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**Re: Remediation Proposal**

**Apache Corporation – North Monument Grayburg San Andres Unit (NMGSAU) #368  
1RP# 1746 [API # 30-025-038459, NMSLO ROE # 1638, EPI Ref. # 240017]  
UL-O (SW¼ of the SE¼) Section 19, Township 19 South, Range 37 East  
Latitude N 32° 38' 29.54" and Longitude W 103° 17' 24.07"**

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In January 2008, Environmental Plus, Inc. (EPI) was retained by Apache Corporation to investigate a release of approximately 45 barrels of drilling brine (~25 barrels on location and ~20 barrels off location). This letter reports delineation activities and proposes remedial action.

The site is located approximately 2 miles northwest of Monument, New Mexico (reference *Figure 1*) on land owned by the State of New Mexico (administered by the New Mexico State Land Office) and agriculturally leased by Mr. Jimmie T. Cooper.

Information obtained from the New Mexico Office of the State Engineer's website and United States Geological Survey (USGS) database indicates no water supply wells exist within a 1,000-foot radius of the release site. However, eight (8) water supply wells are located within a 1.0-mile radius of the release site (reference *Figure 2*). Groundwater level data indicates an average depth of approximately 40-feet below ground surface (reference *Table 1*). Utilizing this information, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Remedial Goals for this site are as follows:

| Parameter | Remedial Goal*        |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Benzene   | 10 parts per million  |
| BTEX      | 50 parts per million  |
| TPH       | 100 parts per million |

\*Chloride residuals may not be capable of impacting local groundwater above NMWQCC Groundwater Standards of 250 mg/L.

**Field Activities**

On 3 January 2008, EPI conducted an initial site assessment of the site. Activities included photographing the site, recording surface features and surveying impacted surface area utilizing a hand held GPS (reference *Figure 3*).

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On 7 January 2008, a total of fifteen (15) soil samples were collected from the pasture portion of the release area at a depth of approximately 6-inches below ground surface (bgs). Eight (8) soil samples were collected from within the release area and seven (7) background samples from approximately 3- to 8-feet outside the release boundaries. Soil samples were analyzed in the field for chloride concentrations utilizing a La Motte Field Chloride Test Kit (titration type).

Based on initial assessment activities, EPI continued delineating of the site from 5 - 8 February 2008 via pairs of North-South and East-West test trenches for collection of soil samples to further establish horizontal and vertical extents of impacted soil (reference *Figure 5*). Soil samples were collected from discreet locations within the test trench. Upon collection, soil samples were analyzed in the field to quantify chloride concentrations. Test trenches were excavated until soil sample field analyses indicated chloride residuals were within remedial goals (i.e.,  $\leq 250$  mg/Kg). However, indurated subsurface conditions prevented excavation to necessary depth in several locations [i.e., soil samples T1-2 (1.5'), T1-3 (2'), T4-1 (1.5') and T4-5 (1')]. Based on field analyses, a portion of the total soil samples were submitted to an independent laboratory for analyses of chloride concentration. In addition, a select number of soil samples were analyzed for the presence of gasoline and diesel range hydrocarbons (i.e., TPH) (reference *Figure 5*).

### **Field and Laboratory Analyses**

Field chloride analyses of samples collected on 7 January 2008 indicated chloride concentrations of 4,000 + mg/Kg for fourteen (14) of fifteen (15) sample locations within the release area at a depth of approximately 0.5-feet bgs. Background soil sample chloride concentrations were reported as 240 mg/Kg (reference *Figure 4*).

Field and laboratory analyses of soil samples collected from test trenches indicate bulk of chloride residuals were limited to approximately 1- to 1.5-feet bgs (reference *Table 2* and *Figure 5*).

### **Recommendations**

Based upon delineation activities, EPI recommends excavation of chloride impacted material from the release area and well pad. Excavation and disposal of approximately 1- to 1.5-feet of soil in the majority of the pasture release area will remove the bulk of chloride impacted soil. Additionally, the removal of approximately 0.5- to 1-foot of material from the flowpath area of the well pad will reduce the risk to pasture areas from chloride impacted runoff.

Soil samples will be collected from the excavation and analyzed in the field to verify remedial goals have been achieved. Upon receipt of satisfactory field analyses results, soil samples will be submitted to an independent laboratory for verification.

Upon approval, EPI will implement activities outlined in this *Remediation Proposal*. A *Closure Report* documenting remediation activities will be provided upon completion of the project.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (575) 394-3481 or via email at [jstegemoller@envplus.net](mailto:jstegemoller@envplus.net) or Mr. Harold Swain at (575) 390-4368 or via email at [harold.swain@usa.apachecorp.com](mailto:harold.swain@usa.apachecorp.com). All official correspondence should be addressed to:

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Sincerely,

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Environmental Scientist

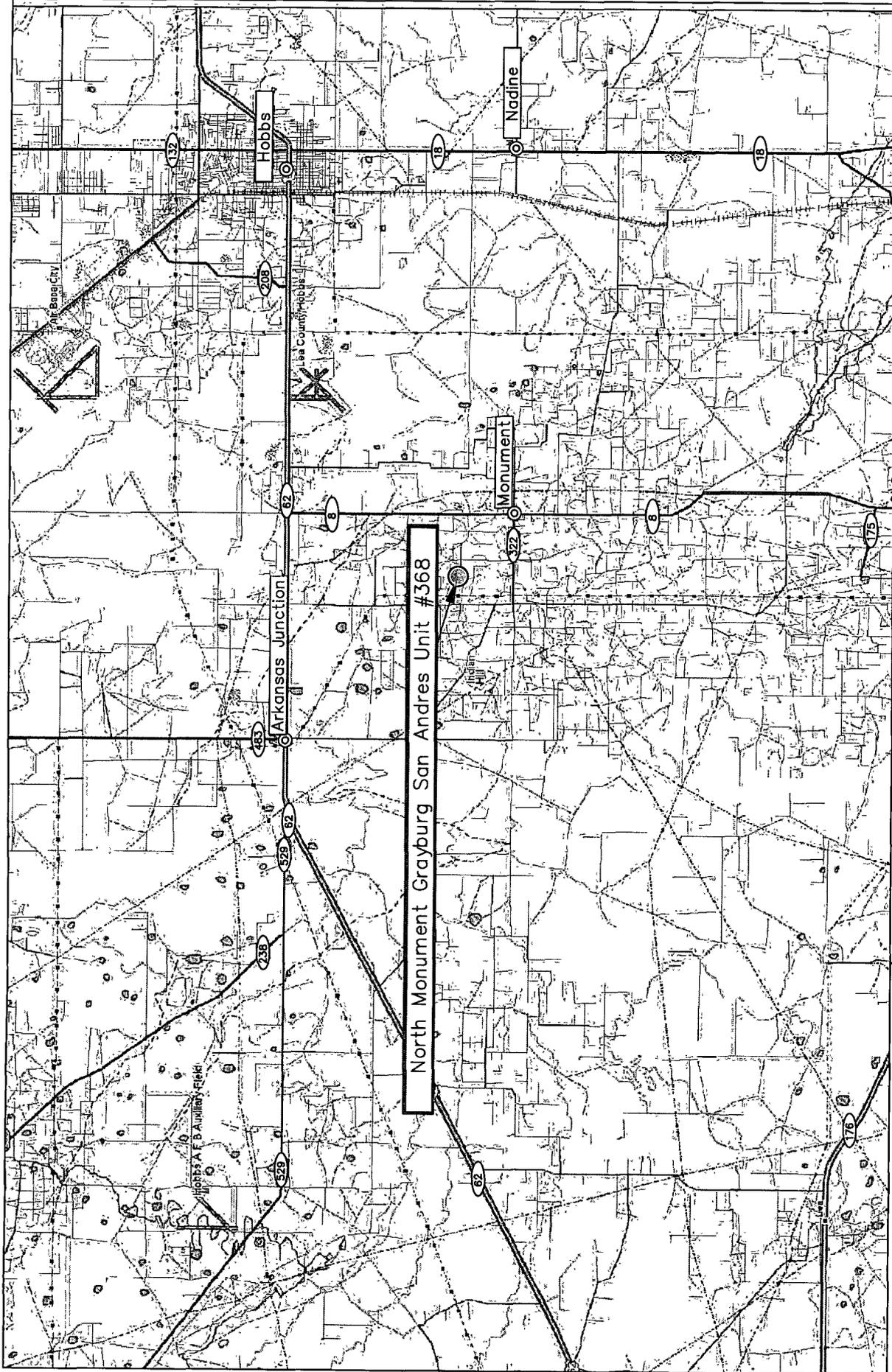
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# FIGURES

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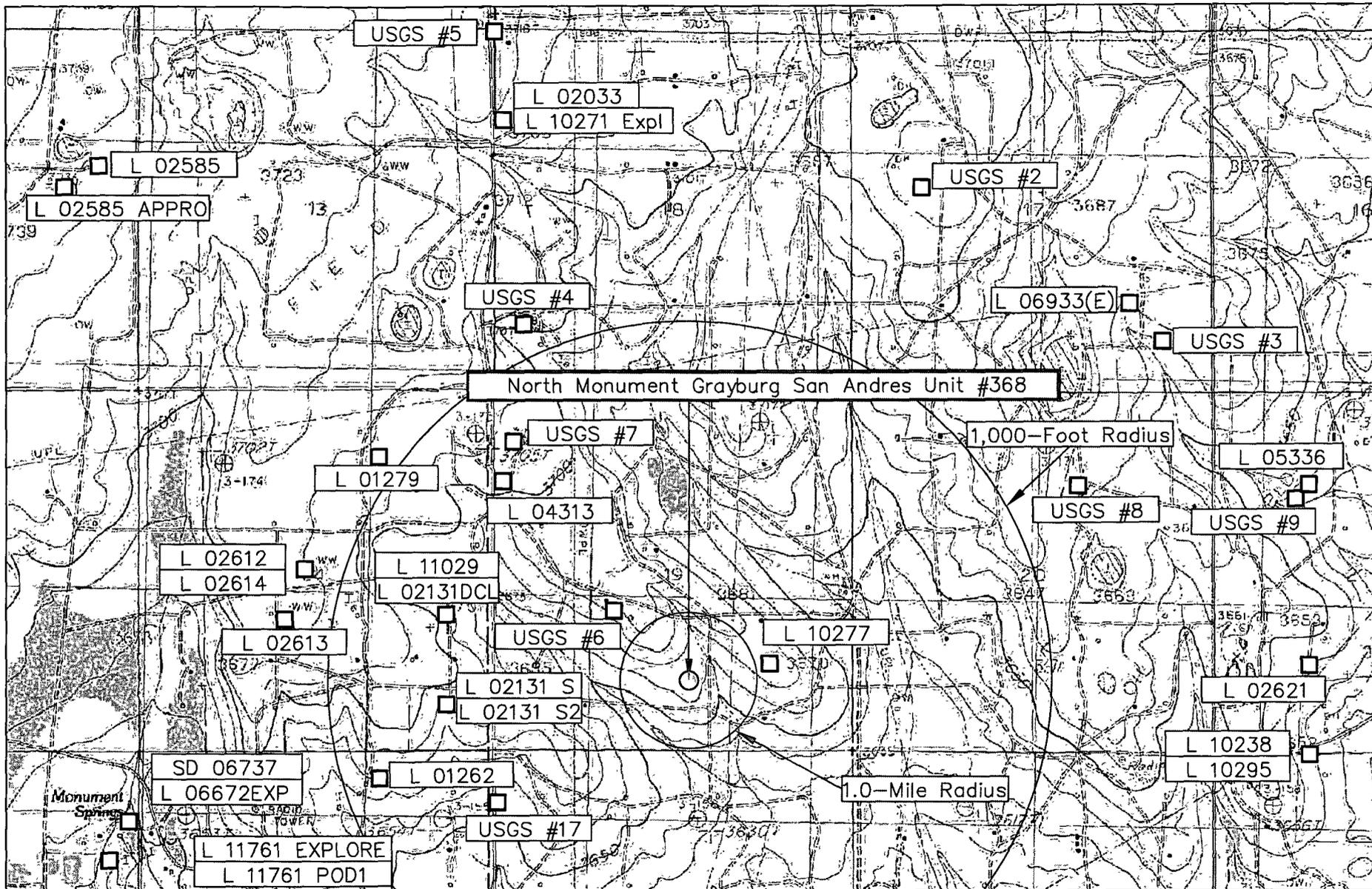
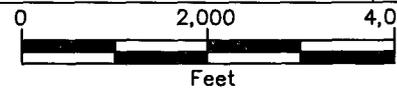


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 Site Location Map  
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 San Andres Unit #368

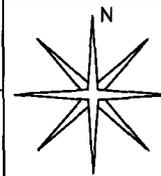
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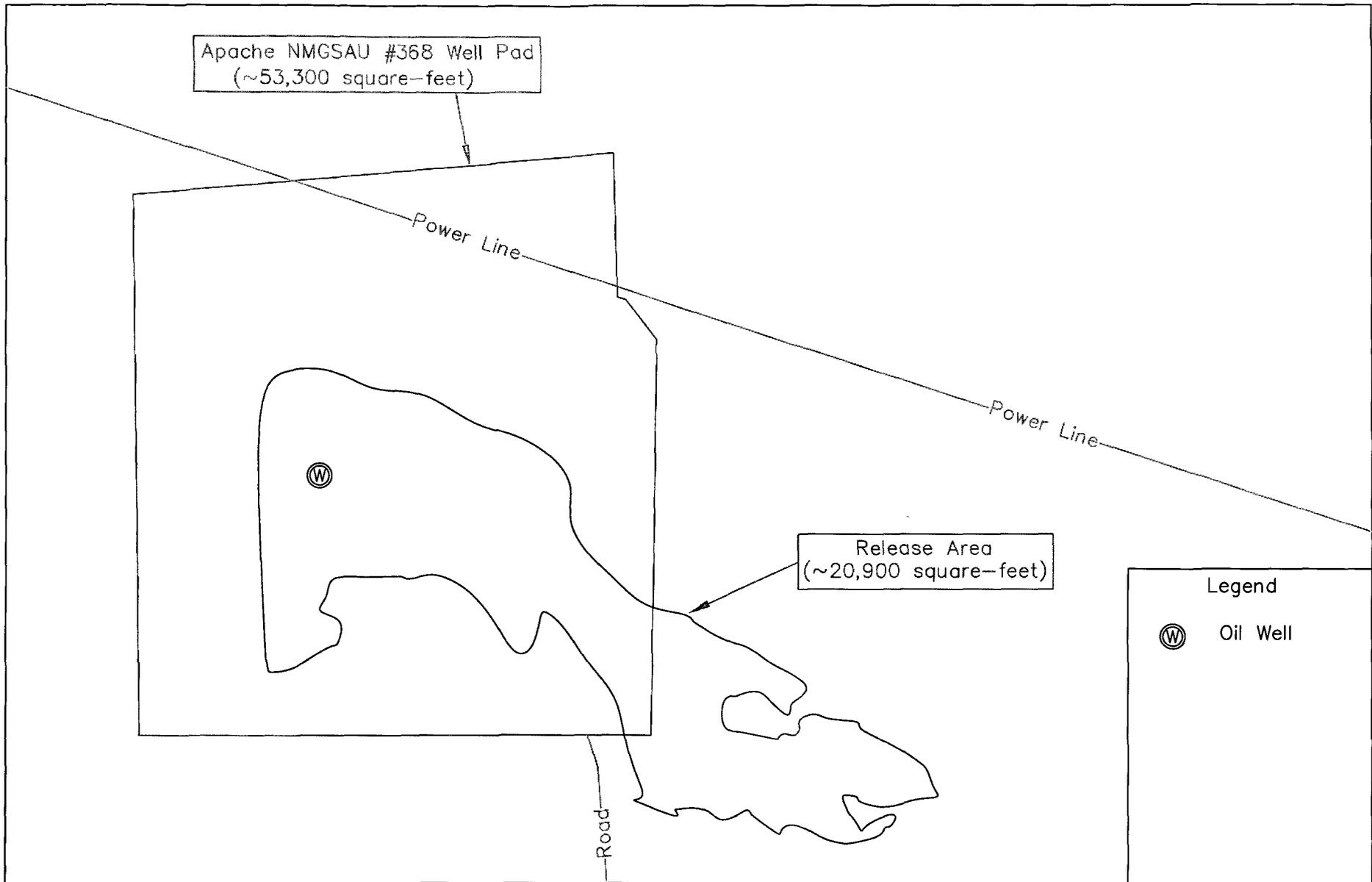
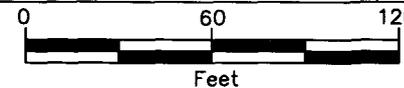


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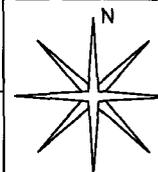
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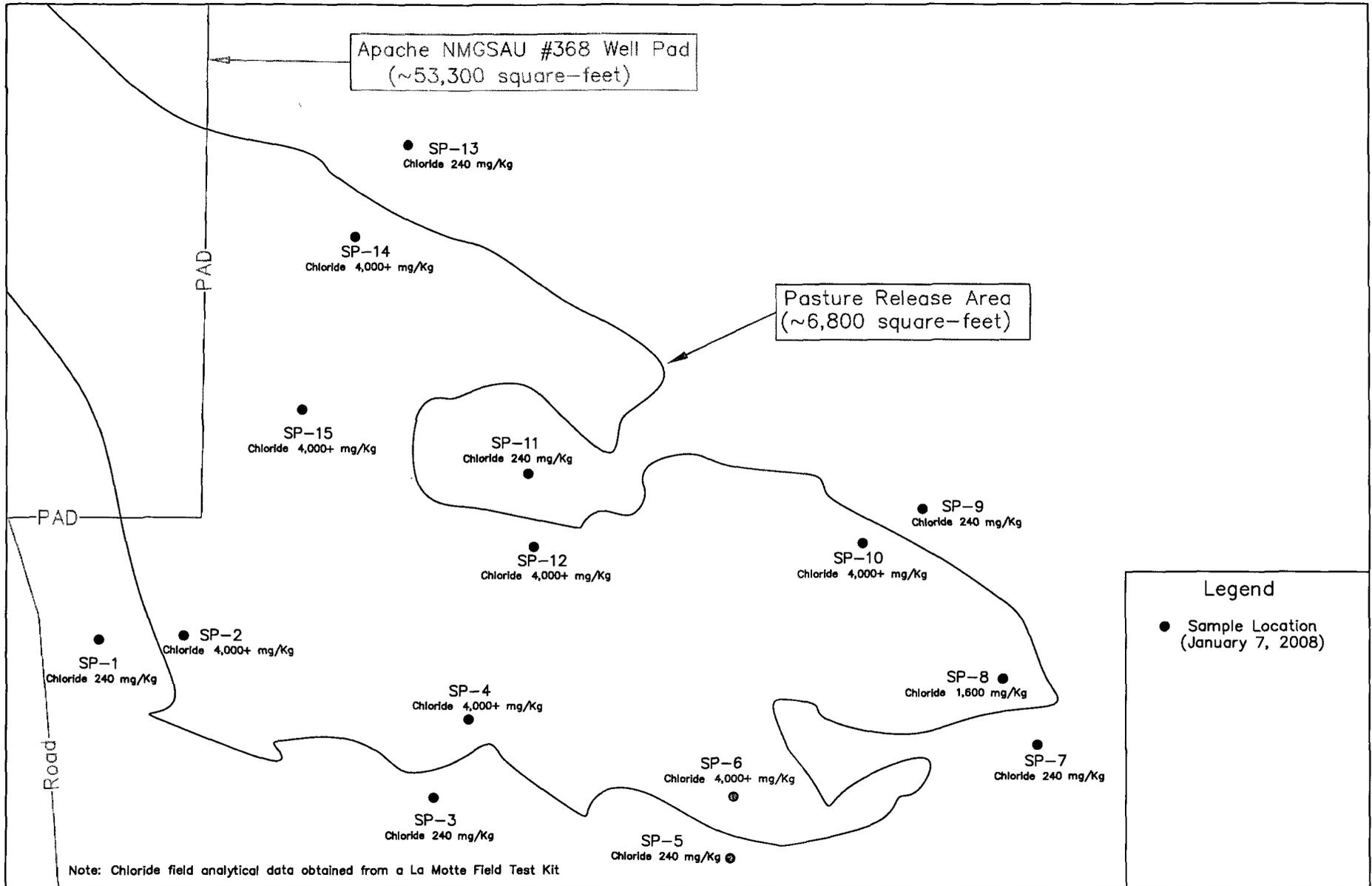
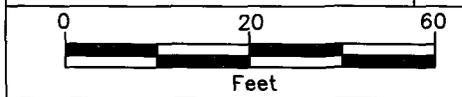


Figure 4  
Pasture Area Sample Location  
and Field Analytical Data  
Apache Corporation  
North Monument Grayburg  
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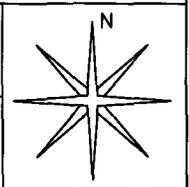
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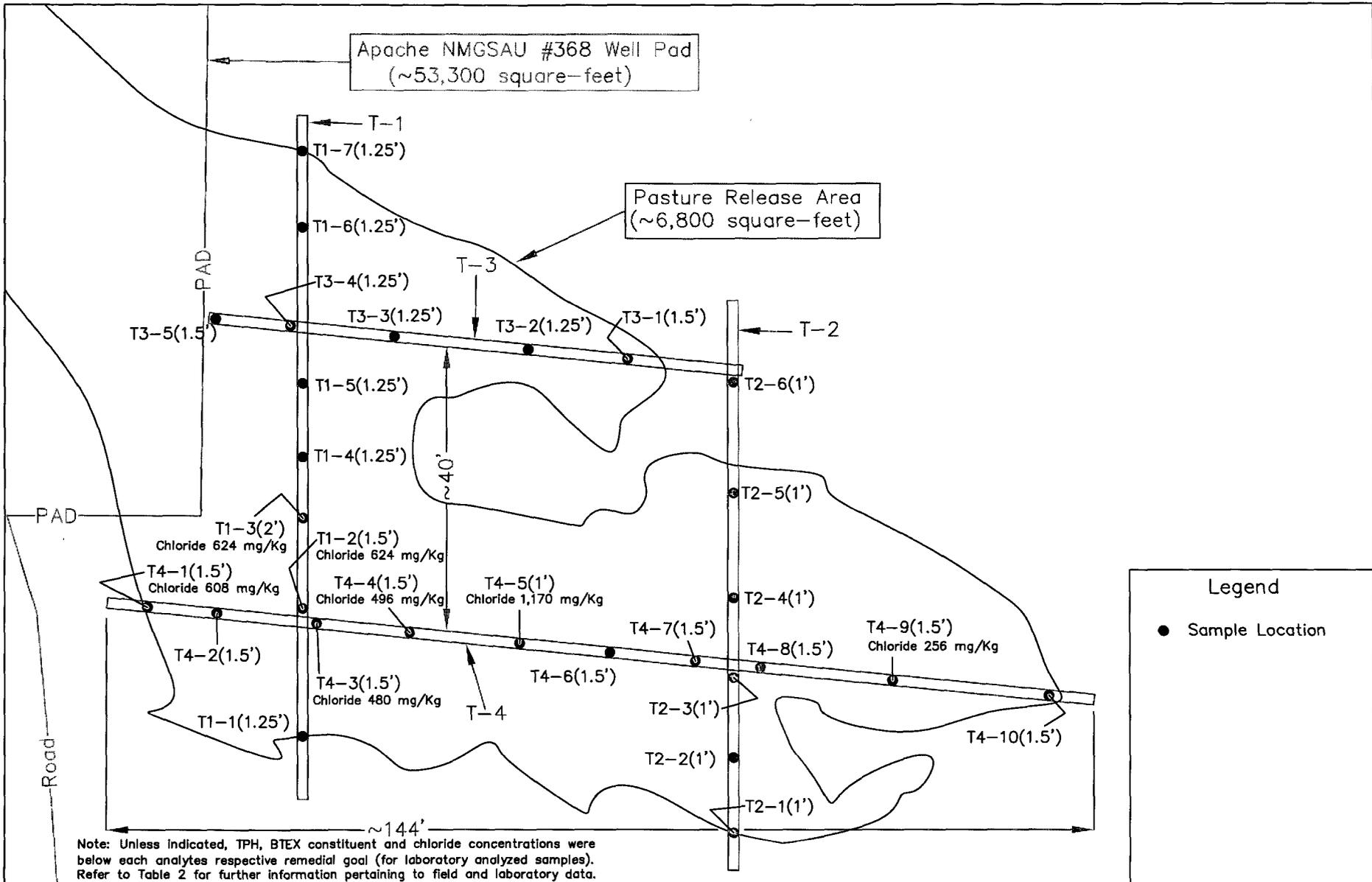
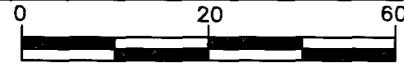


Figure 5  
 Test Trench and Sample  
 Location Map  
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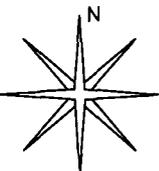
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# TABLES

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TABLE 1

Well Data

Apache Corporation - North Monument Grayburg San Andres Unit #368 (Ref. # 240017)

| Well Number     | Diversion <sup>A</sup> | Owner                          | Use | Twsp | Rng | Sec q q q | Latitude        | Longitude        | Date Measured | Surface Elevation <sup>B</sup> | Depth to Water |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|------|-----|-----------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
|                 |                        |                                |     |      |     |           |                 |                  |               |                                | (ft bgs)       |
| L 06933 (E)     | 0                      | GULF OIL CORPORATION           | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 17 4 2 3  | N32° 39' 23.47" | W103° 16' 7.86"  | 12-Apr-72     | 3,678                          | 65             |
| USGS #2         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 17 1 3 4  |                 |                  | 27-Feb-96     | 3,706                          | 62.54          |
| USGS #3         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 17 4 3 1  |                 |                  | 24-Apr-91     | 3,670                          | 36.96          |
| USGS #4         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 18 3 3 1  |                 |                  | 18-Mar-54     | 3,701                          | 51.93          |
| USGS #5         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 18 1 1 1  |                 |                  | 22-Feb-91     | 3,716                          | 63.87          |
| L 02033         | 0                      | MONUMENT WATER USERS           | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 18 1 1 1  | N32° 39' 50.42" | W103° 17' 55.35" | 12-Sep-47     | 3,717                          | 35             |
| L 10271 EXPL    | 0                      | INC. SNYDER RANCHES            | EXP | 19S  | 37E | 18 1 1 1  | N32° 39' 50.42" | W103° 17' 55.35" | 13-Jul-92     | 3,717                          | 70             |
| USGS #6         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 19 3 2 1  |                 |                  | 21-Feb-91     | 3,670                          | 58.43          |
| USGS #7         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 19 1 1 3  |                 |                  | 06-Mar-96     | 3,702                          | 57.31          |
| L 04313         | 3                      | MCVAY AND STAFFORD DRILLING CO | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 19 1 1    | N32° 38' 58.03" | W103° 17' 55.36" | 23-Oct-59     | 3,704                          | 52             |
| L 10277         | 3                      | INC. SNYDER RANCHES            | STK | 19S  | 37E | 19 4 2 2  | N32° 38' 31.48" | W103° 17' 9.65"  | 10-Jul-92     | 3,678                          | 40             |
| USGS #8         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 20 2 3 1  |                 |                  | 19-Apr-68     | 3,662                          | 47.85          |
| L 02621         | 3                      | LA MANCE DRILLING COMPANY      | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 21 3 2 3  | N32° 38' 31.20" | W103° 15' 37.02" | 14-Sep-54     | 3,642                          | 40             |
| L 05336         | 0                      | GULF OIL CORPORATION           | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 21 1 2 4  | N32° 38' 57.29" | W103° 15' 37.00" | 15-Feb-64     | 3,639                          | 30             |
| L 10238         | 3                      | W. S ISRAEL                    | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 21 3 4 3  | N32° 38' 18.16" | W103° 15' 37.03" | 19-Mar-92     | 3,637                          | 30             |
| L 10295         | 3                      | TERRY ISRAEL                   | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 21 3 4 3  | N32° 38' 18.16" | W103° 15' 37.03" | 29-Oct-92     | 3,637                          | 30             |
| USGS #9         |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 21 1 3 2  |                 |                  | 29-Feb-96     | 3,640                          | 24.13          |
| USGS #17        |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 37E | 30 1 1 1  |                 |                  | 11-Feb-66     | 3,654                          | 26.88          |
| L 01262         |                        | GULF OIL CORPORATION           | PRO | 19S  | 36E | 25 2 1 2  |                 |                  |               | 3,655                          |                |
| L 01279         |                        | GULF OIL CORPORATION           | PRO | 19S  | 36E | 24 2 1 4  |                 |                  |               | 3,707                          |                |
| L 02131 DCL     |                        | THE TEXAS COMPANY              | COM | 19S  | 36E | 24 4 2    |                 |                  |               | 3,695                          |                |
| L 02131 S       |                        | THE TEXAS COMPANY              |     | 19S  | 36E | 24 4 4    |                 |                  |               | 3,695                          |                |
| L 02131 S 2     |                        | THE TEXAS COMPANY              |     | 19S  | 36E | 24 4 4    |                 |                  |               | 3,695                          |                |
| L 02585         |                        | DILLARD & WALTERMIRE DRILLING  | PRO | 19S  | 36E | 14 2 4    |                 |                  | 13-Jul-54     | 3,735                          | 63             |
| L 02585 APPRO   |                        | DILLARD & WALTERMIRE DRILLING  |     | 19S  | 36E | 14 2 4 3  |                 |                  | 13-Jul-54     | 3,735                          | 63             |
| L 02612         |                        | VERSADO GAS PROCESSORS, LLC    | IND | 19S  | 36E | 24 3 2 2  |                 |                  |               | 3,710                          |                |
| L 02613         |                        | VERSADO GAS PROCESSORS, LLC    | IND | 19S  | 36E | 24 3 2 4  |                 |                  |               | 3,712                          |                |
| L 11029         |                        | CHEVRON USA INC                | POL | 19S  | 36E | 24 4 2    |                 |                  | 14-Oct-99     | 3,695                          | 59             |
| L 02614         |                        | VERSADO GAS PROCESSORS, LLC    | IND | 19S  | 36E | 24 3 2 2  |                 |                  |               | 3,710                          |                |
| L 06672 EXP     |                        | JINNIE T COOPER                | DOM | 19S  | 36E | 26 2 2 4  |                 |                  |               | 3,650                          |                |
| L 11761 EXPLORE |                        | JIM COOPER                     | EXP | 19S  | 36E | 26 2 4 2  |                 |                  |               | 3,645                          |                |
| L 11761 PODI    |                        |                                |     | 19S  | 36E | 26 2 4 2  |                 |                  |               | 3,645                          |                |
| SD 06737        |                        | MONUMENT SPRINGS RANCH         | PLS | 19S  | 36E | 26 2 2 4  |                 |                  | 12/31/1869    | 3,650                          |                |
| L 05123 EXPL    |                        | CLIMAX CHEMICAL COMPANY        | EXP | 19S  | 36E | 14 1 3    |                 |                  | 15-Feb-64     |                                | 55             |
| L 02881         |                        | HOWARD P. HOLMES DRILLING      | PRO | 19S  | 36E | 14        |                 |                  | 30-May-55     |                                | 50             |
| L 02881 APPRO   |                        | HOWARD P. HOLMES DRILLING      |     | 19S  | 36E | 14        |                 |                  | 30-May-55     |                                | 50             |
| L 03097         |                        | OSCAR BOURG DRILLING CO        | PRO | 19S  | 36E | 14        |                 |                  | 11-Feb-56     |                                | 50             |
| L 03097 APPRO   |                        | OSCAR BOURG DRILLING CO        |     | 19S  | 36E | 14        |                 |                  | 11-Feb-56     |                                | 50             |
| L 01140         |                        | ELLEN WEIR & SONS              | STK | 19S  | 36E | 23 1      |                 |                  | 13-Oct-51     |                                | 45             |
| L 01140 APPRO   |                        | ELLEN WEIR & SONS              |     | 19S  | 36E | 23 1      |                 |                  | 13-Oct-51     |                                | 45             |
| L 01140 REPAR   |                        | ELLEN WEIR & SONS              |     | 19S  | 36E | 23 1      | N32° 38' 44.26" | W104° 21' 37.39" | 18-Jul-53     |                                | 45             |
| L 03098         |                        | THE TEXAS COMPANY              | PRO | 19S  | 36E | 23 1 2    |                 |                  | 25-Jan-56     |                                | 55             |
| L 03098 APPRO   |                        | THE TEXAS COMPANY              |     | 19S  | 36E | 23 1 2    |                 |                  | 25-Jan-56     |                                | 55             |
| L 04719         |                        | MONUMENT, LLC                  | IND | 19S  | 36E | 23 1 1    | N32° 38' 58.04" | W103° 19' 59.05" |               |                                |                |
| L 04719         |                        | STATE OF NEW MEXICO            | IND | 19S  | 36E | 23 1 1    | N33° 38' 58.04" | W104° 19' 59.05" |               |                                |                |
| L 04746 EXPL    |                        | CLIMAX CHEMICAL COMPANY        | EXP | 19S  | 36E | 23        |                 |                  | 29-Nov-61     |                                | 57             |
| L 04772 EXPL    |                        | CLIMAX CHEMICAL COMPANY        | EXP | 19S  | 36E | 24        |                 |                  | 28-Dec-61     |                                | 70             |

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|               |                        |                        |     |      |     |           |                 |                  |               |                                | (ft bgs)       |
| L 01278       |                        | GULF OIL CORPORATION   | MUL | 19S  | 36E | 26 4 1 2  |                 |                  |               |                                |                |
| L 06121 EXP   |                        | W.B. BAUM              | DOM | 19S  | 36E | 26 2      |                 |                  |               |                                |                |
| L 03982 APPRO |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 28 3 3    | N32° 37' 25.94" | W103° 15' 52.53" | 10-Nov-58     | 3,606                          | 31             |
| L 03884       | 3                      | R.L. LEWIS             | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 28        | N32° 37' 25.94" | W103° 15' 52.53" | 14-Jun-58     | 3,606                          | 30             |
| L 02596       | 3                      | MAKIN DRILLING COMPANY | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 29 3 2    | N32° 37' 39.11" | W103° 16' 38.84" | 20-Jul-54     | 3,609                          | 20             |
| L 03922       | 3                      | LEON DICKERSON         | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 29        | N32° 37' 26.10" | W103° 16' 54.28" | 11-Aug-58     | 3,596                          | 22             |
| L 03949       | 3                      | ROY L. WHEELER         | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 29        | N32° 37' 26.10" | W103° 16' 54.28" | 12-Aug-58     | 3,596                          | 18             |
| L 03956       | 3                      | DENNIS C. SMITH        | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 29        | N32° 37' 26.10" | W103° 16' 54.28" | 13-Aug-58     | 3,596                          | 20             |
| L 03995       | 3                      | W.E. COPELAND          | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 30 4 4    | N32° 37' 26.16" | W103° 17' 9.72"  | 26-Sep-58     | 3,599                          | 20             |
| L 05995       | 3                      | H.L. STEPHENS          | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 30 4 4 4  | N32° 37' 26.16" | W103° 17' 9.72"  | 04-Aug-66     | 3,599                          | 23             |
| L 03905       | 3                      | LILLIE B. LONGNELKER   | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 30 4 4    | N32° 37' 26.16" | W103° 17' 9.72"  | 12-Aug-58     | 3,599                          | 20             |
| L 03906       | 3                      | ROBERT P. III SHORT    | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 30 4 4    | N32° 37' 26.16" | W103° 17' 9.72"  | 11-Aug-58     | 3,599                          | 20             |
| L 03954       | 3                      | K.W. LITTLE            | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 30 4 4    | N32° 37' 26.16" | W103° 17' 9.72"  | 10-Aug-58     | 3,599                          | 20             |
| L 01975 APPRO | 3                      | O & W DRILL CO.        | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 16 4 3    | N32° 39' 10.30" | W103° 15' 21.56" | 12-Feb-53     | 3,638                          | 20             |
| L 03185       | 3                      | CARPER DRILLING CO.    | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 16 2 4    | N32° 39' 36.37" | W103° 15' 6.16"  | 24-Apr-56     | 3,668                          | 45             |
| L 03228       | 3                      | MAKIN DRILLING COMPANY | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 16 4 4    | N32° 39' 10.26" | W103° 15' 6.14"  | 18-Jun-56     | 3,641                          | 42             |
| USGS #1       |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 16 2 3 3  |                 |                  | 08-Mar-91     | 3,648                          | 26.94          |
| L 04108       | 3                      | R.H. HUSTON            | PRO | 19S  | 37E | 21 4 2    | N32° 38' 31.15" | W103° 15' 6.17"  | 01-Apr-59     | 3,619                          | 22             |
| L 09163       | 3                      | LEROY LOFT             | DOM | 19S  | 37E | 21 2 3 2  | N32° 38' 44.21" | W103° 15' 21.58" | 16-Apr-83     | 3,632                          | 47             |
| USGS #10      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 21 4 3 1  |                 |                  | 09-Jan-86     | 3,614                          | 16.19          |
| USGS #11      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 28 4 2 4  |                 |                  | 18-Apr-91     |                                | 20.30          |
| USGS #12      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 29 3 2 2  |                 |                  | 16-Jan-81     |                                | 17.50          |
| USGS #13      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 29 3 4 4  |                 |                  | 23-Mar-60     |                                | 21.50          |
| USGS #14      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 29 4 4 4  |                 |                  | 22-Feb-80     |                                | 34.45          |
| USGS #15      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 29 4 4 4  |                 |                  | 19-Jan-71     |                                | 35.05          |
| USGS #16      |                        |                        |     | 19S  | 37E | 29 3 3 3  |                 |                  | 18-Apr-91     |                                | 13.01          |

<sup>A</sup> = In acre feet per annum

<sup>B</sup> = Elevation interpolated from USGS topographical map based on referenced location

PRO = Prospecting or development of natural resource

DOM = Domestic

EXP = Exploration

STK = Livestock watering

quarters are 1=NW, 2=NE, 3=SW, 4=SE; quarters are biggest to smallest

Shaded areas indicate wells not shown on Figure 2



TABLE 2

Summary of Test Trench Soil Sample Analytical Results

Apache Corporation - North Monument Grayburg San Andres Unit #368 (Ref. #240017)

| Location                         | Sample I.D.  | Depth (feet) | PID analysis | Field Chloride Analysis | Soil Status | Sample Date | Benzene (mg/Kg) | Toluene (mg/Kg) | Ethylbenzene (mg/Kg) | Total Xylenes (mg/Kg) | Total BTEX (mg/Kg) | Gasoline Range Organics (C6-C10) (mg/Kg) | Diesel Range Organics (C10-C28) (mg/Kg) | Total TPH (mg/Kg) | Chloride (mg/Kg)       |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|---|-------------------|------------------------|
| Test Trench 4                    | T4-1 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 480                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | <b>608</b>             |
|                                  | T4-2 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 240                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | 112                    |
|                                  | T4-3 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 440                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | <b>480</b>             |
|                                  | T4-4 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 440                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | <b>496</b>             |
|                                  | T4-5 (1')    | 1.00         | --           | 1080                    | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | <b>1,170</b>           |
|                                  | T4-6 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 360                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | 224                    |
|                                  | T4-7 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 240                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | 48                     |
|                                  | T4-8 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 160                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | 16                     |
|                                  | T4-9 (1.5')  | 1.50         | --           | 240                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | <b>256</b>             |
|                                  | T4-10 (1.5') | 1.50         | --           | 200                     | In Situ     | 05-Feb-08   | --              | --              | --                   | --                    | --                 | --                                       | --                                      | --                | 16                     |
| <b>NMOCD Remedial Thresholds</b> |              |              |              |                         |             |             | <b>10</b>       |                 |                      |                       | <b>50</b>          |  |   | <b>100</b>        | <b>250<sup>A</sup></b> |

*Bolded values are in excess of NMOCD Remediation Thresholds**-- =Not Analyzed**<sup>A</sup>Chloride and Sulfate residuals may not be capable of impacting local groundwater above the NMWQCC standards of 250 mg/L and 650 mg/L respectively**<sup>B</sup> = Estimated value, analyte detected below reporting limit*

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**ATTACHMENT I**

**LABORATORY ANALYTICAL DATA**

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ANALYTICAL RESULTS FOR  
ENVIRONMENTAL PLUS, INC.  
ATTN: JASON STEGEMOLLER  
P.O. BOX 1558  
EUNICE, NM 88231  
FAX TO: (575) 394-2601

Receiving Date: 02/08/08  
Reporting Date: 02/11/08  
Project Owner: APACHE CORPORATION (240017)  
Project Name: NMGSAU #368  
Project Location: UL-O, SEC. 19, T19S, R37E

Analysis Date: 02/11/08  
Sampling Date: 02/06/08  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: ML  
Analyzed By: KS

| LAB NUMBER                  | SAMPLE ID | Cl <sup>-</sup><br>(mg/kg) |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| H14225-1                    | T2-1 (1') | 32                         |
| H14225-2                    | T2-2 (1') | 16                         |
| H14225-3                    | T2-3 (1') | 48                         |
| H14225-4                    | T2-4 (1') | < 16                       |
| H14225-5                    | T2-5 (1') | 176                        |
| H14225-6                    | T2-6 (1') | < 16                       |
|                             |           |                            |
|                             |           |                            |
|                             |           |                            |
|                             |           |                            |
|                             |           |                            |
| Quality Control             |           | 490                        |
| True Value QC               |           | 500                        |
| % Recovery                  |           | 98.0                       |
| Relative Percent Difference |           | 2.0                        |

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| METHOD: Standard Methods | 4500-ClB |
|--------------------------|----------|

Note: Analyses performed on 1:4 w:v aqueous extracts.

*Kristin Supada*  
Chemist

02/11/08  
Date

H14225 EPI





# ARDINAL LABORATORIES

PHONE (575) 393-2326 • 101 E. MARLAND • HOBBS, NM 88240

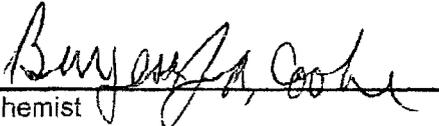
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Receiving Date: 02/11/08  
Reporting Date: 02/12/08  
Project Owner: APACHE CORPORATION (240017)  
Project Name: NMGSAU #368  
Project Location: UL-O, SEC. 19, T19S, R37E

Sampling Date: 02/08/08  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: ML  
Analyzed By: BC

| LAB NUMBER                  | SAMPLE ID   | GRO<br>(C <sub>6</sub> -C <sub>10</sub> )<br>(mg/kg) | DRO<br>(>C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>28</sub> )<br>(mg/kg) |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--|--|
| ANALYSIS DATE:              |             | 02/11/08   | 02/11/08   |
| H14240-1                    | T1-2 (1.5') | <10.0  | <10.0  |
| H14240-3                    | BG-1 (0.5') | <10.0  | <10.0  |
| H14240-5                    | T3-4 (1.5') | <10.0  | 21.3   |
| Quality Control             |             | 733  | 740  |
| True Value QC               |             | 800  | 800  |
| % Recovery                  |             | 94.2   | 92.5   |
| Relative Percent Difference |             | 1.0  | 1.2  |

METHOD: SW-846 8015 M

  
Chemist

2/12/08  
Date

H14240A EPI

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Reporting Date: 02/12/08  
Project Owner: APACHE CORPORATION (240017)  
Project Name: NMGSAU #368  
Project Location: UL-O, SEC. 19, T19S, R37E

Analysis Date: 02/11/08  
Sampling Date: 02/08/08  
Sample Type: SOIL  
Sample Condition: COOL & INTACT  
Sample Received By: ML  
Analyzed By: KS

| LAB NUMBER                  | SAMPLE ID    | Cl <sup>-</sup><br>(mg/kg) |
|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| H14240-1                    | T1-2 (1.5')  | 624                        |
| H14240-2                    | T1-3 (2')    | 624                        |
| H14240-3                    | BG-1 (0.5')  | 16                         |
| H14240-4                    | T3-3 (1.25') | 240                        |
| H14240-5                    | T3-4 (1.5')  | 192                        |
|                             |              |                            |
|                             |              |                            |
| Quality Control             |              | 500                        |
| True Value QC               |              | 500                        |
| % Recovery                  |              | 100                        |
| Relative Percent Difference |              | 2.0                        |
| METHOD: Std. Methods        |              | 4500-Cl <sup>-</sup> B     |

NOTE: Analyses performed on 1:4 w:v aqueous extracts.

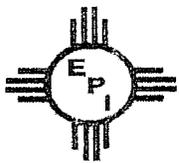
*Krista Spivey*  
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Chemist

*02/12/08*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Environmental Plus, Inc.

2100 Avenue O, Eunice, NM 88231  
 (505) 394-3481 FAX: (505) 394-2601

P.O. Box 1558, Eunice, NM 88231

|                     |                             |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Company Name        | Environmental Plus, Inc.    | <br>Attn: Jason Stegemoller<br>P.O. Box 1558<br>Eunice, NM 88231 | <b>ANALYSIS REQUEST</b> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EPI Project Manager | Jason Stegemoller           |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mailing Address     | P.O. BOX 1558               |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| City, State, Zip    | Eunice New Mexico 88231     |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EPI Phone#/Fax#     | 505-394-3481 / 505-394-2601 |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Client Company      | Apache Corporation          |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Facility Name       | NMGSAU# 368                 |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Location            | UL-O, Sec 19, T19S, R37E    |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Project Reference   | 240017                      |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EPI Sampler Name    | D. Deaton                   |   |                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| LAB I.D. | SAMPLE I.D.    | (G/RAB OR (C)OMP. | # CONTAINERS | MATRIX       |            |      |           |        |        | PRESERV.  |          |       | SAMPLING  |       | BTEX 8021B | TPH 8015M | CHLORIDES (Cl <sup>-</sup> ) | SULFATES (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ) | pH | TCLP | OTHER >>> | PAH |  |
|----------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|----------|-------|-----------|-------|------------|-----------|------------------------------|---|----|------|-----------|-----|--|
|          |                |                   |              | GROUND WATER | WASTEWATER | SOIL | CRUDE OIL | SLUDGE | OTHER: | ACID/BASE | ICE/COOL | OTHER | DATE      | TIME  |            |           |                              |   |    |      |           |     |  |
| H14240-1 | 1 T1-2 (1.5')  | G                 | 1            |              |            | 1    |           |        |        |           | X        |       | 08-Feb-08 | 11:30 |            | X         | X                            |   |    |      |           |     |  |
| -2       | 2 T1-3 (2')    | G                 | 1            |              |            | 1    |           |        |        |           | X        |       | 08-Feb-08 | 11:35 |            |           | X                            |   |    |      |           |     |  |
| -3       | 3 BG-1 (0.5')  | G                 | 1            |              |            | 1    |           |        |        |           | X        |       | 08-Feb-08 | 14:05 |            | X         | X                            |   |    |      |           |     |  |
| -4       | 4 T3-3 (1.25') | G                 | 1            |              |            | 1    |           |        |        |           | X        |       | 08-Feb-08 | 14:10 |            |           | X                            |   |    |      |           |     |  |
| -5       | 5 T3-4 (1.5')  | G                 | 1            |              |            | 1    |           |        |        |           | X        |       | 08-Feb-08 | 14:20 |            | X         | X                            |   |    |      |           |     |  |
|          | 6              |                   |              |              |            |      |           |        |        |           |          |       |           |       |            |           |                              |   |    |      |           |     |  |
|          | 7              |                   |              |              |            |      |           |        |        |           |          |       |           |       |            |           |                              |   |    |      |           |     |  |
|          | 8              |                   |              |              |            |      |           |        |        |           |          |       |           |       |            |           |                              |   |    |      |           |     |  |
|          | 9              |                   |              |              |            |      |           |        |        |           |          |       |           |       |            |           |                              |   |    |      |           |     |  |
|          | 10             |                   |              |              |            |      |           |        |        |           |          |       |           |       |            |           |                              |   |    |      |           |     |  |

|                       |   |                          |   |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|---|
| Sampler Relinquished: | 2/11/2008   | Received By:             | E-mail results to: <a href="mailto:jstegemoller@envplus.net">jstegemoller@envplus.net</a><br>NOTES: |
| <i>Danny Deaton</i>   | Time 0700   | <i>Mike Muth</i>         |   |
| Relinquished by:      | 2/11/2008   | Received By: (lab staff) |   |
| <i>Mike Muth</i>      | Time 4:05p  | <i>Misty LeBut</i>       |   |
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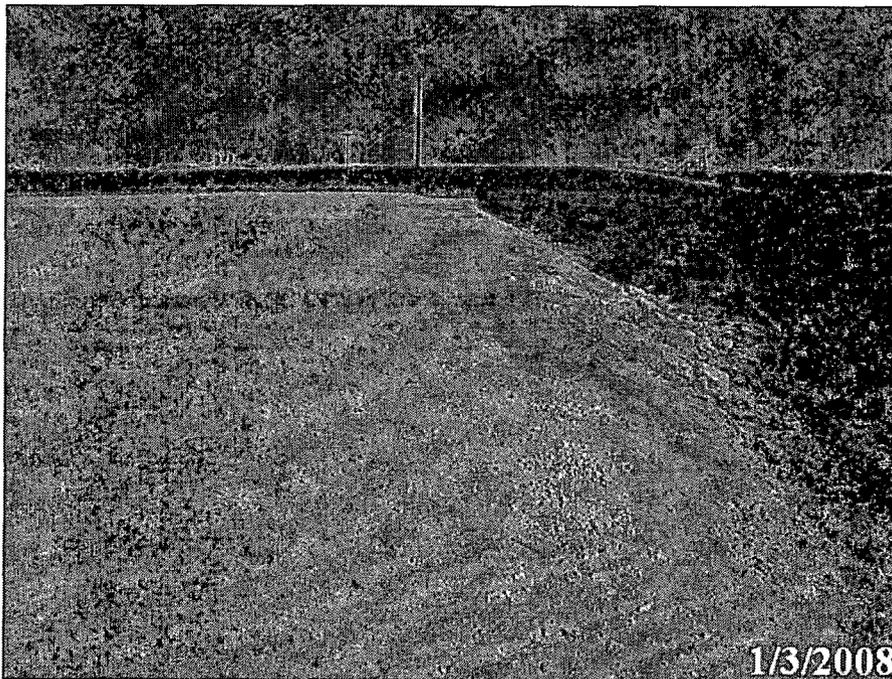
**ATTACHMENT II**

**SITE PHOTOGRAPHS**

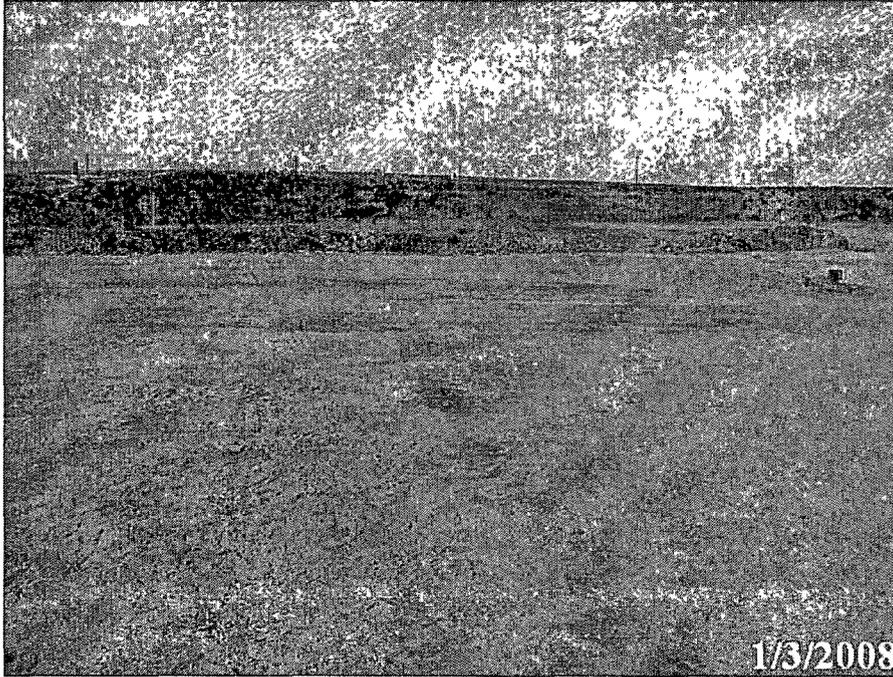
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Photograph #1-Well Lease Sign



Photograph #2-Looking north across release area from southeast edge of well pad.



Photograph #3-Looking west across well pad release area.



Photograph #4-Looking southeasterly across well pad release area.

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Photo #5- Looking easterly across pasture release area.



Photo #5- Looking northerly across pasture release area.

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**ATTACHMENT III**

**INFORMATIONAL COPY OF**

**INITIAL C-141**

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District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

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

Form C-141  
Revised October 10, 2003

Submit 2 Copies to appropriate  
District Office in accordance  
with Rule 116 on back  
side of form

**Informational - Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**OPERATOR**  Initial Report  Final Report

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Name of Company:</b> Apache Corporation                                  | <b>Contact:</b> Harold Swain                                   |
| <b>Address:</b> P.O. Box 848, Wink, TX 79789                                | <b>Telephone No.:</b> (915) 527-3311                           |
| <b>Facility Name:</b> North Monument Grayburg San Andres Unit (NMGSAU) #368 | <b>Facility Type:</b> Well Pad (New Well)<br>API #30-025-38459 |

|   |                       |                   |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Surface Owner:</b> State of New Mexico | <b>Mineral Owner:</b> | <b>Lease No.:</b> |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

| Unit Letter | Section | Township | Range | Feet from the | North/South Line | Feet from the | East/West Line | County |
|-------------|---------|----------|-------|---------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| O           | 19      | 19S      | 37E   | 1,060         | South            | 2,420         | East           | Lea    |

Latitude: N 32° 38' 29.54" Longitude: W 103° 17' 24.07"

*WTR 70'*

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

|   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Type of Release:</b> Drilling brine  | <b>Volume of Release:</b> ~45 bbls                                   | <b>Volume Recovered:</b> >5 bbls                                    |
| <b>Source of Release:</b> Overflow of closed loop containment   | <b>Date and Hour of Occurrence:</b><br>December 22, 2007 @ 09:00 hrs | <b>Date and Hour of Discovery:</b><br>December 22, 2007 @ 09:00 hrs |
| <b>Was Immediate Notice Given?</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required | <b>If YES, To Whom?</b><br>Chris Williams, NMOCD - Hobbs             |   |
| <b>By Whom?</b> Billy L. Stockton   | <b>Date and Hour:</b> December 22, 2007 @ 12:45 hrs                  |   |
| <b>Was a Watercourse Reached?</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  | <b>If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse:</b><br>Not Applicable   |   |

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\* Not Applicable

**Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*** Well bore flow back volume during new well logging was in excess of closed loop system capacity. Drilling brine was released onto location (well pad) and flowed southeast off location into pasture. A berm was built around well cellar to contain flow back while vacuum trucks recovered free fluid within bermed area. Well was cemented and flow back ceased. Approximately 45 barrels (~25 bbls on location and ~20 bbls off location) of drilling fluid were released from containment system during drilling operations.

**Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*** Approximately 20,900 ft<sup>2</sup> of area (~14,100 ft<sup>2</sup> of well pad and ~6,800 ft<sup>2</sup> of pasture) were impacted by the release. A backhoe was utilized to blend impacted well pad materials. No actions were performed upon pasture area.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD 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 NMOCD 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, NMOCD 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.

|  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>Signature:</b> <i>Harold Swain</i>                  | <b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b><br><i>Richard</i><br><b>COMPLIANCE OFFICER</b> |  |
| <b>Printed Name:</b> Harold Swain                      | <b>Approved by District Supervisor:</b> <i>in absence of...</i>                 |  |
| <b>Title:</b> Drilling Foreman, Permian Basin          | <b>Approval Date:</b> <i>1/17/08</i>  | <b>Expiration Date:</b> <i>3/3/08</i>    |
| <b>E-mail Address:</b> Harold.swain@usa.apachecorp.com | <b>Conditions of Approval:</b><br><i>completion of work</i>                     | <b>Attached</b> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>Date:</b> <i>1-10-08</i> <b>Phone:</b> 915-527-3311 |   |  |

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

*due by:*

*RP# 173*

**Johnson, Larry, EMNRD**

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**From:** Johnson, Larry, EMNRD  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:49 AM  
**To:** 'David Duncan'  
**Subject:** RE: Apache Corporation, Inc. - North Monument Grayburg San Andres Unit (NMGSAU) #368 (NMOCD Ref. 1RP#1746; EPI Ref. #240017)

Approved. L Johnson NMOCD

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**From:** David Duncan [mailto:dduncan@envplus.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:28 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Larry, EMNRD  
**Cc:** harold.swain@usa.apachecorp.com; rboone@envplus.net  
**Subject:** Apache Corporation, Inc. - North Monument Grayburg San Andres Unit (NMGSAU) #368 (NMOCD Ref. 1RP#1746; EPI Ref. #240017)

Mr. Johnson:

Per our conversation of 2-28-08 (Thursday-am), EPI on behalf of Apache Corporation proposes the following remedial activities for the above referenced project:

Based upon delineation activities, EPI recommends excavating chloride impacted material from the off-site release area and well pad. Excavation and disposal of approximately 1- to 1.5-feet of material in the majority of the pasture release area will remove the bulk of chloride impacted soil. Additionally, removal and disposal of approximately 0.5- to 1-foot of material from the well pad flow path will reduce the potential of chloride impacted runoff inundating the pasture land. However, vertical depth and horizontal width of excavations will be dictated by extent of impacted material encountered. Soil Samples will be collected from the excavation and analyzed in the field to verify remedial goals have been achieved. Upon receipt of satisfactory field analyses results, soil samples will be submitted to an independent laboratory for verification. The pasture land will be backfilled with clean top soil and the pad with graded caliche. Disturbed areas will be contoured to allow natural drainage. Pasture land will be disked and seeded with a blend preferred by the property owner.

After approval from the NMOCD of the abbreviated remediation proposal, EPI will commence remedial activities at Apache Corporation discretion.

Should you have questions, concerns or need additional information, please contact me at (575) 394-3481 (office), (575) 441-7802 (cellular) or via e-mail at [dduncan@envplus.net](mailto:dduncan@envplus.net).

Sincerely,

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Civil Engineer

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3/10/2008