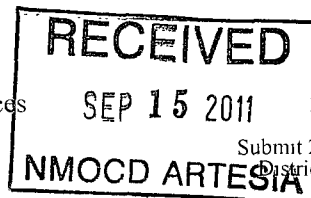


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Form C-141
Revised October 10, 2003
Submit 2 Copies to appropriate District Office in accordance with Rule 116 on back side of form

30-015-26883

Release Notification and Corrective Action

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OPERATOR

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company: Linn Energy	269324	Contact: Joe Hernandez
Address: 2130 W Bender Blvd. - Hobbs, NM		Telephone No.: 575-942-8675
Facility Name: Max Friess "MA" Tank Battery- Well #7		Facility Type: Oil and Produced Water Tank Battery
Surface Owner: State of NM	Mineral Owner: BLM	Lease No.: LC-065014

LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section 30	Township 17S	Range 31E	Feet from the 2610	North/South Line N	Feet from the 1460	East/West Line E	County Eddy
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Latitude: 32.808228 Longitude: -103.905249

NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release: Oil/Produced Water	Volume of Release: 25/3 bbl	Volume Recovered: 25
Source of Release: Heater Treated	Date and Hour of Occurrence: 09/09/11 - 1500	Date and Hour of Discovery: 09/09/11 - 1515
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? M Bratcher - OCD Artesia, T Gregston - BLM	
By Whom? D. Potter	Date and Hour: 09/09/11 - 1600	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.*:

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.*: Heater treater over-pressured casing pop-off valve on the top of the unit and the pressure relief valve on the bottom of the unit to open.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.*: Overspray from the top of the unit impacted an area ~ 50' x 90' on the pad. Hydrocarbons from the pressure relief valve flowed outside of the south side of the containment moving westward. The impacted area on the south side is approximately 180' long by 10-15' wide. Vertical impact ranges from 3-6". Corrective action plan attached.

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

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Signature:

Printed Name: Jose Hernandez

Title: Foreman

E-mail Address: jhernandez@linenergy.com

Date: 09/13/11

Phone: 575-738-1739

Signed By M/L Bratcher
Approved by District Supervisor:

Approval Date: DEC 19 2011

Expiration Date:

Conditions of Approval:

Attached ☐

Remediation per OCD Rules &
Guidelines. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION
PROPOSAL NOT LATER THAN:**

1/19/2012

2RP-975
(LATE ENTRY)

* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

From: Fred Holmes [fred@etechnv.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2011 12:49 PM
To: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; tgregsto@blm.gov
Cc: 'Daniel Frick'; 'Ron Ragland'; 'Joe Hernandez'
Subject: Max Friess Tank Battery Initial C-141 Amendment
Attachments: Max Friess MA Tank Battery Well #7 C-141 Initial 091311.pdf

Categories: Red Category

Terry & Mike:

Please find attached an amended C-141 for the Max Friess Tank Battery release that I submitted on January 13th. The C-141 has been amended to include the Well #7 as part of the association with the site for recordkeeping purposes. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Regards,

Fred Holmes

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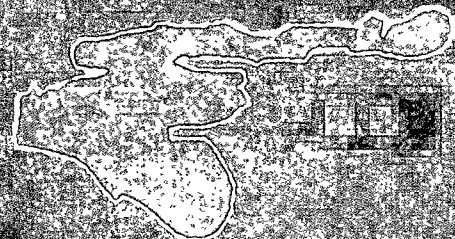
From: Gregston, Terry G [tgregsto@blm.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2011 1:00 PM
To: Fred Holmes; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Cc: 'Daniel Frick'; 'Ron Ragland'; 'Joe Hernandez'
Subject: RE: Max Friess Tank Battery, section 30, T17s, R31e, SWNE
Attachments: Max Friess Tank Battery-090911 spill-spill map-091211.jpg

Gentlemen,

After a conference with Jim Amos, BLM, we have made the determination that the Max Friess Tank battery is a federal mineral state surface tank battery. So cleanup plans will need to be submitted to both the OCD and BLM. I am forwarding a spill map of the site for your reference.

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MAX FRIESS, MA #006

Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

From: Gregston, Terry G [tgregsto@blm.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 05, 2011 4:37 PM
To: dfrick@linenergy.com; RRagland@linenergy.com; JHernandez@linenergy.com;
fred@etechenv.com; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; boonearch@yahoo.com
Subject: Max Friess MA 7, spills 1 & 2; arch clearances, spill map
Attachments: Max Friess MA 7-093011 spill map-100311.jpg

Gentlemen,

I am a little confused by the spills located near the Max Friess MA 7 well. It appears that there are two different spills from two different flowlines in very close to the same area. Fluids in each surveyed spill site were also of a different nature; one had more oil associated with it, the other had more produced water. So I currently have it listed as two different spill events. Please let me know if these spills are two spills from two different flowlines or just one spill.

Both of these spills fall within a previously surveyed area and are not within a known eligible arch site. The operator can proceed with delineation and cleanup plan submittal.

Spill map is attached.

Thank you for your attention to these concerns,

Terry Gregston

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T17S, R31E, sec 30

Spill: Saltwater 0 0976

Spill A

Spill: Oil 0 1463

Spill B

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MAX FRIESS MAT 007

Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

From: Fred Holmes [fred@etechnv.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 3:18 PM
To: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Cc: 'Daniel Frick'; Joe Hernandez; 'Ron Ragland'
Subject: Max Friess MA Tank Battery Release - Initial C-141
Attachments: Max Friess MA TB Corrective Action Report 091311.pdf; Max Friess TB Assessment Map 090911.pdf; Max Friess Release Photo Log 090911.pdf; Max Friess MA Tank Battery C-141 Initial 091311.pdf

Mike:

Please find attached the initial C-141 for the hydrocarbon release at the Max Friess MA Tank Battery operated by LINN Energy. The location has been determined to be on State lands. Also attached is the corrective action plan, site map and photograph log. If you concur with the corrective action plan would you please respond with your approval. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Fred Holmes

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Corrective Action Report – Short Form

(To Accompany C-141)

Date: 09/13/2011

Lease Name: Max Friess "MA" Tank Battery

Type of Contamination: ☒ Hydrocarbon ☒ Produced Water ☐ Other (Specify):

Cause of Release: Treater over-pressured causing pop-off and pressure relief valves to open discharging product into the containment, onto the pad area and into the pasture.

Site Information

General Setting and Area of Impact (Check All that Apply):

☐ Pad Only ☐ Road Only ☒ Off-Site Areas Impacted: ☒ Flat ☒ Sloped ☐ Drainage Features Impacted

Estimated Depth of Contamination: .25-.5 Feet, Vertical

Estimated Area of Contamination: ~6500 Square Feet

Site Delineated: ☐ No ☒ Yes Method: ☒ Visual (probe/shovel) ☐ Sampling & Analysis (Attach Analysis)

Corrective Actions to Be Taken

Remedial Action Goals: ☒ Hydrocarbons <5,000 mg/kg ☐ Chlorides <1,000 mg/kg

Other (Specify):

Estimated Start Date:

Estimated Completion Date:

Remedial Actions (Check All That Apply):

☒ Dig & Haul Disposal Site: ☐ CRI ☐ Lea Land ☐ Sundown ☒ Other (Specify): Lazy Ace

☒ Blending ☒ Biological Degradation ☐ Irrigation ☐ Calcium Amendment & Irrigation

☐ Cap & Cover Cap Material: ☐ Clay ☐ Caliche ☐ Native Soil

☐ Liner: Mil Thickness: , Installation Depth: Feet

☐ Other (Specify):

Clearance Confirmation Sampling to be Performed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Restoration Activities (Check All That Apply)

☐ Installation of Top Soil ft. ☒ Contour to Grade

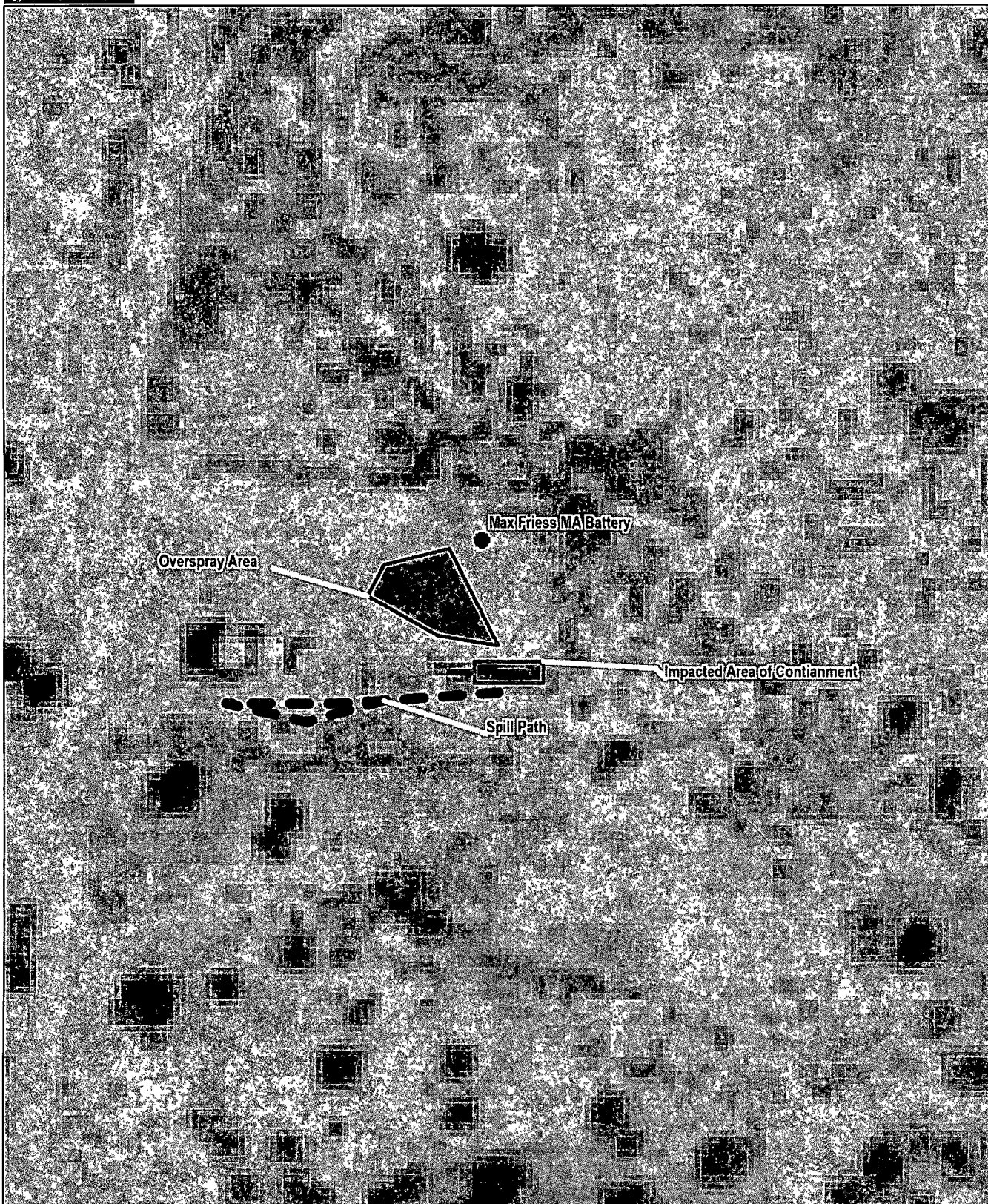
☒ Erosion Control: ☐ Water Bars ☐ Rip/Rap ☒ Other (Specify): Furrow-Cross Gradient

☐ Seeding: ☐ Natural ☐ BLM Seed Mix #2 ☐ BLM Seed Mix #3 ☐ BLM Seed Mix #4

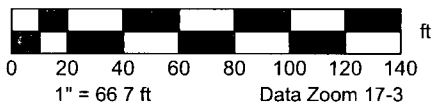
☒ Other: 50/50 mix of BLM 3 & 4

Other Notes or Actions:

Over spray areas will be blended with existing pad soils. Heavily impacted soils inside the containment will be removed and clean soils replaced. Grossly impacted soils outside the south side of the containment will be removed and disposed of. A biological amendment will be added to and mixed with the soils to promote further degradation of the hydrocarbons. Site will be furrowed laterally across the gradient (west) to reduce erosion potential. Disturbed areas of the impacted pasture will be seeded as specified. All remedial action levels will be as noted above.



Scale 1:800



Max Fries "MA" Tank Battery Release Assessment Map



MN (7 8° E)

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