well.
- 2) The brief description of the expected quality of the discharge is not present as required by 20.6.2.3108(F)(4) NMAC.
- 3) Synopsis of notice in English for OCD approval with complete Spanish Version also included in any Newspaper posting by operator for official WQCC Public Notice under 20.6.2.3108 (C)(2) NMAC.

Upon receipt of the information requested above, OCD may deem the application administratively complete and provide public notice pursuant to the WQCC notice requirements of 20.6.2.3108 NMAC to determine if there is any public interest.

Please contact me at (505) 476-3490 or <u>carlj.chavez@state.nm.us</u> if you have questions. Thank you for your cooperation throughout the review of the application.

Respectfully,

Carl I. Chavez Environmental Engineer

xc: OCD District I Office, Hobbs

### **Cash Remittance Report (CRR)**

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EMNRDCRR Revised 4/01

Amount Received:



June 07, 2018

New Mexico Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. Saint Francis Santa Fe, NM 87505

Att:: Mr. Carl Chavez-Envr. Engr.

Subject: Wasserhund Inc. BW-04 & BW-22

Dear Carl,

On behalf of Wasserhund Inc. Price LLC has enclosed permit renewal applications for the Wasserhund Inc. BW-04 and BW-22 Brine Wells, with \$200 filing fee.

Sincerely,

Wayne Price-Price LLC wayneprice@q.com

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District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
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## State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Revised June 10, 2003

Submit Original
Plus 1 Copy
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District Office

#### DISCHARGE PLAN APPLICATION FOR BRINE EXTRACTION FACILITES

(Refer to the OCD Guidelines for assistance in completing the application)

New XX Renewal

I. Facility Name: Eidson Brine Station-BW-04

II. Operator: Wasserhund Inc.

Address: P.O. Box 2140 Lovington, New Mexico 88260 Contact Person: Larry Gandy Phone: 575-399-5721

#### Request, Commitments and Attachments:

Pursuant to WQCC 20.6.2.5003.A NMAC "Existing Facilities" and per WQCC 20.6.2.5003.B; Wasserhund Inc. is requesting that the previously submitted information be referenced for this permit renewal application and Wasserhund Inc. hereby commits to continue and operate pursuant to the existing permit on-file with OCD until renewed by

#### OCD. Required \$100.00 filing fee is attached hereto.

- III. Location: SW/4 SW/4 Section 31 Township 16S Range 35E
  Submit large scale topographic map showing exact location.- ON File with OCD
- IV. Attach the name and address of the landowner of the facility site.-ON File with OCD
- V. Attach a description of the types and quantities of fluids at the facility.-ON File with OCD
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#### XI. CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

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Name: Larry Gandy	Title: President Wasserhund Inc.
Signature: Consultant: Wayne Price-Price LLC 505-715-2809 wayneprice@q.com	Date: June 06, 2018

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#### **Public Notice Letter:**

Legal notification to property owner(s) of the site per Water Quality Control Commission Regulations 20.6.2.3.108.8.3 NMAC

#### **Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested:**

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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Che	ek No. 1656	dated 06/07/2018
or cash received on 06/12/2013		
from Price, LLC		
for permit renewal BN-		
Submitted by: Carl Chavez		Date: 06/12/18
Submitted to ASD by: Larraine	DeVarges	Date: 06/12/18
Received in ASD by:		Date:
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#### WASSERHUND, INC. P.O. Box 2140 Lovington, NM 88260-2140

June 09, 2018

NM Oil Conservation Division 1220 S. Saint Francis Santa Fe, NM 87505

Fresh Water injected at the Wasserhund Brine Station (BW-004)

May 2018

16985

Brine Water sold at the Wasserhund Brine Station (BW-004)

May 2018

16948

Average Pressure on Wasserhund Brine Station was 280 psi

Sincerely Yours:

Donny Collins