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

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.

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  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.			
Operator: Energen Resources Corporation OGRID #: 162928 RCVD OCT 14'09			
Address: 2010 Afton Pl. Farmington, New Mexico 87401 OIL CONS. DIV.			
Facility or well name: Carson #302 DIST 3			
API Number: 30-039-27816 OCD Permit Number:			
U/L or Qtr/QtrB Section 31 Township 30N Range 04W County: Rio Arriba			
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude         36.77444         Longitude         107.29222         NAD: □1927 ☒ 1983			
Surface Owner: X Federal State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment			
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			
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 Other			
4 Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC			
Volume: bbl Type of fluid:			
Tank Construction material:			
Secondary containment with leak detection  Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off			
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other			
Liner type: Thicknessmil _ LLDPE _ 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.

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			
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			
Administrative Approvals and Exceptions:  Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.			
Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bu consideration of approval.	reau office for		
Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.			
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		
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		
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		

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 19.15.17.12 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:
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:
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 Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC 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 Errosion Control Plan Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
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: \[ \begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c
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 G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

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:		
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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)			
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and oper  Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications based upon the appro Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subse	priate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NM. ction I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	AC	
17.  Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only: 19.15.17.10 NMAO Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may rebe considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environ and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.	the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable sou quire administrative approval from the appropriate dist amental Bureau office for consideration of approval. J	trict office or may	
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;		☐ 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	X Yes No	
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).  - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed sit		☐ Yes 🗷 No	
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or che - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Sa		☐ Yes 🗷 No	
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well  - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspect	or spring, in existence at the time of initial application.	Yes X No	
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended.  - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written ap	•	☐ 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-M	ining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ☒No	
Within an unstable area.  - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Ge Society; Topographic map	cology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological	☐ Yes 🗷 No	
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map		Yes 🗓 No	
On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.	of the following items must be attached to the closure pla	n. Please indicate,	
X 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 G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC			

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):	Title: Drilling Engineer			
Signature:	Date: 10/13/2009			
e-mail address: jkincaid@energen.com	Telephone: 505.324.4163			
OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan) Closure Plan (only) OCD Conditions (see attachment)				
OCD Representative Signature:	Approval Date: 10(19/05			
Title: Euvico (sper OCI	D Permit Number:			
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.				
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:				
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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)				
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	ı:			
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				
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):	Title:			
Signature:	Date:			
e-mail address:	Telephone:			



#### **Temporary Pit Closure Plan**

The pit will be closed with in place burial. The surface owner will be notified prior to closure by certified mail and the return receipt will be included in the closure packet. The OCD will be verbally or by other means notified at least 72 hours and not more then one week prior to the pit closing. The following process will be used to close the pit:

- 1) At time of closure, all free standing fluids will be removed and the contents will be solidified to a bearing capacity sufficient to support the final cover. This will be accomplished by mixing the contents with soil at a mixing ratio no greater then 3:1 soil to contents.
- 2) The liner will be cut off at the mudline.
- 3) Sampling will be done by collecting a minimum of a five-point composite sample of the contents after stabilization. If the ground water is less then 100 feet below the pit but greater then 50 feet testing for Chlorides will be done to the lower limit. The sample will be analyzed for the following components;

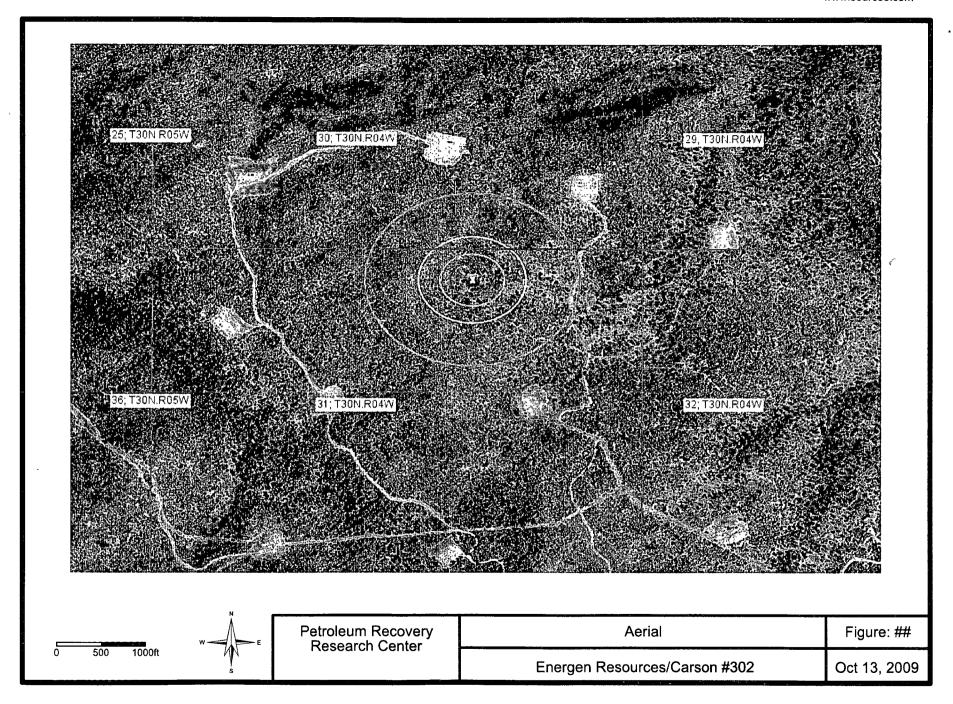
Components	Tests Method	Limit (mg/Kg)
Benzene	EPA SW-846 8021B or 8260B	0.2
BTEX	EPA SW-846 8021B or 8260B	50
TPH	EPA SW-846 418.1	2500
GRO/DRO	EPA SW-846 8015M	500
Chlorides	EPA 300.1	1000/500

- 4) After demonstrating that the stabilized contents are under the limits listed above the contents will be covered with compacted non-waste containing earthen material to a minimum of three feet. If stabilized contents exceed a volume that can be covered with three feet of earth and a foot of topsoil the excess contents will be removed and sent to Envirotech (Permit NM-01-0011). If the stabilized contents do no meet the above stated limits the stabilized contents will all be hauled to Envirotech pursuant to excavation and removal guidelines (19.15.17.13 B1)
- 5) After the stabilized contents have been covered, the stockpiled topsoil will replaced to a minimum depth of one foot. Topsoil cover will be graded to prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material. This will be accomplished within six months of rig release.
- 6) The exact location of the on-site burial will be reported to the Aztec field office on the C-105 form. A deed notice identifying the exact location of the on-site burial will be filed with the county clerk. The final closure report (C-144) will be filled within 60 days of closure completion and include sampling results, plot plan, details on back filling, covering and inspections during the life of the pit.
- 7) The disturbed area will be seeded or planted the first growing season after closing the pit. Seed will be drilled on the contour whenever practical or by other division-approved methods. The being to obtain vegetative cover that equals 70% of the native cover (un-impacted by overgrazing, fire or other intrusion damaging to native vegetation) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass but not including noxious weeds.



Cover will be maintained through two successive growing seasons. During the two growing seasons that prove viability there shall be no artificial irrigation of the vegetation. Seeding or planting will continue until the required cover is reached. If conditions are not favorable to establishment of vegetation due to periods of drought or similar problems then the Aztec office of the OCD will be notified. The Aztec office of the OCD will also be notified when the disturbed ground successfully achieves re-vegetation.

8) Until the abandonment of the wells on the pad where the pit is located a steel marker no less then four inches in diameter will be cemented in a hole three feet deep in the center of the onsite burial. The top of this marker will be flush with the ground to allow access of the pad as well as safety concerns. Once all wells on the pad are abandoned a four foot tall riser will be welded on top of the marker with; operator name, lease name, well name and number, unit number, section, township and rage, and a designation that it is an onsite burial location



#### Hydrogeologic Data:

#### 100-year Floodplain:

There is no map available from FEMA depicting a 100-year floodplain for the subject well, Carson #302 located in that portion of the Carson National Forest, Jicarilla Ranger District in Rio Arriba County, NM.

#### Site Specific:

The San Jose formation is the highest water bearing zone at this site with the exception of possible perched water. It is the youngest Tertiary bedrock unit in the San Basin. The formation occurs at the surface to a depth of 1,929' at the Carson #302 location and ranges from 1,900' to 2,600' in this township and range. The only potentially unstable areas in the region are over subsurface coal mines. This pit will not be located over a subsurface mine.

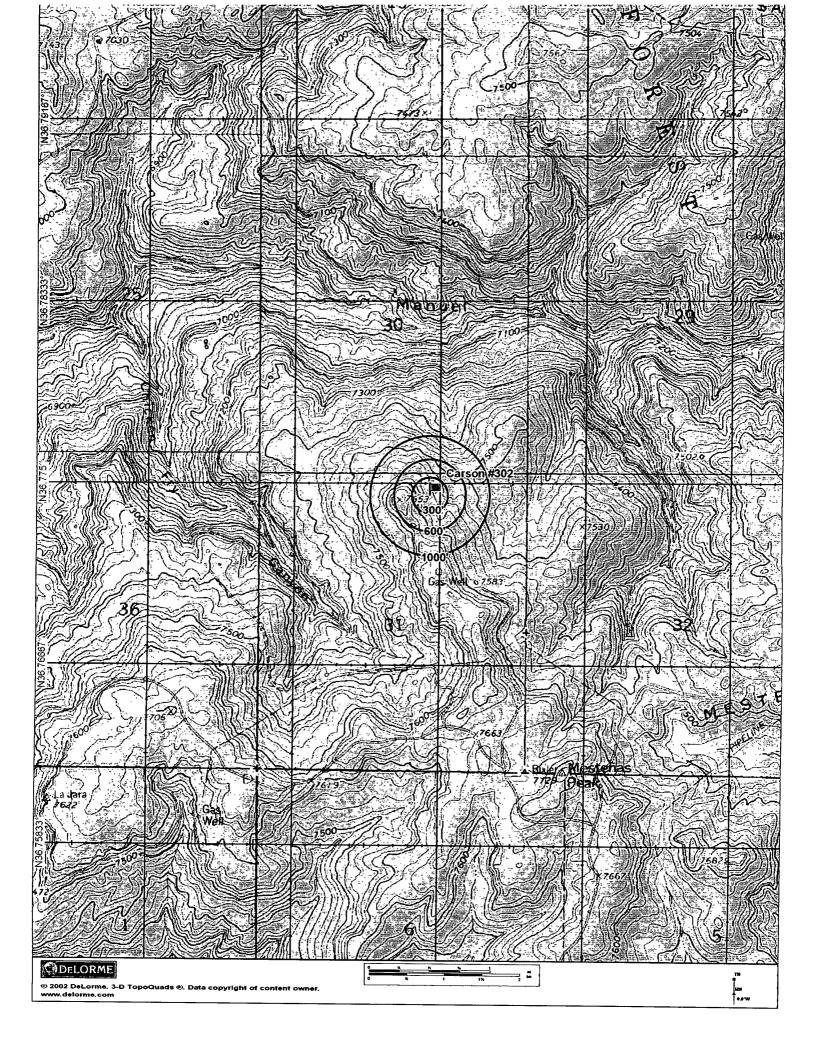
A visual inspection was also conducted to identify the possibility of water wells with windmills or other pumping equipment or other visual indications and none were observed. No other water well sites within 1000' were indicated being present by the USFS, Jicarilla Ranger District.

#### Geologic Summary:

The San Jose is a sequence of interbedded sandstones and mudstones deposited in an alluvial and fluvial environment. The formation accumulated in broad, wet, alluvial aprons. Groundwater is associated with the alluvial and fluvial sandstone aquifers, hence it is controlled by the distribution of these sands. The San Jose can further be broken into four members: Cuba Mesa, Regina, Llaves, and Tapicitos (in ascending order). The first two, Cuba Mesa and Regina, are predominately sandstone and the latter two, Llaves and Tapicitos, are predominately mudstone.

#### Reference:

Stone W.J., Lyford F.P., Frenzel P.F., Mizell N.H., and Padgett E.T.: Hydrology and water resources of San Juan Basin, New Mexico Hydrologic Report 6, 1983.





## New Mexico Office of the State Engineer Water Column/Average Depth to Water

No records found.

**PLSS Search:** 

Section(s): 31

Township: 30N

Range: 04W

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Aggregate & Stone Mines

★ Coal Mines

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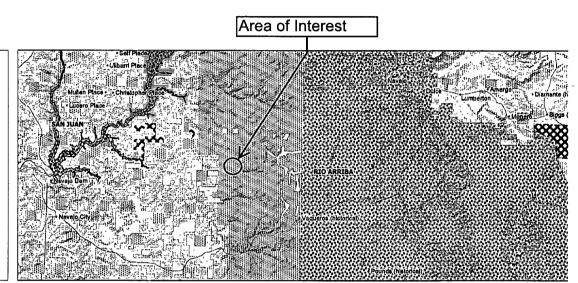
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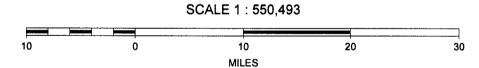
■ Potash Mines & Refineries

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⊕ Uranium Mills







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