

### Russell Turner Water Station

### **CLOSURE REPORT**

Release Date: June 6, 2014

Unit Letter L, Section 20, Township 17 South, Range 31 East

**RP# 2RP-2338** 

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#### 1 Introduction

Linn Energy (Linn) has retained Diversified Field Service, Inc. (DFSI) to address environmental issues for the site detailed herein.

The site is located east of Loco Hills, NM, in Eddy County. The site leak resulted from the plunger on the triplex pump breaking off, causing water to shoot out. The swamp pump inside the water station sucked all water and pumped into the fiberglass swamp tank, causing it to overfill and spill over. The release of fluids covered an approximate area of 2,961 sq. ft., all inside the dike. An initial form C-141 was submitted to the NMOCD on June 12, 2014 (Appendix I).

#### 2 SITE ACTIVITIES

On June 9, 2014, DFSI personnel visited the site to map the affected area. It was determined that sampling would not be needed because the spill happened in a lined facility.

On September 26, 2014, DFSI personnel visited the site to begin excavation. DFSI personnel returned on September 29, and on October 7 to hand-dig out the area to 1' below ground surface (bgs).

Visually impacted soils were excavated throughout the entire leak area and removed to a NMOCD approved disposal facility.

On October 10, pea gravel was brought in to backfill the excavated area. Photographs of site activities can be viewed in Appendix II.

#### 3 Conclusion

According to the U.S. Geological Survey and the NM Office of the State Engineer, depth to groundwater in the area averages greater than 236 ft. bgs.

### Appendix I

INITIAL C-141

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
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

#### State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Revised October 10, 2003

Form C-141

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC

Release Notification and Corrective Action													
						OPERATOR   ☑ Initial Report □						Final Report	
						Contact: Brian Wall							
Address: 2130 W. Bender Hobbs, NM 88240						Telephone No.: 575-738-1739							
Facility Name: Russell Turner Water Station (Turner B 12)						Facility Type: Water Station							
Surface Owner: Federal Mineral Owner:						API No.: (closest well) 3001505284							
LOCATION OF RELEASE													
Unit Letter L									Vest Line EST	County EDDY			
Latitude: 32.8185128125348 Longitude: -103.898345631192													
NATURE OF RELEASE													
Type of Release: Produced Water									Volume Recovered: 60 bbls				
Source of Release: Plunger on triplex PUMP						06/04/2014 06/04				nd Hour of Discovery: 2014 0700			
Was Immediate Notice Given?   ☑ Yes □ No □ Not Required						If YES, To Whom?  Jennifer Van Curen-BLM Mike Bratcher-NM OCD							
By Whom? Theresa McCracken						Date and Hour 06/09/14 0810							
Was a Watercourse Reached?						If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.							
☐ Yes ☒ No													
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Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*: Pulled up to water station doing my daily routine, triplex pump had water shooting up inside waterstation. Plunger on triplex Pump broke completely off, causing water to shoot out, swamp pump inside water station sucked all water and pumped													
into fiberglass swamp tank, causing it to overfill and spill over.													
				en.*: Area affected	was (	56ft ong X 51	ft Wide, all insid	le the di	ke. Water t	ruck was us	ed on l	eak site and	
picked 60barrels/BSG roustabout gang helped pick up water.													
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and												ules and	
regulations al	l operators a	re required to	report and	d/or file certain relea	ase no	otifications an	nd perform correc	tive acti	ons for rele	eases which	may e	ndanger	
public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health													
or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other													
federal, state,	or local law	s and/or regu	lations.		<del></del>	<del>-</del>		~==-					
All II							OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION						
Signature:													
Printed Name: Brian Wall						Approved by District Supervisor:							
Title: Constru	Title: Construction Foreman II					Approval Date: Expir			Expiration 1	on Date:			
E-mail Address: bwall@linnenergy.com						Conditions of Approval:			Attached				

<sup>\*</sup> Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

## Appendix II

**SITE PHOTOS** 

# Linn Energy Russell Turner Water Station (Turner B 12) Unit Letter L, Section 20, T17S R31E



Sign marking location 06/09/14



Impacted area inside berm 06/09/14



Source of leak 06/09/14



Site after fluid recovery 06/09/14

# Linn Energy Russell Turner Water Station (Turner B 12) Unit Letter L, Section 20, T17S R31E



Digging out contaminated soil, hauling 09/29/14



Area fully excavated before backfill 10/07/14



Hand-digging contaminated area 09/29/14



Area fully excavated before backfill 10/07/14

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Site with backfill completed 10/10/14



Site with backfill completed 10/10/14

## Appendix III

SITE MAP

### **Site Diagram**

