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MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OR CONVERSATION

☒ Telephone☐ Personal

Time

8:15 AM.

Date

Dec. 2, 1993

Originating Party

K.M. Brown

OCD Santa Fe

Other Parties

Denny Foust

OCD Aztec

Subject

C&E Enterprises 1000370

Status of Evaporation Ponds

Permitted by OCD Nov 6, 1985

Discussion

Denny Foust =>

C&E Enterprises have sold all of their interests to Meridian.

The ponds were never constructed. The only activity that occurred was some coring at the proposed site.

Shortly thereafter basin disposal was constructed (ie. commercial disposal facility).

Conclusions or Agreements

No further paperwork or correspondence is needed except a letter of termination for approval to construct a pond.

Signature

Signed

Kathy Brown



TONEY ANAYA
GOVERNOR

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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November 6, 1985

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. D. W. Stiles
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, CO 81137

Re: Application for Lined
Evaporation Ponds to be
located in Section 5,
Township 30 North, Range
11 West, NMPM, San Juan
County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Stiles:

We have reviewed the plans and specifications in your application (WP-3) for the above-referenced lined evaporation pit. The design specifications submitted are acceptable and your application is hereby approved with the provision that the design specifications for your proposed solar heating system are submitted for approval prior to system installation.

The approved application consists of the application dated September 13, 1985, and the material dated September 26, 1985, submitted as a supplement to your application. Approval of this application allows for the disposal of produced water from the vulnerable area as outlined in Oil Conservation Commission Order No. 7940. Please be advised that the approval of this application does not relieve you of liability should your operation result in actual pollution of surface or ground waters which may be actionable under laws and/or regulations.

There will be no routine monitoring requirements other than those outlined in your application. Any design change or increase in the design disposal rate (100 Bbl/day) shall be reported to the Division.

This approval does not take the precedence over local zoning laws and is based on the premise that the ponds will receive only produced water and salt solutions (e.g., KCL solution) which are non-acidic. If in the future, you wish to dispose of other types of waste such as spent acid or septage, the OCD must be notified and prior approval obtained before such a practice commences.

The OCD District Office in Aztec shall be notified at least 24 hours in advance of primary and secondary liner installation to allow for the opportunity of an OCD representative to witness the installation.

On behalf of the staff of the Oil Conservation Division, I wish to thank you (and your staff and/or consultants) for your cooperation during this application review.

Sincerely,

/s/

R. L. STAMETS
Director

RLS/JB/dp

cc: OCD - Aztec Office

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Mr. D. W. Stiles
Aztec Land Company
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, CO 81137

Dear Mr. Stiles:

We received your verbal request on October 28, 1985, for a 30-day extension of the deadline for installation of 20 bbl tanks which are to be installed at your facilities in the N/2, NW/4, Section 5, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. It is our understanding that this request for extension of time is due to delay in equipment delivery.

You are hereby authorized to collect produced water from the vulnerable area in frac tanks until November 30, 1985. If further delays with equipment delivery persist, please inform me by Nov you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (505) 827-5884.

Sincerely,

JAMI BAILEY
Field Represen

JB/dp

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
David Boyer
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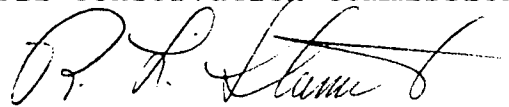
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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The OCD has received an application from Aztec Land Company, Mr. D. W. Stiles, Authorized Agent, 1060 Co. Rd. 329, Ignacio, Colorado 81137, for surface disposal of produced water from oil and gas production operations. The facility will be located in the N/2, NW/4, Section 5, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. The two ponds located at the facility will have approximately one acre of evaporative surface area and will receive approximately 100 barrels per day of produced water. The ponds will have a double membrane liner with a leak detection system between the liners. The application will be reviewed by the OCD for compliance with rules for protection of fresh water and other applicable regulations, and will be approved if such requirements are met. Copies of the application may be reviewed at the OCD office in Aztec located at 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., or in Santa Fe at the State Land Office, 310 Old Santa Fe Trail, during normal business hours. Five days from the date of publication of this notice will allowed before approval or denial of this application is given.

GIVEN Under the Seal of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on this 8th day of October, 1985.

State of New Mexico
Oil Conservation Commission


R. L. STAMETS
Director

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SAN JUAN ENGINEERING, INC.

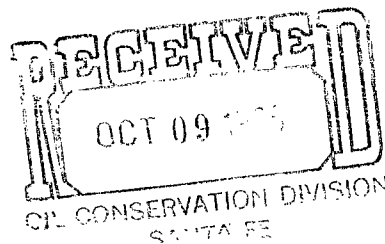
101 WEST PINON

FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO 87401

TELEPHONE: 505-325-7535

2101 SAN JUAN BLVD.

October 7, 1985



State of New Mexico
Energy and Minerals Department
Soil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87501

ATTN: Mr. Phillip Baca

RE: Evaporation Pond for Aztec Land Company

Dear Mr. Baca:

This letter will confirm our conversation of Thursday, October 3, 1985, regarding a bypass of the check valve on the subject project.

As stated in our September 26, 1985, letter (item 3), we had planned to put check valves on the 4 inch inlet to the pond to prevent back siphonage. In our conversation of last Thursday, you suggested that although the check valve was a good idea, that some means would be necessary to drain the upper pond into the lower pond. Therefore, on pond no. 1 we propose to put in a bypass of the check valve. This would amount to a few feet of 4 inch line with a gate valve arranged similar to the sketch I have enclosed. This arrangement would allow us if necessary to drain pond no. 1 into pond no. 2. We do not anticipate putting this arrangement on pond 2 since there would be no real need to bypass the check valve. That is, there is no place to which the water would flow. However, if you would like to have the bypass on pond 2, telephone me and we will include it in the construction. We are providing this documentation as you requested so that you would have some correspondence in your file regarding this relatively minor change.

If there is any further information I can furnish you please don't hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

SAN JUAN ENGINEERING, INC.

Robert B. Stannard, Jr., P.E.
Vice President

RBS/ja
Enclosure

SUBJECT Check Valve Bypass

PROJECT 41054 PAGE 1/1

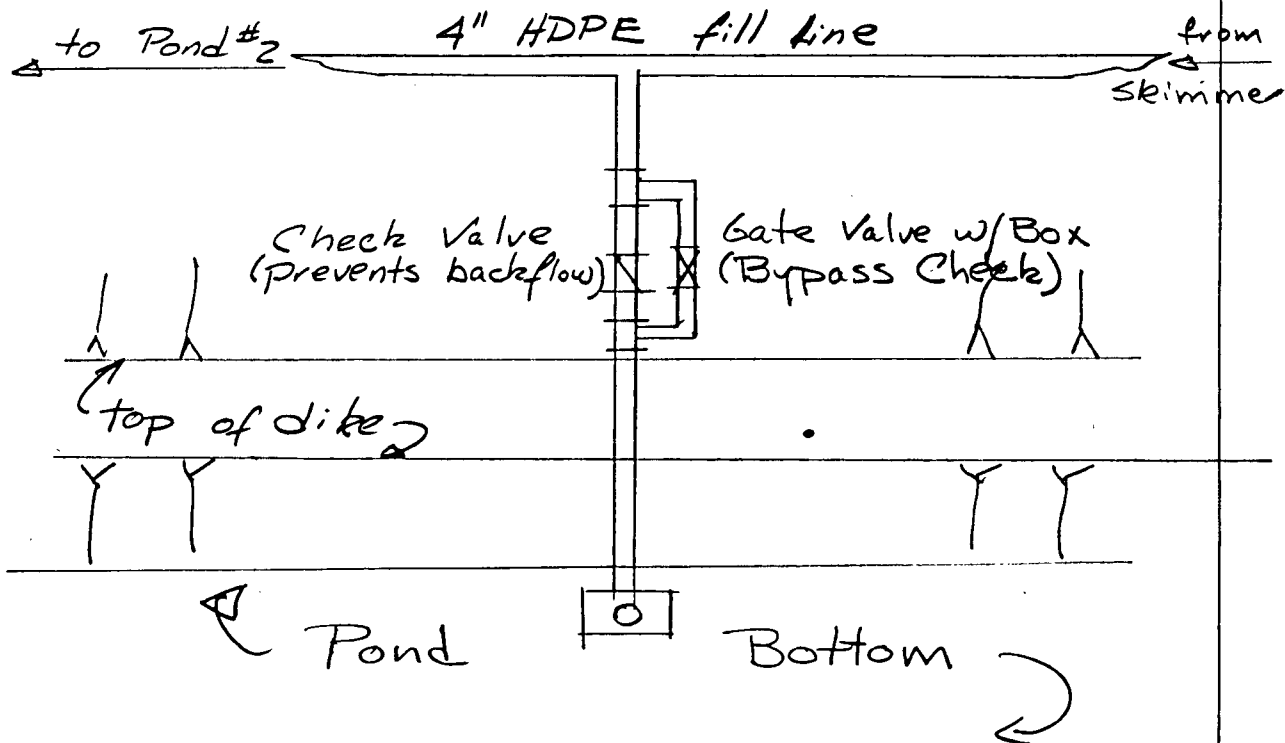
CLIENT Aztec Land Co

DATE 10/5/85 BY RBS

CHECKED

BY

Revised valving arrangement for pond #1





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Mr. D. W. Stiles
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, Colorado 81137

Dear Mr. Stiles:

On September 25, 1985 you informed me via a telephone conversation, that due to equipment delivery dates, you would not be able to collect produced water in above-ground tanks by October 1, 1985. You also requested permission to collect the produced water from the vulnerable area in frac tanks that will be installed temporarily at the well sites until receipt of the permanent storage tanks.

You are hereby authorized to collect produced water from the vulnerable area in frac tanks until October 31, 1985. If further delays with equipment delivery persist, please inform me by October 28, 1985. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-5885.

P 612 457 960

Sincerely,

Philip L. Baca

Philip L. Baca
Environmental Engineer

xc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
D. Boyer
R. L. Stamets

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Mr. D. W. Stiles
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, Co. 81137

Dear Mr. Stiles:

We have reviewed your application for approval to install two lined evaporation ponds in Section 5, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. Upon review of the design for the leak detection system and fluid delivery system, the following design problems were discovered:

- (1) The design for the leak detection system contains two perforated pipelines running parallel to the direction of flow. In the event of a leak, an unnecessary amount of time may pass before the leak is discovered due to the leak detection system's piping configuration. We recommend a single, non-perforated, mainline running parallel to the direction of flow, and perforated lateral lines running perpendicular to the direction of flow.
- (2) Evaporation Pond #1 is at a higher elevation than Evaporation Pond #2. This could result in an overflow of Evaporation Pond #2 should both 4" gate valves be left (accidentally) open. We recommend redesigning the delivery system to include check valves to prevent such an occurrence.
- (3) Since the 500 Bbl loading tank is at an elevation 50 feet higher than the skimmer pond, and since the loading tank is a distance from the skimmer pond, the potential for overflow in the skimmer pond exists should both 4" gate valves be left closed due to human error or valve failure. We recommend the installation of a float valve to alleviate this potential problem.

The above problems must be resolved before approval can be given. If you have any questions concerning this matter please feel free to contact me at (505) 827-5885..

Sincerely,

Philip L. Baca

Philip L. Baca
Environmental Engineer

PLB/et

cc: Oil Conservation Division - Aztec
D.G. Boyer
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FARMINGTON, NM

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(505) 325-1849

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616 LA PLATA DRIVE
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COMPANY LETTER **B**COMPANY LETTER **C**COMPANY LETTER **D**COMPANY LETTER **E**

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				PROPERTY DAMAGE	\$	\$
				BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COMBINED	\$ 1000	\$ 1000
				PERSONAL INJURY		\$ 1000
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				BODILY INJURY (EACH ACCIDENT)	\$	
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				BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COMBINED	\$	
	EXCESS LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA FORM <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER THAN UMBRELLA FORM			BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COMBINED	\$	\$
	WORKERS' COMPENSATION and EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY			STATUTORY		
					\$	(EACH ACCIDENT)
	OTHER					

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS/LOCATIONS/VEHICLES

OIL & GAS LEASE OPERATOR

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STATE OF NM ENERGY & MINERAL
OIL CONSERVATION DIV.
P.O. BOX 208
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
87501

DATE ISSUED: 09/18/85

J. D. Schreiber PR
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

EVAPORATION CALCULATIONS FOR C&E DISPOSAL POUNDS
 SURFACE AREA - 32000 ft² (Approx. At 0' Depth)
 DISCHARGE - 100 BRL / DAY

Gal/Mo.

CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA (SOURCE: W.K. SUMMERS)

MONTH	V	EVAPORATION, IN.	PRECIPITATION, IN.
J	130200	0.96	0.52
F	117600	1.56	0.55
M	130200	3.79	0.61
A	126000	6.34	0.58
M	130200	8.01	0.46
J	126000	8.83	0.40
J	130200	8.73	0.91
A	130200	7.38	1.01
S	126000	5.71	0.96
O	130200	3.79	0.99
N	126000	2.03	0.45
D	130200	0.99	0.63

4R.1

MONTH

RESIDUAL DEPTH, FT. (AT END OF MONTH)

J	0.51
F	0.91
M	1.19
A	1.24
M	1.15
J	1.12
J	1.02
A	1.03
S	1.16
O	1.47
N	1.87
D	2.38

← USE AREA = 36,212 ft^2 for
DEPTH AT 2 ft.

4R.2

MONTH

RESIDUAL DEPTH, FT

J	2.82
F	3.17
M	3.39
A	3.37
M	3.22
J	2.99
J	2.82
A	2.77
S	2.84
O	3.09
N	3.42
D	3.87

YR. 3

MONTH

RESIDUAL DEPTH, FT.

J	4.31
F	4.61
M	4.77
A	4.70
M	4.50
J	4.20
J	3.98
A	3.87
S	3.88
O	4.08
N	4.35
D	4.75

← USE AREA = 41,040 ft^2 for
DEPTH AT 4 FT.

YR. 4

MONTH

RESIDUAL DEPTH, FT.

J	5.14
F	5.43
M	5.59
A	5.52
M	5.32
J	5.03
J	4.80
A	4.69
S	4.71
O	4.90
N	5.18
D	5.57

CONCLUSION: EVAPORATIVE
SURFACE AREA APPEARS TO
BE ADEQUATE UNTIL YR. 4.
THEN MIN. FREEBOARD OF
1 FT. WILL BE EXCEEDED IN
EAST POND.

FORCE CALCULATIONS -

FORCE DUE TO WAVE ACTION (F_w) -

$$\frac{H_L}{gT^2} = 0.0194$$

$$\frac{H_L}{d} = \frac{0.4}{4} = 0.1$$

FROM FIG 7-91

$$\frac{F_w}{wd^2} \approx 0 \longrightarrow F_w = 0$$

Thus force due to WAVE ACTION IS NEGLIGIBLE

FORCE DUE TO HYDROSTATIC PRESSURE (F_{HS}) -

$$F_{HS} = \int_0^d p_w A \, d(d)$$

$$A = d(l)$$

where $l = 1$ linear ft

$$F_{HS} = \int_0^d p_w dl \, d(d) = \frac{1}{2} p_w d^2$$

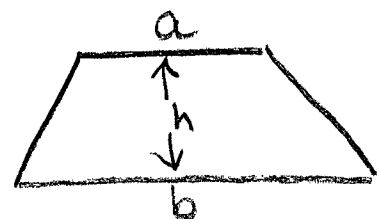
$$\text{let } p_w \approx 66 \text{ lb/ft}^3$$

SHEAR FORCE FOR BERM (F_s) -

$$F_s = V_B \rho_s \mu_s$$

$$V_B = \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) h \, l$$

$$l = 1 \text{ ft}$$



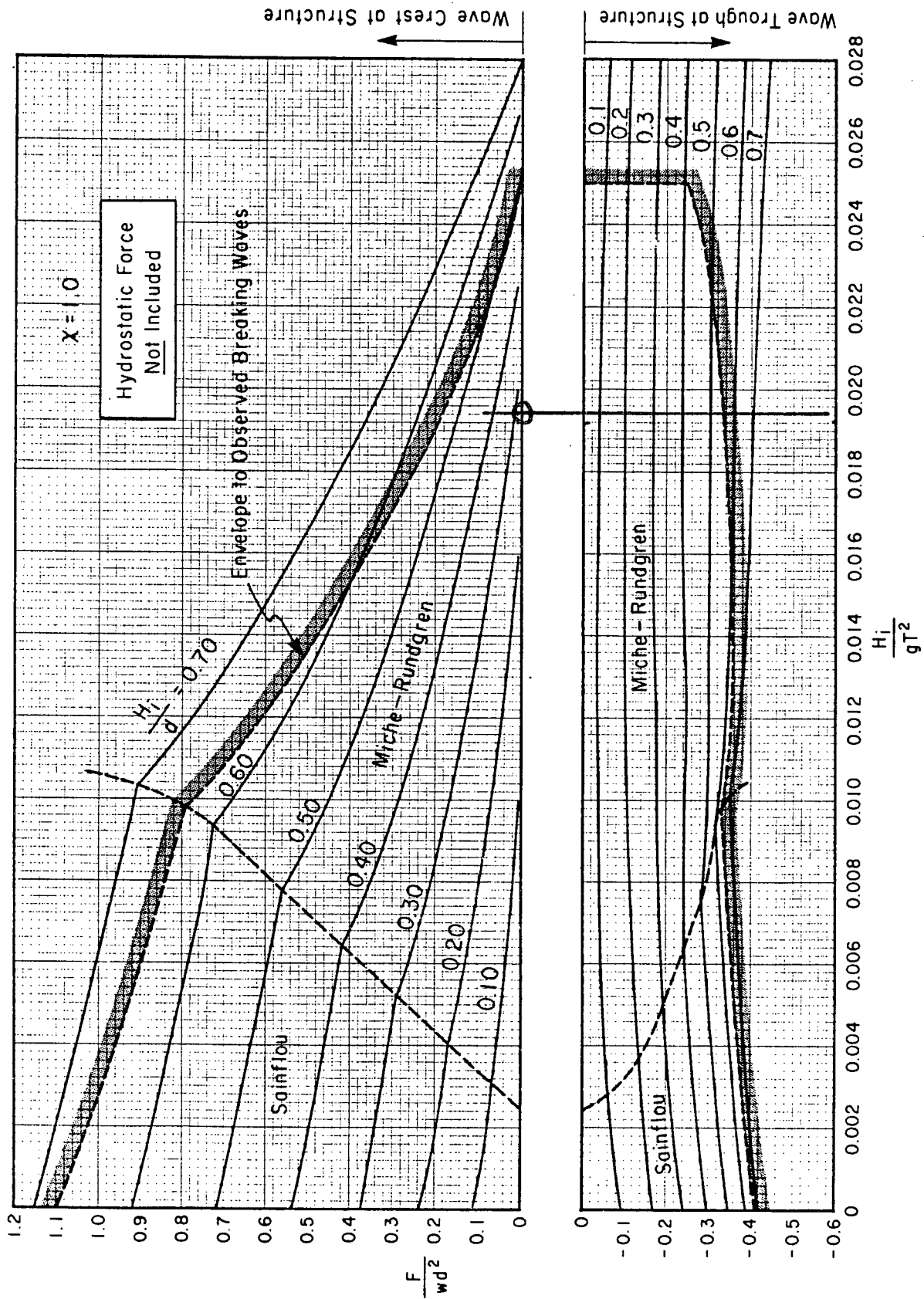


Figure 7-91. Nonbreaking wave forces; $\chi = 1.0$.

$$p_s = 80 \text{ lb/ft}^3 \quad (\text{probably a little low})$$

$$\mu_s = \text{friction factor} \approx 0.4$$

$$\text{Safety Factor} = \frac{F_s}{F_{Hs}}$$

All calculations are based upon max. water level allowed to prevent overtopping.

For East Pond - $d = 5 \text{ ft}$

For West Pond - $d = 6 \text{ ft}$

See Pg. 2 of Blueprints for Berm #

Berm #	Water Level, ft	F_{Hs} , lb/ft	F_s , lb/ft	SAFETY FACTOR
1	6	1188	6240	5.3
2	5	825	4320	5.2
4	— (Part of nat'l grade)			Very Large
5	5	825	4512	5.5
6	5	825	6720	8.1
5	6	1188	4512	3.8
6	6	1188	6720	5.7
7	3	297	2560	8.6

CONCLUSION: SAFETY FACTORS ARE ADEQUATE.

NOTE: Some values for F_s are minimum values and actual values of F_s MAY BE higher (see Pg. 2 of Blueprints for Existing Grade).

POND DESIGN FOR C&E OPERATORS
WAVE CALCULATIONS*

WIND SPEED = $U_A = 50$ mph

FETCH = 300 ft (For Larger Rectangular Pond)

DEPTH = 4 ft

SLOPE OF SIDE = 2:1

I FIND WAVE HEIGHT AND PERIOD

From Fig. 3-27

Wave Height = $H = 0.4$ ft.

Period = $T = 0.8$ sec.

II FIND BREAKING WAVE HEIGHT, H_b

From Fig. 7-3 (Use Slope = 0.1)

$$\frac{H}{gT^2} = \frac{0.4}{32.2(0.8)^2} = 0.0194$$

↑ gravity constant

$$\frac{H_b}{H} \approx 1.0$$

$$H_b \approx H = 0.4 \text{ ft.}$$

$$\frac{H_b}{gT^2} = 0.0194$$

From Fig. 7-2

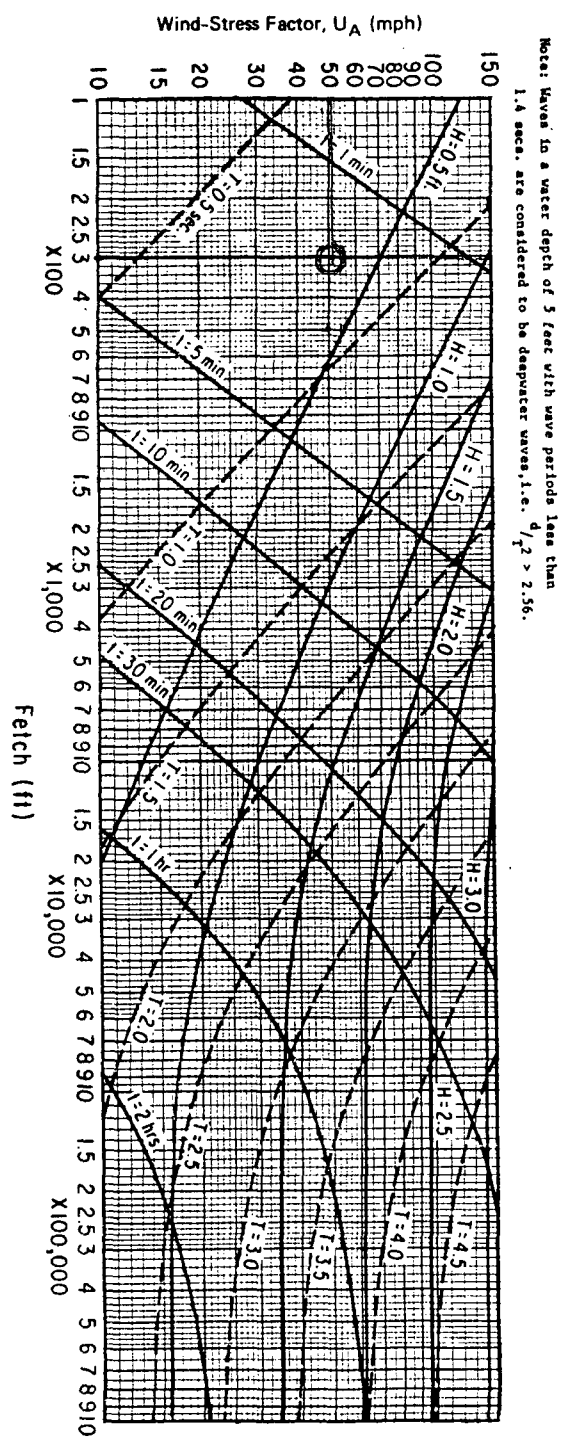
$$\alpha \approx 1.8$$

$$\beta \approx 1.45$$

} For slope 1 vertical per
3 horizontal

* REF.: U.S. Army Corps Engr. Shore Protection Manual

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Note: Waves in a water depth of 1.5 meters with wave periods less than 1.4 seconds are considered to be deeper waves, i.e., $d/T^2 > 0.78$.

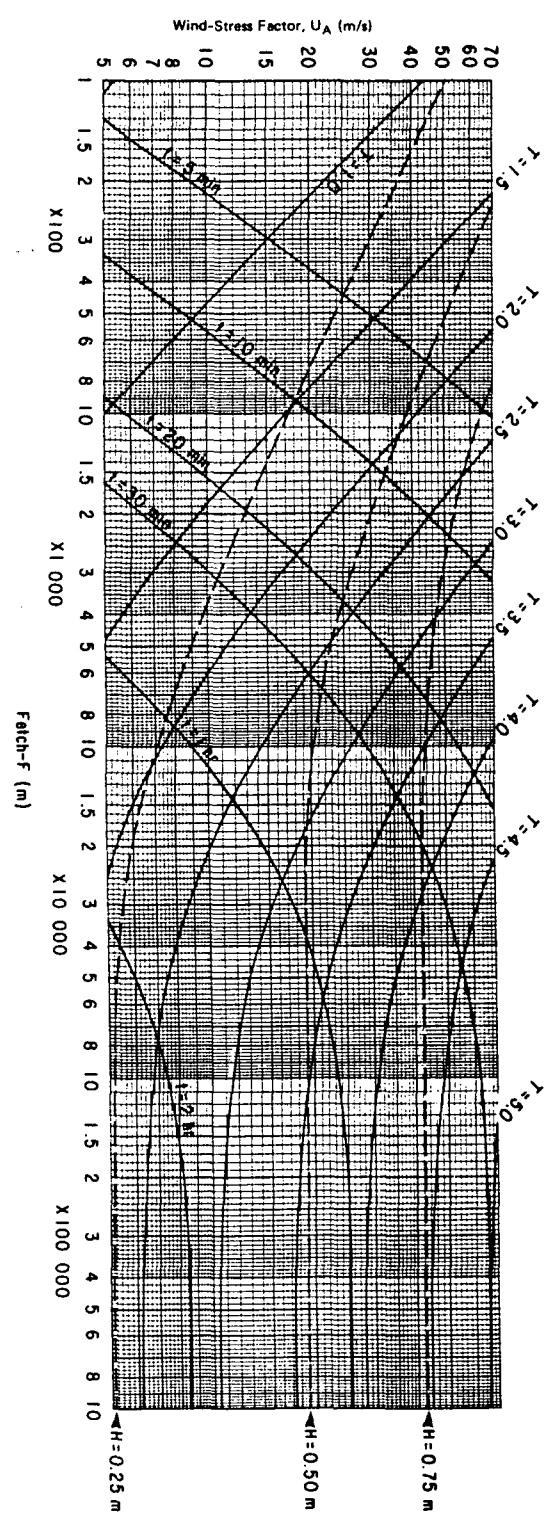


Figure 3-27. Forecasting curves for shallow-water waves; constant depths = 5 feet (upper graph) and 1.5 meters (lower graph).

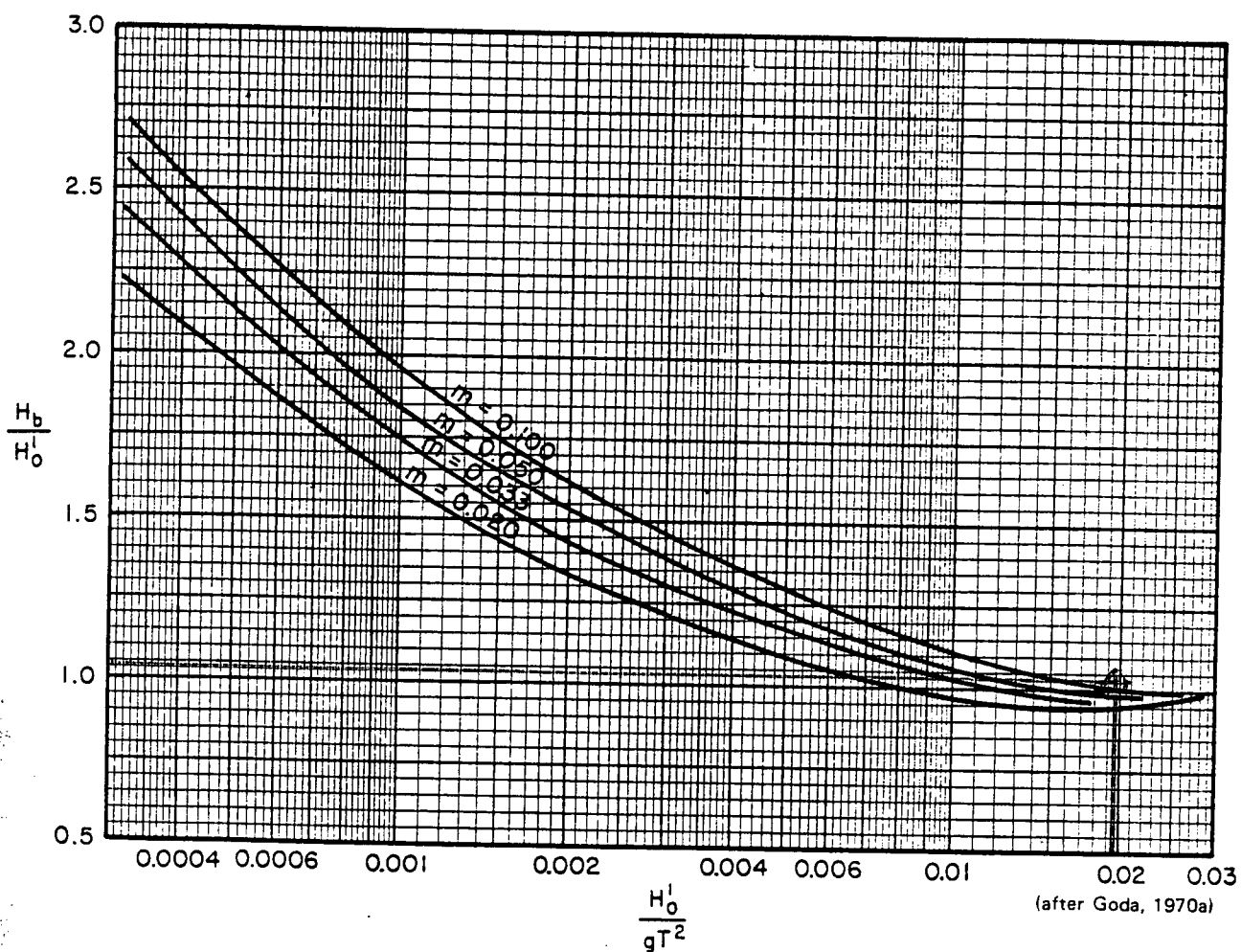


Figure 7-3. Breaker height index H_b/H_0' versus deepwater wave steepness H_0'/gT^2 .

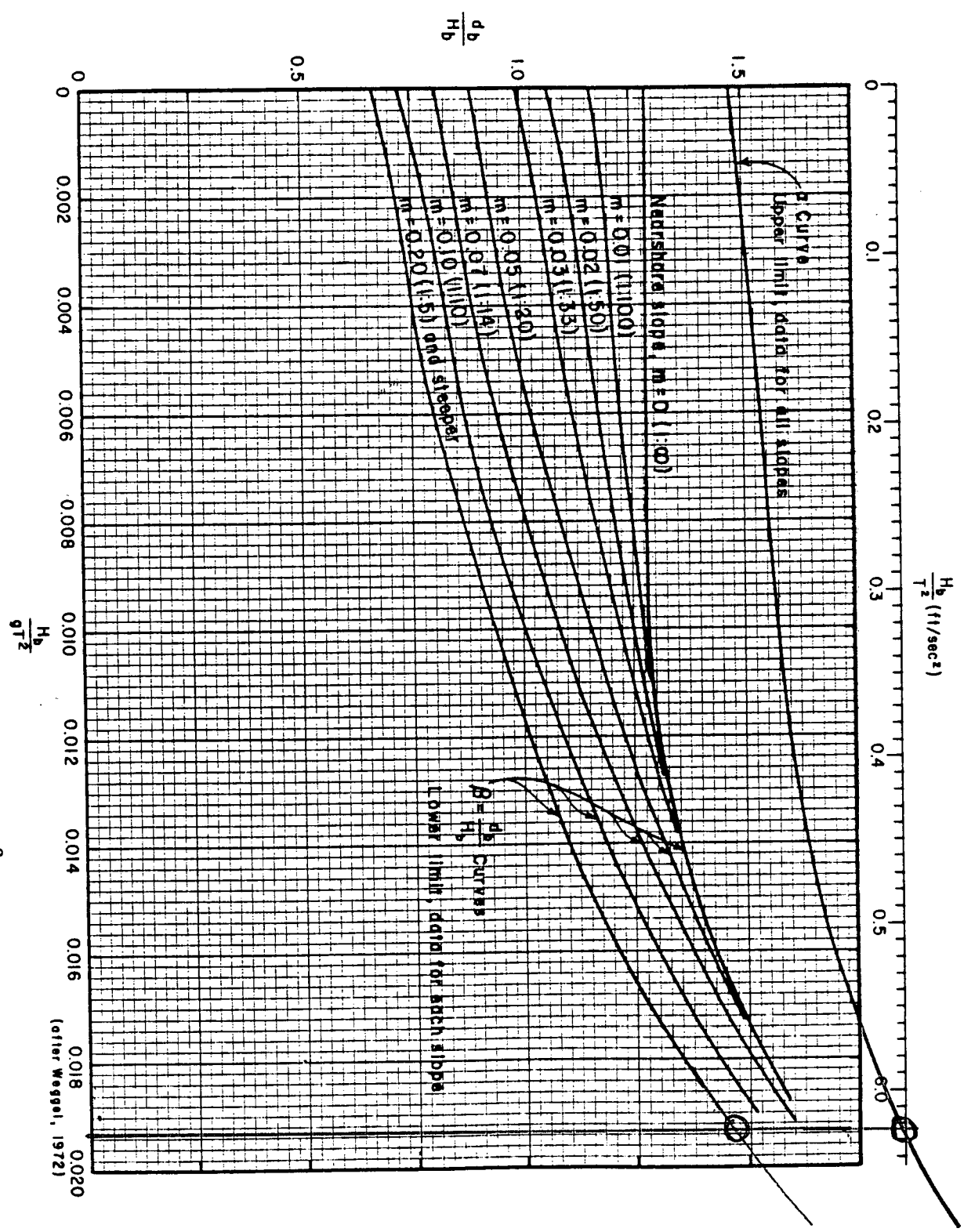


Figure 7-2. α and β versus H/gT^2 .

$$d_{B\text{MAX}} = \alpha H_b = 1.3(0.4) = 0.72 \text{ ft}$$

$$d_{B\text{MIN}} = \beta H_b = 1.45(0.4) = 0.58 \text{ ft}$$

CONCLUSION: With a slope of 1 vertical foot rise for 3 horizontal feet, breaking waves could occur at a dike toe depth between 0.58 - 0.72 ft.

III FREEBOARD DETERMINATION

Find depth, d , at which overtopping would occur.

A. For East Pond

Overlapping would occur with a wave crest and depth combination (y_c) of six feet.

$$y_c = d + h_o + \left(\frac{1 + \chi}{2} \right) H_i$$

$$H_i = 0.4 \text{ ft}$$

Assume $\chi = 1.0$ (Smooth Surface)

$$\frac{H_i}{gT^2} = 0.0194$$

$$\frac{h_o}{H_i} = 2\pi^2 \frac{H_i}{gT^2} = 0.383 \approx 0.40 \quad (\text{See Fig. 7-90})$$

Note: Because $T < 1.4$ sec, assume Deepwater Waves (See Fig 3-27)

$$h_o = H_i 0.40 = 0.16$$

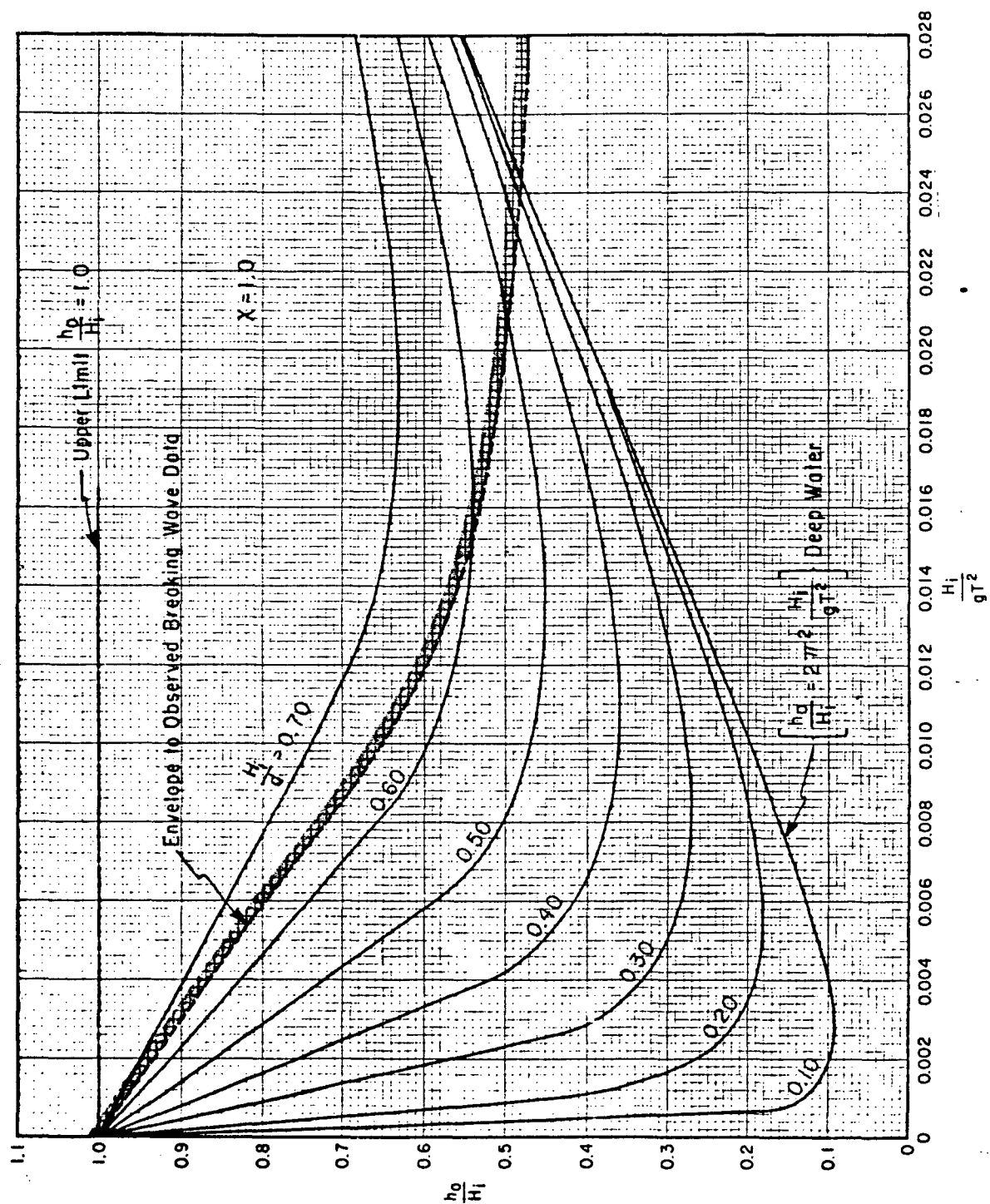


Figure 7-90. Nonbreaking waves; $\chi = 1.0$.

$$d = y_c - h_o - \frac{1+\lambda}{2} H_i$$

$$d = 6 - 0.16 - \left(\frac{1+1}{2}\right) 0.4 = 5.4 \text{ ft.}$$

Conclusion: At A Depth of 5.4 ft, overtopping would occur, thus set max. depth at 5.0 ft. (Minimum freeboard of 1.0 ft.)

B. For West Pond

Overtopping would occur with a wave crest and depth combination (y_c) of seven feet.

$$y_c = d + h_o + \frac{1+\lambda}{2} H_i$$

Assume $\lambda = 1.0$

$H_i = 0.4$ (This is probably a little high)

$$\frac{H_i}{gT^2} = 0.0194$$

as in A.) $h_o = 0.16$

$$d = y_c - h_o - \frac{1+\lambda}{2} H_i$$

$$d = 7 - 0.16 - \left(\frac{1+1}{2}\right) (0.4) = 6.4 \text{ ft}$$

CONCLUSION: Overtopping would occur at a pond depth of 6.4 ft, thus set max depth at 6.0 ft (Minimum free board of 1.0 ft.)

SAN JUAN ENGINEERING, INC.

TO: WESTERN

FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO 87401

TELEPHONE: 505-325-7535

2101 SAN JUAN BLVD.

September 26, 1985

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State of New Mexico
Energy and Mineral Department
Soil Conservation Division
P. O. Box 2088
State Land Office Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

ATTN: Phillip Baca

RE: Produced Water Evaporation Pond for Aztec Land Company

Dear Mr. Baca:

I am writing at the request of Mr. Woodrow Stiles on behalf of the Aztec Land Company to inform your Department of some minor changes we intend to make during construction of the referenced evaporation pond. Since these changes are very minor in nature and still comply with the intent of your regulations. I have not prepared drawings detailing the changes. If you require detailed drawings, please do not hesitate to contact me.

The changes we intend to make are:

1. Change the leak detection underdrain from the parallel system shown on our plans to a header-lateral system. In the proposed change, we would have one main line running down the middle of the pond with lateral lines feeding in at 90°. These lateral lines would still be spaced at twenty foot centers.
2. We will install a float valve on the skimmer pond inlet. This will prevent surges into the skimmer pond and allow the pond to function with the detention time that was designed into it.
3. We will put check valves on each of the 4" inlets to the pond. This will prevent an accidental spill by the upper pond siphoning into the lower pond, if valving is improperly manipulated.
4. We will change the gate valves from the metallic type gate valves shown on the drawings to either a plastic or a resin type gate valve. This will forestall potential corrosion should valves not be exercised according to a maintenance schedule.

As I said, I believe these changes are so minor in nature that detailed redesign drawings will not be required. However, if your department does require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

SAN JUAN ENGINEERING, INC.



Robert B. Stannard, Jr., P.E.
Vice-President

RBS/ig

cc: Aztec Land Company
Attn: Woodrow Stiles

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Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 2088
Santa Fe, NM 87501

ATTN: Mr. David Boyer, Geologist

Dear Mr. Boyer:

In response to your letter dated August 29, 1985, the following is provided:

Name of Owner or Legally Responsible Party:

Aztec Land Company
Suite 1100 Two Energy Square
4849 Greenville Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75296
(214) 363-6993

Name of Local Representative:

D.W. Stiles
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, Colorado 81137
(303) 883-2236

Additional contact numbers - Stiles Enterprises
8 AM to 5 PM - (505) 327-9866
After hours, weekends - (505) 325-7725

Enclosed you will find a Certificate of Insurance. We will forward a Certificate of Insurance for Stiles Enterprises at a later date.

The leak detectors will be checked weekly with the time and date recorded and the records will be kept at the office of A.R. Kendrick, P.O. Box 516, Aztec, NM 87410. An additional set of records will be sent to the Aztec Land Company office in Dallas. The Oil Conservation Division will be notified immediately in case of any leaks.

Affirmation

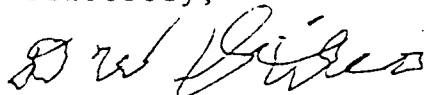
"I hereby certify that I am familiar with the information contained in and submitted with this application and that such information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."



D.W. Stiles, Agent for Aztec Land Company, September 13, 1985

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact the undersigned or San Juan Engineering, Inc., 2101 San Juan Boulevard, Farmington, NM 87401, (505) 325-7535.

Sincerely,



D.W. Stiles

DWS/ja

Enclosure

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
TO
THE APPLICATION OF
AZTEC LAND COMPANY
TO BUILD AN EVAPORATION POND

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1. General Information. The proposed evaporation pond of the Aztec Land Company is located in the North One-Half Southeast Quarter (N1/2 SE1/4), Section 5, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico. The site is a high bench between two intermittent arroyos, approximately one mile north of the City of Aztec, and one and one-half miles north of the Animas River. The site slopes from east to west at about 6-1/2%. Soils are sands and sandy loams.

The climate is typical for the San Juan Basin. Precipitation averages 12 inches annually, mostly coming in September and the winter months. Annual evaporation is about 69 inches, occurring from April to October. Net annual evaporation is about 56.5 inches. These figures have been abstracted from information for the weather station at Aztec Ruins, within 3 miles of the site.

The intended use of the pond is to evaporate water produced from local gas wells. The Aztec Land Company will operate the ponds system. The ponds will be available to water haulers as a point of disposal. San Juan County recently closed the only legal liquid waste disposal pit in the County. Although another commercial evaporation pit is permitted and under construction, it is near Bloomfield, the Aztec Land Company's ponds will fill the need of a legal disposal point in the Aztec area.

2. Design Information. The ponds have been designed in accordance with Order R-3221-C of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, using double liners and leak detection systems. The nominal evaporative capacity of the pond system is 100 barrels/day (4200 gpd) of water. Two skimming devices are to be installed prior to the evaporative ponds, to minimize the accumulation of surface oil which could retard evaporation.

- a) The oil-water mixture will be unloaded into a 500 bbl storage-feed tank situated to provide 22 psi to the skimmer. The tank will be inside a containment berm of 750 bbl capacity. From this tank the oil and water mixture will flow to a skimmer tank.
- b) The heated mechanical skimmer tank is manufactured by Process Equipment & Service Co., Inc. of Farmington, New Mexico. It will be capable of treating up to 600 bbl/day of water at pressures ranging from 15 to 50 psi. Nominal working

characteristics will be 100 bbl/day at 20 psi. Separated oil will flow from the skimmer tank to a 300 bbl oil storage tank, located inside a containment berm. Clarified water will flow to the skimmer pond.

- c) Following the mechanical skimmer tank is a conventional skimmer pond. This pond is equipped with two liners and a leak detection system identical to the main ponds (see below). It will operate at a nominal depth of 2 feet and has a storage capacity of 150 bbl. It has a skimmer box located at its outlet.

The small amount of oil which may accumulate in the skimmer box at the outlet of the skimmer pond will be recirculated to the storage-feed tank (a.) as necessary. At the design flow of 100 bbl per day, it is estimated that the anticipated 1/10 of 1% oil carryover to the skimmer pond will cause about 1" depth of oil to accumulated in the skimmer box every 60 days. From the skimmer box and pond virtually oil-free water will flow to the evaporation ponds.

- d) The evaporation ponds are designed with a total surface area of 1.0 acre at a design depth of 4 feet. At this depth the storage volume will be 1.3 million gallons (31,000 bbl). Evaporation off of the ponds is estimated to be 1.5 million gallons per year (35,800 bbl/yr).
- e) The evaporation ponds and the skimmer pond will utilize a double liner system. The primary liner will be CPER-OR (chlorinated polyethelene, reinforced-oil resistant), 30 mil minimum thickness with a 10x10, 1000d reinforcing scrim. The liner is resistant to sunlight, natural levels of ozone, and to oil products.

The secondary liner will be PVC (polyvinyl chloride), 20 mils thick. This liner is not resistant to sunlight, but will be in a buried installation. A sand cushion and leak detection system will be installed between the liners (see below). Liners will have berm vents located about 100 feet apart (see plan) to vent off any air trapped during installation, or gas generated by any organic material in the soils used for construction.

- f) The leak detection system will consist of perforated pipe, laid on grade between the liners. Any liquid passing the primary liner will be routed by the leak detection system to a sump at the north end of the pond. These sumps will be inspected weekly. Any presence of liquid will be interpreted as evidence of liner failure. The pond bottoms and leak detection system are sloped to route even small amounts of leakage to the sump.

- g) The pond inlet piping will be constructed of high density polyethelene piping (HDPE), specially formulated to be oil resistant. The piping is designed so that incoming flow can be routed to either pond. If necessary, the upper pond can be drained into the lower pond within 2 days.
- h) The ponds and other structures will be enclosed in a 6 foot high chain link fence, topped by barbed wire. This fence is designed to discourage vandalism, unauthorized entry and unauthorized dumping.



Certificate of Insurance

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.
THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES LISTED BELOW.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF AGENCY

Kysar Insurance Agency
205 South Main P.O. Box Y
Aztec, N.M. 87410

COMPANIES AFFORDING COVERAGES

COMPANY LETTER **A**

Transamerica Insurance Co.

COMPANY LETTER **B**

COMPANY LETTER **C**

COMPANY LETTER **D**

COMPANY LETTER **E**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF INSURED

D.W. and Jane Stiles
1060 Country Road
Ignacio, Colorado 81137

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This is to certify that policies of insurance listed below have been issued to the insured named above and are in force at this time. Notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this certificate may be issued or may pertain, the insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of such policies.

COMPANY LETTER	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE	Limits of Liability in Thousands (000)		
					EACH OCCURRENCE	AGGREGATE
A	GENERAL LIABILITY	18479991	3-15-86	BODILY INJURY	\$300,000	\$300,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPREHENSIVE FORM			PROPERTY DAMAGE	\$100,000	\$100,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PREMISES—OPERATIONS					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLOSION AND COLLAPSE HAZARD					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNDERGROUND HAZARD					
A	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY	18479991	3-15-86	BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COMBINED	\$	\$
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS HAZARD					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTUAL INSURANCE					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BROAD FORM PROPERTY DAMAGE					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS					
A	EXCESS LIABILITY	18479991	3-15-86	PERSONAL INJURY		\$
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPREHENSIVE FORM					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OWNED					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIRED					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED					
A	WORKERS' COMPENSATION and EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY	WC-1124204		BODILY INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE COMBINED	\$ 1,000,000	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA FORM					
	OTHER					
	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER THAN UMBRELLA FORM					

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS/LOCATIONS/VEHICLES

All operations as described in the policy.

Cancellation: Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, the issuing company will endeavor to mail 10 days written notice to the below named certificate holder, but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CERTIFICATE HOLDER:

State of New Mexico
Energy & Minerals Department
Oil Conservation Division
P.O. Box 208
Santa Fe, N.M. 87501

DATE ISSUED: September 11, 1985

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

50 YEARS



TONEY ANAYA
GOVERNOR

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
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September 9, 1985

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501
(505) 827-5800

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. D. W. Stiles
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, Colorado 81137

Dear Mr. Stiles:

This letter is in reference to the letter to you dated August 29, 1985 which granted site approval for the proposed commercial evaporation pit located in the S 1/2 NE 1/4 of the N 1/2 SE 1/4 of Section 5, Township 30 North, Range 11 West. Approval of the site was granted pursuant to the Oil Conservation Division rules and regulations and does not apply to any other governmental or local approval, such as zoning, which may be required. It is your responsibility to meet these other requirements.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact our staff in Santa Fe at (505) 827-5885.

Sincerely,

Jami Bailey
Jami Bailey
Field Representative

P 505 905 974

RECEIPT FOR CERTIFIED MAIL

NO INSURANCE COVERAGE PROVIDED—
NOT FOR INTERNATIONAL MAIL

(See Reverse)

Sent to	
Mr. D.W. Stiles	
Street and No.	
1060 Co. Rd.	
P.O., State and ZIP Code	
Colorado 81137	
Postage	\$
Certified Fee	
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August 29, 1985

Mr. D. W. Stiles
1060 Co. Rd. 329
Ignacio, Colorado 81137

Dear Mr. Stiles:

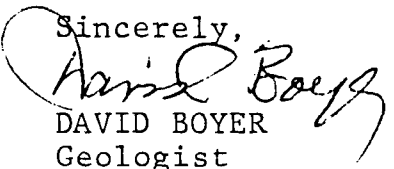
The site proposed by you for a commercial evaporation pit located on 28.44 acres in the S 1/2 NE 1/4 in the N 1/2 SE 1/4 of Section 5, Township 30 N, Range 11 West, and inspected by Jami Bailey and Phil Baca on August 8, 1985, is acceptable for the activities proposed. Because there appears to be no continuously impermeable zone between the base of the proposed pit and the local groundwater supply, this site approval is based on the use of a double liner system in the pit with a leak detection system installed between the primary (top) and secondary (bottom) liner. Materials used for lining the evaporation pit shall be impermeable and may be rigid, semi-rigid, or flexible. Please see "Guidelines for the Design and Construction of Lined Evaporation Pits" available at the District Office.

In addition, before final approval is given for operation of the project, the following topics must be addressed:

- 1) A system and procedure for monitoring the leak detection system of the pit(s) and skimmer pond(s).
- 2) Contingency plans to cope with the failure of liners.
- 3) Procedure on notification of OCD in the event of detecting leaks or failure of liners.
- 4) A large scale topographic or survey map of the pit area.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact our staff in Santa Fe at (505) 827-5885.

Sincerely,


DAVID BOYER
Geologist

DB/JB/nr

8/7/85

BAILEY / BPCA

Div. Stiles 1060 Co. RM 329

Aguares, Co. 8/137 883-2236

Checks (pumpers) for 58 wells owned by
C & E Operators.

Wells put on 28.44 ac. in S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ in
N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 5 T30N R11W

Closest water well: Bob Harris down-
gradient + Trogler School. School on
city water. Harris has well + south
of Harris is pond + irrigation ditch.

Stiles will drill 1 test, 1 deep, with
production water in perimeter of pit
area. Observation of area showing
4' thick ^{thin bedded} shale bedrock below pit area
on gravel sheet.

5/1/80

Bruce / RWR

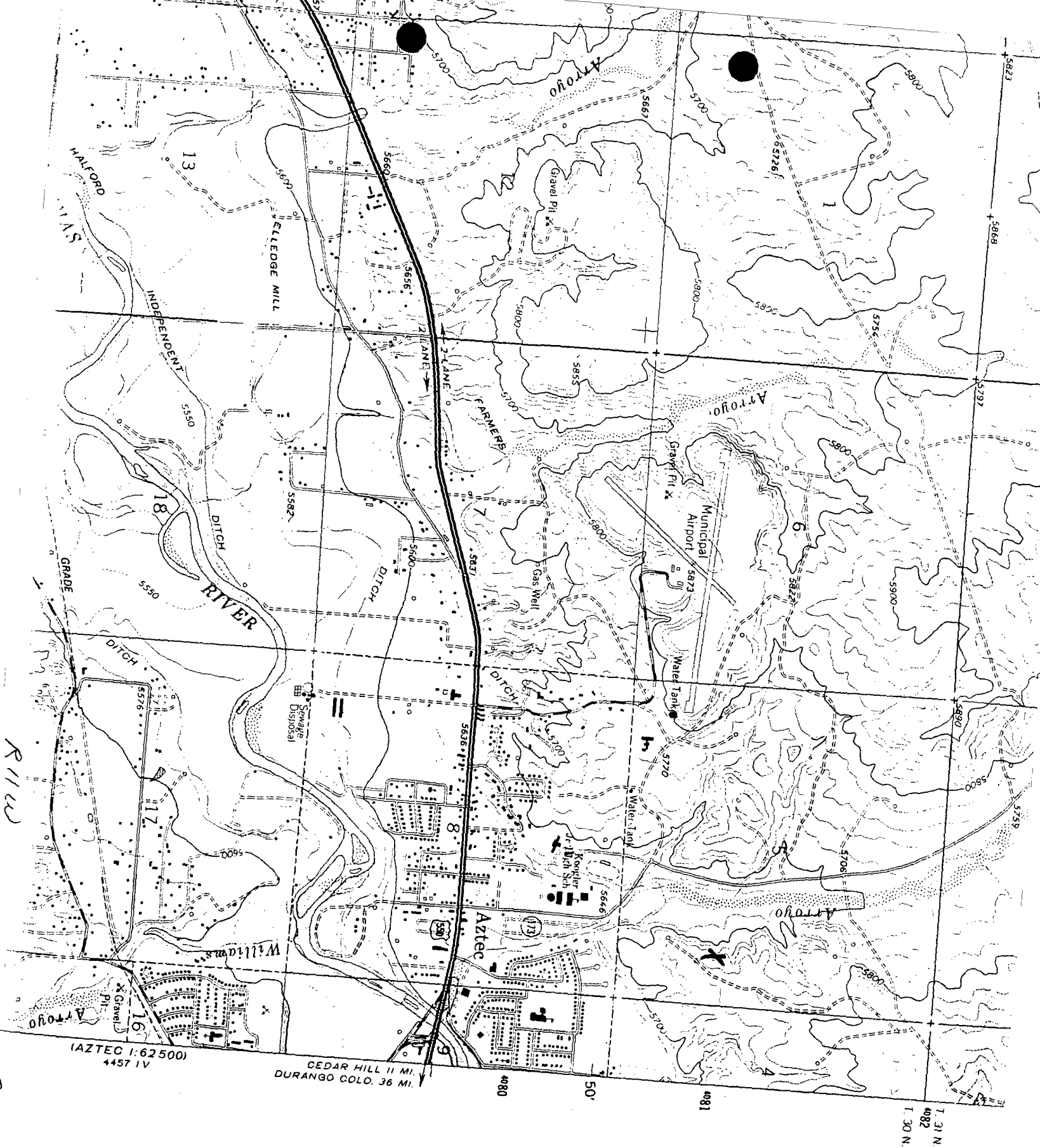
Div. Steele 1060 Co. RD 329
Ogden, Co. 81137 883-2236

Boehm (pump) for 58 wells owned by
O & E Operators.

Wells put on 28.44 ac. in S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ in
N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Sec 5 T30N R11W

Alfred Co. well. Got Harris down-
gradient + Hogler. Shaded. Shaded on
city center. Harris was well + south
of Harris is pond + irrigation ditch.

Steele well drilled 1 foot, 1 day, no
protection made on perimeter of pit
area. Observation of area showed
a 'brick' shale ledge below pit area
on ground level.



Memorandum

From
ERNIE BUSCH
Geologist - Field Rep.

To Jamie Bailey

Jamie,

Attached is a copy of the
drillers log and resistivity
info on the C&E operation
Cathodic hole.
Feet # 50's. Woodrow Stiles asked
that approval to construct the
pit, be given as soon as
possible.

T. Busch
Ernie

DAILY DRILLING REPORT

8-15

19 85

RANGE:

7FE 4-5

43

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11-12-1964

WATER AT

FEET

HOLE MADE:

80' - 220'

248

DESCRIPTION OF FORMATION

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REMARKS:

REMARKS: -30' core due to frictions water cut 8'
making approx. 1 to 2 gallons per hour
at 26' in approx. 2 gallons per minute.

William F. Howard

Driller

Tool Dresser

CORROSION CONTROL CO.

P.O. DRAWER G - PHONE 334-6141
AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410

Drilling Log (Attach Hereto). ☐

Completion Date August 20, 1985

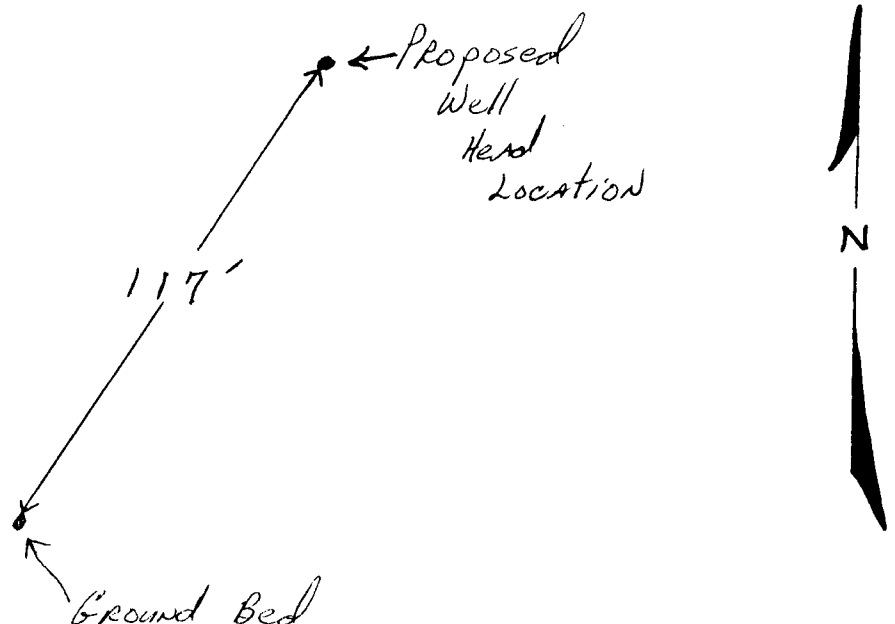
Well Name <u>Fee #5-A</u>		Location <u>C & E Operators</u>			
Type & Size Bit Used <u>6 1/8"</u>				Work Order No.	
Anode Hole Depth <u>160'</u>	Total Drilling Rig Time <u>10 hrs</u>	Total Lbs. Coke Used <u>2000#</u>	Lost Circulation Mat'l Used		No. Sacks Mud Used
Anode Depth					
#1 <u>140</u>	#2 <u>130</u>	#3 <u>120</u>	#4 <u>110</u>	#5 <u>100</u>	#6 <u>90</u>
#7 <u>80</u>	#8 <u>70</u>	#9	#10		
Anode Output (Amps)					
#1 <u>3.8</u>	#2 <u>4.3</u>	#3 <u>3.6</u>	#4 <u>4.3</u>	#5 <u>4.4</u>	#6 <u>4.6</u>
#7 <u>4.6</u>	#8 <u>5.5</u>	#9	#10		
Anode Depth					
#11	#12	#13	#14	#15	#16
#17	#18	#19	#20		
Anode Output (Amps)					
#11	#12	#13	#14	#15	#16
#17	#18	#19	#20		
Total Circuit Resistance				No. 8 C.P. Cable Used	
Volts		Amps		Ohms	
				<u>1000'</u>	
				No. 2 C.P. Cable Used	

Remarks: Set 80' of 7" steel casing due to sand & gravel.
Water standing in hole next morning at 61' used 160' of
vent pipe with 150' of perforations. Logged hole & took anode
readings with Vibroground. I didn't feel the total resistance
reading was correct so will get final total output of ground bed
after well has been drilled.

All Construction Completed

Cody Munkres
(Signature)

GROUND BED LAYOUT SKETCH



P. O. BOX 179 -- PHONE 334-6361

AZTEC, NEW MEXICO 87410

DATE 8-20-85

DEEP WELL GROUND BED LOG

Company C & E Operators

Well No. 5-A Location Fee Volts Applied _____ Amperes _____

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