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
Department
Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-144
July 21, 2008

For temporary pits, closed-loop systems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office
For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office

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Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action ☒ Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
☐ Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
Existing BGT ☐ Modification to an existing permit
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank or alternative request

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances

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Operator XTO Energy, Inc. OGRID # 5380
Address 382 Road 3100 Aztec, NM 87410
Facility or well name. UTE MTN TRIBAL D #3
API Number 3004520942 OCD Permit Number
U/L or Qtr/Qtr F Section 10 Township 31N Range 14W County San Juan
Center of Proposed Design Latitude 36.91844 Longitude 108.29800 NAD ☐1927 ☐1983
Surface Owner ☒ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2
☐ **Pit:** Subsection F or G of 19 15 17 11 NMAC
Temporary ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type Thickness _____mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other _____
☐ String-Reinforced
Liner Seams ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other _____ Volume _____bbl Dimensions L_____ x W_____ x D_____

3
☐ **Closed-loop System:** Subsection H of 19 15 17 11 NMAC
Type of Operation ☐ P&A ☐ Drilling a new well ☐ Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent)
☐ Drying Pad ☐ Above Ground Steel Tanks ☐ Haul-off Bins ☐ Other _____
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type Thickness _____mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other _____
Liner Seams ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other _____

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☒ **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19 15 17 11 NMAC
Volume 120 bbl Type of fluid: Produced Water
Tank Construction material. Steel
☐ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☒ Other ~~Visible sidewalls, vaulted, automatic high level~~ shut off
Liner type: Thickness _____mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other _____

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☐ **Alternative Method:**
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval

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Fencing: Subsection D of 19 15 17.11 NMAC *(Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)*

☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top *(Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church)*

☒ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet

☐ Alternate Please specify_____

7.

Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17 11 NMAC *(Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)*

☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☐ Other_____

☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)

8.

Signs: Subsection C of 19 15 17 11 NMAC

☐ 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers

☒ Signed in compliance with 19 15 3 103 NMAC

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Administrative Approvals and Exceptions:

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19 15 17 NMAC for guidance.

Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:

☐ Administrative approval(s) Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval

☐ Exception(s) Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval

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Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17 10 NMAC

Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. **Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.**

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search, USGS, Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map, Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. *(Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks)* - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site, Aerial photo, Satellite image	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ NA
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application *(Applies to permanent pits)* - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site, Aerial photo, Satellite image	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ NA
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search, Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality, Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within an unstable area - Engineering measures incorporated into the design, NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources, USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☒ No

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Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19 15 17.9 NMAC
Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

☒ Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19 15 17 9 NMAC
☐ Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19 15 17.9 NMAC
☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17.10 NMAC
☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15 17 11 NMAC
☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15 17 12 NMAC
☒ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19 15 17 9 NMAC and 19 15 17 13 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number _____ or Permit Number: _____

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Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19 15 17 9 NMAC
Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

☐ Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19 15 17 9
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17 10 NMAC
☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17 11 NMAC
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15.17 12 NMAC
☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19 15 17 9 NMAC and 19 15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number _____

☐ Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number _____ *(Applies only to closed-loop system that use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)*

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Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist: Subsection B of 19 15 17 9 NMAC
Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.

☐ Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19 15 17 9 NMAC
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17 10 NMAC
☐ Climatological Factors Assessment
☐ Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17 11 NMAC
☐ Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15.17 11 NMAC
☐ Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17.11 NMAC
☐ Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17.12 NMAC
☐ Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15 17 11 NMAC
☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H_2S, Prevention Plan
☐ Emergency Response Plan
☐ Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization
☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan
☐ Erosion Control Plan
☐ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15 17 9 NMAC and 19 15 17 13 NMAC

14.
Proposed Closure: 19 15 17 13 NMAC
Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.

Type: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Permanent Pit ☒ Below-grade Tank ☐ Closed-loop System ☐ Alternative

Proposed Closure Method: ☒ Waste Excavation and Removal
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)
☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial
☐ Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)

15.
Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19 15.17.13 NMAC) ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☒ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☒ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17 13 NMAC
☒ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)
☒ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17 13 NMAC
☒ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19 15.17 13 NMAC

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Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19 15.17 13 D NMAC)

Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if more than two facilities are required.

Disposal Facility Name _____ Disposal Facility Permit Number _____

Disposal Facility Name _____ Disposal Facility Permit Number _____

Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations

☐ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19 15.17 13 NMAC

☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19 15 17 13 NMAC

☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19 15.17 13 NMAC

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Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19 15 17 10 NMAC

Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate district office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.

Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search, USGS, Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA
Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search, USGS, Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search, USGS, Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ NA
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark) - Topographic map, Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site, Aerial photo, Satellite image	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database, Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality, Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map, Topographic map, Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within an unstable area - Engineering measures incorporated into the design, NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources, USGS, NM Geological Society, Topographic map	☐ Yes ☐ No
Within a 100-year floodplain - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☐ No

18.

On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19 15 17 13 NMAC) ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15 17.10 NMAC

☐ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15 17 13 NMAC

☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15 17 11 NMAC

☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15 17.11 NMAC

☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19 15 17 13 NMAC

☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)

☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19 15 17 13 NMAC

☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection I of 19.15 17 13 NMAC

☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19 15 17.13 NMAC

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Operator Application Certification:

I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print). Kim Champlin Title Environmental Representative

Signature: Kim Champlin Date 9-17-08

e-mail address. kim_champlin@xtoenergy com Telephone (505) 333-3100

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OCD Approval: ☒ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: Jonathan D. Kelly **Approval Date:** 3/29/2012

Title: Compliance Officer **OCD Permit Number:**

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Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19 15 17 13 NMAC

Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.

☐ **Closure Completion Date:**

22.
Closure Method:

☐ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)

☐ If different from approved plan, please explain

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Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only:

Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Use attachment if more than two facilities were utilized.

Disposal Facility Name Disposal Facility Permit Number

Disposal Facility Name Disposal Facility Permit Number

Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that *will not* be used for future service and operations?

☐ Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) ☐ No

Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations

☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)
☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation
☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique

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Closure Report Attachment Checklist: ***Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.***

☐ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)
☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure)
☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)
☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)
☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)
☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number
☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation
☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique
☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

On-site Closure Location. Latitude Longitude NAD ☐1927 ☐ 1983

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Operator Closure Certification:

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan

Name (Print): Title.

Signature: Date.

e-mail address. Telephone

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

Supersedes C-128
Effective 1-1-65

All distances must be from the outer boundaries of the Section

Operator	Lease	Well No.
Amoco Production Company	Ute Mountain Tribal "D"	3

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
F	10	31N	14W	San Juan

Actual Footage Location of Well:
1530 feet from the North line and 1980 feet from the West line

Ground Level Elev.	Producing Formation	Pool	Dedicated Acreage
6360	Dakota	Ute Dome Dakota	NW/4 160 Acres

1. Outline the acreage dedicated to the subject well by colored pencil or hachure marks on the plat below.

2. If more than one lease is dedicated to the well, outline each and identify the ownership thereof (both as to working interest and royalty).

3. If more than one lease of different ownership is dedicated to the well, have the interests of all owners been consolidated by communitization, unitization, force-pooling. etc?

☐ Yes ☐ No If answer is "yes," type of consolidation _____

If answer is "no," list the owners and tract descriptions which have actually been consolidated (Use reverse side of this form if necessary.) _____

No allowable will be assigned to the well until all interests have been consolidated (by communitization, unitization, forced-pooling, or otherwise) or until a non-standard unit, eliminating such interests, has been approved by the Commission.

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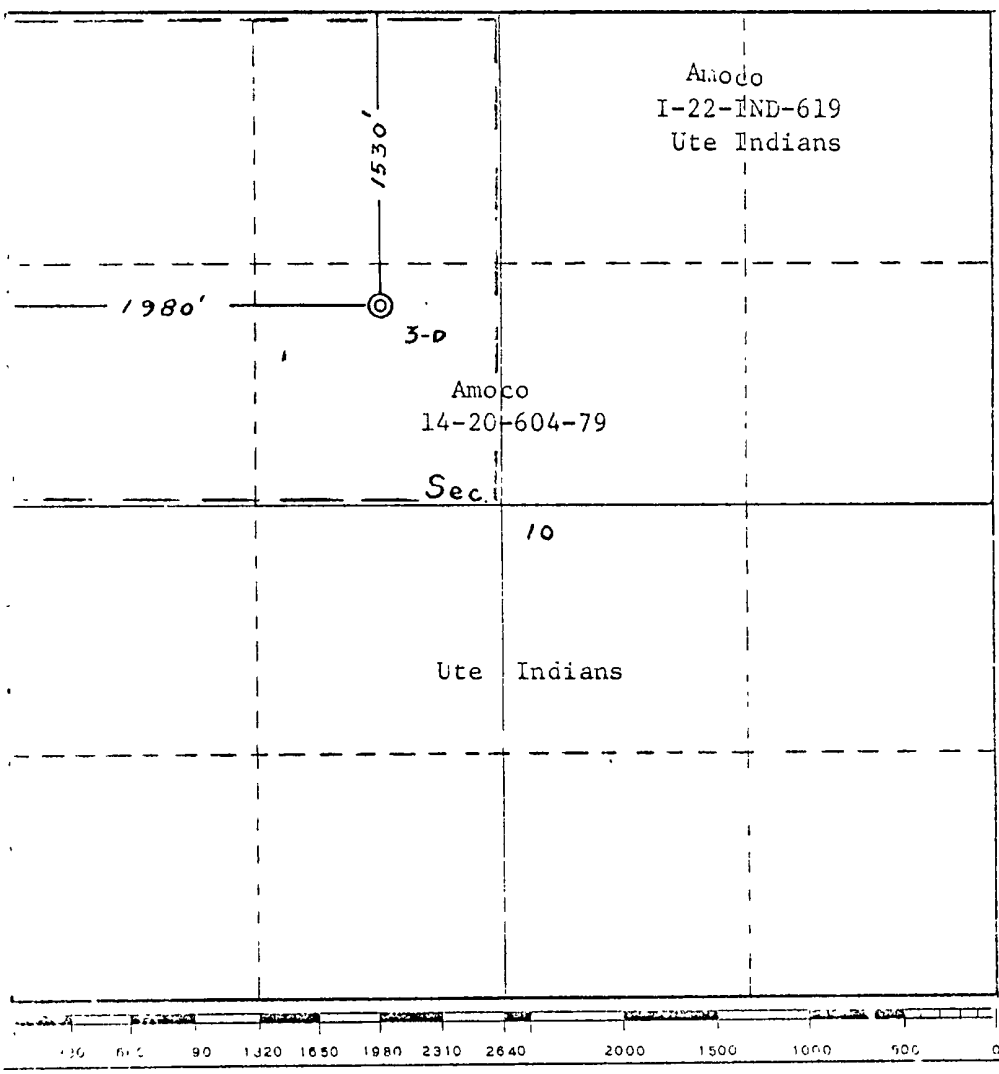


CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief

Name: D. A. Wayhan

Position: Area Engineer

Company: AMOCO PRODUCTION COMPANY

Date: September 3, 1971

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

Date Surveyed: September 1, 1971

Registered Professional Engineer and/or Land Surveyor: Fred Kerr

Certificate No. 3950

Lodestar Services, Inc.
PO Box 4465, Durango, CO 81302

Pit Permit Siting Criteria Information Sheet

Client:	XTO Energy
Project:	Pit Permits
Revised:	9/12/2008
Prepared by:	Daniel Newman

API#:	3004520942	USPLSS:	T32N,R14W,10F
Name:	UTE MTN TRIBAL D#3	Lat/Long:	36 91844 / -108.298
Depth to groundwater:	>100'	Geologic formation:	Nacimiento
Distance to closest continuously flowing watercourse:	6 miles E to the La Plata River		
Distance to closest significant watercourse, lakebed, playa lake, or sinkhole:	2,000' N to Purgatory Canyon		
		Soil Type:	Entisols
Permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church within 300'	No		
		Annual Precipitation:	8 21" Farmington FAA Airport
Domestic fresh water well or spring within 500'	No	Precipitation Notes:	
Any other fresh water well or spring within 1000'	No		
Within incorporated municipal boundaries	No	Attached Documents:	
Within defined municipal fresh water well field	No		Topo map, ground water data map, ariel photo, mines and quarries map,
Wetland within 500'	No	Mining Activity:	No
Within unstable area	No		
Within 100 year flood plain	No FEMA data availble		

Additional Notes:

Ute Mountain Tribal D #3 Below Grade Tank
Siting Criteria and Closure Plan

General Geology and Hydrology

The San Juan Basin is a typical Rocky Mountain basin with a gently dipping southern flank and a steeply dipping northern flank. Asymmetrically layered Tertiary sandstones and shales, along with Quaternary alluvial deposits dominate surficial geology (Dane and Bachman, 1965). The proposed below ground tank location will be located in the northwest corner of the San Juan Basin, where the Hogback monocline ends. Thicker sequences common throughout the central basin begin to pinch out and older units of Cretaceous Age are exposed, specifically the Menefee Formation and Cliff House Sandstone (Brister and Hoffman, 2002). The resistant Cliff House sandstones form prominent cliff bands, while shales and smaller sandstones of the Menefee Formation are exposed at lower elevations. The stratigraphic section reflects deposition in a coastal plain environment and consists of gray, brownish and tank sandstone interbedded with dark, carbonaceous shales and coal beds. Also, deposits of Quaternary alluvial and aeolian sands occur prominently near the surface, especially near streams and washes.

Cretaceous and Tertiary sandstones, as well as Quaternary alluvial deposits serve as the primary aquifers in the San Juan basin (Stone et al., 1983). Within the Menefee Formation, thinner confining units that consist of shale, as well as coal and thick sandstone beds, are present. In general, the water from Cretaceous aquifers is minimal (less than 5 gpm), although moderate quantities (5 – 25 gpm) may be supplied from aquifers within the Menefee Formation (Stone et al., 1983). Aquifer depths range from very shallow depths to over 6000 feet below ground surface. Groundwater within these aquifers flows toward the nearby La Plata River, which is a tributary of the San Juan River.

The prominent soil type at the proposed site is rockland, which are basically little to no soils that do not show any profile development. Soils that are present are unaltered from their parent rock. Miles of arroyos, washes and intermittent streams exist as part of the drainage network towards the La Plata River (www.emnrd.state.nm.us). These features often cut into soil and other unconsolidated materials, contributing to sedimentation downstream. The sudden influx of water from storm events easily erodes the soils that cover the area and prohibits effective recharge to the underlying aquifers.

Dry and arid weather further prohibit active recharge. The climate of the region is arid, averaging just over 8 inches of rainfall annually. As is typical of the southwestern United States monsoonal weather patterns, most precipitation falls from August through October. The heaviest rainfall occurs in the summer in isolated, intense cloudbursts. November through June is relatively dry. Snow generally falls from December to mid-February and averages less than one-half inch in depth. However, most recharge occurs during the winter months during snowmelt periods from the upper elevations (Western Regional Climate Center www.wrcc.dri.edu).

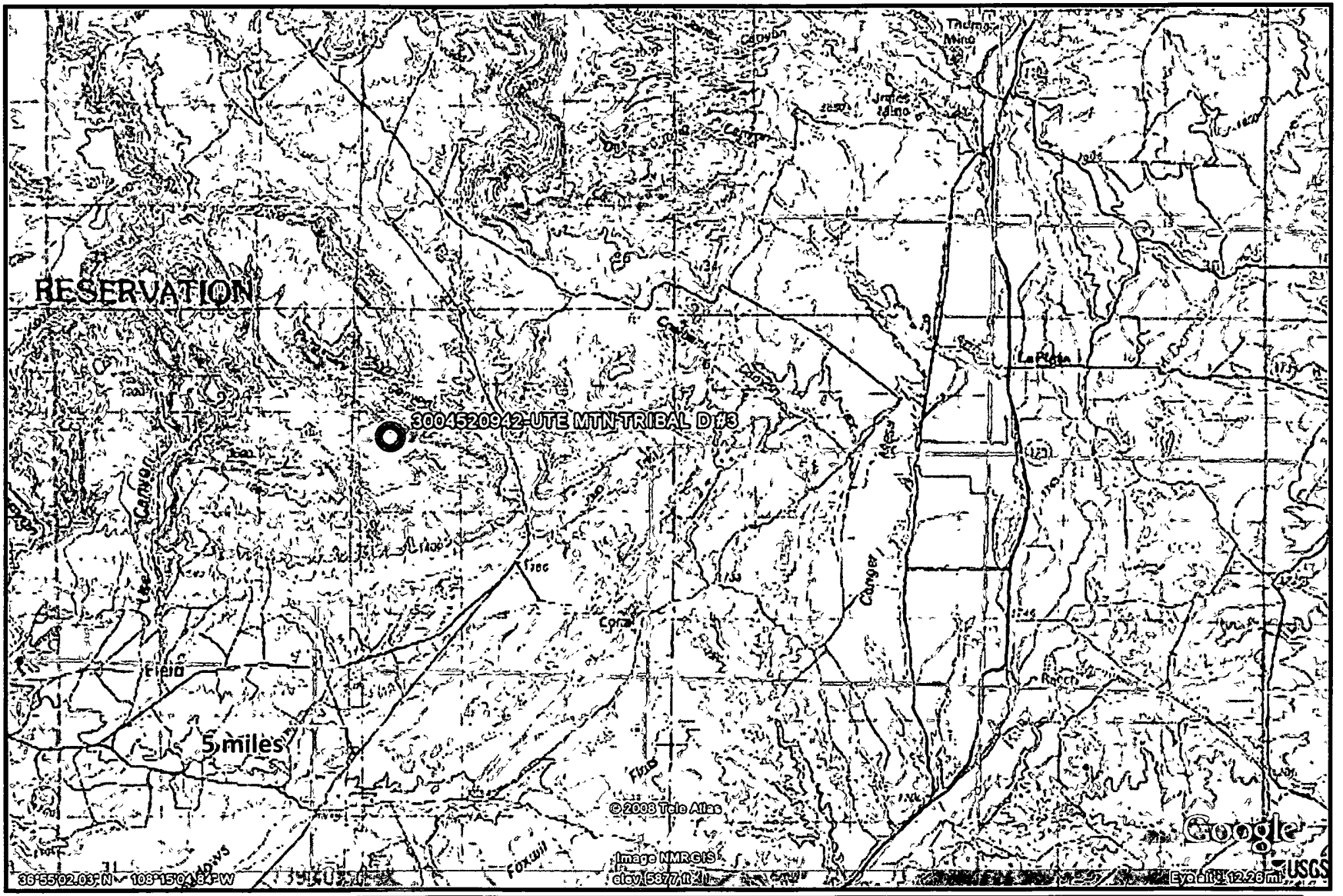
The predominant vegetation is sagebrush and grasses with a more restricted pinon-juniper association (Dick-Peddie, 1993).

Site Specific Hydrogeology

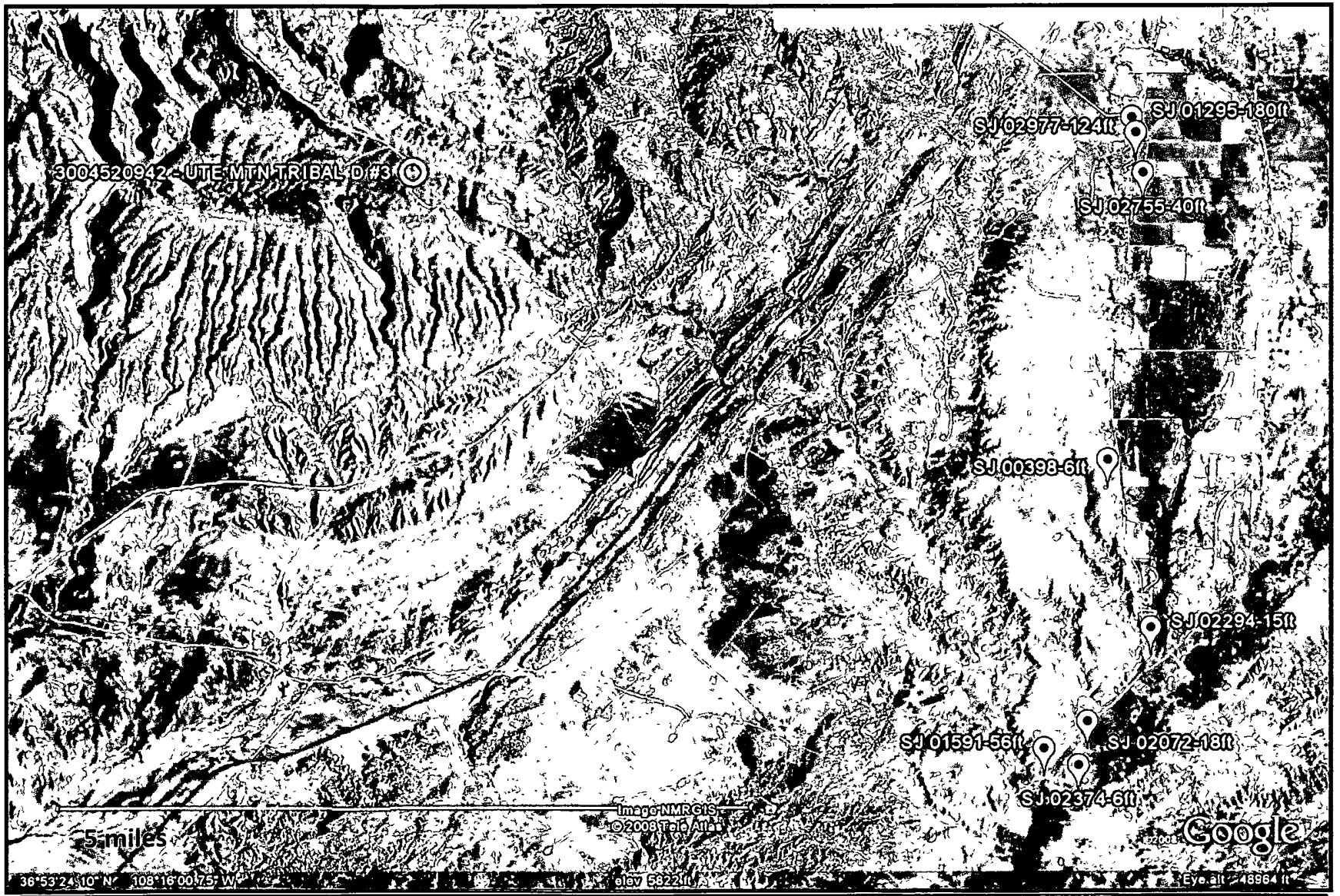
Depth to groundwater is estimated to be greater than 100 feet. This estimation is based on data from Stone and others, 1983 and depth to groundwater data published on the New Mexico State Engineer's iWaters Database website. Local topography and proximity to surface hydrologic features are also taken into consideration.

Local aquifers include sandstones within the Menefee Formation, which range from shallow depths to over 6000 feet deep in this area (Stone et al., 1983). The site in question is located on a dissected slope composed of shale and alluvium. The slope is almost two miles long and exhibits an elevation change of almost 200 feet. Nearby canyons include Purgatory Canyon to the north. The floor of Purgatory Canyon, where groundwater may be shallow, is over 300 feet below the proposed site. Within the canyon, only thin layers of sandstone are visibly exposed; thick shales dominate. The observed lithology suggests no regional aquifers occur within 100 feet below the proposed site.

Groundwater data available from the NM State Engineer's iWaters Database for wells near the proposed site are attached. A map showing the location of wells in reference to the proposed pit location is attached. Pinpoints show locations of wells and the labels for each pinpoint indicate depth to groundwater in feet. Wells are clustered near populated areas along the La Plata River east of the proposed site. These sites contain shallow groundwater, but topographic and hydrographic conditions are not representative of the site in question. Many data points exist east of the site and indicate groundwater at 10-180 feet in depth. These groundwater wells are located approximately 500 feet lower in elevation than the proposed site, suggesting groundwater is greater than 100 feet deep at the proposed location.



Lodestar Services, Inc PO Box 4465 Durango, CO 81302	UTE MTN TRIBAL D #3 31N,14W,10F SAN JUAN COUNTY, NM	TOPOGRAPHIC MAP



Lodestar Services, Inc PO Box 4465 Durango, CO 81302	UTE MTN TRIBAL D #3 31N,14W,10F SAN JUAN COUNTY, NM	i-Waters Ground Water Data Map

New Mexico Office of the State Engineer
POD Reports and Downloads

WATER COLUMN REPORT 09/15/2008

(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)
(quarters are biggest to smallest)

POD Number	Tws	Rng	Sec	q	q	q	Zone	X	Y	Depth Well	Depth Water	Water Column (in feet)
SJ 02590	31N	13W	02	1	2	3				114	70	44
SJ 00835	31N	13W	02	2	2					34	19	15
SJ 03386	31N	13W	03	2						80	11	69
SJ 02990	31N	13W	03	2	3	4				100	22	78
SJ 01295	31N	13W	09	2	1	1				230	180	50
SJ 02977	31N	13W	09	2	1	3				325	124	201
SJ 02755	31N	13W	09	2	3	4				60	40	20
SJ 02987	31N	13W	09	4	1	3				250	87	163
SJ 02717	31N	13W	10	1	3					42	22	20
SJ 01094	31N	13W	10	2						130	60	70
SJ 00798	31N	13W	10	2						125	65	60
SJ 00089	31N	13W	10	2	1	1				80	18	62
SJ 01952	31N	13W	10	2	4					16	6	10
SJ 01944	31N	13W	10	2	4					20	4	16
SJ 02276	31N	13W	10	3						24	19	5
SJ 01945	31N	13W	10	3	3					31	16	15
SJ 00729	31N	13W	10	4	1					43	10	33
SJ 01950	31N	13W	10	4	1					21	11	10
SJ 02637	31N	13W	10	4	2	2				20	6	14
SJ 03734 POD1	31N	13W	15	1	4	3				40	10	30
SJ 02048	31N	13W	15	3	2	4				54	24	30
SJ 00398	31N	13W	21							104	6	98
SJ 00965	31N	13W	22	1						115	30	85
SJ 03197	31N	13W	22	1	1	3				11	5	6
SJ 01820	31N	13W	22	3	1					50	20	30
SJ 02737	31N	13W	22	3	3					78	40	38
SJ 02836	31N	13W	22	3	3	1				100	30	70
SJ 03797 POD1	31N	13W	22	3	3	3				220	20	200
SJ 03611	31N	13W	23	1	3	1				24	14	10
SJ 02729	31N	13W	27	1	1					100	70	30

SJ 02753	31N	13W	27	1	1	1	74	40	34
SJ 02832	31N	13W	27	1	1	1	80	20	60
SJ 03351	31N	13W	27	1	4	2	42	20	22
SJ 02761	31N	13W	27	3	3		90	40	40
SJ 02294	31N	13W	28	4	2	3	42	15	27
SJ 02724	31N	13W	28	4	2	3	40	5	35
SJ 03730 POD1	31N	13W	28	4	3	1	190	70	120
SJ 02811	31N	13W	28	4	4	1	50	2	48
SJ 02766	31N	13W	28	4	4	4	50	12	38
SJ 02072	31N	13W	33	1	4		42	18	24
SJ 01591	31N	13W	33	3	1	1	70	56	14
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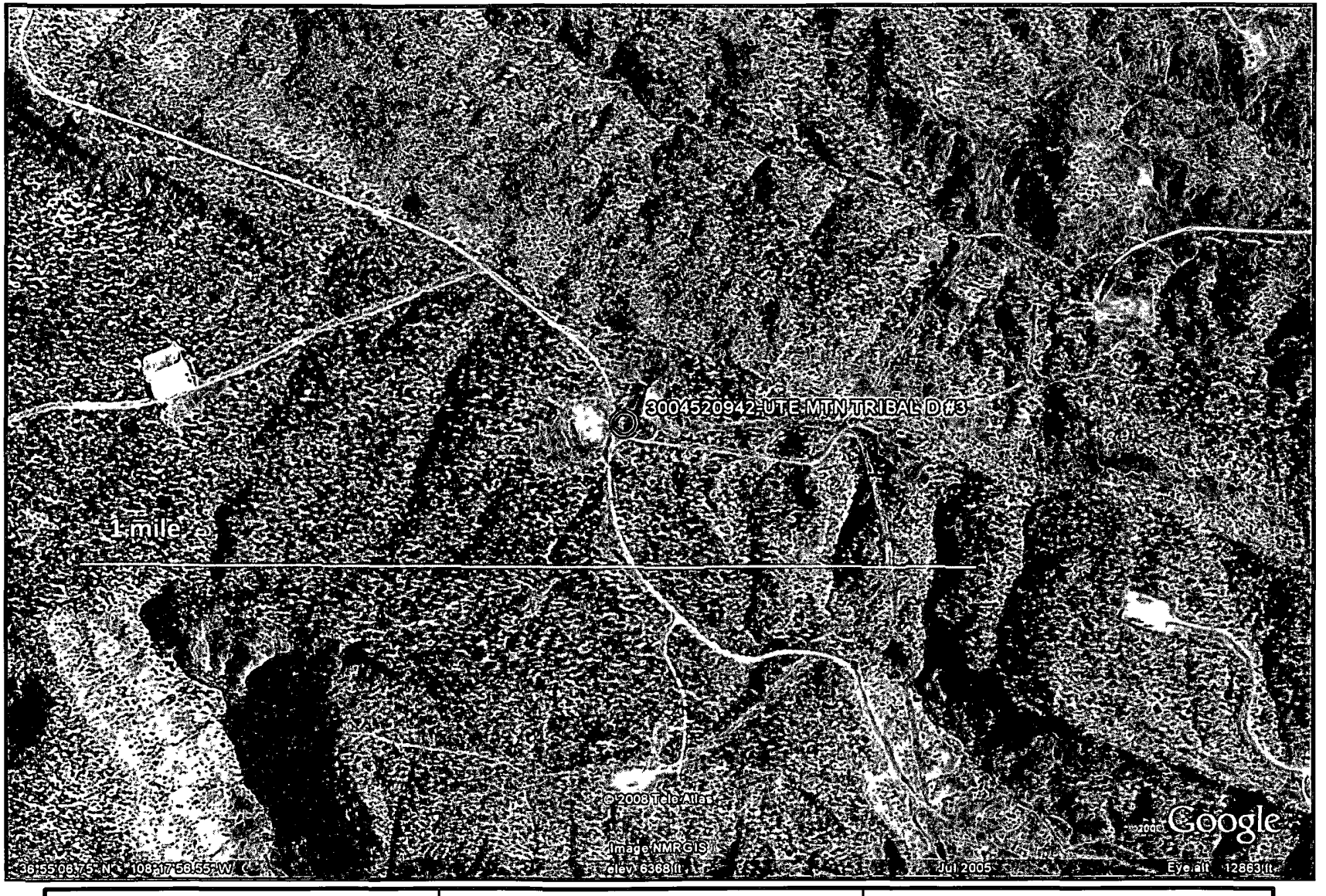

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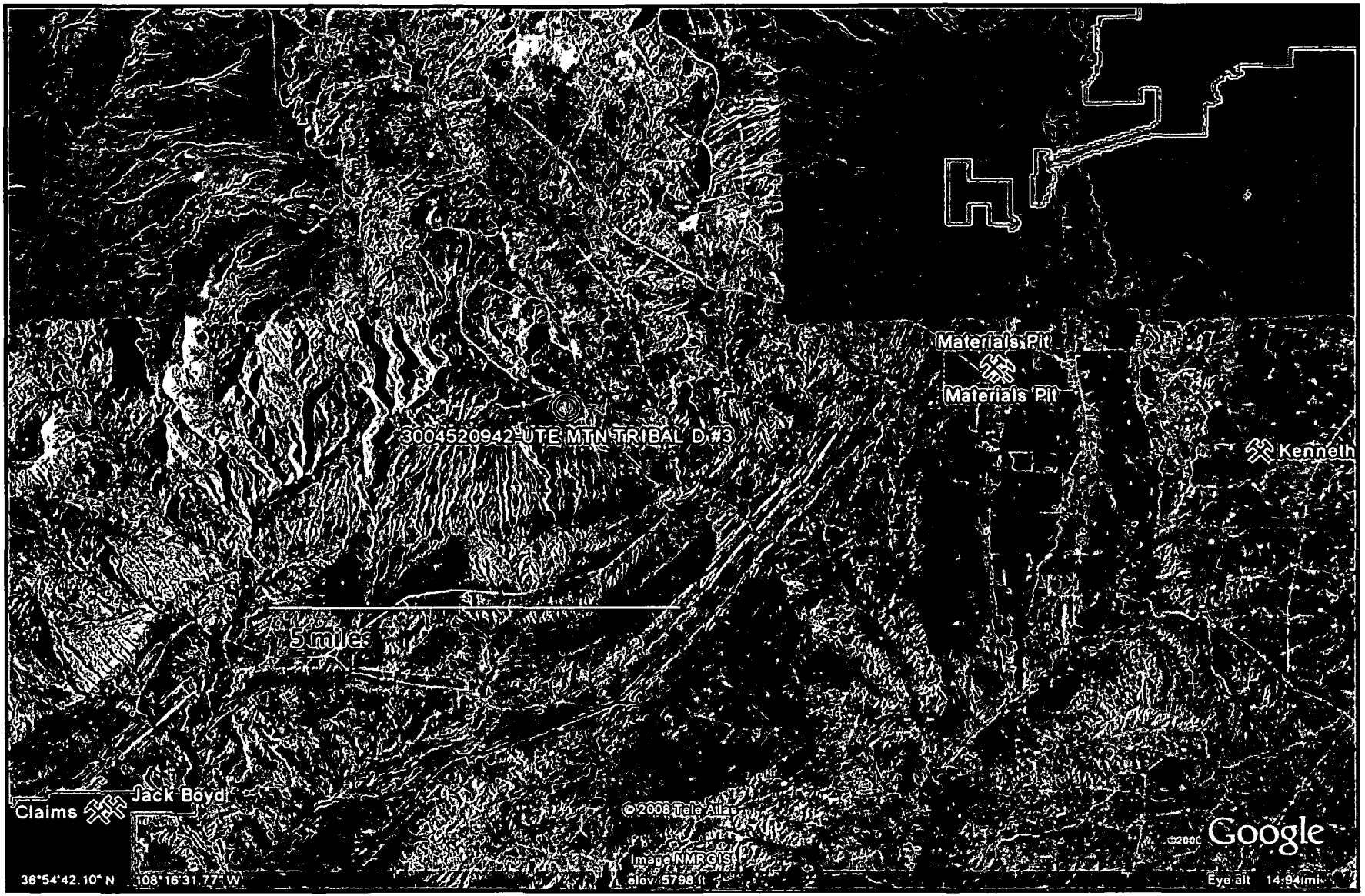

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XTO Energy Inc.
San Juan Basin
Below Grade Tank Design and Construction Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC the following information describes the design and construction of below grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below grade tank (BGT) which does not conform to this plan.

General Plan

1. XTO will design and construct a BGT to contain liquids and solids and prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public heath and environment.
2. Prior to constructing the pit, topsoil will be stockpiled in the construction zone for later use in restoration.
3. XTO will post a well sign, in compliance with 19 15.3.103 NMAC, on the well site prior to construction of the BGT. The sign will list the Operator on record as the operator, the location of the well site by unit letter, section, township, range, and emergency telephone numbers.
4. XTO shall construct all new fences utilizing 48" steel mesh field-fence (hogwire) on the bottom with two strands of barbed wire on top, or with a pipe top rail. A 6' chain link fence topped with three stands of barbed wire will be used if the well location is within 1000' of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church.
5. XTO shall construct an expanded metal covering on top of the BGT.
6. XTO will ensure that a BGT is constructed of materials resistant to the BGT's particular contents and resistant to damage from sunlight.
7. The BGT system will have a properly constructed foundation consisting of a level base free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to prevent punctures, cracks or indentations of the liner or tank bottom.
8. XTO will construct a berm and/or diversion ditch in a manner that prevents the collection of surface water run-on
9. XTO will construct and use BGT that does not have double walls. The BGT sidewalls will be open for visual inspection for leaks, the BGT bottom will be elevated a minimum of 6" above the underlying ground surface and the BGT will be underlain with a geomembrane liner to divert leaked liquid to a location that can be visually inspected.
10. XTO will equip BGT's designed in this manner with a properly functioning automatic high-level shut-off control device and manual controls to prevent overflows.
11. The geomembrane liner shall consist of 30-mil flexible PVC or 60-mil HDPE liner, or an equivalent liner material that the appropriate division district office approves. The geomembrane liner shall have a hydraulic conductivity greater that 1 x 10-9 cm/sec. The geomembrane liner shall be composed of an impervious, synthetic material that is resistant to petroleum hydrocarbons, salts and acidic and alkaline solutions. The liner material shall be resistant to ultraviolet light. Liner compatibility shall comply with EPA SW-846 method 9090A.
12. The general specifications for design and construction are attached.

XTO Energy Inc.
San Juan Basin
Below Grade Tank Maintenance and Operating Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC the following information describes the operation and maintenance of below grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc. (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below grade tank (BGT) which does not conform to this plan.

General Plan

1. XTO will operate and maintain a BGT to contain liquids and solids and prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment.
2. XTO will not allow a BGT to overflow and will use berms and/or diversion ditch to prevent surface run on to enter the BGT.
3. XTO will continuously remove any visible or measurable layer of oil from the fluid surface of a BGT in order to prevent significant accumulation of oil.
4. XTO will inspect the BGT monthly and maintain written records for five years.
5. XTO will maintain adequate freeboard to prevent over topping of the BGT.

XTO Energy Inc.
San Juan Basin
Below Grade Tank Closure Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15 17 11 NMAC the following information describes the closure requirements of below grade tanks on XTO Energy Inc (XTO) locations. This is XTO's standard procedure for all below grade tanks. A separate plan will be submitted for any below grade tank (BGT) which does not conform to this plan.

General Plan

1. XTO will close a BGT within the time periods provided in 19.15 17.13 NMAC, or by an earlier date that the division requires because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health or the environment.
2. XTO will close an existing BGT that does not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC or is not included in Paragraph (5) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC within five years after June 16, 2008, if not retrofitted to comply with Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15 17.11 NMAC.
3. XTO will close a permitted BGT within 60 days of cessation of the BGT's operation or as required by the transitional provisions of Subsection B of 19.15.17 17 NMAC in accordance with a closure plan that the appropriate division district office approves. The closure report will be filed on form C-144.
4 XTO will remove liquids and sludge from a BGT prior to implementing a closure method and will dispose of the liquids and sludge in a division-approved facility.
5. XTO will remove the BGT and dispose of it in a division approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the appropriate division district office approves
6 XTO will remove any on-site equipment associated with a BGT unless the equipment is required for some other purpose.
7. XTO will test the solids beneath the BGT to determine whether a release has occurred At a minimum 5 point composite sample will be collected along with individual grab samples from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release. Samples will be analyzed for BTEX, TPH and chlorides to demonstrate that the benzene concentration, as determined by EPA SW-846 methods 8021B or 8260B or EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 0.2 mg/kg; total BTEX concentration, as determined by EPA SW-846 methods 8021B or 8260B or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 50 mg/kg; the TPH concentration, as determined by EPA method 418.1 or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 100mg/kg; and the chloride concentration, as determined by EPA method 300.1 or other EPA method that the division approves, does not exceed 250 mg/kg, or the background concentration, whichever is greater. XTO will notify the division of its results on form C-141.
8. If XTO or the division determines that a release has occurred, XTO will comply with 19.15.3.116 NMAC and 19.15.1.19NMAC as appropriate.
9. If the sampling program demonstrates that a release has not occurred or that any release does not exceed the concentrations specified in Paragraph (4) of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC, XTO will backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material; construct a division prescribed soil cover; recontour and re-vegetate the site.
10. Notice of Closure will be given to the Aztec Division District III office between 72 hours and one week of closure via email or verbally. The notification will include the following:
    i. Operator's name
    ii. Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range. Well name and API number.

11. All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted to OCD within 60 days of closure of the BGT. Closure report will be filed on form C-144 and incorporate the following:
    i. Details on capping and covering, where applicable
    ii Inspection reports
    iii. Sampling results
12. Re-contouring of location will match fit, shape, line, form and texture of the surrounding area. Re-shaping will include drainage control, prevent ponding, and prevent erosion Natural drainages will be unimpeded and water bars and/or silt traps will be placed in areas where needed to prevent erosion on a large scale. Final re-contour shall have a uniform appearance with smooth surface, fitting the natural landscape.
13. XTO will seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after the operator closes the pit Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. BLM or Forest Service stipulated seed mixes will be used on federal lands Vegetative cover will equal 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (un-impacted) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintain that cover through two successive growing seasons. Repeat seeding or planting will be continued until successful vegetative growth occurs
14. A minimum of 4' of cover shall be achieved and the cover shall include 1' of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, or the background thickness of topsoil, whichever is greater
15. The surface owner shall be notified of XTO's proposal to close the BGT as per the approved closure plan using certified mail, return receipt requested.