

## [3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

Print or Type Name

BRIAN WOOD (505) 466-8120 FAX 466-9682

Signature

Title

Date

CONSULTANT

7-25-05 e-mail Address brian@permitswest.com



## REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL FOR NONSTANDARD LOCATION FOR XTO ENERGY INC. VALENCIA CANYON UNIT 40 B

2410' FSL & 2175' FWL SEC. 35, T. 28 N., R. 4 W., RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NM

I. The well is on U. S. Forest Service surface and on BLM oil and gas lease NMNM-14923. The proposed location is nonstandard for the Blanco Mesa Verde due to topography (large ponderosa pines). A standard location must be at least 660' from the acreage dedication line. This well is staked 430' further north than is standard. (Closest standard location would be 1980' FSL and 2175' FWL.) The APD cover sheet is attached as EXHIBIT A.

II. A C-102 showing the well location and acreage dedication unit (S2 Sec. 35) is attached (EXHIBIT B). The BLM oil and gas lease (640 acres) boundary is marked as a solid line on the attached (EXHIBIT C) copy of the Pine Lake USGS topo map.

The well encroaches on the north half of Section 35, which is part of the same lease. (Proposed NSL is 2175' from closest lease line.) Closest well is XTO's Valencia Canyon Unit 46 which is 1,753' northwest at 1975 FNL & 665 FWL of Section 35.

III. According to NM Oil Conservation Division records, the closest existing or planned Mesa Verde well is XTO's Valencia Canyon Unit 46, an existing Pictured Cliffs and Mesa Verde well which is 1,753' northwest at 1975' FNL & 665' FWL 35-28n-4w. EXHIBIT D shows the proposed NSL well site, Mesa Verde dedicated spacing units, and Mesa Verde wells (circled on map) within those dedications.

Registered letters were sent on July 25, 2005 to all of the offset interest owners. Copies of the postal receipts and letters are attached.

IV. A copy of the USGS map is attached (EXHIBIT D). The proposed well site is marked. Pro ration unit (solid line) for the Blanco Mesa Verde gas is the 320 acre south half of Section 35, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Rio Arriba County, NM.

V. The nonstandard location is due to topography (trees). The drilling window is in a dense forest of large ponderosa pines. The location was

selected with the aid of the U. S. Forest Service to minimize timber loss.

VI. Archaeology is not an issue.

VII. See item V. above for a description of the surface conditions.

VIII. Directional drilling is not feasible because it is not cost effective.

IX. I hereby certify notice (see attached EXHIBIT E) has been sent to the following lessees, lessors, operators of existing spacing units, or owners of undrilled leases which adjoin the applicant's spacing unit on one or more of the two sides or the single closest corner to the proposed well and that the information is current and correct.

BLM Carson National Forest Burlington Resources Oil and Gas Company

7-75-05

Brian Wood, Consultant

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF SANTA FE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 25th day of July, 2005 by Brian Wood. Witness my hand and official seal.

) SS:

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4-10-07

Business Address: 37 VERANO LOOP, SANTA FE, NM 8



cc: Aztec OCD, Vaughan



Form 3160-3 (April 2004)				PPROVED 1004-0137 arch 31, 20	
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2. Name of Operator XTO ENERGY INC	······································		9. API Well No. 30-039-		
3a. Address 2700 FARMINGTON AVE., BLDG. K-1 FARMINGTON, NM 87401	3b. Phone No. (include area code) (505) 324-1090		10. Field and Pool, or E BLANCO MES	•	•
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any 2410 FSL & 2175 FWL	State requirements.*)		11. Sec., T. R. M. or Bl	k. and Su	rvey or Area
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<ul> <li>Distance from proposed*</li> <li>location to nearest</li> <li>property or lease line, ft.</li> <li>(Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any)</li> <li>2175'</li> </ul>	16. No. of acres in lease 640	17. Spacin S2	g Unit dedicated to this w	veli .	L
<ol> <li>Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.</li> <li>1,753' (#46)</li> </ol>	19. Proposed Depth     20. BLM/BIA Bond       6,900'     BLM NATION			Bond No. on file TIONWIDE 57 91 73	
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 7,281' GL	22 Approximate date work will sta OCTOBER 1, 20		23. Estimated duration 4 WEEKS	1	
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<ol> <li>The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshor</li> <li>Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.</li> <li>A Drilling Plan.</li> <li>A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).</li> </ol>	4. Bond to cover t Item 20 above). Lands, the 5. Operator certific	the operation cation specific info	is form: ns unless covered by an ormation and/or plans as	-	
25. Signature	Name (Printed/Typed) BRIAN WOOD			Date 07-2	23-2005
Title CONSULTANT	PHONE: (505) 466-8120	FAX	: (505) 466-9682		
Approved by (Signature)	Name (Printed/Typed)			Date	
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Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

\*(Instructions on page 2)

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EXHIBIT A

DISTRICT I 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, N.M. 88240

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Energy, I

DISTRICT II 1301 W. Grand Ave., Artesia, N.M. 88210

DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, N.M. 87410 Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico

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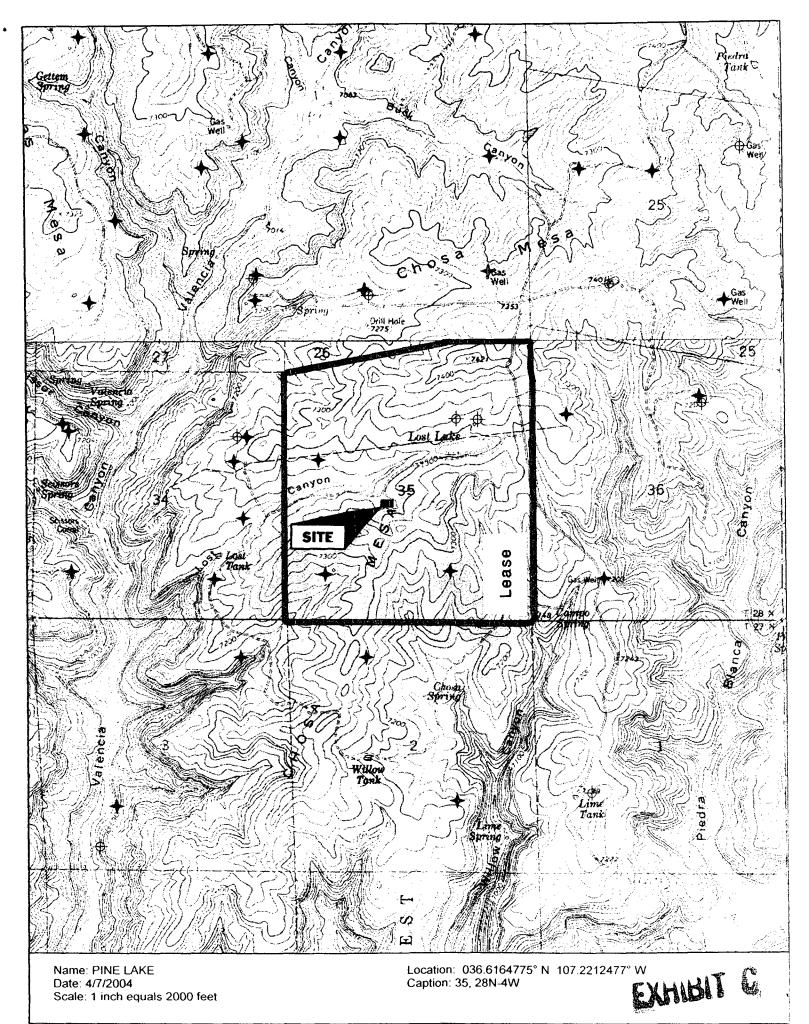
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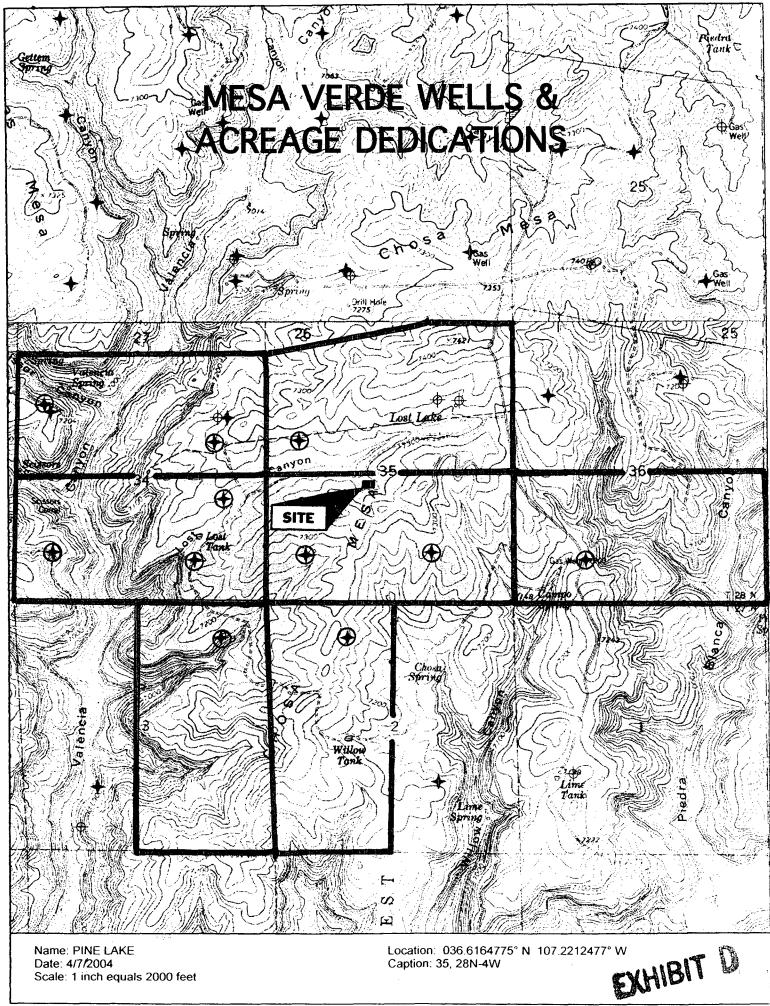
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DISTRICT IV 1220 South St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

## WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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July 25, 2005

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