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ENERGY AND MINERALS DEPARTMENT

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION P. O. BOX 2088 SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501	
RE: Proposed: MC DHC NSL NSP SWD WFX PMX	
Gentlemen:	
I have examined the application for the: Sirgo-Collier Inc. West Dollarhide Queen Sand at Operator Lease & Well No. Unit S-T-R 31-24-3 and my recommendations are as follows:	:, 98-A 88
OK J.S	
Yours very truly, 1	

Supervisor, District 1

Release Dato: Aug 3, 1987



Sirgo-Collier, Inc.

P. O. Box 3531, Midland, Texas 79702 (915) 685-0878

July 29, 1987



NSL- 2379 RUE-104 F(I)

State of New Mexico Energy and Mineral Department Oil Conservation Division P.O. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501 West Dollard Over Over Sand Unil Well Do 78
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Re: Unorthodox Locations

WDSQU 45-78

100'FNL, 1180'FEL Sec. 31

T24S, R38E, Lea County, New Mexico

Ladies and Genlemen:

This letter shall serve as our request to have the unorthodox locations described above approved by your office.

On the attached plat you will note our locations lie within the unit boundaries of the West Dollarhide Queen Sand Unit. We are requesting these locations be approved because these locations will allow us to establish a more efficient waterflood pattern in the field.

Should you have additional questions, please call.

Sincerely,

Wijan M Simo

BMS:ba

attachment

Cc: OCD - Hobbs Jerry Sexton (November 1983) (formerly 9-331C)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Form approved. Budget Bureau No. 1004-0136 Expires August 31, 1985

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IN ABOVE SPACE DESCRIBE PROFOSED PROGRAM: If proposal is to deepen or plug back, give data on present productive zone and proposed new productive zone. If proposal is to drill or deepen directionally, give pertinent data on subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths. Give blowout preventer program, if any.

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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

		All distances must be fa	om the outer boundaries of	f the Section.	
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Supplemental Drilling Data Sirgo-Collier, Inc. WDQSU 31-78

100' FNL, 1180' FEL, Section 31, T-24-S, R-38-E Lea County, New Mexico

- 1. Surface Formation: Tertiary Pliocene, GL 3188
- 2. Estimated Tops of Geologic Markers:

Rustler	1140'	T/Yates 2670'
Top/Salt	1300'	T/Queen 3570'
Base/Salt	2580 '	B/Queen
	•	TD 3900'

- 3. Anticipated Porosity Zones: Queen 3677'. Oil
- 4. Casing Design:

Size	Interval	Weight	Grade	Joint
8-5/8"	0 - 4001	24.00#	J - 55	STC
5-1/2"	0 -	15.50#	J - 55	STC

- 5. <u>Surface Control Equipment</u>: Double RAM-type, Series 900 + BOP with annular (See Exhibit).
- 6. <u>Circulating Medium</u>: Native, cut brine conditioned as necessary for control of viscosity and water loss.
- 7. Auxiliary Equipment: None
- 8. Testing, Logging and Coring Programs: Electric Logs Dual Laterlog/MICRO Laterlog/Gamma Ray/Calipher Compensated Density Log. Possible core from 3750' 3850'.
- 9. Abnormal Pressure, Temperature of Gases: None anticipated.
- 10. Anticipated Starting Date: Operations will commence upon approval approximately May 5, 1987. Duration of drilling, completion and testing, about 5 weeks.

Surface Use Plan For Drilling, Completing and Producing

Sirgo-Collier, Inc. WDQSU 31-78

100' FNL, 1180' FEL, Section 31, T-24-S, R-38-E Lea County, New Mexico GL

Located:

Approximately 5 air miles northeast of Jal, New Mexico

Lease Number:

LC-067968

Record Lessee:

Sinclair

Bond Coverage:

Sirgo-Collier, Inc., Federal Statewide

Acres in Lease: 320

Surface Owner:

Bill & L.B. Grove and Estate of Clyde Cooper, Jal, New Mexico

Well Spacing:

40 acre West Dollarhide Queen Sand Unit

Exhibits:

A - WDQSU Lease Map

B - Topo

C - Sketch of Well Pad

D - Sketch of electrical lines if any and flow lines

E - Road Map

F - Well locations adjacent to drill location

THIRTEEN POINT PROGRAM

- 1. Existing Roads: Existing roads which lead to the proposed drillsite are shown on Exhibit "B".
- 2. <u>Proposed New Road</u>: Proposed new access road will be 350' (see Exhibit "B"). Road will terminate at south end of proposed well pad. The road has been flaged and staked.
 - A. Width: 15 feet with 25 feet Right of Way.
 - B. Surfacing Material: Caliche
 - C. <u>Road Design</u>: New road will be constructed by grading Right of Way and surfacing driving area with caliche.
 - D. Culverts: None Necessary
 - E. Gates, Cattleguards: None Necessary
- 3. Location of Existing Wells: Existing wells in vacinity of proposed drill-site are shown on Exhibit "F".
- 4. Location of Existing and/or Proposed Facilities:
 - A. This is a producing unit and a tank battery is located in the NW/SW section 32-24-38 Unit L.
 - B. If the well is productive, a flow line will be laid on top of the ground to existing facility via nearest flow line.
- 5. Location and Type of Water Supply: It is not planned to drill a water supply well. Water for operations will be transported via 3" line from existing battery. Temporary line will be laid on surface along existing road right of way.
- 6. Source of Construction Materials: Materials for construction of the proposed new well pad and road will be obtained from an existing pit on private land (Clyde Cooper Pit) if any.
- 7. Methods of Handling Waste Disposal:
 - A. Drill cuttings will be disposed of in the drilling pits.
 - B. Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate.
 - C. Water produced during test will be disposed in drill pit.
 - D. Oil produced during test will be stored in test tank to sell.
 - E. Trash, waste paper, garbage, and junk will be buried in trash pit with a minimum of 24" of dirt. All waste material will be contained to prevent scattering by wind. Location of trash pit see Exhibit "C".

- 7. Methods of Handling Waste Disposal: (Continued)
 - F. All trash and debris will be buried or removed from wellsite in a prudent manner upon completion.
- 8. Auxiliary Facilities: None Anticipated

9. Wellsite Layout:

- A. The wellsite has been surveyed and a 400' X 400' area has been staked and flagged.
- B. The dimensions and relative location of the wellsite are shown on Exhibit "C".

10. Plans for Restoration of the Surface:

- A. After completion, materials not needed will be removed. Pits will be filled and the location cleaned.
- B. Any unguarded pits will be fenced until filled.
- C. After abandonment, all equipment, trash and junk will be removed. Fee surface land will be rehabilitated as to owners agreement.

11. Other Information:

- A. <u>Topography</u>: Undisturbed wellsite elevation is 3161' situated on the west-facing shoulder of a prominenet ridge system which overlooks monument draw.
- B. Soil: Sandy clay loam sails hosting caliche inclusions.
- C. Land Type and Use: The vacinity surrounding drillsite is semiarid rangeland and its primary use is for the production of oil and gas for grazing.
- D. Flora: Vegetation cover is grassland type.
- E. Fauna: None Observed
- F. Ponds and Streams: None
- G. <u>Water Wells</u>: One mile to south, water for flood operations not known if portable.
- H. Residences and Other Structures: None in area.
- I. Archaeological, Historical and Cultural Sites: No sites observed.

12. Operator's Representative: Representative responsible for assuring compliance with the approved surface use plan.

Timothy D. Collier P.O. Box 3531 Midland, Texas 79702 Work - 915/685-0878 Home - 915/684-7757

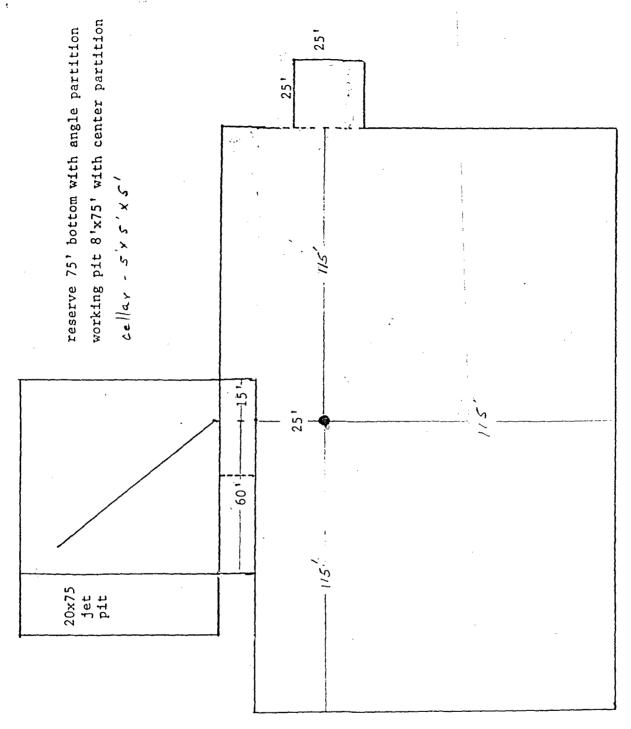
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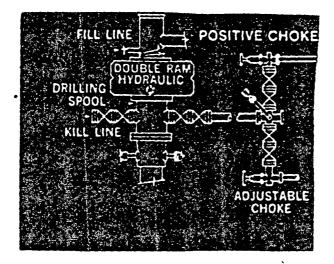
I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drillsite and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of knowledge true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by SIRGO-COLLIER, INC. and its sub-contractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

July 29, 1987

Timothy D. Collier, Agent for

Sirgo-Collier, Inc.



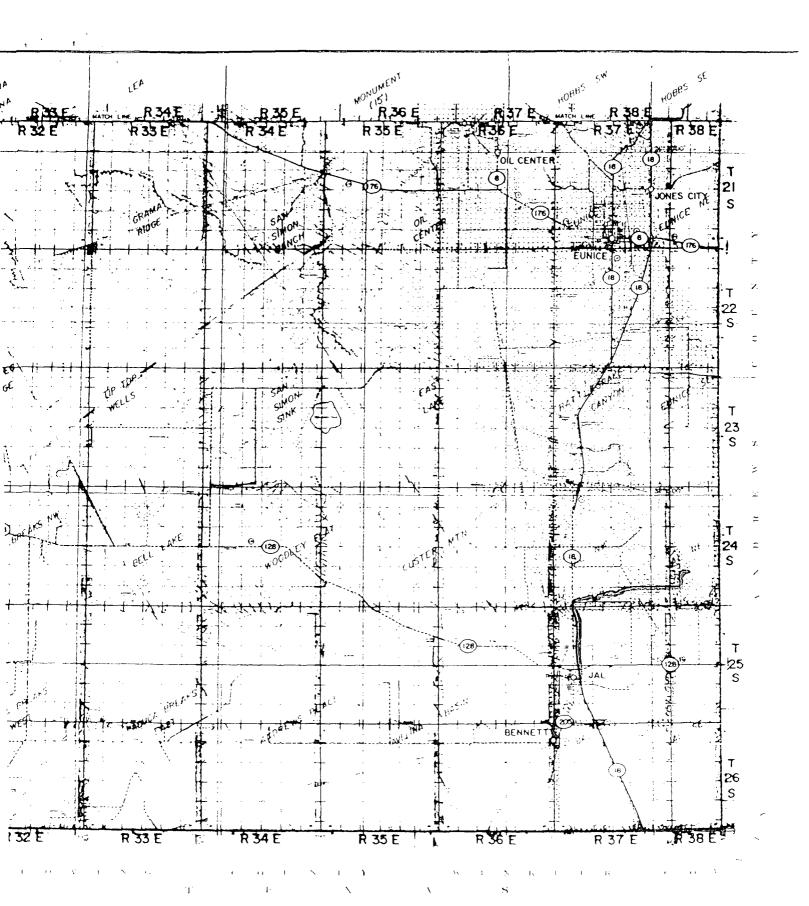


ROAD LOG TO SIRGO-COLLIER, INC. WDQSU 31-78

Starting Point is Jal, New Mexico. Go north on State Road 18 $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles to El Paso Natural Gas Plant #3 road. (If you check road mile marker #13 is about a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of this turn off.)

Turn east at plant #3 road, follow black top approximately 5 miles until it dead ends, turn north for one mile, turn east and continue $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. You enter WDQSU about 300' north of well #22.

Drill Site: 100' FNL, 1180' FEL, Section 31, T-24-S, R-38-E, Lea County, New Mexico



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NMAS New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc.

P. O. Box 1341

Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

(505) 887-7646

21 July 1987

Reconnaissance
Excavation
Analysis
Explanation
Curation

Mr. Timothy D. Collier Agent SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED P.O. Box 3531 Midland, Texas 79702

Dear Mr. Collier:

Enclosed please find NMAS' Archaeological Clearance Report for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 77, WDQSU "31" Well No. 78, WDQSU "31" Well No. 78 Alternate, WDQSU "30" Well No. 79 and WDQSU "30" Well No. 80 and their associated access roads in Lea County, New Mexico. No cultural resources were recorded during these surveys; therefore, NMAS is suggesting clearance for these well pads and access roads.

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

Yours sincerely,

Dr. J. Loring Haskell Principal Investigator

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Dave Kayser, BLM, Carlsbad

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Archaeological Clearance Report

for

SIERGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED

WDQSU "30" Well No. 77
WDQSU "31" Well No. 78
WDQSU "31" Well No. 78 Alternate
WDQSU "30" Well No. 79
WDQSU "30" Well No. 80

Prepared

Ву

Dr. J. Loring Haskell

Submitted

Ву

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

21 July 1987

Permit No. 14-2920-87-G

Report Number: NMAS-1987-6-87

ABSTRACT

New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc., representing SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED, Midland, undertook a Class III survey of Bureau of Land Management lands scheduled to be impacted by the construction of five locations and access roads. Field work was conducted under partly cloudy and calm conditions during the afternoon. The proposed locations will measure 400 X 400 feet (actual area surveyed 18.77 acres). WDQSU "30" Well No. 77's access road will measure 100 X 150 feet (actual area surveyed 0.34 acre). WDQSU "31" Well No. 78's access road will measure 100 X 350 feet (actual area surveyed 0.80 acre). WDQSU "31" Well No. 78 Alternate's access road is included with WDQSU "31" Well No. 78. WDQSU "30" Well No. 79 will be situated next to an existing lease road. WDQSU "30" Well No. 80's access road will measure 100 X 250 feet (actual area surveyed 0.68 acre). Total acreage 20.59 acres. They will be situated in Sections 30 and 31, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. No cultural properties were recorded during these surveys; therefore, NMAS is suggesting for all proposed work as presently staked.

Introduction

On 17 July 1987, New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc., (NMAS), Carlsbad, (Permit Number 14-2920-87-G), undertook for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED, Midland, an archaeological survey of federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Lea County, New Mexico. Reconnoitered areas will be impacted by the construction of five drill locations and their associated access roads. These projects were advanced by Mr. Timothy D. Collier, Agent, SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED. These surveys were undertaken by Dr. Haskell.

Survey Technique

For these investigations, SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed locations were reconnoitered for evidence of man's past activities by walking them in a series of 8.0 m wide, close intervals (15° or less), zigzag transects. In addition, an added zone extending 20 feet on each side of the staked 400 X 400 foot locations, and lying outside the bounds of their proposed work areas, were reconnoitered by a similar means. Access roads were walked in two, 15 m wide transects. At their juncture with existing lease roads, surveyed areas broadened to embrace an area measuring 100 X 150 feet. Lathe is considered to be the center of the proposed roads. Methodologically, these procedures served to promote optimal conditions for the visual examination of areas to be impacted by construction-related activities. Field work was conducted under partly cloudy and calm conditions during the afternoon. Arealy ground visibility ranges between 75 and 90%. Field time four hours.

WDQSU "30" Well No. 77

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 feet (actual area surveyed 4.44 acres) on federal lands and will be situated 1100 feet from the south line and 2450 feet from the east line.

Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM Thus it will be situated in the:

SWASEA, Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM

The associated access road will measure 100 X 150 feet

(actual area surveyed 0.34 acre) and is situated in the:

SWASEA, Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM

Map Reference: USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1969, Photorevised 1979.

Excepting chaining, the proposed location has not been previously impacted by mechanical means.

Environmental Setting

SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed location will situated on the west-facing shoulder of a prominent ridge system which forms the east side of the Monument Draw catchment.

Elevation is approximately 3,120 feet. Slope averages 2°/aspect is west. Nearest water probably occurs in the form of seeps and springs within Monument Draw. Additionally, seasonal sources occur in the form of runoff collecting in basal portions of Monument Draw. As a whole, the contemporary surface is subject to the effects of ephemeral sheetwash. Overall, soil individuals, dominated by the sand and clay separates, are composed of loose, non-calcareous, sandy clay loams and commonly harbor caliche

gravels and cobbles. Taxonomically, pedons fall within an intergrade of the Typic Torripsamment subgroup/Berino Series. Angular caliche gravels and cobbles occur on a regular basis. Owing to sheetwash and colluvial movement, deposits thickens on the lower slope and beyond. Aeolian processes are minimal.

Cultural Resources

Prefield 17 July 1987, Arita K. Slate, no archaeological sites.

No archaeological remains were recorded during the course of this survey. Their absence is due to shortages of siliceous lithic source, the openness of the landform, and a paucity of potable water. Occupancy, therefore, was brief and transitory at any one time. Temporally, most utilization should have centered between Late Archaic and Eastern Jornada Mogollon times. Land usage, however, dates back to Paleoindian times. Economic pursuits centered on hunting- and hunting-related tasks throughout prehistory.

Recommendations

NMAS recommends clearance for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 77 and its associated access road and <u>suggests</u> that work-related activities proceed in accordance with company plans (Fig. 1). Clearance, of course, is granted by the Bureau of Land Management. If cultural resources are encountered during construction, the BLM and NMAS should be notified immediately.

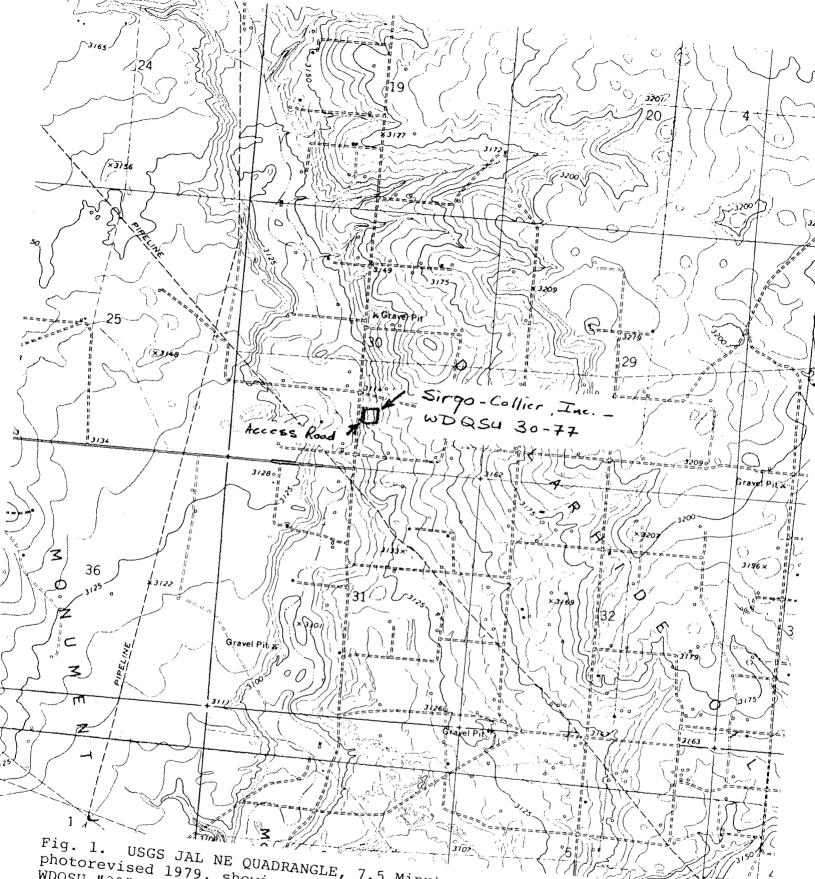


Fig. 1. USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1;24,000, 1969, photorevised 1979, showing SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 77, 1100 FSL, 2450 FEL, and access road on federal land situated in Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 feet (actual area surveyed 4.44 acres) on federal land and will be situated 200 feet from the north line and 1180 feet from the east line.

Section 31, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM

Thus it will be situated in the:

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The associated access road will measure approximately
100 X 350 feet (actual area surveyed 0.80 acre) and will be situated in the:

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Map reference: USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1969, Photorevised 1979.

The proposed location has been previously impacted by a power line and five flow lines. Additionally, the area has been chained.

Environmental Setting

SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed location will be situated on the west-facing shoulder of a locally prominent ridge system which serves to mark the east side of the Monument Draw catchment. Elevation is 3,138 feet. Slope averages 0.50°/aspect is to the west. Water is locally scarce. Seeps and springs may occur in the Monument Draw catchment. Runoff collects in basal portions of the draw. Overall, the coeval surface is subject to ephemeral sheetwash. Soil individuals are composed of sandy clay loams which typically harbor calcareous inclusions. Croute calcaire underlies surficial deposits at variable depths. Pedons are assignable to an intergrade of the Typic Torripsamment

subgroup. Local soils are supportive of a grassland floral community. Owing to colluvial movement; surficial deposits thicken downslope. To the west, a thick deposit of alluvium distinguishes the floor of Monument Draw. Additionally, aeolian processes add to the depositional makeup of the coeval surface.

Cultural Resources

17 July 1987, Arita K. Slate, no archaeological sites.

No cultural properties were recorded during the course of this survey. Their absence is due to a dearth of siliceous lithic material, the areal lack of potable water. Land usage throughout prehistory should have focused on hunting. Areal archaeological sites, should they occur, should be of the task locus variety, i.e., task specific manifestations. Usage was brief. Principal mammalian forms taken in the past should have included Lepus, Sylvilagus, Odocoileus, Antilocapra and at various times Bison.

Recommendations

NMAS recommends clearance for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "31" Well No. 78 and its access road and <u>suggests</u> that work-related activities proceed in accordance with company plans (Fig. 2). Clearance, of course, is granted by the Bureau of Land Management. If cultural resources are encountered during construction, the BLM and NMAS should be notified immediately.

WSQSU "31" Well No. 78 Alternate

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 feet (actual

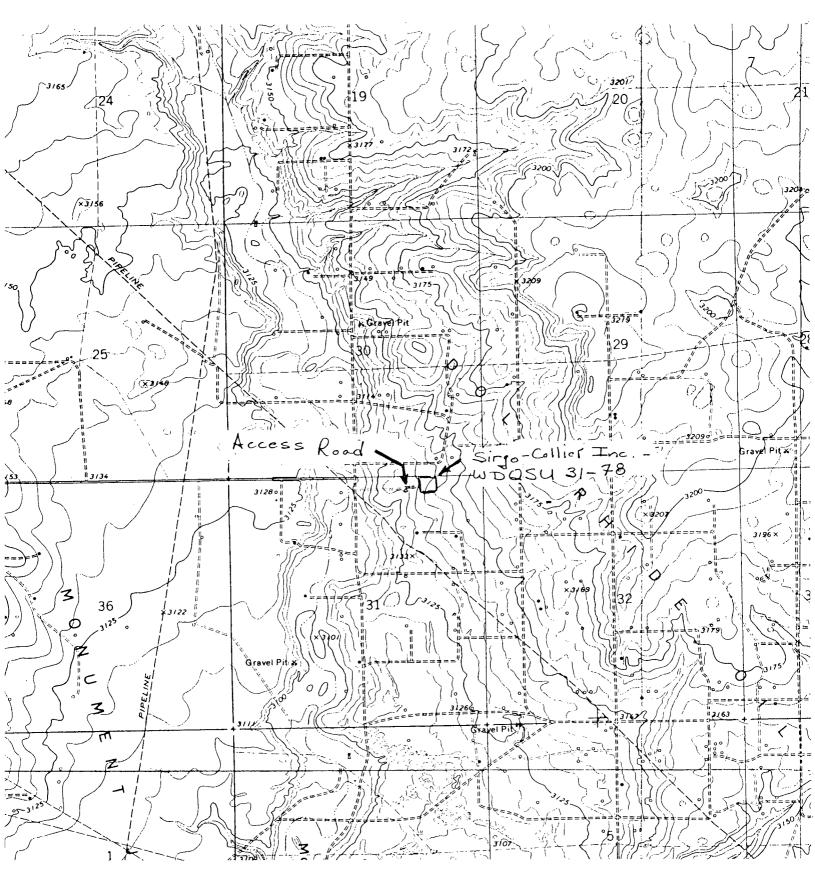


Fig. 2. USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1;24,000, 1969, photorevised 1979, showing SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "31" Well No. 78, 200 FNL, 1180 FEL, and access road, on federal land situated in Section 31, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

area surveyed 0.33 acre) on federal land and will be situated 100 feet from the north line and 1180 feet from the east line.

Section 31, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM Thus it will be situated in the:

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The associated access road will measure approximately

100 X 400 feet (included with preferred) is situated

in the:

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Map Reference: USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1969, Photorevised 1979.

The proposed location is crossed by a fence line, a pipe line, a two track road and a flow line. Four flow lines cross the access road.

Environmental Setting

SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed location will occupy the mid-slope of a well-developed ridge system lying immediately east of Monument Draw. Elevation is approximately 3,138 feet. Slope averages .50°/aspect is west. In general, water is locally scarce and limited to runoff collecting in basal portions of Monument Draw. Seeps and springs may occur within Monument Draw. Ephemeral sheetwash characterizes the coeval surface. Soil individuals are distinguished by sandy clay loams hosting angular caliche gravels and cobbles. Overall, soils fall within an intergrade of the Typic Torripsamment subgroup. Croute calcarie underlies surficial deposits at variable depths. Attendant soils host a plains grassland community. Colluvial movement, along with limited aeolian activity, have combined to determine the

depositional makeup of the landform.

Cultural Resources

17 July 1987, Arita K. Slate, no archaeological sites.

No cultural properties were recorded during the course of this survey. A lack of siliceous lithic material in associated soils, the general openness of the landform, and a perennial lack of potable water combined to restrict land usage to ephemeral and transitory tasks centering on hunting. Expected cultural properties, reflecting this type of activity, should include isolated, random occurrences of débitage, multidirectional— and exhausted— cores, finished artifacts such as projectile points, gravers, scrapers, etc.

Recommendations

NMAS recommends clearance for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "31" Well No. 78 Alternate and its access road and suggests that work-related activities proceed in accordance with company plans (Fig. 3). Clearance, of course, is granted by the Bureau of Land Management. If cultural resources are encountered during construction, the BLM and NMAS should be notified immediately.

WDQSU "30" Well No. 79

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 feet (actual area surveyed 4.44 acres) on federal land and will be situated 2310 feet from the south line and 2600 feet from the east line.

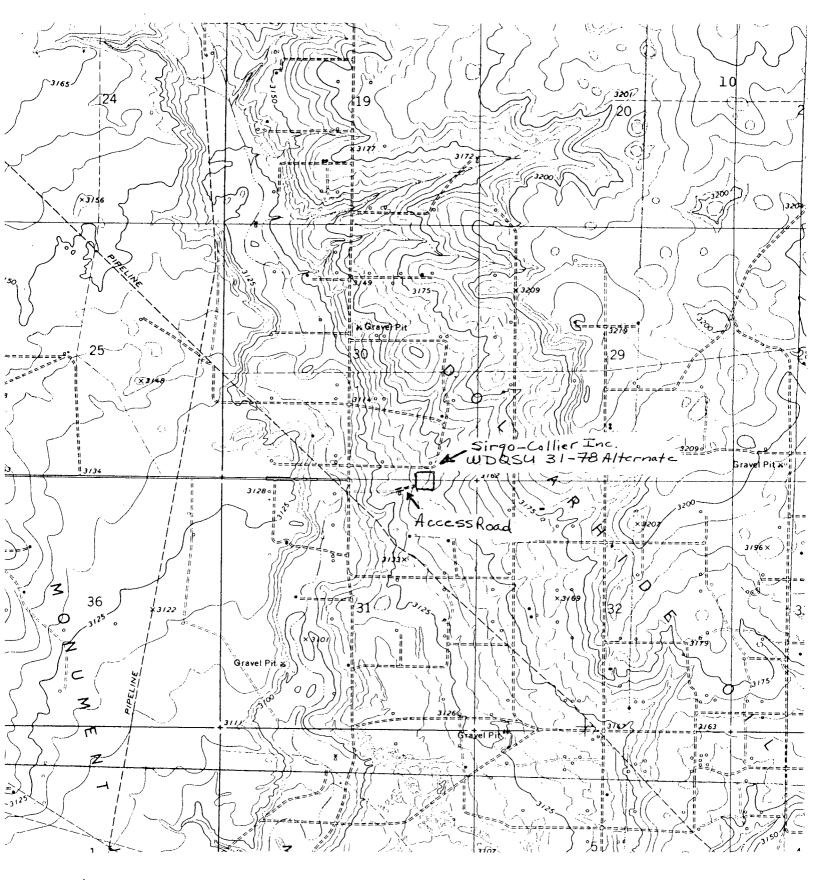


Fig. 3. USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1;24,000, 1969, photorevised 1979, showing SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 78 Alternate, 100 FNL, 1180 FEL, and access road, Section 31, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM Thus it will be situated in the:

NW1SE1, Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM

The proposed location will be situated next to an exis

The proposed location will be situated next to an existing lease road.

Map Reference: USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1969, Photorevised 1979.

The proposed location is crossed on the west by an existing lease road.

Environmental Setting

SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed location will be situated on the lower shoulder of a locally prominent ridge system lying immediately east of Monument Draw. Elevation is approximately 3,123 feet. Slope averages 0.20°/aspect is west, northwest and south. Water is locally scarce and limited to runoff collecting within basal portions of Monument Draw. Seeps and springs may occur within the catchment as well. Elevation areas, as a whole, are subject to ephemeral sheetwash. Soil individuals are composed of sandy clay loam soils which commonly harbor angular caliche inclusions of gravel and cobble size. Soils are assignable to an intergrade of the Typic Torripsamment subgroup. Croute calcaire underlies surficial deposits. A plains - grassland floral community predominates locally. Depositional processes represented here are predominately colluvial in nature with a secondary aeolian focus.

Cultural Resources

Prefield 17 July 1987, Arita K. Slate, no archaeological sites.

No archaeological sites were recorded during the course of

this survey. Reasons cited for their absence include dearths of siliceous lithic sources, the lack of shelter locally, and a usual shortage of potable water. Land usage invariably focused on hunting- and hunting-related tasks throughout prehistory. Locally, archaeological sites tend to occur along rim areas of subsidence structures. Land usage tends to increase in frequency toward the south.

Recommendations

NMAS recommends clearance for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30-" Well No. 79 and <u>suggests</u> that work-related activities proceed in accordance with company plans (Fig. 4). Clearance, of course, is granted by the Bureau of Land Management. If cultural resources are encountered during construction, the BLM and NMAS should be notified immediately.

WDQSU "30" Well No. 80

Location

The proposed location will measure 400 X 400 feet (actual area surveyed 4.44 acres) on federal land and will be situated 1650 feet from the north line and 1600 feet from the east line.

Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM Thus it will be situated in the:

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The associated access road will measure approximately
100 X 250 feet (actual area surveyed 0.68 acre) and is situated in the:

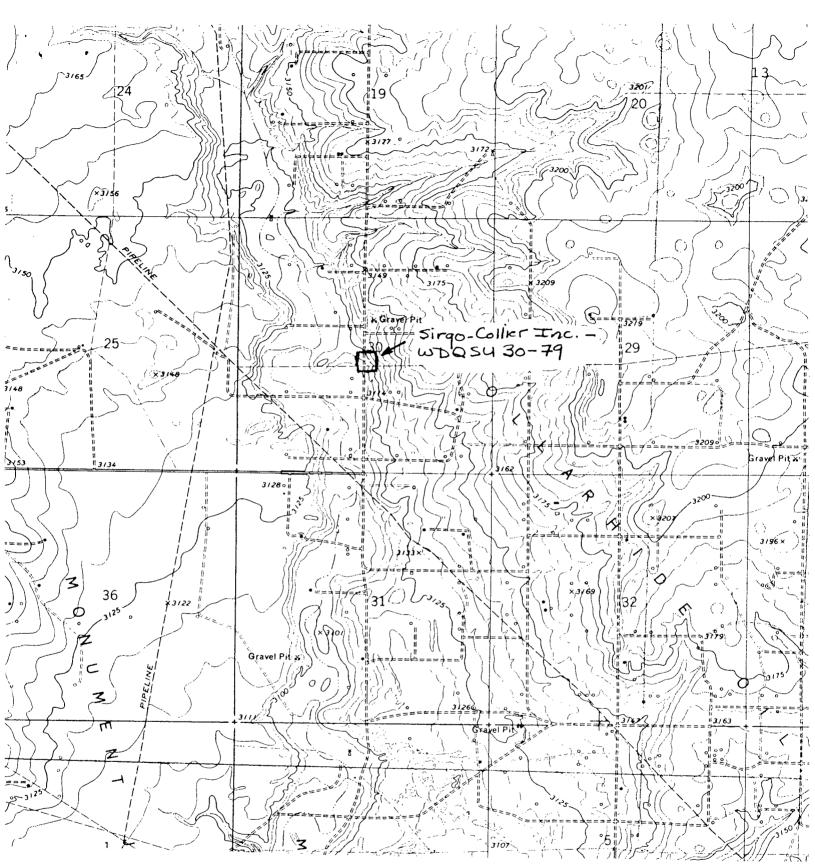


Fig. 4. USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1;24,000, 1969, photorevised 1979, showing SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 79, 2310 FSL, 2600 FEL, on federal land situated in Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

SWANEA, Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM NWANEA, Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, NM

Map Reference: USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1969, Photorevised 1979.

The proposed location has been impacted on the west by an existing flow line.

Environmental Setting

SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed location will be situated on the west facing shoulder of a locally prominent ridge system which overlooks Monument Draw. Being coextensive with South Plain, elevation is approximately 3,165 feet. averages 0.50°/aspect is to the west. Water is locally scarce and limited to runoff collecting in basal portions of Monument Draw. Seeps and springs may occur in the draw. Overall, the coeval surface is the object of intense sheetwash. Soil individuals are composed of loose sandy clay loams which commonly host caliche gravels and cobbles. Pedons fall within an intergrade of the Typic Torirpsamment subgroup. Croute calcaire underlies surface deposits at variable depths. A plains - grassland, floral community is hosted by local soils. The depositional makeup of the landform is primarily due to colluvial movement of clays and sands downslope along with continued, but limited in scope, aeolian activity. Sheetwash is a significant contributing factor to mass wasting.

Cultural Resources

Prefield 17 July 1987, Arita K. Slate, no archaeological sites.

No cultural properties were recorded during the course of this survey. A bona fide lack of siliceous lithic material, the openness of the landform, and a deficiency of potable water combined to orient the economy toward hunting throughout prehistory.

Exploited game included Lepus, Sylvilagus, Antilocapra and Bison.

Land usage brackets the period from Paleoindian times, circa 10,000

BP, up to the historic Comanche of the nineteenth century A.D.

Recommendations

NMAS recommends clearance for SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 80 and its access road and suggests that work-related activities proceed in accordance with company plans (Fig. 5). Clearance, of course, is granted by the Bureau of Land Management. If cultural resources are encountered during construction, the BLM and NMAS should be notified immediately.

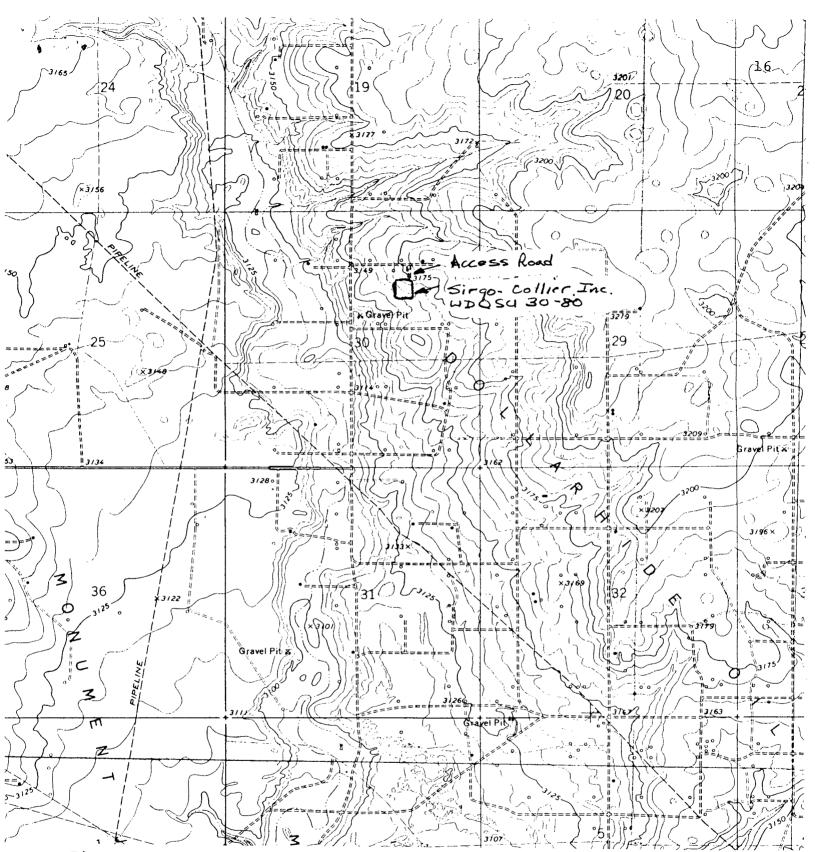
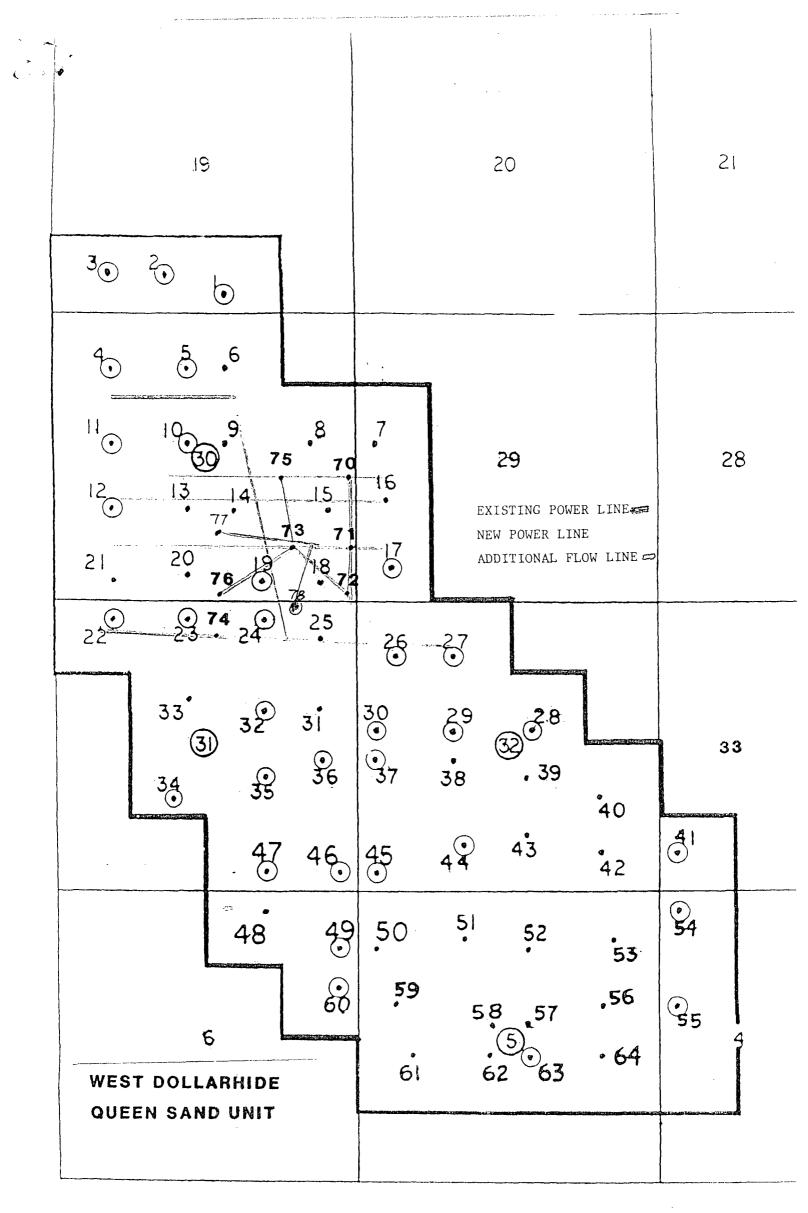


Fig. 5. USGS JAL NE QUADRANGLE, 7.5 Minute Series, 1;24,000, 1969, photorevised 1979, showing SIRGO-COLLIER, INCORPORATED's proposed WDQSU "30" Well No. 80, 1650 FNL, 1600 FEL, and access road, on federal land situated in Section 30, T24S, R38E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.



Plat of Unit wells by Unit well number.