

14. a. Records Search

Location: ARMS and Carlsbad Field Office-BLM

Date: May 13, 2002 and June 4, 2002

List by LA# all sites within 0.25 miles of the project: No sites

(Those sites within 500' are to be shown on the project map)

Previous BLM projects: 01-539, 00-925, 00-136., Also LMAS 722

b. Description of Undertaking: The undertaking involves the construction of two wellpads and two flowlines. Existing caliche-capped roads and powerlines will provide access and electrical power for the proposed sites

c. Environmental Setting (NRCS soil designation; vegetative community; etc.): The sites occupy a flat area bisected by shallow drainages. Vegetation is consistent with the Chihuahuan Desert Scrub Community and includes various grasses, mesquite, and prickly pear cactus. Predicted soils for the area are members of the Simona-Tonuco Association. Both proposed wellpads and substantial portions of the proposed flowlines have been disturbed by powerlines, aboveground and buried pipelines, caliche-capped roads, and previous wellpad construction episodes.

d. Field Methods

Transect Intervals: 15 m

Crew Size: 1

Time in Field: 4 hours

Collections: None

15. Cultural Resource Findings

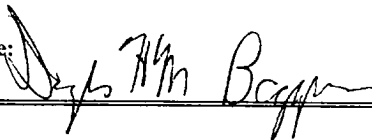
Identification and description (Location shown on project map): The survey did not locate any prehistoric or historic cultural resources. A 1940s to 1970s gas production camp (fenced, no trespassing sign) is to the west of C.C. Fristoe Fed A NCT-2 No. 14. A low density scatter of 1950s to 1970s material (De Soto hubcap, pulltab cans, punchtop cans, sanitary can fragments) is present on the location. There are no materials that are diagnostic to a pre-1950s date.

16. Management Summary (Recommendations):

The proposed wellpads and flowlines will have no affect on any cultural resources. Additional studies are not recommended.

I certify that the information provided above is correct and accurate and meets all appreciable BLM standards.

Responsible Archaeologist - Signature:



Date: 6-11-02