CASE 6857: HOLLY ENERGY, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY NEW MEXICO

CASE NO.

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	Holly Energy, Inc.
Dear Sir:	
Enclosed herewith are two co Division order recently ente	pies of the above-referenced red in the subject case.
Yours very truly, JOE D. RAMEY Director	
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IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

> CASE NO. 6857 Order No. R-6347

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ORDER OF THE DIVISION

BY THE DIVISION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on May 7, 1980, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter.

NOW, on this 22nd day of May, 1980, the Division Director, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Division has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Holly Energy, Inc., seeks approval of an unorthodox gas well location for its State 14 Well No. 1 to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 14, Township 18 South. Range 28 East, NMPM, to test the Morrow formation, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (3) That the E/2 of said Section 14 is to be dedicated to the well.
- (4) That a well at said unorthodox location will better enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: ,

- (1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow formation is hereby approved for the Holly Energy, Inc. State 14 Well No. 1 to be drilled at a point 660 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 14, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico.
- (2) That the E/2 of said Section 14 shall be dedicated to the above-described well.
- (3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

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JOE D. RAMEY, // Director

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Yes, sir.

MR. CARSON: Mr. Examiner, are the witness' qualifications acceptable?

MR. NUTTER: Mr. Boling is qualified.

Mr. Boling, would you first state the nature of this application?

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A. Yes, sir, right, because this is -- every place that this zone has produced it's been oil, and in this part of the country, and every place that the Morrow has produced it's been gas down here. So you'd have a gas/oil dual, possibly.

Q Uh-huh, and the well would be a standard location as far as this Middle Penn carbonate, then.

A. Yes, sir.

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MR. NUTTER: Are there any further questions of the witness? He may be excused.

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CASE 6876: (Continued from April 23, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Maurice L. Brown Co. for compulsory pooling, Lea County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the VadaPennsylvanian Pool underlying the SW/4 of Section 5, Township 9 South, Range 34 East, to be
dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will
be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well
as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- Application of Aminoil USA, Inc. for compulsory pooling and an unorthodox location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formations underlying the S/2 of Section 10, Township 24 South, Range 28 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 2080 feet from the South line and 1773 feet from the East line of said Section 10. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6887: Application of General Crude Processing for an oil treating plant permit, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority for the construction and operation of an oil treating plant for the purpose of treating and reclaiming sediment oil at a site in the SE/4 SE/4 of Section 21, Township 30 North, Range 12 West.
- CASE 6888: Application of Conoco Inc. for a non-standard gas proration unit and an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of a 120-acre non-standard Eumont gas proration unit comprising the S/2 SE/4 and NE/4 SE/4 of Section 12, Town-ship 19 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to its State KN-12 Well No. 7 drilled at an unorthodox location 330 feet from the South line and 1650 feet from the East line of said Section 12.
- CASE 6889: Application of Belco Petroleum Corporation for directional drilling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to directionally drill a well, the surface location of which is 1980 feet from the North line and 920 feet from the West line of Section 36, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, in such a manner as to bottom it at an unorthodox location within 100 feet of a point 1320 feet from the North line and 2640 feet from the West line of said Section 36 in the Morrow formation, the N/2 of said Section 36 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6861: (Continued from April 23, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Zia Energy, Inc. for pool creation, special pool rules, and an NGPA determination, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new San Andres oil pool for its State "C" Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 17, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, and special rules therefor, including a provision for a limiting gas-oil ratio of 10,000 to 1. Applicant further seeks a new onshore reservoir determination for said State "C" Well No. 1.

CASE 6890: Application of Tenneco Oil Company for a thermal enhanced recovery project, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to initiate a pilot in situ combustion enhanced recovery project in the South Hospah Upper Sand and South Hospah Lower Sand Oil Pools by the completion of an injection/ignition well at a point 1474 feet from the North line and 2725 feet from the East line of Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, and by the drilling of up to six producing wells, all at unorthodox locations in close proximity to the injection/ignition well, and all located in Units F or G of said Section 12.

Dockets Nos. 14-80 and 15-80 are tentatively set for May 21 and June 4, 1980. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - MAY 7, 1980

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The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Nutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

CASE 6880: Application of Union Oil Company of California for a unit agreement, Lea County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the West Lynch Deep Unit Area, comprising 1,280 acres, more or less, of fee and federal lands in Township 20 South, Range 34 East.

CASE 6857: (Readvertised)

Application of Holly Energy, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a Wolfcamp-Pennsylvanian test well to be drilled 660 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of Section 14, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, the E/2 of said Section 14 to be dedicated to the well.

CASE 6881: Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a Morrow test well to be drilled 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of Section 30, Township 17 South, Range 26 East, the N/2 of said Section 30 to be dedicated to the

CASE 6843: (Continued from April 9, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for two compulsory poolings, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Yeso formation underlying two 40-acre proration units, the first being the SE/4 SE/4 and the second being the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 6, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Penasco Draw Field, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in drilling said wells.

Application of Amoco Production Company for compulsory pooling, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Pennsylvanian formation underlying the W/2 of Section 1, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6883: Application of Amoco Production Company for a waterflood project, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to institute a waterflood project in the Indian Draw-Delaware Pool by the injection of water into the Delaware formation through its Old Indian Draw Unit Wells Nos. 4 located in Unit 1 of Section 18 and 11 located in Unit A of Section 19, both in Township 22 South, Range 28 East.

CASE 6884: Application of Supron Energy Corporation for compulsory pooling and a dual completion, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesaverde and Dakota formations underlying the N/2 of Section 4, Township 30 North, Range 11 West, to be dedicated to a proposed dual completion to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

CASE 6885: Application of Supron Energy Corporation for compulsory pooling and a dual completion, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Mesaverde and Pictured Cliffs formations underlying the E/2 of Section 8, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, to be dedicated to a proposed dual completion to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

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15 April 1980

Mr. Joe D. Ramey, Director New Mexico Oil Conservation Division P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Mr. Ramey:

Enclosed for filing, please find three copies of Amended Application of Holly Energy, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location for Eddy County, New Mexico.

Holly published for a S/2 location when in reality it wanted an E/2 location. I talked to Dan Nutter about the problem and we agreed that the proper procedure would be for us to submit an amended application, republish and have the examiner consider the evidence already presented.

Yours truly,

LOSEE, CARSON & DICKERSON, P.A.

Joel M. Carson

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cc w/enclosure: Mr. Robert Loyd

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF HOLLY ENERGY, INC. FOR AN UNORTHODOX GAS WELL LOCATION, EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

CASE No.

AMENDED APPLICATION

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Township 18 South, Range 28 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 14: E/2

and proposes to drill its well for gas at a point located 660 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the East line of said Section 14.

- 2. The applicant seeks an exception to the well location requirements of Rule 104-C of the Oil Conservation Division to permit the drilling of the well at the above mentioned unorthodox location to a depth sufficient to adequately test the Wolfcamp and Pennsylvanian formation.
- 3. A standard 320-acre gas proration unit comprising the E/2 of said Section 14 should be dedicated to such well or to such lesser portion thereof as is reasonably shown to be reasonably productive of gas.

4. The approval of this application will afford applicant the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of gas, will prevent economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights.

WHEREFORE, applicant prays:

- A. That the Oil Conservation Division republish this amended application in its case No. 6857 and otherwise give notice of this application as required by law.
- B. That the Division consider the testimony heretofore presented in case No. 6857 and that upon consideration of
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- C. And for such other relief as may be just in the premises.

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March 11, 1980

Mr. Joe D. Ramey Secretary-Director Department of Energy and Minerals Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

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Attention; Mr. Joe D. Ramey

RE: Non-Standard Gas Well Location Sec. 14, T-185, R-28E Eddy County, New Mexico State 14-1

Gentlemen:

Holly Energy Inc. respectfully requests that a hearing be called to consider Holly's application for a permit to drill State 14-1 at a non-standard location which will require an exception to Paragraph C-II of Rule 104, New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations.

The requested location is 660 feet FSL and 990 feet FEL of Section 14. T-18S, R-28E. Rule 104, Paragraph 'C-II requires that a well will be not closer than 1980 feet to the nearest end boundary.

The proposed well is projected to a depth of 11,200' feet to test the gas reservoirs to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow.

Yours truly.

Robert Loyd Superintendent

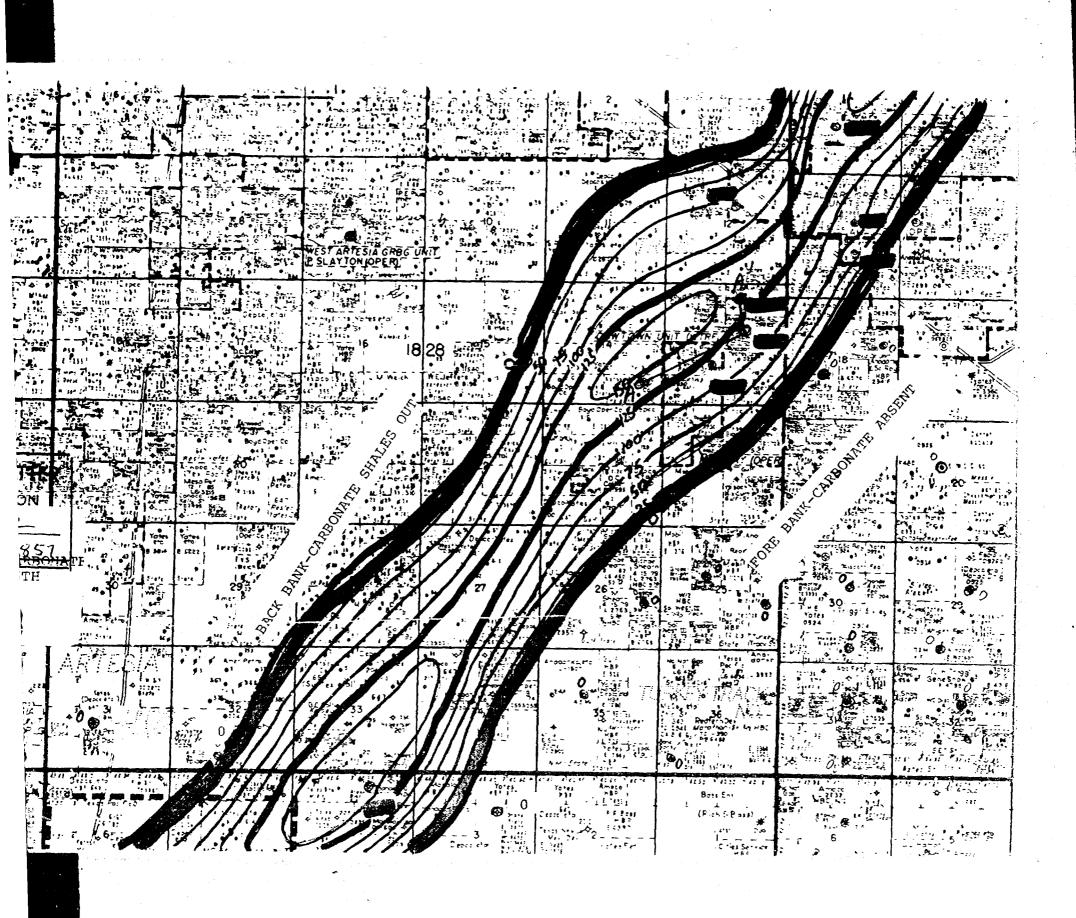
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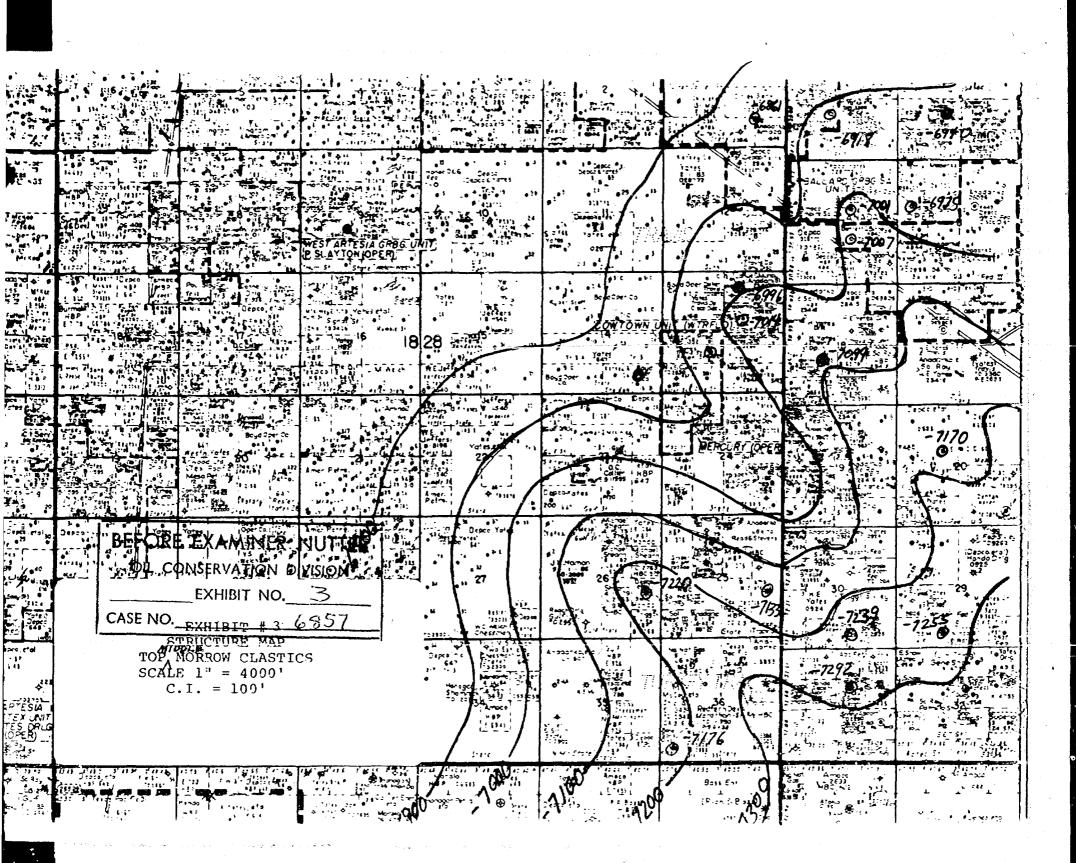
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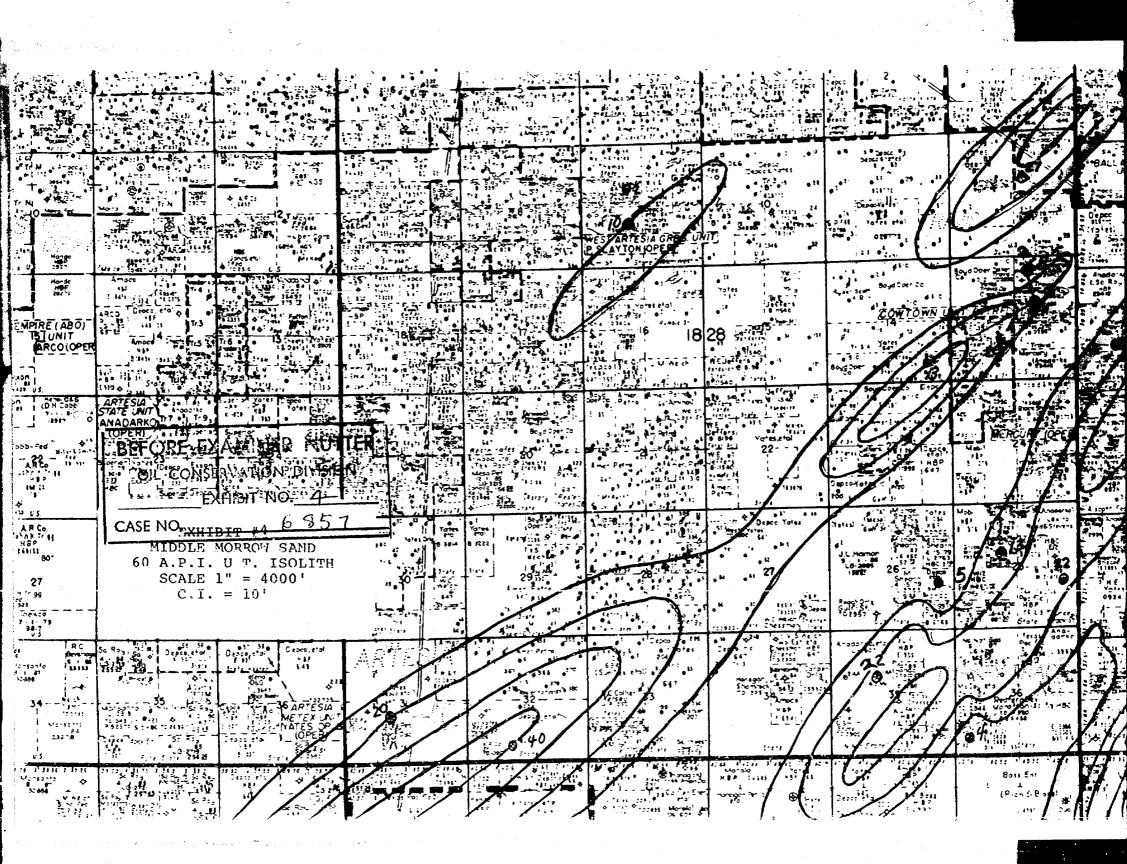
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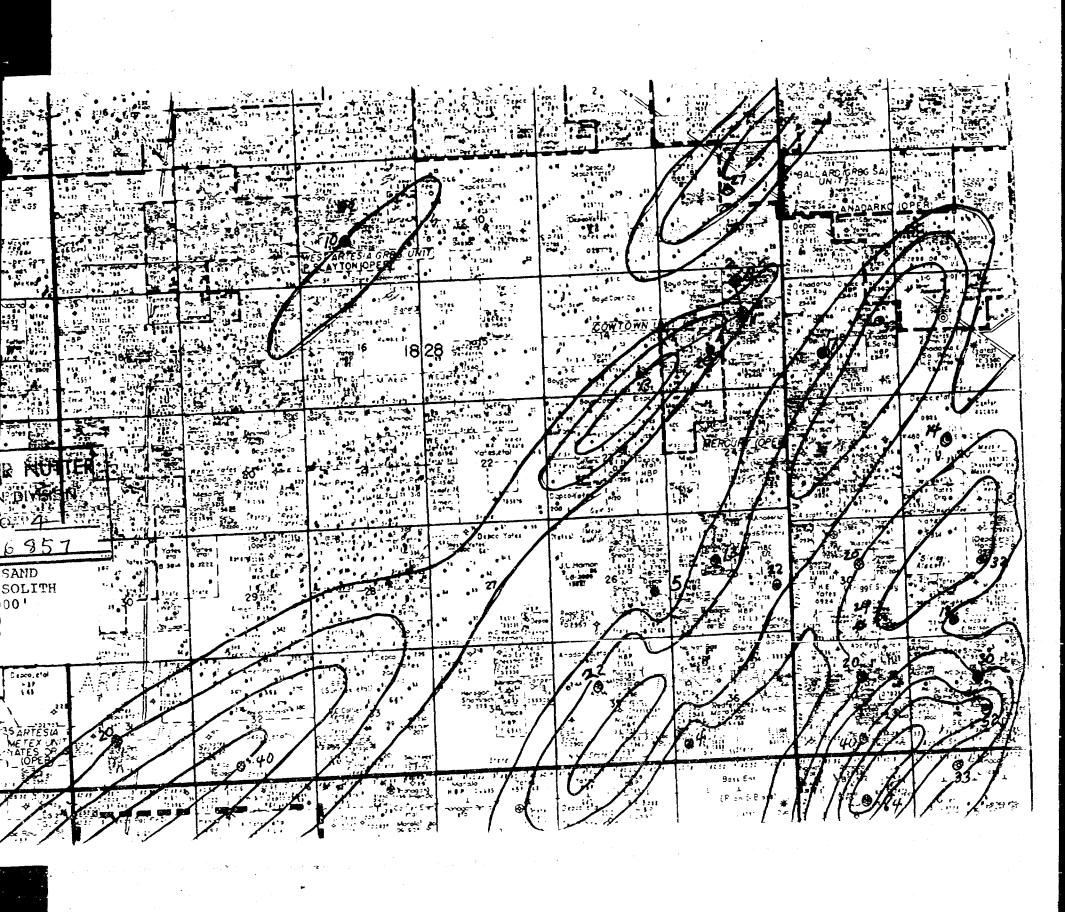
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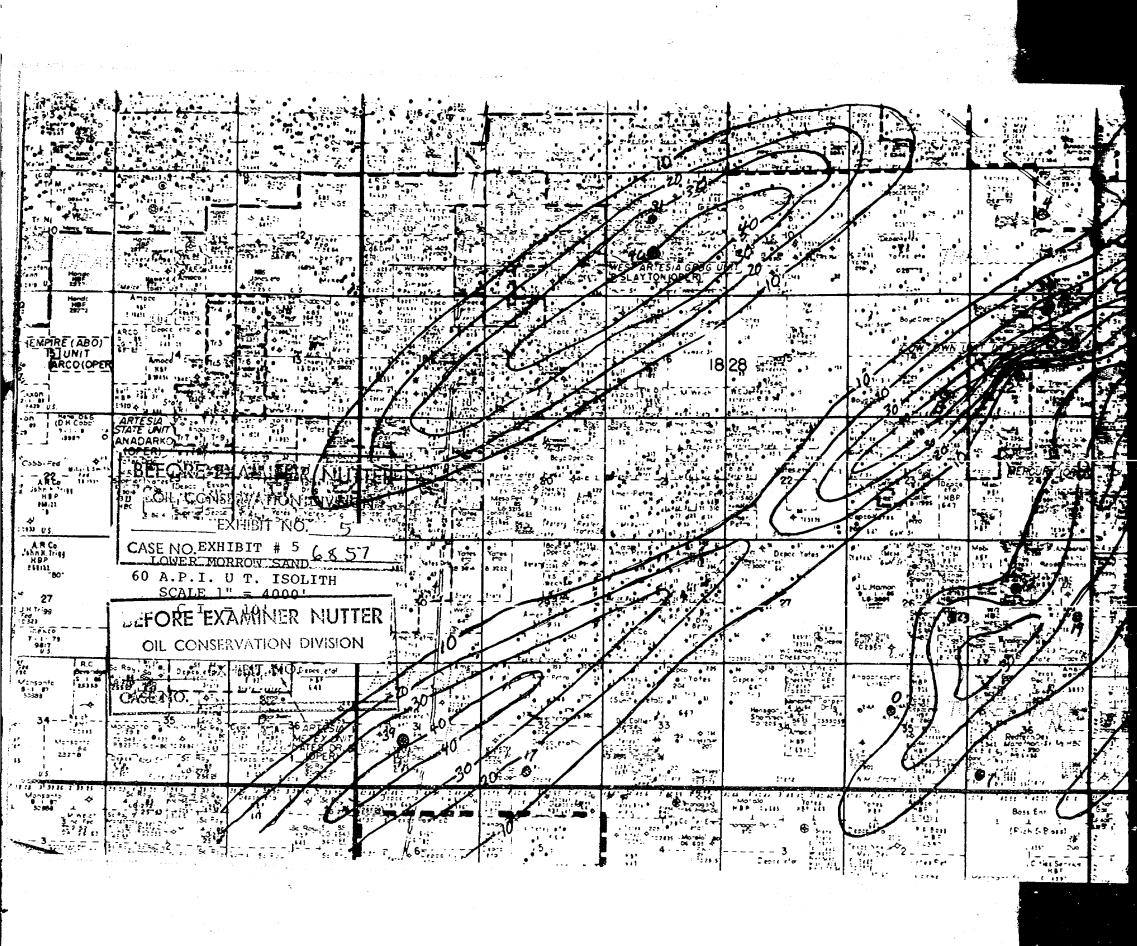


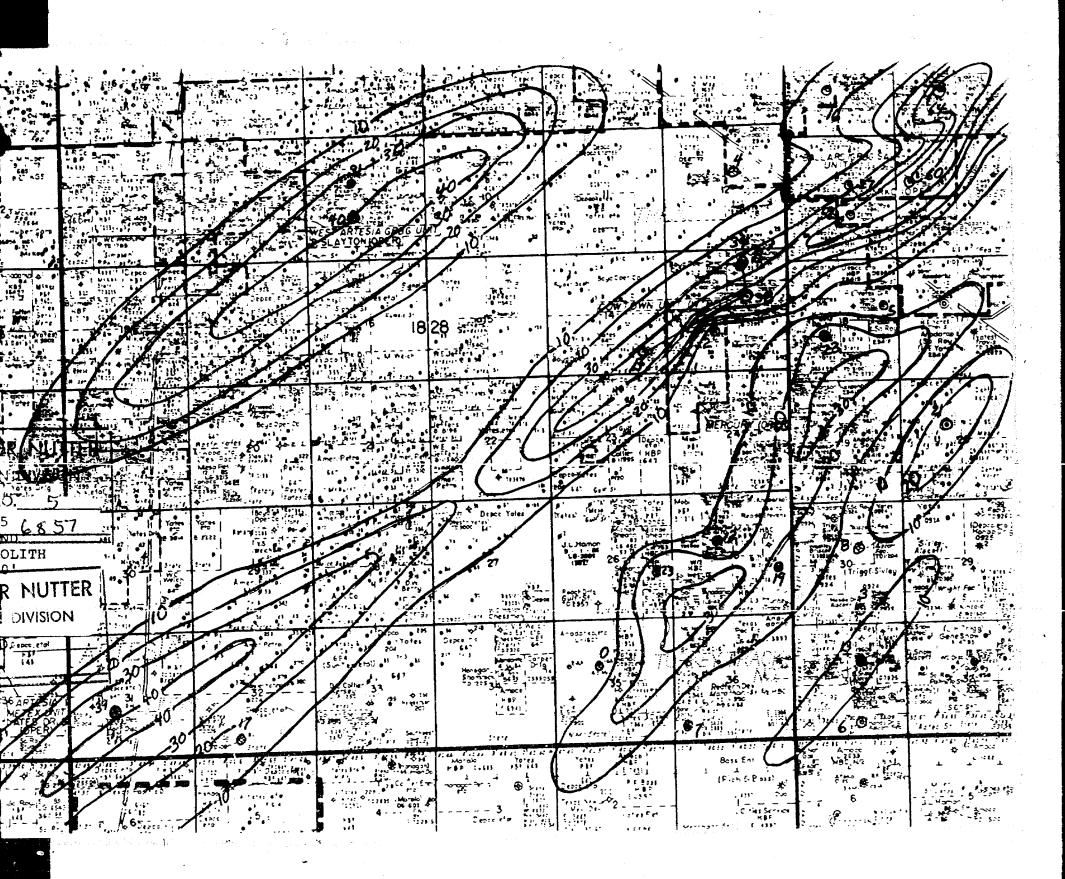
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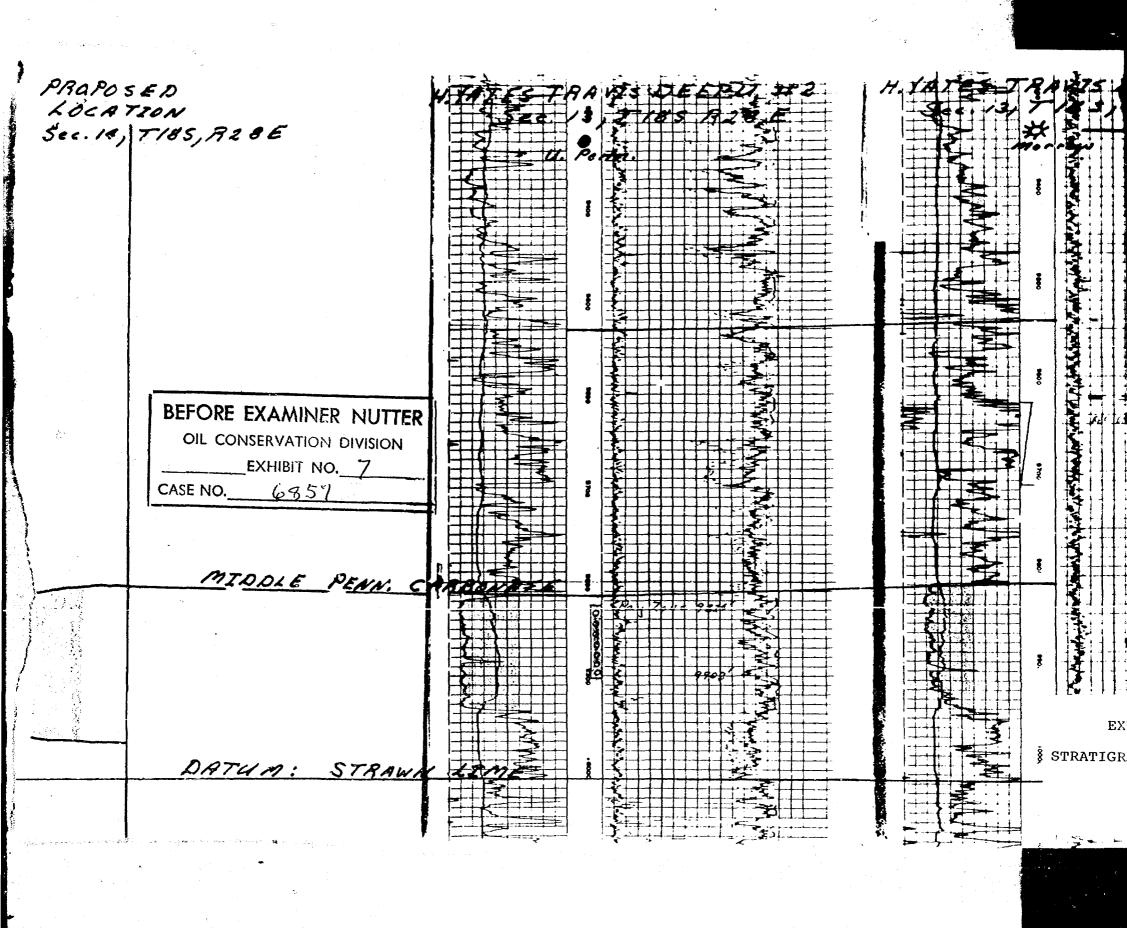


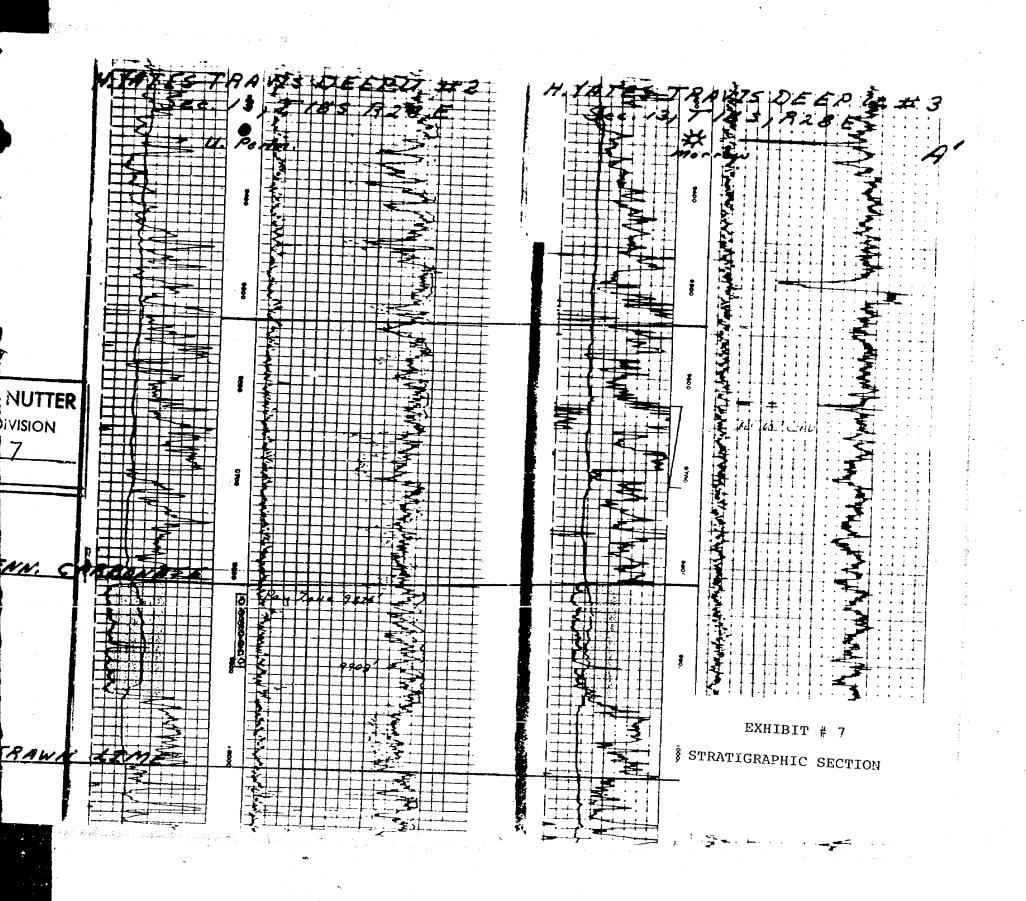




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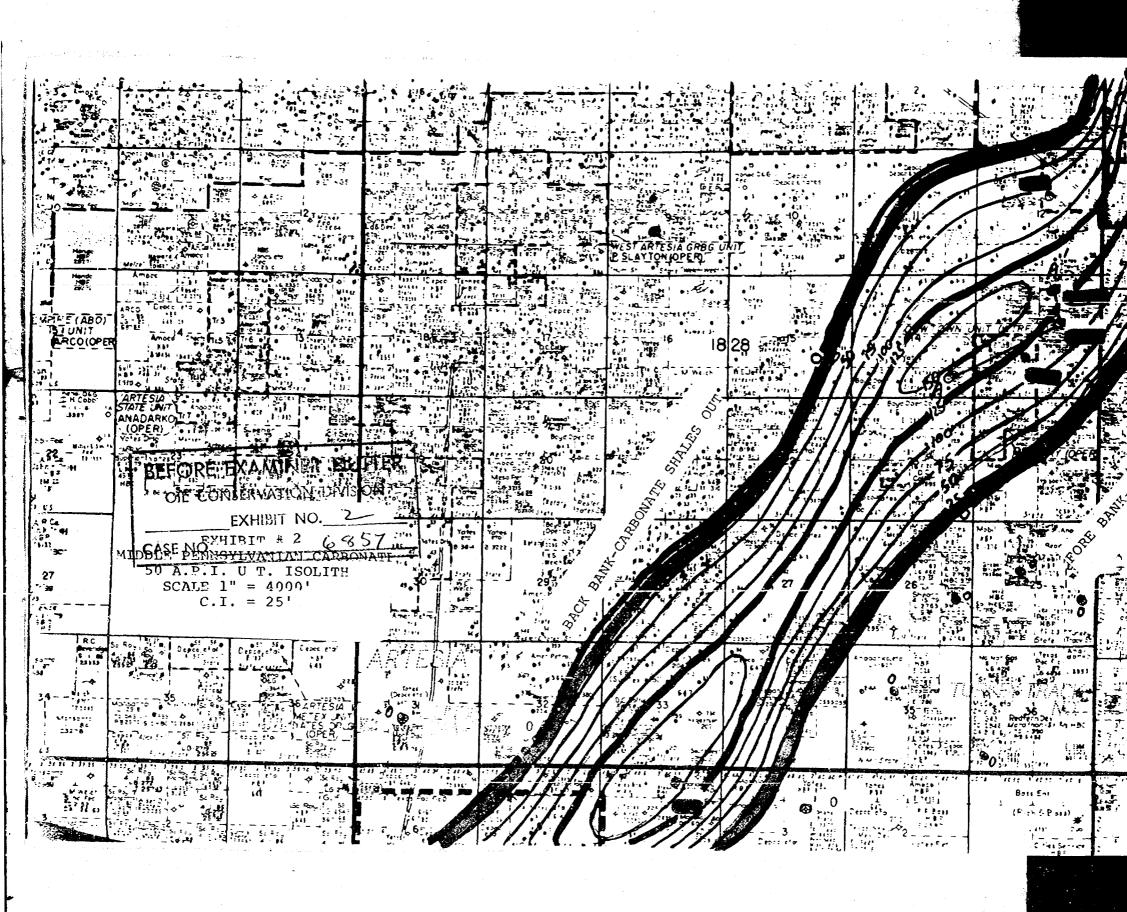
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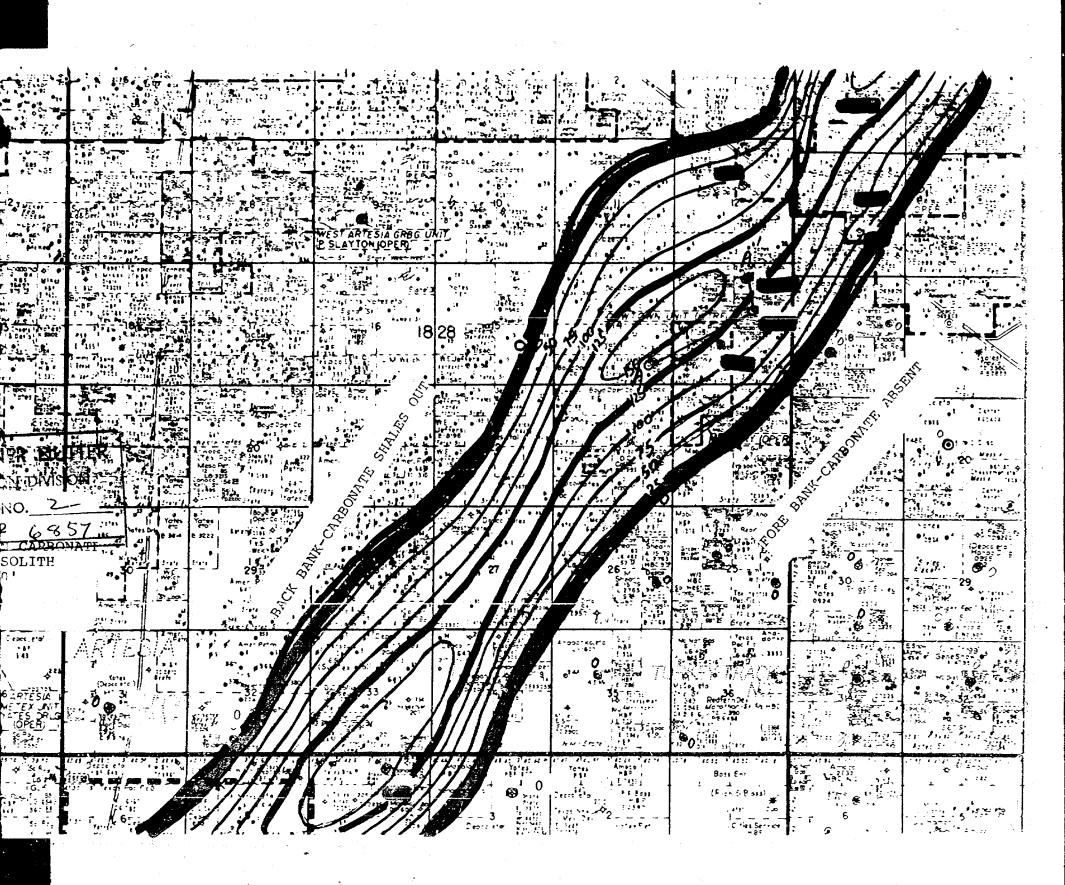


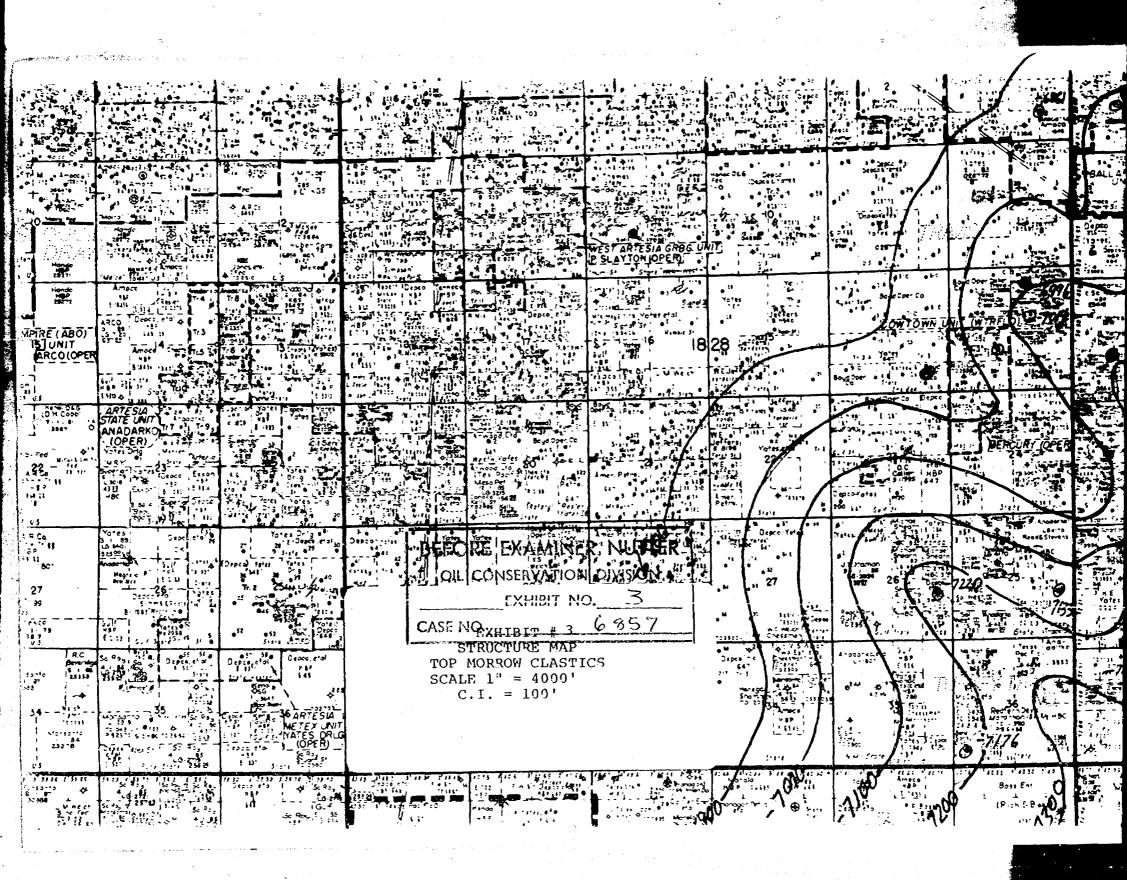


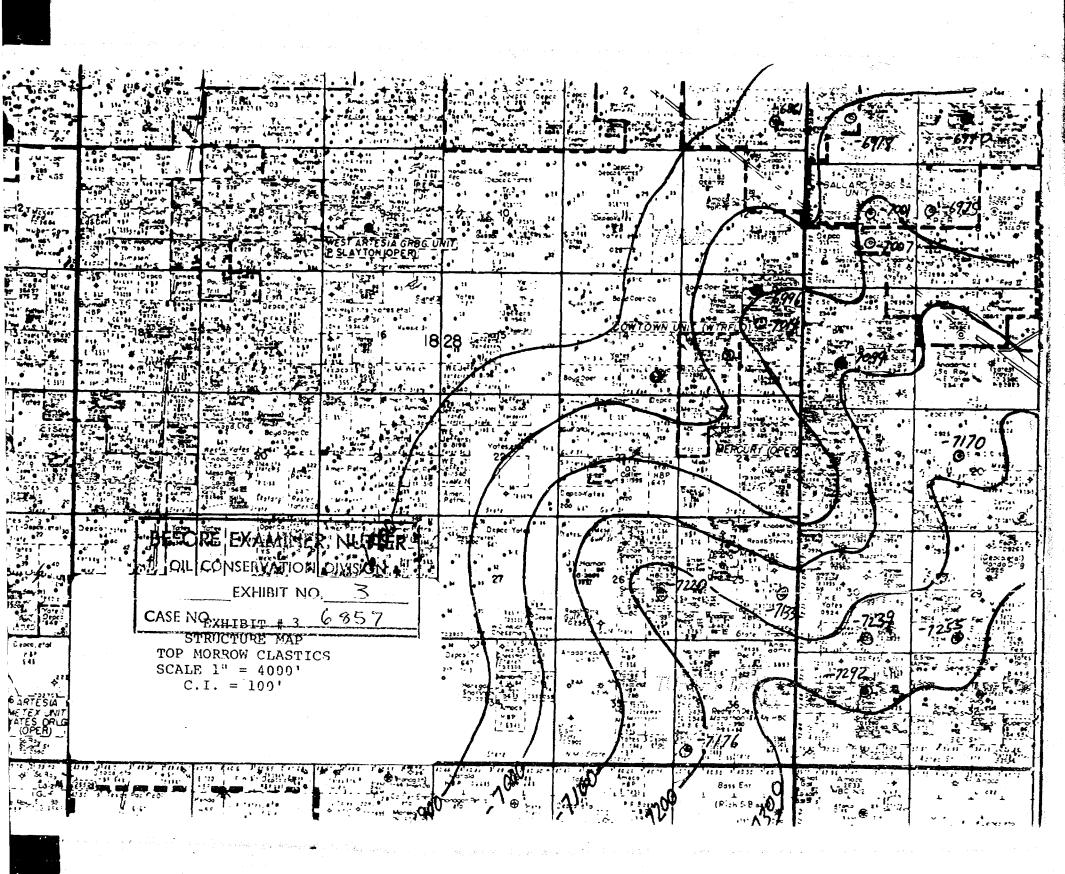
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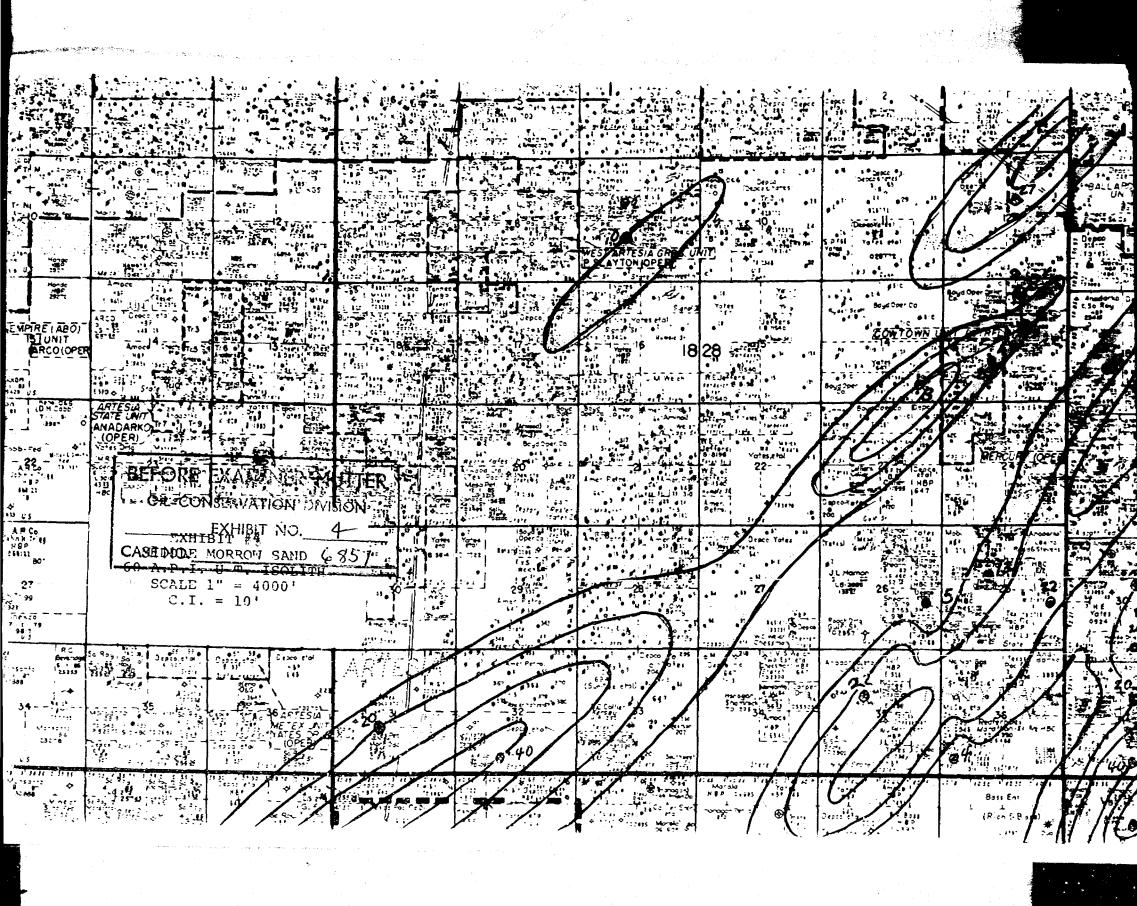
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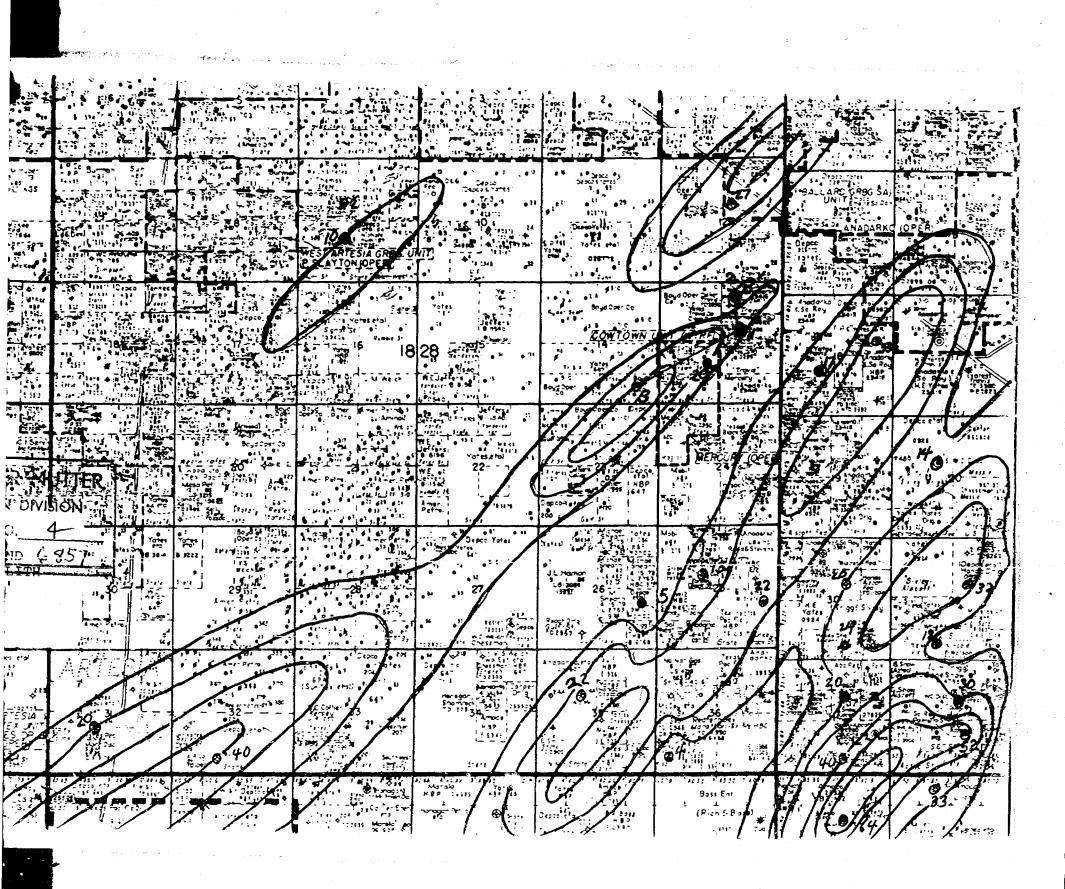


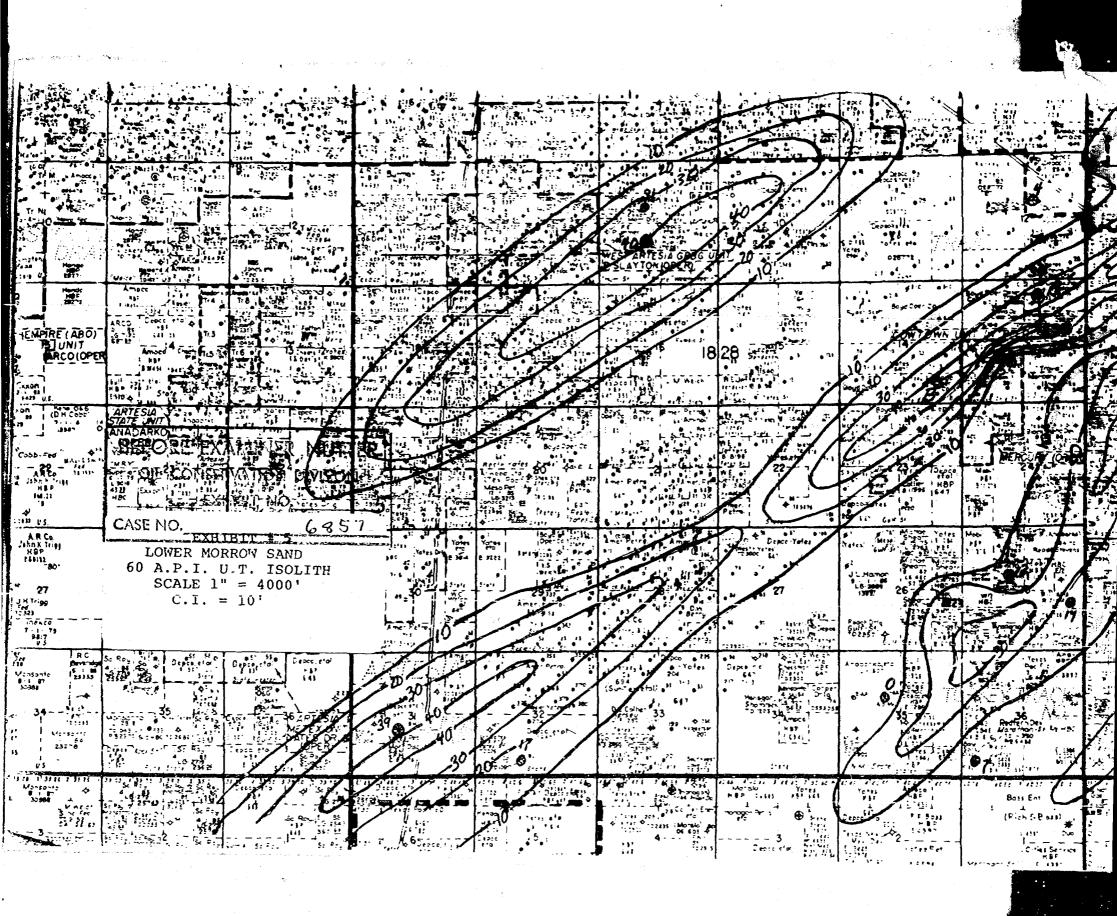


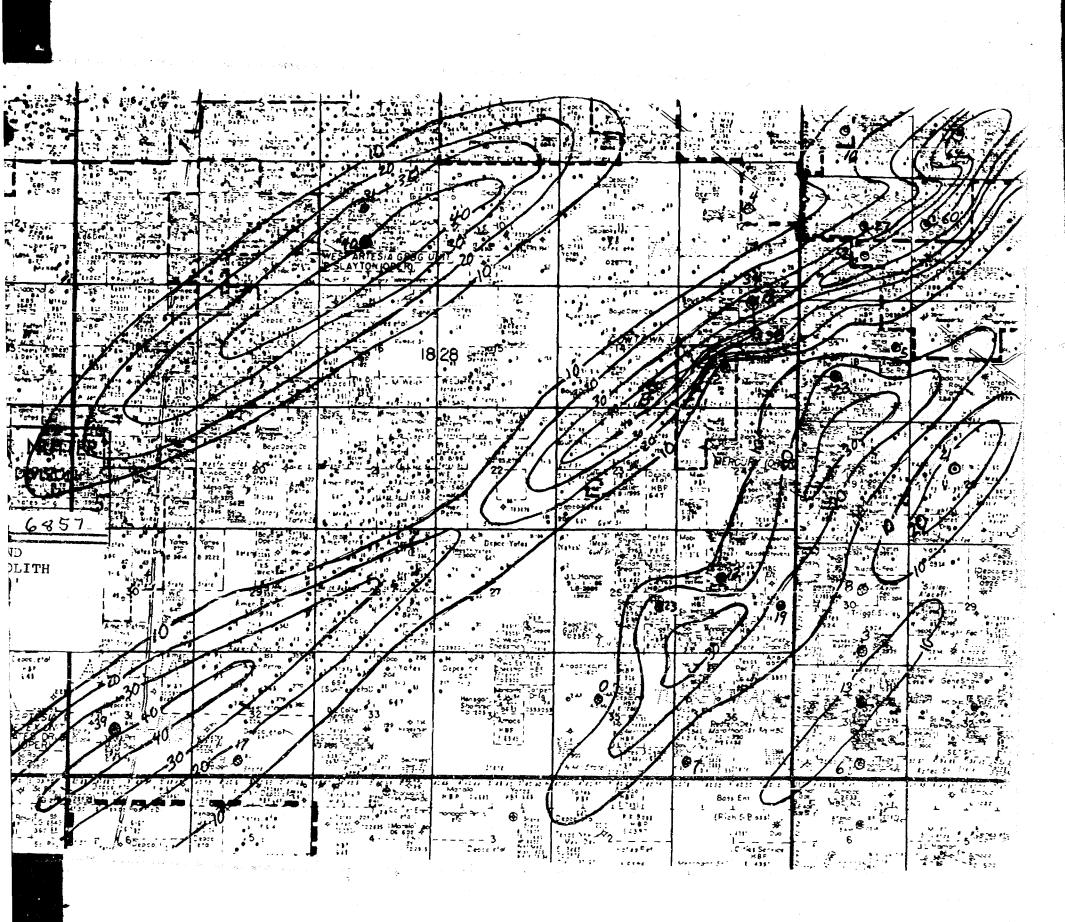


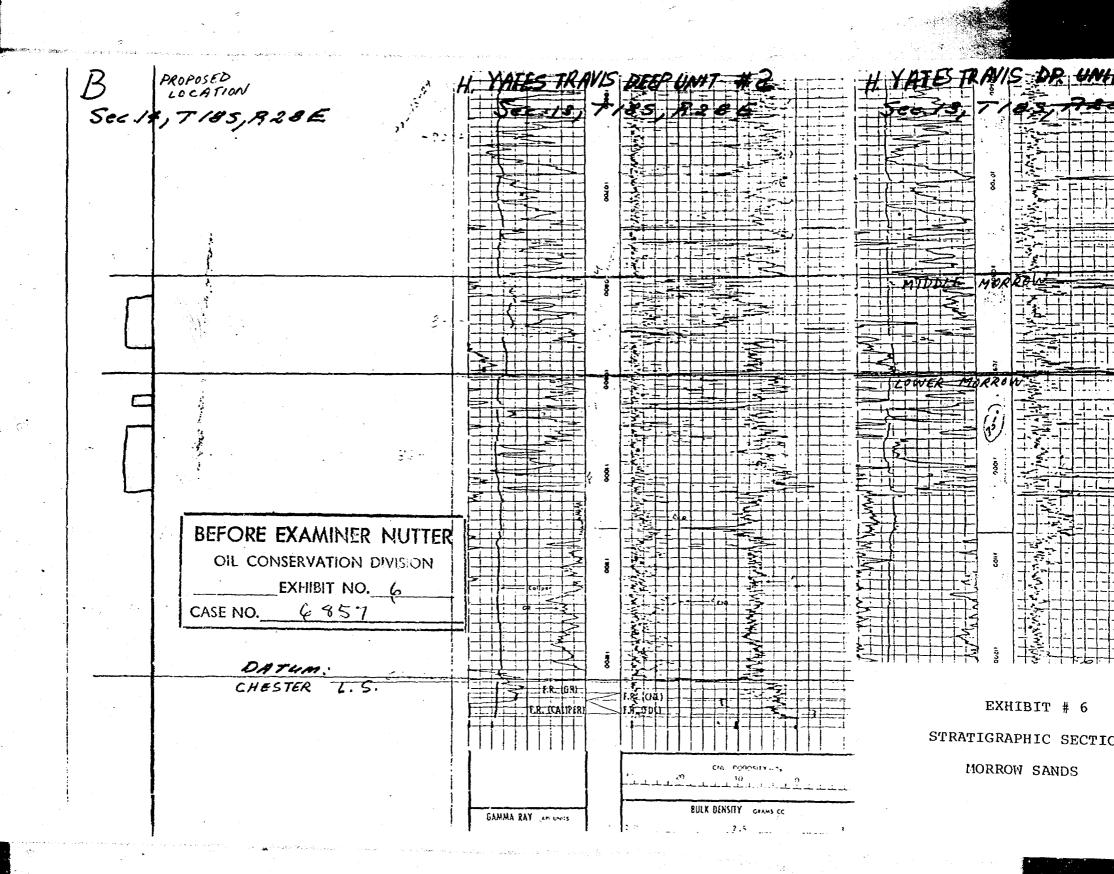


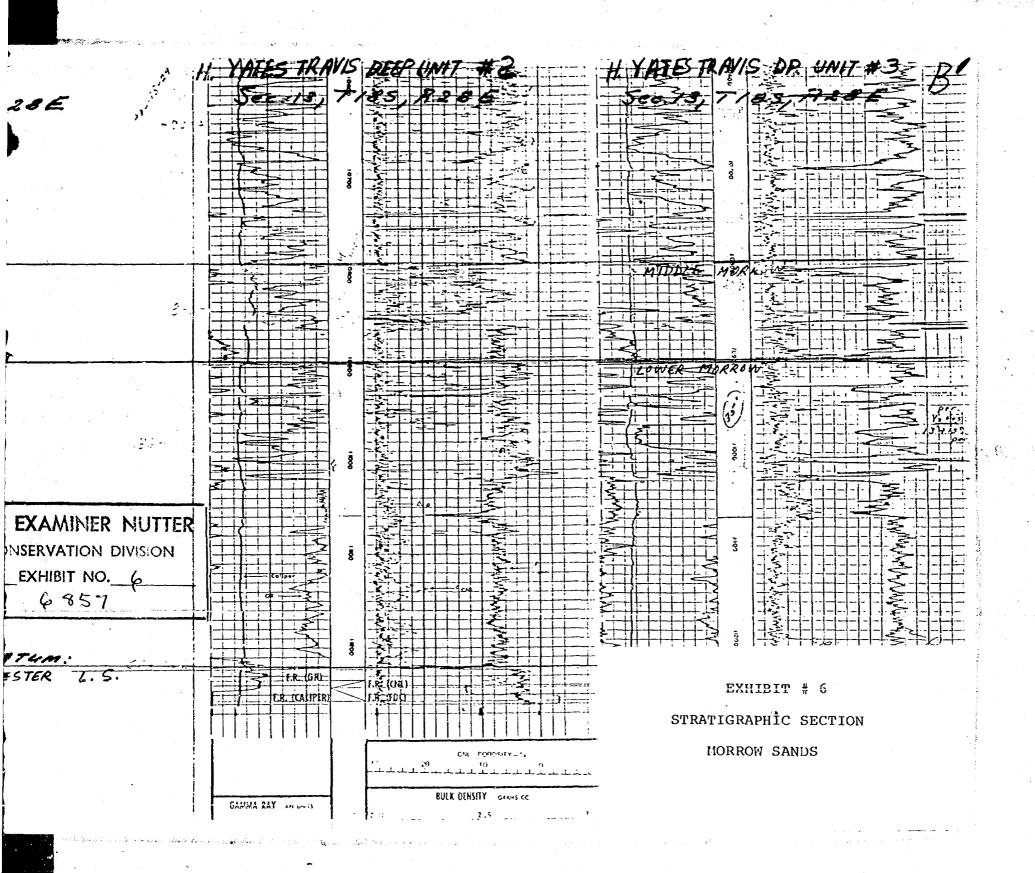


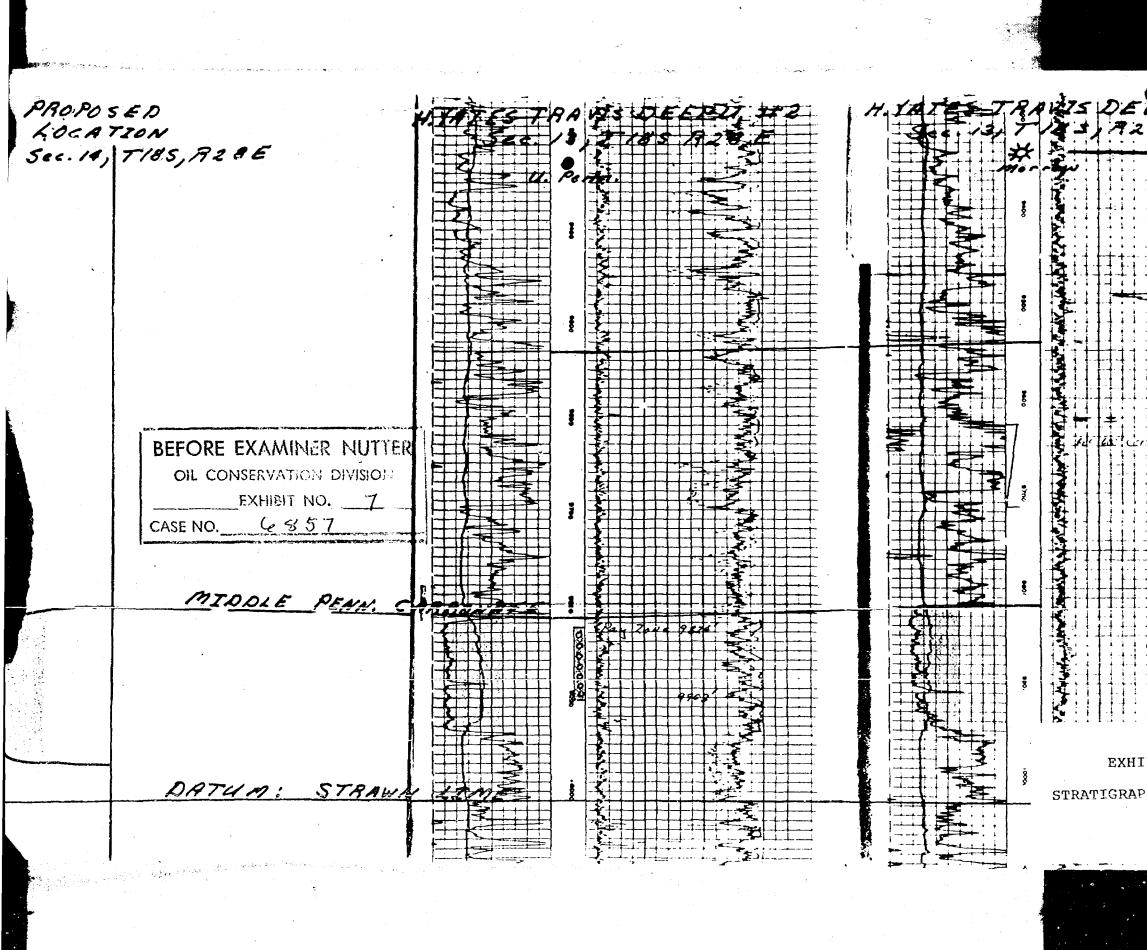


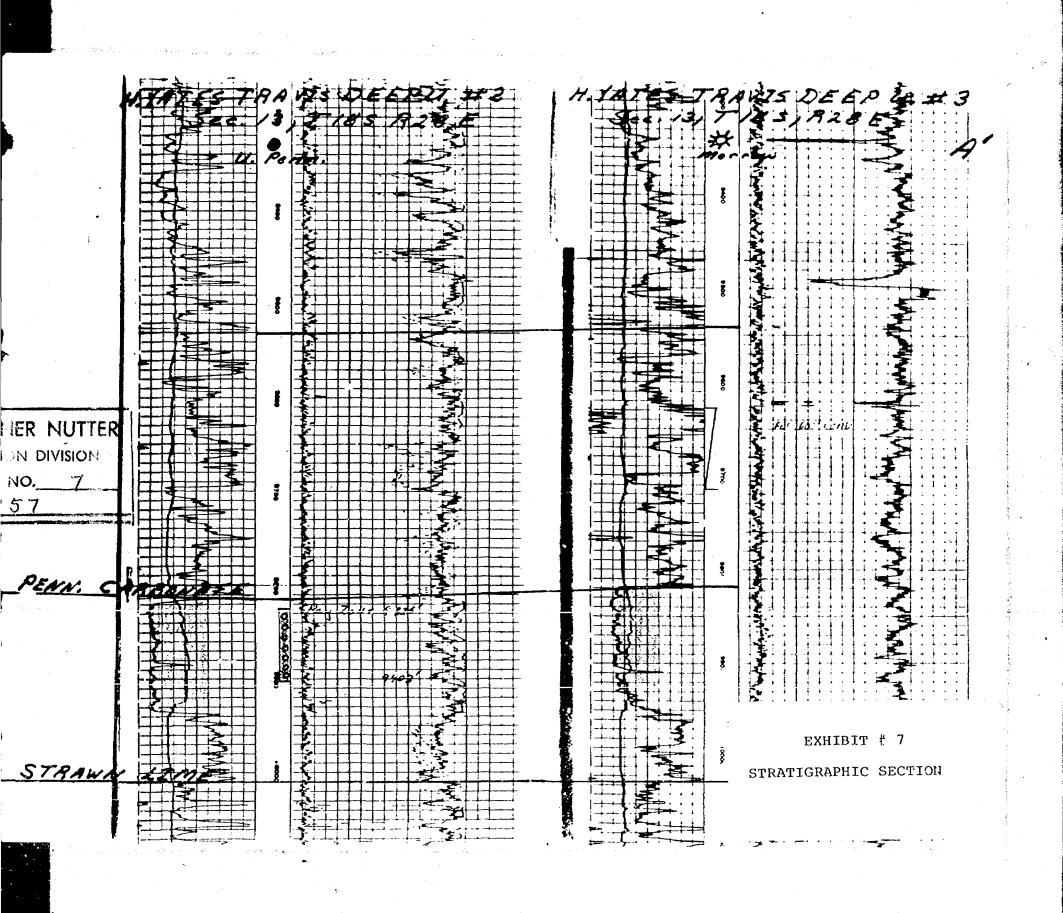


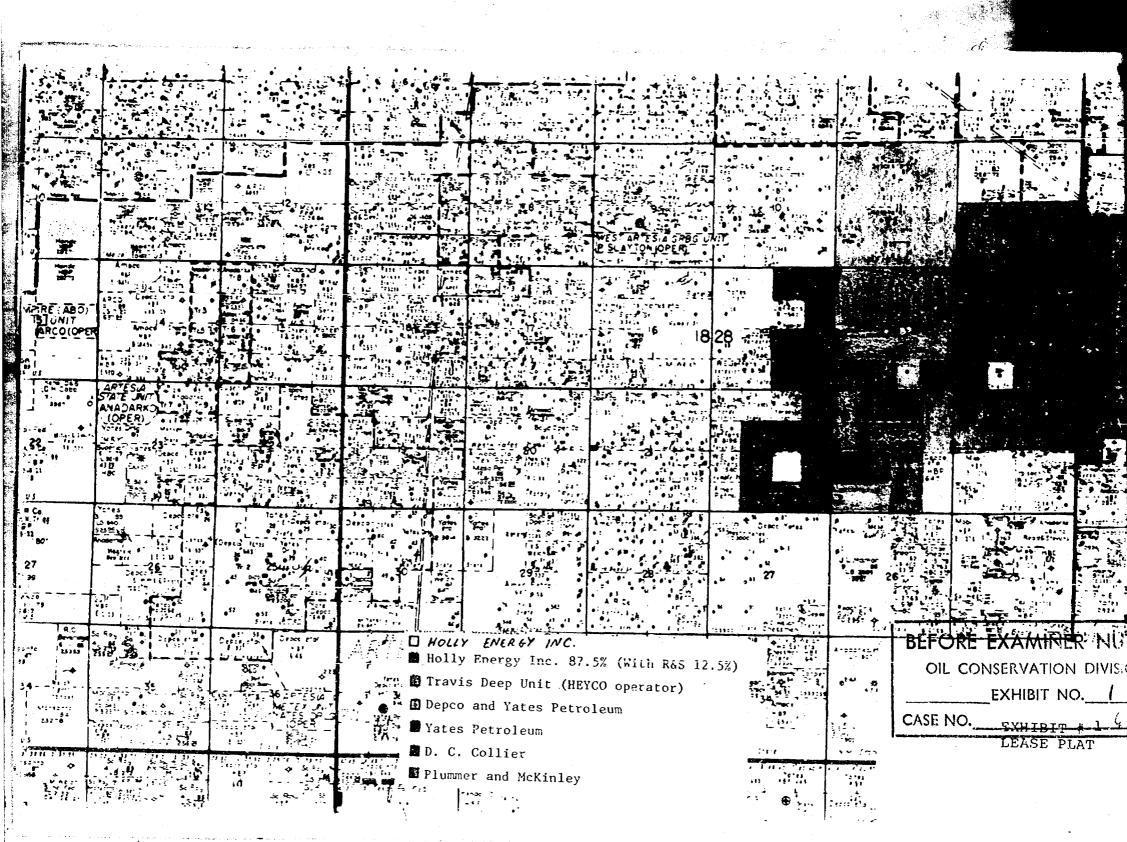


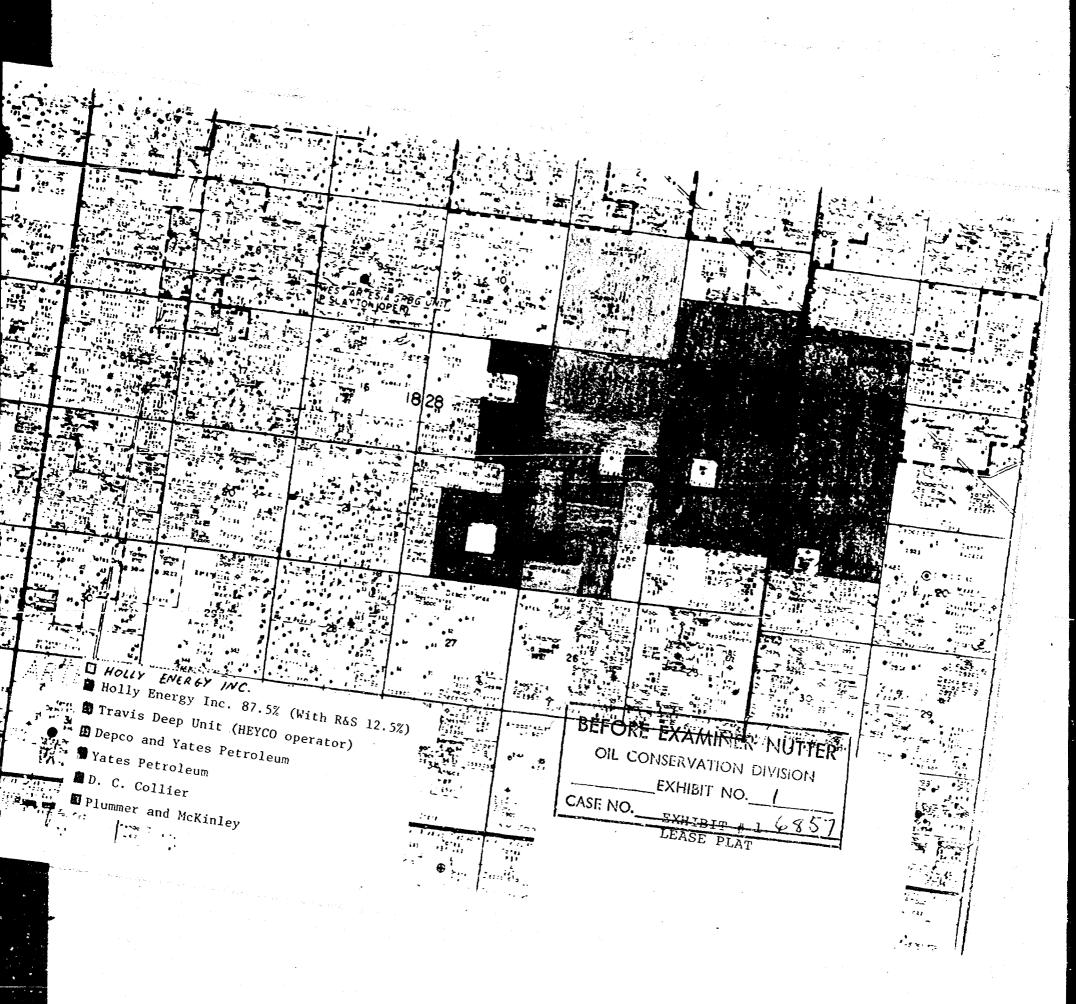




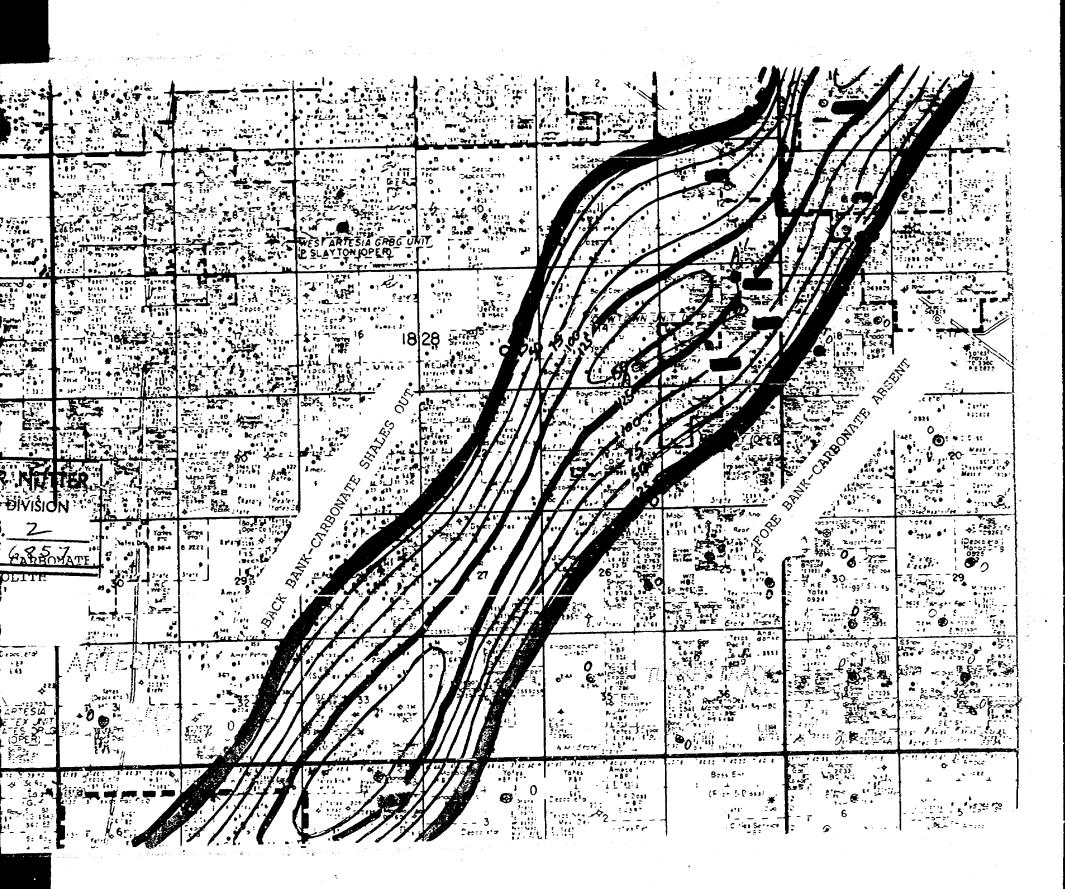


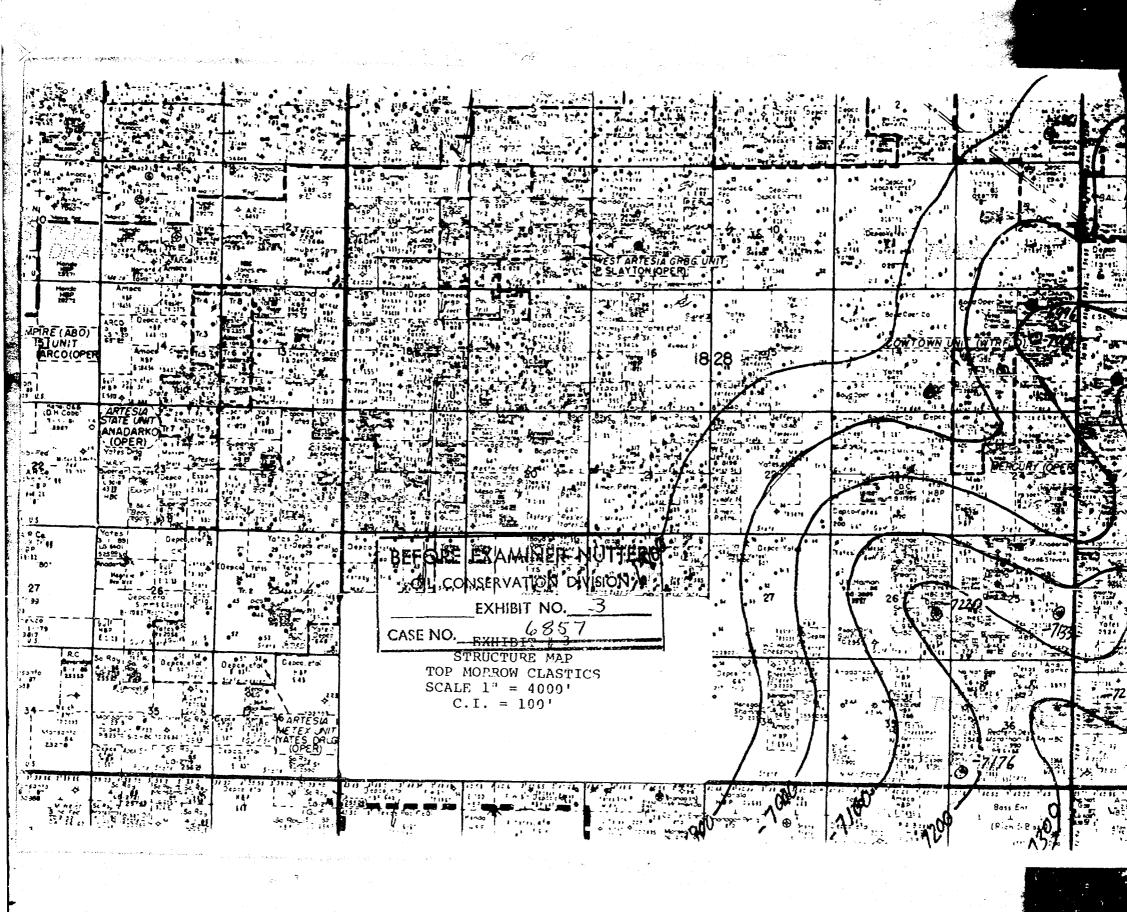


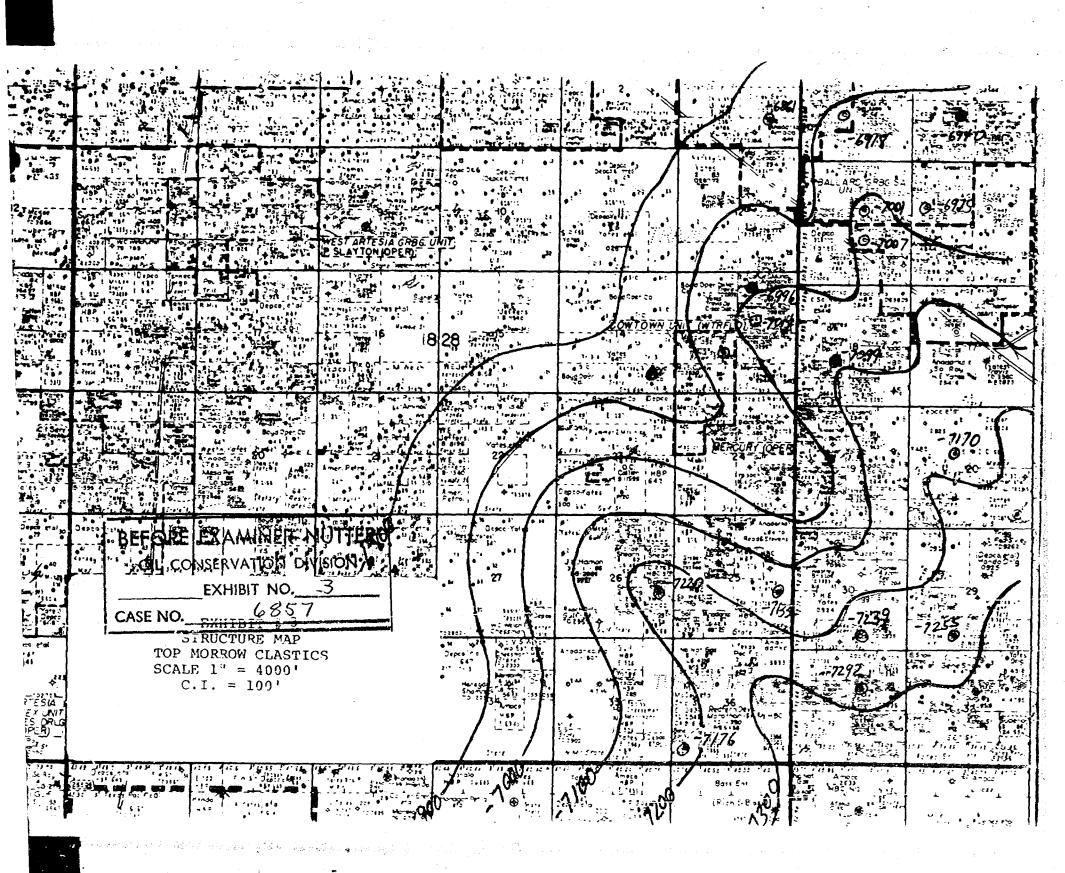


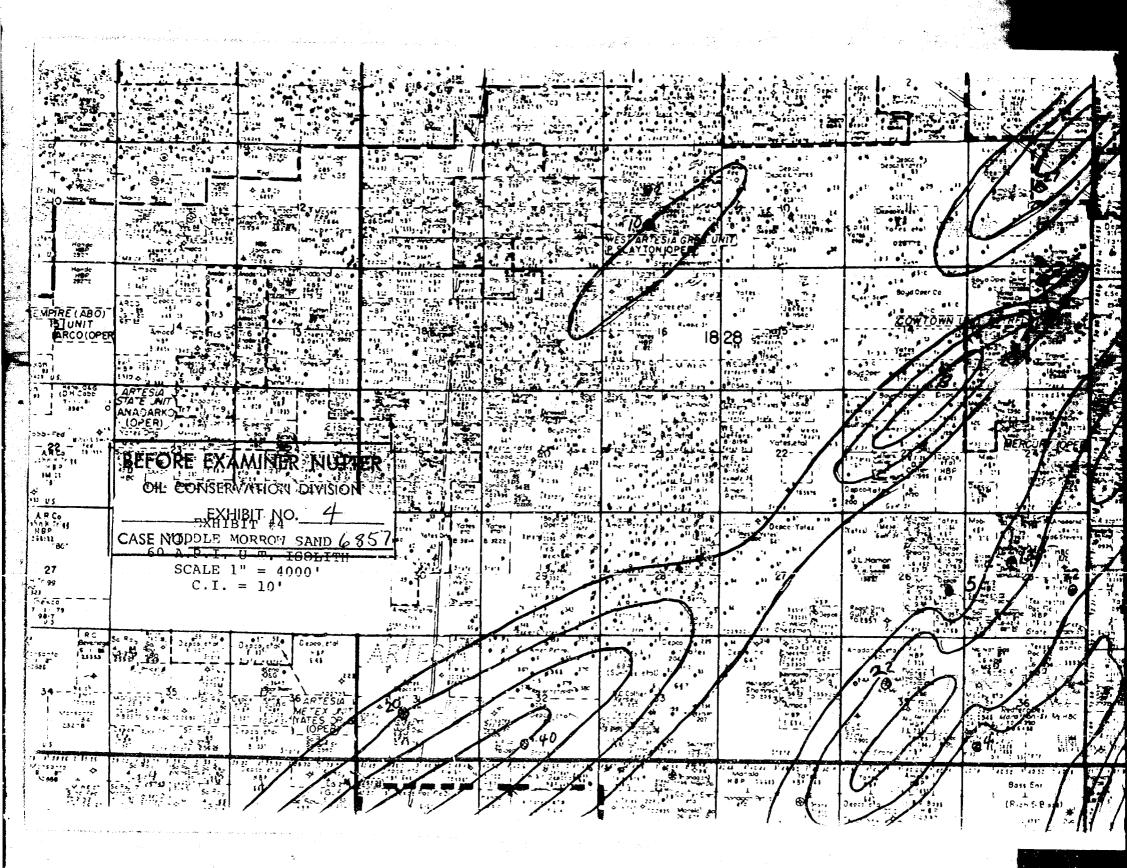


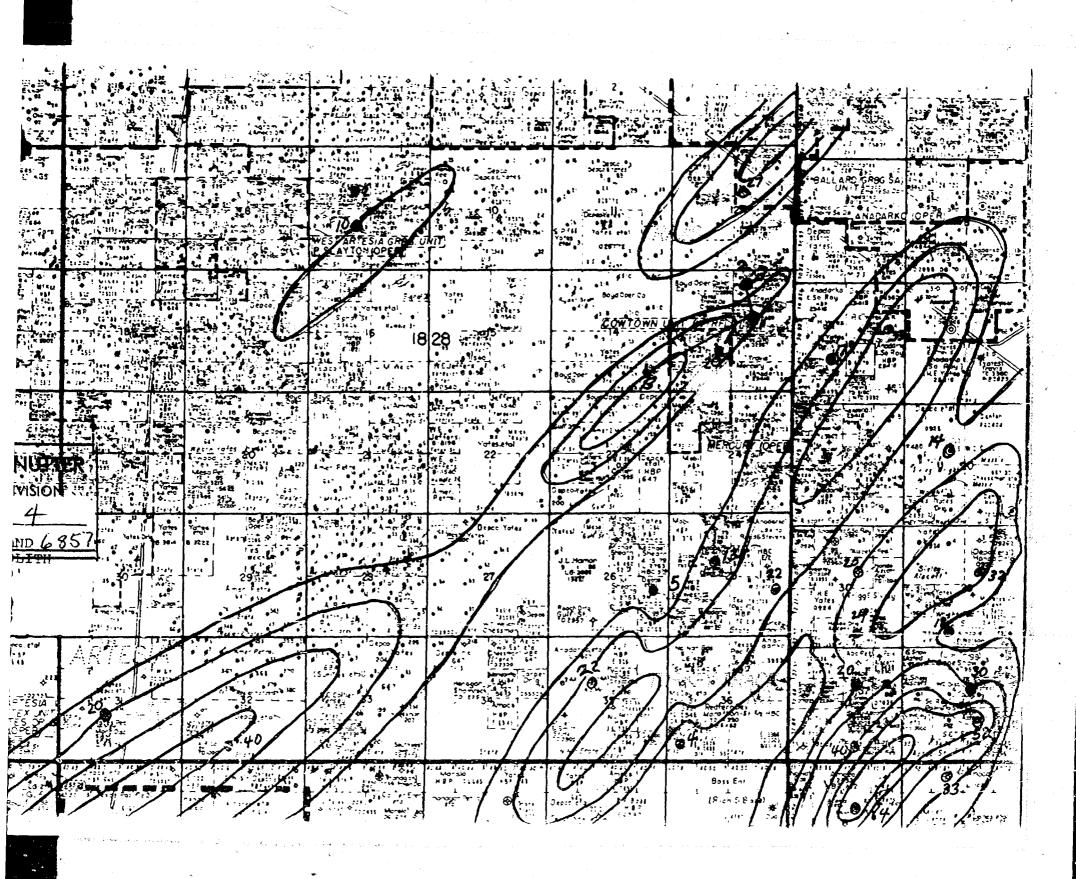
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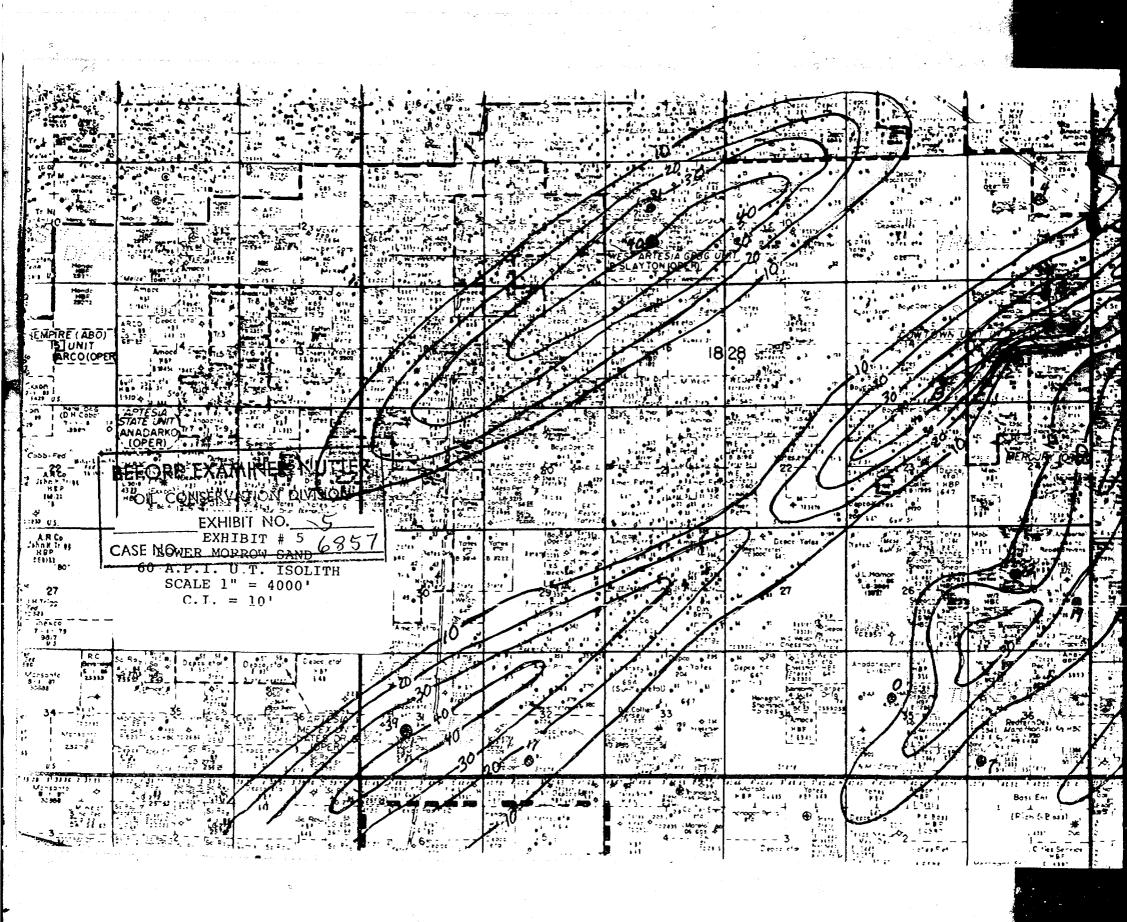


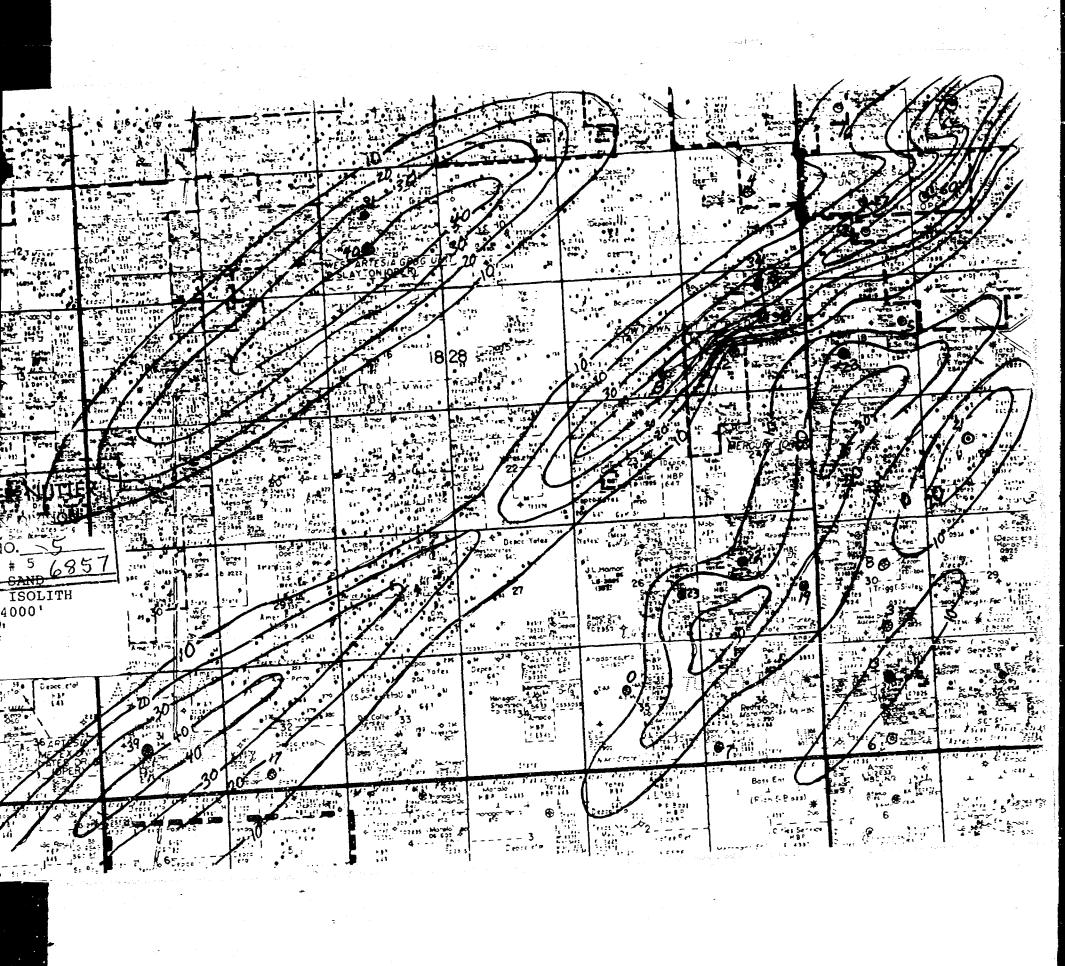




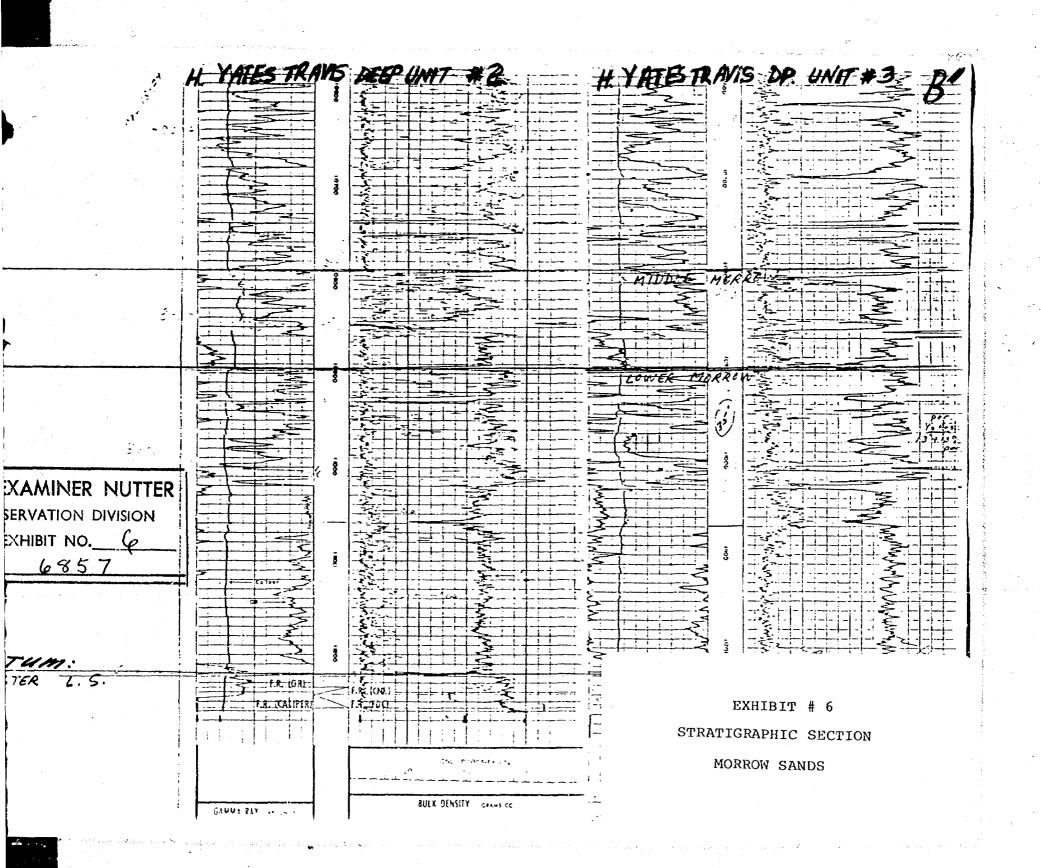


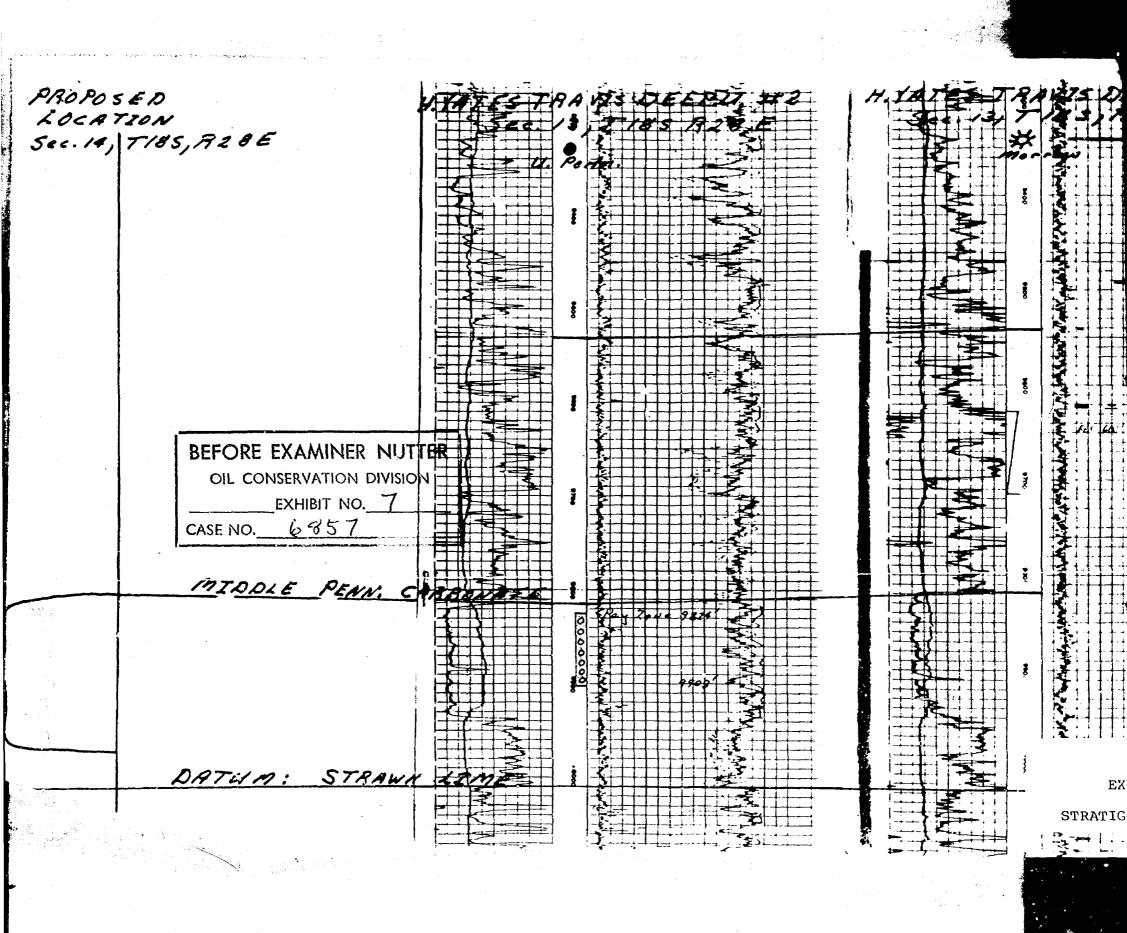


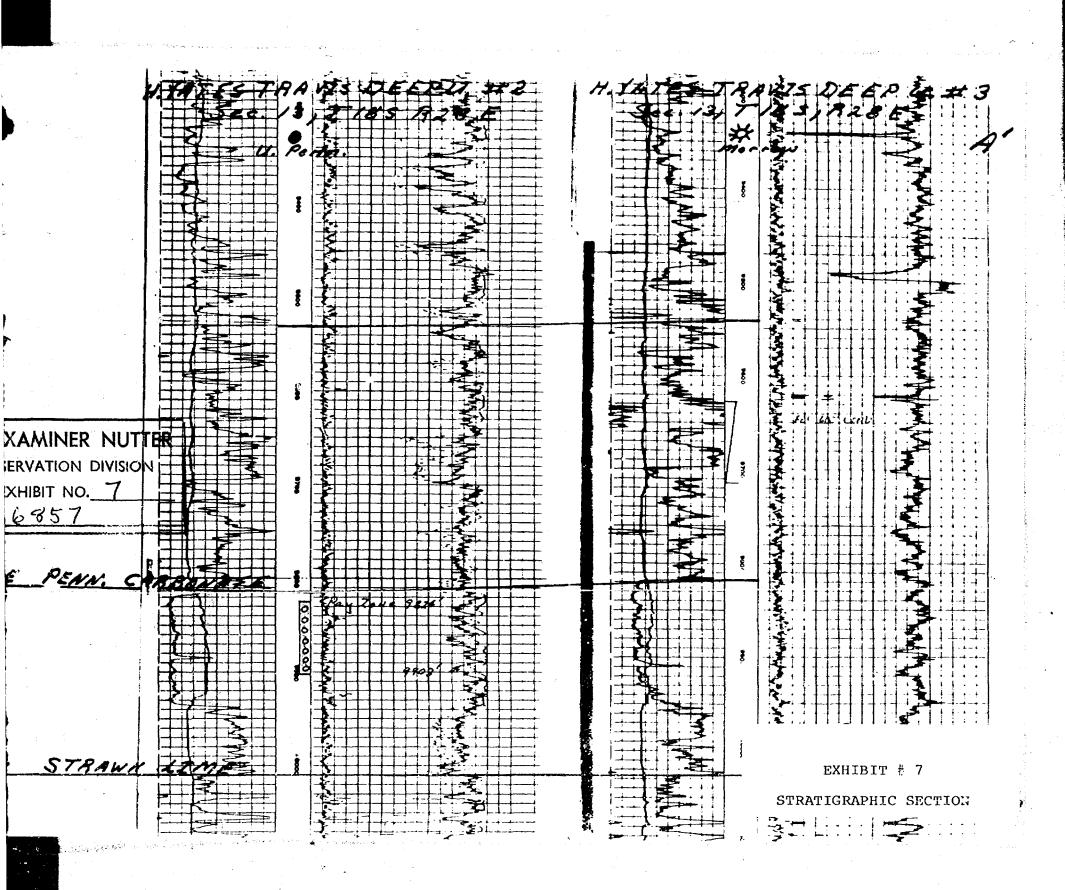




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Mr. Joe D. Ramey
Secretary-Director
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ARTESIA, OFFICE

Attention; Mr. Joe D. Ramey

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION SANTA FE

RE: Non-Standard Gas Well Location Sec. 14, T-185, R-28E
Eddy County, New Mexico
State 14-1

Cr. 12 (857)

Gentlemen:

Holly Energy Inc. respectfully requests that a hearing be called to consider Holly's application for a permit to drill State 14-1 at a non-standard location which will require an exception to Paragraph C-II of Rule 104. New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission Rules and Regulations.

The requested location is 660 feet FSL and 990 feet FEL of Section 14. T-18S, R-28E. Rule 104, Paragraph C-II requires that a well will be not closer than 1980 feet to the nearest end boundary.

The proposed well is projected to a depth of 11,200' feet to test the gas reservoirs to a depth sufficient to test the Morrow.

Yours truly,

Robert Loyd Superintendent

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	ORDER NO. R- (6347
APPLICATION OF HOLLY ENERGY, I	NC.
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EDDY COUNTY, NEW	MEXICO.
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BY THE DIVISION:	
This cause came on for hea	ring at 9 a.m. on April 9
19 80 , at Santa Fe, New Mexico	, before Examiner Daniel S. Nutter
NOW, on thisday of	Acrys , 19 80 , the Division
Director, having considered the	testimony, the record, and the
recommendations of the Examiner	, and being fully advised in the
premises,	
FINDS:	
(1) That due public notic	e having been given as required by
law, the Division has jurisdict	ion of this cause and the subject
matter thereof.	
(2) That the applicant,	Holly Energy, Inc.
foref its State 14 Well N seeks approval of an unorthodox	
feet from the South line	and 990 feet from the
East line of Section 14	, Township 18 South
Range 28 East , NMPM,	to test the Morrow
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County, New Mexico.	
(3) That the $\frac{\cancel{\cancel{E}}/2}{2}$ of	said Section 14 is to be
dedicated to the well.	
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- enable applicant to produce the gas underlying the proration unit.
- (5) That no offset operator objected to the proposed unorthodox location.

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(6) That approval of the subject application will afford the applicant
the opportunity to produce its just and equitable share of the gas in the
subject pool, will prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of
unnecessary wells, avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling
of an excessive number of wells, and will otherwise prevent waste and protect
correlative rights.
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:
(1) That an unorthodox gas well location for the Morrow
the Holly Energy, Inc. State 14 Well No. 1 to be drilled
formation is hereby approved for axwekkxtextextextexted at a point 999x 66
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(2) That the $\frac{\cancel{\cancel{E}}/2}{}$ of said Section $\frac{14}{}$ shall be dedicated to the above-described well.

New Mexico.

(3) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Division may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

CASE 6843: (Continued from March 26, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for two compulsory poolings, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Yeso formation underlying two 40-acre proration units, the first being the SE/4 SE/4 and the second being the SW/4 SE/4 of Section 6, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Penasco Draw Field, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be designation of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in drilling said wells.

- CASE 6858: Application of H. L. Brown, Jr. for gas well commingling, Roosevelt County, New Mexico.
 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks authority to commingle Bluitt-Wolfcamp gas and condensate production from ten federal wells located as follows: Units K and P of Section 33 and L of 34, Township 7 South, Range 37 East; Units D and L of Section 3, C and J of 4, I of 5, C of 9 and G of 10; and one fee well in D of 10, all in Township 8 South, Range 37 East. Applicant would separate and meter the gas and condensate production from each well, then recombine the well's stream and commingle all wells into a small gasoline plant. Allocation of gas and condensate to each well would be on the basis of wellhead meter readings and allocation of gasoline plant production would be on the basis of gas production and BTU content at each well.
- CASE 6859: Application of R & G Drilling Company for an unorthodox gas well location, San Juan County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of a well to be drilled 1890 feet from the North line and 1830 feet from the East line of Section 28, Township 28 North, Range 11 West, Kutz-Fruitland Pool, the NE/4 of said Section 28 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6860: Application of Flag-Redfern Oil Company for an exception to Order No. R-3221, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an exception to Order No. R-3221 to permit disposal of produced brine into an unlined surface pit located in Unit P of Section 3, Township 19 South, Range 31 East.
- CASE 6861: Application of Zia Energy, Inc. for pool creation, special pool rules, and an MCPA determination, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new San Andres oil pool for its State "C" Well No. 1 located in Unit F of Section 17, Township 22 South, Range 37 East, and special rules therefor, including a provision for a limiting gas-oil racio of 10,000 to 1. Applicant further seeks a new onshore reservoir determination for said State "C" Well No. 1.
- CASE 6837: (Continued from March 26, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Curtis Little for compulsory pooling, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Dakota formation underlying the W/2 of Section 7, Township 25 North, Range 3 West, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.

- CASE 6862: Application of ARCO Oil and Gas Company for an unorthodox oil well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its State 157 "D" Well No. 11 drilled 2123 feet from the South line and 1644 feet from the East line of Section 12, Township 22 South, Range 36 East, Drinkard Pool, the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 12 to be dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6863: Application of Rass Enterprises Production Co. for a dual completion, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the dual completion (conventional) of its
 Big Eddy Unit Well No. 72 located in Unit R of Section 3, Township 21 South, Range 28 East, to
 produce undesignated Atoka and Morrow gas thru parallel strings of tubing.
- CASE 6864: Application of Grace Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox gas well location, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Smith Ranch Well No. 11, to be drilled 1980 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the West line of Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 33 East, Teas-Penn Gas Pool, the N/2 of said Section 11 to be dedicated to the well.

Dockets Nos. 12-80 and 13-80 are tentatively set for April 23 and May 7, 1980. Applications for hearing must be filed at least 22 days in advance of hearing date.

DOCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDSESDAY - APRIL 9, 1980

9 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard before Daniel S. Hutter, Examiner, or Richard L. Stamets, Alternate Examiner:

- CASE 6850: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to permit Jack F. Grimm, N. B. Hunt, George R. Brown, Am-Arctic, Ltd., The Travelers Indemnity Company, and all other interested parties to appear and show cause why the Mobil 32 Well No. 1 located in Unit D of Section 32, Township 25 South, Range 1 East, Dona Ana County, should not be plugged and abandoned in accordance with a Division-approved plugging program.
- CASE 6851: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to consider amendments to its SPECIAL RULES FOR APPLICATIONS FOR WELLHEAD PRICE CEILING CATEGORY DETERMINATIONS as promulgated by Division Order No. R-5878 and amended by R-5878-A. The proposed amendments would make said SPECIAL RULES conform to FERC Order No. 65 which promulgated final regulations implementing filing requirements of the Natural Cas Policy Act of 1978.
- CASE 6852: In the matter of the hearing called by the Oil Conservation Division on its own motion to consider special rules and procedures for the designation of "tight formations" or "tight sanda" as outlined in the FERC interim rules and regulations issued February 20, 1980, relating to Section 107(b) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978,
- CASE 6853: Application of Caribou Four Corners, Inc. for compulsory pooling, San Juan County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the ChaCallup Pool underlying the N/2 NE/4 of Section 18, Township 29 North, Range 14 West, to be dedicated to a we'l to be drilled at a standard location thereon. Also to be considered will be the
 cost of drilling and completing said well and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual
 operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of
 applicant as operator of the well and a charge for risk involved in drilling said well.
- CASE 6854: Application of Jack A. Cole for an unorthodox gas well 1 cation, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of hie Apache
 Hills Well No. 6, 1326 feet from the North line and 1843 feet from the West line of Section 17,
 Township 23 North, Range 3 West, Ballard-Pictured Cliffs Pool, the NW/4 of said Section 17 to be
 dedicated to the well.
- CASE 6841: (Continued from March 26, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of CIG Exploration, Inc. for two non-standard gas proration units, Eddy County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval of two non-standard gas proration units in Township 16 South, Range 28 East, the first being 219.6 acres comprising Lots 1 thru 8 of Section 1 and the second being 219.92 acres comprising Lots 1 thru 8 of Section 2, for the Wolfcamp, Pennsylvanian, and Mississippian formations, each unit to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at a standard location thereon.

- CASE 6855: Application of Dome Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox well location, McKinley County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the cooverstyled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its Santa 7e 2 well No. 1 to be drilled 1220 feet from the North line and 900 feet from the West line of Section 3, Township 21 North, Range 10 West.
- CASE 6856: Application of Texaco Inc. for downhole commingling, Lea County, New Mexico. Applicant; in the above-ctyled cause, seeks approval for the downhole commingling of Blindbry, Tubb-Drinkard, and Fusselman production in the wellbore of its C. C. Fristoe "B" Federal NCT-2 Well No. 6 located in Unit H of Section 34, Township 24 South, Range 37 East, Justis Field.
- CASE 6857: Application of Holly Energy, Inc. for an unorthodox gas well location, Eddy County, New Mexico.

 Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks approval for the unorthodox location of its State 14

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 line of Section 14, Township 18 South, Range 28 East, the S/2 of said Section 14 to be dedicated
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CASE 6846: (Amended)

In the matter of Case No. 6846 being amended to reflect that the location for the unorthodox location of the well on the second unit is 330 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the East line of Section 13, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, Lea County.

CASE 6846: (Continued from March 26, 1980, Examiner Hearing)

Application of Doyle Hartman for two compulsory poolings, two non-stindard gas proration units, and two unorthodox well locations. Les County, New Mexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks an order pooling all mineral interests in the Eumont Gas Pool underlying two 80-acre non-standard gas proration units, the first being the S/2 NE/4 of Section 13, Township 21 South, Range 36 East, to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 1650 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the East line of said Section 13, and the second being the N/2 NE/4 of said Section 13 to be dedicated to a well to be drilled at an unorthodox location 330 feet from the North line and 2310 feet from the East line of said Section 13. Also to be considered will be the cost of drilling and completing said wells and the allocation of the cost thereof as well as actual operating costs and charges for supervision. Also to be considered will be the designation of applicant as operator of the wells and a charge for risk involved in drilling said wells.

CASE 6865: Application of Getty Oil Company to reopen Case No. 6608, Lea County, New Mexico.

Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks to reopen Case No. 6608 for consideration of the establishment of maximum efficient rates of withdrawal from the Grama Ridge-Wolfcamp Case Pool.

Docket No. 10-80

DCCKET: EXAMINER HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 16, 1980

8:45 A.M. - OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION CONFERENCE ROOM, STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA PE, NEW MEXICO

The following cases will be heard befor Richard L. Stamets, Examiner, or Daniel S. Nutter, Alternate Examiner:

ALLOWABLE: (1) Consideration of the allowable production gas for May, 1980, from fifteen prorated pools in Lea, Eddy, and Chaves Counties, New Mexico.

(2) Consideration of the actionable production of gas for May, 1980, from four prorated pools in San Juan, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico.

Docket No. 11-80

DOCKET: COMMISSION HEARING - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 16, 1980

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION - 9 A.M. - ROOM- 205 STATE LAND OFFICE BUILDING, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

CASE 6609: (DE NOVO) (Continued from Harch 11, 1980, Commission Hearing)

Application of Napeco Inc. for pool creation and special pool rules, Eddy County, New Hexico. Applicant, in the above-styled cause, seeks the creation of a new Strawn oil pool for its Benson Deep Unit Well No. 1 located in Unit 0 of Section 33, Township 18 South, Range 30 East, and special rules therefor, including 160-acre spacing and standard well locations.

Upon application of Yates Petroleum Corporation and Napeco Inc. this case will be heard De Novo pursuant to the provisions of Rule 1220. Applicants allege this is not an "oil" pool but is a "volatile" oil pool.