

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
220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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
Existing BGT ☒ Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method
☐ 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.

1.
Operator: XTO Energy, Inc. OGRID #: 5380
Address: #382 County Road 3100, Aztec, NM 87410
Facility or well name: Jicarilla Apache #14
API Number: 30-039-20140 OCD Permit Number: _____
U/L or Qtr/Qtr M Section 34 Township 26N Range 05W County: San Juan
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.43859 Longitude 107.35198 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 _____

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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 _____

4.
☒ **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, no liner
Liner type: Thickness _____ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other _____

5.
☐ **Alternative Method:**
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

6.

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 Four foot height, steel mesh field fence (hogwire) with pipe top railing

7.

Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks*)

- ☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☒ Other Expanded metal or solid vaulted top
- ☐ 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

9.

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.

10.

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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 500 feet of a wetland. - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. - Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within an unstable area - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within a 100-year floodplain. - FEMA map	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

11.

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: _____

12.

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 NMAC
☐ 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)

13.

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 H₂S, 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

16. **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

17. **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.

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ NA

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ NA

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ NA

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

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).

☐ Yes ☐ No

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

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.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

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.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division

Within an unstable area.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map

Within a 100-year floodplain.

☐ Yes ☐ No

- FEMA map

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

19.

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: 12-10-08
 e-mail address: kim_champlin@xtoenergy.com Telephone: (505) 333-3100

20.

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

OCD Representative Signature: [Signature] Approval Date: 5/30/12
 Title: Environmental Engineer OCD Permit Number: [Signature]

21.

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: 6-19-12

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.

23.

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

Instructions: Please identify 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

24.

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

25.

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): Logan Hixon Title: EHS Technician
 Signature: Logan Hixon Date: 6/22/12
 e-mail address: Logan.Hixon@xtoenergy.com Telephone: (505) 386-8018

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Form C-141
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate
District Office in accordance
with Rule 116 on back
side of form

Release Notification and Corrective Action

OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company: XTO Energy, Inc.	Contact: Logan Hixon	
Address: 382 Road 3100, Aztec, New Mexico 87410	Telephone No.: (505) 333-3683	
Facility Name: Jicarilla Apache #14 (API 30-039-20140)	Facility Type: Gas Well (Dakota, Mesa Verde, Pictured Cliffs, Chacra)	
Surface Owner: Jicarilla Apache	Mineral Owner:	Lease No.: JIC-54

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter M	Section 34	Township 26N	Range 5W	Feet from the 900	North/South Line FSL	Feet from the 900	East/West Line FWL	County Rio Arriba
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Latitude: 36.43859 Longitude: -107.35198

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: Produced Water/Condensate	Volume of Release: Approximately 21 Barrels	Volume Recovered: 20 Barrels
Source of Release: Below Grade Tank	Date and Hour of Occurrence: Unknown	Date and Hour of Discovery: May 21, 2012
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	
By Whom?	Date and Hour	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	
If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*		
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.* An overflow was discovered at the Jicarilla Apache #14 below grade tank on May 21, 2012. The volume released was approximately 21 barrels; 20 barrels were recovered on May 21, 2012. The site was then ranked pursuant to the NMOCD Guidelines for the Remediation of Leaks, Spills and Releases. The site was ranked a 20 due to an estimated distance of less than 200 feet to Tapicito Creek. This set the closure standard to 100 ppm TPH, 10 ppm benzene and 50 ppm total BTEX, or 100 ppm organic vapors.		
Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.* It was visually confirmed that a release has occurred at this site.		
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations		
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION		
Signature: <i>Logan Hixon</i>	Approved by District Supervisor:	
Printed Name: Logan Hixon		
Title: EH&S Technician	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: Logan.Hixon@xtoenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: <i>6/22/12</i>	Phone: 505-333-3683	

**XTO Energy Inc.
San Juan Basin
Below Grade Tank
Closure Report**

Lease Name: Jicarilla Apache #14

API No.: 30-039-20140

Description: Unit M, Section 34, Township 26N, Range 5W, Rio Arriba County

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 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 which does not conform to this plan.

General Plan

1. XTO will close below-grade tanks 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.

Closure Date is June 19, 2012

2. XTO will close a below-grade tank 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.

Closure Date is June 19, 2012

3. XTO will close a permitted below-grade tank within 60 days of cessation of the below-grade tank'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.

Required C-144 Form is attached to this document.

4. XTO will remove liquids and sludge from below-grade tanks prior to implementing a closure method and will dispose of the liquids and sludge in a division-approved facility. Approved facilities and waste streams include:

Envirotech Permit No. NM01-0011 and IEI Permit No. NM 01-0010B

Soil contaminated by exempt petroleum hydrocarbons

Produced sand, pit sludge and contaminated bottoms from storage of exempt wastes

Basin Disposal Permit No. NM01-005

Produced water

All liquids and sludge were removed from the tank prior to closure activities.

5. XTO will remove the below-grade tank 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.

XTO has removed the below grade tank, and will dispose of it at a division approved facility, or recycle, reclaim or reuse it in a manner that is approved by the division.

6. XTO will remove any on-site equipment associated with a below-grade tank unless the equipment is required for some other purpose.

All Equipment will remain on location for the continued production of oil and gas.

7. XTO will test the soils beneath the below-grade tank 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.

It was visually confirmed that a release has occurred at this site. The site was then ranked pursuant to the NMOCD Guidelines for the Remediation of Leaks, Spills and Releases. The site was ranked a 20 due to an estimated distance of less than 200 feet to Tapicito Creek. This set the closure standard to 100 ppm TPH, 10 ppm benzene and 50 ppm total BTEX, or 100 ppm organic vapors.

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.

It was visually confirmed that a release occurred at this site. A C-141 Release Notification form will be sent outlining any remediation activities taken regarding this release.

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.

The pit cellar was backfilled using compacted, non-waste containing earthen material, with a division prescribed soil cover.

10. Notice of Closure operations will be given to the Aztec Division District III office between 72 hours and one week prior to the start of closure activities via email or verbally. The notification will include the following:

- i. Operator's name
- ii. Well Name and API Number
- iii. Location by Unit Letter, Section, Township, and Range

Notification was provided to Mr. Brandon Powell with the Aztec office of the OCD via email on May 25, 2012; see attached email printout.

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.

The surface owner was notified on May 25, 2012 via email. Email has been approved as a means of surface owner notification to the Governing Agencies by Brandon Powell, NMOCD Aztec Office.

11. 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.
The site will continue to be used for oil and gas exploration and production operations. The site will be recontoured upon the plugging and abandoning of this well location.
12. A minimum of 4 feet of cover shall be achieved and the cover shall include 1 foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, or the background thickness of topsoil, whichever is greater.
The site has been backfilled to match these specifications.
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.
The location will continue to be used for daily operations pertaining to oil and gas explorations and production activities. The site will be reclaimed pursuant to surface owner specifications upon the plugging and abandoning of this well location.
14. All closure activities will include proper documentation and be available for review upon request and will be submitted in closure report form to OCD within 60 days of closure of the below-grade tank. Closure report will be filed on form C-144 and incorporate the following:
 - i. Proof of closure notice to division and surface owner; **attached**
 - ii. Details on capping and covering, where applicable; **per OCD Specifications**
 - iii. Inspection reports; **attached**
 - iv. Confirmation sampling analytical results; **attached**
 - v. Disposal facility name(s) and permit number(s); **see above**
 - vi. Soil backfilling and cover installation; **per OCD Specifications**
 - vii. Re-vegetation application rates and seeding techniques, (or approved alternative to re-vegetation requirements if applicable); **per land owner specification on upon plugging and abandoning of this well location.**
 - viii. Photo documentation of the site reclamation. **attached**



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05/25/2012 07:29 AM

To BRANDON POWELL

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Hoekstra/FAR/CTOC@CTOC, Scott
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bcc

Subject Jicarilla Apache #14 bgt closure notification

Brandon,

Please accept this email as the required notification of a BGT overflow at the Jicarilla Apache #14 well site (api 30-039-20140) located in Unit M, Section 34, Township 26N, Range 5W, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. The leak was discovered on Monday, May 21, 2012 when several inches of water and oil were noticed in the pit cellar. A vac truck was immediately dispatched, and approximately 20 bbls of water and oil were recovered from the bottom of the pit cellar. The pit cellar did not have a liner in place. The BGT will be removed due to the overflow, and the BGT will be closed, and the pit tank brought above grade. A dry arroyo is approximately 186 feet away. Once the BGT is removed, BGT closure sampling will take place. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this incident. Thank you very much.

Thank You!

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Well Below Tank Inspection Report

RouteName	StopName	Pumper	Foreman	WellName	APIWellNumber	Section	Range	Township			
DEN NM Run 56	JICARILLA APACHE 01	Noble, Brandon	Waggoner, Jeff	JICARILLA APACHE 14	3003920140	34	5W	26N			
InspectorName	Inspection Date	Inspection Time	Visible LinerTears	VisibleTankOverflow	Collection OfSurfaceRun	Visible LayerOil	Visible Leak	Freeboard EstFT	PitLocation	PitType	Notes
brandon noble	08/29/2008	05:20	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	3			production pit. pipe from sep to pit broken
DC	09/25/2008	03:00	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4			production pit. pipe from sep to pit broken
BN	10/16/2008	12.38	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	5	Well Water Pit	Below G	Production pit
BN	11/24/2008	01 18	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	12/18/2008	11.25	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	01/27/2009	09:00	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	Drain pit
DC	01/28/2009	09.00	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	1	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	03/22/2009	01:55	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	04/30/2009	01:30	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	06/30/2009	02:45	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	07/30/2009	01 15	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	08/31/2009	12 45	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	09/30/2009	02 20	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	10/31/2009	11 25	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	11/29/2009	01:10	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	03/31/2010	10.00	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	04/30/2010	01:00	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	05/30/2010	09:00	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	06/26/2010	12 50	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	07/31/2010	12:30	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	09/21/2010	12:30	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	10/29/2010	12:30	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	1	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	11/30/2010	12.30	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
DC	12/09/2010	12:30	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit
BN	01/31/2011	12 45	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	3	Well Water Pit	Below G	production pit

DC	06/28/2011	12:45	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit Below G
DC	07/23/2011	12:45	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	4	Well Water Pit Below G production pit
DC	10/29/2011	12:45	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	2	Well Water Pit Below G production pit
DC	05/30/2012	12:45	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	5	Well Water Pit Below Ground

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Jicarilla Apache #14
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Closure Date 6/19/2012

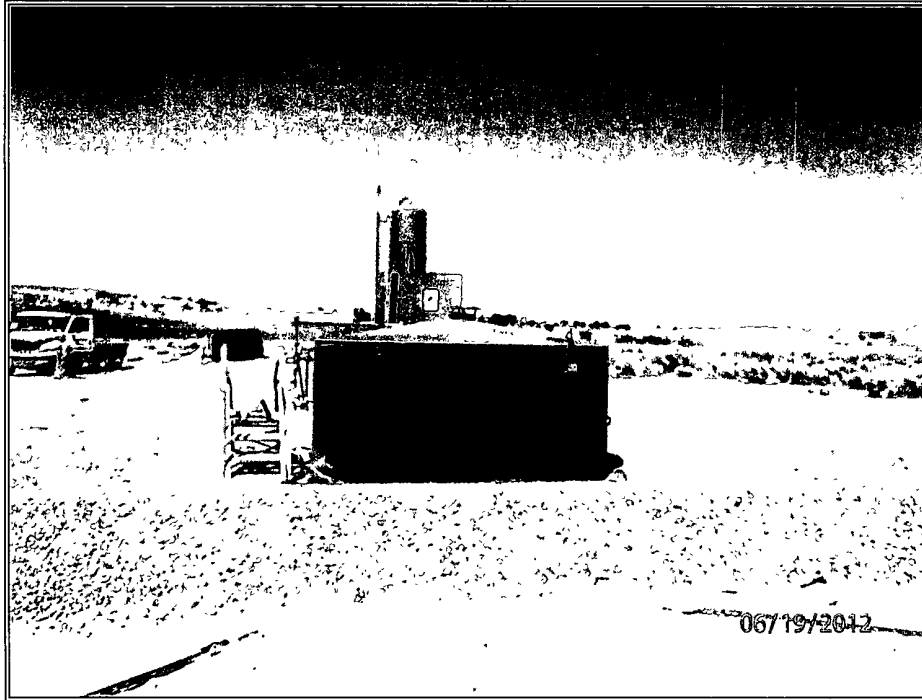


Photo 1: Jicarilla Apache #14 after Reconfigure.

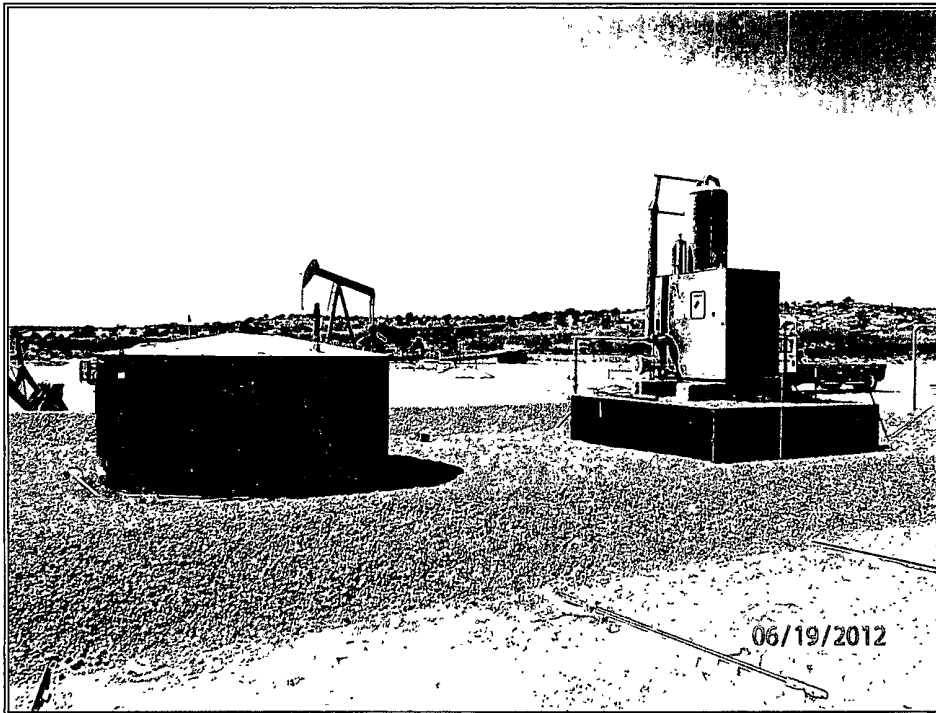


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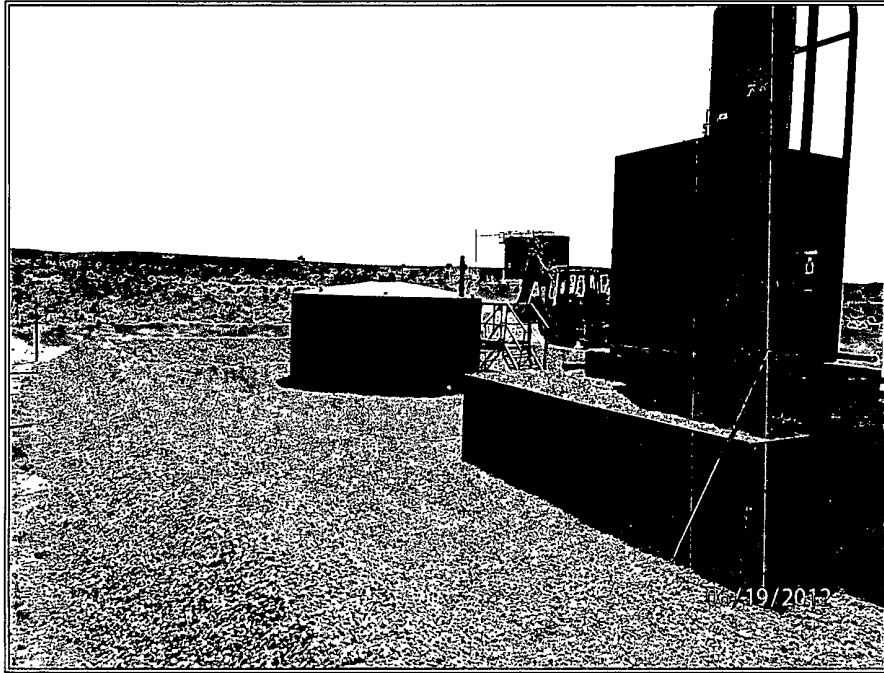


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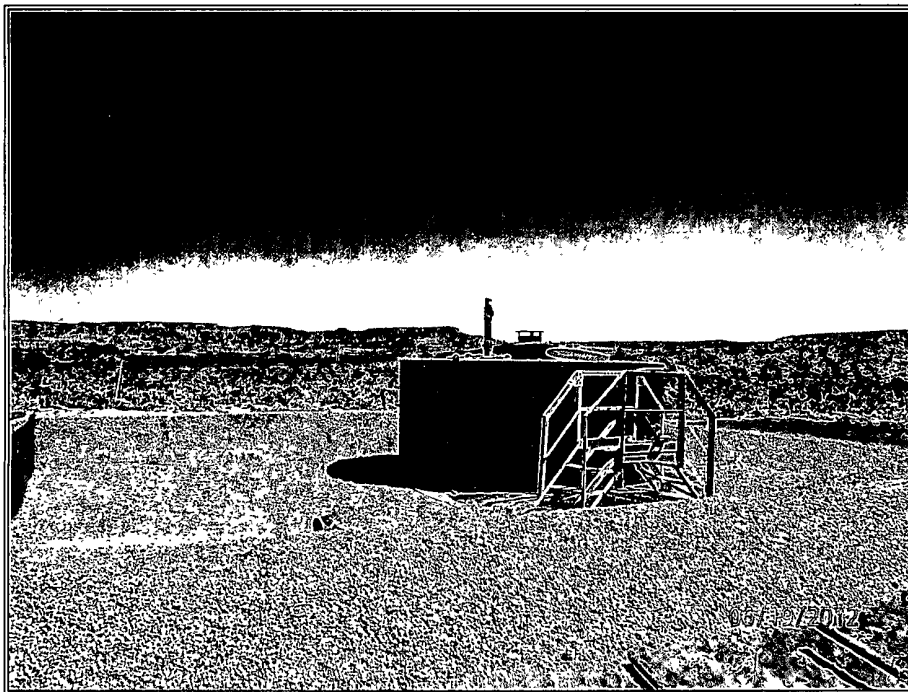


Photo 4: Jicarilla Apache #14 after Reconfigure.