



# NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS and NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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April 29, 2003

**Lori Wrotenbery**  
Director  
Oil Conservation Division

**Yates Petroleum Corporation**  
105 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, New Mexico 88210-2118

**Attention: Robert Bullock**

**Re:** *Amended administrative application dated March 27, 2003 (administrative application reference No. pKRV0-307027225) for an unorthodox infill oil well location within the Pecos Slope-Pennsylvanian Pool (97189) for Yates Petroleum Corporation's proposed George "QJ" Federal Well No. 11 to be drilled 2080 feet from the North line and 1350 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico.*

Dear Mr. Bullock:

Reference is made to my letter dated April 17, 2003 concerning the subject amended administrative application being incomplete and request for support data.

Approximately two years ago this bureau enacted a policy whereby any incomplete administrative filing older than 30 days is to be withdrawn and returned. This policy, as I understand, was adopted to better serve our customers and help assure a quicker turn around time by this bureau on administrative filings. To date you have not submitted the needed supplemental data necessary to complete your application. In as much as this application had previously been set for hearing because a portion of your request could not be approved through the administrative review process, but was dismissed and resubmitted without including that particular zone; this matter will be placed back on the docket scheduled for May 22, 2003 and re-advertised in the following manner:

**"CASE 13045 (REOPENED AND READVERTISED): Application of Yates Petroleum Corporation for an unorthodox infill oil well location, Chaves County, New Mexico.** Applicant seeks an unorthodox infill oil well location in the Pecos Slope-Pennsylvanian Pool for its proposed George "QJ" Federal Well No. 11 to be drilled 2080 feet from the North line and 1350 feet from the West line (Unit F) of Section 26, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, which is located approximately 13.5 miles north of the Pecos River bridge on U. S. Highway 70. This location will be an exception to the well location requirements provided within the "(Temporary) Special Pool Rules for the Pecos Slope-Pennsylvanian Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-11721, and made permanent by Division Order No. R-11721-A, for an infill oil well within an existing standard 320-acre stand-up oil spacing and proration unit comprising the W/2 of Section 26. This 320-acre Pennsylvanian oil unit is currently dedicated to the applicant's George "QJ" Federal Well No. 10 (API No. 30-005-63368), located at a standard oil well location 660 feet from the South line and 1500 feet from the West line (Unit N) of Section 26".

**Yates Petroleum Corporation**

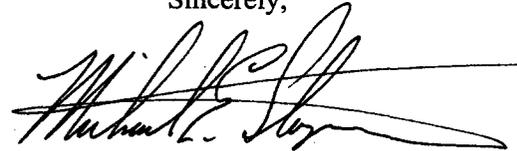
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Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact your legal counsel, Mr. William F. Carr in Santa Fe at (505) 988-4421. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Stogner", written over a horizontal line.

Michael E. Stogner  
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia  
William F. Carr, Legal Counsel for Yates Petroleum Corporation - Santa Fe  
Ms. Florene Davidson – NMOCD, Santa Fe  
Ms. Kathy Valdes – NMOCD, Santa Fe  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management - Roswell



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Dear Mr. Bullock:

This letter acknowledges the Division's receipt on March 31, 2003 of your amended administrative application for the above-described unorthodox infill oil well location.

Our preliminary review indicates that the information provided in the application is not sufficient to process an administrative order at this time. While your geologic explanation was clear in explaining several points you failed to provide support data in the form of subsurface mapping and/or cross-sections to illustrate your points, making your reasoning meaningless.

Since the submitted information is insufficient to review, the application was ruled as incomplete on April 17, 2003. Please submit the necessary supplemental geologic data by Friday, April 25, 2003.

The Division cannot proceed with your application until the required information is submitted. Upon receipt, the Division will continue to process your application. If the necessary information is not submitted, your application will be returned to you.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact your legal counsel, Mr. William F. Carr in Santa Fe at (505) 988-4421. Thank you.

Sincerely,

**Michael E. Stogner**  
Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division – Artesia  
William F. Carr, Legal Counsel for Yates Petroleum Corporation - Santa Fe  
U. S. Bureau of Land Management – Roswell

DATE 3/31/03	SUBMITTED 4/20/03	ENGINEER MS	LOGGED IN KV	TYPE NSL	PKR10307027225
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NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
 - Engineering Bureau -  
 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505



See Case 13045

**ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

**Application Acronyms:**

- [NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]
- [DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]
- [PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]
- [WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]
- [SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]
- [EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1] **TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A]**

- [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication  
 NSL  NSP  SD

MAR 31 2003

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

- [B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement  
 DHC  CTB  PLC  PC  OLS  OLM

- [C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery  
 WFX  PMX  SWD  IPI  EOR  PPR

[D] Other: Specify \_\_\_\_\_

[2] **NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply**

- [A]  Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners
- [B]  Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner
- [C]  Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
- [D]  Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO  
U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
- [E]  For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
- [F]  Waivers are Attached

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

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

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

Robert Bullock      Robert Bullock      Landman      3-27-03  
 Print or Type Name      Signature      Title      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 e-mail Address

MARTIN YATES, III  
1912 - 1985  
FRANK W. YATES  
1936 - 1986



105 SOUTH FOURTH STREET  
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO 88210-2118  
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March 24, 2003

Mr. Michael Stogner  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87508

**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
*Return Receipt Requested*

RE: Administrative Application submitted on  
March 10, 2003, No. pKRVO-307027225  
Non-Standard Oil Well Location  
George QJ Fed #11  
Township 6 South, Range 25 East  
Section 26: 2080' FNL & 1350' FWL  
Chaves County, New Mexico

(30-005-63444)

Dear Mr. Stogner:

Yates Petroleum Corporation would like to re-submit this application for a non-standard oil location only.

The George "QJ" Fed #11 is proposed at an unorthodox location in order to encounter a gross thickness of twenty-five (25) feet or more and a net thickness of ten plus (10+) feet. The Gross Isopach Map and the Net Isopach Map depict these thickness footages at the proposed location. Three producing wells that have production from this George-Cisco Zone are the George "QJ" Fed Deep Com 2Y, George "QJ" Fed #10 and the George Fed "QJ" Com #9. These three wells have twenty (20) feet or greater of total thickness in the "George interval" and ten (10) feet or better of net porosity. A productive well in this interval must have at least twenty (20) feet total thickness of limestone and six (6) feet or greater of net porosity. The production of these three wells as of January 23, 2003 is as follows: The George #10 has produced 144,228 BO and 114 MMCF since August 2001. The George #9 has produced 97,667 BO and 139 MMCF since December 2001. The George 2Y has produced 7,437 BO and 5.1 MMCF since October 2002.

The Five Mile Draw "LX" Fed Com #2 in the southeast quarter of section 34 has seven (7) net feet in the George-Cisco interval. This zone is behind production casing. The Five Mile Draw well is capable of production from this zone.

We have also shot a 3-D seismic shoot under these three wells after they were drilled and all three of these producing wells were positioned where the 3-D depicted the thickest limestone interval. The 3-D analysis positions the George #11 at 2080' FNL & 1350' FWL to encounter the thickest George-Cisco interval for possible production.

Yates Petroleum Corporation proposes this unorthodox location at 2080' FNL & 1350' FWL based on the 3-D seismic shoot, the Gross Isopach Map and the Net Porosity Isopach Map as the best site to encounter a thick productive George-Cisco Limestone interval.

The proposed location is located on Federal minerals and notification of this application with all exhibits has been provided to the BLM. No other notification is required in this application as the Yates companies own 100% of the working interest in this section and the overriding interest are the same in all formations.

Enclosed are Forms C-101, C-102, land plat and administrative checklist. The isopach maps were submitted to you on March 10, 2003.

Yates Petroleum Corporation requests administrative approval for its non-standard oil well location for pools currently spaced on 320 acres which is:

Pecos Slope Pennsylvanian Oil (Temporary Rules)

Please call me at (505) 748-4351 if you need any additional information. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

**YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION**



Robert Bullock  
Landman

RB:bn  
Enclosure(s)



UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FORM APPROVED  
OMB NO. 1004-0135  
Expires: November 30, 2000

**SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS**  
*Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.*

5. Lease Serial No.  
NM-10588

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

7. If Unit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.

8. Well Name and No.  
GEORGE "QJ" FEDERAL 11

9. API Well No.

10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory  
PECOS SLOPE PENNSYLVANIAN

11. County or Parish, and State  
CHAVES COUNTY, NM

**SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE - Other instructions on reverse side.**

1. Type of Well  
 Oil Well  Gas Well  Other

2. Name of Operator  
YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION  
Contact: ROBERT ASHER  
E-Mail: basher@ypcnm.com

3a. Address  
105 SOUTH 4TH STREET  
ARTESIA, NM 88210

3b. Phone No. (include area code)  
Ph: 505.748.4364  
Fx: 505.748.4572

4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description)  
Sec 26 T6S R25E SENW 2080FNL 1350FWL

**12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA**

TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Intent	<input type="checkbox"/> Acidize	<input type="checkbox"/> Deepen	<input type="checkbox"/> Production (Start/Resume)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Shut-Off
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsequent Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Alter Casing	<input type="checkbox"/> Fracture Treat	<input type="checkbox"/> Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Well Integrity
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Abandonment Notice	<input type="checkbox"/> Casing Repair	<input type="checkbox"/> New Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Recomplete	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change Plans	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug and Abandon	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Abandon	Change to Original A PD
	<input type="checkbox"/> Convert to Injection	<input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Disposal	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, including estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recompleat horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the Bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompleat in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

Yates Petroleum Corporation will be completing this well as an oil well and plans to produce from the Pecos Slope Pennsylvanian pool as approved under Temporary Special Pool Rules.

Please see attached plat.

Thank you.

14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

**Electronic Submission #20057 verified by the BLM Well Information System  
For YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION, sent to the Roswell**

Name (Printed/Typed) PATRICIA PEREZ Title REGULATORY AGENT

Signature (Electronic Submission) Date 03/27/2003

**THIS SPACE FOR FEDERAL OR STATE OFFICE USE**

Approved By _____	Title _____	Date _____
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached. Approval of this notice does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.		Office _____

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

**\*\* ORIGINAL \*\* ORIGINAL \*\***

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

DISTRICT II  
811 South First, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT III  
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

DISTRICT IV  
2040 South Pacheco, Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

FORM U-106  
Revised March 17, 1999  
Instruction on back  
Submit to Appropriate District Office  
State Lease - 4 Copies  
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
P.O. Box 2088  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2088

AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	Pool Code	Pool Name	97189
Property Code	Property Name	Well Number	11
OGRID No.	Operator Name	Elevation	3765
025575	GEORGE "OJ" FEDERAL YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION		

Surface Location

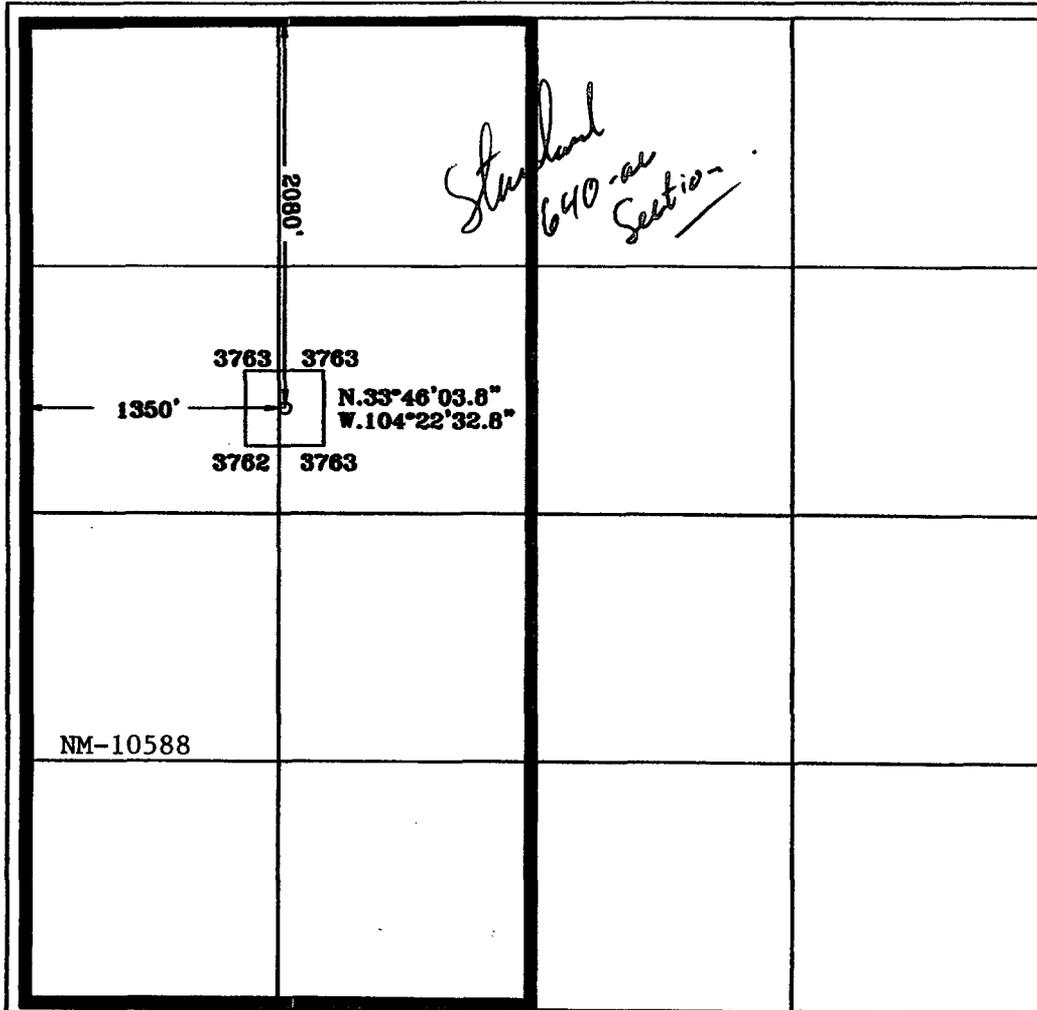
UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
F	26	6S	25E		2080	NORTH	1350	WEST	CHAVES

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

Dedicated Acres	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No.
320			

NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION



OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Pat Perez*  
Signature  
Pat Perez  
Printed Name  
Regulatory Agent  
Title  
3/27/2003  
Date

SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.

2/20/2003  
Date Surveyed  
Signature & Seal of Professional Surveyor  
Certificate No. *3640* RLS 3640  
HERSOB, JONES & COMPANY  
GENERAL SURVEYING AND CONSULTING COMPANY  
NEW MEXICO  
3640  
GEORGE 11

0 330' 660' 990' 1650' 1980' 2310' 2310' 1980' 1650' 990' 660' 330' 0'

Form 3160-3  
(August 1999)

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

0  
OMB No. 1004-0136  
Expires November 30, 2000

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a. Type of Work:  DRILL  REENTER

5. Lease Serial No.  
**NM-10588**

6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name  
**Not Applicable**

7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.  
**Not Applicable**

b. Type of Well:  Oil Well  Gas Well  Other  Single Zone  Multiple Zone

8. Lease Name and Well No.  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

2. Name of Operator  
**Yates Petroleum Corporation**

9. API Well No.

3A. Address **105 South Fourth Street  
Artesia, New Mexico 88210**

3b. Phone No. (include area code)  
**(505) 748-1471**

10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory  
**Wildcat Precambrian**

4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.)\*  
At surface **1980' FNL and 1650' FWL, Unit Letter F**  
At proposed prod. Zone **same as above**

11. Sec., T., R., M., or Bk, and Survey or Area  
**Section 26, T6S-R25E**

14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office\*  
**Approximately 35 miles northeast of Roswell, New Mexico**

12. County or Parish **Chaves County** 13. State **NM**

15. Distance from proposed\* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any)

16. No. of Acres in lease  
**1000**

17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well  
**320 W/2**

18. Distance from proposed\* location\* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.

19. Proposed Depth  
**5285'**

20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file  
**NM-2811**

21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.)  
**3767' GL**

22. Approximate date work will start\*  
**ASAP**

23. Estimated duration  
**30 Days**

24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 1, shall be attached to this form:

- 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.
- 2. A Drilling Plan.
- 3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office.
- 4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above).
- 5. Operator certification.
- 6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized office.

25. Signature *Pat Perez* Name (Printed/Typed) **Pat Perez** Date **10/5/01**

Title: **Regulatory Agent**

Approved by (Signature) *Larry D. Bray* Name (Printed/Typed) **/S/LARRY D. BRAY** Date **JAN 24 2002**

Title **ROSWELL FIELD OFFICE**

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

\*(Instructions on reverse)

FILE COPY  
ROSWELL CONTROLLED WATER BASIN

APPROVAL SUBJECT TO  
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND  
SPECIAL REGULATIONS



**YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION**  
**George "QJ" Federal Com. #11**  
**1980' FNL and 1650' FWL**  
**Section 26,-T6S-R25E**  
**Chaves County, New Mexico**

1. The estimated tops of geologic markers are as follows:

San Andres	500'
Glorieta	1465'
Yeso	1545'
Tubb	2980'
Abo	3615'
Wolfcamp	4385'
Cisco	4880'
Strawn	5030'
Basement	5135'
TD	5285'

2. The estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil or gas formations are expected to be encountered:

Water: 150'-200'  
Oil or Gas: All potential zones.

3. Pressure Control Equipment: BOPE will be installed on the 11 3/4" casing and rated for 2000 BOP systems will be consistent with API RP 53. Pressure tests will be conducted before drilling out from under all casing strings which are set and cemented in place. Blowout Preventor controls will be installed prior to drilling the surface plug and will remain in use until the well is completed or abandoned. Preventors will be inspected and operated at least daily to ensure good mechanical working order, and this inspection recorded on the daily drilling report. See Exhibit B.

**Auxiliary Equipment:**

A. Auxiliary Equipment: Kelly cock, pit level indicators, flow sensor equipment and a sub with full opening valve to fit the drill pipe and collars will be available on the rig floor in the open position at all times for use when kelly is not in use.

4. THE PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM:

A. Casing Program: (All New)

<u>Hole Size</u>	<u>Casing Size</u>	<u>Wt./Ft</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Coupling</u>	<u>Interval</u>
WITNESS 3/4"	11 3/4"	42#	H-40	ST&C	0-900'
11	8 5/8"	24#	J-55	ST&C	0-1500'
7 7/8"	5 1/2"	15.5#	J-55	ST&C	0-5285'

\*8 5/8" will only be set if lost circulation is encountered

1. Minimum Casing Design Factors: Collapse 1.125, Burst 1.0, Tensile Strength 1.8
2. Yates Petroleum Corporation requests that a variance be granted in requiring the casing and BOPE to be tested to 2000 PSI to testing the casing and BOPE to 1000 PSI. The rig pumps will be used to test the casing and BOPE. Rig pumps used in this area cannot safely test above 1000 PSI. We would have to go to the greater expense of hiring an independent service to do the testing. Also, the maximum shut-in bottom hole pressure is 1100 PSI. Pressure at the surface is much less. Most of the time the Abo formation requires treatment before it flows.

A. CEMENTING PROGRAM:

Surface Casing: 350 sx Lite "C" (YLD 2.0 WT 12.5). Tail in with 200 sx "C" + 2% CaCL2 (YLD 1.33 WT 15.6).

Intermediate Casing: 250 sx class C +2% CACLW (YLD 1.32 WT 14.8)

Production Casing: 500 sx Pecos Valley Lite (YLD 1.34 WT 13.0). TOC 3100'.

5. MUD PROGRAM AND AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT:

<u>Interval</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Viscosity</u>	<u>Fluid Loss</u>
0-900'	FW GEL, Paper, LCM	8.6 - 9.6	32-36	N/C
900'-3580'	Cut Brine/Brine	9.0 - 10.2	28	N/C
3580'-5285'	Starch/Salt Gel	9.3 -10.2	32-40	<6/cc

Sufficient mud material(s) to maintain mud properties, control lost circulation and contain a blow out will be available at the well site during drilling operations. Mud will be checked hourly by rig personnel.

6. EVALUATION PROGRAM:

Samples: 10' samples out from under surface casing.

Logging: Sch: Plat form Express; CNL/LDT, W/NGT TD-Surf csg; with CNL/GR up to Surf; DLL/MSFL TD-Surf csg

Coring: Possible

DST's: As warranted.

7. ABNORMAL CONDITIONS, BOTTOM HOLE PRESSURE, AND POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

Anticipated BHP:

From: 0	TO: 900'	Anticipated Max. BHP: 375 PSI
From: 900'	TO: 5285'	Anticipated Max. BHP: 2700 PSI

Abnormal Pressures Anticipated: None

Lost Circulation Zones Anticipated: None.

H2S Zones Anticipated: None Anticipated

Maximum Bottom Hole Temperature: 110 F

8. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE:

Plans are to drill this well as soon as possible after receiving approval. It should take approximately 25 days to drill the well with completion taking another 20 days.

**MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN**  
**George "QJ" Federal Com. #11**  
**1980' FNL and 1650' FWL**  
**Section 26,-T6S-R25E**  
**Chaves County, New Mexico**

This plan is submitted with Form 3160-3, Application for Permit to Drill, covering the above described well. The purpose of this plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activities and operations plan, the magnitude of the surface disturbance involved and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operations, so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental effect associated with the operations.

**1. EXISTING ROADS:**

Exhibit A is a portion of the BLM map showing the well and roads in the vicinity of the proposed location. The proposed wellsite is located approximately 34 miles northeast of Roswell, New Mexico and the access route to the location is indicated in red and green on Exhibit A.

**DIRECTIONS:**

Go north of Roswell on Highway 285 for approx. 26.5 miles to Cottonwood Road. Turn east and follow road approx. 12.8 miles (just before ranch house) turn left and follow road left (NW) at fork. Continue on road approx.  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile. The access road is staked on the right (N) side of the road going north approx. 150' to the southwest corner of the location.

**2. PLANNED ACCESS ROAD:**

- A. The proposed new access will be approximately 150' in length from the point of origin to the southwest corner of the drilling pad. The road will lie in a north to south direction.
- B. The new road will be 14 feet in width (driving surface) and will be adequately drained to control runoff and soil erosion.
- C. Existing roads will be maintained in the same or better condition.

**3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELL:**

- A. There is drilling activity within a one-mile radius of the wellsite.
- B. Exhibit D shows existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed wellsite.

**4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES:**

- A. There are production facilities on this lease at the present time.
- B. In the event that the well is productive, the necessary production facilities will be installed on the drilling pad. If the well is productive oil, a gas or diesel self-contained unit will be used to provide the necessary power. No power will be required if the well is productive of gas.

5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

- A. It is planned to drill the proposed well with a fresh water system. The water will be obtained from commercial sources and will be hauled to the location by truck over the existing and proposed roads shown in Exhibit A.

6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

Dirt contractor will locate nearest pit and obtain any permits and materials needed for construction.

7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

- A. Drill cuttings will be disposed of in the reserve pits.
- B. Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate in the reserve pits until the pits are dry.
- C. Water produced during operations will be collected in tanks until hauled to an approved disposal system, or separate disposal application will be submitted.
- D. Oil produced during operations will be stored in tanks until sold.
- E. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
- F. All trash, junk, and other waste materials will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering and will be removed and deposited in an approved sanitary land fill. Burial on site is not approved.

8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES: NONE

9. WELLSITE LAYOUT:

- A. Exhibit C shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, the reserve pits, the location of the drilling equipment, rig orientation and access road approach.
- B. The reserve pits will be plastic lined.
- C. A 400' x 400' area has been staked and flagged.

10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION:

- A. After finishing drilling and/or completion operations, all equipment and other material not needed for further operations will be removed. The location will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the wellsite in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible.
- B. Unguarded pits, if any, containing fluids will be fenced until they have dried and been leveled.
- C. If the proposed well is non-productive, all rehabilitation and/or vegetation requirements of the Bureau of Land Management will be complied with and will be accomplished as expeditiously as possible. All pits will be filled level after they have evaporated and dried.

11. SURFACE OWNERSHIP: Bureau of Land Management  
Roswell, New Mexico.

12. OTHER INFORMATION:

- A. Topography: Refer to the existing archaeological report for a description of the topography, flora, fauna, soil characteristics, dwellings, historical and cultural sites.
- B. The primary surface use is for grazing.

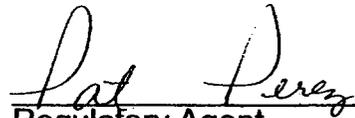
13. OPERATOR'S REPRESENTATIVE:

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| A. Through A.P.D. Approval:<br>Pat Perez, Permit Agent<br>Yates Petroleum Corporation<br>105 South Fourth Street<br>Artesia, New Mexico 88210<br>Phone (505) 748-1471 | B. Through Drilling, Completions & Prod.<br>Pinson McWhorter, Operations Manager<br>Yates Petroleum Corporation<br>105 South Fourth Street<br>Artesia, New Mexico 88210<br>Phone (505) 748-1471 |
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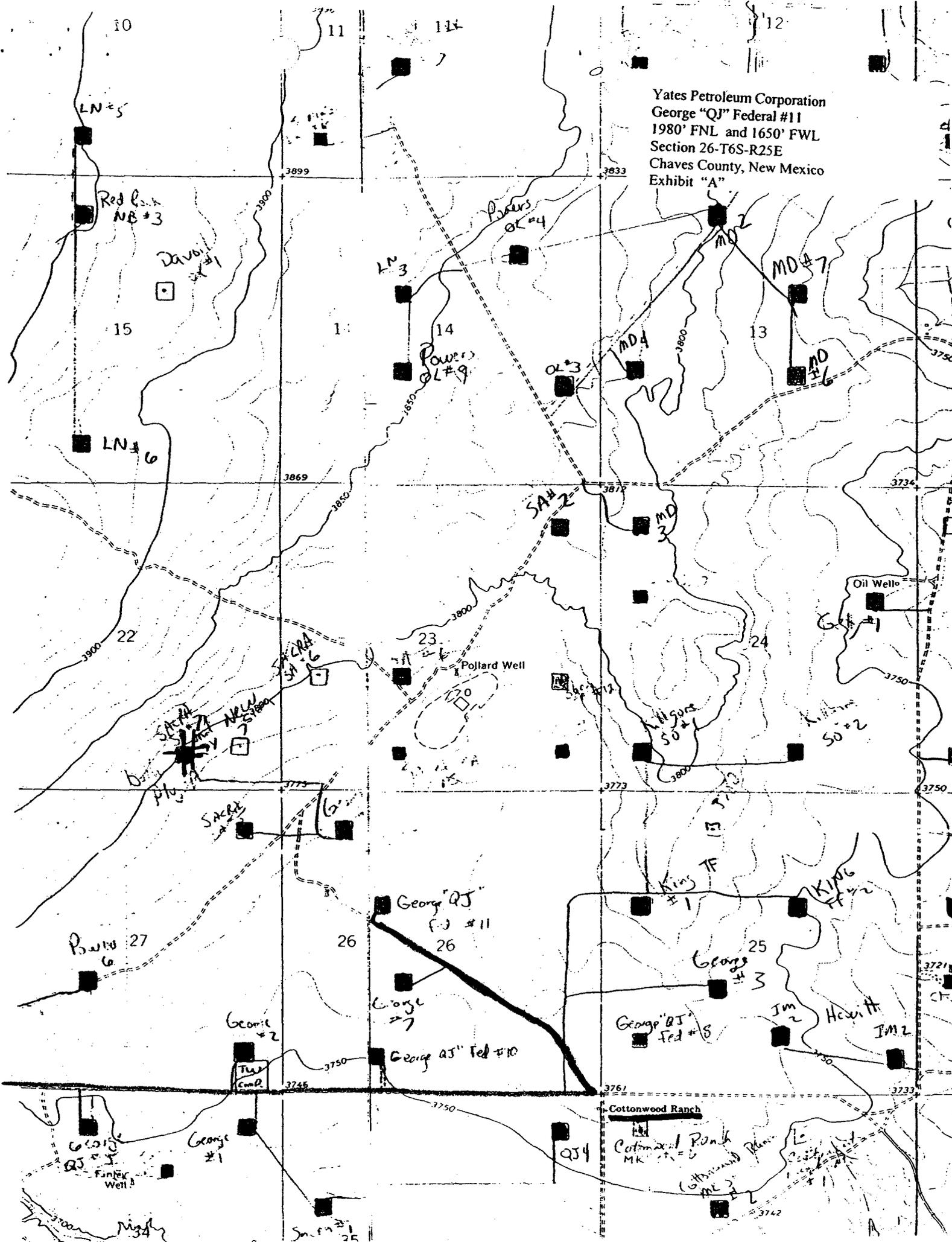
14. CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site 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 my knowledge, true and correct; and , that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Yates Petroleum Corporation and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

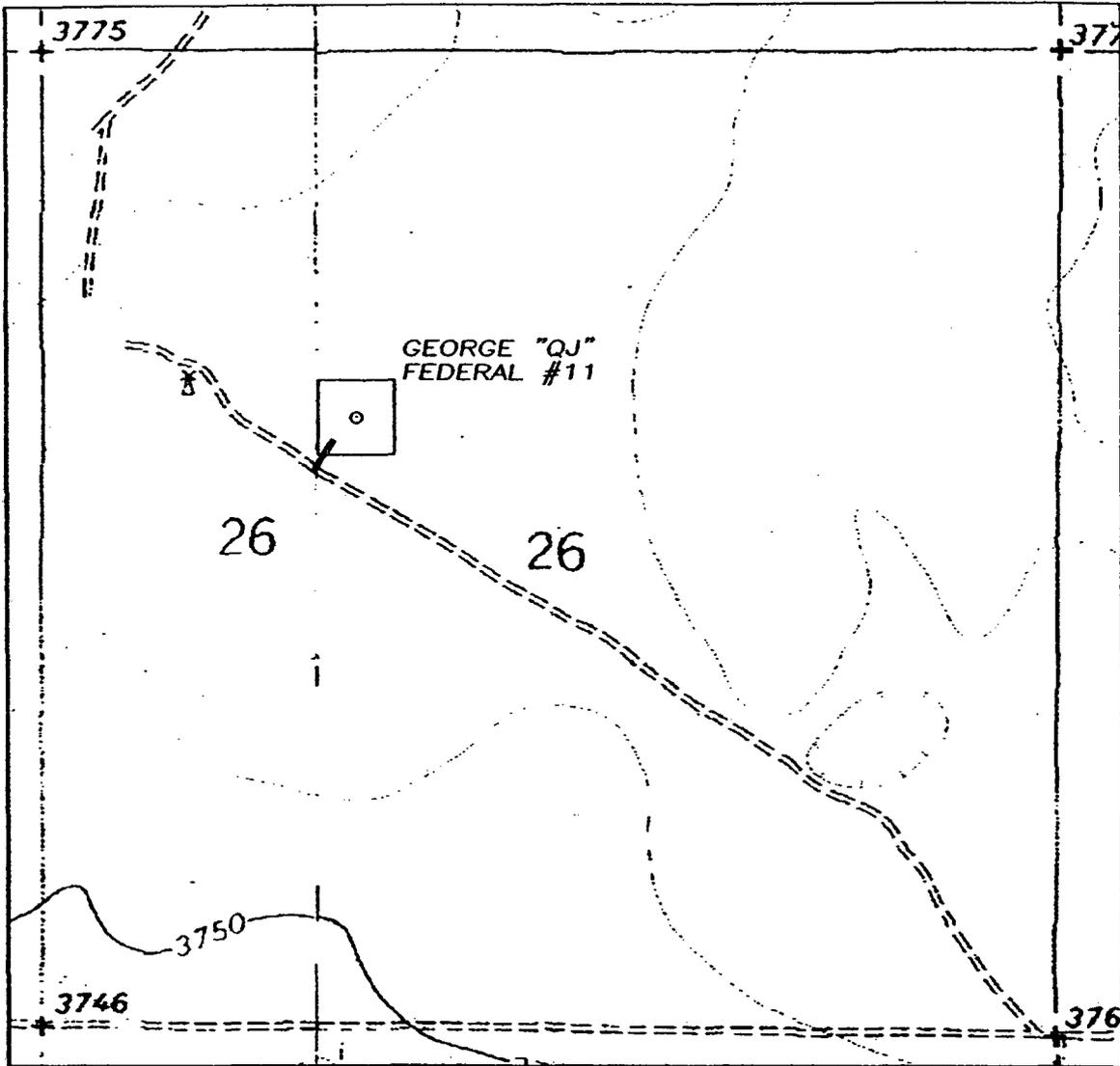
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Regulatory Agent

Yates Petroleum Corporation  
George "QJ" Federal #11  
1980' FNL and 1650' FWL  
Section 26-T6S-R25E  
Chaves County, New Mexico  
Exhibit "A"



SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, NMPM, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



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1000' 0 1000' 2000'  
 Scale 1" = 1000'

THE PREPARATION OF THIS MAP AND THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SURVEY UPON WHICH IT IS BASED WERE DONE UNDER MY DIRECTION AND THE MAP ACCURATELY DEPICTS THE RESULTS OF SAID SURVEY AND MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STANDARDS FOR LAND SURVEYS IN NEW MEXICO AS ADOPTED BY THE NEW MEXICO STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS.

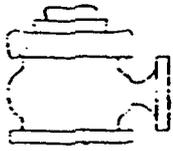
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YATES PETROLEUM CORP.

LEASE ROAD TO ACCESS THE YATES GEORGE "QJ" FEDERAL #11, LOCATED IN SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, NMPM, CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

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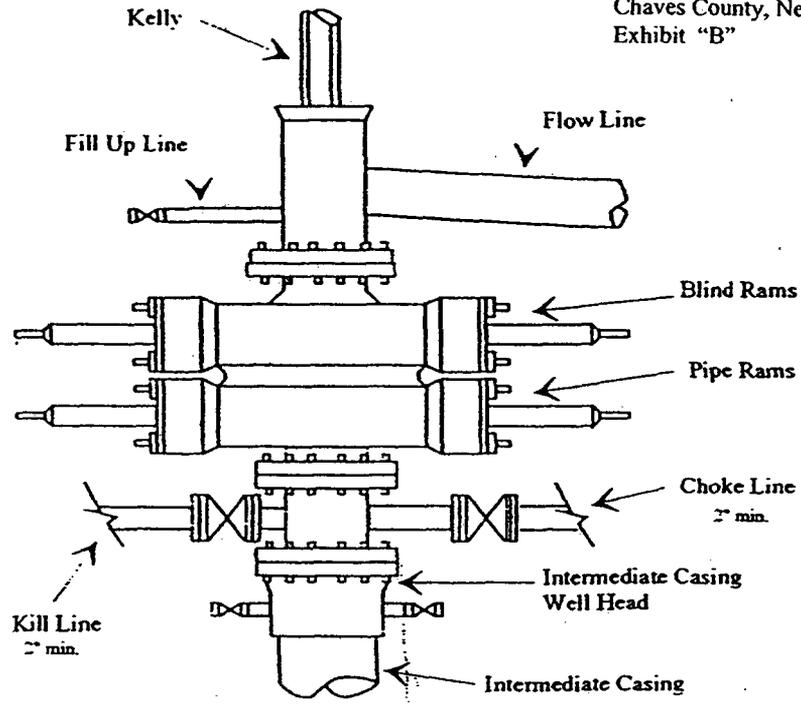


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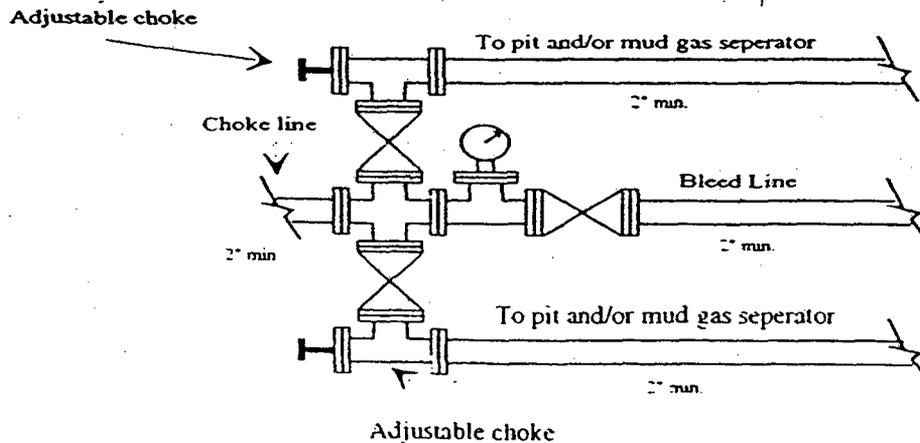
## Typical 2,000 psi Pressure System Schematic

### Double Ram Preventer Stack

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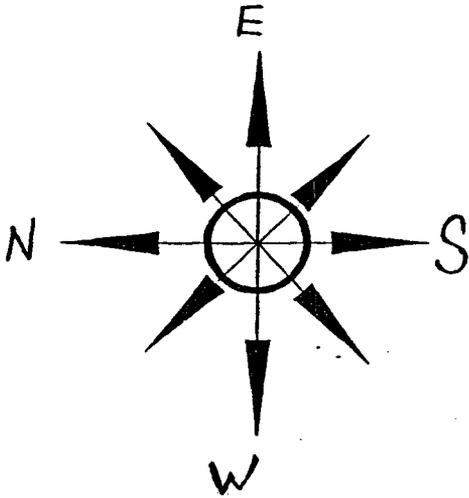


Typical 2,000 psi choke manifold assembly with at least these minimum features

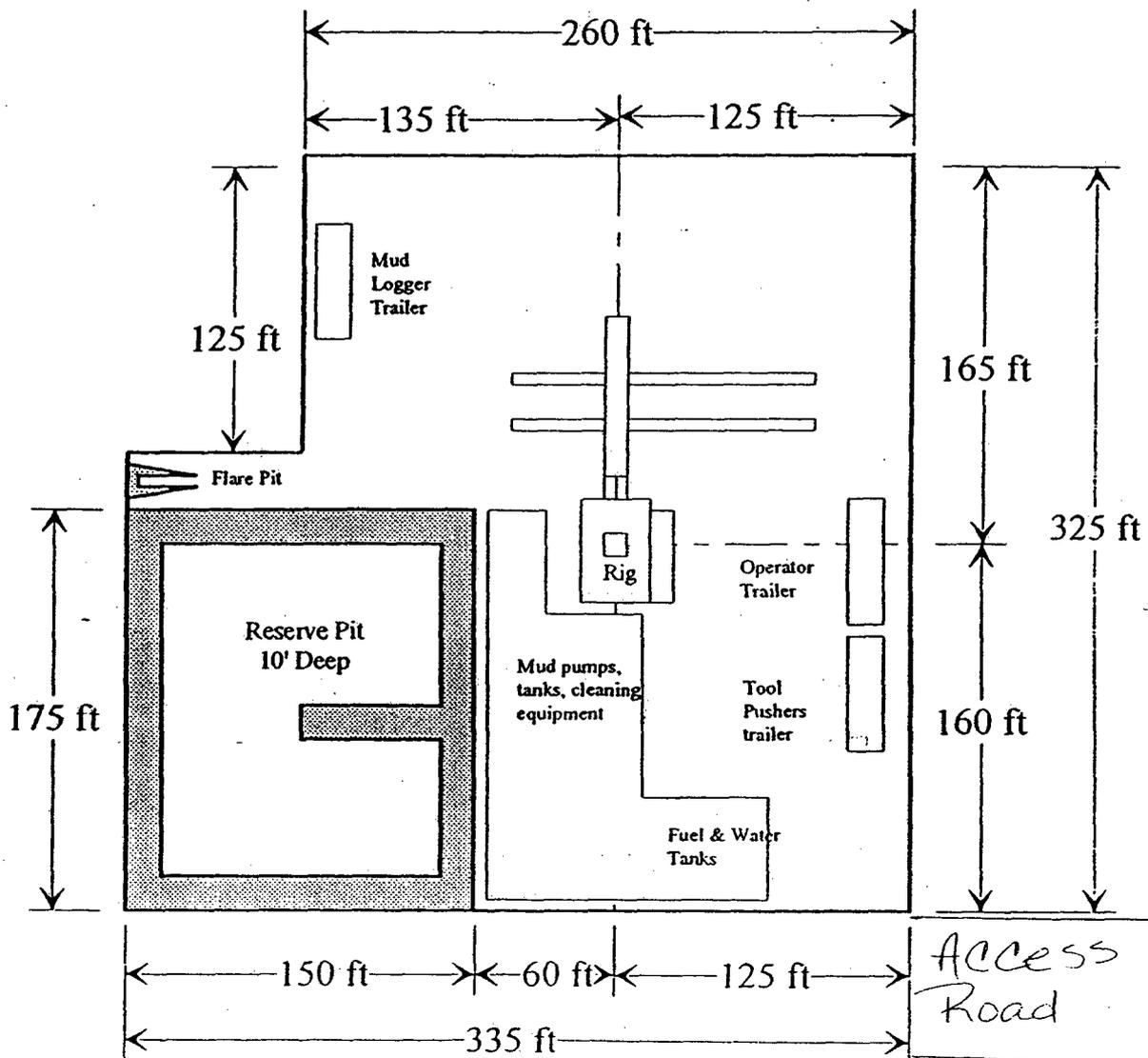


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Location Layout for Permian Basin  
Up to 12,000'



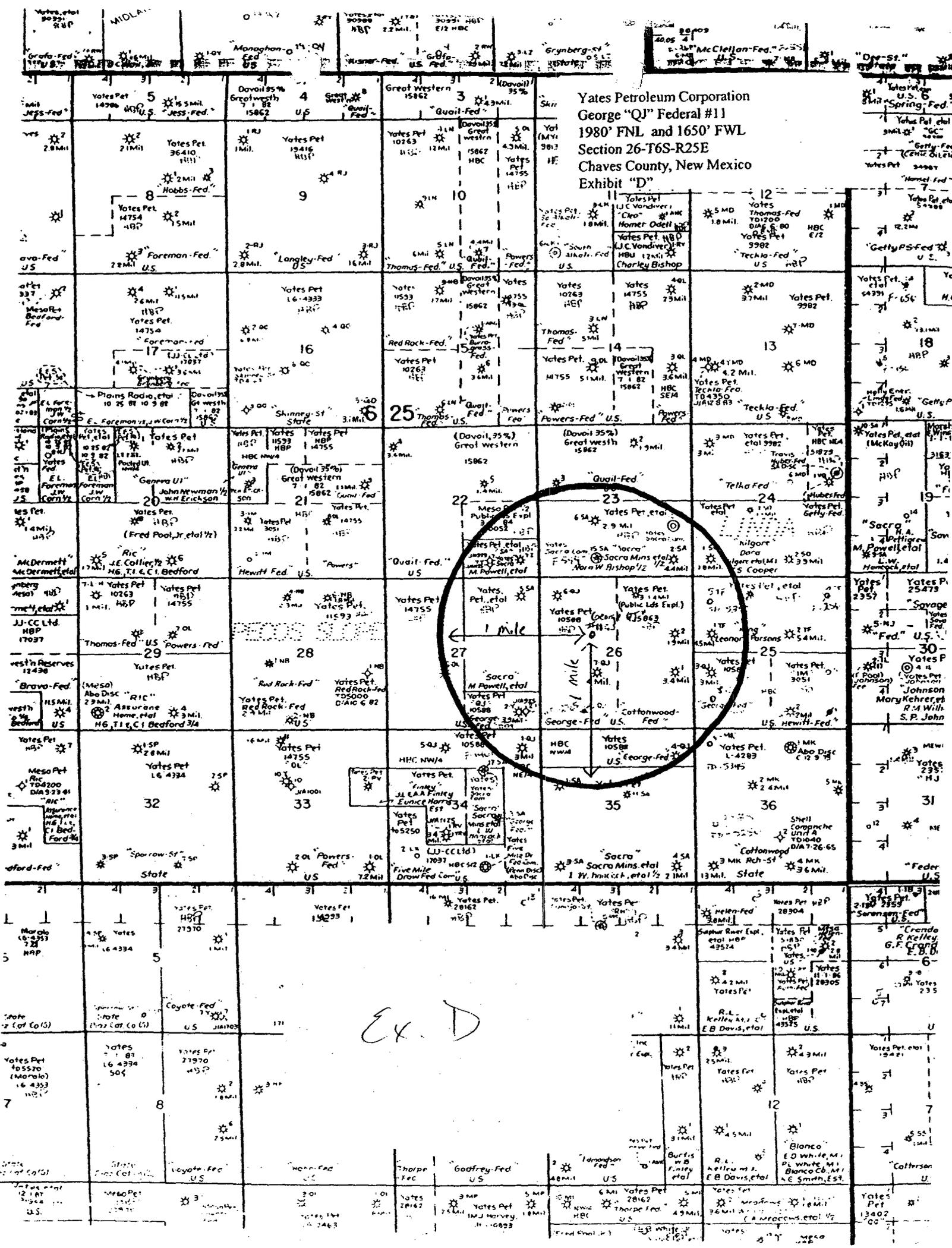
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Distance from Well Head to Reserve Pit will vary between rigs

The above dimension should be a maximum

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Ex. D

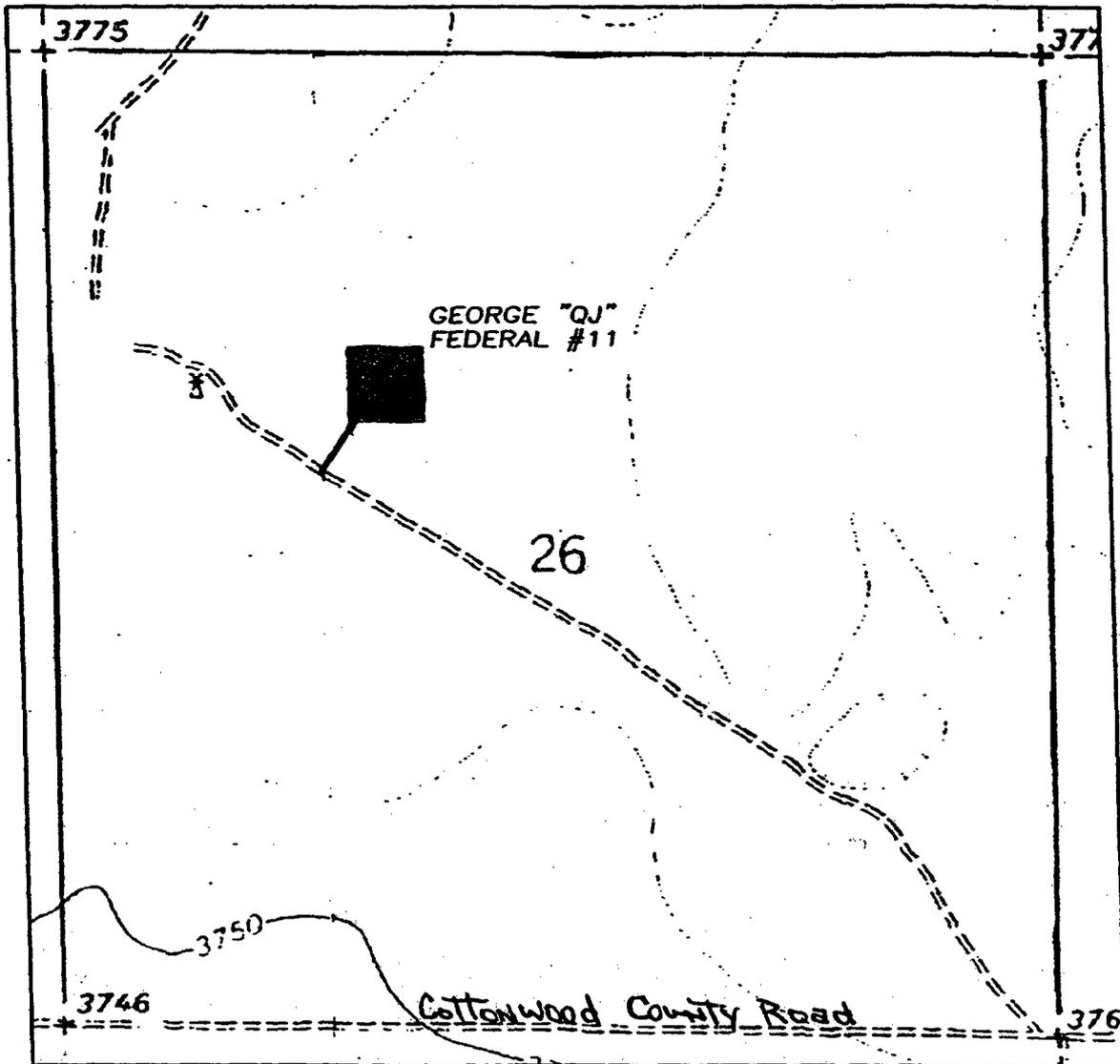
# EXHIBIT A

Operator: Yates Petroleum Corporation

BLM Serial Number: NM-10588

Well Name & NO.: George "QJ" Federal #11

Location: Section 26, T. 6 S., R. 25 E., SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
1980' FNL & 1980' FWL, Chaves County, N.M.





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Roswell, New Mexico 88201

## EXHIBIT B

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### WELL DRILLING REQUIREMENTS

OPERATORS NAME: Yates Petroleum Corporation LEASE NO.: NM-10588  
WELL NAME & NO: George "OJ" Federal #11  
QUARTER/QUARTER & FOOTAGE: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  - 1980' FNL & 1980' FWL  
LOCATION: Section 26, T. 6 S., R. 25 E., NMPM  
COUNTY: Chaves County, New Mexico

#### I. GENERAL PROVISIONS:

- A. The operator has the right of administrative review of these requirements pursuant to 43 CFR 3165.1(a).
- B. The operator shall hereafter be identified as the holder in these requirements. The Authorized Officer is the person who approves the Well Drilling Requirements.

#### II. WELL PAD CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS:

- A. The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify Richard G. Hill at least 3 working days (72 Hours) prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad. Roswell Field Office number (505) 627-0247.
- B. Prior to commencing construction of the access road, well pad, or other associated developments, the holder shall provide the dirt contractor with a copy of the approved APD signature page, a copy of the location map (EXHIBIT A), a copy of pages 1 & 2 from the Well Drilling Requirements (EXHIBIT B), and a copy of the Permanent Resource Road Requirements (EXHIBIT D).
- C. The holder shall stockpile the topsoil from the surface of the well pad for reclamation purposes. The topsoil on the George "OJ" Federal #11 well pad is approximate 6 inches in depth. Approximately 600 cubic yards of topsoil shall be stockpiled on the Southeast corner of the well pad, opposite the reserve pit. Upon reclamation of the well pad, the topsoil stockpile shall be redistributed over the disturbed areas. See Well Drilling Requirements - VI. Seeding Requirements - for reclamation of the well pad.
- D. Reserve Pit Requirements:
1. The reserve pit shall be constructed 175' X 150' on the North side of the well pad.
  2. The reserve pit shall be constructed four (4) feet below ground level. The reserve pit shall be constructed so that at least one half of the total drilling mud volume is below ground level.

3. The plastic lining that is used to line the reserve pit shall be at least 9 mil in thickness and have a bursting strength of 170 PSI. Upon reclamation of the reserve pit, any exposed plastic lining shall be removed and properly disposed of before the reserve pit is backfilled.
4. The reserve pit shall be fenced on three (3) sides during drilling operations. The fourth side shall be fenced immediately upon rig release.
5. The reserve pit shall be constructed so as not to leak, break, or allow discharge of drilling muds. Under no circumstances will the reserve pit be cut to drain drilling muds on the terrain.
6. The reserve pit shall not be located in any natural drainage.
7. The reserve pit shall be equipped to deter entry by birds, bats, other wildlife, and livestock, if the reserve pit contains any oil and/or toxic fluids.
8. Drilling muds shall be properly disposed of before the reserve pit is reclaimed. Drilling muds can be allowed to evaporate in the reserve pit or be removed and transported to an authorized disposal site. The reserve pit shall be backfilled when dry.
9. Dumping of junk or trash into the reserve pit is not allowed. Junk or trash shall be removed from within the reserve pit before the reserve pit is reclaimed. **Junk or trash shall not be buried in the reserve pit.**

**E. Federal Mineral Materials Pit Requirements:**

1. Caliche, gravel, or other related materials from new or existing pits on Federal mineral estate shall not be taken without prior approval from the authorized officer. Contact Jerry Dutchover at (505) 627 -0236.
2. Payment for any Federal mineral materials that will be used to surface the access road and the well pad is required prior to removal of the mineral materials.

**F. Well Pad Surfacing Requirement:**

The well pad shall be surfaced with 6 inches of compacted caliche, gravel, or other approved surfacing material. The well pad shall be surfaced prior to drilling operations. See **Permanent Resource Road Requirements - EXHIBIT D - requirement #4, for road surfacing.**

**G. Cave Requirements:**

1. If, during any construction activities any sinkholes or cave openings are discovered, all construction activities shall immediately cease, and the Roswell Field Office shall be notified at (505) 627-0272.
2. The BLM Authorized Officer will, within 24 hours of notification in "A" above, conduct an on-the-ground field inspection for karst. At the field inspection the authorized field inspector will authorize or suggest mitigating measures to lessen the damage to the karst environment. A verbal order to proceed or stop the operation will be issued at that time.

**III. DRILLING OPERATION REQUIREMENTS:**

1. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is to be notified at the Roswell Field Office, 2909 West Second St., Roswell NM 88201, (505) 627-0272 for wells in Chaves and Roosevelt Counties; in sufficient time for a representative to witness:

A. Spudding B. Cementing casing: 11¼ inch 8⅝\* inch 5½ inch \*8⅝" csg will only be set if lost circulation is encountered

C. BOP tests

2. Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.

3. Submit a Sundry Notice (Form 3160-5, one original and five copies) for each casing string, describing the casing and cementing operations. Include pertinent information such as; spud date, hole size, casing (size, weight, grade and thread type), cement (type, quantity and top), water zones and problems or hazards encountered. The Sundry shall be submitted within 15 days of completion of each casing string. The reports may be combined into the same Sundry if they fall within the same 15 day time frame.

4. The API No. assigned to the well by NMOCD shall be included on the subsequent report of setting the first casing string.

**B. CASING:**

1. The 11¼ inch surface casing shall be set at 900 feet, below usable water and cement circulated to the surface. If cement does not circulate to the surface the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey or cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Remedial cementing shall be completed prior to drilling out that string.

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 8⅝ inch intermediate casing is circulate cement to the surface.

4. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5½ inch production casing is cement shall extend upward a minimum of 500 feet above the uppermost perforation.

**C. PRESSURE CONTROL:**

1. All BOP systems and related equipment shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2. The BOP and related equipment shall be installed and operational before drilling below the 11¼ inch casing shoe and shall be tested as described in Onshore Order No.

2. Any equipment failing to test satisfactorily shall be repaired or replaced.

2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer and related equipment (BOPE) shall be 2000 psi.

3. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified in sufficient time for a representative to witness the tests.

- The tests shall be done by an independent service company.

- The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.

- Testing fluid must be water or an appropriate clear liquid suitable for sub-freezing temperatures. Use of drilling mud for testing is not permitted since it can mask small leaks.

- Testing must be done in a safe workman-like manner. Hard line connections shall be required.

**IV. DOWN HOLE ABANDONMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

A. If the well is a dry hole and will be plugged, approval of the proposed plugging program may be obtained orally. However, oral approval must be confirmed in writing by immediately filing a Sundry Notice And Report On Wells (Form 3160-5) "**Notice of Intention to Abandon**", and submitting an original and five (5) copies to the Roswell Field Office. The report should show the total depth reached, the reason for plugging, and the proposed intervals, by depths, where plugs are to be placed, type of plug, type of plugging mud, etc..

B. If the well is not drilled, please notify the BLM so that an official release can be approved.

**V. SURFACE RECLAMATION/RESTORATION REQUIREMENTS:**

A. When the well is abandoned the "**Notice of Intention to Abandon**" (Form 3160-5) could also be used by the holder as the initial report for the surface reclamation/restoration of the access road and well pad. Upon receipt of the "NOI" the Authorized Officer shall provide the holder with the specific requirements for the reclamation/restoration of the access road and well pad.

B. **Subsequent Report Of Abandonment:** The holder shall submit a second report on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notice and Report On Wells, the original and five (5) copies to the Roswell Field Office, pertaining to the reclamation/restoration of the access road and well pad. The holder shall demonstrate that the surface reclamation/restoration requirements have been complied with. The holder shall specify that the reclamation work accomplished the restoration of the disturbed areas to as near the original surface condition the land was in prior to construction of the access road and well pad.

C. **Final Abandonment Notice:** The holder shall submit a third report on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notice and Report On Wells, the original and five (5) copies to the Roswell Field Office, that will ascertain that all surface reclamation/restoration requirements have finally been completed and that the access road and well pad are ready for final inspection. The holder shall specify that the surface has been reclaimed in accordance with federal regulations and request final approval of the access road and well pad.

D. The holder shall comply with all the surface reclamation/restoration required by the Authorized Officer pertaining to the reclamation/restoration of the access road and well pad. Liability under bond shall be retained until surface reclamation/restoration of the access road and well pad has been completed to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer.

**VI. SEEDING REQUIREMENTS:**

A. The stockpile of topsoil shall be spread over the well pad to cultivate a seed bed. The holder shall not mix the topsoil with the reserve pit area soil. The mixing of the soils will render the conservation of the topsoil for reclamation purposes pointless, if the topsoil is contaminated with the reserve pit mud soils.

B. The reclaimed area(s) shall be seeded with the seed mixture that was determined by the Roswell Field Office for the Desired Plant Community on this well site.

C. The same seed mixture shall be used on the reclaimed access road; See **PERMANENT RESOURCE ROAD REQUIREMENT #12.**

D. The planting of the seed shall be done in accordance with the following seeding requirements:

1. **The access road and well pad shall be ripped a minimum of 16 inches deep.** The topsoil soil shall be plowed under with soil turning equipment and the plowed surface shall be disked before seeding. Seed shall be planted using a drill equipped planter with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture shall be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area. Smaller/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop to the bottom of the drill and are planted first, the holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed shall be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre noted below are to be doubled.

2. The holder shall seed all the disturbed areas with the DPC seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed per acre, (Pounds of pure live seed per acre: pounds of seed X percent purity X percent germination = pounds pure live seed). There shall be no primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture.

In accordance with State law(s) the seed should be tested for purity and viability within nine (9) months prior to sell. Commercial seed shall be either certified or registered seed. The seed mixture container shall be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and the certified seed tag shall be made available for inspection by the Authorized Officer.

3. Desired Plant Community seed mixture to be planted in pounds of pure live seed per acre:

BLUE GRAMA var. Lovington ( <u>Bouteloua gracilis</u> )	4.0 Lbs.
SIDEOATES GRAMA ( <u>Bouteloua curtipendula</u> )	1.0 Lb.
var. Vaughn or El Reno	
SAND DROPSEED ( <u>Sporobolus cryptandrus</u> )	0.5 Lb.
VINE MESQUITE ( <u>Panicum obtusum</u> )	1.0 Lb.
PLAINS BRISTLEGRASS ( <u>Setaria macrostachya</u> )	1.0 Lb.
INDIAN BLANKETFLOWER ( <u>Gaillardia aristata</u> )	0.5 Lb.
DESERT or SCARLET ( <u>Sphaeralcea ambigua</u> or	
GLOBEMALLOW <u>S. coccinea</u> )	<u>1.0 Lb.</u>
Pure live seed per acre =	9.0 Lbs.

E. The recommended time to seed is from June 15<sup>th</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup>. The optimum seeding time is in mid-July. Successive seeding should be done either late in the fall (Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> - Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, before freeze up) or early as possible the following spring to take advantage of available ground moisture. However, the holder may seed immediately after completing surface abandonment requirements.

F. The seeding of the disturbed areas shall be repeated until a vegetation thicket is established on the access road and well pad. The Authorized Officer shall make the determination when the revegetation growth on the disturbed areas is satisfactory.

G. The holder shall be responsible for the establishment of vegetation on the access road and well pad. Evaluation of vegetation growth will not be made before the completion of the first growing season after seeding. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require reseeding at a specific time if seed does not germinate after one growing season. Waiver of this requirement would be considered if diligent attempts to revegetate the disturbed areas have failed and the Authorized Officer determines that further attempts to replant the access road and well pad is futile.

H. Contact Richard G. Hill at (505) 627-0247 to witness the seeding operations, two (2) days prior to seeding the disturbed areas.

**VI. Invasive and Noxious Weeds Requirement:**

A. The holder shall be held responsible should the establishment of noxious weeds began to grow on the access road and well pad. Evaluation of growth of the noxious weeds shall be made upon discovery. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require the holder to eradicate the noxious weed species that have invaded the access road and/or well pad. Waiver of this requirement would be considered if diligent attempts to eradicate the noxious weed species has failed and the Authorized Officer determines that further attempts to eradicate the noxious weed species from the access road and well pad is futile.

B. The holder shall insure that the equipment and/or vehicles that will be used to construct the access road and/or well pad are not polluted with invasive and noxious weed seeds. Transporting of invasive and noxious weed seeds could occur if the equipment and/or vehicles were previously used in noxious weed infested areas. In order to prevent the spread of noxious weeds and the probability that the equipment and/or vehicles are carriers of noxious weed seeds from the conduct of previous projects in noxious weed infested areas, the Authorized Officer shall require that the equipment and vehicles be washed clean prior to construction of the access road and/or well pad.

**VII. ON LEASE - WELL REQUIREMENTS:**

A. The holder shall post signs identifying the location permitted herein with the requirements contained in Onshore Oil and Gas Order #1 and 43 CFR 3162.6.

B. The following data is required on the well sign that shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the well pad. The sign shall be kept up with current identification and shall be legible for as long as the well is in existence:

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Well Name & No.: George "QJ" Federal #11  
Lease No.: NM-10588  
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Location: Section 26, T. 6 S., R. 25 E.

C. UPON ABANDONMENT OF THE WELL, THE SAME INFORMATION SHALL BE INSCRIBED ON THE DRY HOLE MARKER WITH A BEADED WELD.

D. The approval of the APD does not in any way imply or grant approval of any on-lease, off-lease, or off-unit action(s). It is the responsibility of the holder to obtain other approval(s) such as rights-of-way from the Roswell Field Office or other agencies, including private surface landowner(s).

E. All vehicles, including caterpillar track-type tractors, motor graders, off-highway trucks and any other type of motorized equipment that is used in the construction of the access road and well pad shall be confined to the area(s) herein approved. The drilling rig that is used to drill the well shall also be confined to the approved area(s).

**F. Containment Structure Requirement:**

1. A containment structure or earthen dike shall be constructed and maintained around all storage facilities/batteries. The containment structure or earthen dike shall surround the storage facilities/batteries.
2. The containment structure or earthen dike shall be constructed two (2) feet high around the facilities/batteries (the containment structure or earthen dike can be constructed higher than the two (2) feet high minimum).
3. The perimeter of the containment structure or earthen dike can be constructed substantial larger for greater holding capacity of the contents of the largest tank.
4. The containment structure or earthen dike shall be constructed so that in case of a spill the structure can contain the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, within the containment structure or earthen dike, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

**G. Well Completion Requirement:**

If the well is completed, all areas of the well pad not necessary for operations shall be reclaimed to resemble the original contours of the surrounding terrain. Cut-and-fill slopes shall be re-contoured and reduced to a slope of 3:1 or less.

**H. Painting Requirement:**

All above-ground structures (e.g.: meter houses, tanks, above ground pipelines, and related appurtenance, etc.) not subject to safety requirements shall be painted by the holder to blend with the natural color of the landscape. The paint used shall be a color which simulates "Standard Environmental Colors" designated by the Rocky Mountain Five-State Interagency Committee. The color selected for this project is Slate Gray, Munsell Soil Color Chart Number 5Y 6/1.

**I. Fence Requirement:**

The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair impacted improvements to at least their former state. On private surface the holder shall contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting of the fence. No permanent gates shall be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

**J. Open-vent Exhaust Stack Requirements:**

1. All open-vent exhaust stacks associated with heater-treater, separators and dehydrator units shall be modified to prevent birds and bats from entering them and to the extent practical to discourage perching and nesting.
2. New production equipment installed on federal leases after November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1993, shall have the open-vent exhaust stacks constructed to prevent the entry of birds and bats and to the extent practical, to discourage perching, and nesting.

**VIII. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S):**

- A. Low-profile facilities no greater than eight-feet-high shall be used. If necessary, multiple tanks shall be used.



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**EXHIBIT C**

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**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

OPERATOR: Yates Petroleum Corporation

LEASE NO: NM-10588

WELL NAME & NO.: George "OJ" Federal #11

LOCATION: Section 26 T. 6 S., R. 25 E., N.M.P.M.

QUARTER/QUARTER & FOOTAGE: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  - 1980' FNL & 1980' FWL

COUNTY: Chaves County, New Mexico

**GENERAL CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:**

1. The operator shall hereafter be identified as the holder in these requirements. The Authorized Officer is the person who approves the Conditions Of Approval.
2. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from occupancy or use of public lands under this authorization.
3. The holder shall have surface use approval prior to any construction work on change(s) or modification(s) to the access road and/or well pad. The holder shall submit (Form 3160-5), Sundry Notice and Report On Wells, an original plus one (1) copy to the Roswell Field Office, stating the basis for any changes to previously approved plans. Prior to any revised construction the holder shall have an approved Sundry Notice and Report On Wells or written authorization to proceed with the change in plans ratified by the Authorized Officer.

**4. Weed Control:**

The holder shall be responsible for weed control on disturbed areas within the limits of the site. The holder is responsible for consultation with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policy.

**5. Hazardous Substances:**

a. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act Of 1976, as amended (15 U.S.C. 2601, *et. seg.*) with regard to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the project/pipeline route or on facilities authorized. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193). Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, Section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or



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**EXHIBIT D**

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**PERMANENT RESOURCE ROAD REQUIREMENTS**

**Operator:** Yates Petroleum Corporation  
**BLM Serial Number:** NM-10588  
**Well Name & NO.:** George "QJ" Federal #11  
**Location:** Section 26, T. 6 S., R. 25 E., SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
1980' FNL & 1980' FWL, Chaves County, N.M.

The holder agrees to comply with the following requirements:

**1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

A. The operator shall hereafter be identified as the holder in these requirements. The Authorized Officer is the person who approves the Permanent Resource Road Requirements.

B. The holder shall minimize any disturbance to structures on public domain surface. Damages caused to any structure during road construction operations shall be promptly repaired by the holder. Functional use of any structure shall be maintained at all times. The holder shall make a documented good-faith effort to contact the owner prior to disturbing any structure.

C. When necessary to pass through an existing fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting and the fence shall be promptly repaired to at least its former state or to a higher standard than it was previously constructed.

D. A professional engineer shall design the access road if the road grade exceeds 10 percent slope.

**2. INGRESS AND EGRESS:**

The access road shall be constructed to access the well pad on the Southwest corner of the well pad to comply with the planned access road route.

**3. ROAD TRAVELWAY WIDTH:**

The travelway of the road shall be constructed 14 feet wide. The maximum width of surface disturbance shall not exceed 30 feet of road construction. The specified travelway width is 14 feet for all road travelway surfaces unless the Authorized Officer approves a different width.

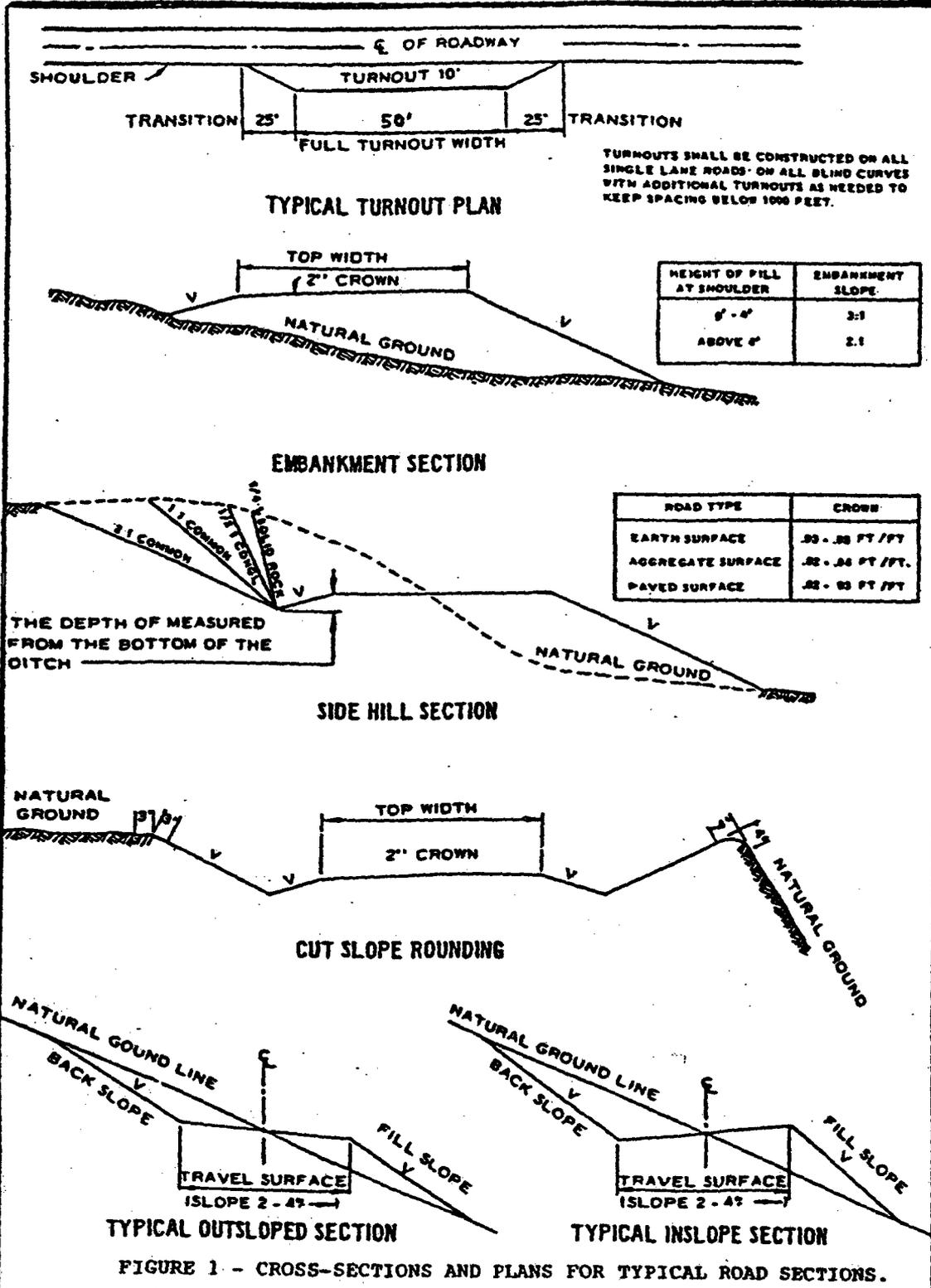


FIGURE 1 - CROSS-SECTIONS AND PLANS FOR TYPICAL ROAD SECTIONS.

# EXHIBIT A

**Operator:** Yates Petroleum Corporation  
**BLM Serial Number:** NM-10588  
**Well Name & NO.:** George "OJ" Federal #11  
**Location:** Section 26, T. 6 S., R. 25 E., SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
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