



UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

P.O. Box 997  
Roswell, New Mexico  
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Mr. Chuck Aston  
Booker Building  
Artesia, New Mexico

Lease Las Cruces 047269(a)

Dear Mr. Aston:

Reference is made to the petition of Franklin, Aston and Fair which you, as agent, propose to submit to the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico at the March 31st hearing for permission to drill an unorthodox well location in Sec. 7, T. 18 S., R. 30 E., Loco Hills pool, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The land involved in the application is embraced in Federal oil and gas lease Las Cruces 047269(a), now operated by Franklin, Aston and Fair.

The unorthodox well location set forth in the application is 1270 feet from the north line and 1370 feet from the west line of section 7, or 50 feet from the common intersections of the boundaries of 40-acre legal subdivisions. No encroachment of the outer boundaries of the leasehold is involved as the proposed location would be approximately 1270 feet from the nearest lease boundary.

No objection is offered by this office to the well spacing plan providing for the drilling of a well to test the producing reservoir of the Loco Hills pool expected at an approximate depth of 2850 feet at the location specified in the application. The drilling of this well may afford opportunity for additional recovery of oil and gas from the producing reservoir.

Approval to drill a well at the unorthodox location will be contingent upon approval of such location by the Oil Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico for proration purposes.

Very truly yours,

*Foster Morrell*  
FOSTER MORRELL,

Supervisor, Oil and Gas Operations.