

UNITED STATES Conservation Division DEPARTMENT GOXTZGF24NTERIOR Albuquerques dev Maxico y 87125

Cotton Petroleum Corporation 420 Wall Towers West Midland, Texas 79701

Gentlemen:

Your Application for Permit to Drill well No.1 Federal 2! in the NEWNEW sec. 21, T. 19 S., R. 33 E., Lea County, New Mexico, lease NM 13835-A, to a depth of 3800 feet to test the Seven Rivers formation in the 011 Potash area is hereby approved, as amended by stipulations attached to the application.

One copy of the application is returned herewith. Please notify the District Engineer, Geological Survey, Hobbs, New Mexico, in sufficient time for a representative to witness all cementing operations.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

GENE F. DANIEL
Acting Area 011 and Gas Supervisor

cc: Conservation Manager, Denver
Area Mining Supervisor, Albuquerque (2)
NMOCC, Hobbs (2) (w/2 copies Notice)
Roswell Area Office (2)
Hobbs District Office



SUBMIT IN TRIP!

(Other instruction. reverse side)

Form approved, Budget Bureau No. 42-R1425.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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- Drill 12 1/4" hole to 350' and set 350' of 8 5/8" casing. Cement 1. with 250 sx. circulated to surface.
- 2. Drill out with 7 7/8" bit to 3800'. If logs and testing warrant, run 4 1/2" casing to TD cemented with 650 sx. circulated to surface.
- Attached is schematic of contractor's BOP equipment. 3.

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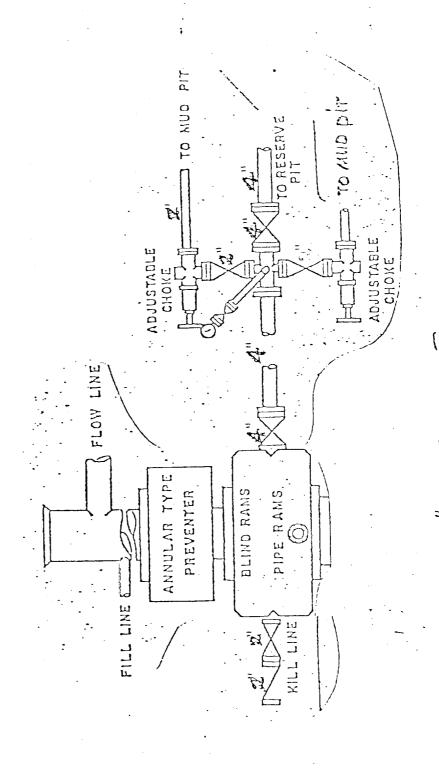
SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

IN ABOVE SPACE DESCRIBE PROPOSED PROGRAM: If proposal is to deepen or plug back, give data on present productive zone and proposed new productive zone. If proposal is to drill or deepen directionally, give pertinent data on subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths. Give blowout pre 24.

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SIGNED A LOCAL	Div. Production manager	1-6-78
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To Supplement USGA For 9-331C, "Application for permit to Drill, Deepen or Plugback," the ollowing additional inforction is submitted:

Operator: Cotton Petroleum Corporation Lease & Well No: Federal 21, Well #1 (NM 13835) Location: 660' FN&EL, Sec. 21, T-19-S, R-33-E Lea County, New Mexico

- 1. 660' FN&EL, Section 21, T-19-S, R-33-E, Lea County, New Mexico
- 2. 3637' GR
- 3. The geologic name of the surface formation is: Tertiary with some Triassic exposed.
- 4. Rotary
- 5. 3800
- 6. Estimated tops of important geologic markers are:

Rustler	1350
Base Salt	2885
T. Yates	3090
T. Reef	3340
T. Seven Rivers	3410

7. The estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil, gas or other mineral bearing formations are expected to be encountered are:

Santa Rosa Water Formation 300' Yates 3090' Seven Rivers 3410'

- 8. The proposed casing program including the size, grade and weight per foot of each string has been indicated on Form 9-331C. All strings of casing will be new.
- 9. See Form 9-331C for amount of cement. Surface: Class "C" with 1.88# Ca Cl/sx. Production: Class "H" with 1/8# Cellophane Flakes/sx.
- 10. The pressure control diagram is attached to Form 9-331C. The following additional information of the pressure control equipment is as follows:

Size: 10" - 900 series - Double Hydraulic pipe and blind rams.

Pressure ratings (or API Series) - 3000# WP, 6000# T.

Testing procedures: Pressure up to 1500# PSIG before drilling out of casing

Testing frequency: Upon installation and daily.

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- 11. The type and characteristics of the proposed circulating medium or mediums to be employed for rotary drilling, and the quantities and types of mud and weighting material to be maintained will be as follows:
 - 0 350' spud mud 350' 3800' Brine water with lost circulation material.
- 12. The auxiliary equipment to be used will consist of: Kelly cocks and a sub on floor with full opening valve to be used when needed.
- 13. The testing, logging and coring programs will be:
 - GR-DLL w/RXO with combination CNL/FDC. There will be no coring but probably DST across the 7-Rivers formation.
- 14. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected to be encountered.
- 15. The starting date will be approximately Feb. 15, 1978 and will be completed approximately March 1, 1978.

SURFACE USE PLAN

COTTON PETROLEUM CORPORATION, FEDERAL 21 #1 660' FN&EL, Section 21, T-19-S, R-33-E, Lease NM 13835, Lea County, New Mexico

This plan is being submitted with our application for permit to drill the above described well. The purpose of the plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activity, and the operations plan. The magnitude of necessary surface disturbance involved and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operations so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental affect associated with the operation.

- 1. Existing roads Exhibit A is a map showing the location of the proposed well as staked. Go West out of Hobbs, N. Mexico on Highway 180-62 for 26.3 miles to road on right hand side. Turn right onto road and follow main road 4 miles to fork in road. Take left fork for 1.3 miles to location on right. All roads after turning off of Highway 180-62 are dirt.
- 2. Planned access roads Exhibit A shows the planned access road which will be approximately 1100' long and 12' wide. The road will be surfaced with 6" of compacted caliche. This proposed road is color-coded green on Exhibit A and the center line has been staked and flagged from location to the access road. The proposed road will not cut a fence and no cattle guard or fence repair will be required.
- 3. Location of existing wells Existing wells within the radius of one mile are shown on Exhibit A.
- 4. Location of existing and/or proposed facility There are no tank batteries, production facilities or lease pipelines on the lease. If production is encountered, tank batteries and production equipment will be located at the south edge of the well mat and fenced. All flowlines are to be constructed on the well mat on top of the ground (refer to Exhibit B for tank battery location in reference to the well).
- 5. Water supply Water for drilling the subject well will be hauled by truck from nearest commercial water source.

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- 6. Source of Construction material Caliche will be obtained from an existing pit located in the Southwest corner of Section 21, T-19-S, R-33-E and purchased from BIM by the dirt contractor. Construction materials will be hauled over the existing roads to the proposed new road and drill site. (Refer to Exhibit A for pit location and haul roads.)
- 7. Methods of handling waste disposal Well cuttings will be disposed in a reserve pit. Barrel trash containers will be in accessible locations within the drilling site area during drilling and completion procedures. All detrimental waste will be hauled away, burned or buried with a minimum coverage of 24" of dirt (see Exhibit B for location of trash pits). If well is productive, maintenance waste will be placed in special trash cans and hauled away periodically. Any produced water will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system. No waste water pits will be constructed without prior approval of U.S.G.S.
- 8. Ancillary facilities No camps, airstrips, etc. will be constructed.
- 9. Wellsite layout Refer to Exhibit B for direction orientation access.
 - a. Mat size 240' X 170'.
 - b. Cut and fill Location is nearly level and only slight amount of cut will be required on the South side and a slight amount of fill on North side of location.
 - c. Surfaced Will be topped with 6" of caliche, bladed, watered, and compacted.
 - d. Reserve pit Will be 75' x 75' lined with plastic joining well mat on the north.
 - e. <u>Drillsite layout</u> Exhibit "B" shows position of mat reserve pits, trash pits, and mud pits in relation to well. Rig will be erected with V-Door looking east.
 - f. Center line of planned acess road has been staked and a 400' square around wellsite has been staked with flags at each corner.
- 10. Restoration of Surface If well is productive pits will be back filled and leveled as soon as drying permits. All plastic lining and other waster material will be removed or buried with at least 24" of cover. At the time of final abandonment, other USGS and BLM restoration stipulations will be complied with.

11. Other information

Topography - Land is gently sloping to the North as shown by the topograph map in Exhibit A.

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Soil - is very shallow and underlain by caliche

Vegetation - the vegative cover is generally sparse and consists primarily of mesquite, cactus and native grasses. Wildlife in the area is that typical of semi-arid land which includes coyotes, rabbits, rodents, reptiles, and quail.

Ponds and streams - there are no rivers, streams, lakes or ponds in the area. The nearest water well is located approximately 1 1/2 miles southeast of the location.

Residences and other structures - There are no buildings of any type within a radius of 2 miles of the proposed well.

Surface use - Grazing and hunting.

Effect on environment - Drillsite, which is located in this semi-arid country is in a low environmental risk area. A total effect in drilling and producing this and other wells in this area would be minimal.

<u>Surface ownership</u> - The proposed drillsite is on federal surface. All proposed roads are on federal surface.

Open pits - All pits containing mud or other liquids will be fenced.

Well signs - Signs identifying and locating the well will be maintained at drillsite commencing with the spudding of the well.

12. Operator's representatives - Field personnel who can be contacted concerning compliance with the surface use plan are as follows:

D. E. Wood 2801 Emerson Lane Midland, Texas

Office phone: 915-683-5211 Hame phone: 915-694-0745 Mobil phone: 915-683-1294

Bud Golden 4501 Fannin Midland, Texas

Office phone: 915-683-5211 Home phone: 915-697-1580 Mobil phone: 915-683-1106 Surface Use Plan Cotton Petroleum Federal 21 #1 Page 4

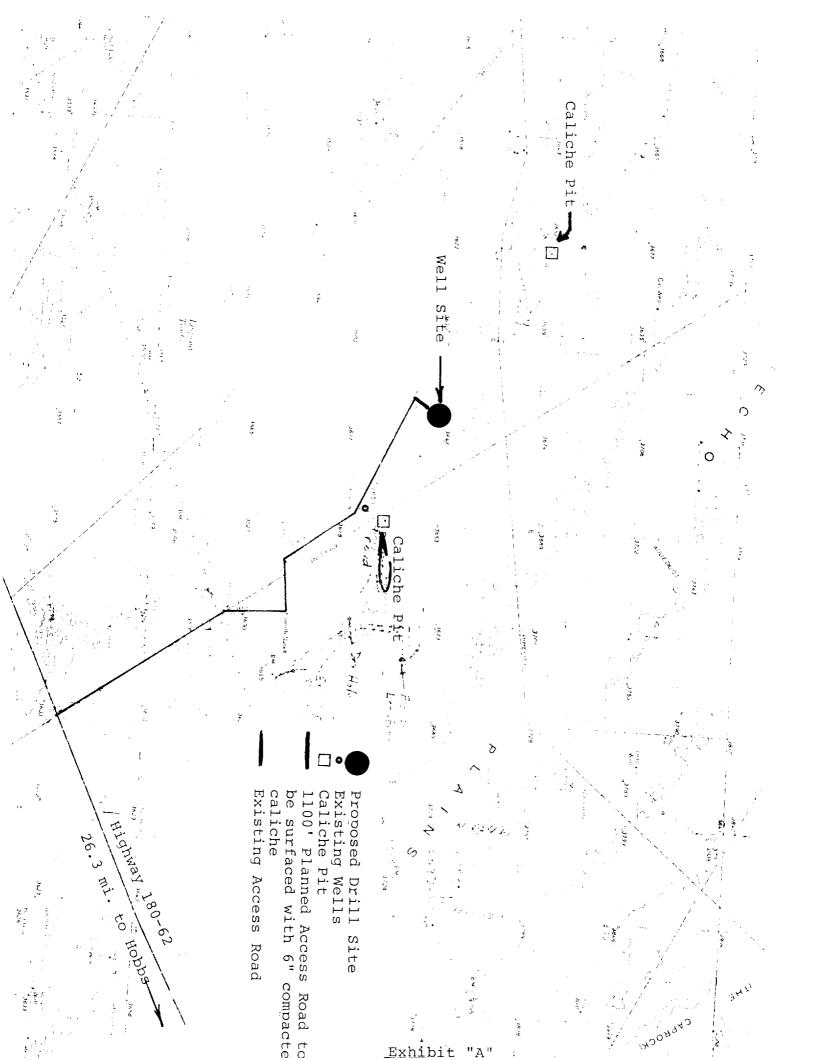
13. Certification

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drillsite and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Cotton Petroleum Corporation and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

1-9-78

Date

D. E. Wood, Division Production Manager





COTTON PETROLEUM CORPORATION 2121 SOUTH COLUMBIA - TULSA, OKLA. 14

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EXHIBIT "B"

DEW

ENGINEERING CHART

BY Surface Use Plan Federal 21 #1 SUBJECT_ 75! Reserve Pit Trash Pit Burn Pit Mud Pits Well Bore 130' 110' Well Mat Road Battery Site 240' Surface Use Plan COTTON PETROLEUM CORPORATION Federal 21 #1 660' FN&EL, Sec. 21, T-19-S, R-33 Scale 1" = 50'

U. S. Geological Survey

HOBBS DISTRICT

Cotton Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Federal 21 NE¼NE¼ sec. 21-19S-33E Lea County, N. M.

Above Data Required on Well Sign

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1. Drilling operations authorized are subject to compliance with the attached General Requirements for Drilling Operations on Federal Oil and Gas Leases, dated January 1, 1977.
- 2. Notify this office (telephone (505) 393-3612) when the well is to be spudded and in sufficient time for a representative to witness all cementing operations. Attached are names and telephone numbers of Geological Survey and Bureau of Land Management personnel who are available for consultation during construction, drilling, completion, and rehabilitation activities.
- 3. Immediate notice is required of all blowouts, fires, spills, and accidents involving life-threatening injuries or loss of life.
- 4. Secure prior approval of the District Engineer for variance from the approved drilling program and before commencing plugging operations, plugback work, casing repair work, corrective cementing operations, or suspending drilling operations indefinitely.
- 5. Blowout prevention equipment is to be installed, tested, and in working order before drilling below the surface casing and shall be maintained ready for use until drilling operations are completed.
- 6. Operator will provide the dirt contractor with a copy of the enclosed Bureau of Land Management "Standard Requirements for all Drilling in Relation to Oil and Gas Activities in the Roswell Distrct" prior to commencing construction of road, pad, or other associated developments.
- 7. In the event the oil or gas test results in a dry hole, the drill pad and access road will be ripped in accordance with "BLM Roswell District's Ripping Recommendations for Caliche or Compacted Drill Pads and Access Roads". (Reseeding of the affected areas may be required at the discretion of the BLM authorized officer).
- 8. All ripped surfaces are to be protected from vehicular travel by constructing a dead-end ditch and earthen barricade at the entrance to these ripped areas. The barricade is to be constructed using spoil material from the ditch and should be of sufficient magnitude to discourage vehicle entry.
- 9. All above ground structures, not subject to applicable conservation and safety requirements, shall be painted to blend with the natural surroundings. The paint used should be a nonglare, nonreflective, nonchalking color that simulates led. Stand. No. 595, color 30318.
- 10. Run open-hole gamma-ray and sonic logs.

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CAL CONSERVATION COMM. HOBBS, N. M.