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May 21, 2024

Mike Bratcher
District Supervisor
Oil Conservation Division, District 2
811 S. First Street
Artesia, New Mexico 88210

Re: Closure Report

West Copperline 29 Fed State Com #001H

Caza Operating, LLC

Site Location: Unit C, S29, T23S, R34E

32.2819786, -103.4941788 Lea County, New Mexico Incident ID: nAPP2410234931

Mr. Bratcher:

On behalf of Caza Operating, LLC (Caza), New Tech Global Environmental, LLC (NTGE) has prepared this letter to document site assessment and remedial action activities at the West Copperline 29 Fed State Com #001H (Site) for submittal to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMCOD) District 2 Office in Artesia, New Mexico. The Site is located in Unit Letter C, Section 29, of Township 23 South and Range 34 East in Lea County, New Mexico. The site location with respect to the nearest town is shown in Figure 1 and the topography of the area is shown in Figure 2.

Background

Based on the initial C-141 obtained from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD), the release occurred on May 10th, 2024. The release was the result of equipment failure in a treating tower within the secondary lined containment and all released fluids were contained. The leak resulted in the release of approximately 20 barrels (bbls) of crude oil, of which 20 (bbls) were recovered. The initial C-141 form is attached.

Site Characterization

The site is located within a low karst area. Based on a review of the New Mexico Office of State Engineers (NMOSE) and USGS databases, there is one known water source within a ½-mile radius of the Site. The nearest identified well is located north of the Site. The well was drilled in 2022 to the reported depth of 120 feet below ground surface (bgs) with no ground water encountered. No other receptors (playas, wetlands, waterways, lakebeds, or ordinance boundaries) are located within each specific boundary or distance from the Site. A copy of the site characterization information and the associated NMOSE summary report is attached.

Regulatory Criteria

NTGE characterized the Site according to Table I, Closure Criteria for Soils Impacted by a Release, from the New Mexico Administrative Code (NMCA) Title 19, Chapter 15, Part 29, Section 12 (NMAC 19.15.29.12).

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General Site Characterization and Groundwater:

Site Characterization	Average Groundwater Depth (ft)
Low Karst	Unknown

Table 3.1 Closure Criteria for Soils Impacted by a Release (NMAC 19.15.29.12 & 19.15.29.13)

Regulatory Standard	Chloride	TPH (GRO+DRO+MRO)	GRO+DRO	BTEX	Benzene
19.15.29.13 Restoration, Reclamation and Re- Vegetation	600 mg/kg	100 mg/kg		50 mg/kg	10 mg/kg
Notes: = not defined					

Liner Inspection

On May 20th, 2024, NTGE conducted site assessment activities to assess the integrity and state of the secondary lined containment. Upon inspection it was noted that the liner was intact with no visible holes or breaches, and free of any standing fluids. A photographic log documenting the condition of the liner at the time of the inspection is attached.

Closure Request

Based on the initial response and subsequent site assessment activities, the Site is compliant, and no further actions are required for the Site (nAPP2410234931). If you have any questions regarding this report or need additional information, please contact us at 432-701-2159.

Sincerely,

NTG Environmental

Ethan Sessums Project Manager

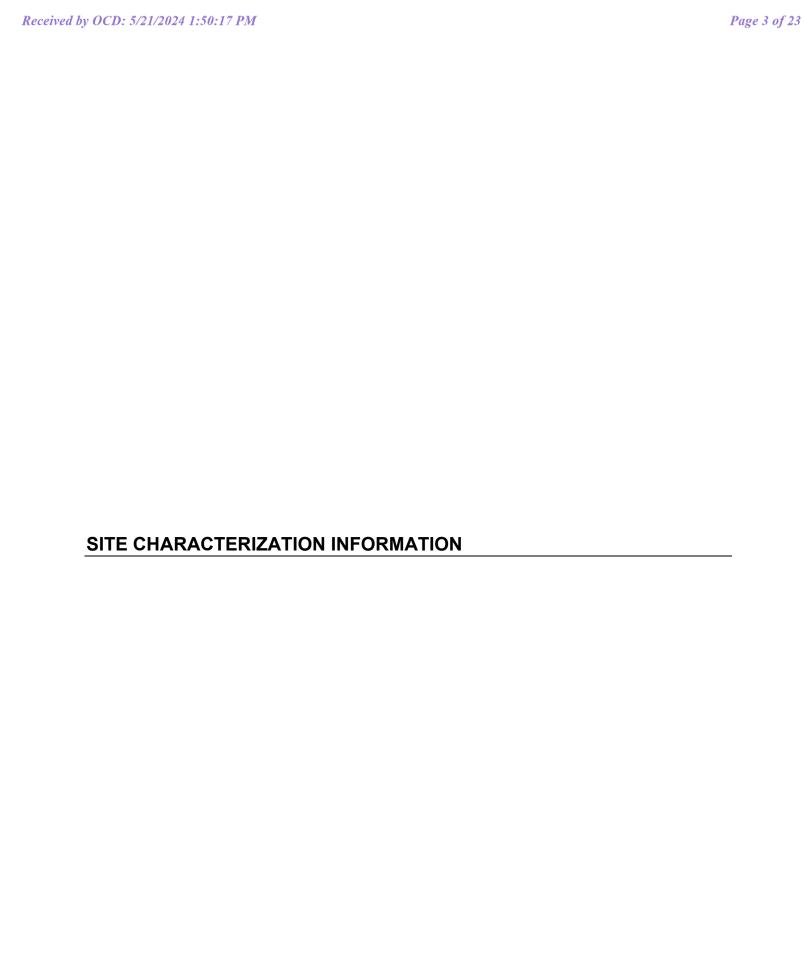
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Site Characterization Information

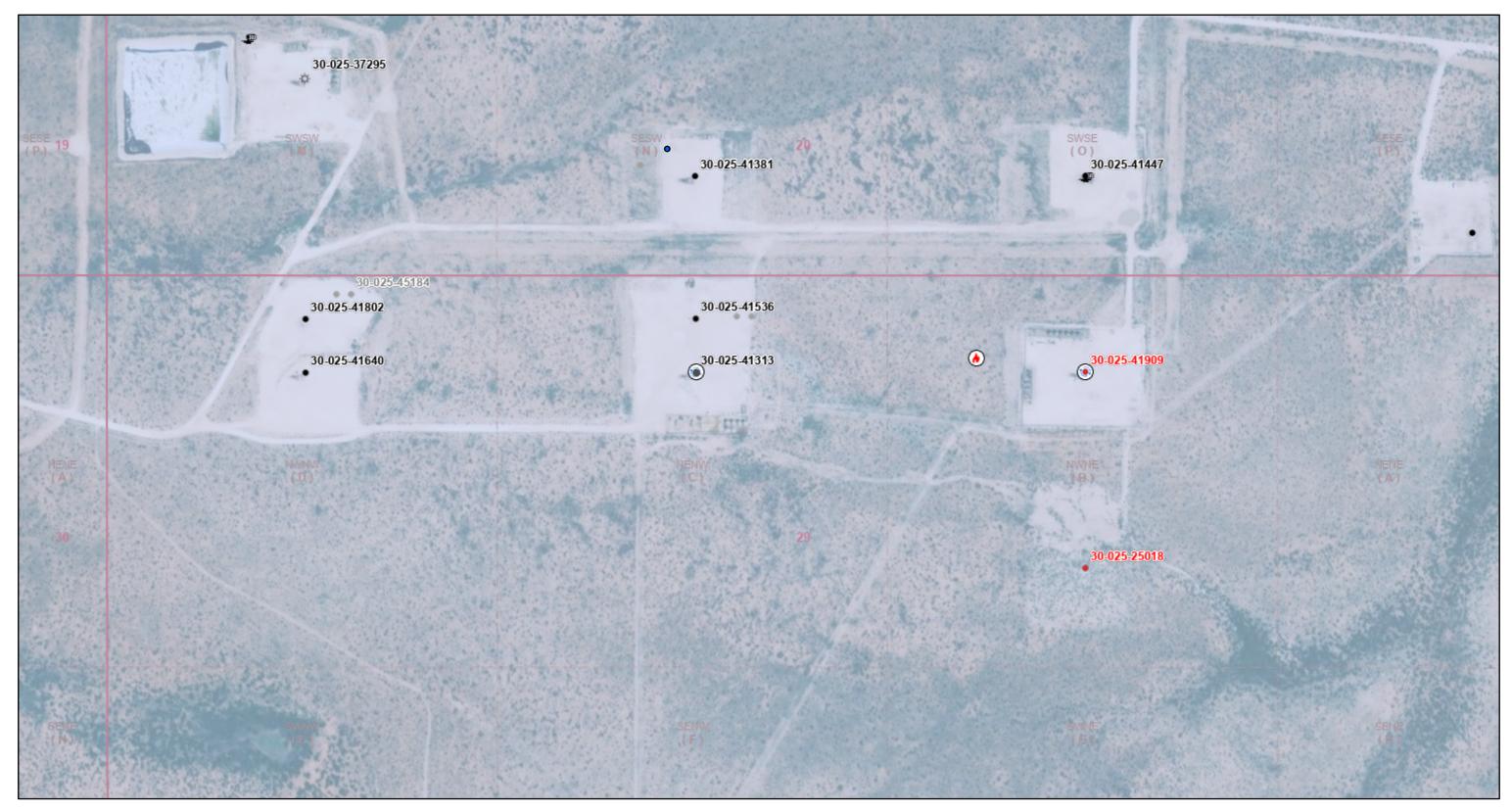
Figures

Photographic Log

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OCD Well Locations



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OSE Water PODs

Active

Wells - Large Scale

Gas, Active

Oil, Active

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Oil, Plugged

Incident Release

Produce

Produced Water Release

Oil Release

Fire

Karst Occurrence Potential

Low

PLSS Second Division

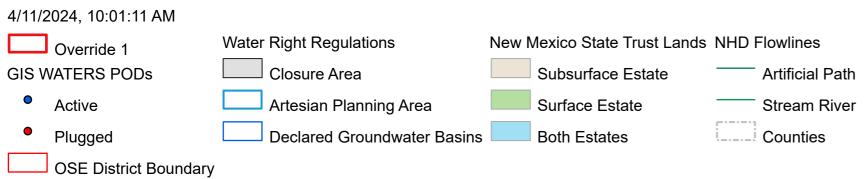
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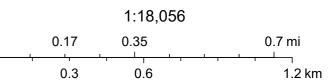
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BLM, OCD, New Mexico Tech, Oil Conservation Division of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department., USGS, OCD, Esri, HERE, Garmin, iPC, Maxar, BLM

OSE POD Location Map







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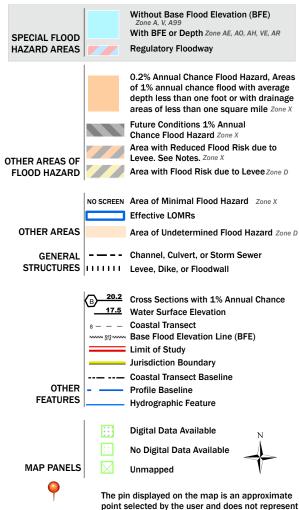
National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette





Legend

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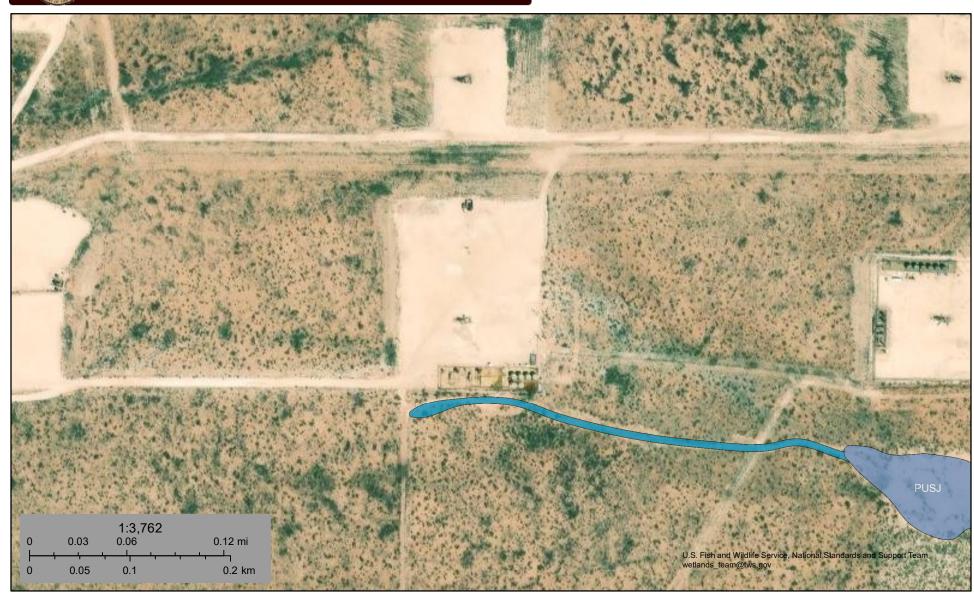
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Wetlands



April 11, 2024

Wetlands

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Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

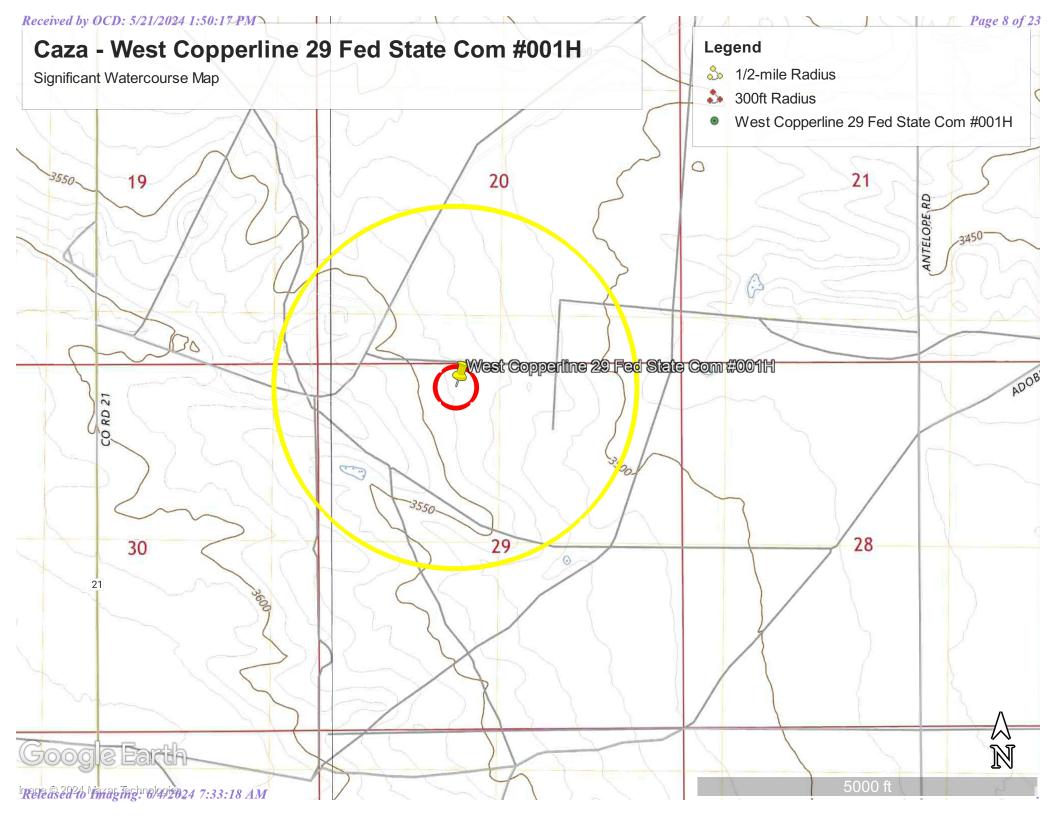
Freshwater Pond

Lake

Other

Riverine

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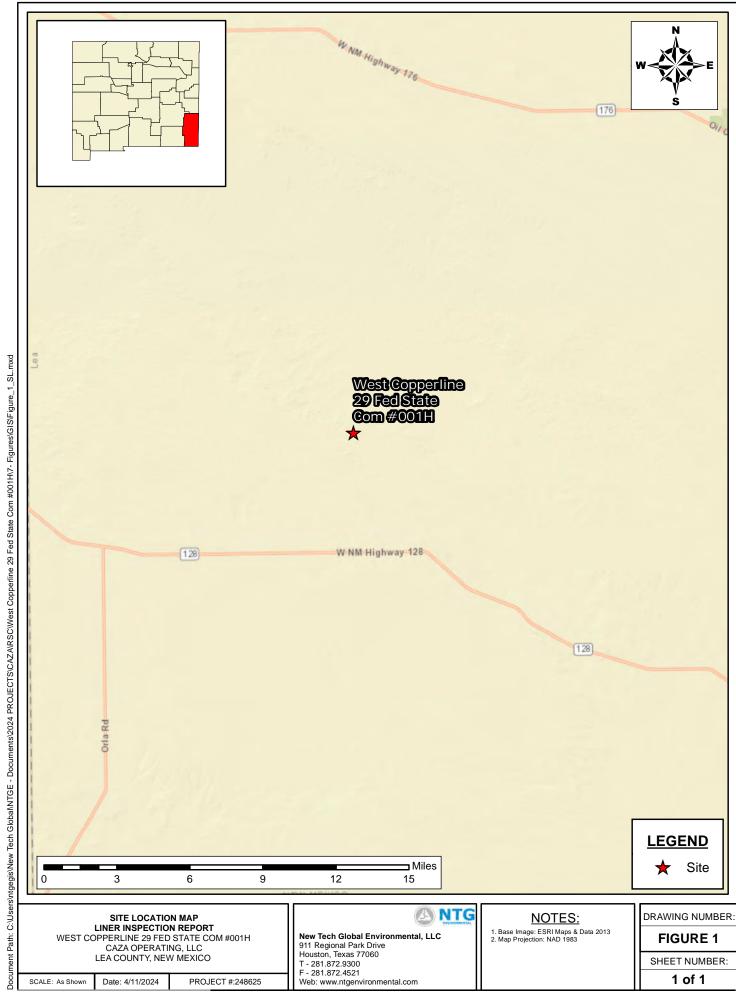


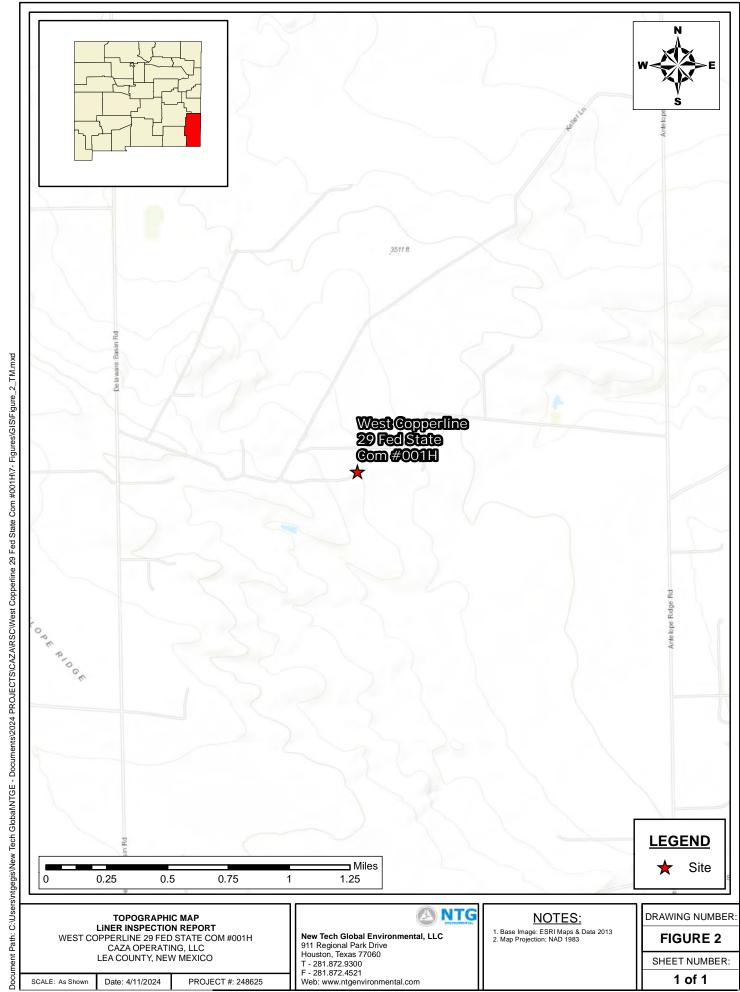


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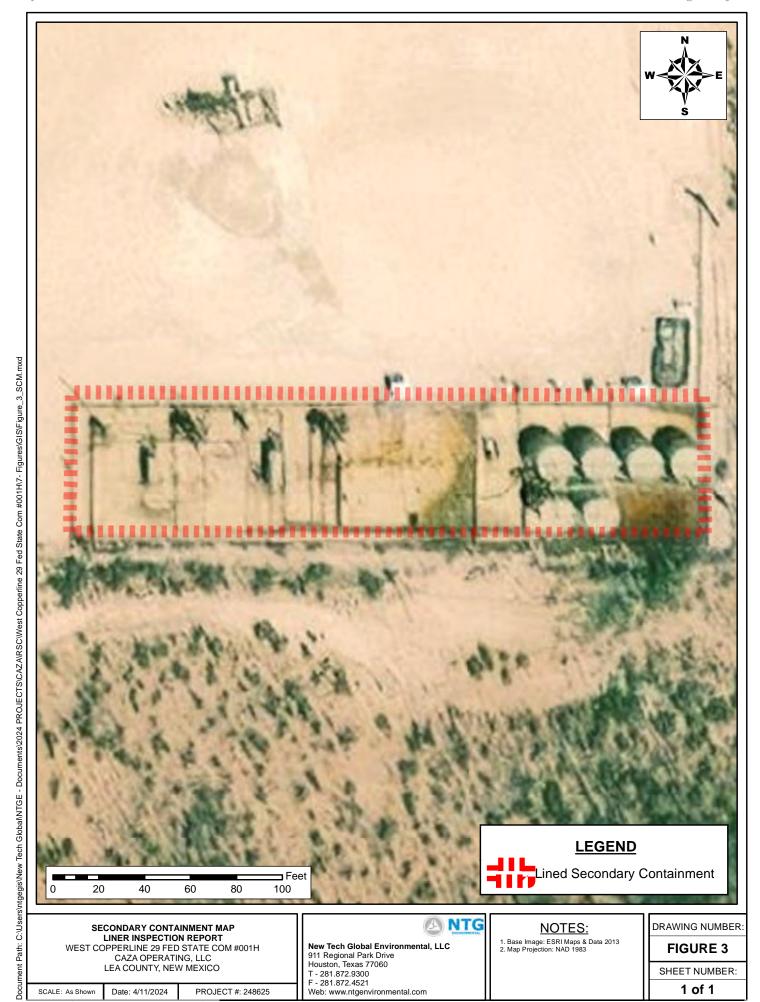
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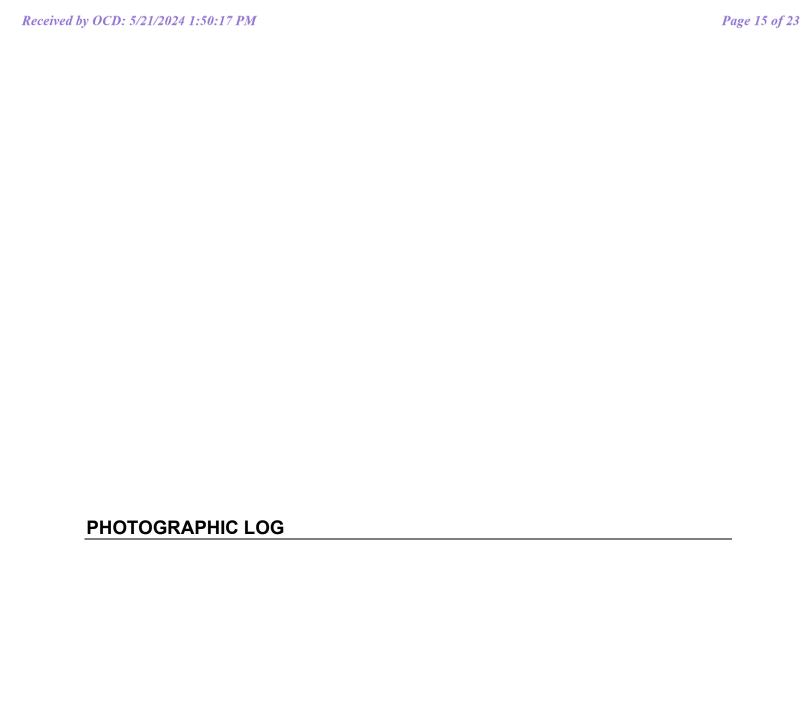
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West Copperline 29 Fed State Com #001H

Photograph No. 1

Facility: West Copperline 29 Fed State Com

#001H

County: Lea County, New Mexico

Description: View of Liner.



Photograph No. 2

Facility: West Copperline 29 Fed State Com

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County: Lea County, New Mexico

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Photograph No. 3

Facility: West Copperline 29 Fed State Com

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Description: View of Liner.



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West Copperline 29 Fed State Com #001H

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Description: View of Liner.



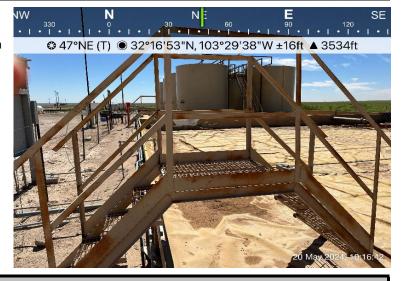
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QUESTIONS

Action 346415

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Operator:	OGRID:
CAZA OPERATING, LLC	249099
200 N Loraine St	Action Number:
Midland, TX 79701	346415
	Action Type:
	[C-141] Remediation Closure Request C-141 (C-141-v-Closure)

QUESTIONS

Prerequisites					
Incident ID (n#)	nAPP2410234931				
Incident Name	NAPP2410234931 WEST COPPERLINE 29 FED STATE COM #001H @ 30-025-41313				
Incident Type	Oil Release				
Incident Status	Remediation Closure Report Received				
Incident Well	[30-025-41313] WEST COPPERLINE 29 FED STATE COM #001H				

Location of Release Source					
Please answer all the questions in this group.					
Site Name	West Copperline 29 Fed State Com #001H				
Date Release Discovered	04/10/2024				
Surface Owner	Private				

Incident Details				
Please answer all the questions in this group.				
Incident Type	Oil Release			
Did this release result in a fire or is the result of a fire	No			
Did this release result in any injuries	No			
Has this release reached or does it have a reasonable probability of reaching a watercourse	No			
Has this release endangered or does it have a reasonable probability of endangering public health	No			
Has this release substantially damaged or will it substantially damage property or the environment	No			
Is this release of a volume that is or may with reasonable probability be detrimental to fresh water	No			

Nature and Volume of Release						
Material(s) released, please answer all that apply below. Any calculations or specific justifications for the volumes provided should be attached to the follow-up C-141 submission.						
Crude Oil Released (bbls) Details	Cause: Equipment Failure Treating Tower Crude Oil Released: 20 BBL Recovered: 20 BBL Lost: 0 BBL.					
Produced Water Released (bbls) Details	Not answered.					
Is the concentration of chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l	No					
Condensate Released (bbls) Details	Not answered.					
Natural Gas Vented (Mcf) Details	Not answered.					
Natural Gas Flared (Mcf) Details	Not answered.					
Other Released Details	Not answered.					
Are there additional details for the questions above (i.e. any answer containing Other, Specify, Unknown, and/or Fire, or any negative lost amounts)	Not answered.					

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Nature and Volume of Release (continued)	
Is this a gas only submission (i.e. only significant Mcf values reported)	No, according to supplied volumes this does not appear to be a "gas only" report.
Was this a major release as defined by Subsection A of 19.15.29.7 NMAC	No
Reasons why this would be considered a submission for a notification of a major release	Unavailable.
With the implementation of the 19.15.27 NMAC (05/25/2021), venting and/or flaring of natural gas (i.e.	e. gas only) are to be submitted on the C-129 form.
Initial Response The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a s	safety hazard that would result in injury
The source of the release has been stopped	True
The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment	True
Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices	True
All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately	True
If all the actions described above have not been undertaken, explain why	N/A
	ation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please prepare and attach a narrative of ted or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see Subparagraph (a) of Paragraph (5) of valuation in the follow-up C-141 submission.
to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releathe OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to a	knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD rules and regulations all operators are required asses which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface t does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or
I hereby agree and sign off to the above statement	Name: Kelly Arrendondo Title: Production Reporting Manager

Email: karredondo@ntglobal.com

Date: 04/29/2024

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Site Characterization						
Please answer all the questions in this group (only required when seeking remediation plan approval and beyond). This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.						
What is the shallowest depth to groundwater beneath the area affected by the release in feet below ground surface (ft bgs)	Between 100 and 500 (ft.)					
What method was used to determine the depth to ground water	NM OSE iWaters Database Search					
Did this release impact groundwater or surface water	No					
What is the minimum distance, between the closest lateral extents of the release ar	nd the following surface areas:					
A continuously flowing watercourse or any other significant watercourse	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
Any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
An occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
A spring or a private domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
Any other fresh water well or spring	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
Incorporated municipal boundaries or a defined municipal fresh water well field	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
A wetland	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
A subsurface mine	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
An (non-karst) unstable area	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
Categorize the risk of this well / site being in a karst geology	Low					
A 100-year floodplain	Greater than 5 (mi.)					
Did the release impact areas not on an exploration, development, production, or storage site	No					

Remediation Plan		
Please answer all the questions that apply or are indicated. This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.		
Requesting a remediation plan approval with this submission	Yes	
Attach a comprehensive report demonstrating the lateral and vertical extents of soil contamination associated with the release have been determined, pursuant to 19.15.29.11 NMAC and 19.15.29.13 NMAC.		
Have the lateral and vertical extents of contamination been fully delineated	Yes	
Was this release entirely contained within a lined containment area	Yes	
Per Subsection B of 19.15.29.11 NMAC unless the site characterization report includes completed efforts at remediation, the report must include a proposed remediation plan in accordance with 19.15.29.12 NMAC, which includes the anticipated timelines for beginning and completing the remediation.		
On what estimated date will the remediation commence	05/13/2024	
On what date will (or did) the final sampling or liner inspection occur	05/20/2024	
On what date will (or was) the remediation complete(d)	05/13/2024	
What is the estimated surface area (in square feet) that will be remediated	16735	
What is the estimated volume (in cubic yards) that will be remediated	0	
These estimated dates and measurements are recognized to be the best guess or calculation at the time of submission and may (be) change(d) over time as more remediation efforts are completed.		

The OCD recognizes that proposed remediation measures may have to be minimally adjusted in accordance with the physical realities encountered during remediation. If the responsible party has any need to significantly deviate from the remediation plan proposed, then it should consult with the division to determine if another remediation plan submission is required.

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Remediation Plan (continued)		
Please answer all the questions that apply or are indicated. This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.		
This remediation will (or is expected to) utilize the following processes to remediate / reduce contaminants:		
(Select all answers below that apply.)		
Is (or was) there affected material present needing to be removed	Yes	
Is (or was) there a power wash of the lined containment area (to be) performed	Yes	
OTHER (Non-listed remedial process)	Not answered.	
Per Subsection B of 19 15 29 11 NMAC unless the site characterization report includes completed efforts at remediation, the report must include a proposed remediation plan in accordance with 19 15 29 12 NMAC		

Per Subsection B of 19.15.29.11 NMAC unless the site characterization report includes completed efforts at remediation, the report must include a proposed remediation plan in accordance with 19.15.29.12 NMAC which includes the anticipated timelines for beginning and completing the remediation.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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.

I hereby agree and sign off to the above statement

Name: Kelly Arrendondo
Title: Production Reporting Manager
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Date: 05/21/2024

The OCD recognizes that proposed remediation measures may have to be minimally adjusted in accordance with the physical realities encountered during remediation. If the responsible party has any need to significantly deviate from the remediation plan proposed, then it should consult with the division to determine if another remediation plan submission is required.

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QUESTIONS

Liner Inspection Information	
Last liner inspection notification (C-141L) recorded	345097
Liner inspection date pursuant to Subparagraph (a) of Paragraph (5) of Subsection A of 19.15.29.11 NMAC	05/20/2024
Was all the impacted materials removed from the liner	Yes
What was the liner inspection surface area in square feet	16735

Remediation Closure Request		
Only answer the questions in this group if seeking remediation closure for this release because all remediation steps have been completed.		
Requesting a remediation closure approval with this submission	Yes	
Have the lateral and vertical extents of contamination been fully delineated	Yes	
Was this release entirely contained within a lined containment area	Yes	
What was the total surface area (in square feet) remediated	16735	
What was the total volume (cubic yards) remediated	0	
Summarize any additional remediation activities not included by answers (above)	The 16,735 square feet "remediated" was all in lined containment.	

The responsible party must attach information demonstrating they have complied with all applicable closure requirements and any conditions or directives of the OCD. This demonstration should be in the form of a comprehensive report (in .pdf format) including a scaled site map, sampling diagrams, relevant field notes, photographs of any excavation prior to backfilling, laboratory data including chain of custody documents of final sampling, and a narrative of the remedial activities. Refer to 19.15.29.12 NMAC.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD 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 OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD 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. The responsible party acknowledges they must substantially restore, reclaim, and re-vegetate the impacted surface area to the conditions that existed prior to the release or their final land use in accordance with 19.15.29.13 NMAC including notification to the OCD when reclamation and re-vegetation are complete.

I hereby agree and sign off to the above statement

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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
nvelez	Liner inspection approved, release resolved.	6/4/2024