

Introduction

On 10 October 1981, New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc., (NMAS), Carlsbad, undertook for CONOCO, INCORPORATED, Hobbs, an archaeological reconnaissance of federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Eddy County, New Mexico. The reconnoitered area will be impacted by the construction of a drill location and its associated access road. This project was advanced by Mr. Jimmy Carlile, Analyst, CONOCO, INCORPORATED and administered by Dr. J. Loring Haskell, Principal Investigator, NMAS, Inc. This reconnaissance was undertaken by Dr. J. Loring Haskell, Principal Investigator, NMAS, Inc. This reconnaissance was undertaken by Dr. Haskell.

Survey Technique

For this investigation, CONOCO, INCORPORATED's proposed location was reconnoitered for evidence of man's past activities by walking it in a series of 25 ft wide, close interval (15° or less), zigzag transects. In addition an added zone embracing to 20 ft on each side of the staked 400 X 400 ft location, and hence lying outside the bounds of the proposed work area, was reconnoitered by a similar means. As for the access road, it was walked in two 25 ft wide transects. Methodologically, this procedure served to promote optimal conditions for the visual examination of areas to be impacted by construction-related activities.

Penny Federal Well No. 2

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 ft on federal lands and will be situated 1650 ft from the north and 1780 ft from the east line of:

Section 23, T20S, R24E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM

The associated access road will measure approximately 20 X 1450 ft and will be situated in the: