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# Application Part I

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#### State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

#### □ AMENDED REPORT

#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	Pool Code <b>97869</b>	Pool Name SWD; DEVONIA	AN
Property Code		operty Name RY FED SWD	Well Number #1
OGRID No. 371643	SOLARIS WATE	Elevation 3639'	
	Surfa	ca Location	

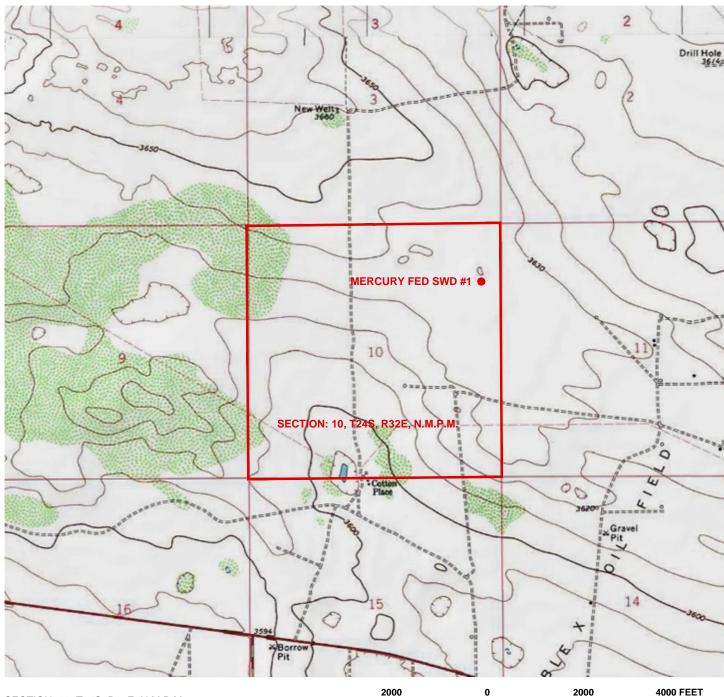
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	А	10	24S	32E		1220' NORTH		400'	EAST	LEA	
	Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface										

UL or lot no.	Section	Township	Range Lot Id		Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-
Dedicated Acres	Joint or	Infill	Consolidated Co	le Orde	r No.				
5.51									

No allowable will be assigned to this completion until all interests have been consolidated or a non-standard unit has been approved by the division.

NW CORNER           LAT.: 32.2393072°N           LON.: -103.6710430°W           4           3           9	NE CORNER           LAT.: 32.2394001°N           LON.: -103.6539535°W           3           0           0           0           0           0	2 11	OPERATOR CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.
	SHL MERCURY FED SWD #1 GR. ELEV. = 3639' <u>NMSP-E (NAD 83)</u> N.(Y): = 450266.2' E.(X): = 750996.7' LAT.: = 32.2360386° N LON.: = 103.6552512° W <u>NMSP-E (NAD 27)</u> N.(Y): = 450207.3' E.(X): = 709812.7' LAT.: = 32.2359150° N LON.: = 103.6547703° W		Signature       Date         Print Name
9 16 15 SW CORNER LAT.: 32.2248002°N		<u> </u>	April 16, 2019 Date of Survey Signature and Seal of Protessingal Serveyor. 14729 Job Ko.: WTC53197 JAMES E. TOMPKINS 14729

### LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SECTION: 10, T24S, R32E, N.M.P.M.

COUNTY: <u>LEA</u> STATE: <u>NEW MEXICO</u>

DESCRIPTION: 1220' FNL & 400' FEL

OPERATOR: SOLARIS WATER MIDSTREAM, LLC

WELL NAME: MERCURY FED SWD #1

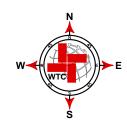
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SCALE: 1" = 2000'



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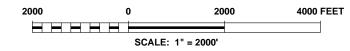
### **AERIAL MAP**



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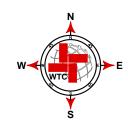


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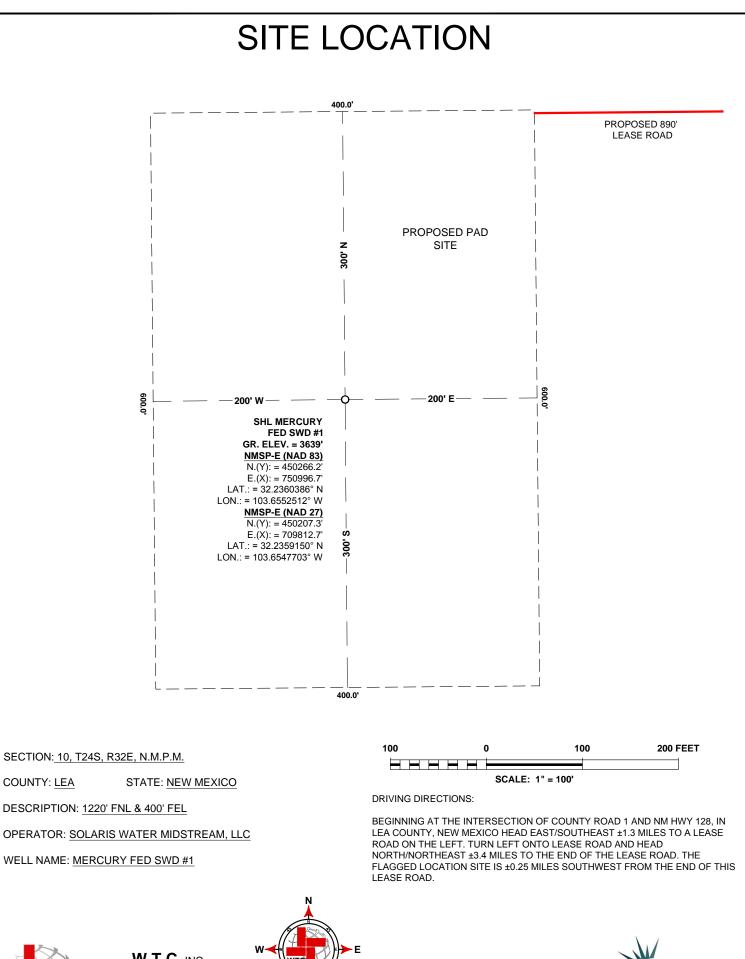
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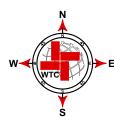




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#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

#### APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INJECT

	APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INJECT
I.	URPOSE:Secondary RecoveryPressure MaintenanceXDisposalStorage pplication qualifies for administrative approval?YesNo
II.	PERATOR: _Solaris Water Midstream, LLC
	DDRESS:907 Tradewinds Blvd, Suite B, Midland, TX 79706
	ONTACT PARTY:Randall Hicks (Agent)PHONE:505 238 9515
III.	/ELL DATA: Complete the data required on the reverse side of this form for each well proposed for injection. Additional sheets may be attached if necessary.
IV.	this an expansion of an existing project?YesXNo
V.	ttach a map that identifies all wells and leases within two miles of any proposed injection well with a one-half mile radius circle rawn around each proposed injection well. This circle identifies the well's area of review.
VI.	ttach a tabulation of data on all wells of public record within the area of review which penetrate the proposed injection zone. Such ata shall include a description of each well's type, construction, date drilled, location, depth, record of completion, and a schemation f any plugged well illustrating all plugging detail.
VII.	ttach data on the proposed operation, including:
	<ul> <li>Proposed average and maximum daily rate and volume of fluids to be injected;</li> <li>Whether the system is open or closed;</li> <li>Proposed average and maximum injection pressure;</li> <li>Sources and an appropriate analysis of injection fluid and compatibility with the receiving formation if other than reinjected produced water; and,</li> <li>If injection is for disposal purposes into a zone not productive of oil or gas at or within one mile of the proposed well, attach a chemical analysis of the disposal zone formation water (may be measured or inferred from existing literature, studies, nearby wells, etc.).</li> </ul>
*VIII.	Attach appropriate geologic data on the injection zone including appropriate lithologic detail, geologic name, thickness, and depth Give the geologic name, and depth to bottom of all underground sources of drinking water (aquifers containing waters with total lissolved solids concentrations of 10,000 mg/l or less) overlying the proposed injection zone as well as any such sources known to be immediately underlying the injection interval.
IX.	escribe the proposed stimulation program, if any.
*X.	ttach appropriate logging and test data on the well. (If well logs have been filed with the Division, they need not be resubmitted)
*XI.	ttach a chemical analysis of fresh water from two or more fresh water wells (if available and producing) within one mile of any jection or disposal well showing location of wells and dates samples were taken.
XII.	Applicants for disposal wells must make an affirmative statement that they have examined available geologic and engineering data and find no evidence of open faults or any other hydrologic connection between the disposal zone and any underground sources of linking water.
XIII.	pplicants must complete the "Proof of Notice" section on the reverse side of this form.
XIV.	ertification: I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and elief. AME:

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_ Kandul H

\_\_\_\_\_DATE: \_\_\_7/15//2019\_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_R@rthicksconsult.com\_\_\_\_

\* If the information required under Sections VI, VIII, X, and XI above has been previously submitted, it need not be resubmitted. Please show the date and circumstances of the earlier submittal: \_\_\_\_\_\_

- III. WELL DATA
- A. The following well data must be submitted for each injection well covered by this application. The data must be both in tabular and schematic form and shall include:
  - (1) Lease name; Well No.; Location by Section, Township and Range; and footage location within the section.
  - (2) Each casing string used with its size, setting depth, sacks of cement used, hole size, top of cement, and how such top was determined.
  - (3) A description of the tubing to be used including its size, lining material, and setting depth.
  - (4) The name, model, and setting depth of the packer used or a description of any other seal system or assembly used.

Division District Offices have supplies of Well Data Sheets which may be used or which may be used as models for this purpose. Applicants for several identical wells may submit a "typical data sheet" rather than submitting the data for each well.

- B. The following must be submitted for each injection well covered by this application. All items must be addressed for the initial well. Responses for additional wells need be shown only when different. Information shown on schematics need not be repeated.
  - (1) The name of the injection formation and, if applicable, the field or pool name.
  - (2) The injection interval and whether it is perforated or open-hole.
  - (3) State if the well was drilled for injection or, if not, the original purpose of the well.
  - (4) Give the depths of any other perforated intervals and detail on the sacks of cement or bridge plugs used to seal off such perforations.
  - (5) Give the depth to and the name of the next higher and next lower oil or gas zone in the area of the well, if any.

#### XIV. PROOF OF NOTICE

All applicants must furnish proof that a copy of the application has been furnished, by certified or registered mail, to the owner of the surface of the land on which the well is to be located and to each leasehold operator within one-half mile of the well location.

Where an application is subject to administrative approval, a proof of publication must be submitted. Such proof shall consist of a copy of the legal advertisement which was published in the county in which the well is located. The contents of such advertisement must include:

- (1) The name, address, phone number, and contact party for the applicant;
- (2) The intended purpose of the injection well; with the exact location of single wells or the Section, Township, and Range location of multiple wells;
- (3) The formation name and depth with expected maximum injection rates and pressures; and,

(4) A notation that interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing with the Oil Conservation Division, 1220 South St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, within 15 days.

#### NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON THE APPLICATION UNTIL PROPER PROOF OF NOTICE HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

NOTICE: Surface owners or offset operators must file any objections or requests for hearing of administrative applications within 15 days from the date this application was mailed to them.

#### **INJECTION WELL DATA SHEET**

OPERATOR:Solaris Water Midstream, LLC				
WELL NAME & NUMBER: _Mercury Fed SWD #1				
WELL LOCATION: <u>1220 FNL 400 FEL</u> FOOTAGE LOCATION	A UNIT LETTER	10 SECTION	24S TOWNSHIP	<u>32E</u> RANGE
<u>WELLBORE SCHEMATIC</u>		<u>WELL C</u> Surface	<u>ONSTRUCTION DAT</u> Casing	<u>[] []</u>
	Hole Size:See A	Attachments	Casing Size:	
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		Intermedia	te Casing	
	Hole Size:		Casing Size:	
	Cemented with:	SX.	or	ft <sup>3</sup>
	Top of Cement:		Method Determine	d:
		Productio	n Casing	
	Hole Size:		Casing Size:	
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	Top of Cement:		Method Determine	d:
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(Perforated or Open Hole; indicate which)

Side 1

#### **INJECTION WELL DATA SHEET**

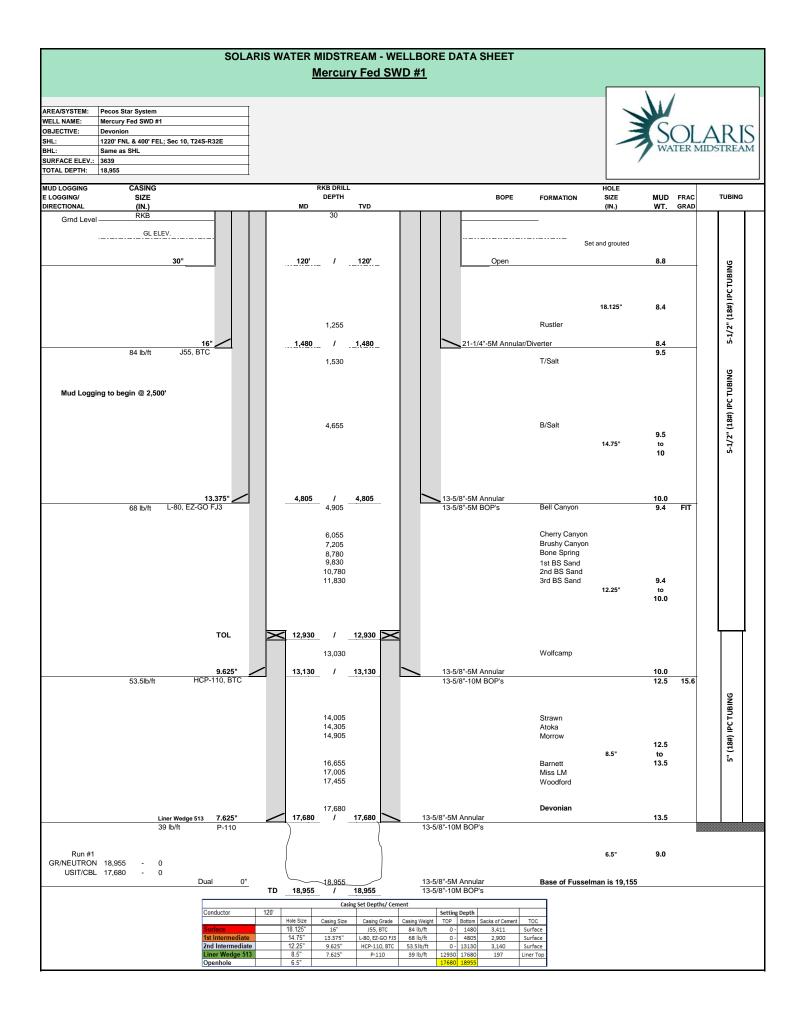
Tut	bing Size:See AttachmentsLining Material:
Typ	De of Packer:
Pac	eker Setting Depth:
Oth	er Type of Tubing/Casing Seal (if applicable):
	Additional Data
1.	Is this a new well drilled for injection?X_YesNo
	If no, for what purpose was the well originally drilled?
2.	Name of the Injection Formation:Proposed: SWD, Devonian-Silurian
3.	Name of Field or Pool (if applicable):
4.	Has the well ever been perforated in any other zone(s)? List all such perforated intervals and give plugging detail, i.e. sacks of cement or plug(s) usedNo
5.	Give the name and depths of any oil or gas zones underlying or overlying the proposed injection zone in this area: _See Attachments

### Attachments to C-108

Copy of well bore diagram

Section III-XII Written descriptions to supplement C-108 Plates referenced in written descriptions Tables referenced in written descriptions OCD well reports referenced in written descriptions OSE well logs referenced in written descriptions

Section XIII Proof of Notice



#### **III. WELL DATA**

# A. The following well data must be submitted for each injection well covered by this application. The data must be both in tabular and schematic form and shall include

#### 1. Lease name; Well No.; Location by Section, Township and Range; and footage location within the section

Lease Name: Mercury Fed SWD #1 Unit Letter A, Section 10, T24S R32E, 1220 FNL, 400 FEL

# 2. Each casing string used with its size, setting depth, sacks of cement used, hole size, top of cement, and how such top was determined

The attached Wellbore Data Sheet provides all of the design specifics required and a tabulation of these data are shown on the diagram.

The formation tops were established by Jim Brannigan, R.G. CPG. Tops were picked in part using the Owl SWD Operating, LLC #2 McCloy SWD #2 in Section 15-T24S-R32E, and other elogs, scout tickets, and GeoMap tops.

The result of the evaluation of Mr. Brannigan is presented to the right (Figure 1).

#### 3. A description of the tubing to be used including its size, lining material, and setting depth

5-1/2" (20#) internal plastic coated tubing swaged down to 5" (18#) with setting depth of 17,680'

#### 4. The name, model, and setting depth of the packer used or a description of any other seal system or assembly used

Halliburton BWS or equivalent packer set at 17,580'.

Figu	re 1	Figure 1								
Formation	GL	3639								
Tops	КВ	3669								
	SS	TVD								
Rustler	2414	1255								
T/Salt	2139	1530								
B/Salt	-986	4655								
Lamar										
Bell Canyon	-1236	4905								
Cherry Canyon	-2386	6055								
Brushy Canyon	-3536	7205								
Bone Spring	-5111	8780								
1st BS Sand	-6161	9830								
2nd BS Sand	-7111	10780								
3rd BS Sand	-8161	11830								
Wolfcamp	-9361	13030								
Penn										
Cisco										
Canyon										
Strawn	-10336	14005								
Atoka	-10636	14305								
Morrow	-11236	14905								
Morrow Clastics										
Morrow Lower										
Barnett	-12986	16655								
Miss LM	-13336	17005								
Woodford	-13786	17455								
Devonian	-14011	17680								
Fusselman	-14761	18430								
T/Montoya	-15486	19155								
Simpson	-16011	19680								
Ellenburger	-16661	20330								
Gtanite Injection Interval	17680	18955								
TD		955								
10	10	333								

B. The following must be submitted for each injection well covered by this application. All items must be addressed for the initial well. Responses for additional wells need be shown only when different. Information shown on schematics need not be repeated.

# (1) The name of the injection formation and, if applicable, the field or pool name

The proposed injection intervals include both the Devonian and Fusselman in an openhole interval.

# (2) The injection interval and whether it is perforated or open-hole.

The depth interval of the open-hole injection interval is 17,680-18,955 (1,275 feet).

# (3) State if the well was drilled for injection or, if not, the original purpose of the well.

The well will be drilled for disposal.

#### (4) Give the depths of any other perforated intervals and detail on the sacks of cement or bridge plugs used to seal off such perforations

There are no perforated intervals, only the open-hole completion described above.

# (5) Give the depth to and the name of the next higher and next lower oil or gas zone in the area of the well, if any.

#### **Overlying Oil & Gas Zones:**

Bell Canyon (4,875')Cherry Canyon (6,025')Brushy Canyon (7,175')1<sup>st</sup> BS Sand (9,800')2<sup>nd</sup> BS Sand (10,750')3<sup>rd</sup> BS Sand (11,800')Wolfcamp (13,000')Strawn (13,975')Atoka (14,275')Morrow (14,875')

#### Underlying Oil & Gas Zones:

None Exist

The proposed injection intervals include the Devonian and part of the Fusselman formations. The highly cemented carbonates of the Devonian and deeper formations will provide favorable open hole integrity in which to inject salt water without concern of the open hole section collapsing.

## IV. Is this an expansion of an existing project $_{\rm No.}$

#### V. Attach a map that identifies all wells and leases within two miles of any proposed injection well with a one-half mile radius circle drawn around each proposed injection well. This circle identifies the well's area of review

Plate 1a identifies all OCD listed wells and API numbers and shows circles with radii of 0.5, 1.0, and 2.0 miles. Note that where numerous wells are closely-spaced, the API number may not be labeled for clarity. New wells, active wells, plugged wells, and canceled wells have color-coded symbols. Plate 1b shows only new and active wells and circles with radii of 0.5 and 1.0 miles.

Table 1 lists all of the wells shown on Plate 1a within the circle having a 2.0 mile radius.

- Plate 2a presents the lease numbers for SLO and BLM oil and gas leases within the 2-mile area of review.
- Plate 2b presents State, BLM, and private surface ownership for the same area.
- Table 2a lists the BLM leaseholders for the lease numbers presented on Plate 2a
- Table 2b lists the SLO leaseholders for the lease numbers presented on Plate 2a.
- Table 2c presents surface ownership information for the land within the 2-mile area of review.

The Federal Government owns the surface upon which the SWD is located.

#### VI. Attach a tabulation of data on all wells of public record within the area of review which penetrate the proposed injection zone. Such data shall include a description of each well's type, construction, date drilled, location, depth, record of completion, and a schematic of any plugged well illustrating all plugging detail

According to the data presented in Table 1, there is one well (API # 30 025-42947) within the 2.0-mile radius area of review that penetrates the proposed injection zone.

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MCCLOY S	SWD #002	1	L-15-24S-32E	18776	[96101] SV	VD, DEVONIAN	OCT, 20

This well is located 1.75 miles southwest of the proposed Mercury SWD location (see Plate 1a). It is listed as an active SWD. The Well Completion Report (C-105) is attached.

#### VII. Attach data on the proposed operation, including:

# 1. Proposed average and maximum daily rate and volume of fluids to be injected

Proposed Maximum Injection Rate: 40,000 bbl/day Proposed Average Injection Rate: 30,000 bbl/day

#### 2. Whether the system is open or closed

This will be an open system. All Solaris SWDs may receive produced water from recycling storage facilities, such as in-ground containments or above-ground steel-walled containments, which are registered or permitted under Rule 34.

#### 3. Proposed average and maximum injection pressure

Proposed Maximum Injection Pressure: 3,500 psi Proposed Average Injection Rate: 2,425 psi

#### 4. Sources and an appropriate analysis of injection fluid and compatibility with the receiving formation if other than reinjected produced water

The attached Table 3 "Produced Water" provides the requisite analyses. The Delaware-Brushy Canyon, Avalon, and Bone Springs Formations are the subjects of the analyses. These formations, in addition to the Wolfcamp Formation, will provide most of the produced water to the proposed SWD. At the time of writing, we are unaware of any problems associated with disposal of produced water derived from the Delaware-Brushy Canyon, Avalon, Bone Springs, and Wolfcamp Formations into the Devonian injection zone.

#### 5. If injection is for disposal purposes into a zone not productive of oil or gas at or within one mile of the proposed well, attach a chemical analysis of the disposal zone formation water (may be measured or inferred from existing literature, studies, nearby wells, etc.).

Table 4 presents formational water quality data from the Go-Tech site for Devonianproducing wells. The closest wells (3 in T23S, R34E) in Table 4 are approximately 12 miles to the east. The other wells in Table 4 are located either 30 miles east or 30 miles west-northwest of the Mercury SWD. The value of these data for the purpose of evaluating potential problems relating to the injections of produced water into the proposed injection interval is probably poor. As stated above, we are unaware of any problems associated with disposal of produced water derived from the Delaware, Avalon, Bone Springs, and Wolfcamp Formations into the Devonian injection zone.

# \*VIII. Attach appropriate geologic data on the injection zone including appropriate lithologic detail, geologic name, thickness, and depth.

The proposed injection intervals include both the Devonian and Fusselman in an openhole interval. The highly cemented carbonate nature of the Devonian and Fusselman indicate that favorable open-hole integrity will exist, allowing for the saltwater to be injected without concern of collapse in the open-hole injection interval.

As indicated in Section III.A.2, the approximate depths to the top of the Devonian and the base of the Fusselman are 17,680 and 19,155 respectively. The injection depth interval of 17,680-18,955 (1,275 feet) is contained within these Formations.

#### Give the geologic name, and depth to bottom of all underground sources of drinking water (aquifers containing waters with total dissolved solids concentrations of 10,000 mg/l or less) overlying the proposed injection zone as well as any such sources known to be immediately underlying the injection interval.

In this area of Lea County, the Chinle yields water to wells from 100-200 feet below the ground surface (bgs) to a depth of about 600 feet. The material above the Chinle Formation to ground surface is mapped as alluvium. It is most probably reworked Ogallala material.

The upper portion of the Rustler Formation yields fresh water to wells in southeastern Eddy County and in southwestern Lea County, the location of the Mercury SWD. The depth interval of this potential source of fresh water is about 700-1000 feet.

The locations of all water supply wells listed in public databases are shown in Plate 3. There exist three wells within two miles of the location of the Mercury SWD.

The closest water well (USGS-14849) is about 0.75 miles northwest of the Mercury SWD location. Depth to water was recorded as 454.43 feet in 1976. North of this well and about 0.9 miles northwest of the Mercury SWD is MISC-12. This well has a windmill associated with it and supplies water for stock. It has a recorded depth to water of 198.2 feet in 1970. This data suggests that these two wells access water within the Chinle Formation.

Southwest of the Mercury SWD location by about 0.95 miles is USGS-14952 with a depth to water of 33.96 feet in 2010. A ranch house and buildings are associated with this well. While this area is not mapped as Ogallala Formation, the alluvial material from the surface to the top of the Chinle Formation is reworked Ogallala material. The data suggest that USGS-14952 accesses water within this material.

The location of nearby mapped surface water bodies are shown in Plate 4. Three Lake/Ponds are mapped at distances of between 1.0 and 1.7 miles southwest and south of the Mercury SWD location.

In the area of the Mercury SWD, the depth interval of the Rustler is about 700-1000 feet bgs, according to the BLM and OCD. We agree with this assessment. The bottom of the Rustler Formation is characterized by evaporates (anhydrite) and is not considered an underground source of drinking water. Hence, the surface casing required by OCD to prevent impairment of fresh water will be from ground surface to a depth of 1,480 feet at the proposed Mercury SWD.

#### IX. Describe the proposed stimulation program, if any

A cleanup acid job may be used to remove mud and drill cuttings from the formation. However, no other formation stimulation is currently planned.

# \*X. Attach appropriate logging and test data on the well. (If well logs have been filed with the Division, they need not be resubmitted)

Logs will be submitted to OCD upon completion of the well.

<u>\*</u>XI. Attach a chemical analysis of fresh water from two or more fresh water wells (if available and producing) within one mile of any injection or disposal well showing location of wells and dates samples were taken

No analysis of the wells described above in Section VIII is available. Data from various sources permit a conclusion that groundwater within the Chinle Formation is potable. In this area, groundwater in the underlying Rustler formation may be relatively brackish.

#### XII. Applicants for disposal wells must make an affirmative statement that they have examined available geologic and engineering data and find no evidence of open faults or any other hydrologic connection between the disposal zone and any underground sources of drinking water

Randall T. Hicks, a Professional Geologist with decades of experience in hydrogeology, affirms, on behalf of Solaris Water Midstream, that

- The USGS has mapped quaternary faults in New Mexico and no such faults are mapped in the area of the proposed Mercury Fed SWD  $1^1$
- The Texas Bureau of Economic Geology has mapped older faults (e.g. basement and Woodford) in New Mexico and the closest mapped fault is about 8 miles to the east<sup>2</sup>

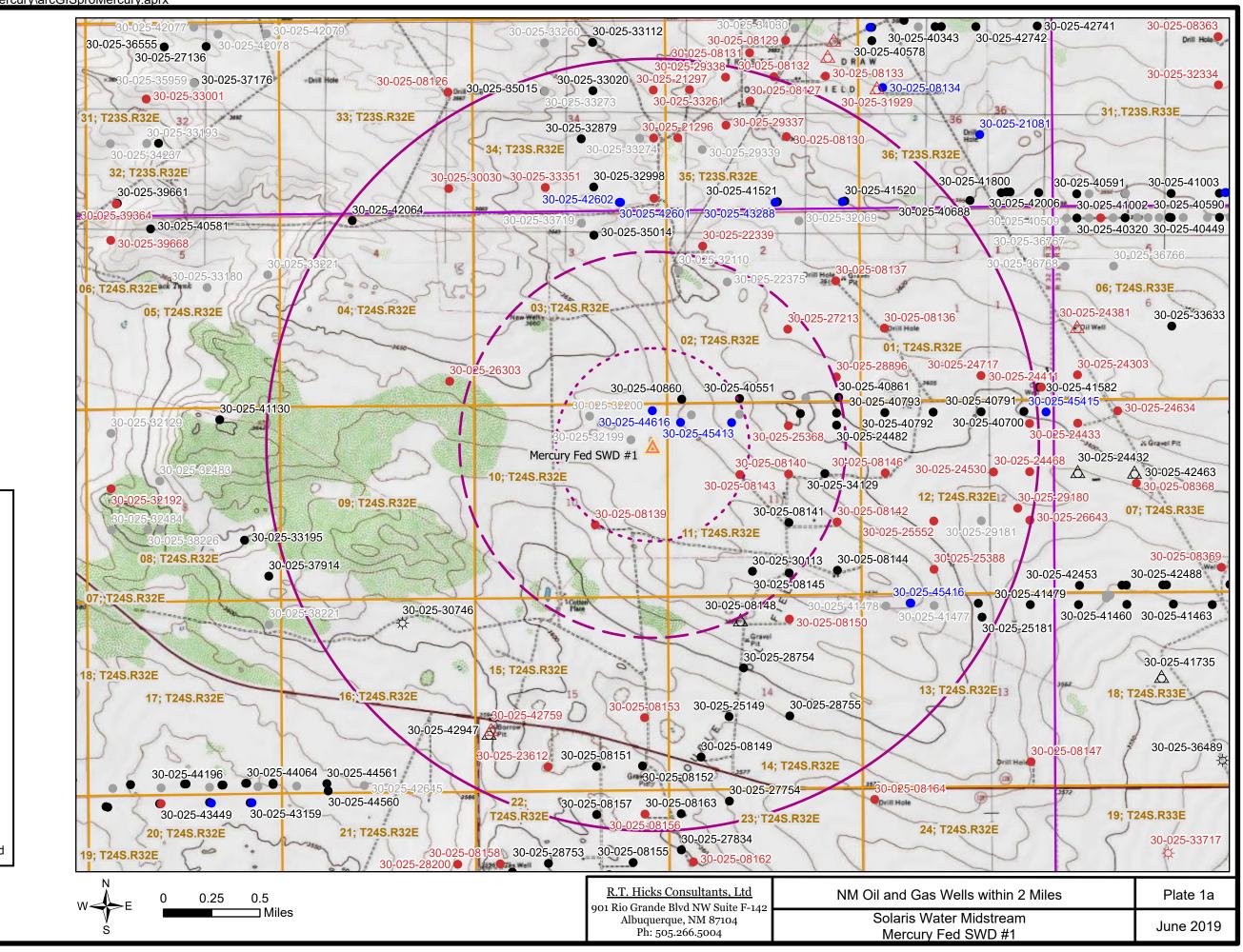
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://usgs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=5a6038b3a1684561a9b0aadf88412fcf</u>

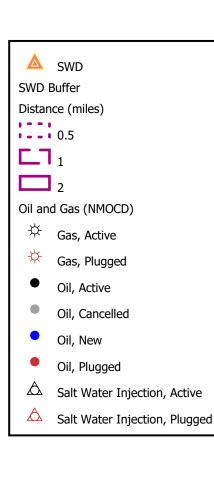
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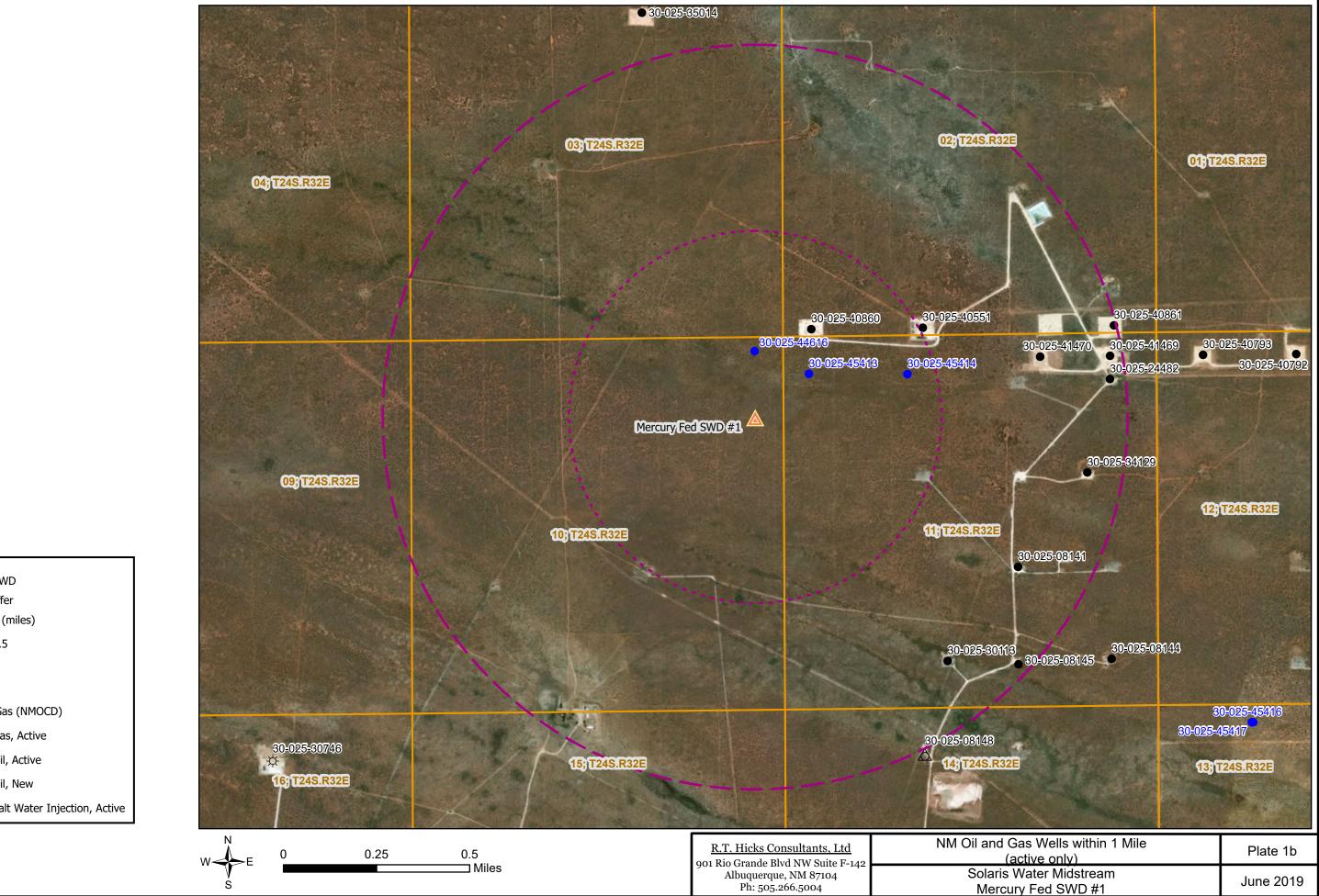
- With respect to migration of produced water from the injection zone to underground sources of drinking water via faults or other natural conduits, the following conditions were considered
  - The lowest underground source of drinking water is the middle and upper Rustler Formation.
  - More than 15,000 feet of sedimentary rock separates the bottom of the Rustler Formation and the top of the injection zone. Many of the formations that lie between the injection zone and the lowermost aquifer are permeable and contain oil, gas or water at various pressures. Any excursion of injected fluids from the Devonian disposal zone would undoubtedly enter these permeable formations prior to moving through the 2400-foot low-permeability salt zone that underlies the Rustler Formation.
  - There is no evidence that the pressure regime in the oil and gas reservoirs is sufficient to cause the upward migration of formation water through the bedded salt and into the Rustler or Chinle aquifers.
- There is no evidence of open faults or any other hydrologic connection between the disposal zone and any underground sources of drinking water

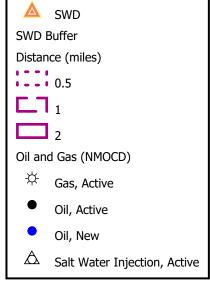
### Plates

- Plate 1 OCD wells within the area of review
- Plate 2 Mineral leases within the area of review
- Plate 3 Water supply wells within the area of review
- Plate 4 Surface water within the area of review









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