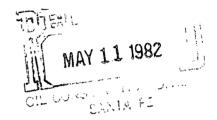
May 4, 1982

State of New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Dick Stametz

Subject: Unorthodox Location (SWR #104)

Star Federal Well No. 1 1480' FNL and 660' FWL Section 5, T16S, R29E Eddy County, New Mexico



Gentlemen:

Superior Oil Company is applying for an exception to Statewide Rule 104, (an unorthodox location), to drill the Star Federal Well No. 1 at 1480' FNL and 660' FWL of Section 5, T16S, R29E, Eddy County, New Mexico. This location is 500' closer to the north lease line than Statewide Rules require.

The regular location of 1980' FNL and 660' FWL was examined on 5/3/81 by Dr. J. Loring Haskell and remains of indian artifacts were found on the picked drillsite. By moving the location 500' to the north those artifacts will remain undisturbed as that is a "clean" location.

Attached are waivers from Gulf Oil Company, the only offset operator, to the Star Federal lease. This well is a joint project with Yates Petroleum and Superior will be the operator. Attached, also, are copies of plats showing offset operators, lease ownership and the archaeological Clearance Report.

Superior Oil Company respectfully requests the subject location exception be granted administratively.

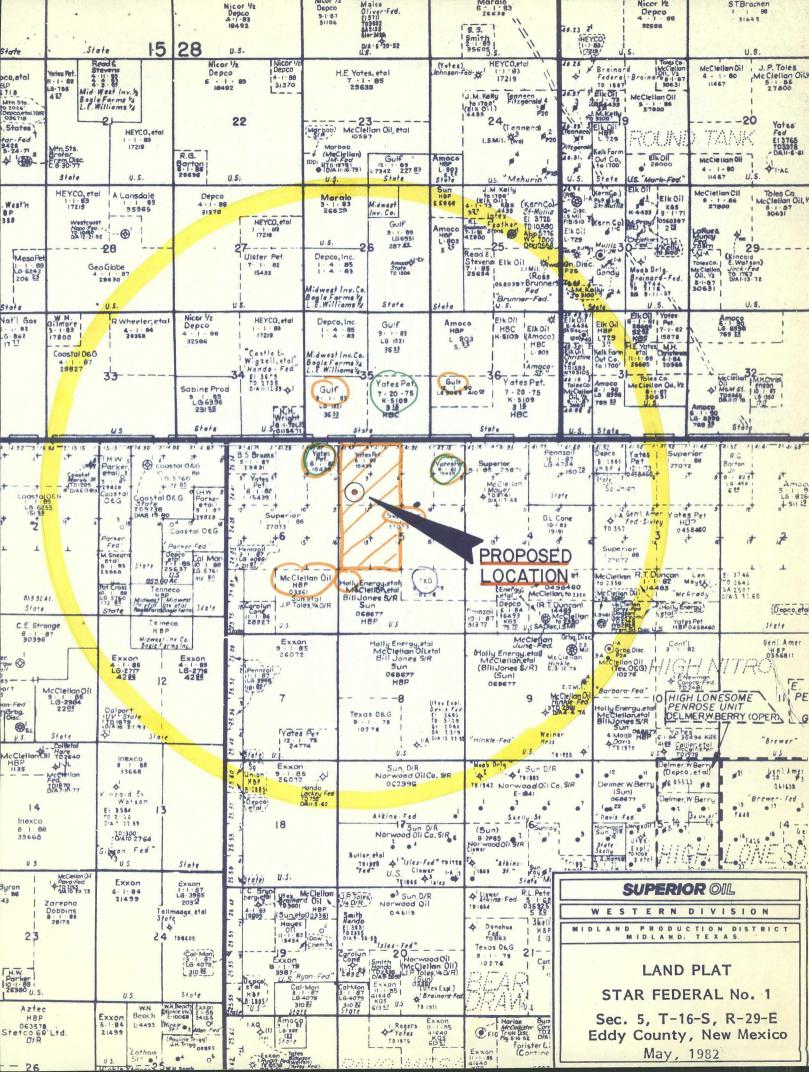
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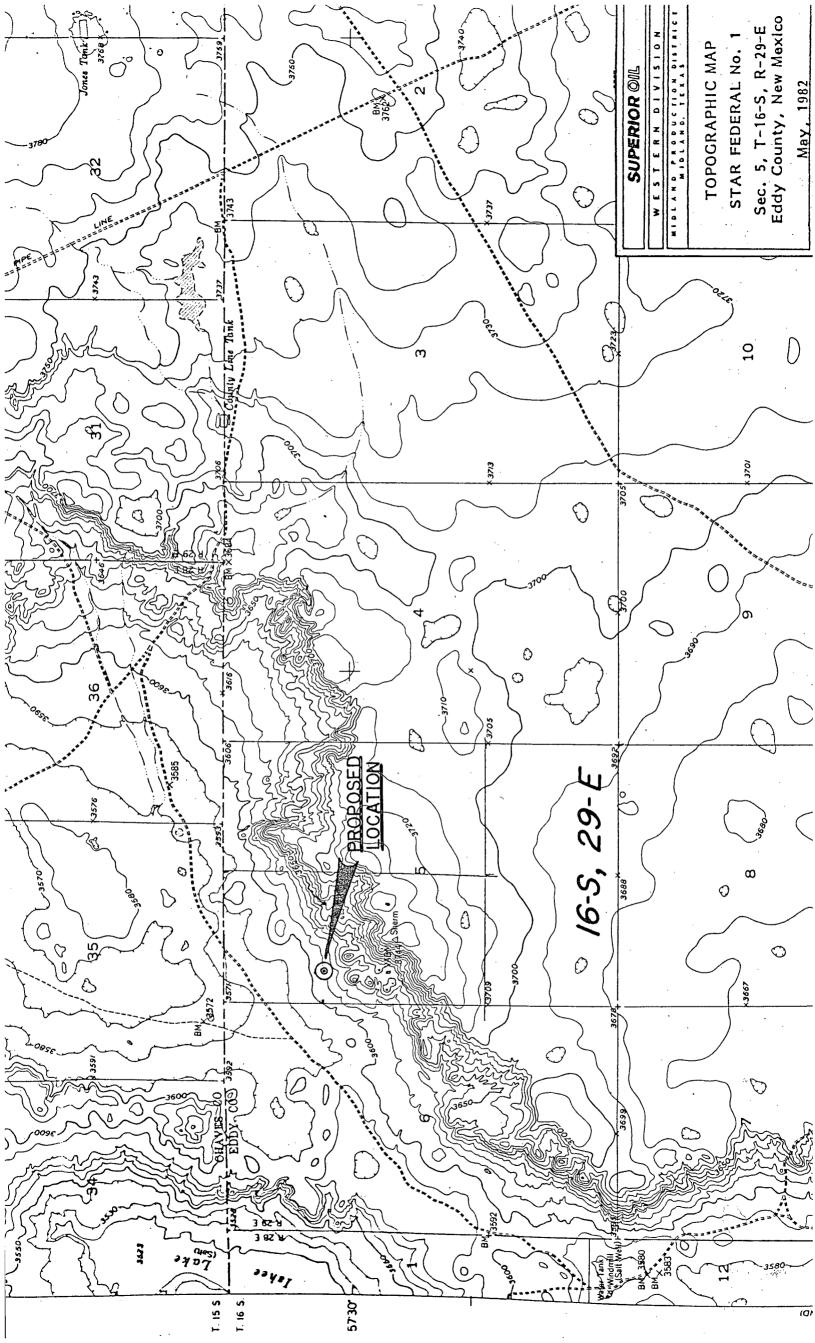
Sincerely,

G. E. Tate

Production Superintendent

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May 4, 1982

Gulf Oil Corporation P. O. Box 1150 Midland, Texas 79702

Attention: Mickey Cohlmia

Re: USA NM-15439

High Lonesome Deep #978 Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Please be apprised that The Superior Oil Company, as operator under the above described lease, is applying to The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) for approval of our unorthodox gas well location in connection with the drilling of the Star-Federal well, located 1,480 $^{\rm L}$ FNL & 660 $^{\rm L}$ FWL of Section 5, T-16-S, R-29-E.

In order that we may satisfy the OCD that there is no objection to our application from offset operators, we hereby request that your company indicate its consent to said unorthodox location by signing in the space provided below.

Due to the June 1, 1982, expiration date of our lease, we would appreciate your urgent attention in this matter. We request your immediate response.

Very truly yours,

THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY

Fred E. Schantz

FES/crh

We have no objection to Superior's unorthodox well location.

Signed this $10^{\frac{1}{10}}$ day of May, 1982.

GULF OIL CORPORATION

Midland Exploration Division

P.O. Box 1900, Midland, TX 79702, (915) 683-5251

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May 12, 1982

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Richard Stamets

Re: The Superior Oil Company

Star Federal #1

Township 16 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 5

Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

New Mexico Oil Corporation waives any objection to an unorthodox location for the captioned well 1480'FNL and 660' FWL, Section 5 in Township 16 South, Range 29 East.

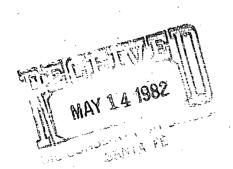
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Larry Harris

LH/da

CC: The Superior Oil Company, Midland Don Walker



THE TOLES COMPANY

921 SECURITY NATIONAL BANK BUILDING ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO 88201

POST OFFICE DRAWER 1300 TELEPHONE 505 622-5863

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Star Federal #1

T-16-S, R-29-E, N.M.P.M.

Section 5

Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

The Toles Company and McClellan Oil Corporation waive any objection to an unorthodox location for the captioned well 1480" FNL and 660" FWL, Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

THE TOLES COMPANY, A Limited Partnership

J. Penrod Toles, General Partner

McCLELLAN OIL CORPORATION

By

McClellan, President

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CHARLES B. READ

NORMAN L. STEVENS, JR. VICE-PRESIDENT

Read & Stevens, Inc.

Oil Producers

P. O. Box 1518

Roswell. New Mexico 88201

May 12, 1982

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Attention: Dick Stametz

Re: The Superior Oil Company

Star Federal #1 Township 16 South Range 29 East, N.M.P.M. Section 5

Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Read & Stevens, Inc. waives any objection to an unorthodox location for the captioned well being 1480' FNL and 660' FWL in Section 5, Township 16 South, Range 29 East, Eddy County, New Mexico.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,

READ & STEVENS, INC.

Joe Wigley

Land Manager

JW:cb

MAY 14 1982



207 SOUTH FOURTH STREET ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO 88210

TELEPHONE (505) 748-1331

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Attention: Richard Stamets

Re: The Superior Oil Company

Star Federal #1

Township 16 South, Range 29 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 5

Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Yates Petroleum Corporation waives any objection to an unorthodox location for the captioned well 1480' FNL and 660' FWL, Section 5 in Township 16 South, Range 29 East.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Randy G. Patterson

Land Manager

RGP:mab

CC: The Superior Oil Company, Midland

Don Walker

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Fred E. Schantz

FES/crh

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Signed this 10 th day of May, 1982.

GULF OIL CORPORATION

Midland Exploration Division

P.O. Box 1900, Midland, TX 79702, (915) 683-5251

The Superior Oil Company

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Form approved. Budget Bureau No. 42-R1425.

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NEW MEXICO OIL C. VSERVATION COMMISSION WELL LOCATION AND AGREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

Form C-102 Supersedes C-128 Effective 1-1-65

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C-102 Attachments

Working Interest Owners

The Superior Oil Company	.4948
Yates Petroleum Company	.5052
Total	1.0000

Royalty Owners

Sanford Starman (ORRI)	.03125
Will Mandelberg (ORRI)	.03125
Harold R. De Moss	.05000
Bureau of Land Management	.88750
Total	1.00000



NMAS

New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc.

P. O. Box 1341

Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 (505) 887-7646

4 May 1982



Mr. Don Walker THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY P.O. Box 1091 Pecos, Texas 79772

Dear Mr. Walker:

Enclosed please find NMAS' Archaeological Clearance Report for THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY's proposed Star Federal Well No. 1 and its associated access road in Eddy County, New Mexico. One archaeological site, (NMAS 5314) was recorded during this reconnaissance. NMAS is suggesting clearance for this project provided the archaeological site is avoided; please consult our report for the suggested mitigation.

If you have any questions pertaining to this report, please call my office. Thank you for asking NMAS to do this reconnaissance.

Mours sincerely,

r. J. Loring Haskell Principal Investigator

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Lorraine Maroney, THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY, Midland

Mr. Thomas Zale, BLM, Carlsbad

Ms. Ann Ramage, BLM, Roswell

Mr. George Stewart, USGS, Roswell

Mr. Curtis Schaafsma, Laboratory of Anthropology, Santa Fe

Mr. Thomas W. Merlan, SHPO, Santa Fe

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Archaeological Clearance Report

for

THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY

Star Federal Well No. 1

Prepared

Ву

J. Loring Haskell

Submitted

By ·

Dr. J. Loring Haskell
Principal Investigator
New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc.
Carlsbad, New Mexico

4 May 1982

Permit No. 81-NM-306

ABSTRACT

New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc., representing THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY, Pecos, undertook an archaeological reconnaissance of Bureau of Land Management lands scheduled to be impacted by the construction of a drill location and its accompanying access road. The investigated areas are situated in Sections 5 and 6, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico. One archaeological site (NMAS 5314) was recorded during this reconnaissance. Clearance is suggested provided the archaeological site is avoided.

Introduction

On 3 May 1982, New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc., (NMAS), Carlsbad, undertook for THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY, Pecos, an archaeological reconnaissance of federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Eddy County, New Mexico. The reconnoitered areas will be impacted by the construction of a drill location and its associated access road. This project was advanced by Mr. Don Walker, THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY, and administered by Dr. J. Loring Haskell, Principal Investigator, NMAS, Inc. This reconnaissance was undertaken by Dr. Haskell and Mr. David L. Ford, Research Associate, NMAS.

Survey Technique

For this investigation, THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY's proposed location was reconnoitered for evidence of man's past activities by walking it in a series of 25 ft wide, close interval (15° or less), zigzag transects. In addition, an added zone embracing to 20 ft on each side of the staked 400 X 400 ft location, and hence lying outside the bounds of the proposed work area, was reconnoitered by a similar means. As for the access road, itwaswalked in two 25 ft wide transects. Methodologically, this procedure served to promote optimal conditions for the visual examination of areas to be impacted by construction-related activities.

Star Federal Well No. 1

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 ft on federal lands and will be situated 1980 ft from the north line and 660 ft from the west line of:

Section 5, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM
Thus it will be situated in:

Lot 5, Section 5, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM

The associated access road will measure approximately 20 \times 2640 ft and will be situated in:

- Lot 5, Section 5, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM
- Lot 8, Section 6, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM
- Lot 1, Section 6, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM

Map Reference: USGS BASIN WELL QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1953.

Terrain

THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY's proposed location will be situated on a Kast Landform which locally is demarcated on the east of a prominent escarpment of Permian-Mesozoic- and Pleistocene-age. This feature serves to demarcate the eastern border of an extensive linearly-shaped collapse structure. Overall, the escarpment is bordered by a system of low- to moderate-sized hummocks. Interdunal areas are connected and subject to heavy sheetwash. Additionally a series of well-marked drainages course through this area and discharges into a well-defined playa at the northern end of the collapse structure. Pedons belong to the Typic Torripsamment and Typic Paleorthid subgroups for the most part. Lithic inclusions include chert and quartzite cobbles as well as sandstone, limestone, caliche, and igneous materials.

Floristics

Chief denizens of local soils are <u>Prosopis juliflora</u>, <u>Larrea</u>

<u>tridentata</u>, <u>Rhus microphylla</u>, <u>Atriplex canescens</u>, and <u>Yucca glauca</u>.

Important forbs include <u>Lepidium sp.</u>, <u>Gutierrezia sarorthrae</u>, <u>Lesquerella sp.</u>, <u>Croton sp.</u>, <u>Salsola kali</u>, and <u>Euphorbia sp.</u> The Gramineae is represented by <u>Aristida sp.</u>, <u>Muhlenbergia porterii</u>, <u>Panicum sp.</u>, <u>Scleropogon brevifolius</u>, and <u>Tridens pulchellus</u>.

Cultural Resources

During the course of this reconnaissance, one archaeological site (NMAS 5314) was recorded.

NMAS 5314

Lot 5, Section 5, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM Lot 8, Section 6, T16S, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM Location :

UTM: Not Available

Map Reference: USGS BASIN WELL QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1953.

Ownership: Bureau of Land Management

152 X 365 Dimension of Resources:

Typological Designation: Speical Activities Zone

Temporality: Jornada Mogollon

Nature of Cultural Resources: NMAS 5314, a special activities zone, is situated near the base of a locally prominent escarpment on a landform of aeolian character. Locally, soils yield copious amounts of chert, quartzite, and igneous cobbles. Additionally, sandstone is available to the northeast on the escarpment. and springs occur in that area as well. Observed cultural properties include large amounts of chert- quartzite- and chalcedony, primarysecondary- and tertiary decortication flakes, chert and quartzite hammerstones, chert and quartzite cores, exhausted chert and quartzite cores, Chupadero Black-on-white potsherds, Jornada Brown potsherds, several well-defined fire hearths, a burnedhighly organic feature, numerous scrapers, bifaces, and utilized flakes, as well as metate and mano fragments. Resources occur as a series of dense concentrations as well as light scatters. Overall, the site is notable for its size and the variety of attendant resources and the materials utilized to manufacture them. Burned caliche is scattered over the entire site with

much of it having been carried to its present resting place by the effects of intensive sheetwash and flooding. Interestingly, this area is supportive of rhyolitic and granitic lithic materials. One granitic biface was observed as was a rhyolitic hammerstone. This site is assignable to the Jornada Mogollon (A.D. 900-1350). Activities focused on the production of flaked-tools, with all stages of their manufacture being represented, and on plant processing and cooking-related tasks. Functionally specific areas are readily apparent at numerous loci. Prehistorically, this area was attractive to social units engaged in the aforementioned tasks due to the presence of large amounts of siliceous lithic material and sandstone. Adding to the attractiveness of the landform, potable water is available nearby in the Mesozoicaged Dockum Group which locally acts as an aquifer. To this day, local ranchers tap its water for their stock.

Further investigation of this site should help to further our understanding of areal archaeology for number of reasons.

Firstly, owing to the unusual variety of lithic material available, it should shed light on the nature of selction preferences as well as techniques of manufacture and finishing. In addition, the burned- highly organic feature should yield significant data relating to the food quest through the analysis of macroand micro-fossils. Radiometric- and archaeomagnetic- dates may be retrieved from the fire hearths.

Recommendations

NMAS <u>suggests</u> clearance for THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY's proposed location <u>provided</u> the archaeological site is <u>avoided</u>. This can be accomplished by shifting the proposed location to 1480 FNL and 660 FWL, Section 5, T168, R29E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM. (Fig. 1). As envisioned, there will be a 100 ft buffer zone between the <u>suggested</u> location of the pad and the archaeological site. Additionally, NMAS <u>suggests</u> that the access road run to the west from the southwestern corner of the re-located pad to the existing county road in Section 6. The <u>road has been flagged with pink surveyor's ribbons; flags are considered to be the center of the re-located access road. If additional cultural properties are encountered during construction-related activities, the BLM and NMAS should be notified immediately. Duned settings are notorious for covering and uncovering cultural properties.</u>

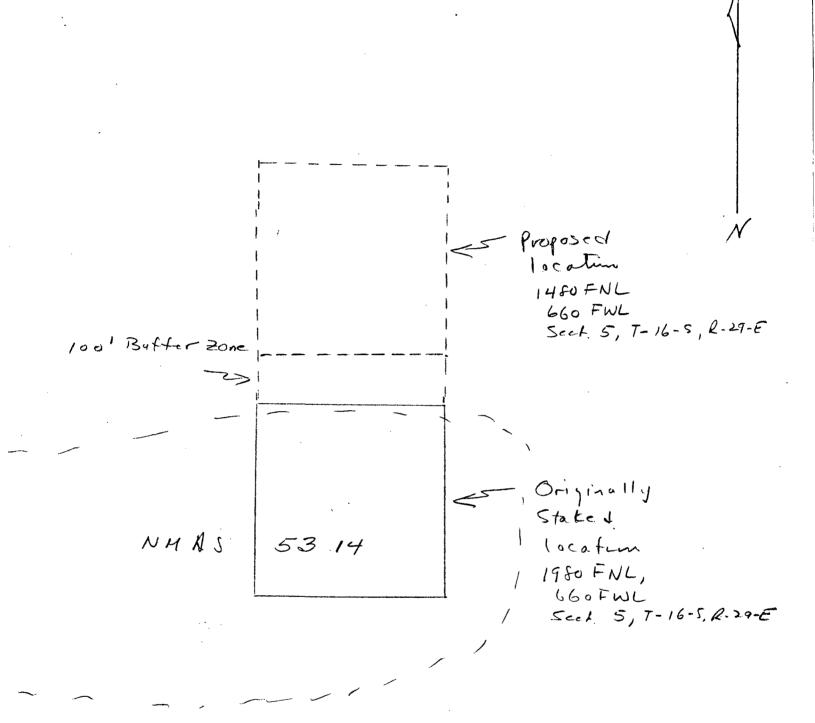
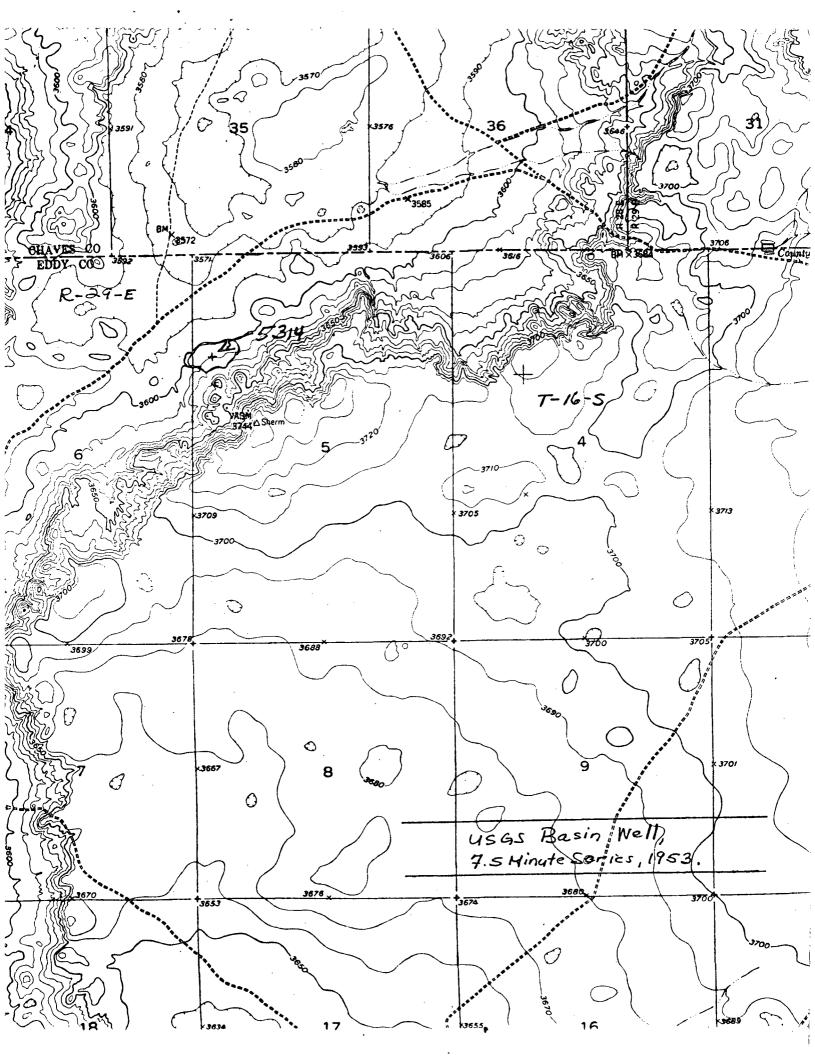
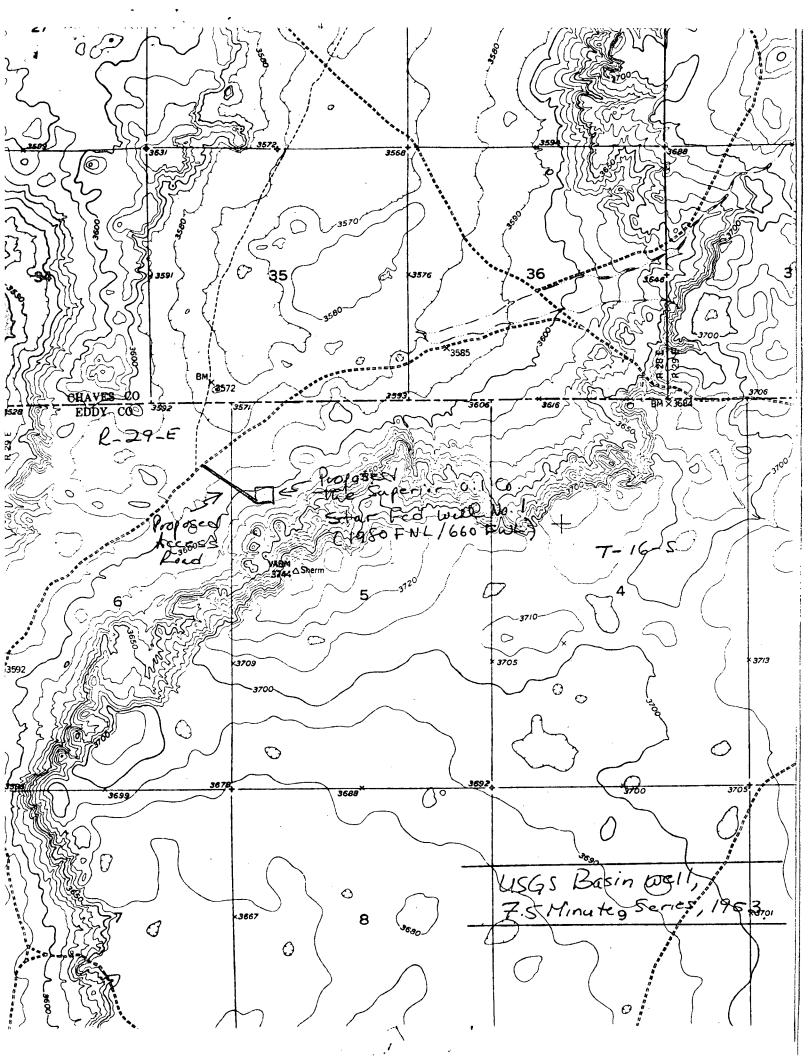


Fig. 1. Schematic representation showing THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY's proposed location vis à vis NMAS 5314 and suggested re-location of pad. As envisioned, the new pad will be situated 1480 FNL, 660 FWL, Section 5, T16S, R29E, Eddy County, New Mexico.





MAY 17 1983/ May 13, 1982 Sample of 1982 NSLOHE & Part 6, 1982 Notice of 1982

State of New Mexico Energy and Minerals Department P. O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Attention: Dick Stametz

Re: Unorthodox Location (SWR #104)

Star Federal Well #1

1480' FNL and 660' FWL

Section 5, T-16-S, R-29-E

High Lonesome Deep #978

Eddy County, New Mexico

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Gentlemen:

Relative to G. E. Tate's letter of May 4, 1982, and our subsequent telephone conversations, please be advised that Superior has informed all offset operators of its application for an unorthodox location as described above. I sent certified letters dated May 12, 1982, to those whom we did not personally receive waivers from.

Should you need evidence of those letters or any additional information concerning this matter, please call me. I will gladly provide any assistance necessary to expedite the approval of this location.

Very truly yours,

THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY

Fred E. Schantz

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May 12, 1982

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Texas Oil and Gas Corporation 900 Wilco Building Midland, Texas 79701

Attention: Charlie Ace

Re: USA NM-15439

High Lonesome Deep #978 Eddy County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Please be apprised that The Superior Oil Company, as operator under the above described lease, is applying to The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (OCD) for approval of our unorthodox gas well location in connection with the drilling of the Star-Federal well, located 1,480' FNL & 660' FWL of Section 5, T-16-S, R-29-E.

In order that we may satisfy the OCD that there is no objection to our application from offset operators, we hereby request that your company indicate its consent to said unorthodox location by signing in the space provided below.

Due to the June 1, 1982, expiration date of our lease, we would appreciate your urgent attention in this matter. We request your immediate response.

Very truly yours,

THE SUPERIOR OIL COMPANY

Fred E. Schantz

FES/crh

We have no objection to Superior's unorthodox well location.

Signed this ____ day of May, 1982.

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May 12, 1982

R. M. Patterson 3947 Broadway Kansas City, Missouri 64111

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R. M. PATTERSON

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CERTIFIED MAIL

May 12, 1982

Holly Energy, Inc. 2600 Diamond Shamrock Tower Lockbox 23 717 North Harwood Dallas, Texas 75201

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HOLLY ENERGY, INC.

CERTIFIED MAIL

By _____

Midland Exploration Division P.O. Box 1900, Midland, TX 79702, (915) 683-5251