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Form 3160-3
 (April 2004)

FORM APPROVED
 OMB No 1004-0137
 Expires March 31, 2007

UNITED STATES
 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a Type of Work <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. SHL NM-0560353, BHL LC-063613
1b Type of Well: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
2. Name of Operator Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado (162683)		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No Pending
3a Address 600 N. Marienfeld St., Ste. 600; Midland, TX 79701	3b. Phone No. (include area code) 432-571-7800	8. Lease Name and Well No (38064) Crescent Hale 1 Federal Com No. 3 H
4 Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements. *) At Surface 1980 FSL & 660 FWL (L) surf At proposed prod Zone 1980 FSL & 1650 FEL (J) Horizontal Bone Spring test		9. API Well No. 30-015- 37910
14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office*		10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory HACKBERRY Benson; Bone Spring, NORTH (97056)
15 Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig. unit line if any) 330'	16. No of acres in lease NM-0560353 - 2160.32 acres LC-063613 - 280.4 acres	11 Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area 1-19S-30E
18 Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. N/A	19. Proposed Depth Pilot Hole 8950' MD 11602' TVD 8730'	12 County or Parish Eddy
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3525' GR	22. Approximate date work will start* 03.15.10	13. State NM
17 Spacing Unit dedicated to this well N2SW, NESE 120 acres		
20 BLM/BIA Bond No on File NM-2575		
23. Estimated duration 25-30 days		

24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No 1, shall be attached to this form:

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| 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor | 4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above). |
| 2. A Drilling Plan | 5. Operator Certification |
| 3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office). | 6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer |

25. Signature <i>Zeno Farris</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) Zeno Farris	Date 01.28.10
Title Manager Operations Administration		

Approved By (Signature) <i>15/ Tony J. Herrell, ex</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) <i>15/ Tony J. Herrell</i>	Date MAY 25 2010
Title STATE DIRECTOR	Office NM STATE OFFICE	

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.
 Conditions of approval, if any, are attached
APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS
 Title 18 U.S.S. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction
 * (Instructions on page 2)

**SEE ATTACHED FOR
 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

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**Approval Subject to General Requirements
 & Special Stipulations Attached**

Capitan Controlled Water Basin

DISTRICT I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II
1501 W. Grand Avenue, Artesa, NM 88210

DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Artesa, NM 87410

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

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102
Revised October 15, 2009

Submit one copy to appropriate
District Office

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

AMENDED REPORT

API Number 30-015-	Pool Code 97056 97020	Pool Name Hackberry; Bone Spring, N
Property Code 38064	Property Name CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM	Well Number 3H
OGRID No. 162683	Operator Name CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO	Elevation 3525'

Surface Location

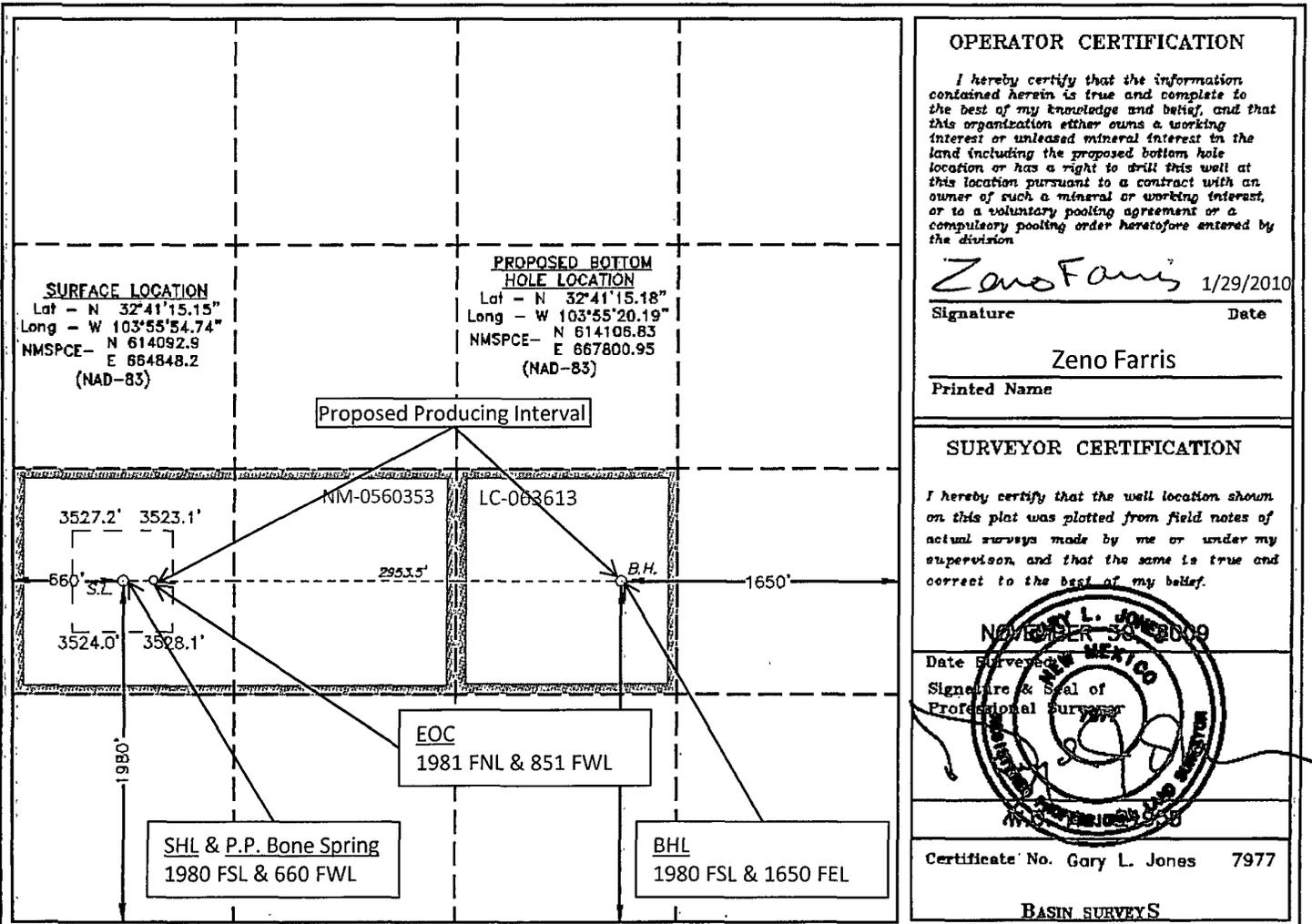
UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn.	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
L	1	19 S	30 E		1980	SOUTH	660	WEST	EDDY

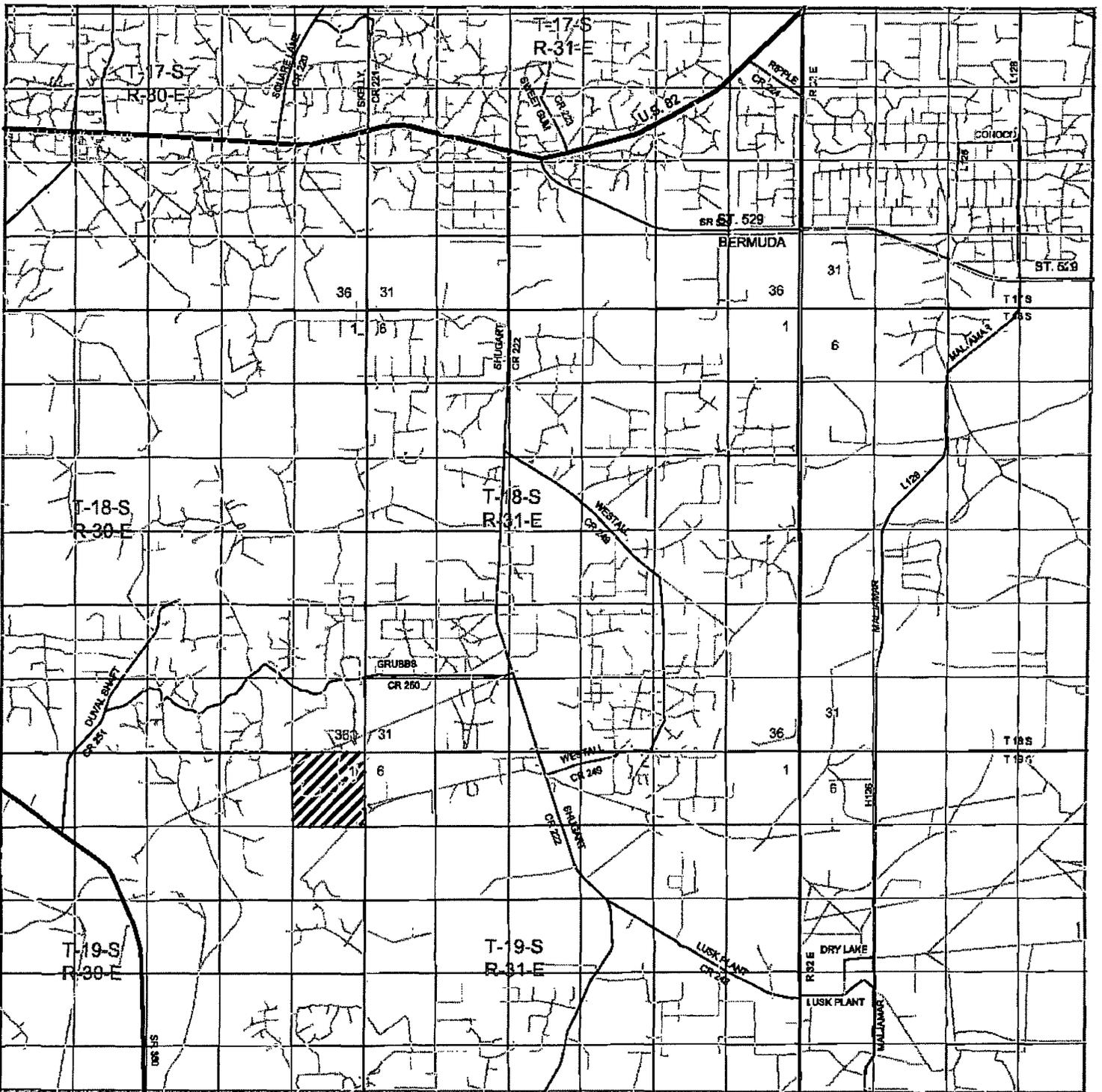
Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn.	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
J	1	19 S	30 E		1980	SOUTH	1650	EAST	EDDY

Dedicated Acres 120	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code P	Order No.
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION





CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM #3
 Located 1980' FSL and 660' FWL
 Section 1, Township 19 South, Range 30 East,
 N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

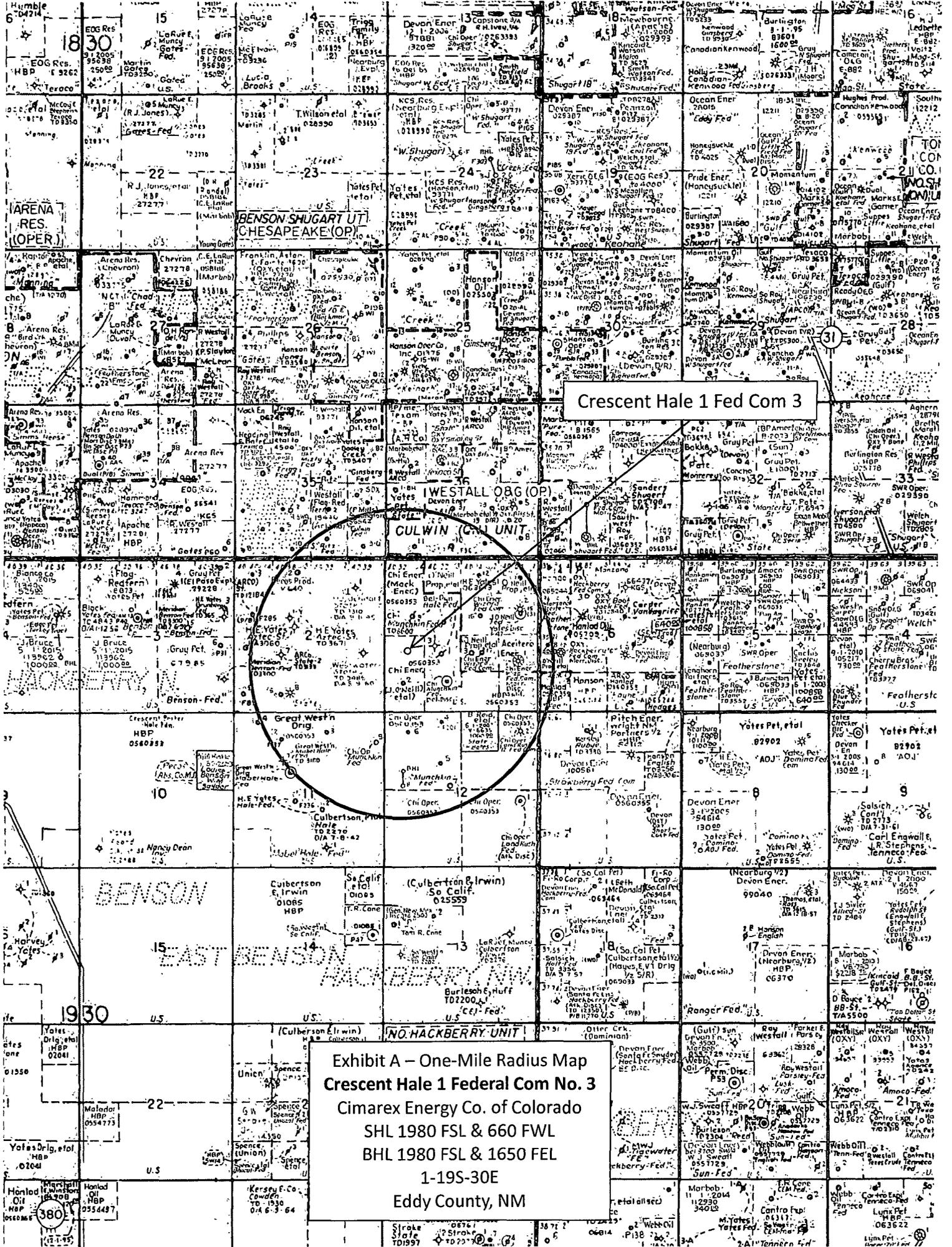
basin surveys
 focused on excellence in the oilfield

P.O. Box 1786
 1120 N. West County Rd.
 Hobbs, New Mexico 88241
 (575) 393-7316 - Office
 (575) 392-2206 - Fax
 basin-surveys.com

W.O. Number:	JMS 21955
Survey Date:	11-30-2009
Scale:	1" = 2 Miles
Date:	12-03-2009

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO

Exhibit B



Crescent Hale 1 Fed Com 3

Exhibit A - One-Mile Radius Map
 Crescent Hale 1 Federal Com No. 3
 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
 SHL 1980 FSL & 660 FWL
 BHL 1980 FSL & 1650 FWL
 1-19S-30E
 Eddy County, NM

BENSON

EAST BENSON

NO HACKBERRY UNIT

ARENA RES. (OPER)

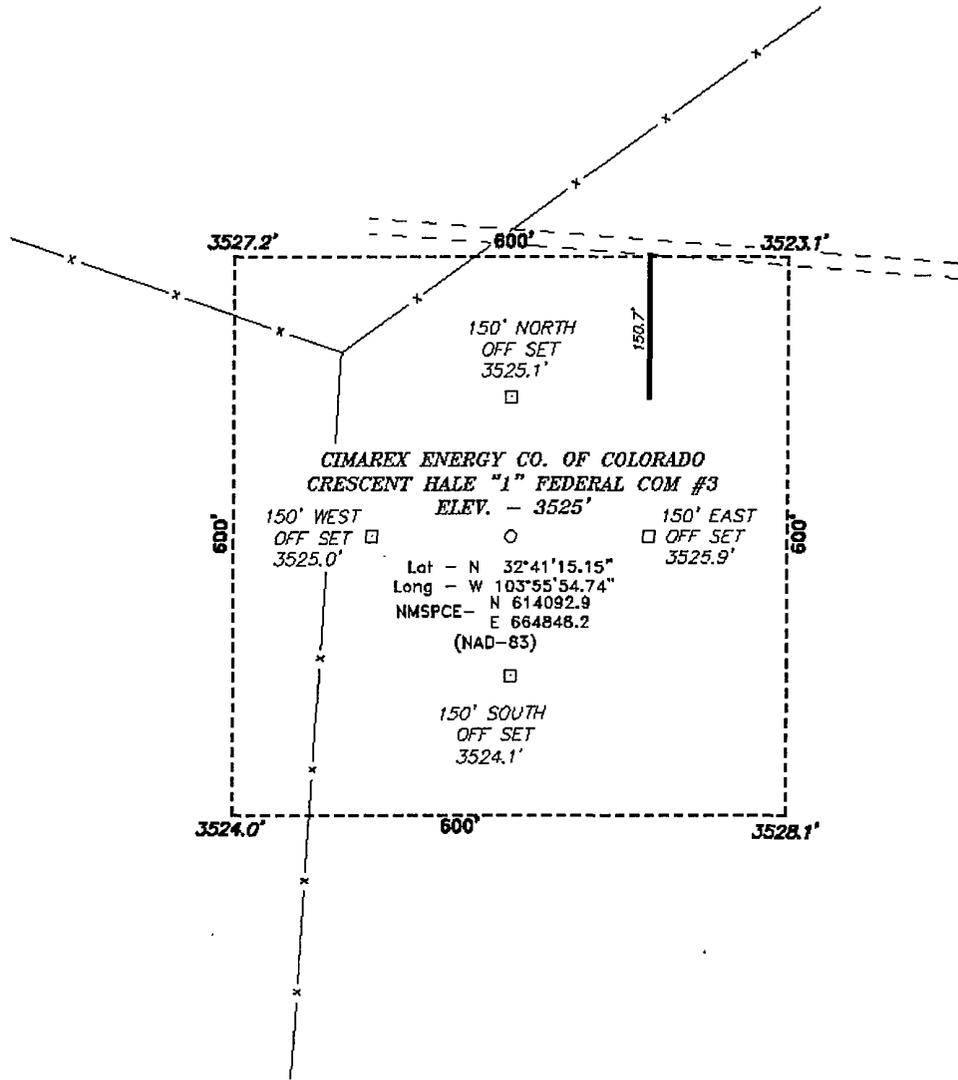
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 CHESAPEAKE (OP)

I WESTALL ORG (OP)
 CULWIN UNIT

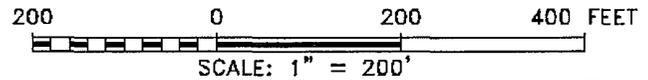
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SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO
CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM #3
 ELEV. - 3525'
 150' WEST OFF SET □ 3525.0' 150' EAST OFF SET □ 3525.9'
 Lat - N 32°41'15.15"
 Long - W 103°55'54.74"
 NMSPCE - N 614092.9
 E 664848.2
 (NAD-83)



Directions to Location:

FROM THE JUNCTION OF SHUGART AND GRUBBS, GO WEST ON GRUBBS FOR 2.7 MILES TO LEASE ROAD, ON LEASE ROAD GO SOUTH 2.0 MILES TO LEASE ROAD, ON LEASE ROAD GO WESTERLY 0.2 MILES TO PROPOSED LEASE ROAD.

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO

REF: CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM #3 / WELL PAD TOPO

THE CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM #3 LOCATED 1980'
 FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 660' FROM THE WEST LINE OF
 SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST,
 N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Basin Surveys P.O. BOX 1786-HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

W.O. Number: 21955 Drawn By: J. SMALL

Date: 12-03-2009 Disk: JMS 21955

Survey Date: 11-30-2009 Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets

Application to Drill
Crescent Hale 1 Federal Com No. 3
 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
 Unit L, Section 1
 T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

In response to questions asked under Section II B of Bulletin NTL-6, the following information is provided for your consideration:

- 1 Location: SHL 1980 FSL & 660 FWL
 BHL 1980 FSL & 1650 FEL

- 2 Elevation above sea level: 3,525 GR

- 3 Geologic name of surface formation: Quaternary Alluvium Deposits

- 4 Drilling tools and associated equipment: Conventional rotary drilling rig using fluid as a circulating medium for solids removal.

- 5 Proposed drilling depth: Pilot Hole 8950' MD 11602' TVD 8730'

- 6 Estimated tops of geological markers:

Anhydrite	464'	Cherry Canyon	4080'
Yates	2256'	Brushy Canyon	5136'
7 Rivers	2470'	Bone Spring	6175'
Queen	3082'	FBSS	7650'
Delaware Sands	3950'	SBSS	8400'

- 7 Possible mineral bearing formation:

Delaware	Oil
Bone Spring	Oil

8 Proposed Mud Circulating System:

Depth	Mud Wt	Visc	Fluid Loss	Type Mud
0' to ^{815'} 500'	8.4 - 8.6	28	NC	FW
^{815'} 500' to 4000'	10.0	30-32	NC	Brine water
4000' to 8950'	8.4 - 9.5	30-32	NC	FW, brine
8540' to 11602'	8.4	28-32	NC	2% KCl

Sufficient mud materials will be kept on location at all times in order to combat lost circulation or unexpected kicks. In order to run DSTs, open hole logs, and casing, the viscosity and water loss may have to be adjusted in order to meet these needs.

Proposed drilling Plan

After drilling and setting surface casing, drill to vertical TD 8950' and log. Set 7" casing to 8480' and cross over to 2 7/8" 2000 psi IJ fiberglass tubing underneath to 8950' and cement in place. Drill out of the bottom of the 7" with a 6 1/8" bit and through cement and fiberglass tubing to KOP @ 8540' and kick off to drill the lateral. The fiberglass tubing effectively circulates cement to surface and plugs back the open hole.

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9 Casing & Cementing Program:

String	Hole Size	Depth	Casing OD	Weight	Collar	Grade
<i>SEE COA</i> Surface	17½"	0' to 500'	New 13⅝"	48#	STC	H-40
Intermediate	12¼"	0' to 4000'	New 9⅝"	40#	LTC	J/K-55
Production	8¾"	0' to 8480'	New 7"	26#	LTC	P-110
Production	8¾"	8480' to 8950'	New 2⅞"	2.18#	0	IJ
Lateral Pt. 1	6⅝"	8380' to 8840'	New 4½"	11.6#	BTC	P-110
Lateral Pt. 2	6⅝"	8840' to 11602'	New 4½"	11.6#	LTC	P-110

10 Cementing:

Surface 600 sx Premium Plus + 2% CaCl₂ (wt 14.8, yld 1.35)

TOC Surface

Intermediate Lead: 215 sx Econocem + 3% Salt + 2% CaCl₂ + 3 lbm/sk Gilsonite (wt 11.7, yld 2.06)

Tail: 650 sxs Premium Plus + 1% CaCl₂ (wt 14.8, yld 1.34)

TOC Surface

Production Lead: 360 sx EconoCem + 3% Salt + 5 lbm/sk gilsonite (wt 13.0, yld 1.71)

Tail: 365 sx HalCem (wt 14.8, yld 1.34)

TOC 3800'

Lateral No cement needed. Peak completion assembly.

Fresh water zones will be protected by setting 13⅝" casing at 500' and cementing to surface. Hydrocarbon zones will be protected by setting 9⅝" casing at 4000' and cementing to surface, and by setting 7" casing at 8480' and fiberglass to 8950' and cementing to 3800.'

<u>Collapse Factor</u>	<u>Burst Factor</u>	<u>Tension Factor</u>
1.125	1.125	1.6

11 Pressure control Equipment:

Exhibit "E". A 13⅝" 5000 PSI working pressure BOP tested to 3000 psi consisting of one set of blind rams and one set of pipe rams and a 5000# annular type preventer. A choke manifold and 120 gallon accumulator with floor and remote operating stations and auxiliary power system. Rotating head as needed. A kelly cock will be installed and maintained in operable condition and a drill string safety valve in the open position will be available on the rig floor.

BOP unit will be hydraulically operated. BOP will be nipped up and operated at least once a day while drilling and the blind rams will be operated when out of hole during trips. No abnormal pressure or temperature is expected while drilling. From the base of the surface pipe through the running of production casing, the well will be equipped with a 5000 psi BOP system tested to 3000 psi.

BOPS will be tested by an independent service company to 250 psi low and 3000 psi high. Hydril will be tested to 250 psi low and 1500 psi high.

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- 12 Testing, Logging and Coring Program: **See COA**
- A. Mud logging program: 2 man unit from 4000' to TD
 - B. Electric logging program: CNL / LDT / CAL / GR, DLL / CAL / GR
 - C. No DSTs or cores are planned at this time.

13 Potential Hazards:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. In accordance with Onshore Order 6, Cimarex does not anticipate that there will be enough H₂S from the surface to the Bone Spring formations to meet the BLM's minimum requirements for the submission of an "H₂S Drilling Operation Plan" or "Public Protection Plan" for the drilling and completion of this well. Since we have an H₂S Safety package on all wells, attached is an "H₂S Drilling Operations Plan." Adequate flare lines will be installed off the mud / gas separator where gas may be flared safely. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used.

Estimated BHP **3000 psi** Estimated BHT **130°**

- 14 Road and location construction will begin after BLM approval of APD. Anticipated spud date as soon as approved.

Drilling expected to take 30-35 days

If production casing is run an additional 30 days will be required to complete and construct surface facilities.

15 Other Facets of Operations:

After running casing, cased hole gamma ray neutron collar logs will be run from total depth over possible pay intervals.

Bone Spring pay will be perforated and stimulated.

The proposed well will be tested and potentialized as **an oil well.**



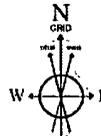
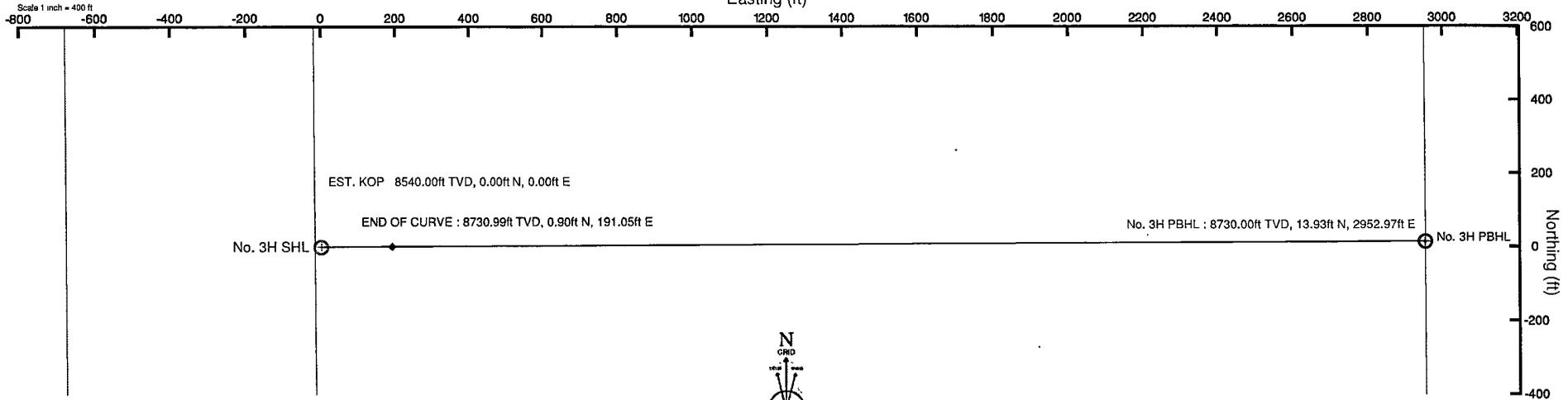
Cimarex Energy Co.

Location: Eddy County, NM
 Field: (Crescent) Sec 1, T19S, R30E
 Facility: Crescent Hale 1 Fed Com No. 3H

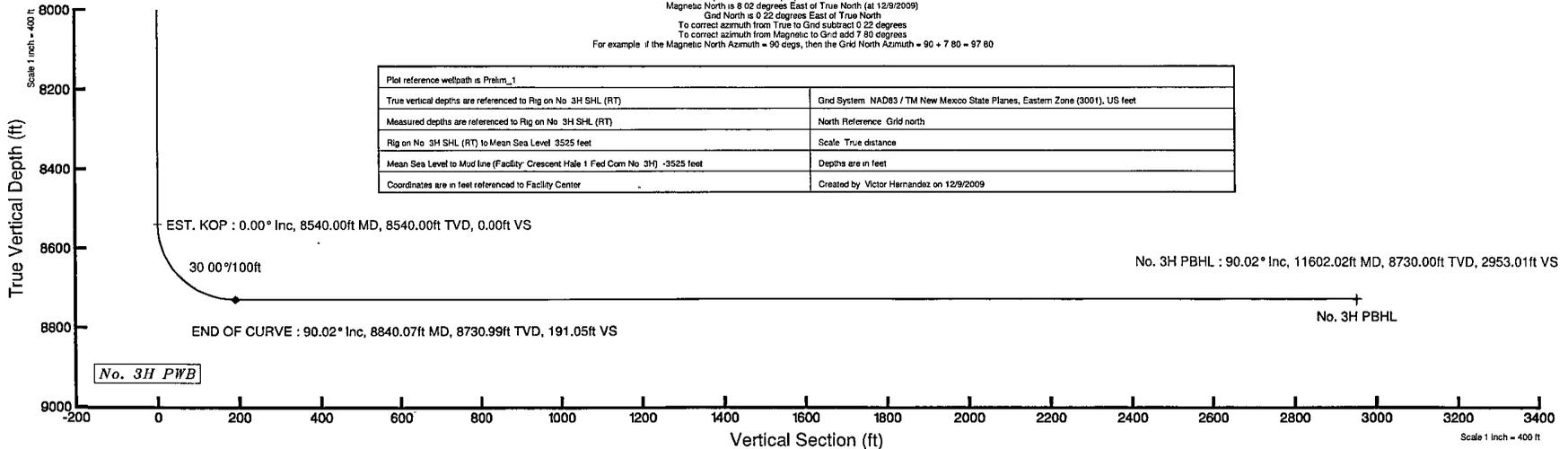
Slot: No. 3H SHL
 Well: No. 3H
 Wellbore: No. 3H PWB



Well Profile Data								
Design Comment	MD (ft)	Inc (°)	Az (°)	TVD (ft)	Local N (ft)	Local E (ft)	DLS (°/100ft)	VS (ft)
Tie On	0.00	0.000	89.730	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EST. KOP	8540.00	0.000	89.730	8540.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
END OF CURVE	8840.07	90.020	89.730	8730.99	0.90	191.05	30.00	191.05
No. 3H PBHL	11602.02	90.020	89.730	8730.00	13.93	2952.97	0.00	2953.01



BGGM (1945 0 to 2011 0) Dp 60 61° Field 49065 3 nT
 Magnetic North is 6.02 degrees East of True North (at 12/9/2009)
 Grid North is 0.22 degrees East of True North
 To correct azimuth from True to Grid subtract 0.22 degrees
 To correct azimuth from Magnetic to Grid add 7.80 degrees
 For example if the Magnetic North Azimuth = 90 degs, then the Grid North Azimuth = 90 + 7.80 = 97.80



Plot reference wellpath is Prelim_1	
True vertical depths are referenced to Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT)	Grid System: NAD83 / TM New Mexico State Planes, Eastern Zone (3001), US feet
Measured depths are referenced to Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT)	North Reference: Grid north
Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT) to Mean Sea Level 3525 feet	Scale: True distance
Mean Sea Level to Mud line (Facility: Crescent Hale 1 Fed Com No. 3H) -3525 feet	Depths are in feet
Coordinates are in feet referenced to Facility Center	Created by Victor Hernandez on 12/9/2009

Vertical Section (ft)
 Azimuth 89.73° with reference 0.00 N, 0.00 E



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Field	(Crescent) Sec 1, T19S, R30E	Wellbore	No. 3H PWB
Facility	Crescent Hale 1 Fed Com No. 3H		

REPORT SETUP INFORMATION

Projection System	NAD83 / TM New Mexico State Planes, Eastern Zone (3001), US feet	Software System	WellArchitect® 2.0
North Reference	Grid	User	Victor Hernandez
Scale	0.999927	Report Generated	12/9/2009 at 4:52:47 PM
Convergence at slot	0.22° East	Database/Source file	WA_Midland/No._3H_PWB.xml

WELLPATH LOCATION

	Local coordinates		Grid coordinates		Geographic coordinates	
	North[ft]	East[ft]	Easting[USft]	Northing[USft]	Latitude	Longitude
Slot Location	0.00	0.00	664848.20	614092.90	32°41'15.153"N	103°55'54.743"W
Facility Reference Pt			664848.20	614092.90	32°41'15.153"N	103°55'54.743"W
Field Reference Pt			664708.10	613101.90	32°41'05.353"N	103°55'56.426"W

WELLPATH DATUM

Calculation method	Minimum curvature	Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT) to Facility Vertical Datum	0.00ft
Horizontal Reference Pt	Facility Center	Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT) to Mean Sea Level	3525.00ft
Vertical Reference Pt	Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT)	Facility Vertical Datum to Mud Line (Facility)	0.00ft
MD Reference Pt	Rig on No. 3H SHL (RT)	Section Origin	N 0.00, E 0.00 ft
Field Vertical Reference	Mean Sea Level	Section Azimuth	89.73°



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WELLPATH DATA (34 stations) † = interpolated/extrapolated station

MD [ft]	Inclination [°]	Azimuth [°]	TVD [ft]	Vert Sect [ft]	North [ft]	East [ft]	DLS [°/100ft]	Comments
0.00	0.000	89.730	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Tie On
8540.00	0.000	89.730	8540.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	EST. KOP
8640.00†	30.000	89.730	8635.49	25.59	0.12	25.59	30.00	
8740.00†	60.000	89.730	8705.40	95.49	0.45	95.49	30.00	
8840.00†	90.000	89.730	8730.99	190.99	0.90	190.98	30.00	
8840.07	90.020	89.730	8730.99	191.05	0.90	191.05	30.00	END OF CURVE
8940.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.95	290.99	1.37	290.98	0.00	
9040.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.91	390.99	1.84	390.98	0.00	
9140.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.88	490.99	2.32	490.98	0.00	
9240.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.84	590.99	2.79	590.98	0.00	
9340.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.81	690.99	3.26	690.98	0.00	
9440.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.77	790.99	3.73	790.98	0.00	
9540.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.74	890.99	4.20	890.98	0.00	
9640.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.70	990.99	4.68	990.97	0.00	
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9840.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.63	1190.99	5.62	1190.97	0.00	
9940.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.59	1290.99	6.09	1290.97	0.00	
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10140.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.52	1490.99	7.03	1490.97	0.00	
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10340.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.45	1690.99	7.98	1690.97	0.00	
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11040.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.20	2390.99	11.28	2390.96	0.00	
11140.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.16	2490.99	11.75	2490.96	0.00	
11240.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.13	2590.99	12.22	2590.96	0.00	



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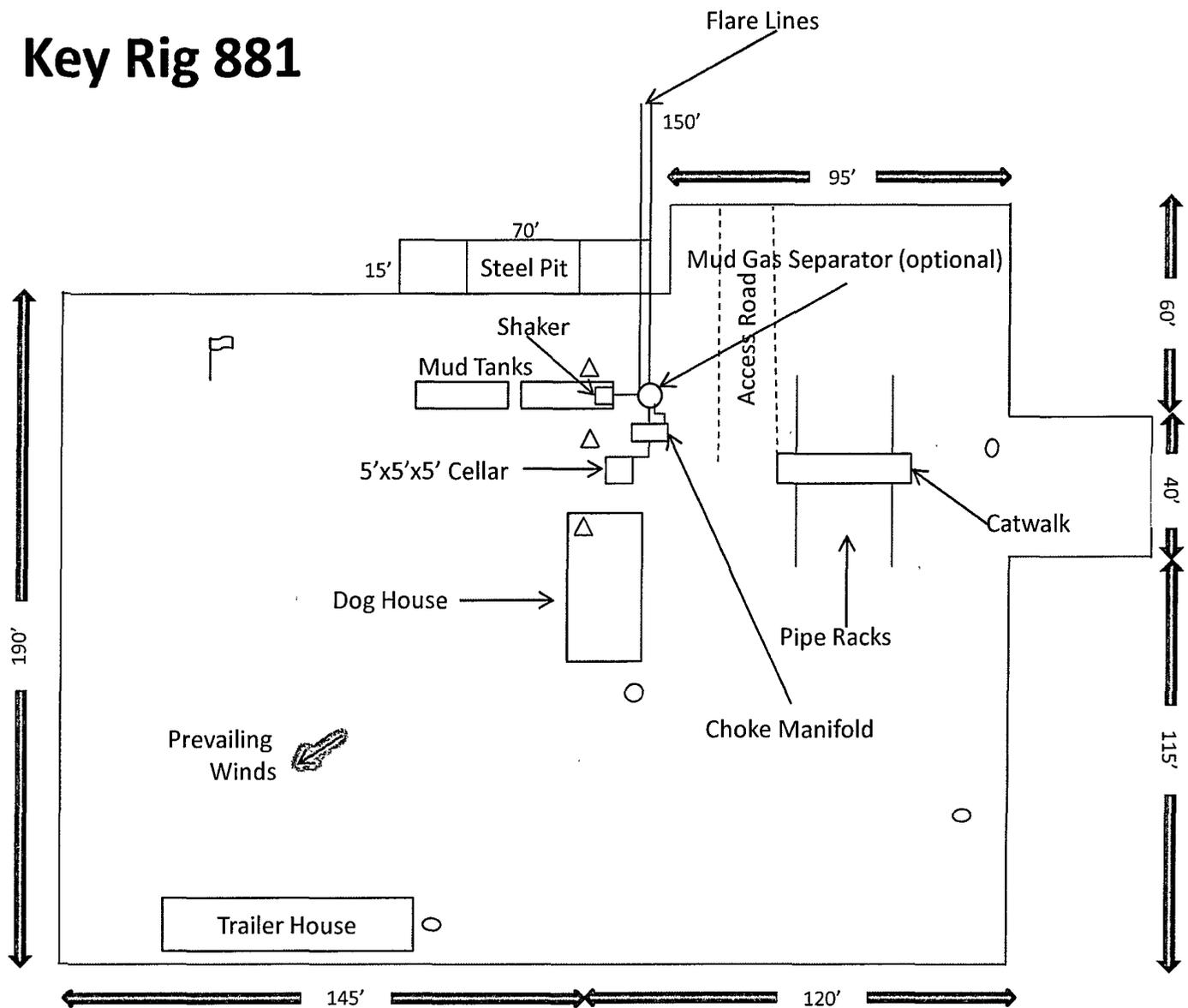
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11440.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.06	2790.99	13.17	2790.95	0.00	
11540.00†	90.020	89.730	8730.02	2890.99	13.64	2890.95	0.00	
11602.02	90.020	89.730	8730.00 ¹	2953.01	13.93	2952.97	0.00	No. 3H PBHL

HOLE & CASING SECTIONS Ref Wellbore: No. 3H PWB Ref Wellpath: Prelim_1									
String/Diameter	Start MD [ft]	End MD [ft]	Interval [ft]	Start TVD [ft]	End TVD [ft]	Start N/S [ft]	Start E/W [ft]	End N/S [ft]	End E/W [ft]
6.125in Open Hole	8540.00	11602.02	3062.02	8540.00	8730.00	0.00	0.00	13.93	2952.97

TARGETS									
Name	MD [ft]	TVD [ft]	North [ft]	East [ft]	Grid East [srv ft]	Grid North [srv ft]	Latitude	Longitude	Shape
1) No. 3H PBHL	11602.02	8730.00	13.93	2952.97	667800.95	614106.83	32°41'15.179"N	103°55'20.192"W	point

SURVEY PROGRAM Ref Wellbore: No. 3H PWB Ref Wellpath: Prelim_1				
Start MD [ft]	End MD [ft]	Positional Uncertainty Model	Log Name/Comment	Wellbore
0.00	11602.02	NaviTrak (Standard)		No. 3H PWB

Key Rig 881



-  Wind Direction Indicators
 (wind sock or streamers)
-  H2S Monitors
 (alarms at bell nipple and shale shaker)
-  Briefing Areas
-  Remote BOP Closing Unit

Exhibit D – Rig Diagram
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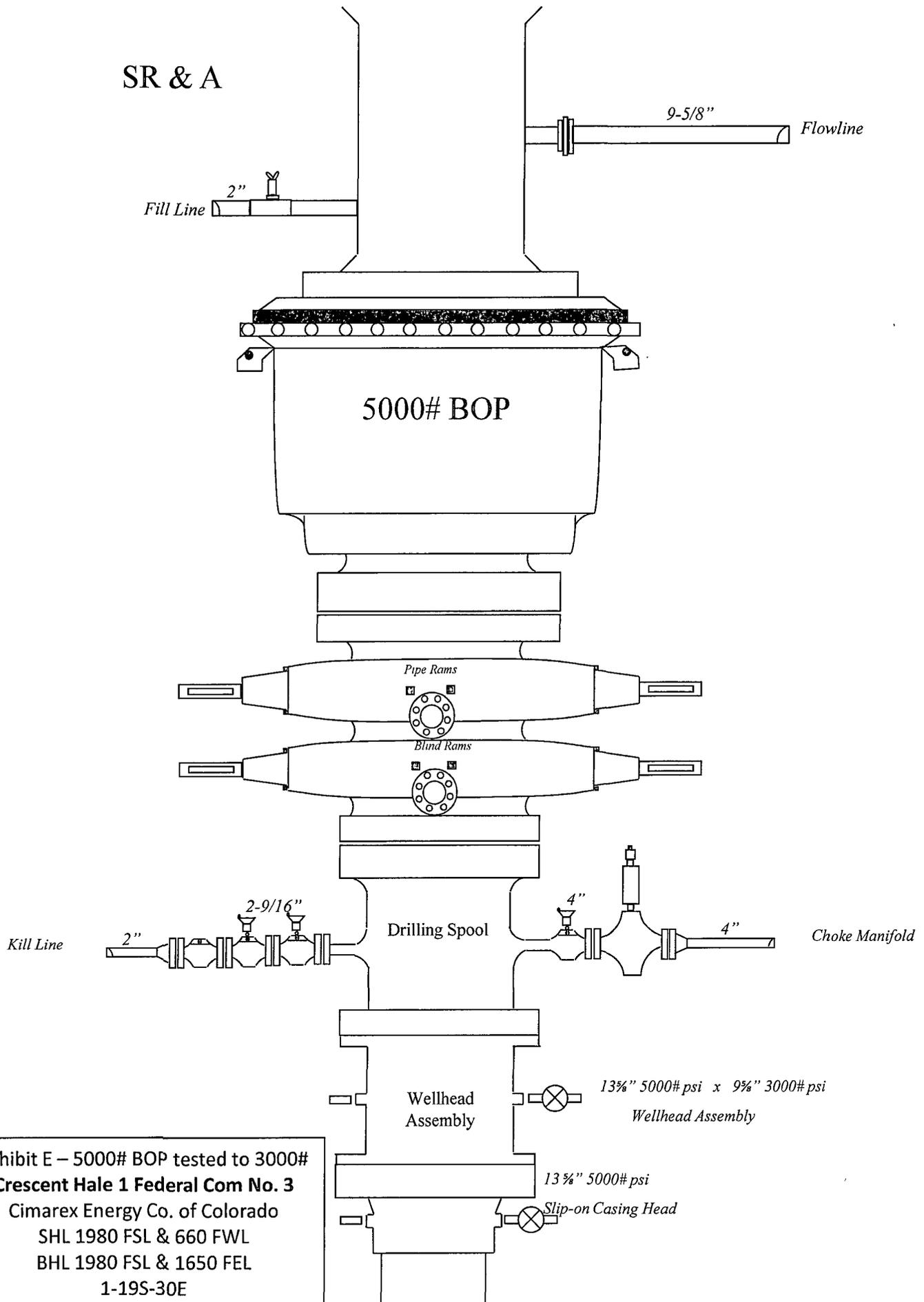
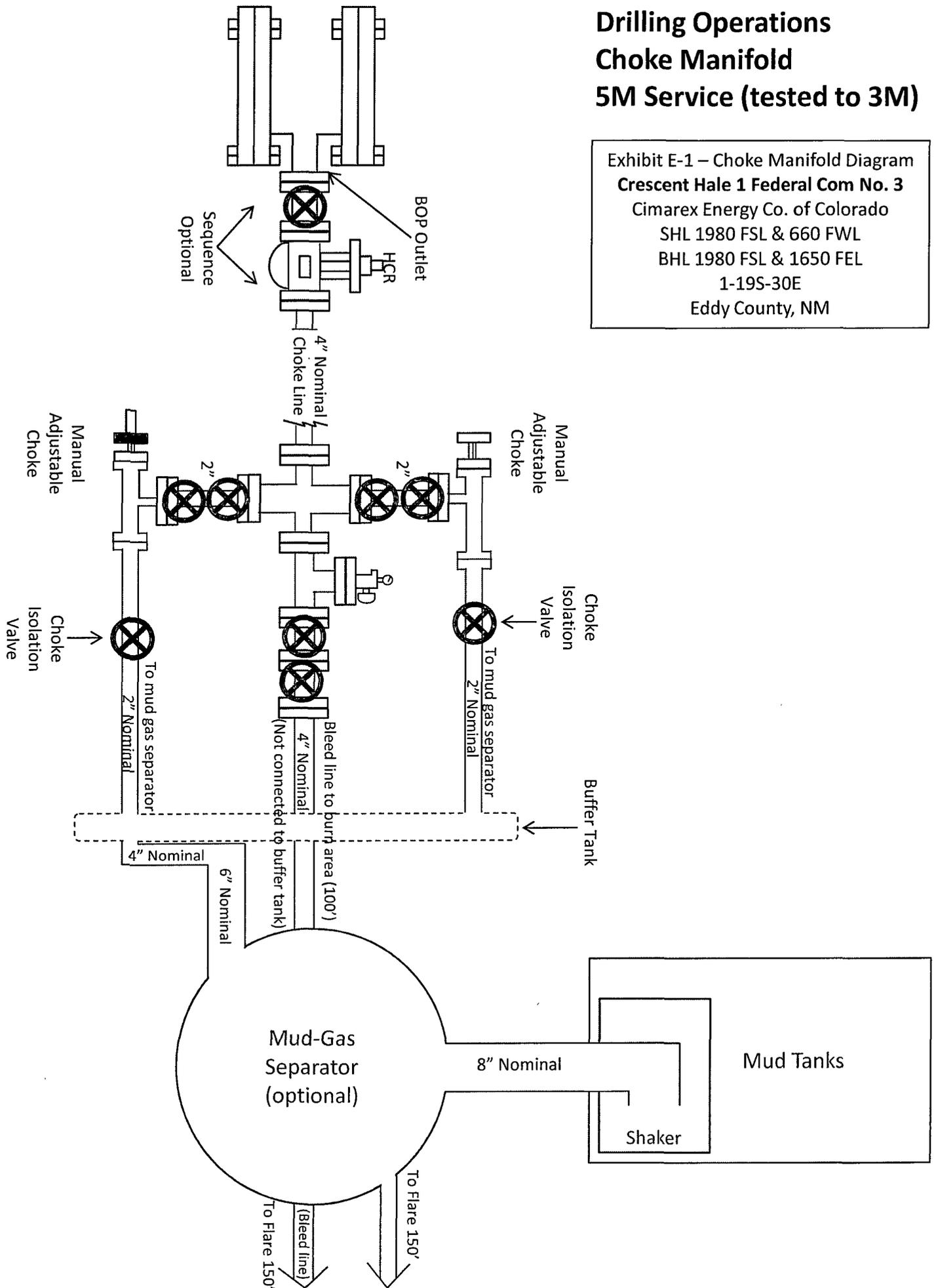


Exhibit E – 5000# BOP tested to 3000#
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Drilling Operations Choke Manifold 5M Service (tested to 3M)

Exhibit E-1 – Choke Manifold Diagram
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Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado – Closed-Loop System Design Plan

Equipment List

- Primary Shakers
- Mud Cleaner – hydro-cyclones
- 1 or 2 Centrifuges (depending on well depth)
- De-watering system with pH adjustment, coagulant mixing and dosing, and polymer mixing and dosing (may not be necessary for shallower wells)
- Drying Augur
- Sump Drying Augur
- Sump
- Cuttings Boxes
- Reserve Fluids Tank Farm
- Wire Mesh Trash Enclosure (spent motor oils kept in separate containers and later sent to approved landfill)

Operation and Maintenance

The Cimarex Zero Discharge system is designed to maintain drill solids at or below 5%. The equipment is arranged to progressively remove solids from the largest to the smallest size. Drilling fluids can thus be reused and savings is realized on mud and disposal costs. Dewatering may be required with the centrifuges to insure removal of ultra fine solids.

The drilling location is constructed to allow storm water to flow to a central sump normally the cellar. This ensures no contamination leaves the drilling pad in the event of a spill. Storm water is reused in the mud system or stored in a reserve fluid tank farm until it can be reused. All lubricants, oils, or chemicals are removed immediately from the ground to prevent the contamination of storm water. An oil trap is normally installed on the sump if an oil spill occurs during a storm.

A tank farm is utilized to store drilling fluids including fresh water and brine fluids. The tank farm is constructed on a 20 ml plastic lined, bermed pad to prevent the contamination of the drilling site during a spill. Fluids from other sites may be stored in these tanks for processing by the solids control equipment and reused in the mud system. At the end of the well the fluids are transported from the tank farm to an adjoining well or to the next well for the rig.

These closed loop operations can be monitored by our service technicians. Daily logs are maintained to ensure optimal equipment operation and maintenance. Screen and chemical use is logged to maintain inventory control. Fluid properties are monitored and recorded and drilling mud volumes are accounted for in the mud storage farm. This data is kept for end of well review to insure performance goals are met. Lessons learned are logged and used to help with continuous improvement.

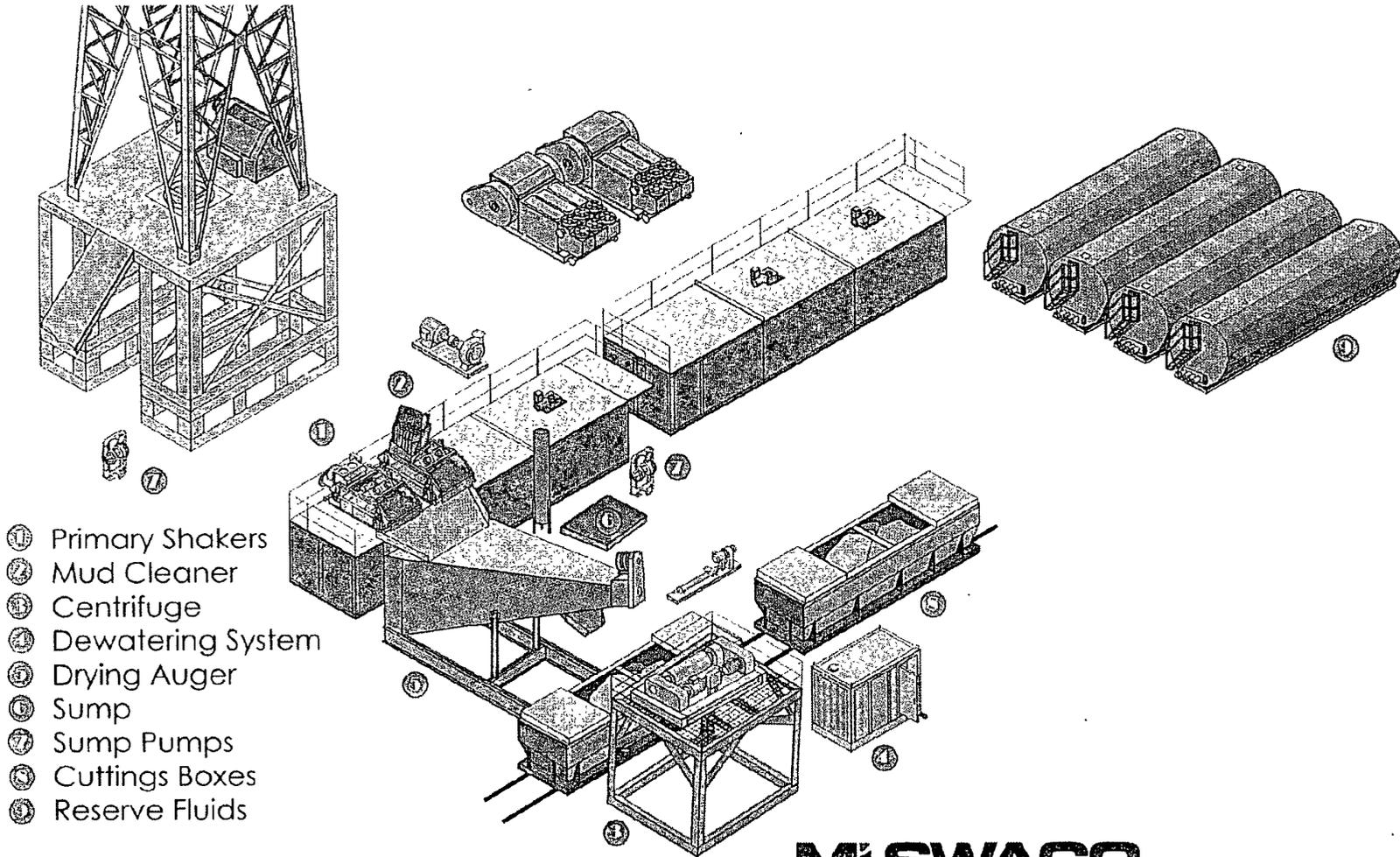
Spill prevention is accomplished by maintaining pump packing, hoses, and pipe fittings to insure no leaks are occurring. During an upset condition the source of the spill is isolated and repaired as soon as it is discovered. Free liquid is removed by a diaphragm pump and returned to the mud system. Loose topsoil may be used to stabilize the spill and the contaminated soil is excavated and placed in the cuttings boxes. After the well is finished and the rig has moved, the entire location is scrapped and tested for all regulated toxic materials. If found they are removed and disposed of per regulatory requirements.

Closure Plan

During drilling operations, all liquids, drilling fluids, and cuttings will be hauled off via CRI (Controlled Recovery Incorporated, Permit R-9166).



Closed Loop with Drying Auger and Dewatering System



- ① Primary Shakers
- ② Mud Cleaner
- ③ Centrifuge
- ④ Dewatering System
- ⑤ Drying Auger
- ⑥ Sump
- ⑦ Sump Pumps
- ⑧ Cuttings Boxes
- ⑨ Reserve Fluids



Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operations Plan
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- 1 All Company and Contract personnel admitted on location must be trained by a qualified H₂S safety instructor to the following:
 - A. Characteristics of H₂S
 - B. Physical effects and hazards
 - C. Proper use of safety equipment and life support systems.
 - D. Principle and operation of H₂S detectors, warning system and briefing areas.
 - E. Evacuation procedure, routes and first aid.
 - F. Proper use of 30 minute pressure demand air pack.

- 2 H₂S Detection and Alarm Systems:
 - A. H₂S detectors and audio alarm system to be located at bell nipple, end of flow line (mud pit) and on derrick floor or doghouse.

- 3 Windsock and/or wind streamers:
 - A. Windsock at mudpit area should be high enough to be visible.
 - B. Windsock at briefing area should be high enough to be visible.

- 4 Condition Flags and Signs:
 - A. Warning sign on access road to location.
 - B. Flags to be displayed on sign at entrance to location. Green flag indicates normal safe condition. Yellow flag indicates potential pressure and danger. Red flag indicates danger (H₂S present in dangerous concentration). Only emergency personnel admitted to location.

- 5 Well control equipment:
 - A. See exhibit "E"

- 6 Communication:
 - A. While working under masks chalkboards will be used for communication.
 - B. Hand signals will be used where chalk board is inappropriate.
 - C. Two way radio will be used to communicate off location in case of emergency help is required. In most cases cellular telephones will be available at most drilling foreman's trailer or living quarters.

- 7 Drillstem Testing:

No DSTs or cores are planned at this time.

- 8 Drilling contractor supervisor will be required to be familiar with the effects H₂S has on tubular goods and other mechanical equipment.

- 9 If H₂S is encountered, mud system will be altered if necessary to maintain control of formation. A mud gas separator will be brought into service along with H₂S scavengers if necessary.

H₂S Contingency Plan
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Emergency Procedures

In the event of a release of gas containing H₂S, the first responder(s) must:

- ★ Isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE.
- ★ Evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE.
- ★ Be equipped with H₂S monitors and air packs in order to control the release.
- ★ Use the "buddy system" to ensure no injuries occur during the response.
- ★ Take precautions to avoid personal injury during this operation.
- ★ Contact operator and/or local officials to aid in operation. See list of phone numbers attached.
- ★ Have received training in the:
 - ◆ Detection of H₂S, and
 - ◆ Measures for protection against the gas,
 - ◆ Equipment used for protection and emergency response.

Ignition of Gas Source

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally, the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever there is an ignition of the gas.

Characteristics of H₂S and SO₂

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity	Threshold Limit	Hazardous Limit	Lethal Concentration
Hydrogen Sulfide	H ₂ S	1.189 Air=1	10 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO ₂	2.21 Air=1	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm

Contacting Authorities

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado's personnel must liaise with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available including directions to site. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado's response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's "Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan" (HMER).

H₂S Contingency Plan Emergency Contacts
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Company Office			
Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado		800-969-4789	
Co. Office and After-Hours Menu			
Key Personnel			
Name	Title	Office	Mobile
Doug Park	Drilling Manager	432-620-1934	972-333-1407
Dee Smith	Drilling Super	432-620-1933	972-882-1010
Jim Evans	Drilling Super	432-620-1929	972-465-0564
Roy Shirley	Field Super		432-634-2136
Artesia			
Ambulance		911	
State Police		575-746-2703	
City Police		575-746-2703	
Sheriff's Office		575-746-9888	
Fire Department		575-746-2701	
Local Emergency Planning Committee		575-746-2122	
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division		575-748-1283	
Carlsbad			
Ambulance		911	
State Police		575-885-3137	
City Police		575-885-2111	
Sheriff's Office		575-887-7551	
Fire Department		575-887-3798	
Local Emergency Planning Committee		575-887-6544	
US Bureau of Land Management		575-887-6544	
Santa Fe			
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe)		505-476-9600	
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe) 24 Hrs		505-827-9126	
New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center		505-476-9635	
National			
National Emergency Response Center (Washington, D.C.)		800-424-8802	
Medical			
Flight for Life - 4000 24th St.; Lubbock, TX		806-743-9911	
Aerocare - R3, Box 49F; Lubbock, TX		806-747-8923	
Med Flight Air Amb - 2301 Yale Blvd S.E., #D3; Albuquerque, NM		505-842-4433	
SB Air Med Service - 2505 Clark Carr Loop S.E.; Albuquerque, NM		505-842-4949	
Other			
Boots & Coots IWC		800-256-9688	or 281-931-8884
Cudd Pressure Control		432-699-0139	or 432-563-3356
Halliburton		575-746-2757	
B.J. Services		575-746-3569	

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- 1 Existing Roads: Area maps, Exhibit "B" is a reproduction of Eddy Co. General Highway Map. Exhibit "C" is a reproduction of a USGS Topographic Map, showing existing roads and proposed roads. All existing roads will be maintained in a condition equal to or better than current conditions. Any new roads will be constructed to BLM specifications.
 - A. Exhibit "A" shows the proposed well site as staked.
 - B. From the junction of Shugart and Grubbs, go West on Grubbs for 2.7 miles to lease road. On lease road, go South 2 miles to lease road. On lease road, go Westerly 0.2 miles to proposed lease road.

- 2 Planned Access Roads: 150.7' of on-lease access road is proposed.

- 3 Location of Existing Wells in a One-Mile Radius - Exhibit A
 - A. Water wells - None known
 - B. Disposal wells - None known
 - C. Drilling wells - None known
 - D. Producing wells - As shown on Exhibit "A"
 - E. Abandoned wells - As shown on Exhibit "A"

- 4 If on completion this well is a producer, Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado will furnish maps and/or plats showing on site facilities or off site facilities if needed. This will be accompanied by a Sundry Notice.

- 5 Location and Type of Water Supply:
Water will be purchased locally from a commercial source and trucked over the access roads or piped in flexible lines laid on top of the ground.

- 6 Source of Construction Material:
If possible, construction will be obtained from the excavation of drill site. If additional material is needed, it will be purchased from a local source and transported over the access route as shown on Exhibit "C".

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7 Methods of Handling Waste Material:

- A. Drill cuttings will be separated by a series of solids removal equipment and stored in steel containment pits and then hauled to a state-approved disposal facility.
- B. All trash, junk and other waste material will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering. When the job is completed all contents will be removed and disposed of in an approved sanitary land fill.
- C. Salts remaining after completion of well will be picked up by supplier including broken sacks.
- D. Sewage from living quarters will drain into holding tanks and be cleaned out periodically. A Porta-John will be provided for the rig crews. This equipment will be properly maintained during the drilling operations and removed upon completion of the well.
- E. Drilling fluids will be contained in steel pits in a closed circulating system. Fluids will be cleaned and reused. Water produced during testing will be contained in the steel pits and disposed of at a state approved disposal facility. Any oil or condensate produced will be stored in test tanks until sold and hauled from the site.

8 Ancillary Facilities:

- A. No camps or airstrips to be constructed.

9 Well Site Layout:

- A. Exhibit "D" shows location and rig layout.
- C. Mud pits in the closed circulating system will be steel pits and the cuttings will be stored in steel containment pits.
- D. Cuttings will be stored in steel pits until they are hauled to a state-approved disposal facility.
- E. If the well is a producer, those areas of the location not essential to production facilities will be reclaimed and seeded per BLM requirements.

10 Plans for Restoration of Surface:

Rehabilitation of the location will start in a timely manner after all drilling operations cease. The type of reclamation will depend on whether the well is a producer or a dry hole.

Drainage systems, if any, will be reshaped to the original configuration with provisions made to alleviate erosion. These may need to be modified in certain circumstances to prevent inundation of the location's pad and surface facilities. After the area has been shaped and contoured, topsoil from the spoil pile will be placed over the disturbed area to the extent possible. Revegetation procedures will comply with BLM standards.

If the well is a dry hole, the pad and road area will be recontoured to match the existing terrain. Topsoil will be spread to the extent possible. Revegetation will comply with BLM standards.

Should the well be a producer, the previously noted procedures will apply to those areas which are not required for production facilities.

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11 Other Information

- A. Topography consists of a sloping plane with loose tan sands. Vegetation is mainly yucca, mesquite and shin oak.
- B. The wellsite is on surface owned by Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. The land is used mainly for farming, cattle ranching, recreational use, and oil and gas production.
- C. In lieu of an archaeological survey report, Cimarex will be submitting an MOA application for this well pad and access road since they are within the MOA boundary.
- D. There are no know dwellings within 1½ miles of this location.

Operator Certification Statement
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Operator's Representative

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
600 N. Marienfeld St., Ste. 600
Midland, TX 79701
Office Phone: (432) 571-7800
Zeno Farris

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the statements and plans made in this APD are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado and/or its contractors/subcontractors and is in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provision of U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

NAME: Zeno Farris
Zeno Farris
DATE: January 28, 2010
TITLE: Manager Operations Administration

PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	CIMAREX ENERGY
LEASE NO.:	NMLC063613
WELL NAME & NO.:	3-CRESCENT HALE 1 FED COM
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	1980' FSL & 660' FWL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	1980' FSL & 1650' FEL
LOCATION:	Section 1, T. 19 S., R. 30 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico

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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The approval of the Application For Permit To Drill (APD) is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations: 43 Code of Federal Regulations 3160, the lease terms, Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notices To Lessees, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Rules, National Historical Preservation Act As Amended, and instructions and orders of the Authorized Officer. Any request for a variance shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Report on Wells.

II. PERMIT EXPIRATION

If the permit terminates prior to drilling and drilling cannot be commenced within 60 days after expiration, an operator is required to submit Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, requesting surface reclamation requirements for any surface disturbance. However, if the operator will be able to initiate drilling within 60 days after the expiration of the permit, the operator must have set the conductor pipe in order to allow for an extension of 60 days beyond the expiration date of the APD. (Filing of a Sundry Notice is required for this 60 day extension.)

III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource discovered by the operator or by any person working on the operator's behalf shall immediately report such findings to the Authorized Officer. The operator is fully accountable for the actions of their contractors and subcontractors. The operator shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery shall be made by the Authorized Officer to determine the appropriate actions that shall be required to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values of the discovery. The operator shall be held responsible for the cost of the proper mitigation measures that the Authorized Officer assesses after consultation with the operator on the evaluation and decisions of the discovery. Any unauthorized collection or disturbance of cultural or paleontological resources may result in a shutdown order by the Authorized Officer.

IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS

The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

V. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)

Timing Limitation Stipulation / Condition of Approval for lesser prairie-chicken: Oil and gas activities including 3-D geophysical exploration, and drilling will not be allowed in lesser prairie-chicken habitat during the period from March 1st through June 15th annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period. Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 feet from the source of the noise.

Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching: Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well. For more installation details, contact the Carlsbad Field Office at 575-234-5972.

Communitization Agreement

A Communitization Agreement covering the acreage dedicated to this well must be filed for approval with the BLM. The effective date of the agreement shall be prior to any sales.

VI. CONSTRUCTION

A. NOTIFICATION

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972 at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad.

When construction operations are being conducted on this well, the operator shall have the approved APD and Conditions of Approval (COA) on the well site and they shall be made available upon request by the Authorized Officer.

B. V-DOOR DIRECTION: East

C. TOPSOIL

The operator shall stockpile the topsoil in a low profile manner in order to prevent wind/water erosion of the topsoil. The topsoil will be used for interim and final reclamation.

D. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

E. FEDERAL MINERAL MATERIALS PIT

Payment shall be made to the BLM prior to removal of any federal mineral materials. Call the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972.

F. WELL PAD SURFACING

Surfacing of the well pad is not required.

If the operator elects to surface the well pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

The well pad shall be constructed in a manner which creates the smallest possible surface disturbance, consistent with safety and operational needs.

G. ON LEASE ACCESS ROADS

Road Width

The access road shall have a driving surface that creates the smallest possible surface disturbance and does not exceed fourteen (14) feet in width. The maximum width of surface disturbance, when constructing the access road, shall not exceed thirty (30) feet.

Surfacing

Surfacing material is not required on the new access road driving surface. If the operator elects to surface the new access road or pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

Where possible, no improvements should be made on the unsurfaced access road other than to remove vegetation as necessary, road irregularities, safety issues, or to fill low areas that may sustain standing water.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require surfacing of any portion of the access road at any time deemed necessary. Surfacing may be required in the event the road deteriorates, erodes, road traffic increases, or it is determined to be beneficial for future field development. The surfacing depth and type of material will be determined at the time of notification.

Crowning

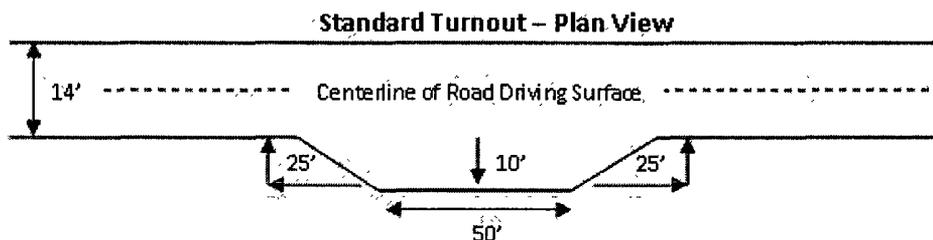
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

Ditching

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

Turnouts

Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:

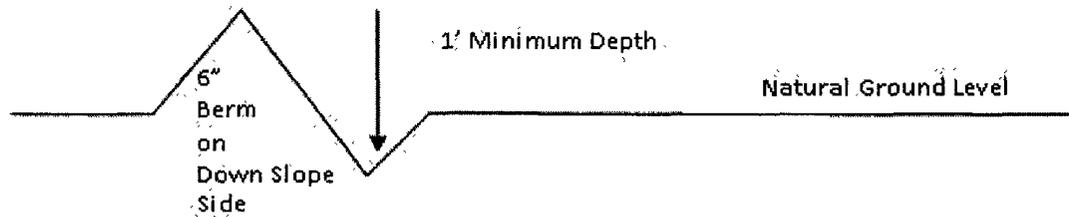


Drainage

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill out-sloping and in-sloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm of 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm shall be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch.

Cross Section of a Typical Lead-off Ditch



All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval are variable for lead-off ditches and shall be determined according to the formula for spacing intervals of lead-off ditches, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %);

Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches

Example - On a 4% road slope that is 400 feet long, the water flow shall drain water into a lead-off ditch. Spacing interval shall be determined by the following formula:

$$400 \text{ foot road with } 4\% \text{ road slope: } \frac{400'}{4\%} + 100' = 200' \text{ lead-off ditch interval}$$

Culvert Installations

Appropriately sized culvert(s) shall be installed at the deep waterway channel flow crossing.

Cattleguards

An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).

Any existing cattleguard(s) on the access road shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguard(s) that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

A gate shall be constructed and fastened securely to H-braces.

Fence Requirement

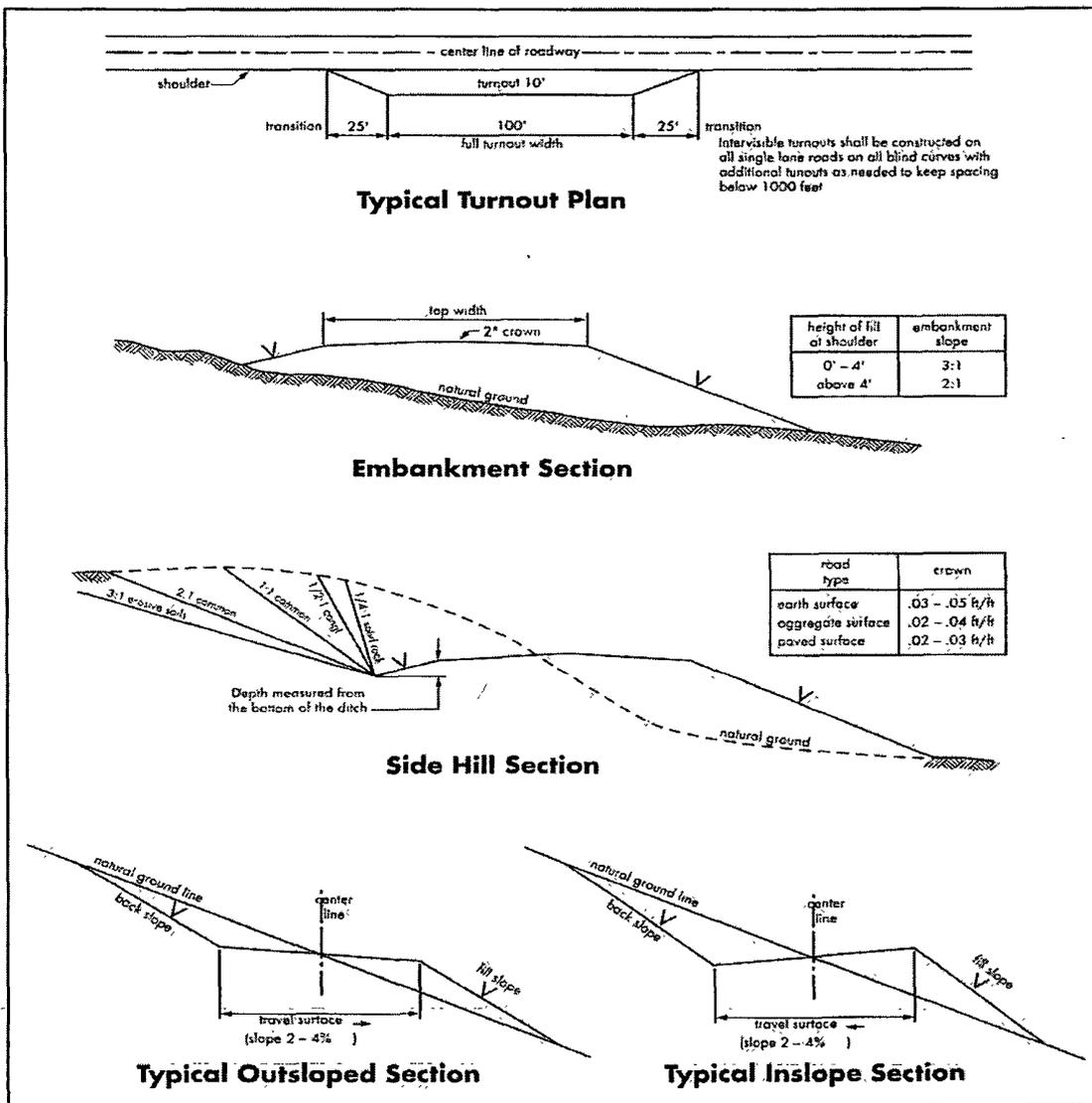
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

Public Access

Public access on this road shall not be restricted by the operator without specific written approval granted by the Authorized Officer.

Figure 1 – Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections



VII. DRILLING

A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests

Eddy County

Call the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220,
(575) 361-2822

1. **Due to recent H2S encounters in the salt formation, it is recommended that monitoring equipment be onsite for potential Hydrogen Sulfide prior to drilling out the surface shoe. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measurements and formations to the BLM.**
2. Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.
3. Floor controls are required for 3M or Greater systems. These controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
4. **The record of the drilling rate along with the CAL/GR/N well log run from TD to surface will be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

B. CASING

Changes to the approved APD casing and cement program require submitting a sundry and receiving approval prior to work. Failure to obtain approval prior to work will result in an Incident of Non-Compliance being issued.

Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.

Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater for all casing strings. Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.

No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.

Secretary's Potash

Possible brine and water flows in the Artesia and Salado Groups.

Possible lost circulation in the Capitan Reef and the Artesia Group.

1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at **approximately 515 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt)** and cemented to the surface. **Fresh water mud to be used to setting depth.**
 - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with a surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Temperature survey will be run a minimum of six hours after pumping cement and ideally between 8-10 hours after completing the cement job.
 - b. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.**
 - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
 - d. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.
2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 9-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:
 - Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to potash. Additional cement may be required as the excess calculates to be 1%.**

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 7 inch production casing is:
 - Cement should tie-back at least 500 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to potash.**
4. Cement not required on the 4-1/2" casing. **Packer system being used.**
5. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

C. PRESSURE CONTROL

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **3000 (3M) psi. Operator is installing a 5M but testing as a 3M.**
 - a. **For surface casing only:** If the BOP/BOPE is to be tested against casing, the wait on cement (WOC) time for that casing is to be met (see WOC statement at start of casing section). Independent service company required.
3. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
 - a. Casing cut-off and BOP installation will not be initiated until the cement has had a minimum of 8 hours setup time for a water basin. The casing shall remain stationary and under pressure for at least eight hours after the operator places the cement. In the potash area, the minimum time is 12 hours and the casing shall remain stationary and under pressure during this time period. Casing shall be under pressure if the operator uses some acceptable means of holding pressure or if the operator employs one or more float valves to hold the cement in place. Testing the BOP/BOPE against a plug can commence after meeting the above conditions plus the BOP installation time.
 - b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug.
 - c. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.

- d. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. **A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.**
- e. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

D. DRILL STEM TEST

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

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VIII. PRODUCTION (POST DRILLING)

A. WELL STRUCTURES & FACILITIES

Placement of Production Facilities

Production facilities should be placed on the well pad to allow for maximum interim recontouring and revegetation of the well location.

Containment Structures

The containment structure shall be constructed to hold the capacity of the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

Painting Requirement

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color Shale Green, Munsell Soil Color Chart # 5Y 4/2

B. PIPELINES

C. ELECTRIC LINES

IX. INTERIM RECLAMATION

During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo interim reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses.

Within six (6) months of well completion, operators should work with BLM surface management specialists (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909) to devise the best strategies to reduce the size of the location. Interim reclamation should allow for remedial well operations, as well as safe and efficient removal of oil and gas.

During reclamation, the removal of caliche is important to increasing the success of revegetating the site. Removed caliche that is free of contaminants may be used for road repairs, fire walls or for building other roads and locations. In order to operate the well or complete workover operations, it may be necessary to drive, park and operate on restored interim vegetation within the previously disturbed area. Disturbing revegetated areas for production or workover operations will be allowed. If there is significant disturbance and loss of vegetation, the area will need to be revegetated. Communicate with the appropriate BLM office for any exceptions/exemptions if needed.

All disturbed areas after they have been satisfactorily prepared need to be reseeded with the seed mixture provided below.

Upon completion of interim reclamation, the operator shall submit a Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, Subsequent Report of Reclamation (Form 3160-5).

X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & RECLAMATION

At final abandonment, well locations, production facilities, and access roads must undergo "final" reclamation so that the character and productivity of the land are restored.

Earthwork for final reclamation must be completed within six (6) months of well plugging. All pads, pits, facility locations and roads must be reclaimed to a satisfactory revegetated, safe, and stable condition, unless an agreement is made with the landowner or BLM to keep the road and/or pad intact.

After all disturbed areas have been satisfactorily prepared, these areas need to be revegetated with the seed mixture provided below. Seeding should be accomplished by drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other approved methods. Seeding may need to be repeated until revegetation is successful, as determined by the BLM.

Operators shall contact a BLM surface protection specialist prior to surface abandonment operations for site specific objectives (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909).

Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching: Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well.

Seed Mixture 1, for Loamy Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)* per acre. There shall be no primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (small/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed* per acre:

<u>Species</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains lovegrass (<i>Eragrostis intermedia</i>)	0.5
Sand dropseed (<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>)	1.0
Sideoats grama (<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>)	5.0

*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed