

STRATIFICATION OF OIL PRODUCING ZONES  
OF THE NIOBRARA MEMBER OF THE MANCOS FORMATION  
IN THE PUERTO CHIQUITO POOLS  
OF RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Benson-Montin-Greer Drilling Corp. has drilled and/or operated 89 wells in the East and West Puerto Chiquito pools. A large number of the wells drilled early in the life of the pools were drilled through the pay zones with cable tools or with rotary tools using air, natural gas or nitrogen for the circulating fluid. Wells drilled in this fashion permit the determination of fluid entry into the wellbore as it is encountered.

In no instance where natural production was encountered was it found to increase gradually with depth below the top of the A zone (as would be the case if a long section of the reservoir was productive throughout): rather production increased abruptly upon penetrating one of the stratigraphic intervals as indicated on the type log on the facing page. In West Puerto Chiquito in the A zone typically free gas would be encountered with oil; sometimes this occurred in the B zone. Where the C zone produced natural, it typically contained oil with only dissolved gas - no free gas.

In West Puerto Chiquito then, considerable evidence was collected showing stratification. On the contrary, in Gavilan, in nearly all wells, operators have drilled through all the pay zones with mud before running casing and testing. Typically all zones are fraced: either separately or with one frac treatment before production testing commences. Most of the treatments are at fairly high rates; and as a consequence it is to be expected that the A, B and C zones will be "tied together" with the frac treatment behind the pipe such that it is virtually impossible to accurately assess the stratification issue of these zones in the Gavilan wells.

Since the vertical fractures induced by the fracture treatments can tie the zones together away from the wellbore and flow of oil and gas to the wellbore through these fractures will be at a low pressure differential, then it is to be expected that a high degree of segregation of gas and oil will occur in these vertical fractures as the oil and gas move to the wellbore. As a consequence of the above, oil from an upper zone can enter the wellbore through perforations low in the wellbore and gas from a lower zone can enter the wellbore in higher perforations.

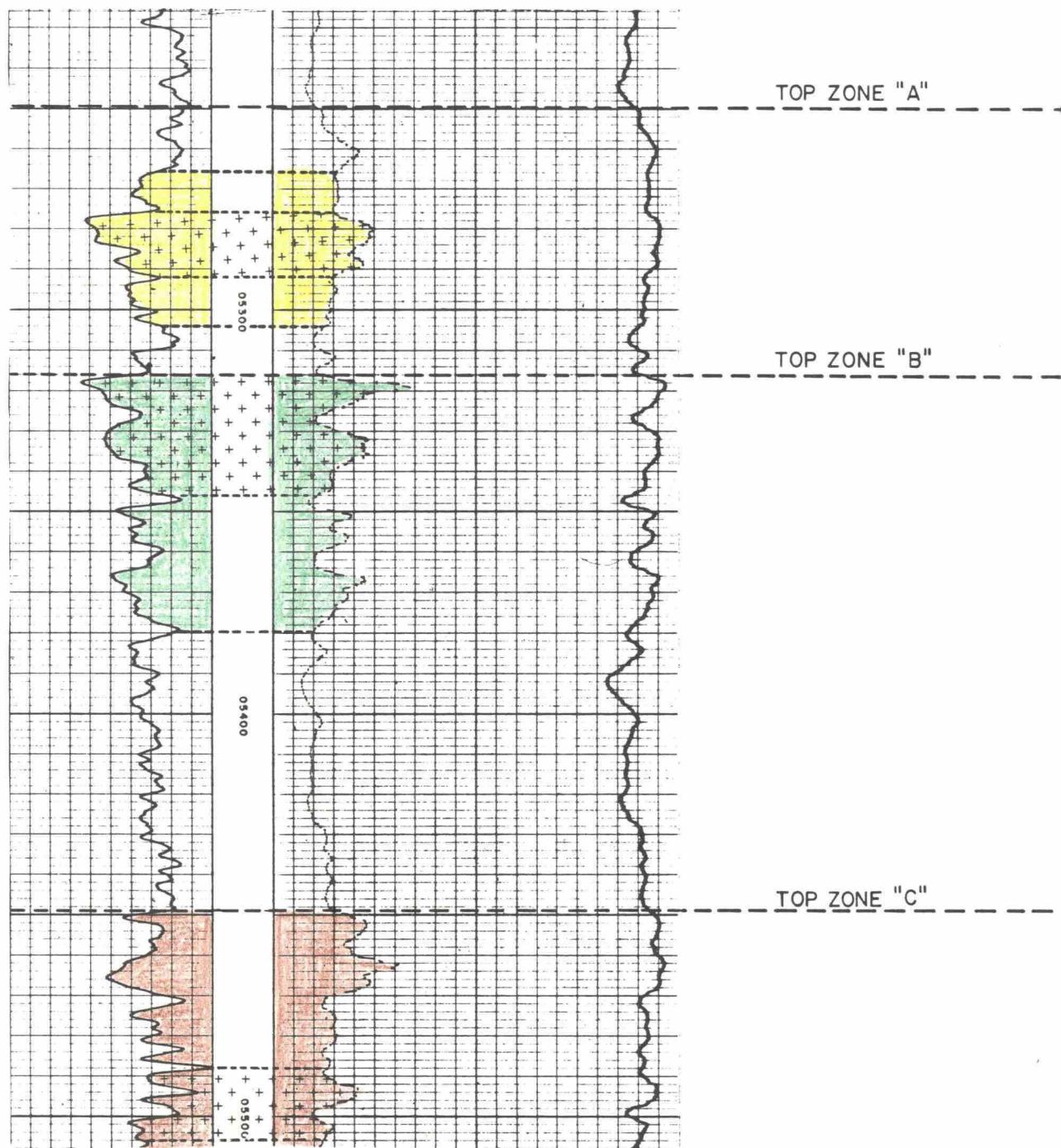
The basal zones of the Niobrara are far enough removed and that part of the frac treatment entering these zones is low enough that typically it is to be expected that these zones will be separated from the upper main pay zones. Here, with properly undertaken testing, production logging can have some value in interpreting stratification of these zones as compared to the main zones.

The overriding matter with respect to the stratification issue is whether the oil can flow vertically by gravity throughout the reservoir or whether it must follow the stratigraphic dip of the zones - not whether the zones are tied together with an occasional fault or through fractures induced in stimulation treatments.

IDENTIFICATION OF MAIN PRODUCING ZONES  
NORTHEAST PUERTO CHIQUITO  
AND  
SOUTHWEST PUERTO CHIQUITO

BENSON-MONTIN-GREER DRLG. CORP.

CAÑADA OJITOS UNIT NO. B-18



EVIDENCE OF STRATIFICATION OF PRODUCING ZONES  
IN THE BENSON-MONTIN-GREER JICARILLA 237 #H-19  
SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST  
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The Jicarilla 237 #H-19 was drilled through the Niobrara pay zones with cable tools; and although this well is not in the West Puerto Chiquito Mansos pool (see plat on the facing page), the producing formation has the same lithologic characteristics and the producing reservoir is of the same fractured nature as West Puerto Chiquito. The East Puerto Chiquito reservoir has been separated from West Puerto Chiquito by faulting after the beds were deposited. This separation does not alter the reservoir's basic lithologic characteristics; and accordingly the issue of stratification of the Niobrara pay zones can be evaluated here as well as in the West Puerto Chiquito wells.

This well has been chosen as one example because it shows not only stratification, but also one in which the "gray zone" was separately tested so that the typically poor performance of this "gray zone" is clearly documented.

WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS  
POOL BOUNDARY

COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN  
EAST & WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS

R 2 W

R 1 W

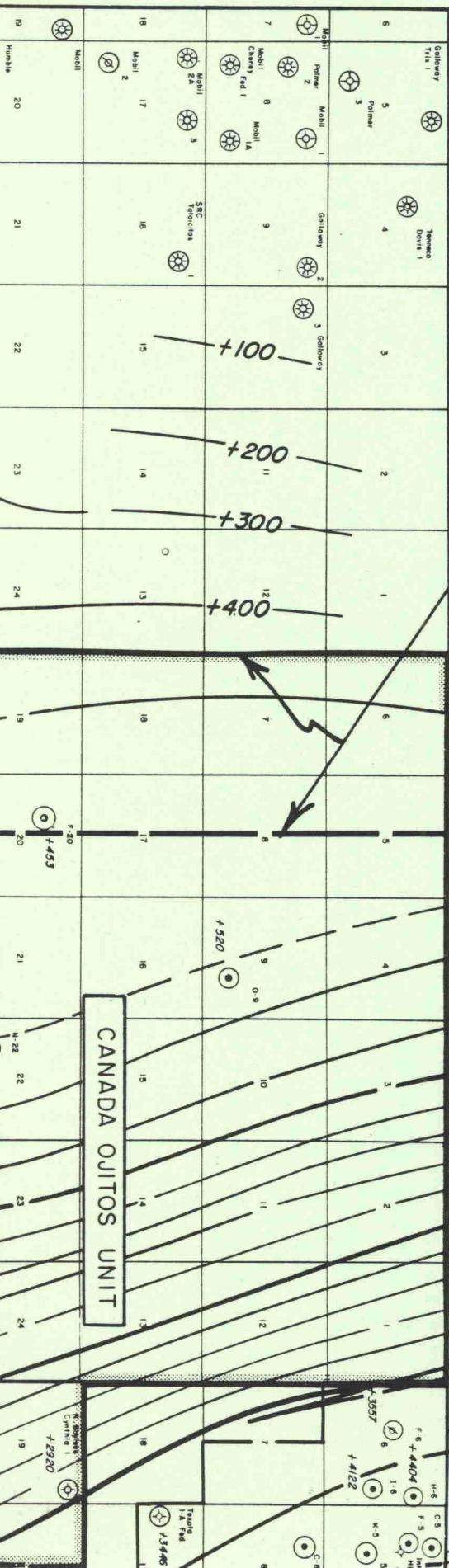
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PROPOSED  
NORTH CANADA OJITOS UNIT

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CANADA OJITOS UNIT



+400

+500

+1000

+2000

+3000

+4000

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+3628

+4465

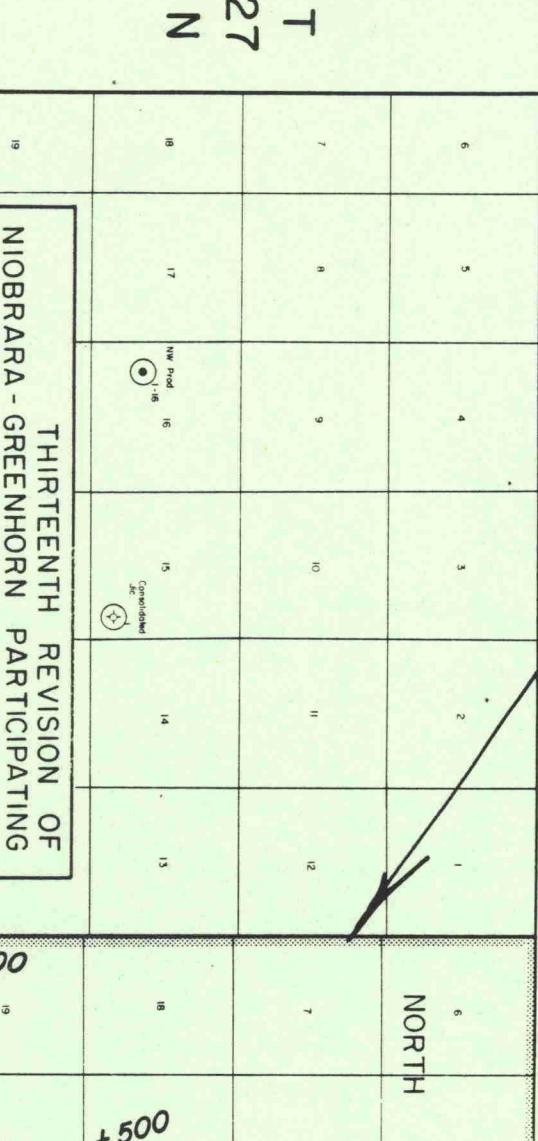
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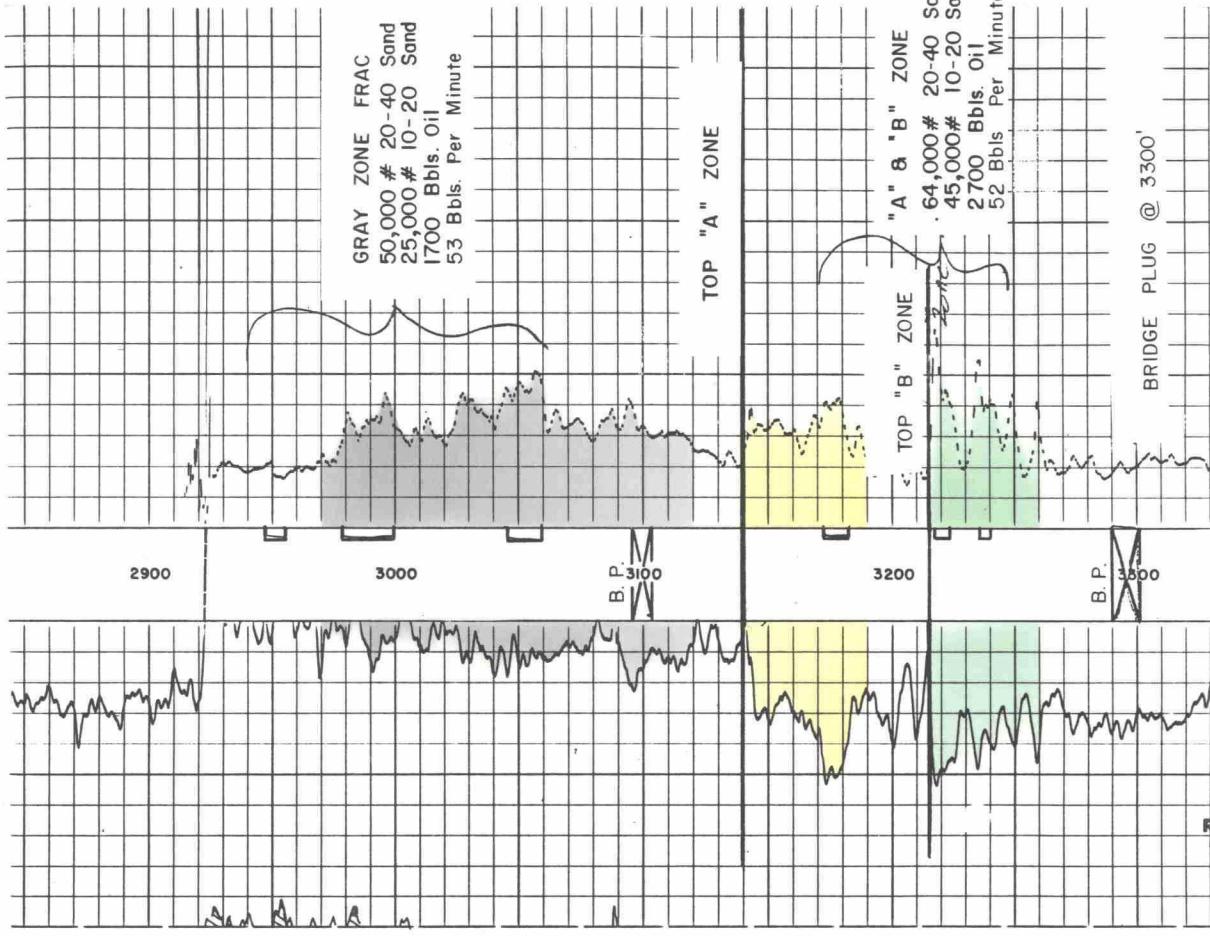


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Separation of the "gray" zone from the A and B zones was evidenced by the following:

1. Upon drilling with cable tools, oil was encountered in the gray zone; the drilling interrupted and the well put on a 3-month pumping test in the spring of 1964, which showed a rapid decline in productivity from about 30 barrels a day to about 10 barrels a day, suggesting a limited reservoir.
2. After completion of drilling, running liner and stage fracturing the A and B zones together and the gray zone separately, the gray zone was again tested by itself and again showed a rapid decline in productivity to about 20 BOPD.
3. Upon drilling the bridge plug between the gray zone and the A and B zones and recovering frac oil, the production rate from the combined zones was in excess of 200 BOPD.

SCHLUMBERGER		INDUCTION-ELECTRICAL LOG	
		INDUCTION - GAMMA RAY LOG	
SCHLUMBERGER WELL SURVEYING CORPORATION			
COMPANY	BENSON-MONTIN &	Location of Well	
GREER DRILLING CORPORATION		660' FEL	
WELL	JICARILLA H-19	1980' FNL	
FIELD	WILDCAT		
LOCATION SEC.	19-27N-1E		
COUNTY	RIO ARRIBA	Elevation: K.B. 7073' D.F. 7072' or G.L. 7064'	
STATE	NEW MEXICO	FILING No. ....	
RUN No.	ONE-IES	TWO-IGR	THREE-IGR
Date	11-21-63	6-11-64	6-22-64
First Reading	2699	3384	3894
Last Reading	100	2699	3384
Feet Measured	2599	685	510
Csg. Schlum.	--	2922	3389
Csg. Driller	95	2929	3380
Depth Reached	2700	3389	3899
Bottom Driller	2700	3380	3890
Depth Datum	KB	KB	KB
Mud Nat.	CHEM-GEL	OIL	AIR DRILLED
" Density	9.5	--	--
" Viscosity	61	--	--
" Resist	2 @ 70 °F	-- @ -- °F	-- @ -- °F
" Res. BHT	1.5 @ 20 °F	-- @ -- °F	-- @ -- °F
" pH	-- @ -- °F	-- @ -- °F	-- @ -- °F
" Wtr. Loss	-- CC 30 min.	-- CC 30 min.	-- CC 30 min.
Max. Temp. °F	90	TSM	129
Bit Size	8 3/4	*	5
SPCGS. AM	16"	--	--
MIN	34.6"	--	--
IND	6FF40	5FF27	5FF27
Opr. Rig Time	2 HOURS	1 1/2 HOURS	1 HOUR
Truck No.	4512	4543	3520
Recorded By	DILLI	MAXWELL	MAXWELL
Witness	MR. STOABS	MR. STOABS	MR. STOABS



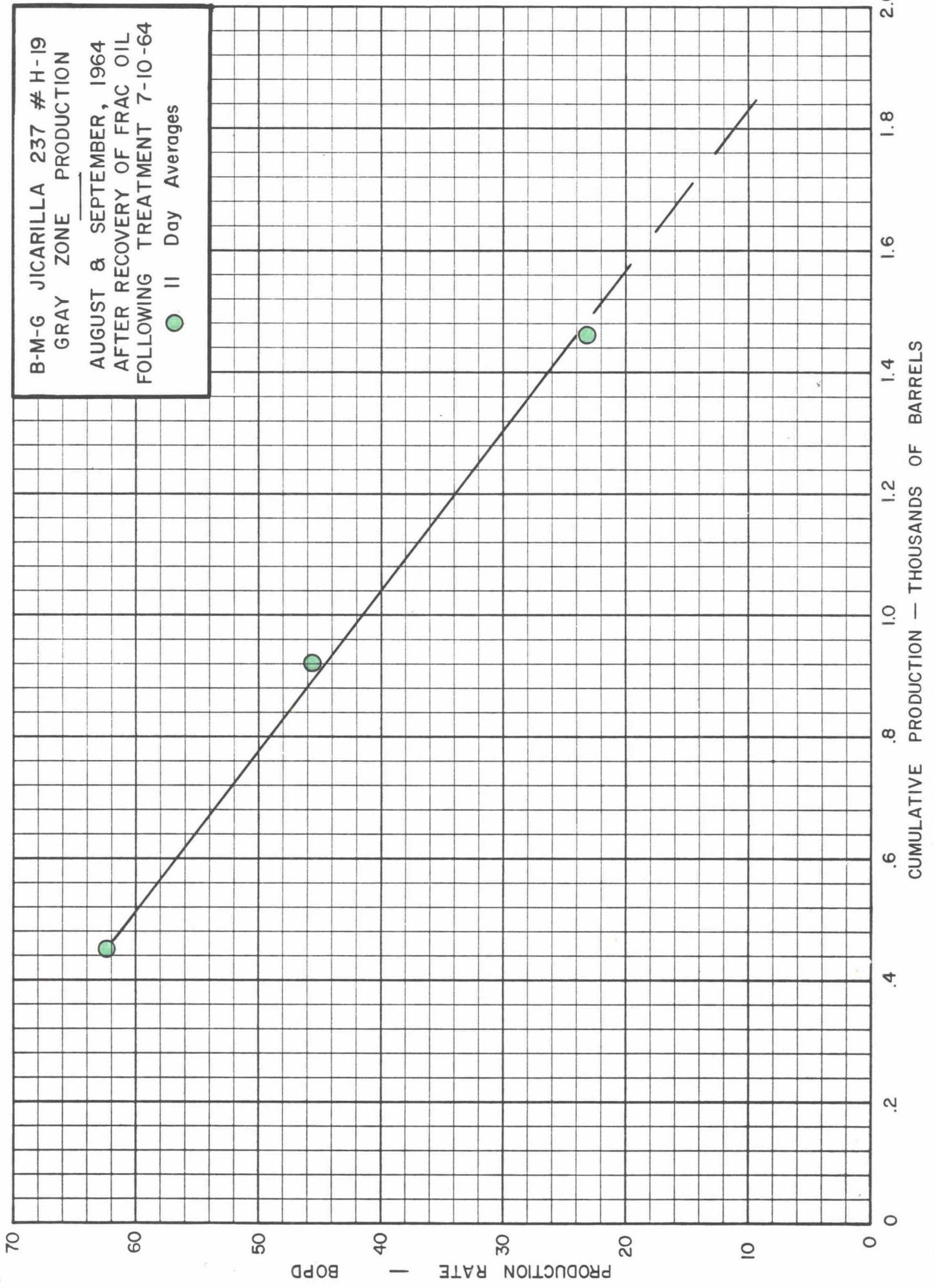
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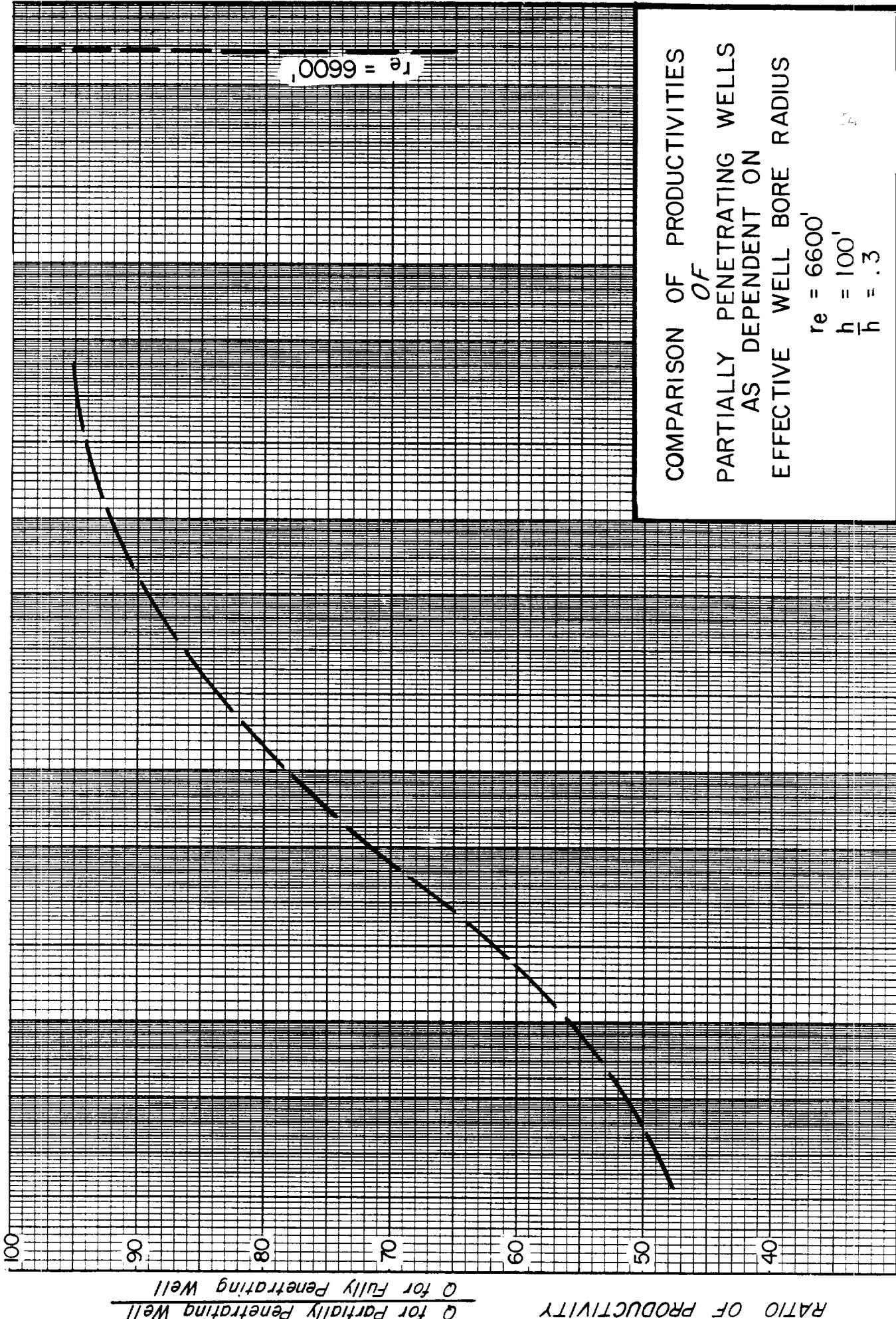
The plot of oil production rate versus cumulative production for the H-19 (plot on facing page) clearly indicates a limited reservoir in the gray zone. The plot suggests total ultimate recovery on the order of 2000 barrels of oil.

After drilling the bridge plug and the productivity increased to more than 200 barrels per day the well has continued to produce with a low rate of decline and as of 1987 had produced in excess of 800,000 barrels of oil. Clearly the gray zone is separated from the A and B zones.

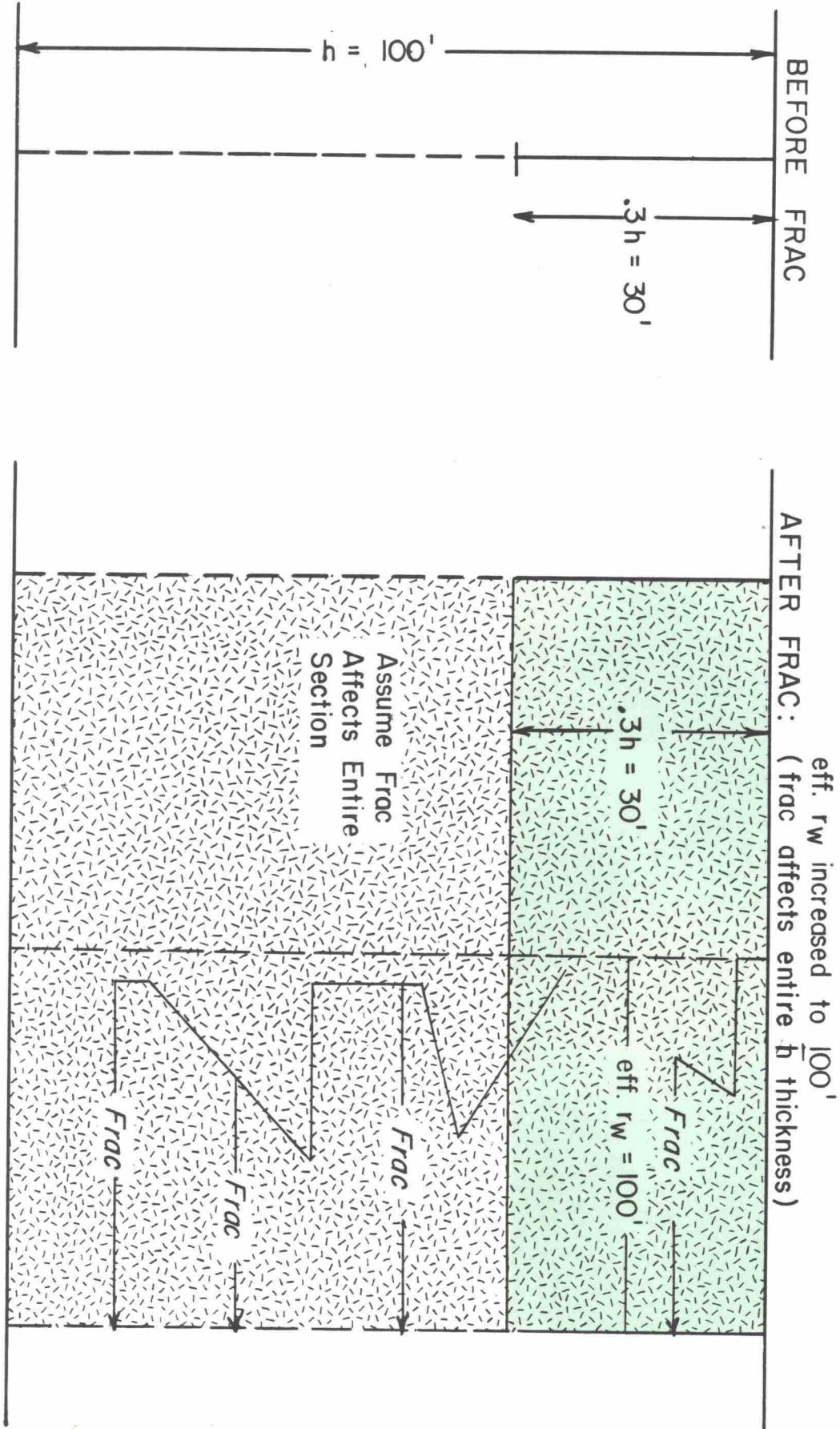
Without providing the details, reference was made to this well (among others generally) in Cases 8946 and 8950 in August 1986 and the fact that the production increased upon drilling of the bridge plug and that this indicated stratification. Mallon's and Mesa Grande's engineer, Mr. Hueni countered this by stating "You complete in the larger section, you get more productivity..."

We note that this judgment by Mr. Hueni was made without knowledge of the facts peculiar to this particular well. We believe the facts in this example warrant more consideration than Mr. Hueni's simplistic assessment. Given the facts, Mr. Hueni might have made a different interpretation.



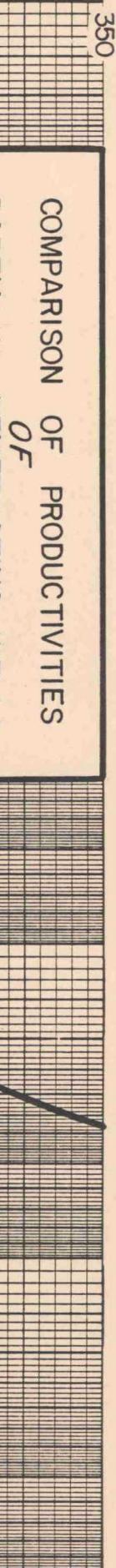


*PRODUCTION RATES FOR PARTIALLY PENETRATING WELLS*



RATIO (%) OF PRODUCTIVITY

$Q$   
 $Q$  for Fully Penetrating Well,  $r_e = 1/4'$



EFFECTIVE WELL BORE RADIUS ( $r_w$ ) - FEET

10

100

1000

10,000

50

150

200

250

350

100

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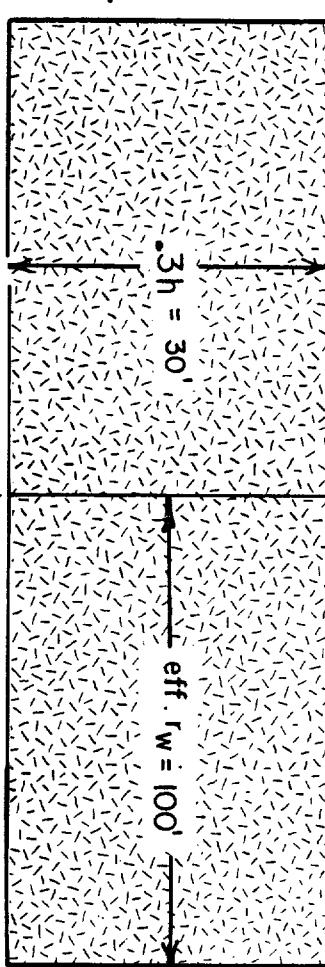
**BEFORE FRAC**

$\bar{h} = 100'$

$.3\bar{h} = 30'$

**AFTER FRAC:** (frac limited to  $\bar{h}$  penetration)

$\text{eff. } r_w \text{ increased to } 100'$   
 $(\text{frac limited to } \bar{h} \text{ penetration})$



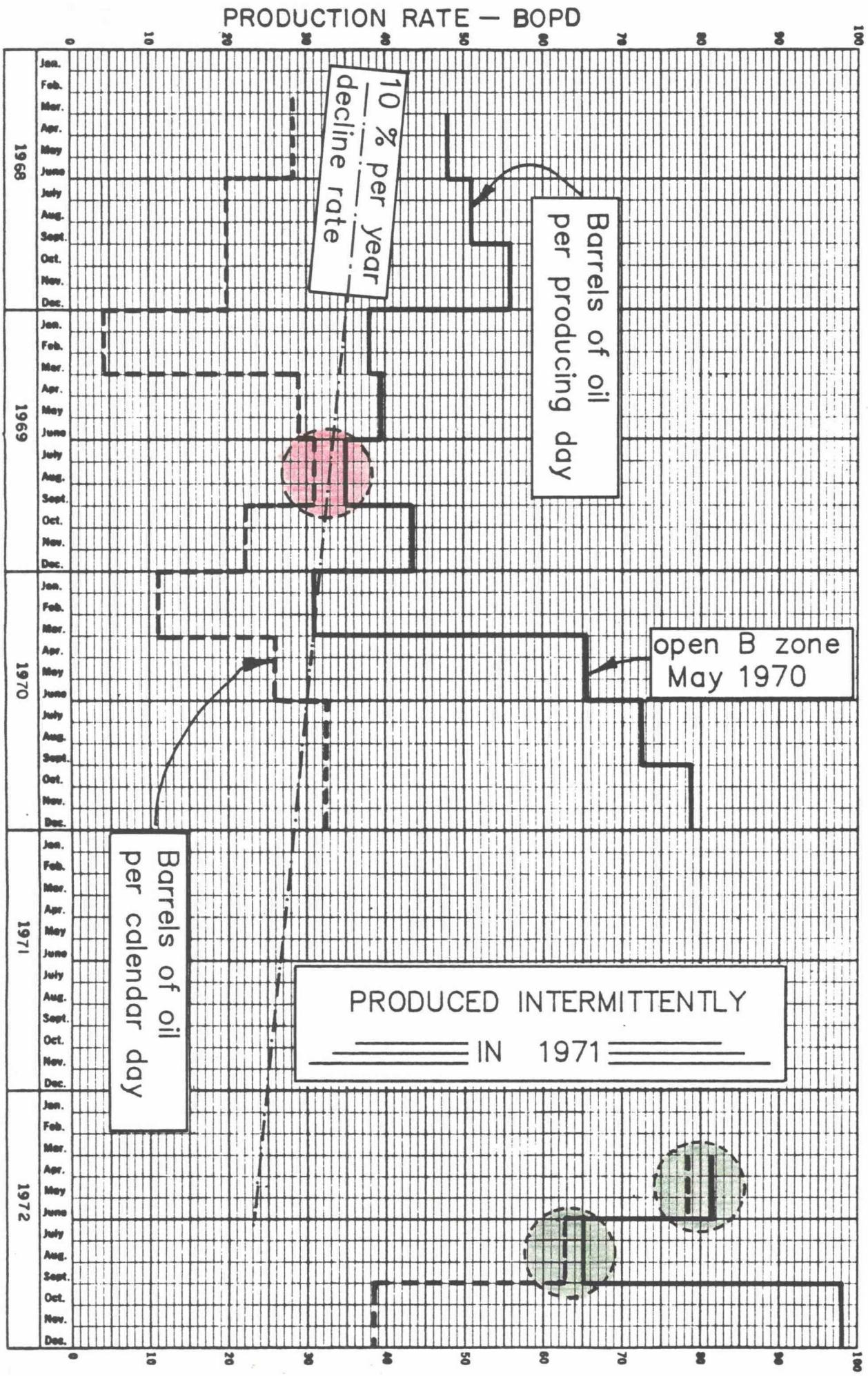
At Effective  $r_w$ 's In Excess Of  
 5 To 10 Feet System Flow Capacity  
 High Enough That Opening Of  
 Perforations In Lower Portion Of  
 Hole Will Not Increase Production  
 Rate

For  
 $\bar{h} = 100'$   
 $r_e = 6600'$   
 $r_w = 1/4'$   
 $\bar{h} = .3$

$$\frac{(Q_{\text{part. pen}})}{(Q \text{ total pen})} = \pm 45\%$$

B.M.G.

JIC 200 # D-21 Sec. 21-T 27 N - R1W



EVIDENCE OF STRATIFICATION OF PRODUCING ZONES  
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The bridge plug was drilled in May 1970 and the well showed an immediate productivity increase in an amount approximating the rate of production attributable to the B zone from initial swabbing tests. (See graph on facing page.)

The well was produced intermittently until 1972 at which time in the second and third quarters the well was produced continuously enough to permit a reasonable productivity determination. This showed an increase in oil productivity from 35 BOPD to 65 BOPD as a consequence of the B zone production being added by drilling the bridge plug.

Whether this increase in productivity is a consequence of stratification or simply that more pay section is opened to production is addressed on the following pages with respect to the relative productivities of partially penetrating wells as applied to this example.

**SCHLUMBERGER**

INDUCTION-ELECTRICAL LOG  
INDUCTION-GAMMA RAY LOG

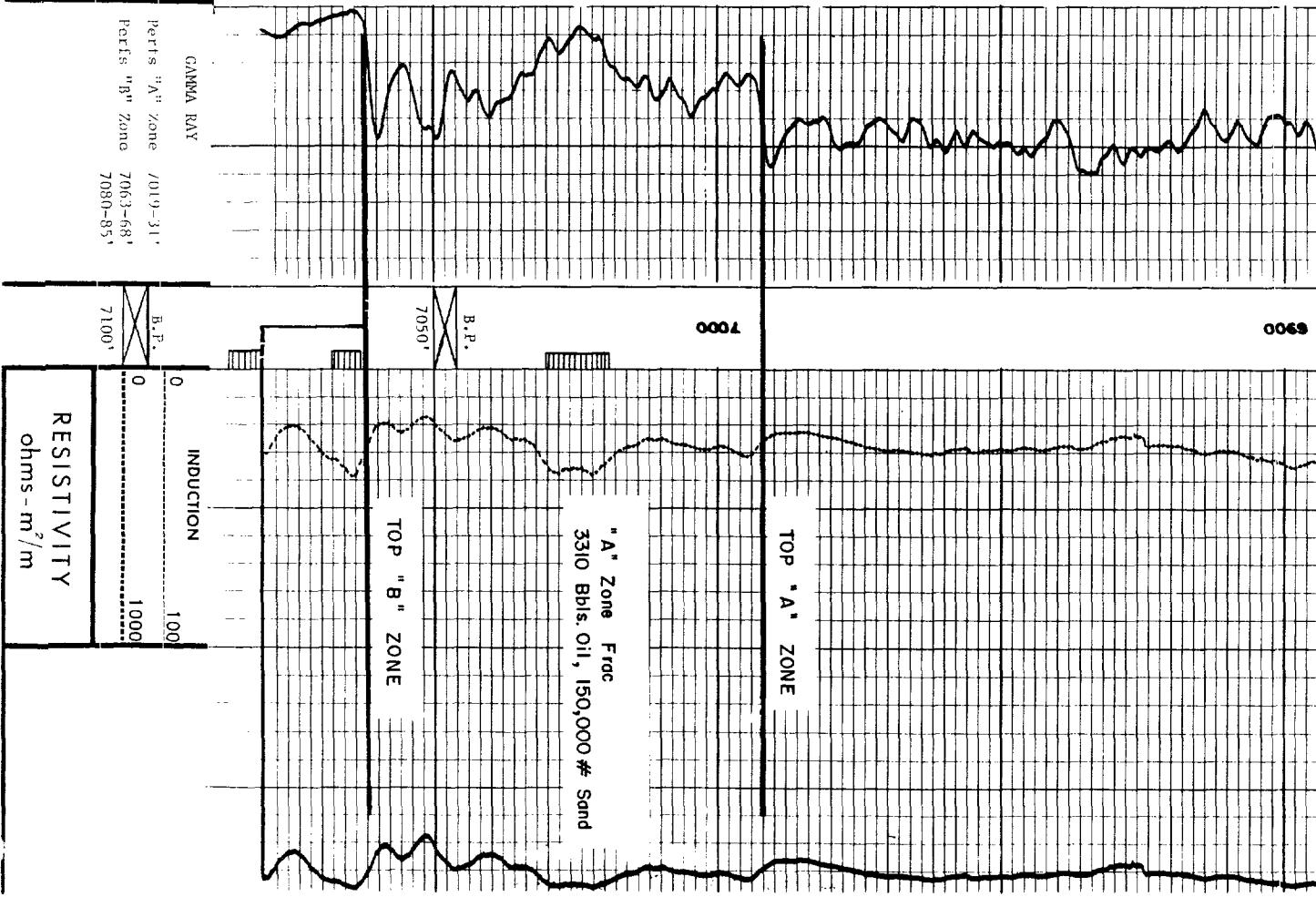
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WELL		JICARILLA 200 #D-21	
FIELD		WILDCAT	
COUNTY		RIO ARRIBA	
COMPANY	B.M.	LOCATION	STATE
Sec. 21	Twp. 27N	Rge. 1W	NEW MEXICO
Date	6/16/66	6/30/66	Elev.: K.B. 7665.5
Run No.	ONE	THREE	Elev.: D.F. 7668
Depth - Driller	6500	7200	G.L. 7655
Depth - Logger	6503		
Bm. Log Interval	6502	7081	
Top Log Interval	313	6498	
Casing - Driller	13 3/8	311 7 5/8	6500
Casing - Logger	3 1/2	6498	
Bit Size	9 7/8"	6 3/4"	
Type Fluid in Hole	FRESH GEL	OIL EMULSION	
Chemicals	-STARCH		
Dens.	8.8	7.5	ml
Visc.	74	150	ml
pH	8.5	5.0	NA
Source of Sample	FLOW LINE		
R <sub>m</sub> (in Meas. Temp.)	2.2	75°F	
R <sub>m</sub> (in Meas. Temp.)	0.9	141°F	
R <sub>m</sub> (in Meas. Temp.)	1.15	141°F	
Source: R <sub>m</sub>	C		
R <sub>m</sub> (in BHT)	1.17	141°F	
Time Since Circ.	4 HRS.	3 HRS.	
Max. Rec. Temp.	141°F		
Equip. Location	4538 G.J.	4542 FARM	
Recorded By	MONTGOMERY	KIMBALL	
Witnessed By	STCABS	BOLACK	STCABS

By Frac Length: Effective Well Bore Radius:

If 400' Fracture Length: eff. r<sub>w</sub> = 100'

By Pore Volume: If 3000 Bbls. Hydrocarbon Pore Space  
Per Acre & Frac Just Fills Pore Space  
( $\frac{1}{4}$  acre) : eff. r<sub>w</sub> = 125'

From Above Assume Minimum r<sub>w</sub> = 100'



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The D-21 was drilled with air through the A zone and the upper part of the B zone. (See log on facing page.)

Oil with a relatively high volume of gas was encountered in the A zone. Additional oil was encountered in the B zone.

The lower part of the B zone was drilled with oil, a liner run to the top of the C zone, the C zone was drilled with air and fraced with oil and found to be non-productive. A bridge plug was set in the liner at the base of the B zone. The A and B zones were perforated and the well tested by swabbing.

Swab test showed about 3 barrels fluid per hour.

A bridge plug was set between the A and B zones and production testing resumed by swabbing. Swab rate from the A zone alone was approximately 1-1/4 barrels fluid per hour.

The A zone was fraced by itself with 3310 barrels oil and 100,000# sand.

After 2 years of production, the production rate from the A zone was approximately 33 barrels per day. (See graph next following.)

WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS  
POOL BOUNDARY

COMMON BOUNDARY BETW  
EAST & WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MA

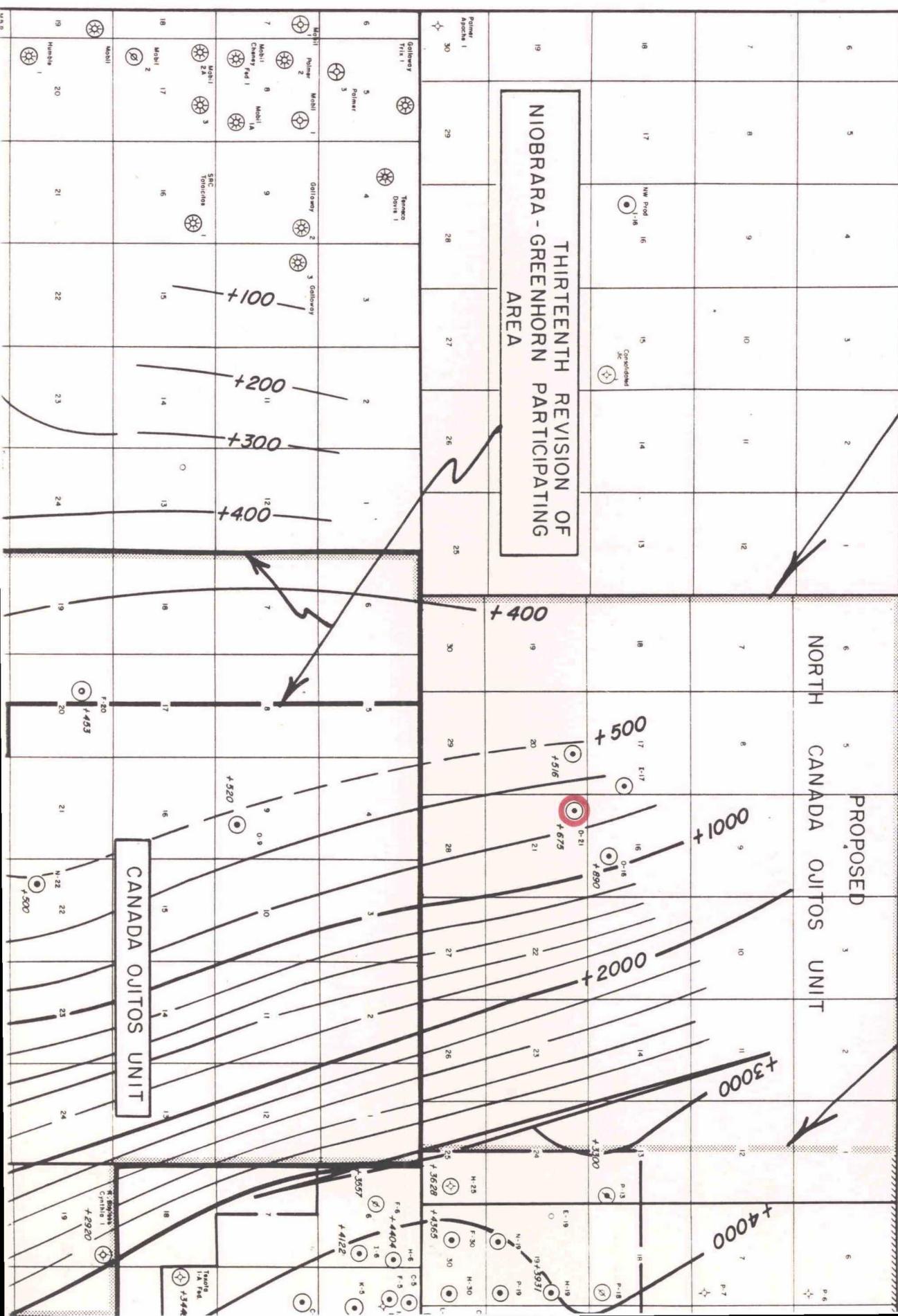
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SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST

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The D-21 was the first well in the West Puerto pool drilled in Township 27 North, Range 1 West.  
(See plat on facing page.)

Separation of the A and B zones in this well was evidenced by three separate happenings:

1. Initial drilling with air.
2. Swabbing tests of the zones jointly and separately.
3. Production history of the well with the zones separately and jointly produced.

Although not a "large" well by West Puerto Chiquito statistics, it has produced over 150,000 barrels of oil - an adequate "sample" by which to assess reservoir behavior.

EVIDENCE OF STRATIFICATION OF PRODUCING ZONES  
IN THE BENSON-MONTIN-GREER CANADA OJITOS UNIT F-30  
SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST

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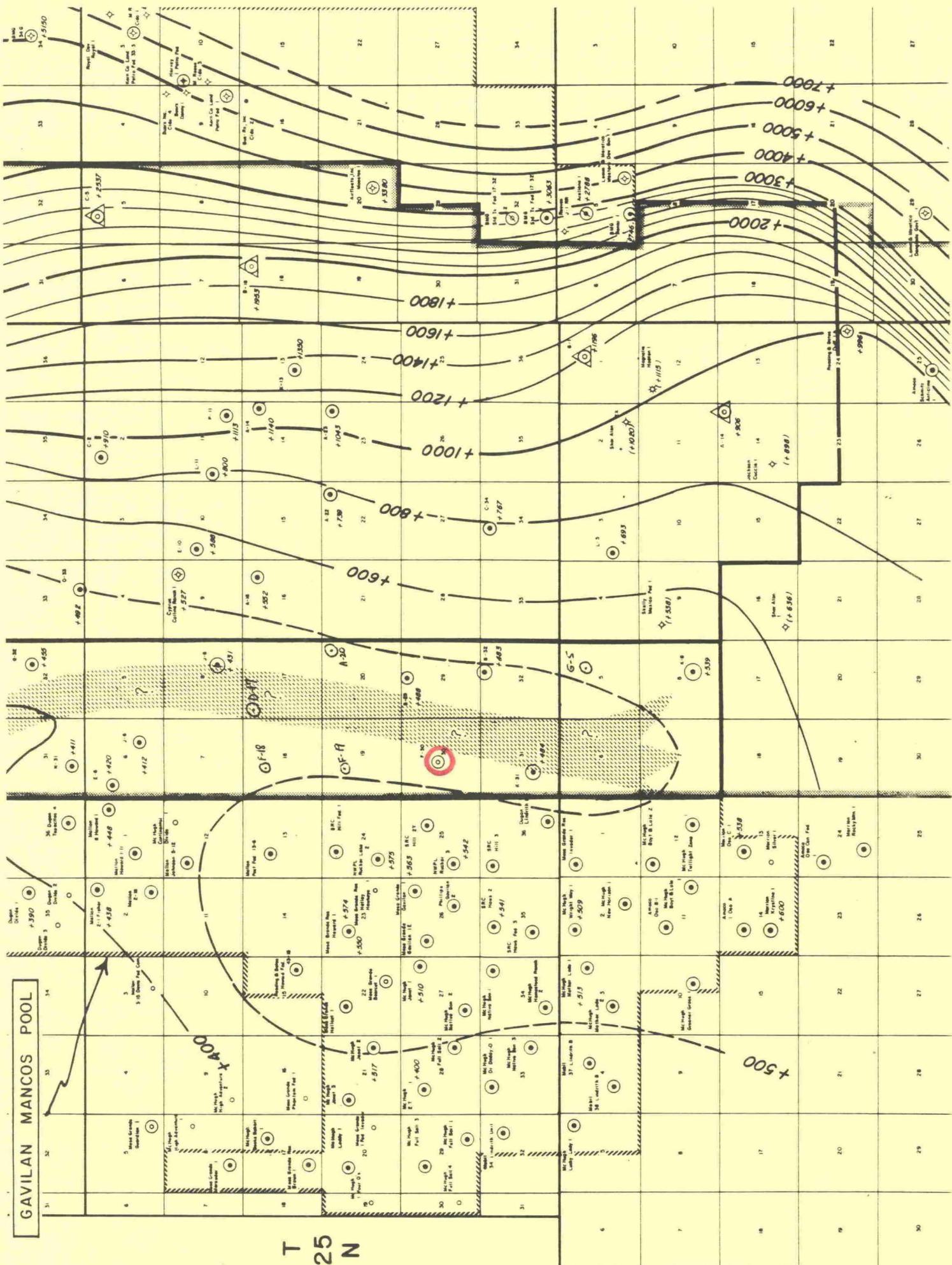
Production logging was conducted on the Canada Ojitos Unit F-30 well March 5 and 6, 1987; which logging shows absence of vertical communication of the lower zones with the upper zones.

The well was carefully conditioned for this production logging by pulling the tubing 200' above the pay zones and flowing the well at a reasonably steady rate for several days prior to the testing as follows:

February 25, 1987	390 BOPD	March 1, 1987	442 BOPD
February 26, 1987	470 BOPD	March 2, 1987	400 BOPD
February 27, 1987	432 BOPD	March 3, 1987	444 BOPD
February 28, 1987	418 BOPD	March 4, 1987	438 BOPD

At the time of the test, the well was flowing at a rate of approximately 435 BOPD with a surface GOR of 1030 cubic feet per barrel (separator pressure 180 psig).

The well has shown no water production since November 14, 1986.



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COU # 30 (F-30)

Cementing  
Perfs @ 7241'

TOP "A"

TOP "B"

TOP "C"

Perforations Open To Production

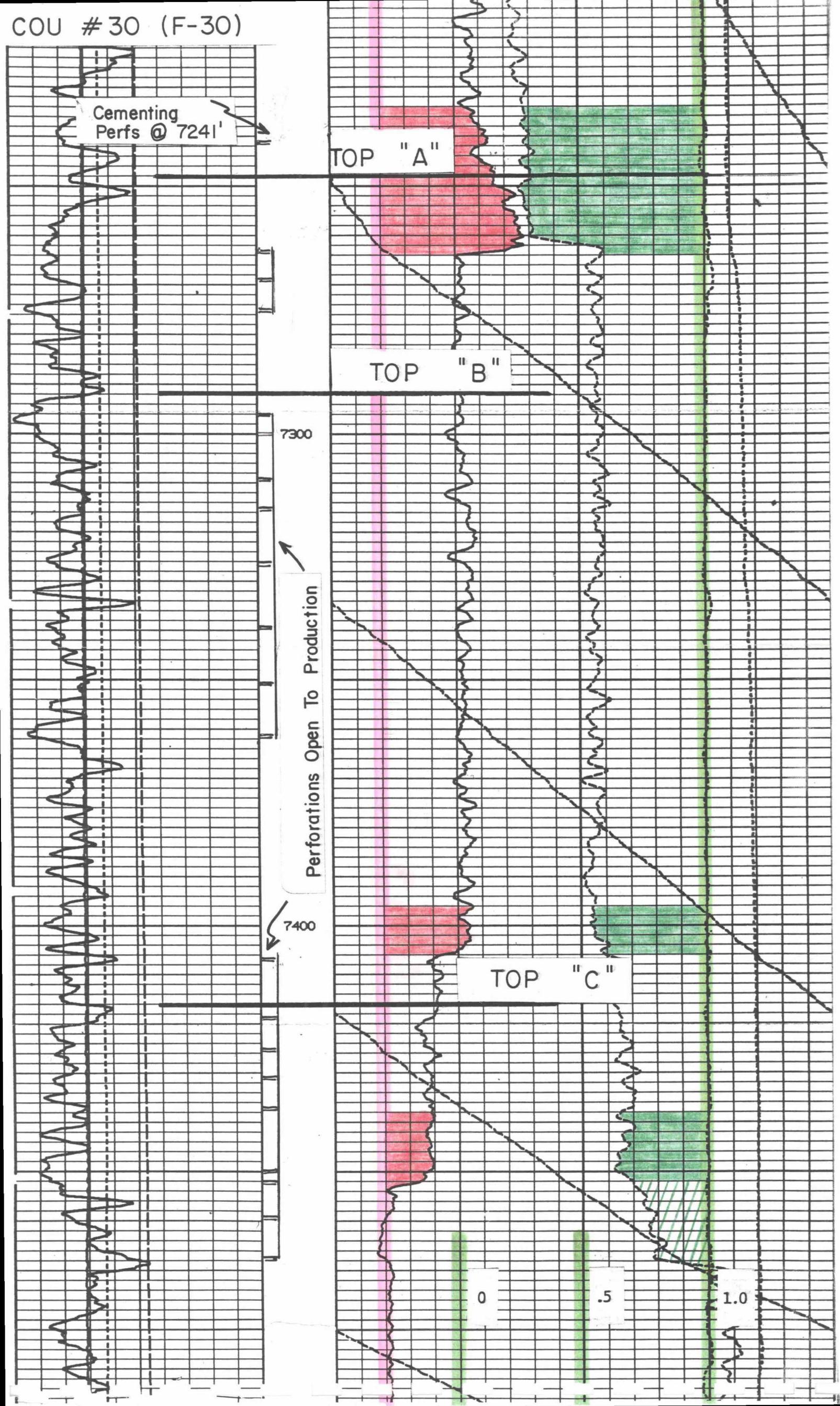
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EVIDENCE OF STRATIFICATION OF PRODUCING ZONES  
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(Complete log is on file with OCD Aztec Office)

(3 spinner "down" runs at 30, 60 and 90 FPM were made and one "up" run - best for fluid density.  
On facing page is section from 60 FPM down run).

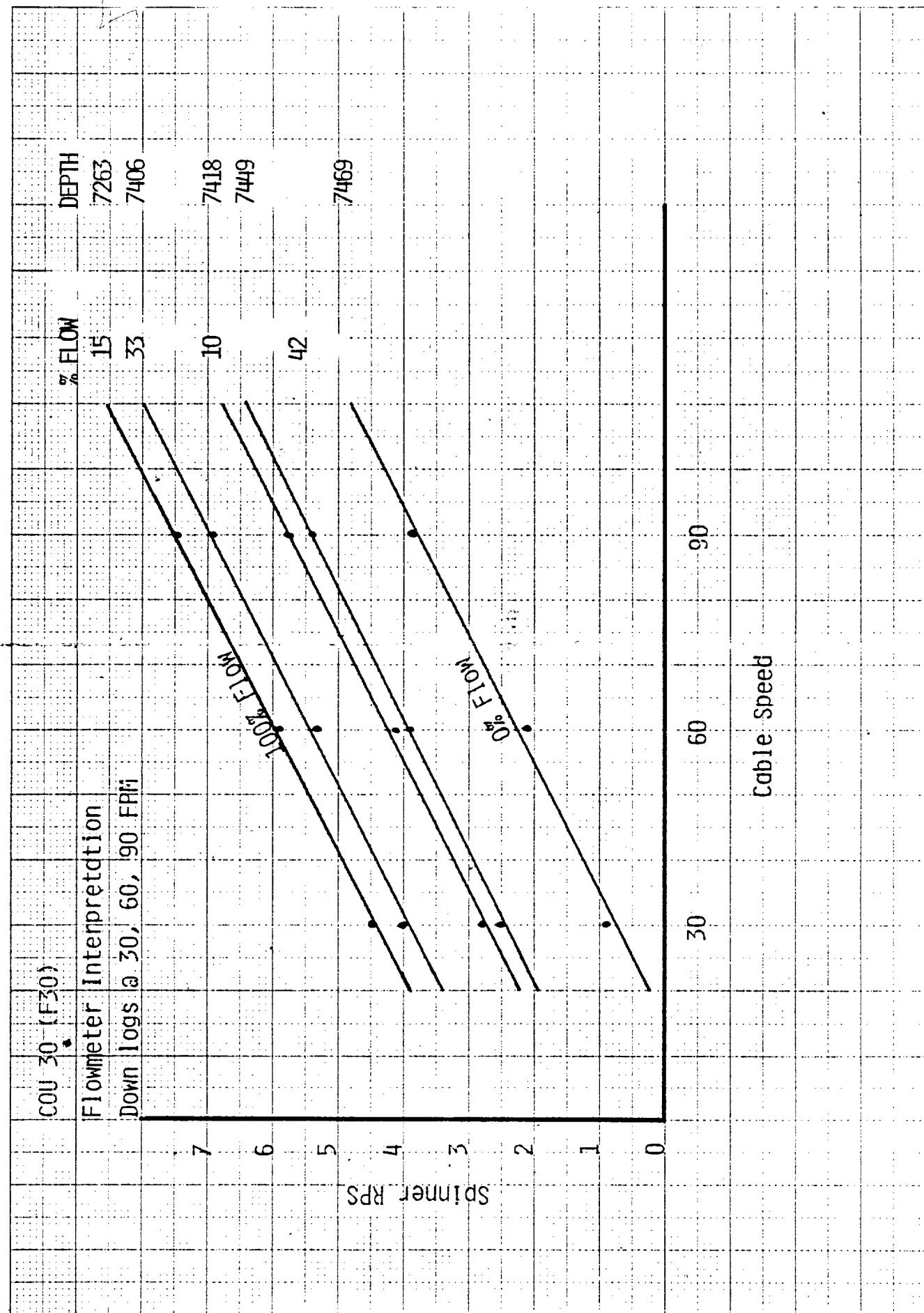
Although the basal Niobrara zones (Sanostee) were opened to the wellbore by perforating and separately acidizing those individual perforations and following with limited entry frac treatment, these zones showed no production. Perforations of these zones are at 7799', 7876' and 7886' (about 350' below the C zone).

That no production is coming from intervals below the C zone is evidenced by both the spinner flow rate measurement and the fluid density measurement; and then confirmed by the radioactive fluid travel log. Zero flow rate line for the spinner is the vertical pink line on the section of the log facing this page; increases in flow are reflected by this line moving to the right (red shading). Scales for fluid specific gravity are the vertical green lines on the log. The fluid travel log is not shown here.

The spinner is limited in its ability to detect small flow rates. Here, one division represents about 100 BOPD. To confirm the apparent zero flow rate below the C zone, the radioactive fluid travel log was run.

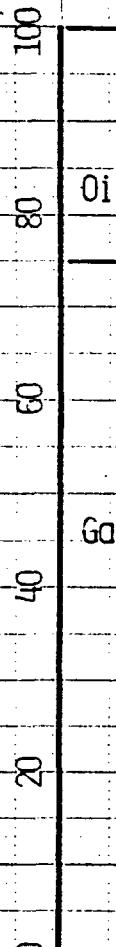
It is clear that only water exists below the base of the C zone; and since the well has produced no water since November 1986 it must be concluded that no production - water, oil or gas - is coming from below the C zone.

This is one of the wells which Mesa Grande's geologist, Alan Emmendorfer, described in his testimony as having vertical fractures through the entire section as evidenced by the "fracture log" run on this well; and, accordingly showed the entire section to be a common, communicative reservoir. This log shows such not to be the case.



CDU #30 (F-30)

% Oil Production  
Wellbore Fluid Profile



Top of "A"

7262

Top of "B"

7268

Top of "C"

7406

7418

7436

7449

7458

7466

Sanosteel

Below Perfs

No oil production from perfs opposite Sanosteel.

COU NO. 30 (F-30)

ZONE PERFORATION BY SPINNER ZONE CUMULATIVE BY FLUID TRAVEL LOG CUMULATIVE 30 FPM UP LOG FLUID DENSITY %OIL %GAS %WATER INTERPRETATION

"A" ZONE TOTALS	7240'	15%	100%	33%	100%	.23	25%	75%	0%
	7262'	0%	85%	33%	67%	.23	25%	75%	0%
	7268'	15%	85%	0%	67%	.59	78%	22%	0%
	7274'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.59	78%	22%	0%
"B" ZONE TOTALS		0%	85%	0%	67%				
	7295'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.59	78%	22%	0%
	7300'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.59	79%	22%	0%
	7308'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.59	78%	22%	0%
	7314'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.52	68%	32%	0%
	7325'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.52	68%	32%	0%
	7338'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.52	68%	32%	0%
	7350'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.52	68%	32%	0%
	7360'	0%	85%	0%	67%	.51	69%	31%	0%
"C" ZONE TOTALS		85%	85%	67%	67%				
	7406'	33%	52%	22%	45%	.53	69%	31%	0%
	7418'	10%	42%	3%	42%	.70	94%	6%	0%
	7424'	0%	42%	0%	42%	.70	94%	6%	0%
	7430'	0%	42%	0%	42%	.70	94%	6%	0%
	7436'	0%	42%	42%	42%	.70	94%	6%	0%
	7449'	4.2%	*	17%	25%	.70	94%	6%	0%
	7451'	*	*	0%	25%	.81	76%	0%	24%
	7458'	*	*	0%	25%	.81	76%	0%	24%
	7466'	*	*	25%	0%	.81	76%	0%	24%
SANOSTEEL TOTALS		0%	0%	0%	1.03	1.03	0%	0%	100%
	7800'	0%	0%	0%	1.03	1.03	0%	0%	100%
	7877'	0%	0%	0%	1.03	1.03	0%	0%	100%
	7887'	0%	0%	0%	1.03	1.03	0%	0%	100%

\* Inconclusive

OIL = .74  
WATER = 1.03  
GAS = .065

EVIDENCE OF STRATIFICATION OF PRODUCING ZONES  
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SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST  
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Production logging was conducted on the Canada Ojitos Unit N-31 well March 8 through 10, 1987; which logging shows absence of vertical communication of the lower zones with the upper zones.

The well was carefully conditioned for this production logging by pulling the tubing 200' above the pay zones and flowing the well at a reasonably steady rate for several days prior to the testing as follows (uncorrected for temperature):

March 3, 1987	132 BOPD
March 4, 1987	131 BOPD
March 5, 1987	128 BOPD
March 6, 1987	126 BOPD
March 7, 1987	127 BOPD

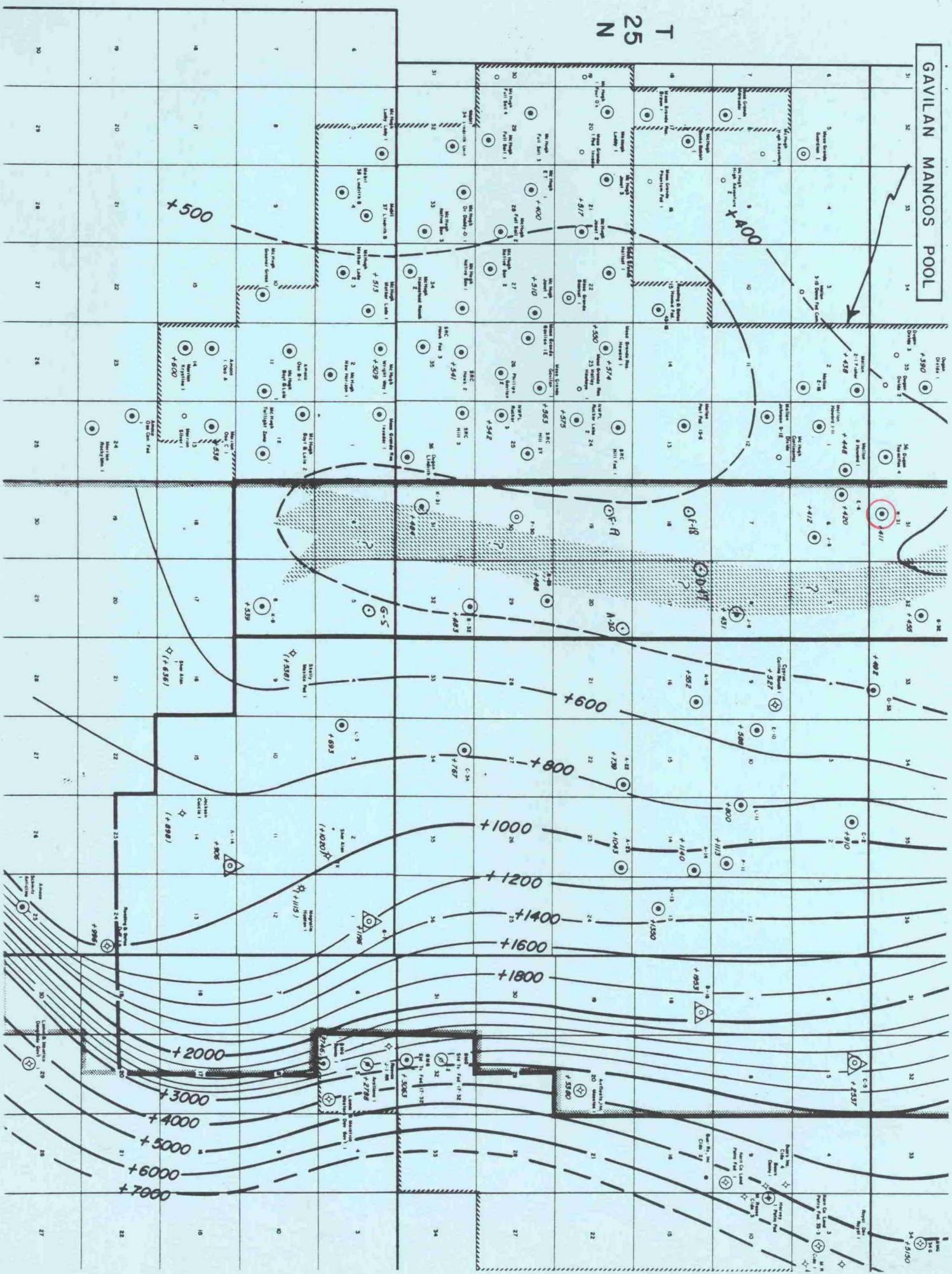
At the time of the test, the well was flowing at a rate of approximately 121 BOPD (corrected for measuring temperature) with a surface GOR of 2340 cubic feet per barrel (separator pressure 195 psig).

The well has shown no water production since November 28, 1986.

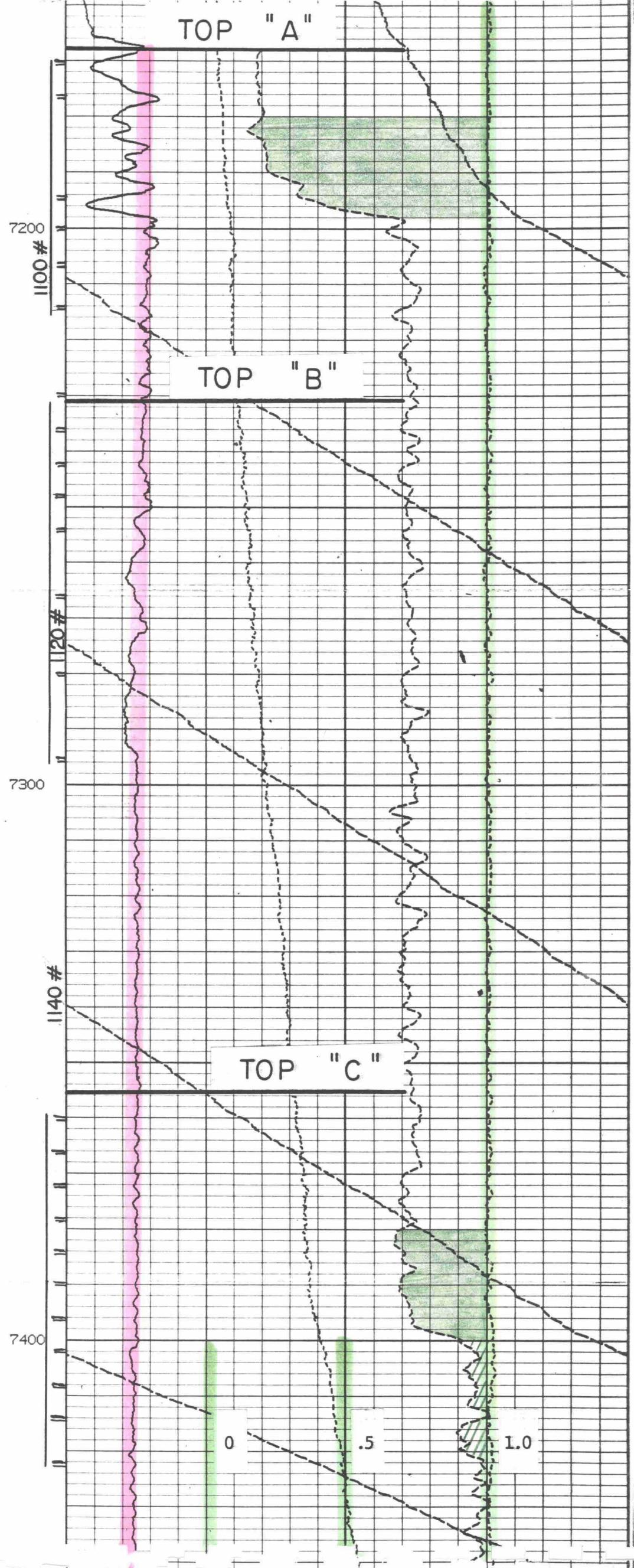
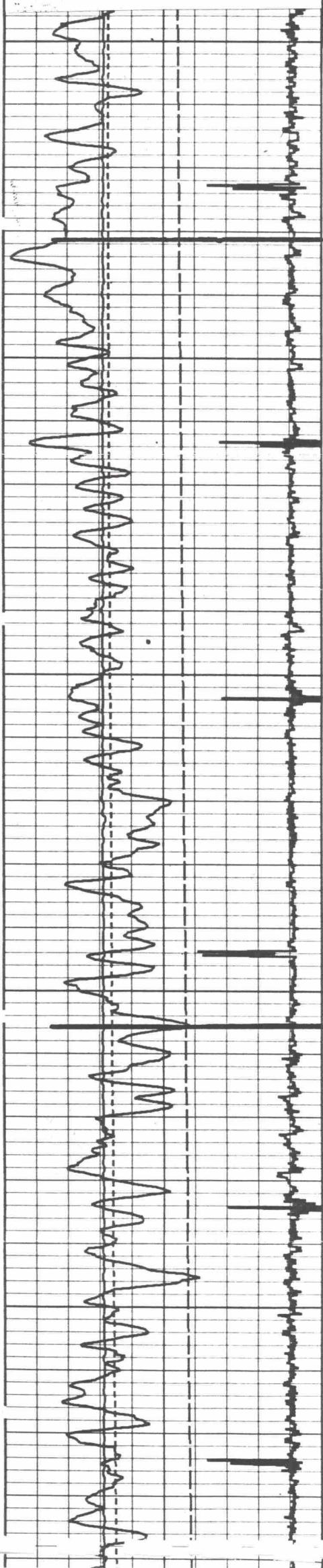
GAVILAN MANGOS POOL

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EVIDENCE OF STRATIFICATION OF PRODUCING ZONES  
IN THE BENSON-MONTIN-GREER CANADA OUTOS UNIT N-31  
SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST  
PAGE 2

(Complete log is on file with OCD Aztec office)

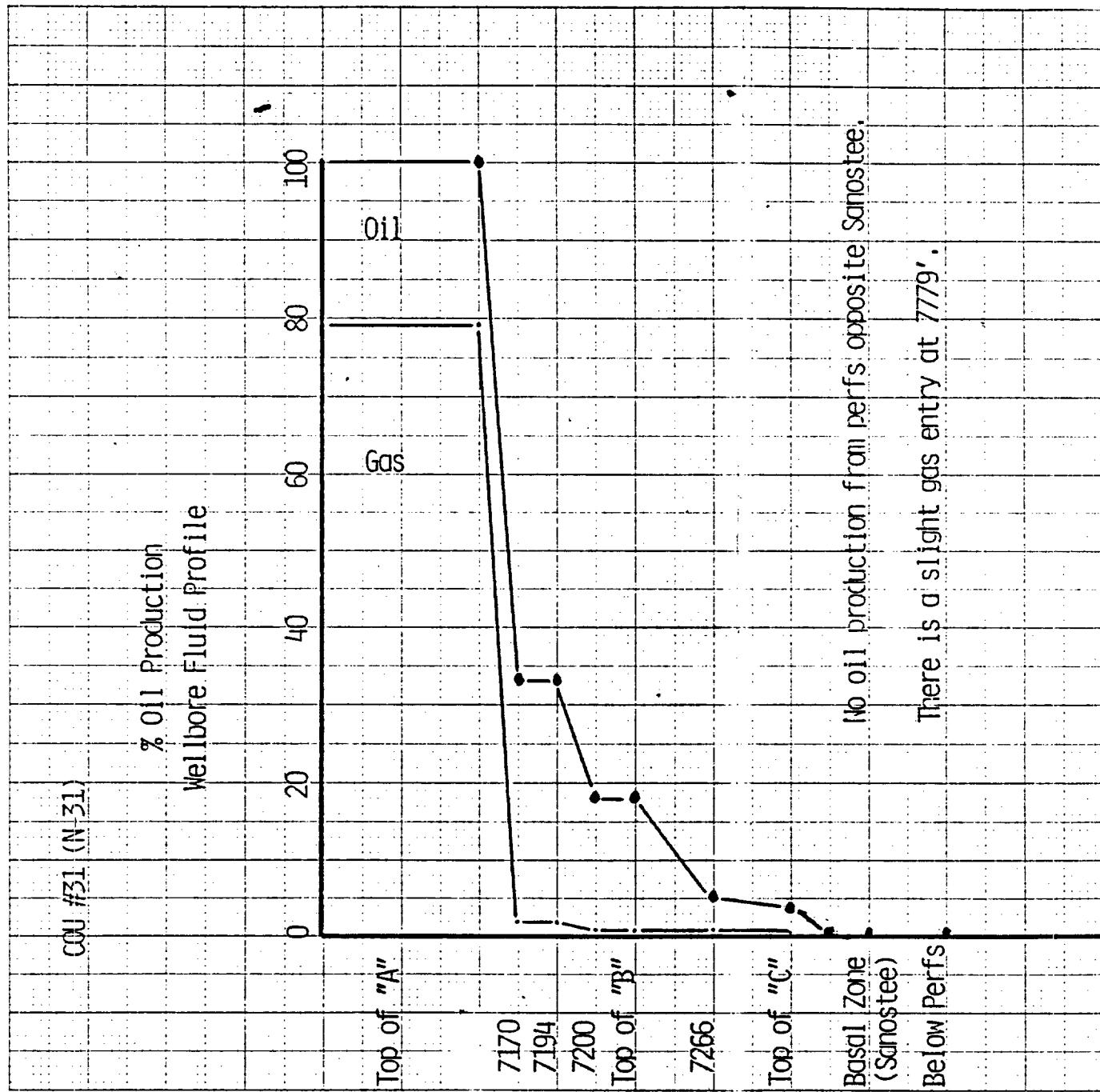
(3 spinner "down" runs at 60, 90 and 120 FPM were made and one "up" run - best for fluid density.  
On facing page is section from 60 FPM down run).

Although the basal Niobrara zones (Sanostee) were opened to the wellbore by perforating and separately acidizing those individual perforations and following with limited entry frac treatment, these zones showed no production. Perforations of these zones are at 7688', 7696', 7706', 7768', 7774' and 7779' (about 350' below the C zone).

That no production is coming from intervals below the C zone is evidenced by both the spinner flow rate measurement and the fluid density measurement; and then confirmed by the radioactive fluid travel log. Zero Flow rate line for the spinner is the vertical pink line on the section of the log facing this page. Scales for fluid specific gravity are the vertical green lines on the log. The fluid travel log is not shown here.

The spinner is limited in its ability to detect small flow rates; and at the low flow rate of 120 BOPD, the spinner results are inconclusive. To confirm the apparent zero flow rate below the C zone, the radioactive fluid travel log was run.

It is clear that only water, with possibly a small amount of gas, exists below the base of the C zone; and since the well has produced no water since November 1986 it must be concluded that no oil production is coming from below the C zone.



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## FLUID DENSITY INTERPRETATION

% OF TOTAL OIL PRODUCTION  
BY FLUID TRAVEL LOG  
ZONE CUMULATIVEPERFORATION  
ZONE

"A"

ZONE	PERFORATION ZONE	% OF TOTAL OIL PRODUCTION BY FLUID TRAVEL LOG ZONE CUMULATIVE	FLUID DENSITY (g/cc) 30 FPM UP LOG	%OIL	%GAS	%WATER
"A"	7170	83% 100%	.20	21%	79%	
	7176	0% 100%	.20	21%	79%	
	7194	67% 33%	.20	21%	79%	
	7200	0% 33%	.20	21%	79%	
	7206	15% 18%	.20	21%	79%	
	7214	0% 18%	.70	94%	6%	
"B"	7230	< 14% 18%	.71	96%	4%	0%
	7236	**	.71	96%	4%	0%
	7242	**	.71	96%	4%	0%
	7248	**	.71	96%	4%	0%
	7254	**	.72	97%	3%	0%
	7266	< 1%	.72	97%	3%	0%
	7280	0%	.72	97%	3%	0%
	7295	0%	.72	97%	3%	0%
"C"	7360	< 4%	.72	97%	3%	0%
	7366		.72	97%	3%	0%
	7372		.72	97%	3%	0%
	7378		.72	97%	3%	0%
	7284		.72	97%	3%	0%
	7390		.72	97%	3%	0%
	7396	0%	.72	97%	3%	0%
	7402	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7408	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7414	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7422	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7478	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%

OIL = .74 GAS = .065 WATER = 1.03

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FLUID DENSITY INTERPRETATION

ZONE	PERFORATION	% OF TOTAL OIL PRODUCTION BY FLUID TRAVEL LOG			FLUID DENSITY (g/cc) 30 FPM UP LOG	%OIL	%GAS	%WATER
		CUMULATIVE	30 FPM UP LOG	30 FPM UP LOG				
Sanostee		0%	0%	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7688	0%	0%	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7696	0%	0%	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7706	0%	0%	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7768	0%	0%	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7774	0%	0%	0%	.98	0%	5%	95%
	7779	0%	*		.98	0%	5%	95%
	Below Perfs			1.03		0%	0%	100%

\* This zone is making a small amount of gas.

\*\* Approximately 14% of the oil production is from this interval. The exact perforation was not determined. The Spinner indicates it is coming from the perf at 7254' and 7280'.

$$\text{OIL} = .74 \quad \text{GAS} = .065 \quad \text{WATER} = 1.03$$

RESERVOIR MECHANICS: DISAGREEMENT WITH HUENI HYPOTHESIS

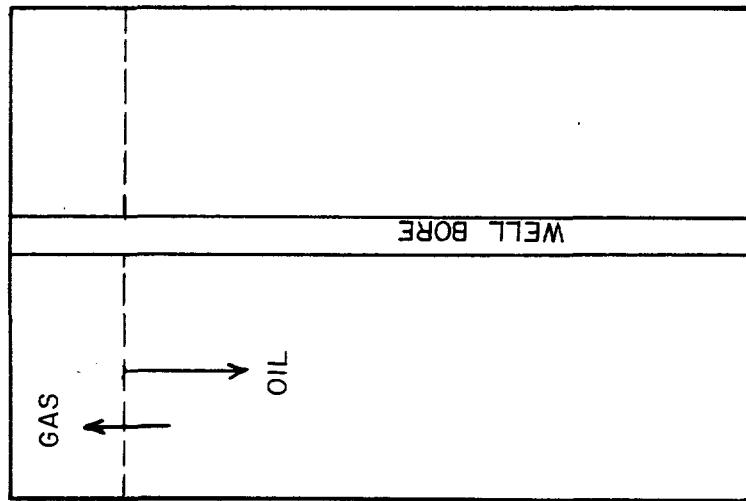
Mr. Hueni's model (Case 8946) presumes a 600' section communicative vertically and shows oil and gas to segregate by gravity: oil vertically down and gas vertically up - but no lateral movement of oil or gas.

We disagree that the reservoir is a 600' vertically communicative section; but even if it were and oil could migrate vertically down as Hueni postulates, the reservoir mechanics cannot end here. It is necessary for the oil to move to the wellbore; and to do this it must move laterally, with this flow being essentially solution gas drive as shown on the following pages.

SEGREGATION BY GRAVITY

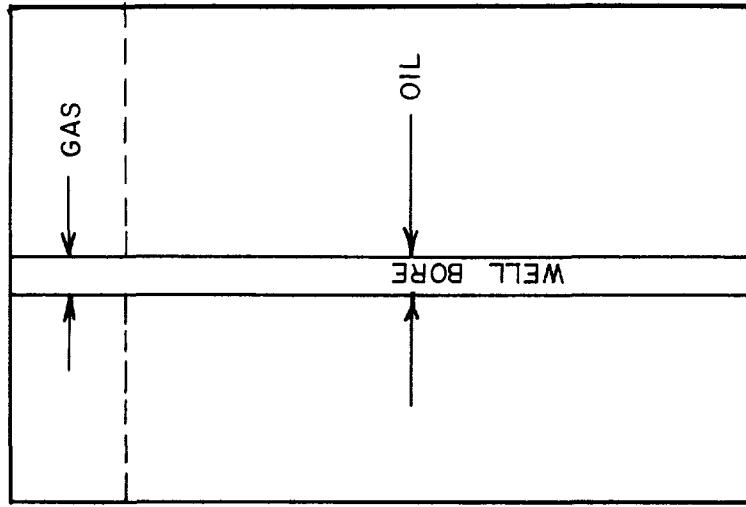
Oil Goes Down  
And

Gas Goes Up  
— — — — —  
Free Gas Zone Forms  
At Top Of Reservoir



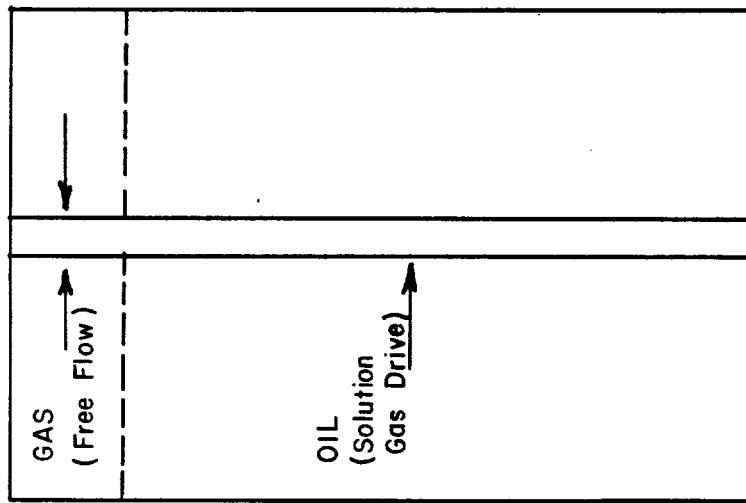
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TO REACH WELL BORE  
GAS AND OIL  
MUST FLOW LATERALLY



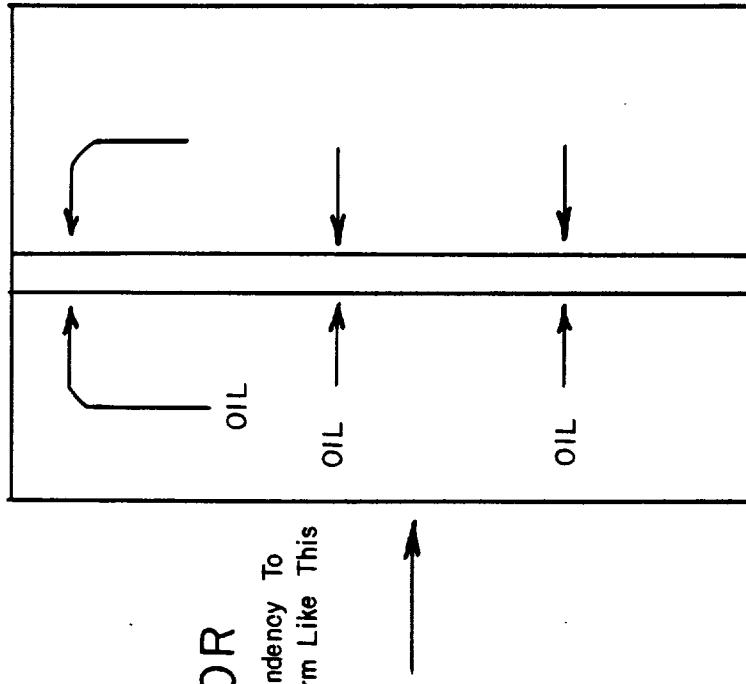
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# CONSEQUENT PRODUCING MECHANISM



III

INEFFICIENT  
SOLUTION GAS DRIVE  
Part Of Gas Not Doing  
Work To Move Oil



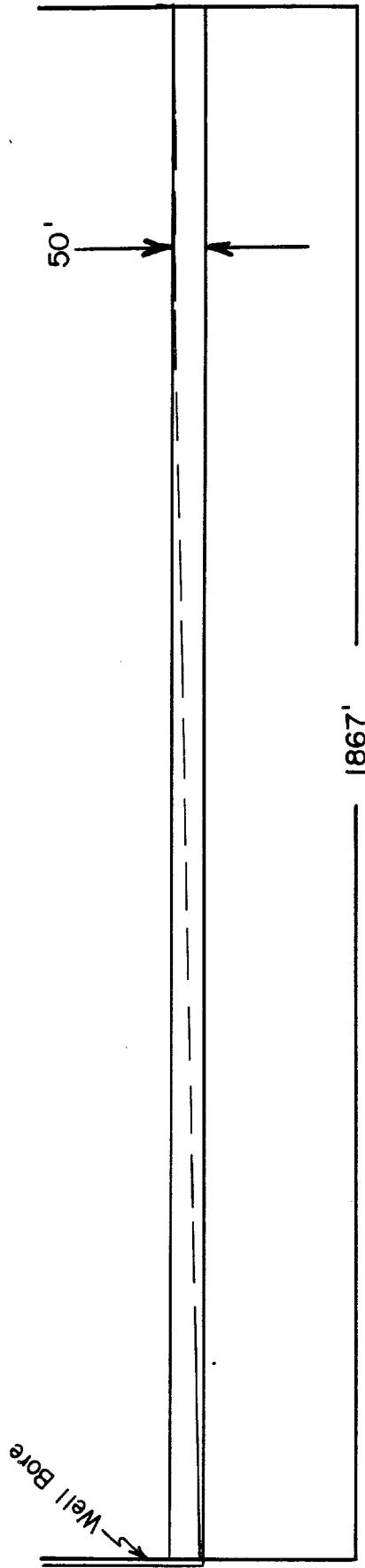
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Since Gas Will Void Reservoir Space Faster Than Oil And The Pressure Will Drop Faster In The Gas Zone Than In The Oil Zone, Oil Will Tend To Expand Into The Gas Zone And Continue Under Solution Gas Drive

THE FOREGOING BASIC SOLUTION GAS DRIVE MECHANISM  
WILL BE SUPPLEMENTED WITH  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE DOWN STRUCTURE  
PLUS A COMPONENT OF  
GRAVITY DRAINAGE "DOWN PAY THICKNESS"

THESE GRAVITY DRAINAGE CONTRIBUTIONS ARE RATE SENSITIVE

Example Of "Down Pay Thickness" Gravity Drainage  
For 50' Of Pay & 1867' Well To Reservoir Mid-Point



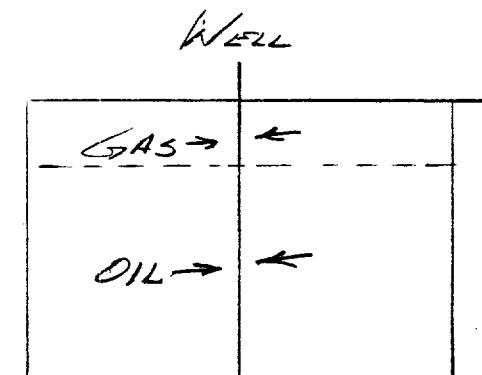
GRAVITY DRAINAGE POTENTIAL HEAD  
FOR "DOWN PAY THICKNESS" GRAVITY DRAINAGE  
FOR THE FOLLOWING PAY THICKNESSES

Pay Thickness (Feet)	Oil Fluid Head Expressed in Feet per Mile at:			
	Minimum Mid-Point Distance Between Wells (1867') *	Maximum Mid-Point Distance Between Wells (2640') *		
	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
10'	0	28 feet/mile	0	20 feet/mile
50'	0	140 feet/mile	0	100 feet/mile
100'	0	280 feet/mile	0	200 feet/mile
500'	0	1400 feet/mile	0	1000 feet/mile

\* Averages for 320 acre spacing.

RATES OF PRESSURE DECLINE:  
PARALLEL ZONES OF OIL AND GAS

In the foregoing examples, it was noted that the pressure in the gas zone would drop faster than in the oil zone. On the following pages are elementary calculations evidencing this.

PARALLEL FLOW OIL & GAS

Use:  $\mu_{10} = .65 \text{ cp}$   
 $\mu_2 = .015 \text{ cp}$   
 $B_o = 1.3$   
 $T = 620^{\circ}\text{R}$

$$Q_{MCF/D} = \frac{-3 K_h (P_1^2 - P_2^2)}{\mu g T Z \log \frac{r_e}{r_{10}} \frac{r_{10}}{r_w}} \quad P \text{ in psia}$$

$P_1 = 1500$

(  $K_h \cdot \log \frac{r_e}{r_{10}} \frac{r_{10}}{r_w}$  will later cancel )

Bbl gas/MCF @ reservoir conditions:

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{Z_1 T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{Z_2 T_2} \quad V_2 = \frac{P_1 V_1 Z_2 T_2}{P_2 Z_1 T_1} = \frac{15 \times 1 \times .85 \times 620}{1500 \times 1 \times 520}$$

$$= .0101 \text{ Res cf/scf}$$

$$\frac{.0101 \times 1000}{51615} = 1.80 \text{ bbl res. space per MCF}$$

$$Q \text{ bbl/ reservoir space/day} = \frac{-3 \times 1.80 (P_1^2 - P_2^2) K_h}{\mu g T Z \log \frac{r_e}{r_{10}} \frac{r_{10}}{r_w}}$$

$$= \frac{-3 \times 1.80 (P_1^2 - P_2^2)}{.015 \times 620 \times .85} \left( \frac{K_h}{\log \frac{r_e}{r_{10}} \frac{r_{10}}{r_w}} \right)$$

$$= .0683 (P_1^2 - P_2^2) \times \left( \frac{K_h}{\log \frac{r_e}{r_{10}} \frac{r_{10}}{r_w}} \right)$$

OIL RATE

$$Q_{\text{BOPD}} = \frac{3.07 K_h (P_i - P_w)}{\mu B \lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} = \frac{3.07 (P_i - P_w)}{(165)(1.3)} \left( \frac{K_h}{\lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} \right)$$

$$= 3.63 (P_i - P_w) \left( \frac{K_h}{\lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} \right)$$

$$\frac{Q_{\text{BOPD}}}{\text{reservoir bbl}} = 510 \times 1.3 = 1.3 \times 3.63 (P_i - P_w) \left( \frac{K_h}{\lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} \right)$$

$$= 4.72 (P_i - P_w) \times \left( \frac{K_h}{\lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} \right)$$

RATIO OF FLOW RATES (Reservoir) GAS/OIL

GIVES RATIO OF RESERVOIR VOIDAGE

$$\frac{\text{RESERVOIR BBG GAS/DAY}}{\text{RESERVOIR BBLs OIL/DAY}} = \frac{.0683 (P_e^2 - P_w^2)}{4.72 (P_e - P_w)} \left( \frac{K_h}{\lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{K_h}{\lg \frac{r_e}{r_o} \frac{r_o}{r_w}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{.0145 (P_e^2 - P_w^2)}{(P_e - P_w)}$$

$$= .0145 (P_e + P_w)$$

CONVERT RATIO OF RESERVOIR VOIDAGE  
to

RATIO OF RATES OF PRESSURE DECLINE  
(Assume  $k_g = k_o$ )

$P_e$  = pressure at external boundary

$P_w$  = " " effective well bore radius

DETERMINE  
VOIDAGE RATIO

DETERMINE PRESSURE DROP RATIO

$P_e$	$P_w$	$P_e + P_w$	RATIO GAS/OIL	$P_w/P_e$	$r_{eff}/r_w$	RESERVOIR AVG. PRESS		COMPRESSIBILITY @ Avg P ( $\times 10^{-6}$ )		$\frac{\Delta P \text{ GAS}}{\Delta P \text{ OIL}}$
						GAS	OIL	GAS	OIL	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
1500	100	1600	23.2	.07	20	(.945)	.905	188	291	8.5
"	500	2000	29.0	.33	"	1417	1358	182	288	10.6
"	1000	2500	36.2	.67	"	1428	1398	182	280	12.1
						1455	1450	181	280	

$$\text{Col 4} = .0145(P_e + P_w) = \text{Col 3} \times .0145$$

$$\text{Col 5} = \text{Col 2} \div \text{Col 1}$$

Col 6 =  $k_o$  for 320 acre spacing ( $\pm 2000'$ )  
 $\neq r_w = 100'$  (effective  $r_w$ )

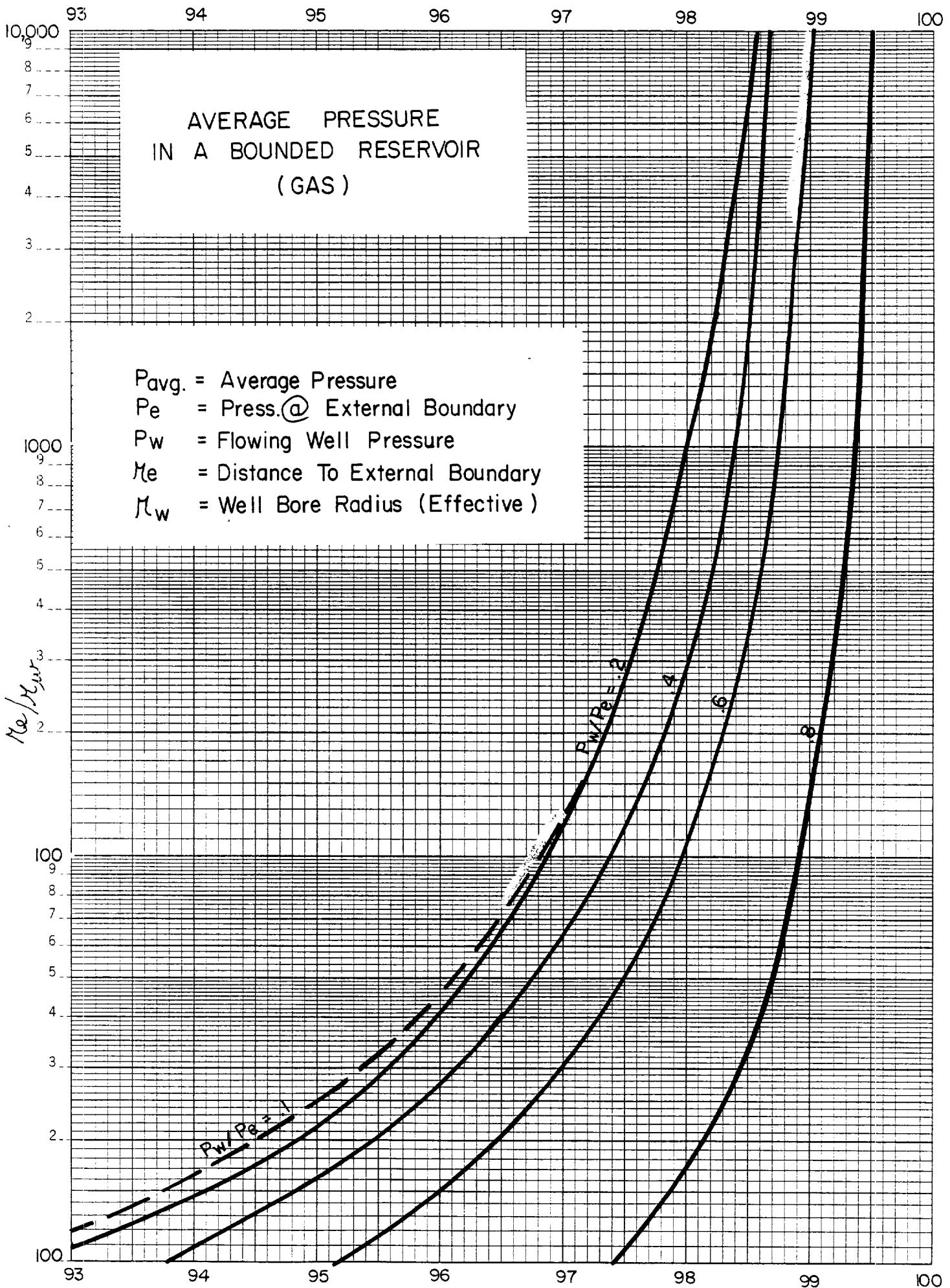
Col 7: from col 5 & col 6 enter green graph following  
Col 8: " " " " " " blue " "

(multiply factors from graphs by 1500)

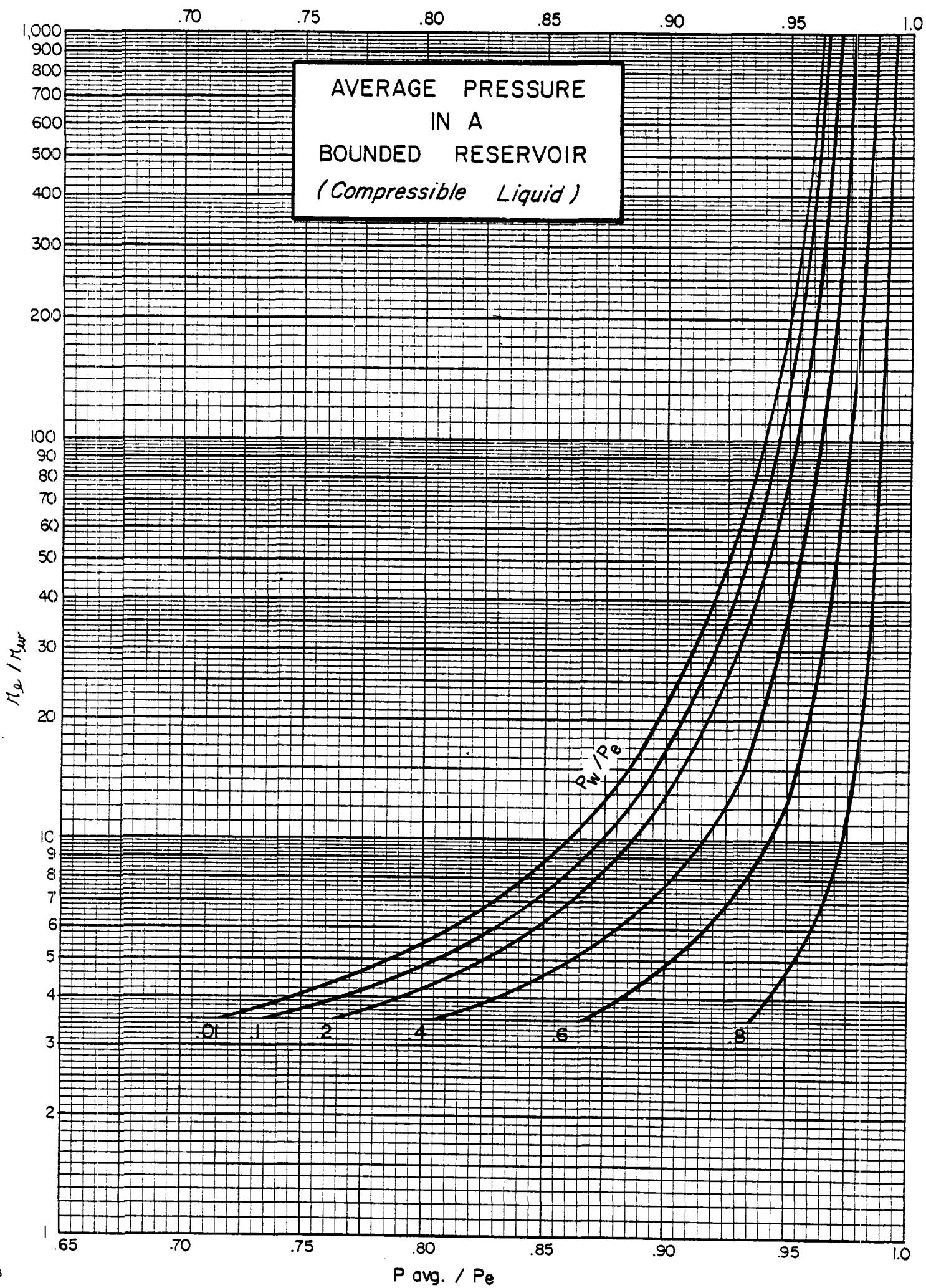
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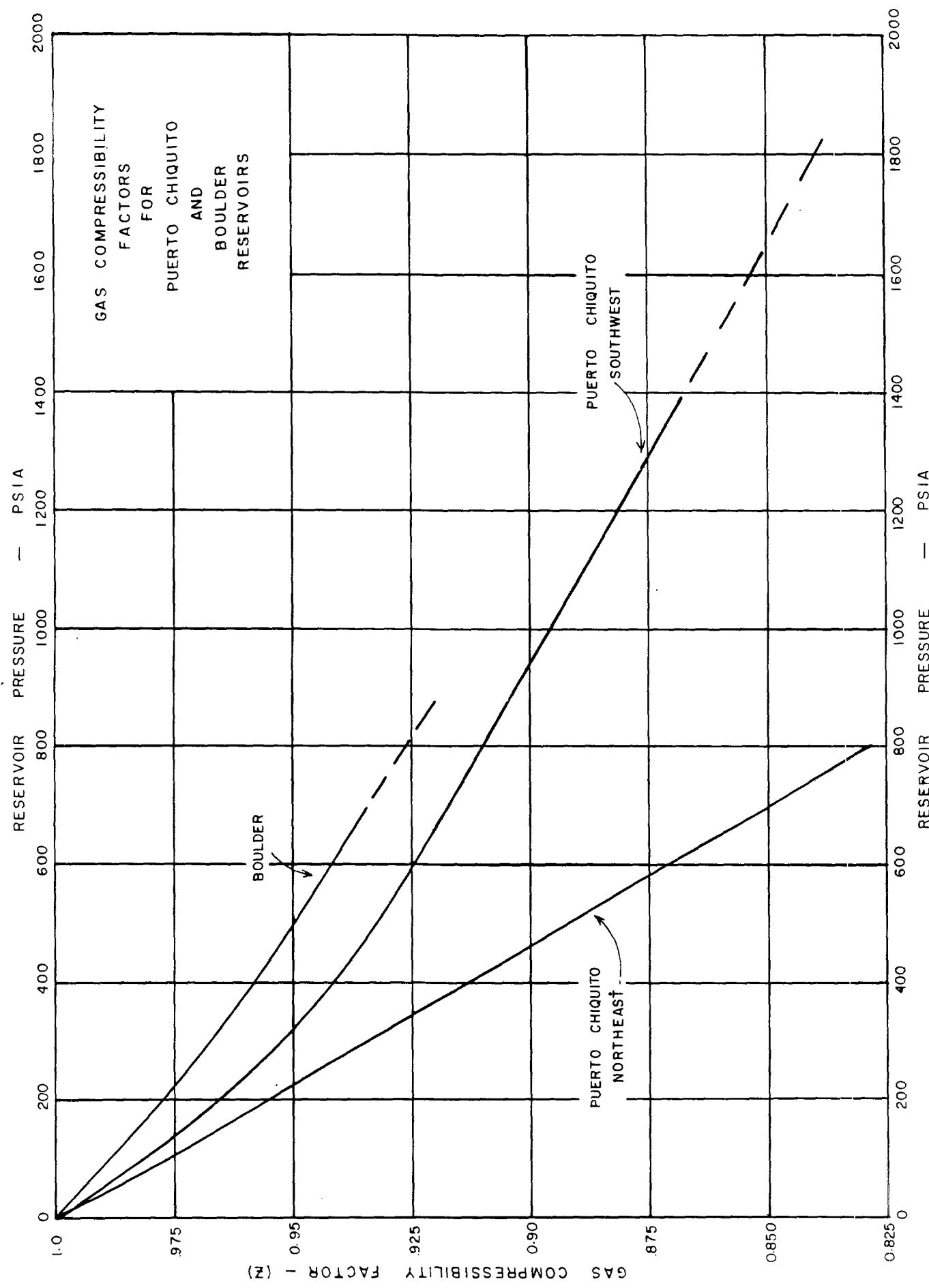
Col 10: " " " " col(8) " 3rd pink " "

Col 11:  $\text{Col 4} \div \text{Col 9} \times \text{Col 10}$



AVERAGE PRESSURE  
IN A  
BOUNDED RESERVOIR  
(Compressible Liquid)





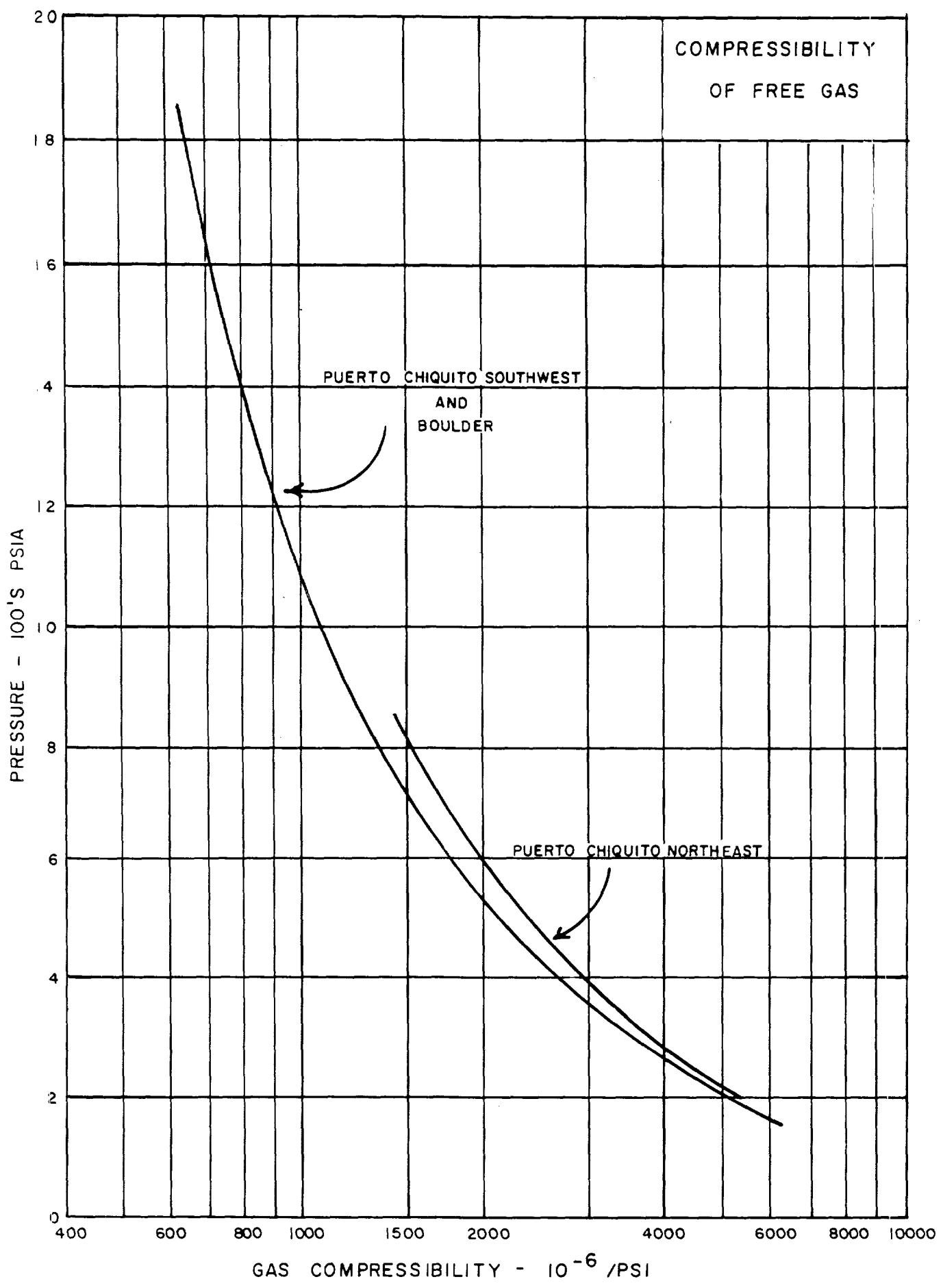


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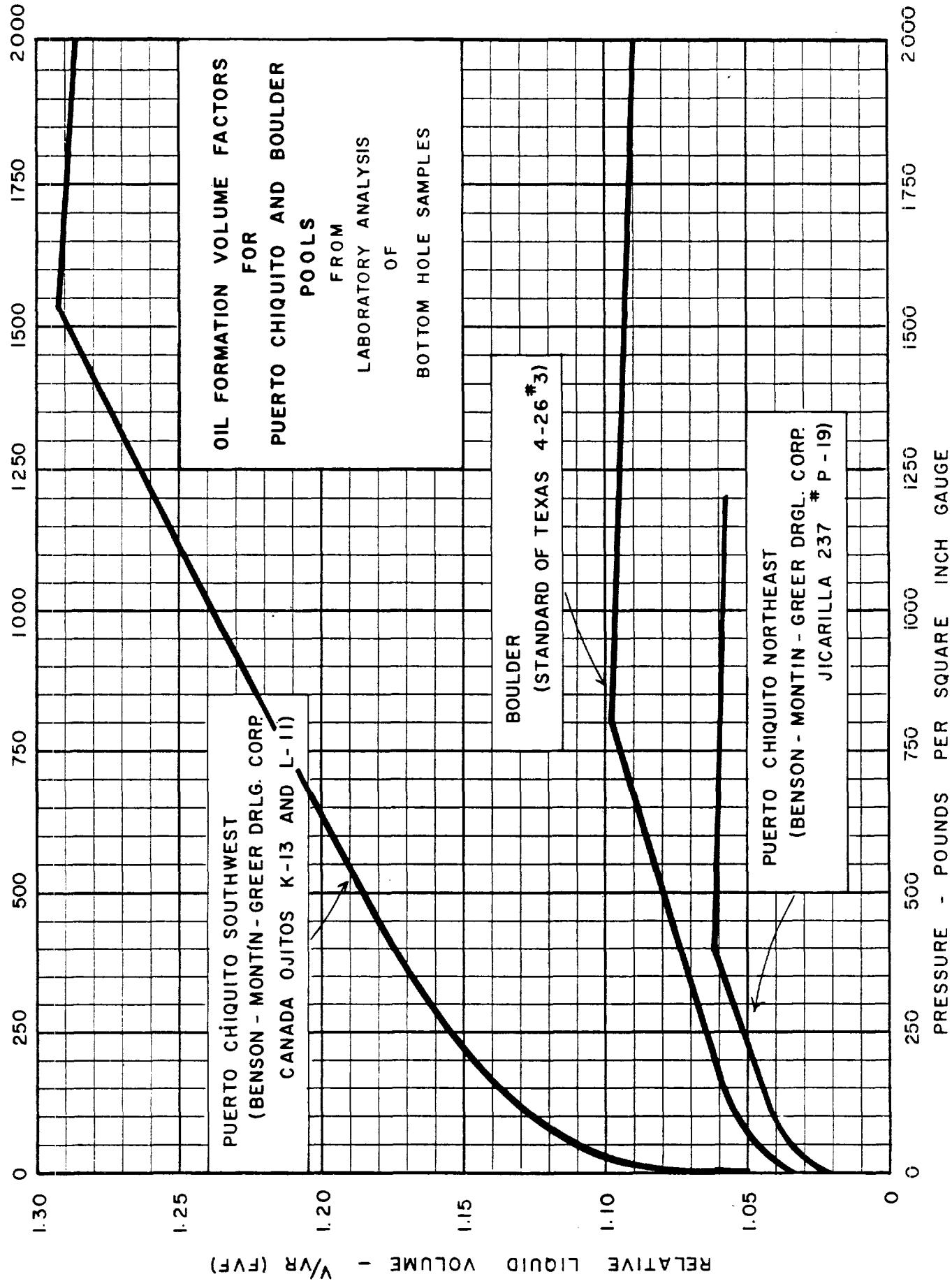
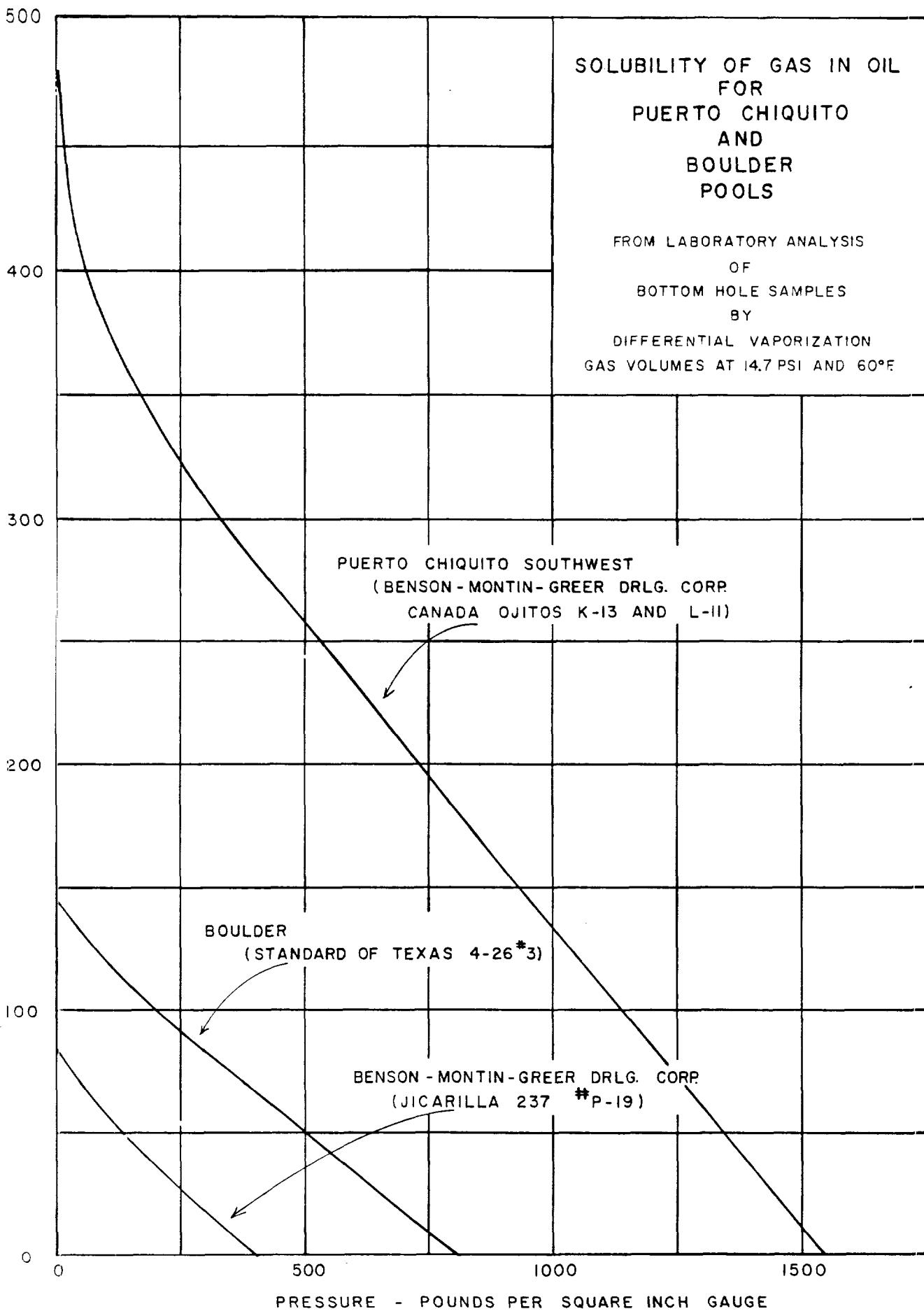
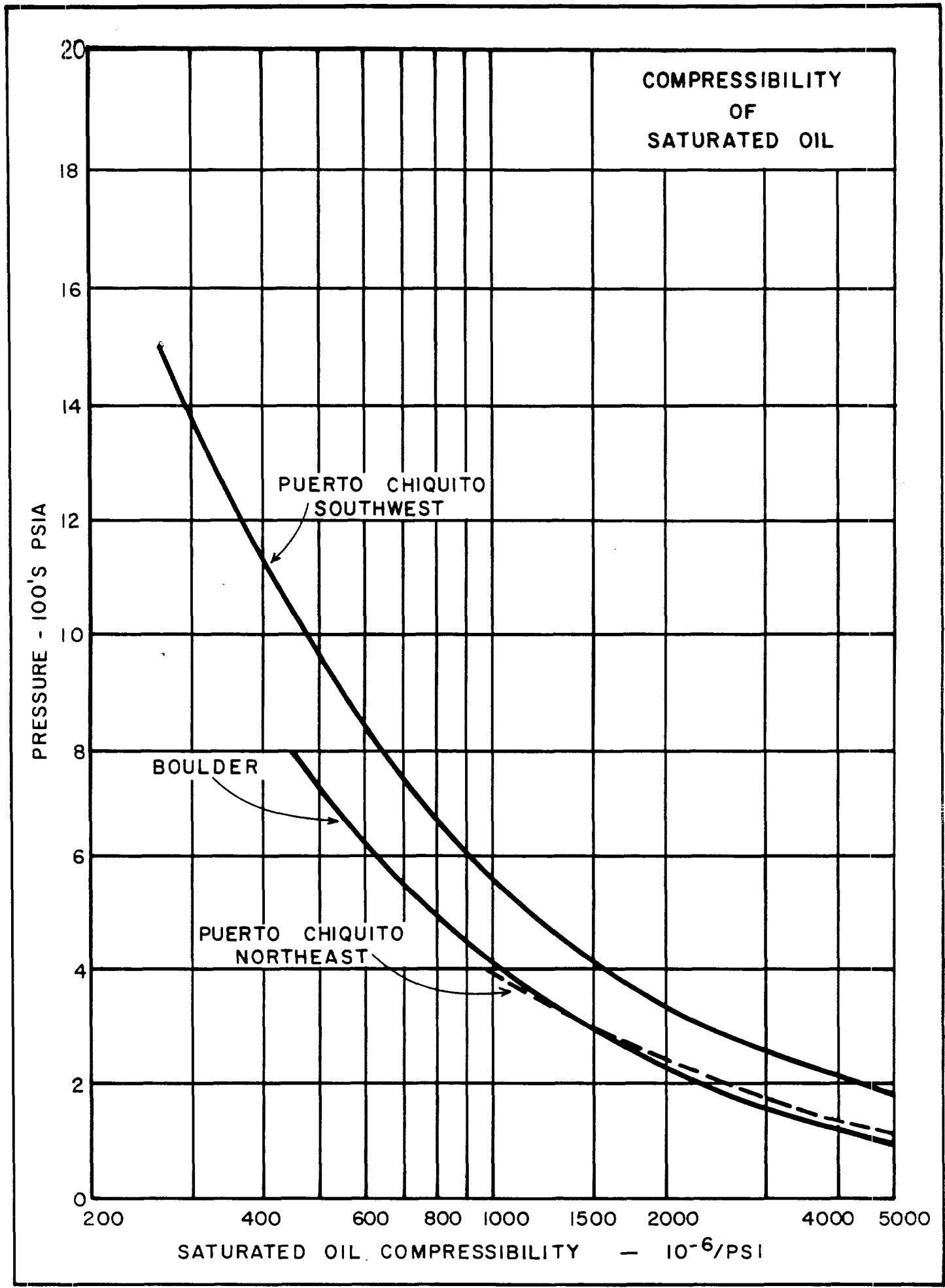
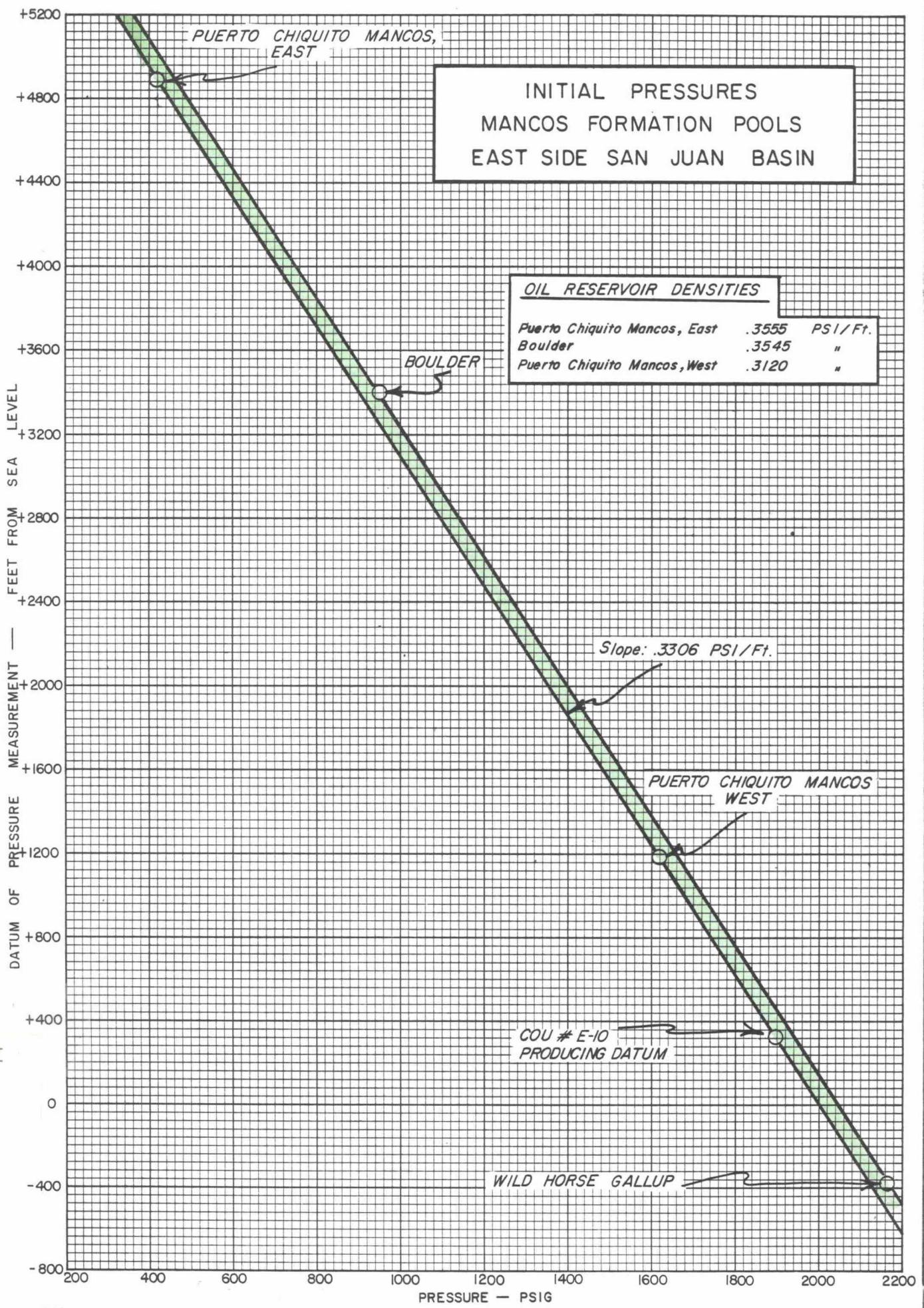


Fig. 4

GAS LIBERATED - STANDARD CUBIC FEET PER BARREL OF RESIDUAL OIL



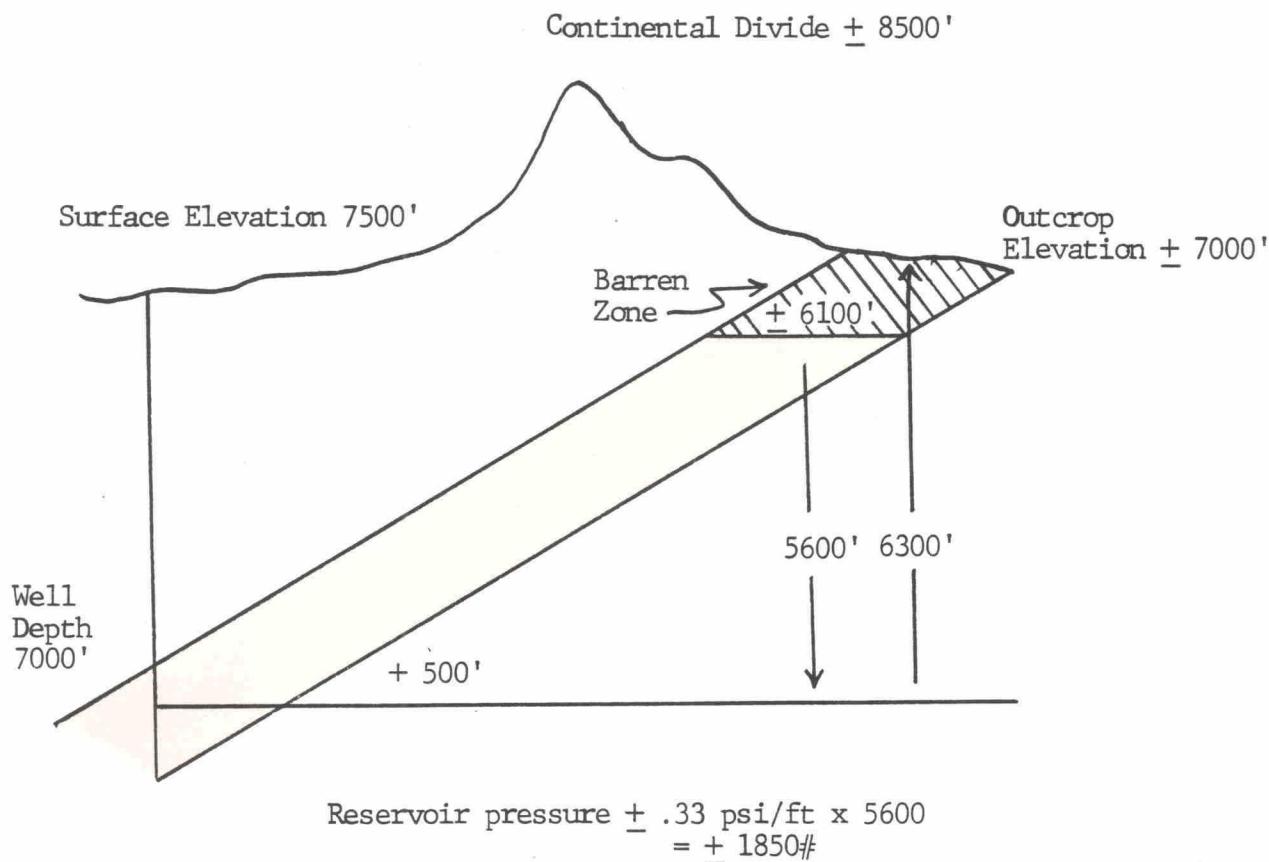




VIRGIN RESERVOIR PRESSURE  
MANCOS FORMATION POOLS  
EAST SIDE OF THE SAN JUAN BASIN

Although there are areas of tight zones that laterally isolate some pools from others so that no communication is perceptible during the time man produces these pools, there is nevertheless sufficient permeability in the fractured Mancos that, over geologic time, the pressure of the pools in the eastern San Juan Basin have been equalized.

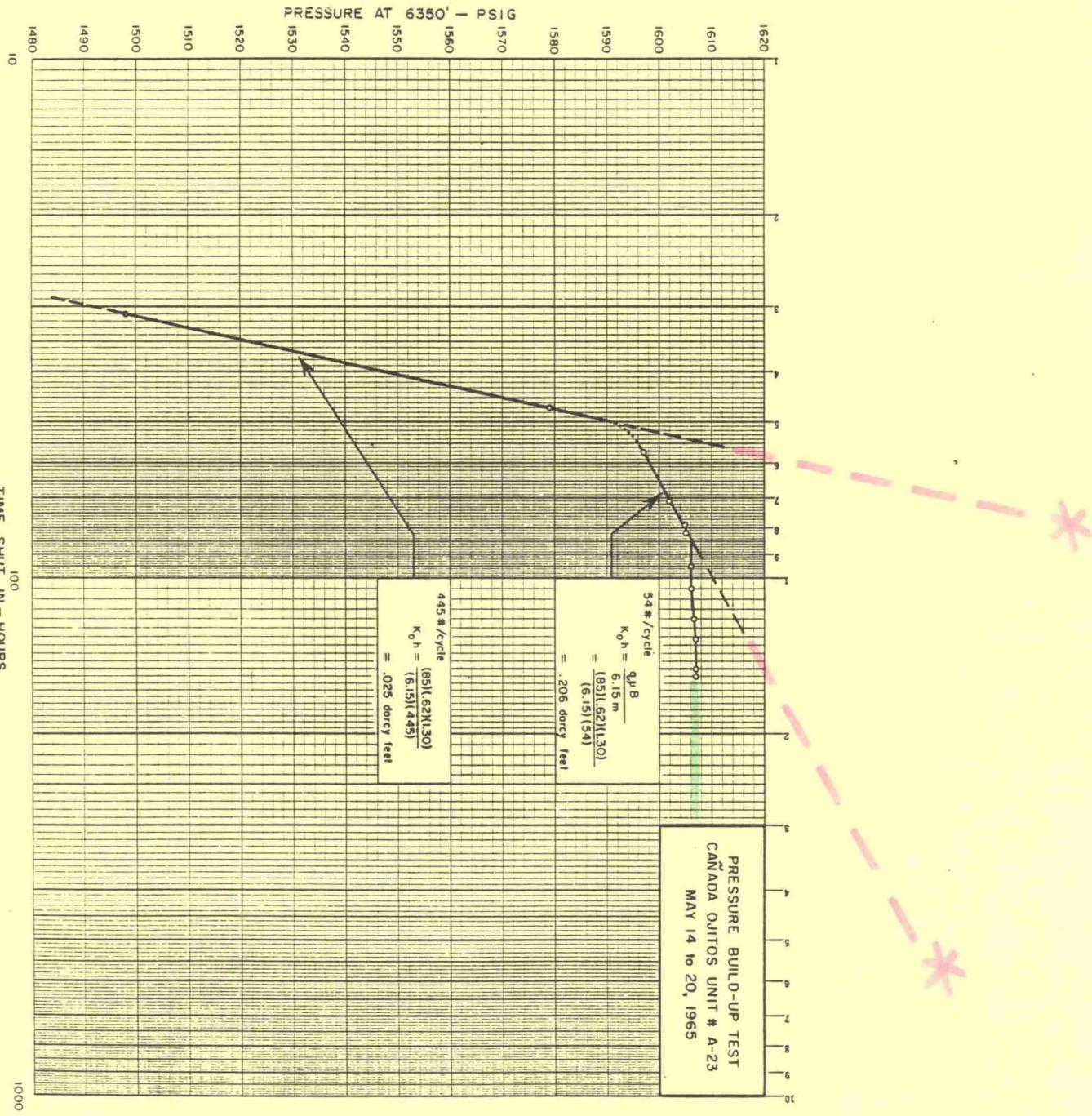
In the same fashion that the pressure of a highly permeable water sand reflects the hydrostatic force as measured by the vertical distance from its outcrop on the surface, so do the pressures of the main producing zone of the Niobrara reflect the "oil static" pressure differential from the elevation of its outcrop (less 800' to 900' of apparent "barren" formation).

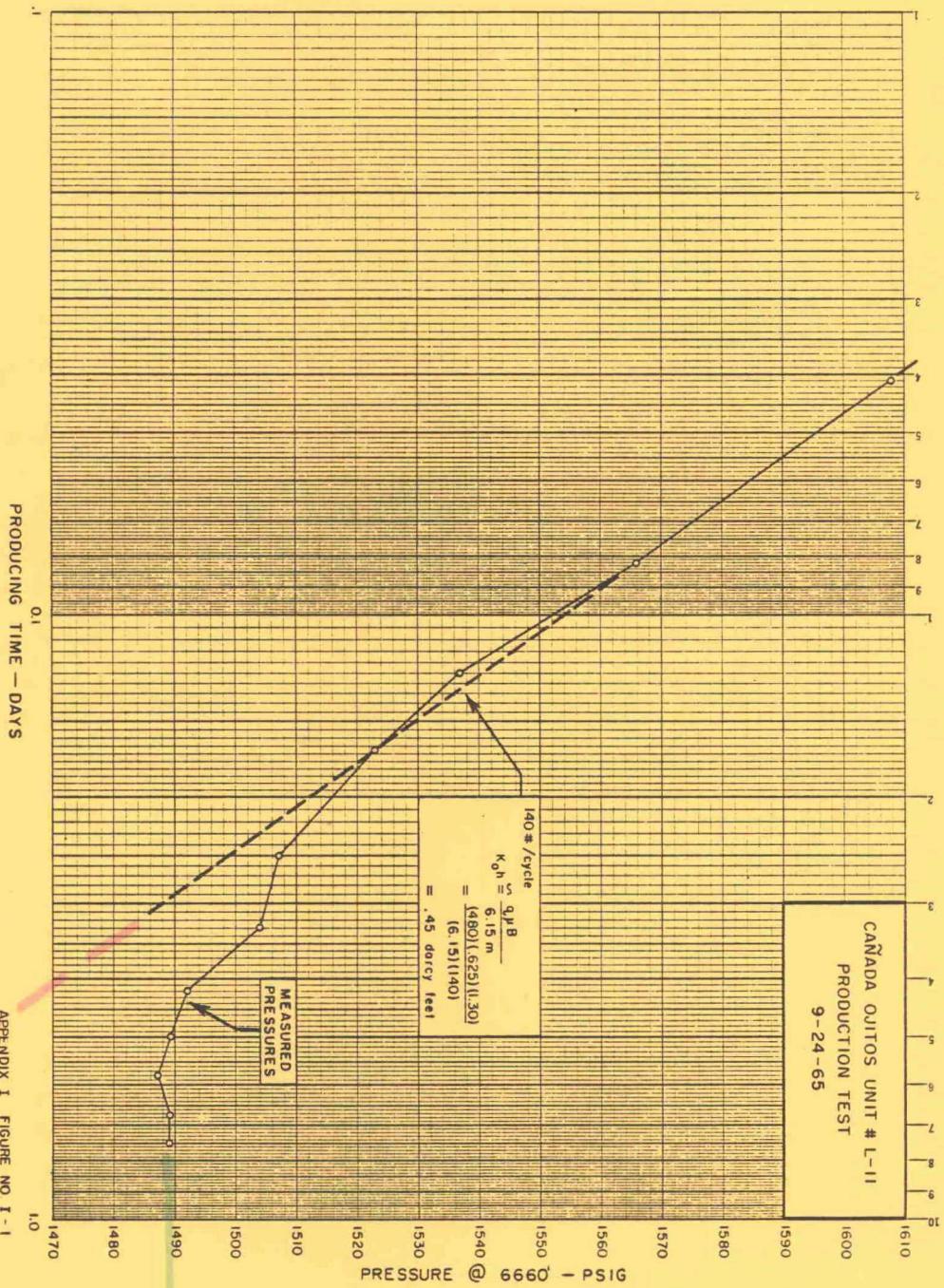


EXTRAPOLATION OF BOTTOM HOLE PRESSURE BUILD-UP SURVEYS  
BY CONVENTIONAL METHODS TO ESTIMATE MAXIMUM RESERVOIR PRESSURES  
IS OF EXTREMELY LIMITED VALUE FOR ANALYSES OF WELLS  
IN THE WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS RESERVOIR

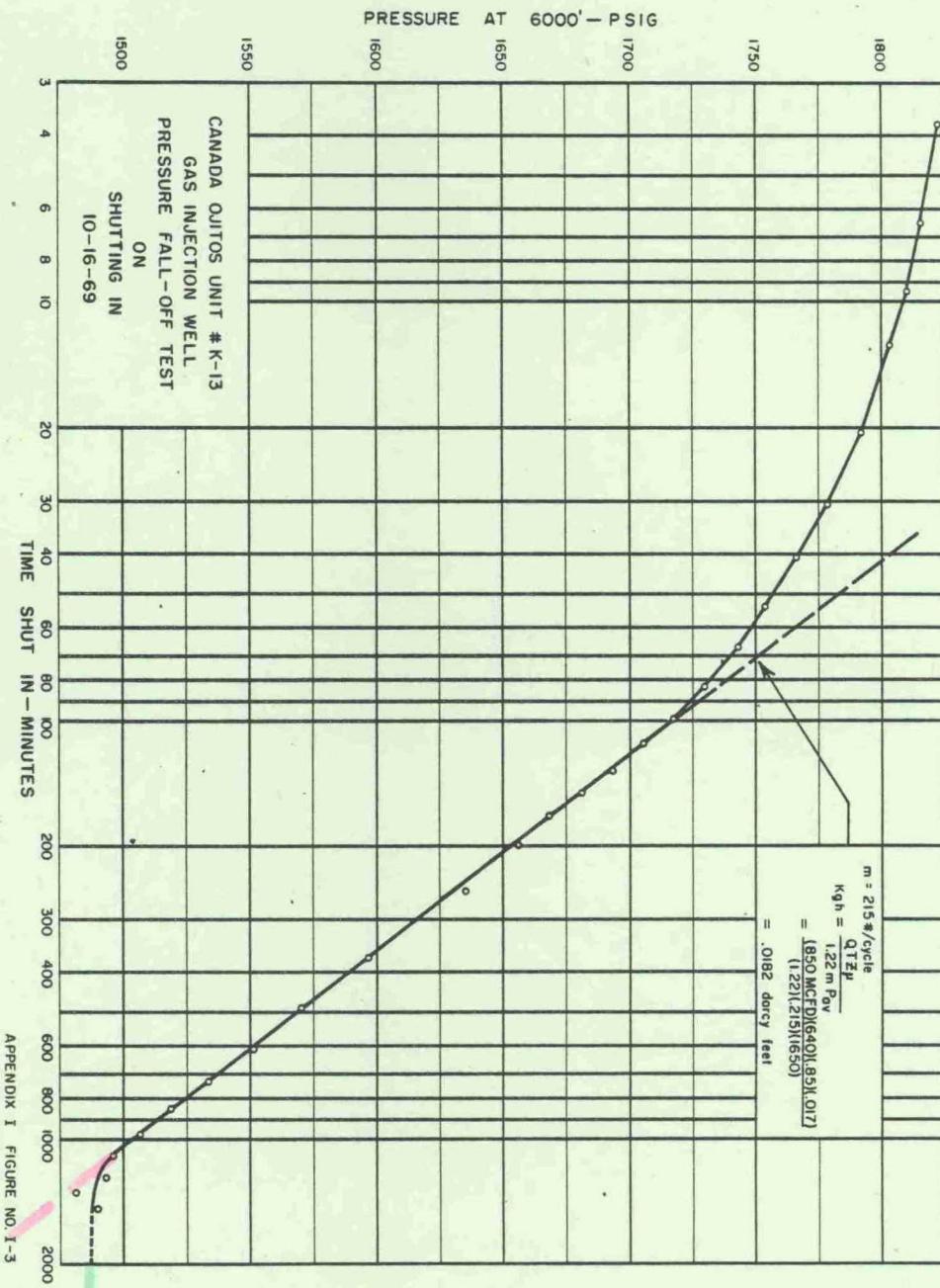
The graph on the facing page is not a Horner plot (such plots are of limited use in this reservoir), but if constructed as a Horner plot, and the survey ended while the pressure was still building along one of the pink lines, the extrapolation to  $P^*$  would be somewhere in the direction of the pink dashed lines: clearly unsuitable for estimating maximum reservoir pressures.

In the example on the opposite page, the well pressure reaches the reservoir pressure in a short time (about 4 days); but if the tight block in which it is completed were larger, a longer time would be required, and one never knows when to cease the survey - other than until stabilization has occurred.





APPENDIX I FIGURE NO I-1

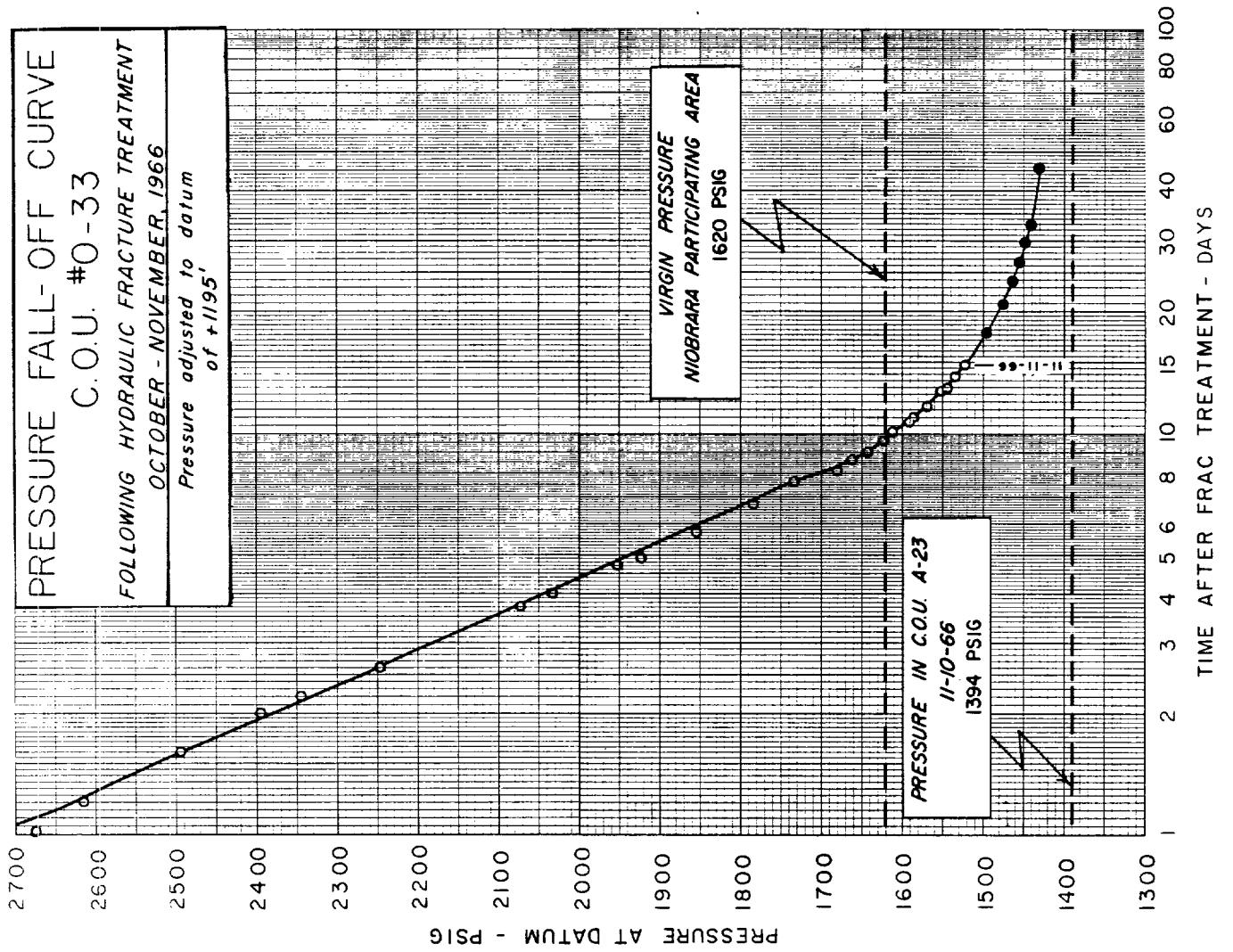


PRESSURE FALL-OFF CURVE

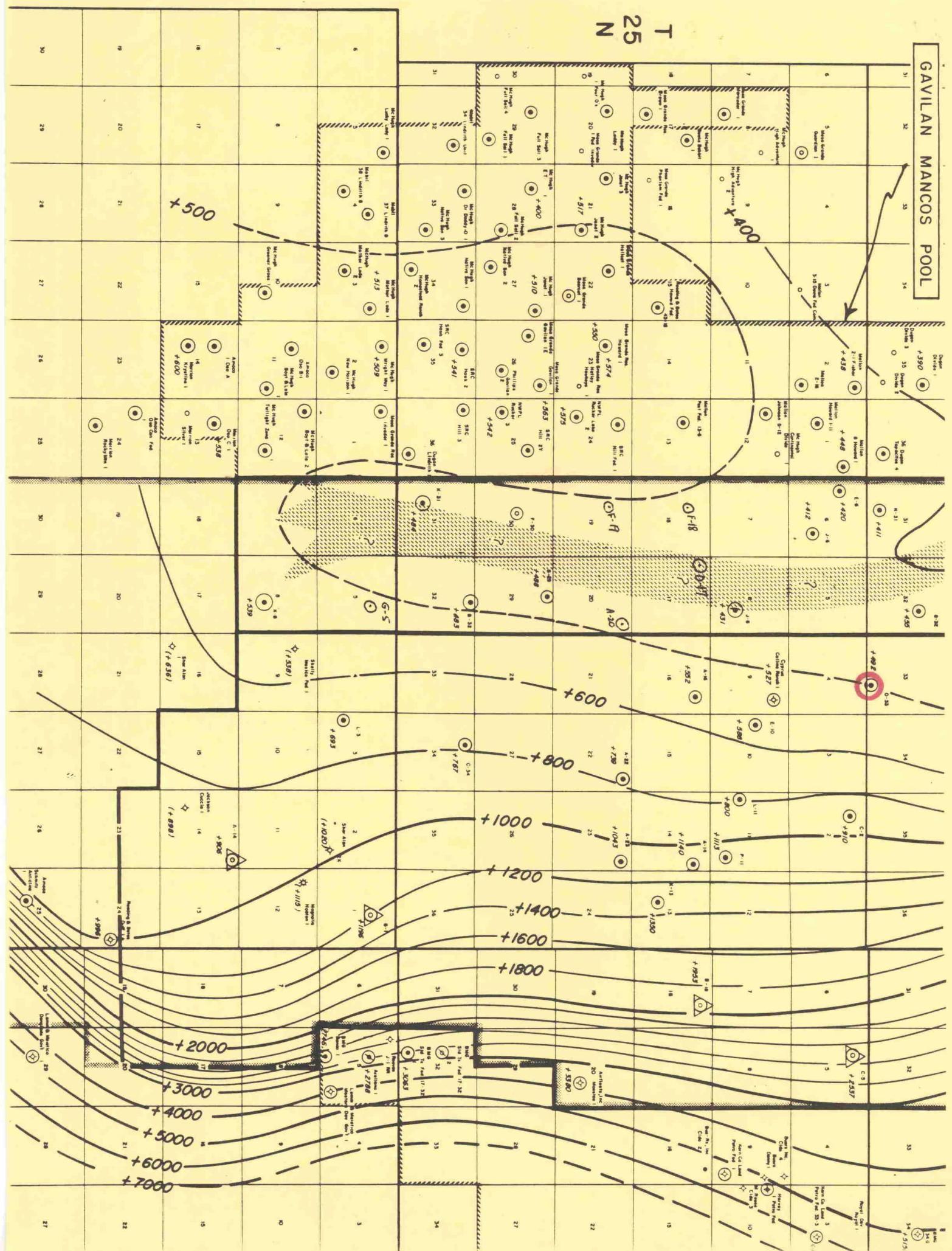
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FOLLOWING HYDRAULIC FRACTURE TREATMENT  
OCTOBER - NOVEMBER, 1966

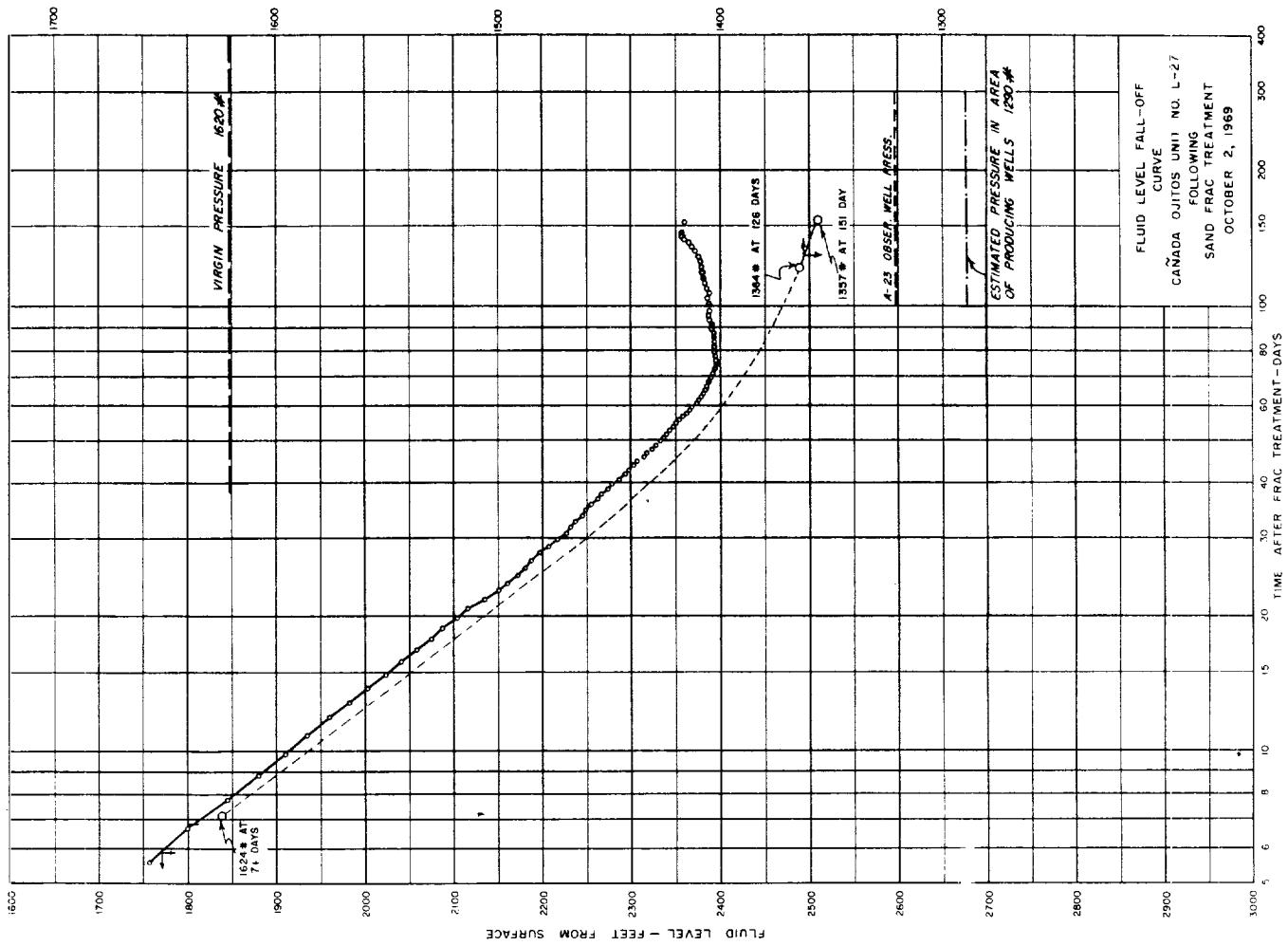
Pressure adjusted to datum  
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GAVILAN MANCOS POOL



PRESSURE @ DATUM OF 1195

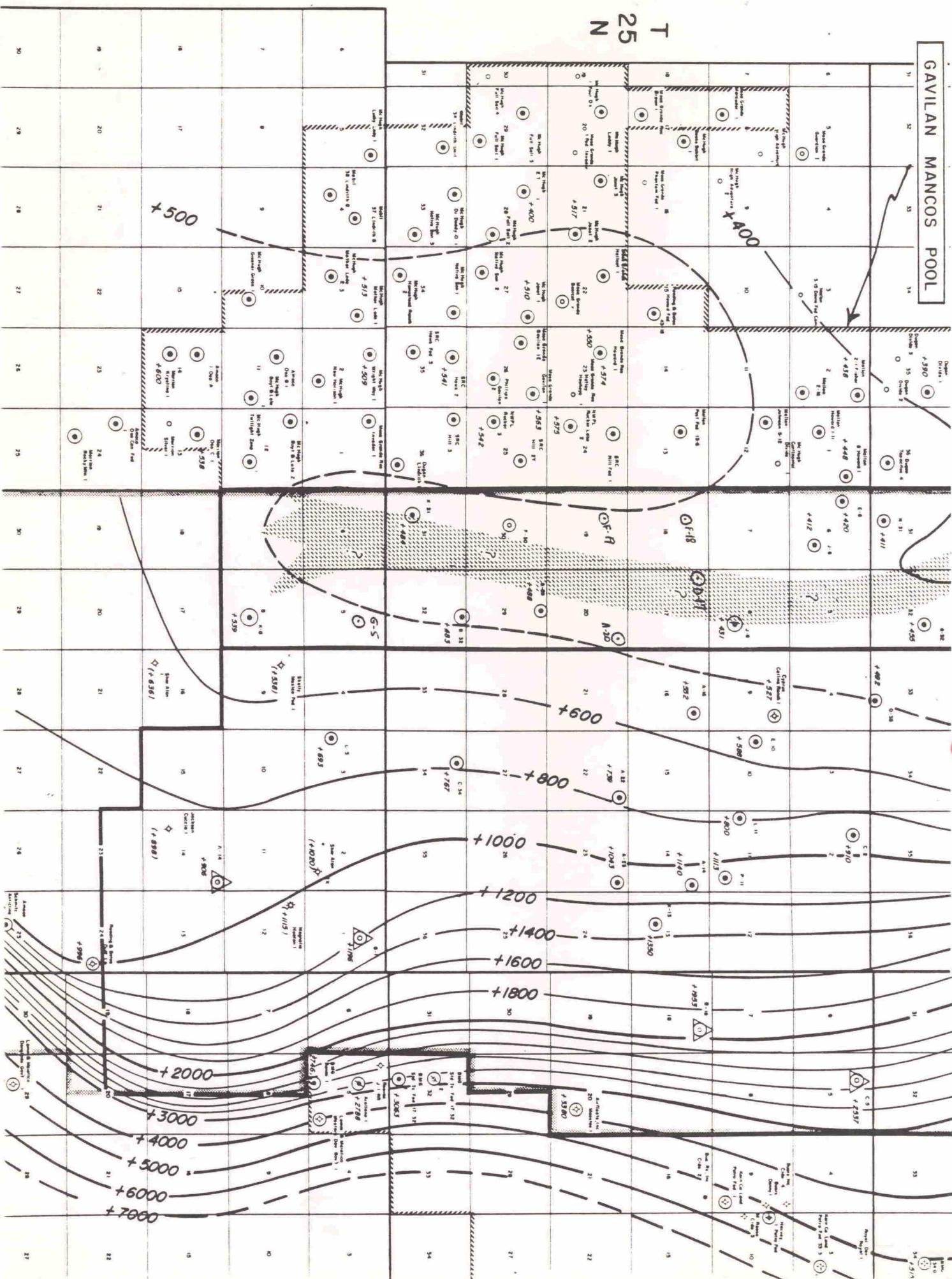


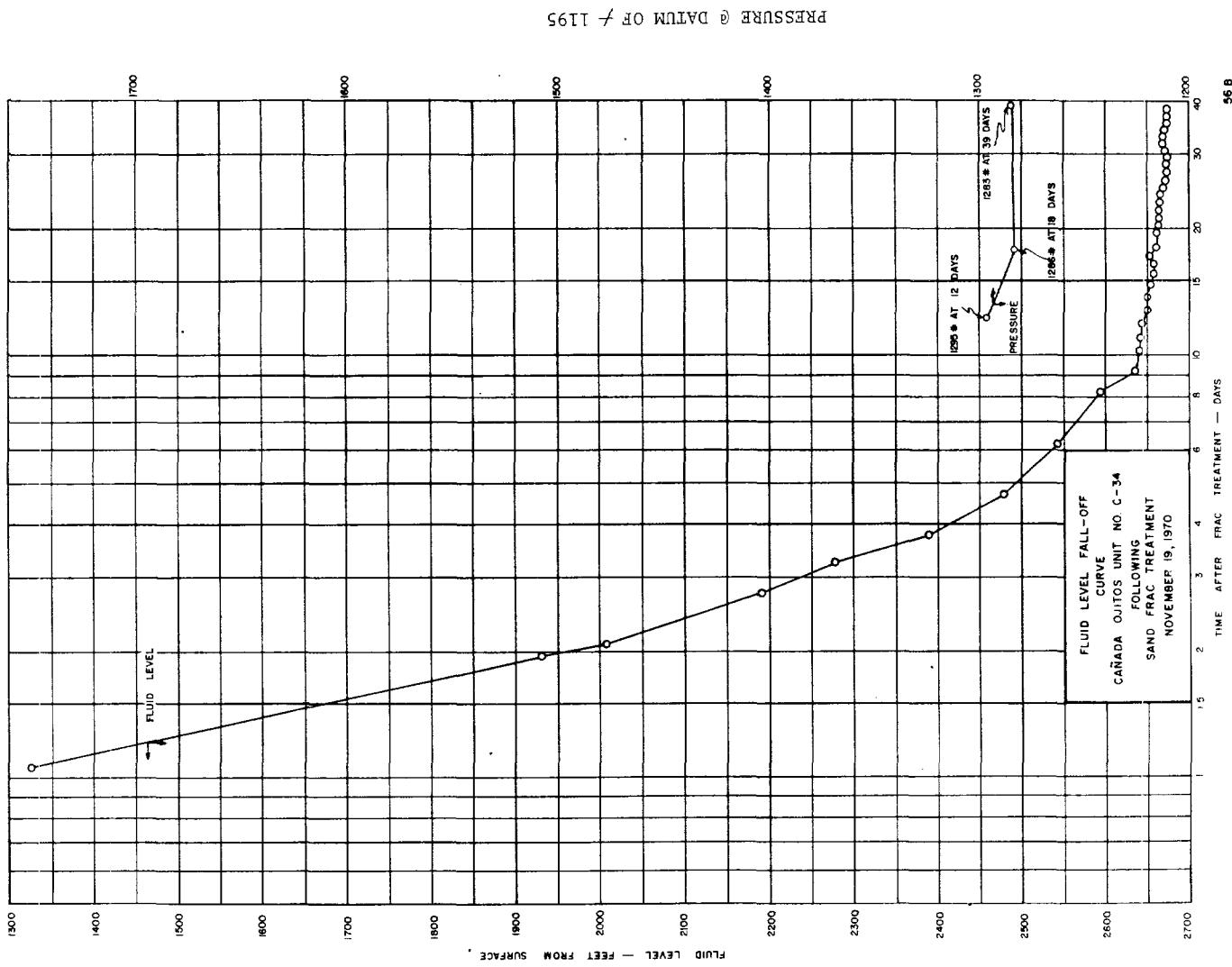
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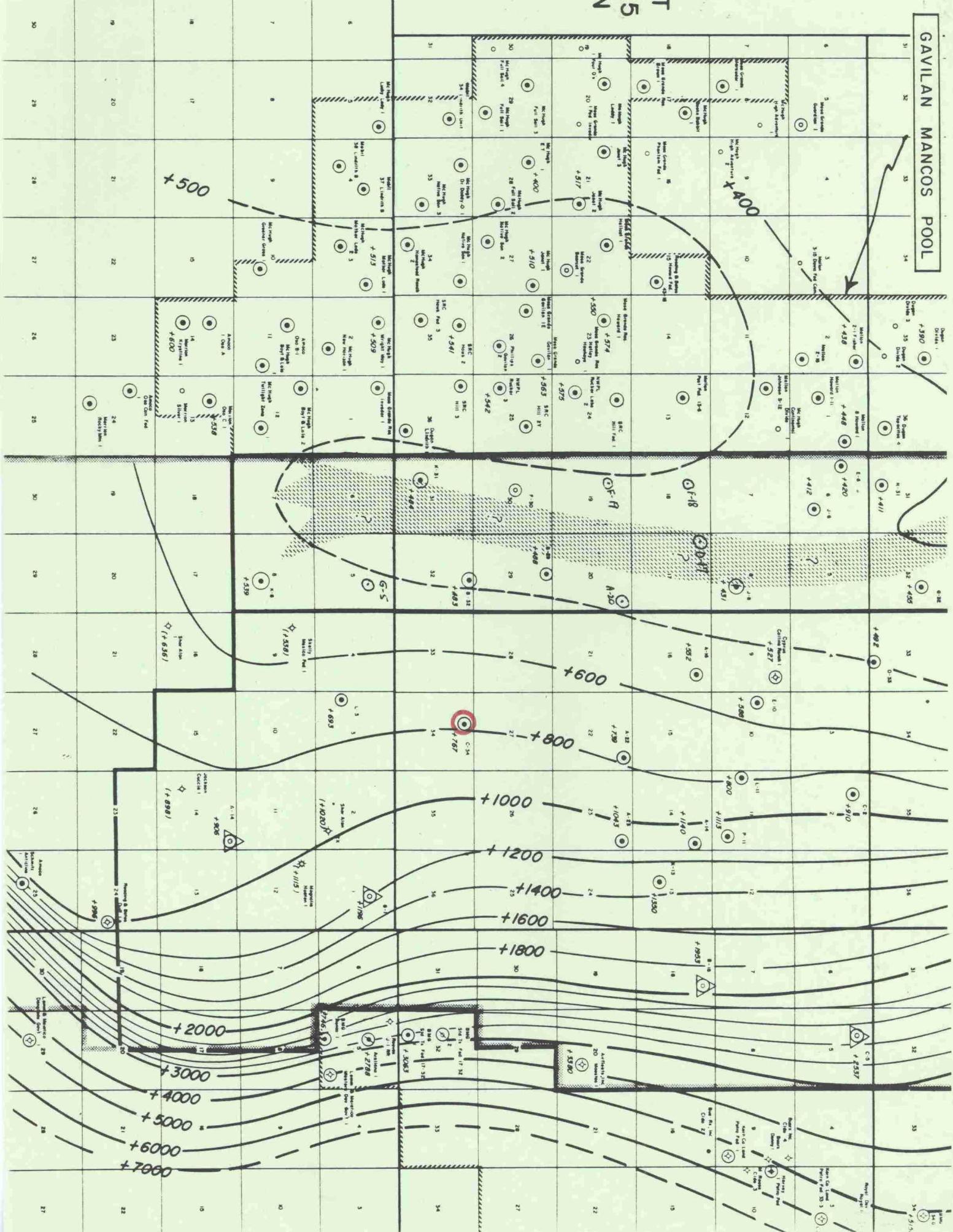
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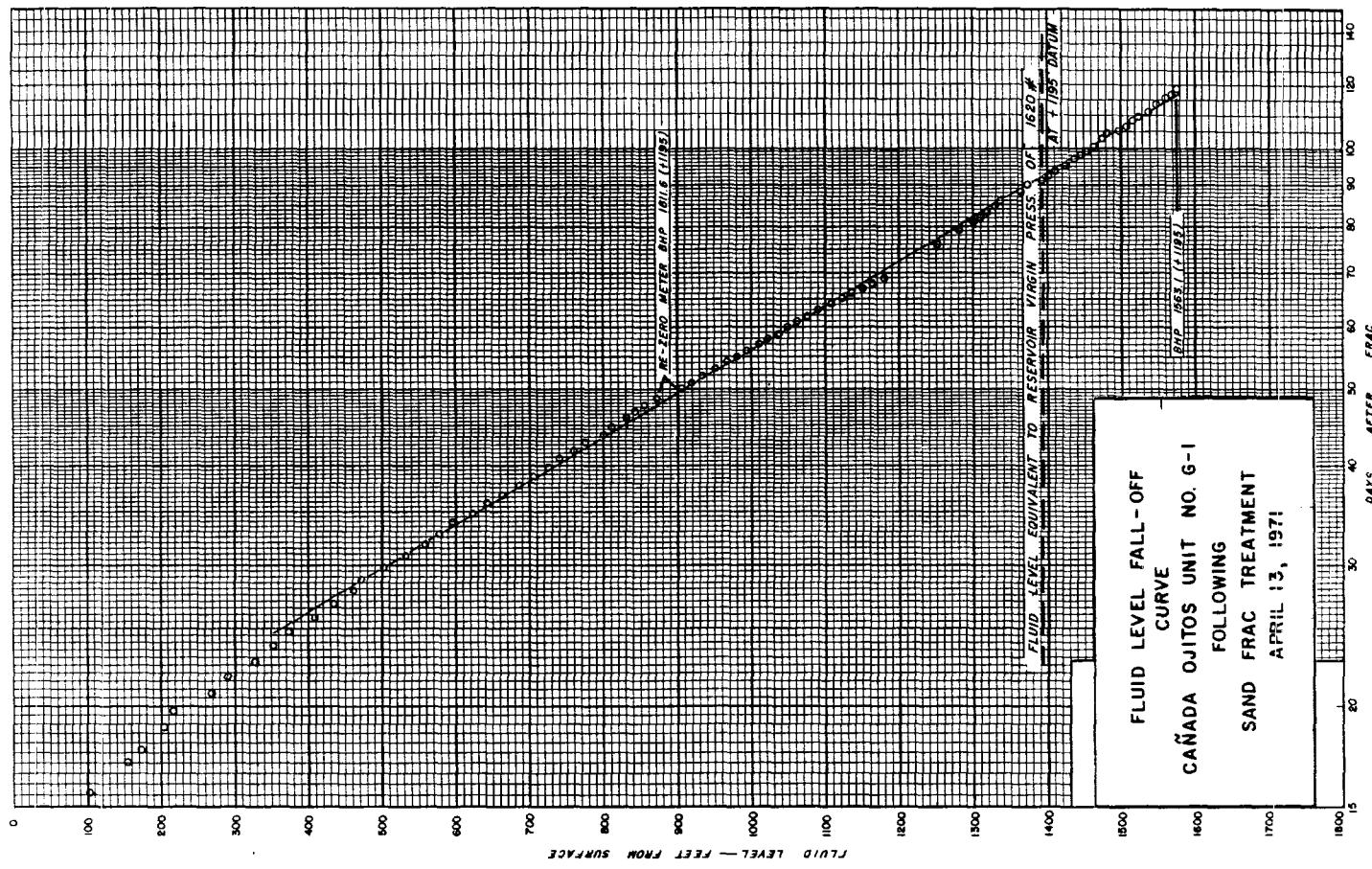




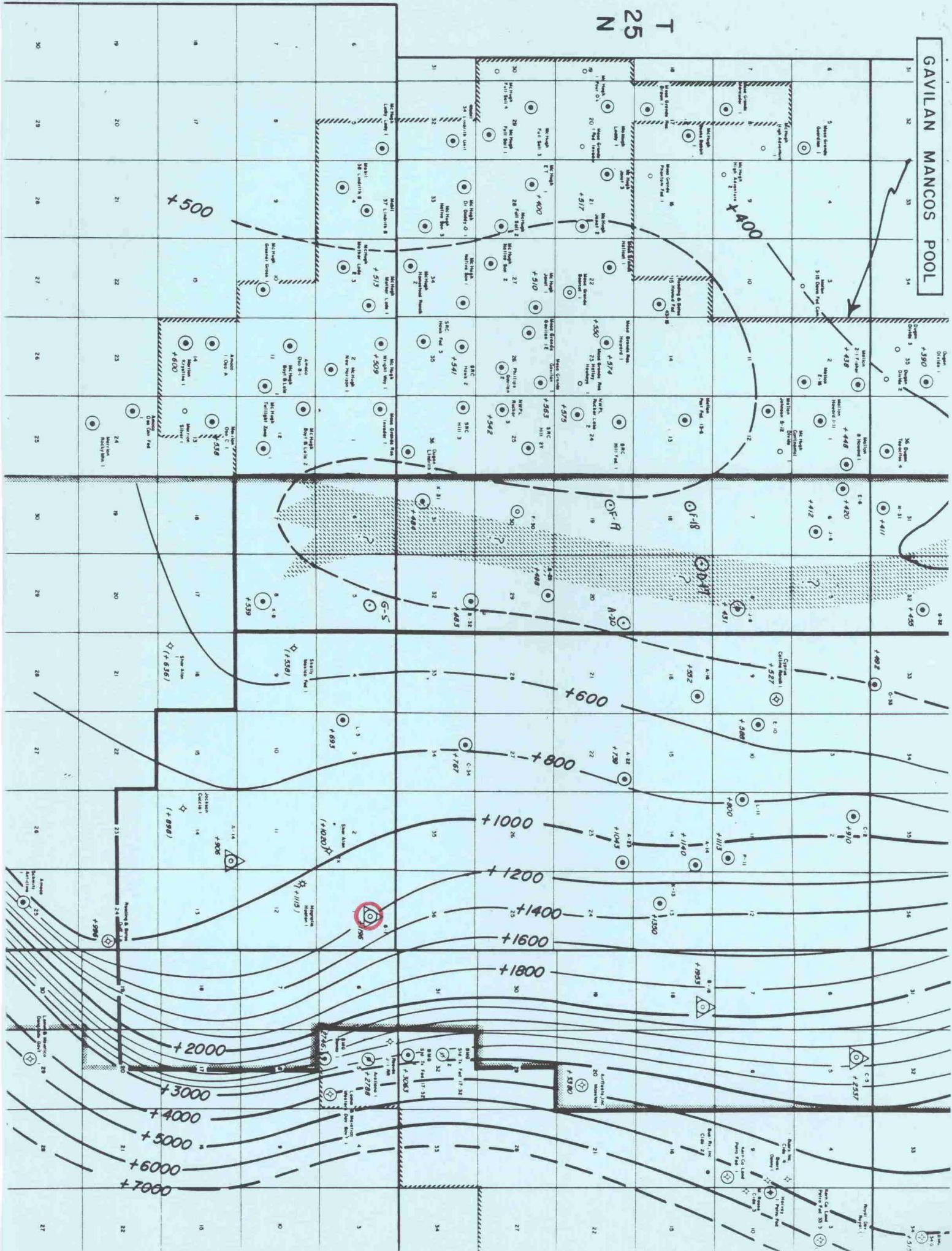
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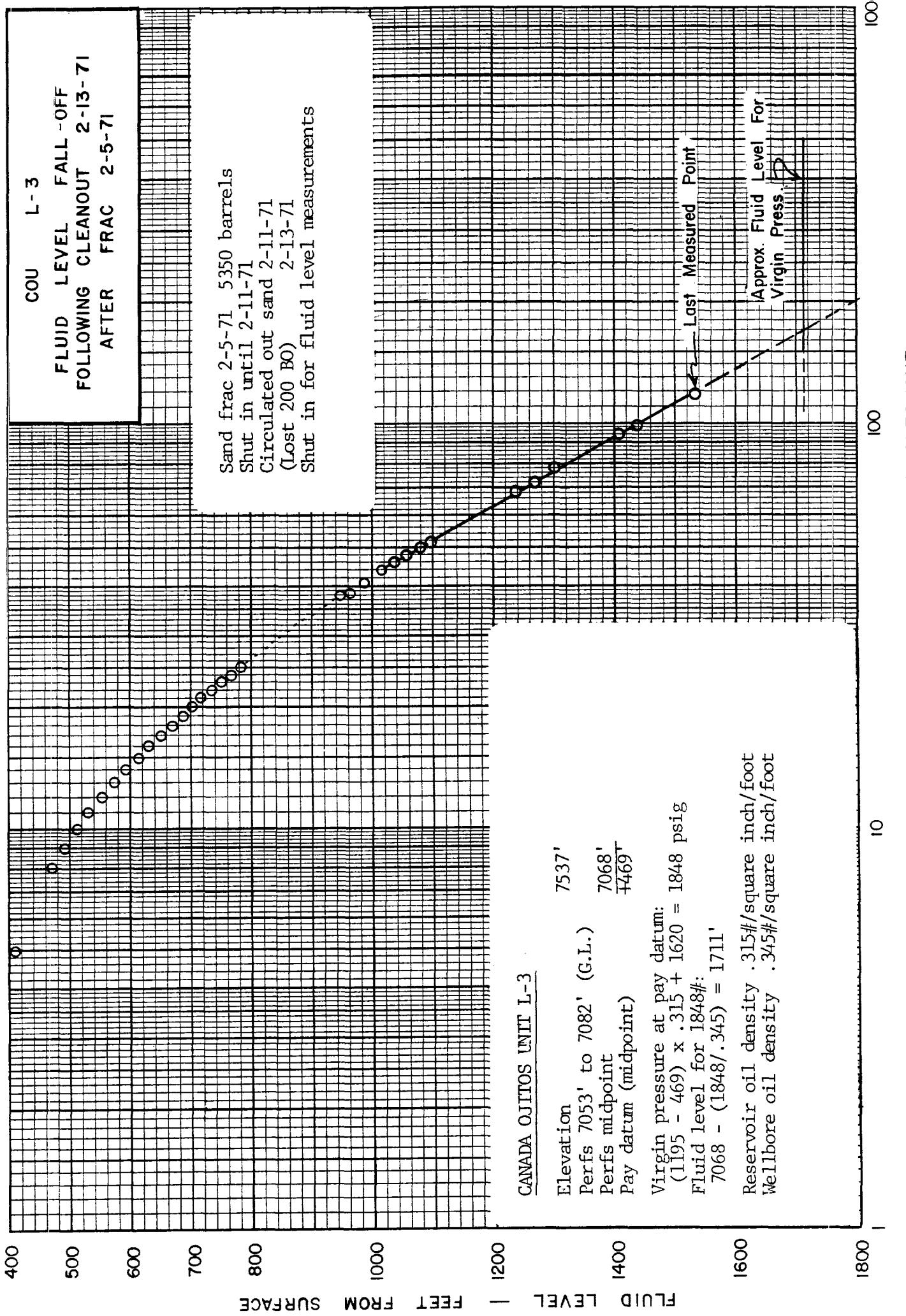
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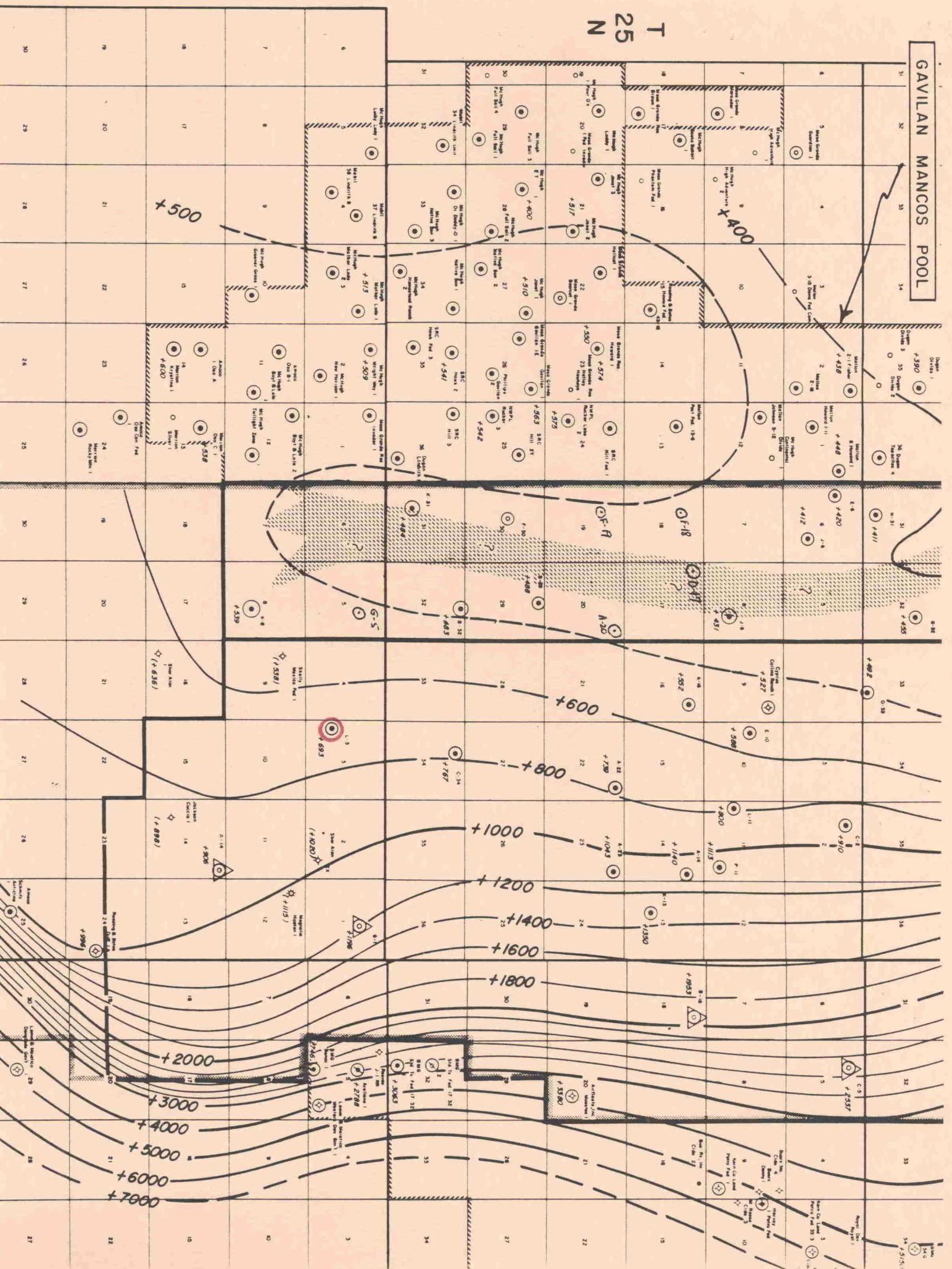


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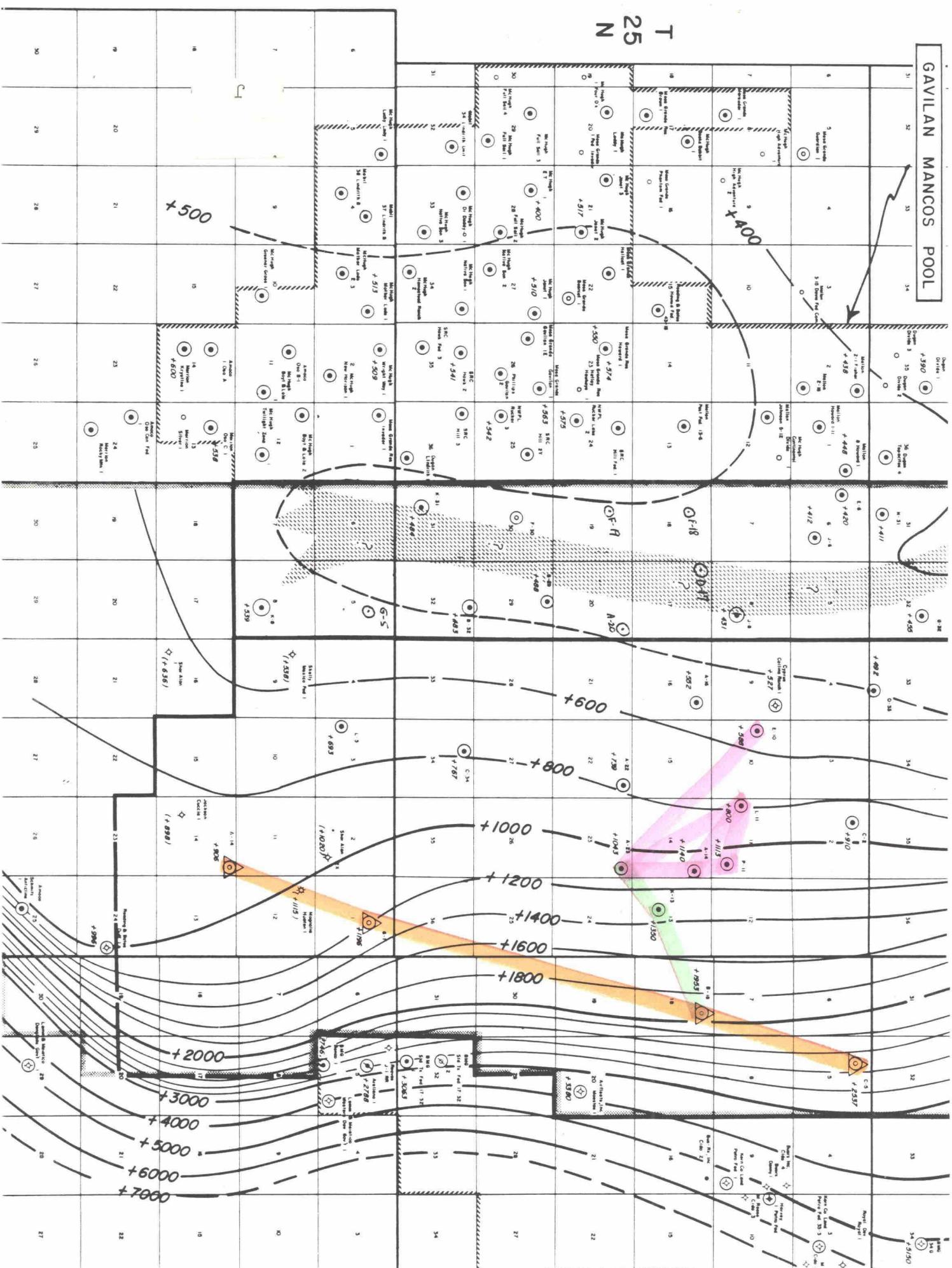


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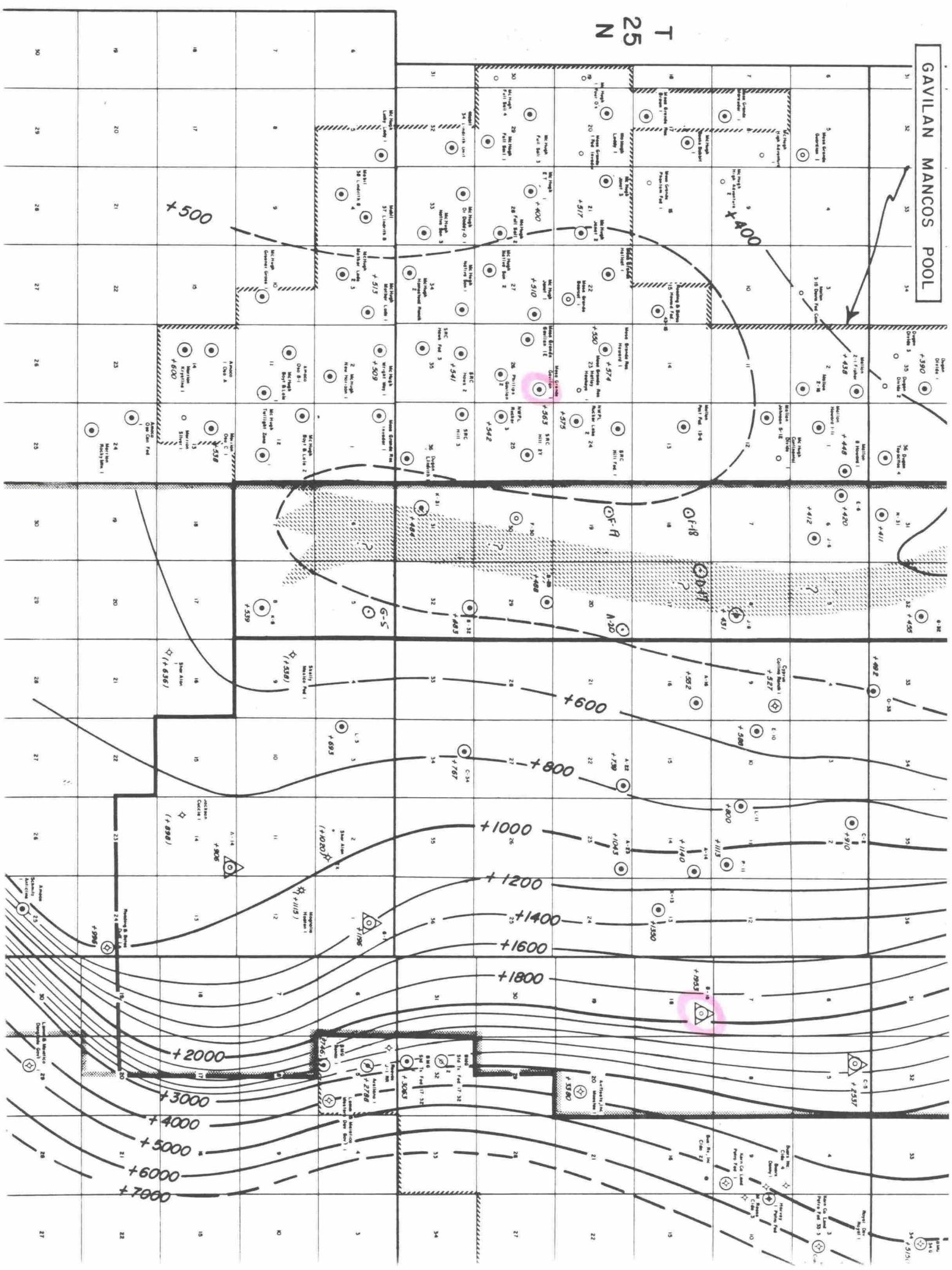


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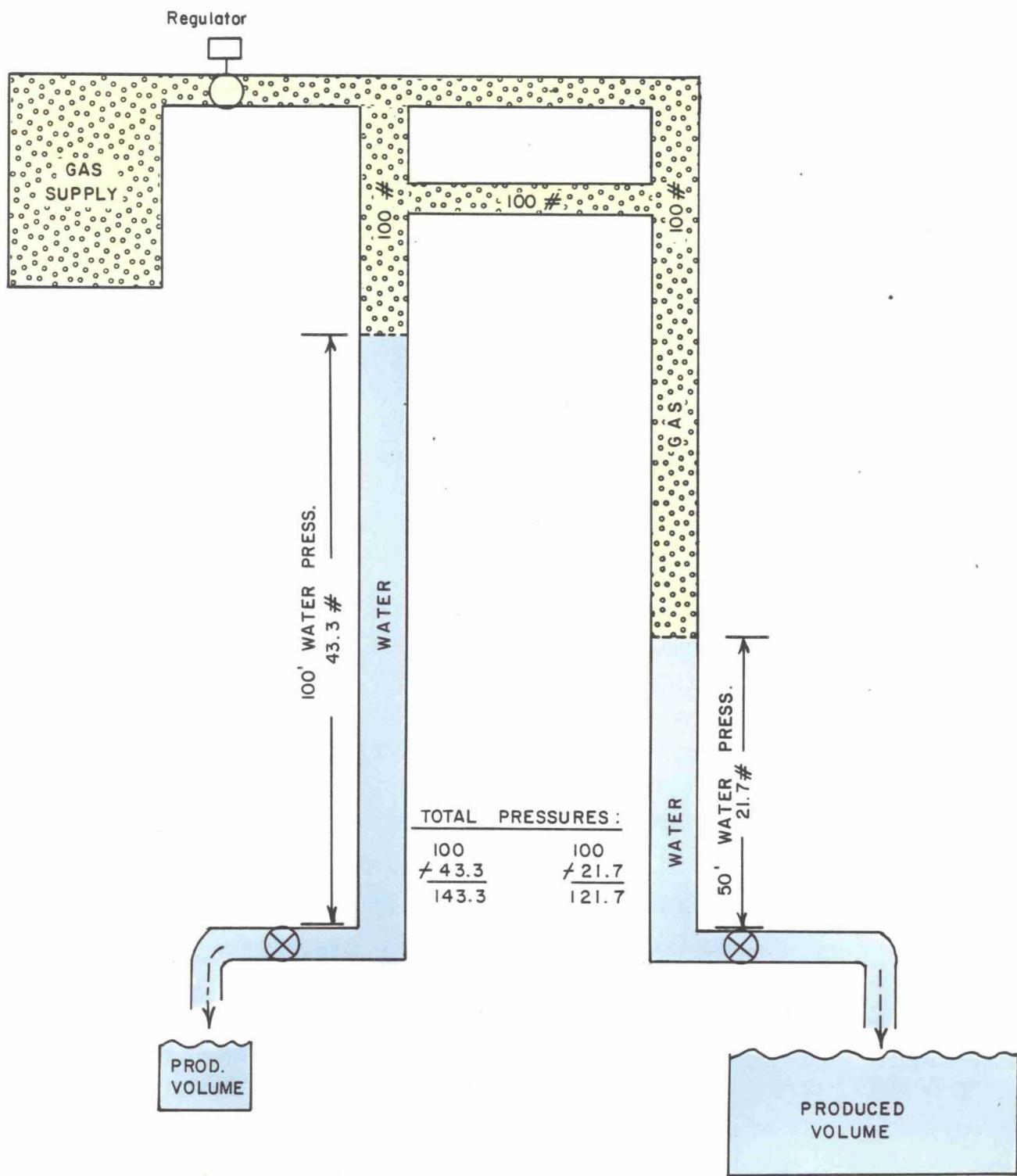
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GAVILAN MANCOS POOL



SKEETCH SHOWING VARIABLE PRESSURES IN  
VERTICAL PIPES WHICH ARE EQUALIZED AT TOP



SKETCH SHOWING PRESSURES  
IN  
GAS CAP OIL & GAS ZONE

WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS POOL

TIME PERIOD 1982  
(First well in Gavilan drilled)

Surface  
Pressure  
All Zones  
1100# to 1200#  
(+1150#)

DATUM +1600' +1350#  
(all zones)

Sec. 18, T-25N, R-1E  
(COU Injection Well)

A A B Zones  
C Zone

	<u>A &amp; B</u> <u>Zones</u>	<u>C</u> <u>Zone</u>
Pressure at 1600' datum	<u>+1350#</u>	<u>+1350#</u>
Pressure of 1230' oil (& gas) column	<u>+350#</u>	<u>+200#-300#</u>
Plus Production $\Delta P$	<u>+100#</u>	<u>+100#</u>
<u>DATUM +370'</u>	<u>+1800#</u>	<u>+1650#-1750#</u>
	Composite Pressure All Zones <u>+1750#-1800#</u>	

Sec. 26, T-25N, R-2W  
(First Well in Gavilan)

SKETCH SHOWING PRESSURES  
IN  
GAS CAP OIL & GAS ZONE

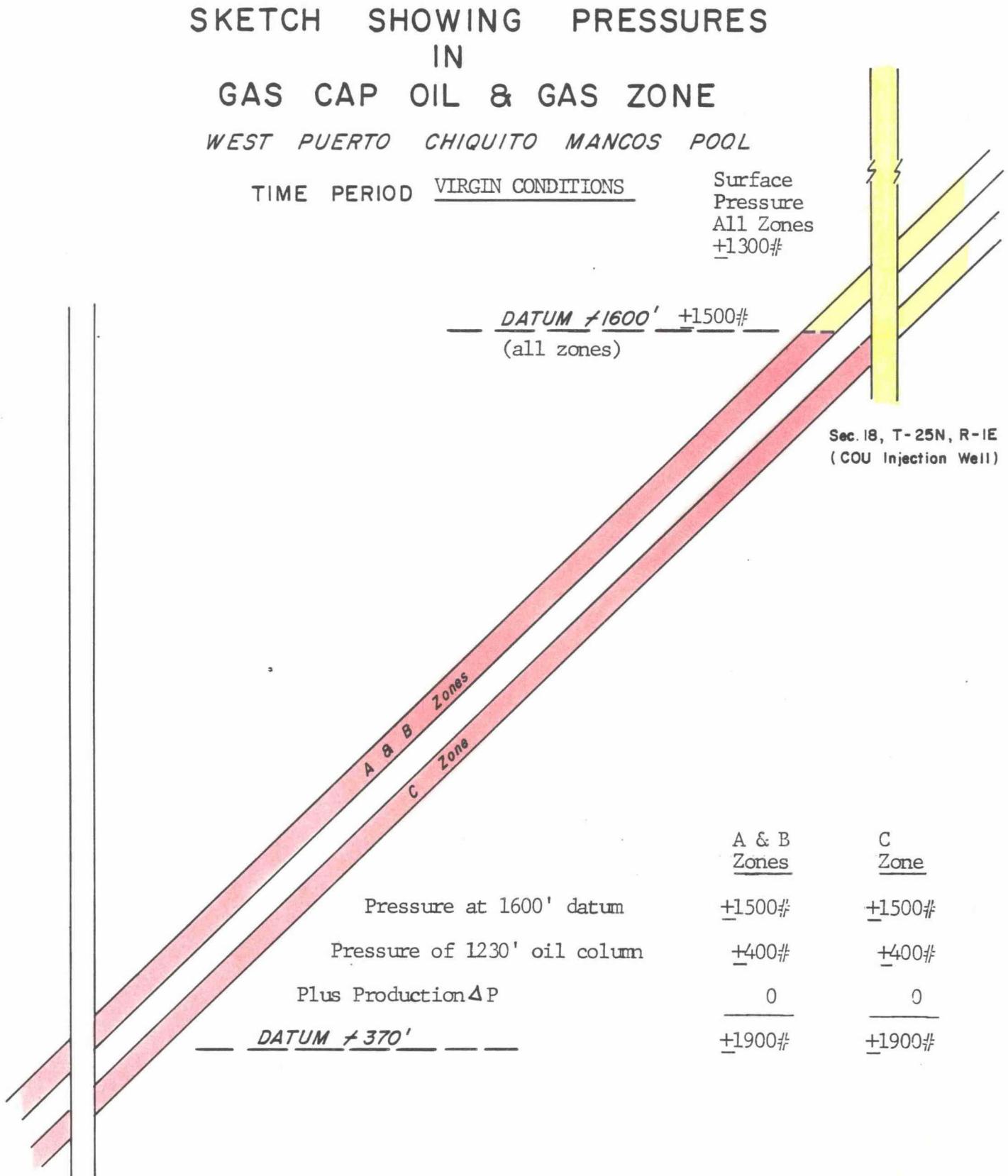
WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS POOL

TIME PERIOD VIRGIN CONDITIONS

Surface  
Pressure  
All Zones  
+1300#

DATUM +1600' +1500#  
(all zones)

Sec. 18, T-25N, R-1E  
(COU Injection Well)



Sec. 26, T-25N, R-2W  
(First Well in Gavilan)

SKETCH SHOWING PRESSURES  
IN  
GAS CAP OIL & GAS ZONE

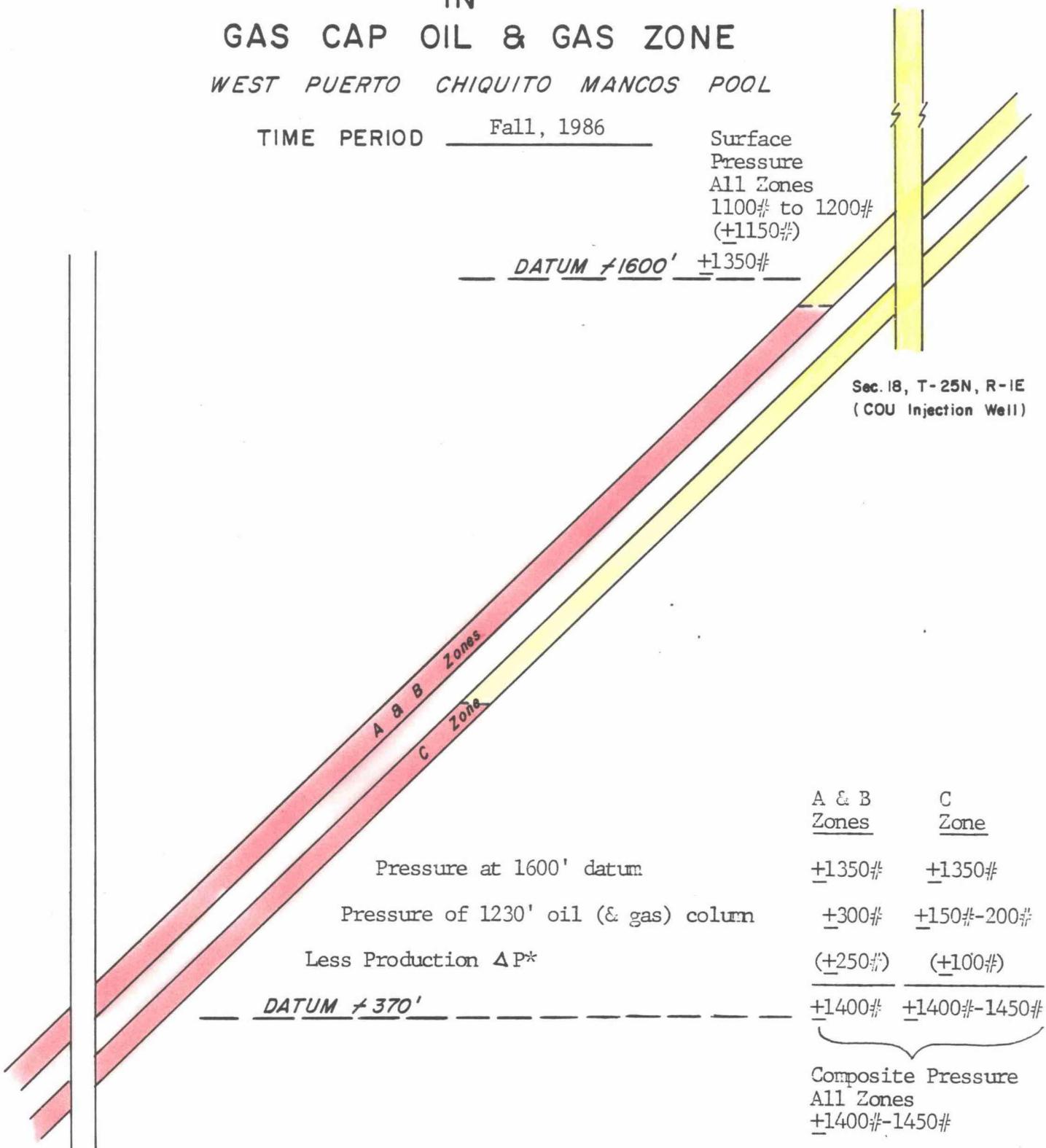
WEST PUERTO CHIQUITO MANCOS POOL

TIME PERIOD Fall, 1986

Surface Pressure  
All Zones  
1100 $\pm$  to 1200 $\pm$   
(+1150 $\pm$ )

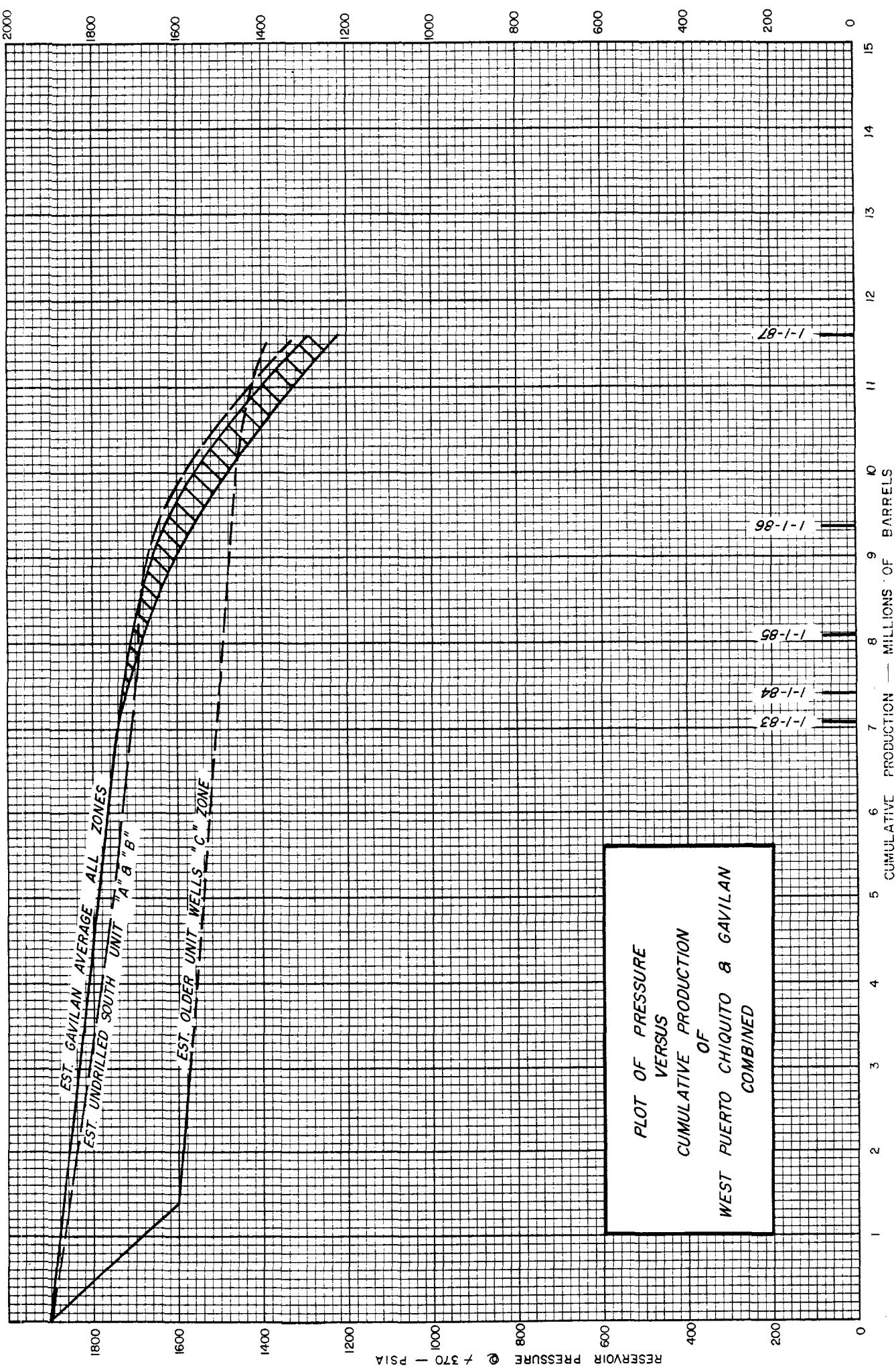
— DATUM  $\neq$  1600' +1350 $\pm$  —

Sec. 18, T-25N, R-1E  
(COU Injection Well)



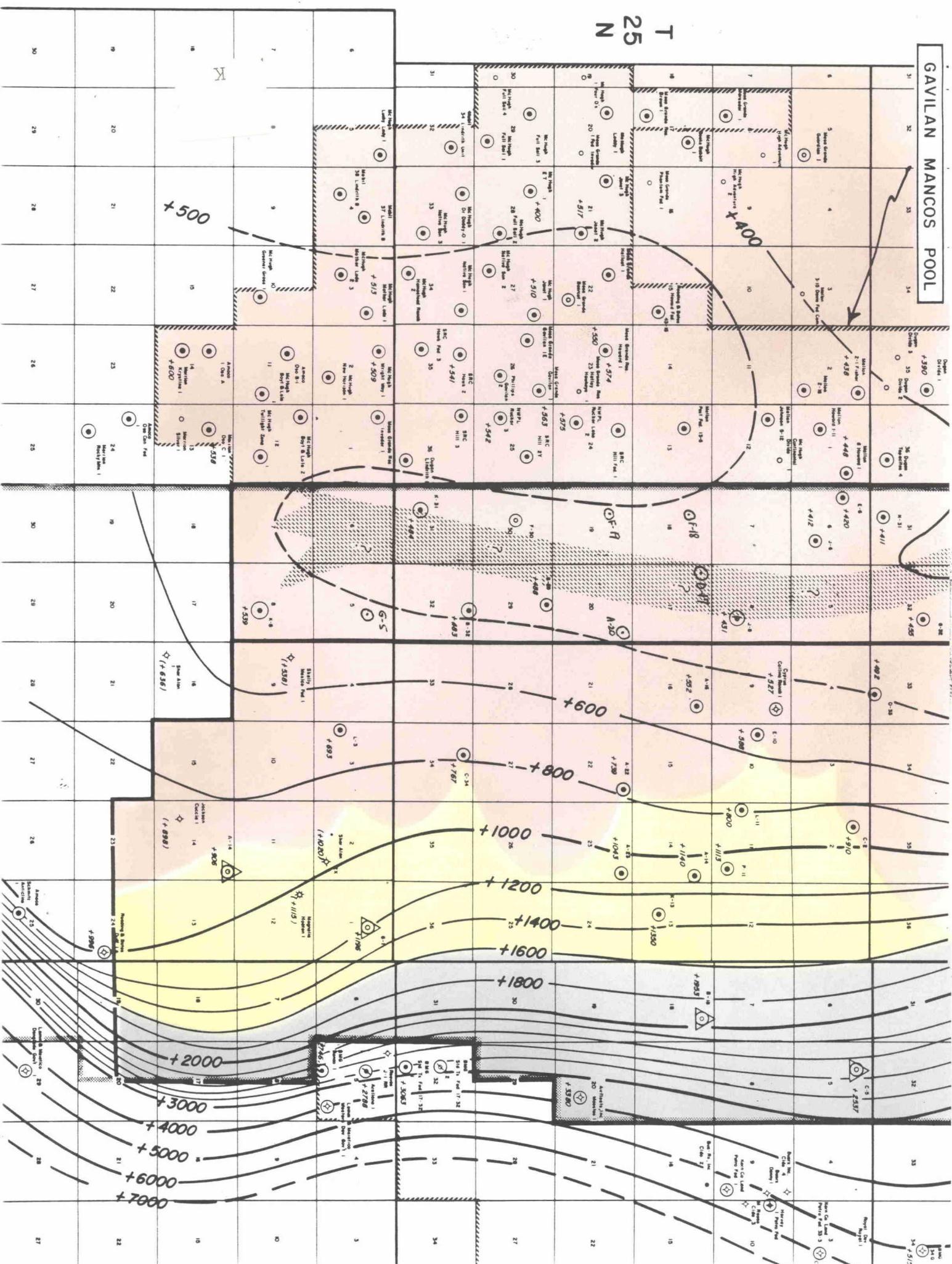
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(First Well in Gavilan)

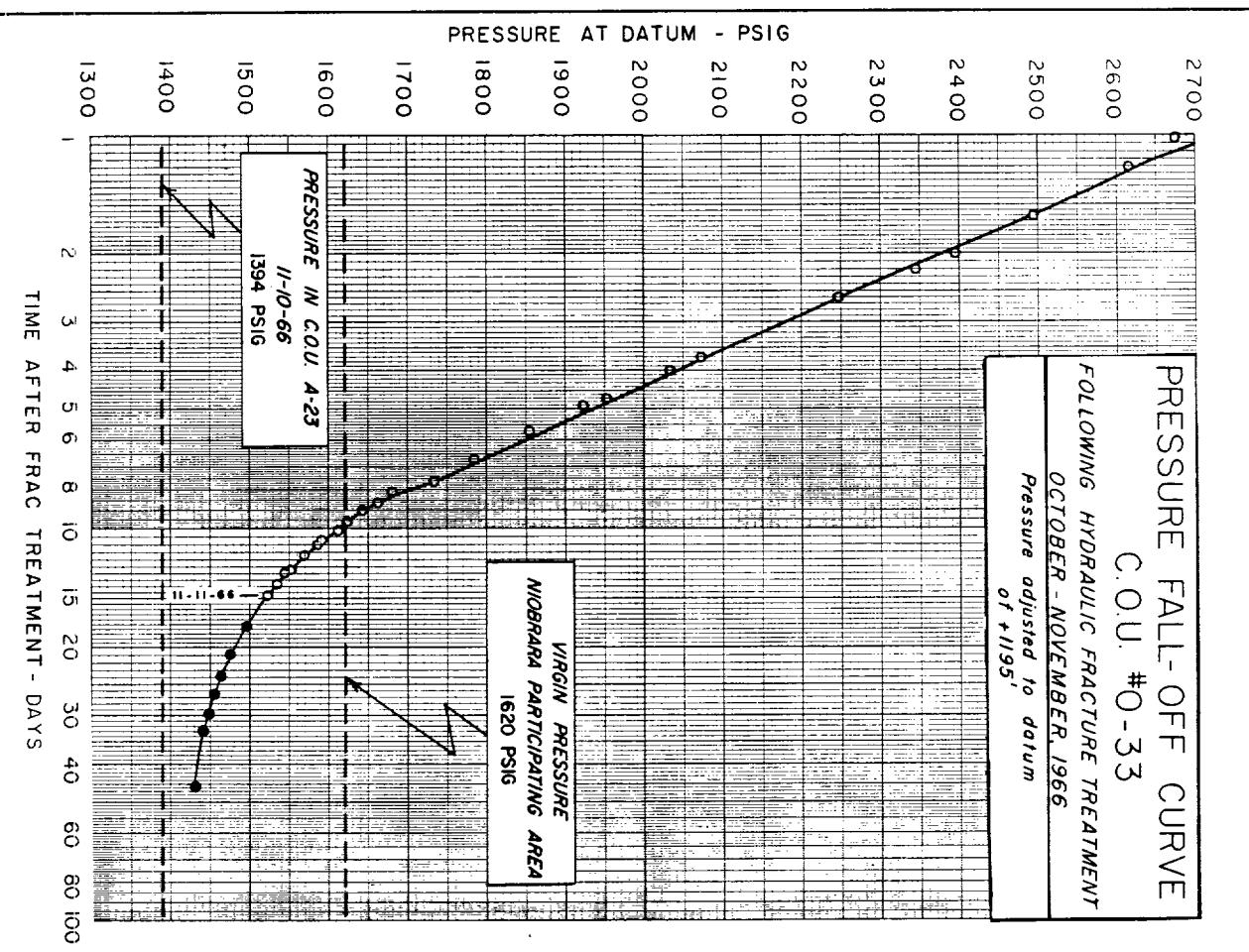
\* Pressure differential reversed from that of previous sketches  
(Gavilan withdrawals now 10,000 to 20,000 reservoir bbls/day)  
(Canada Ojitos Unit net withdrawals zero to 1000 reservoir bbls/day)



GAVILAN MANCOS POOL

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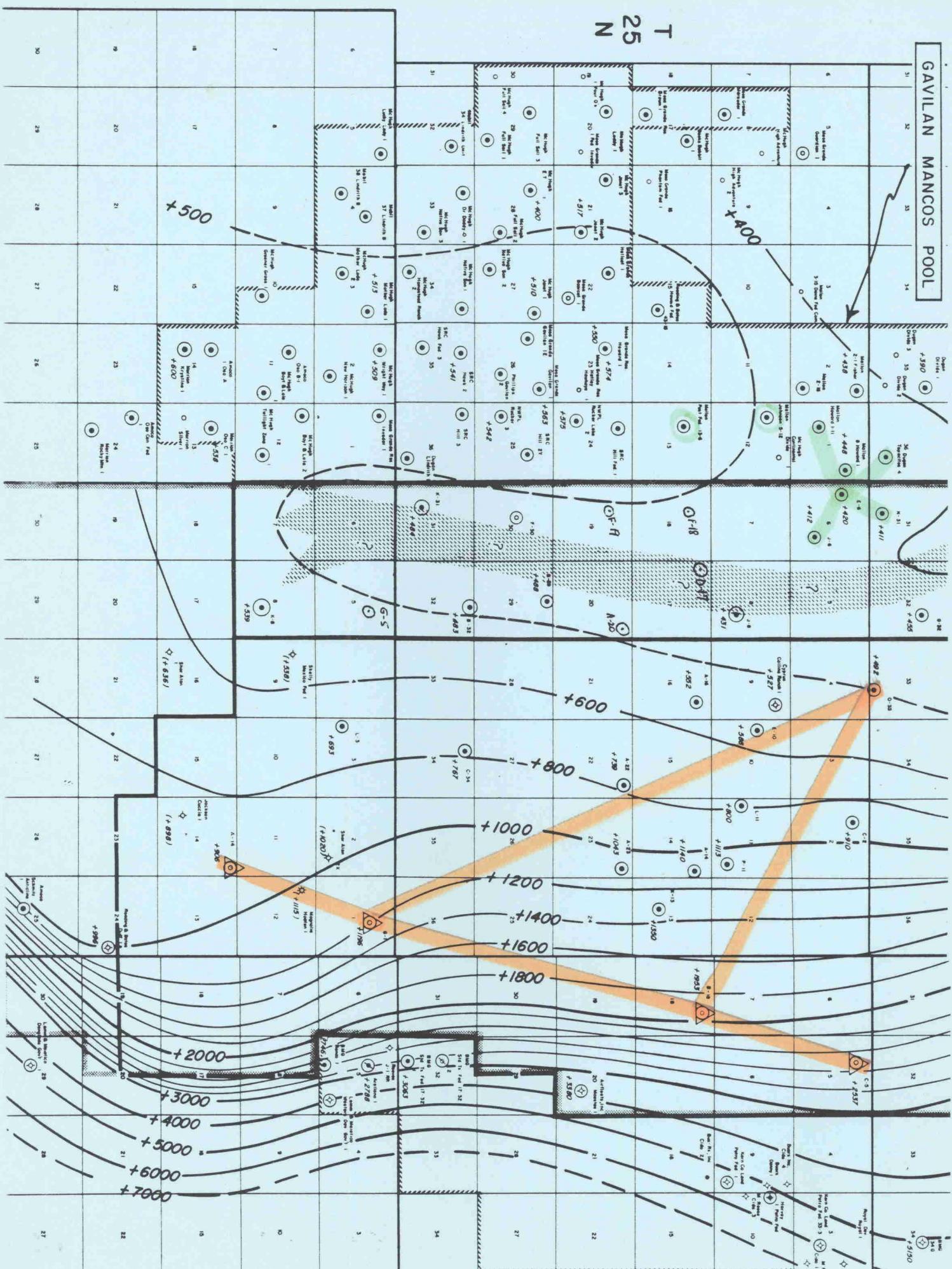




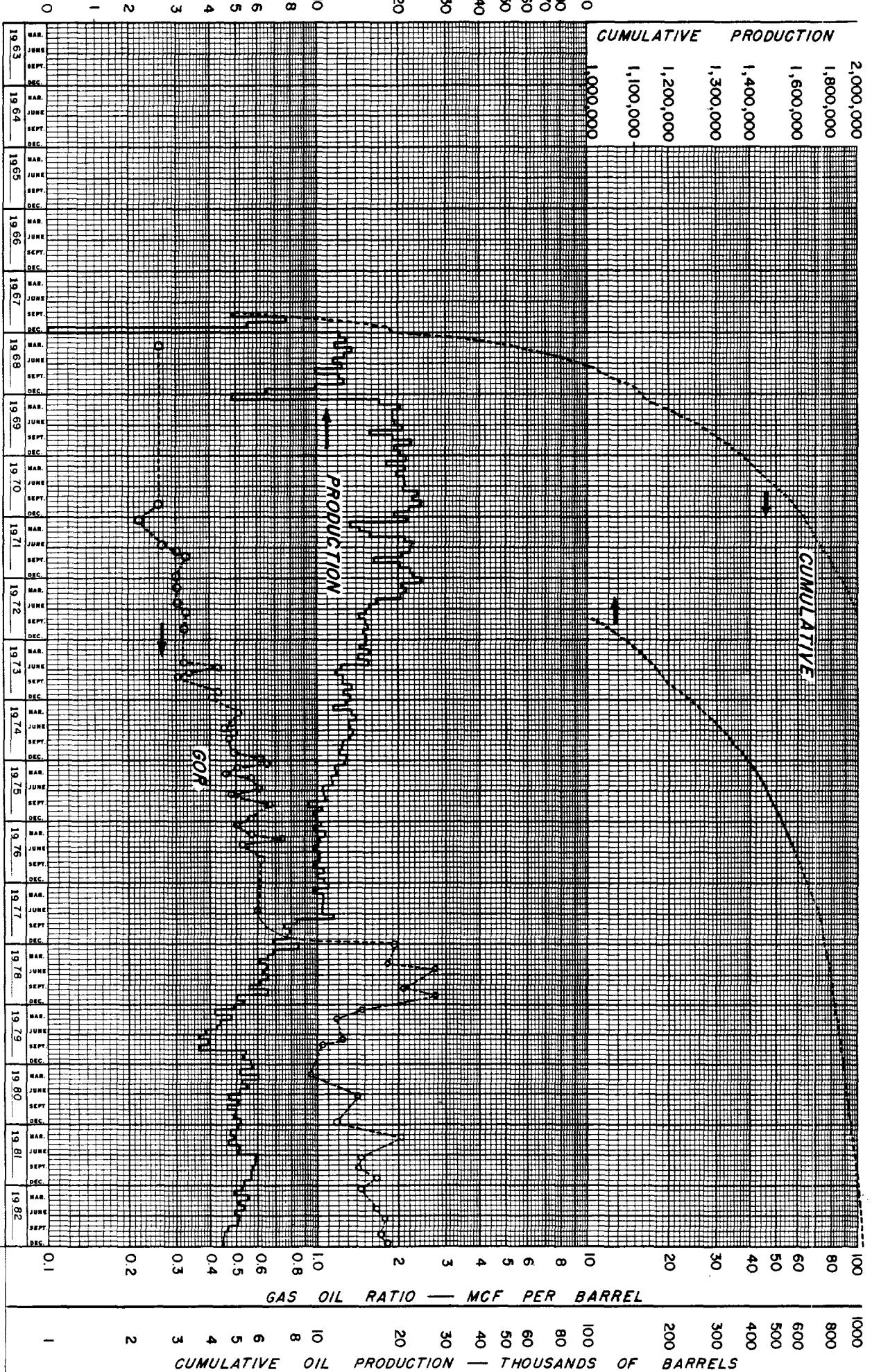
GAVILAN MANCOS POOL

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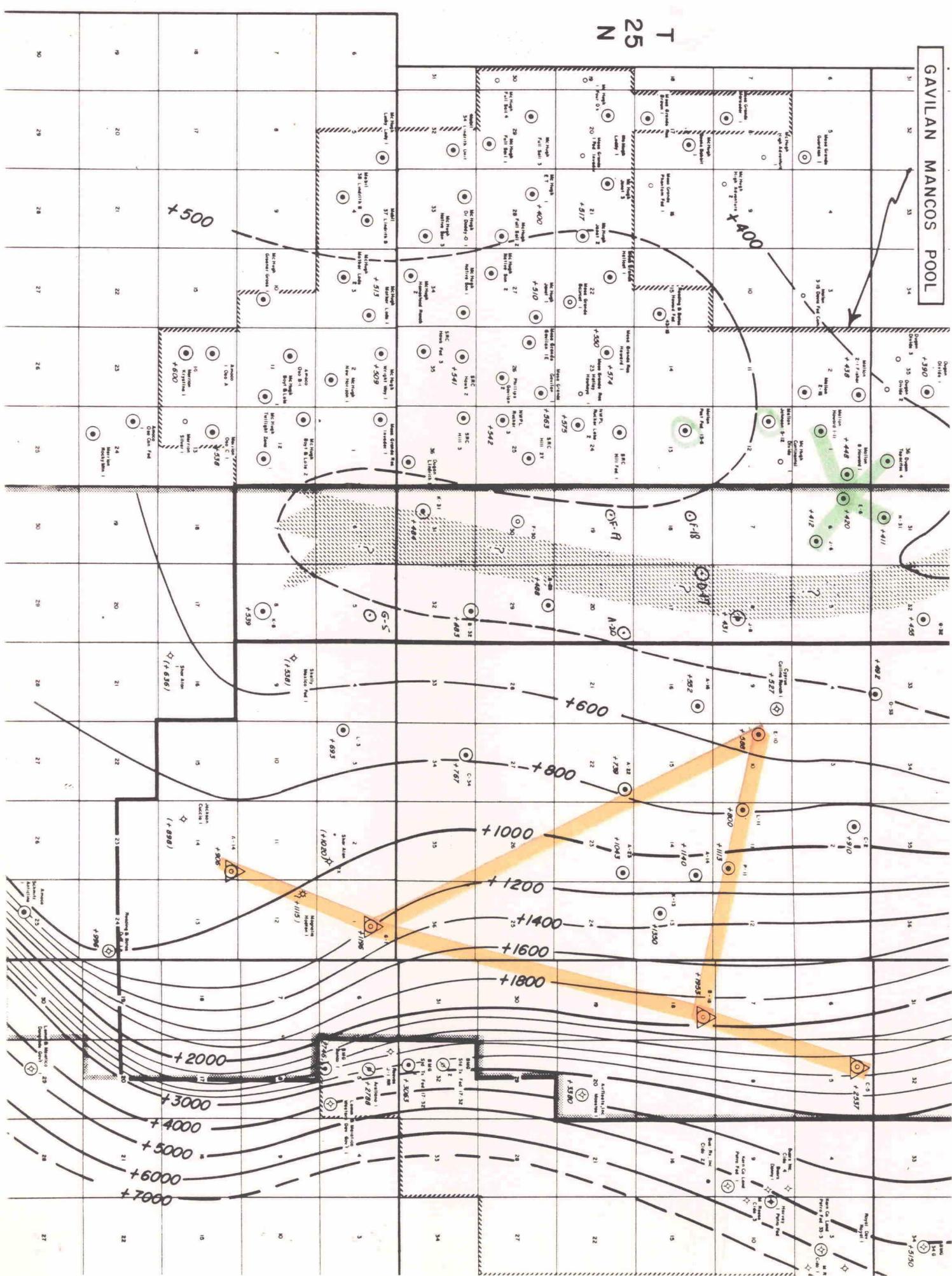
OIL PRODUCTION RATE — THOUSANDS OF BARRELS PER MONTH



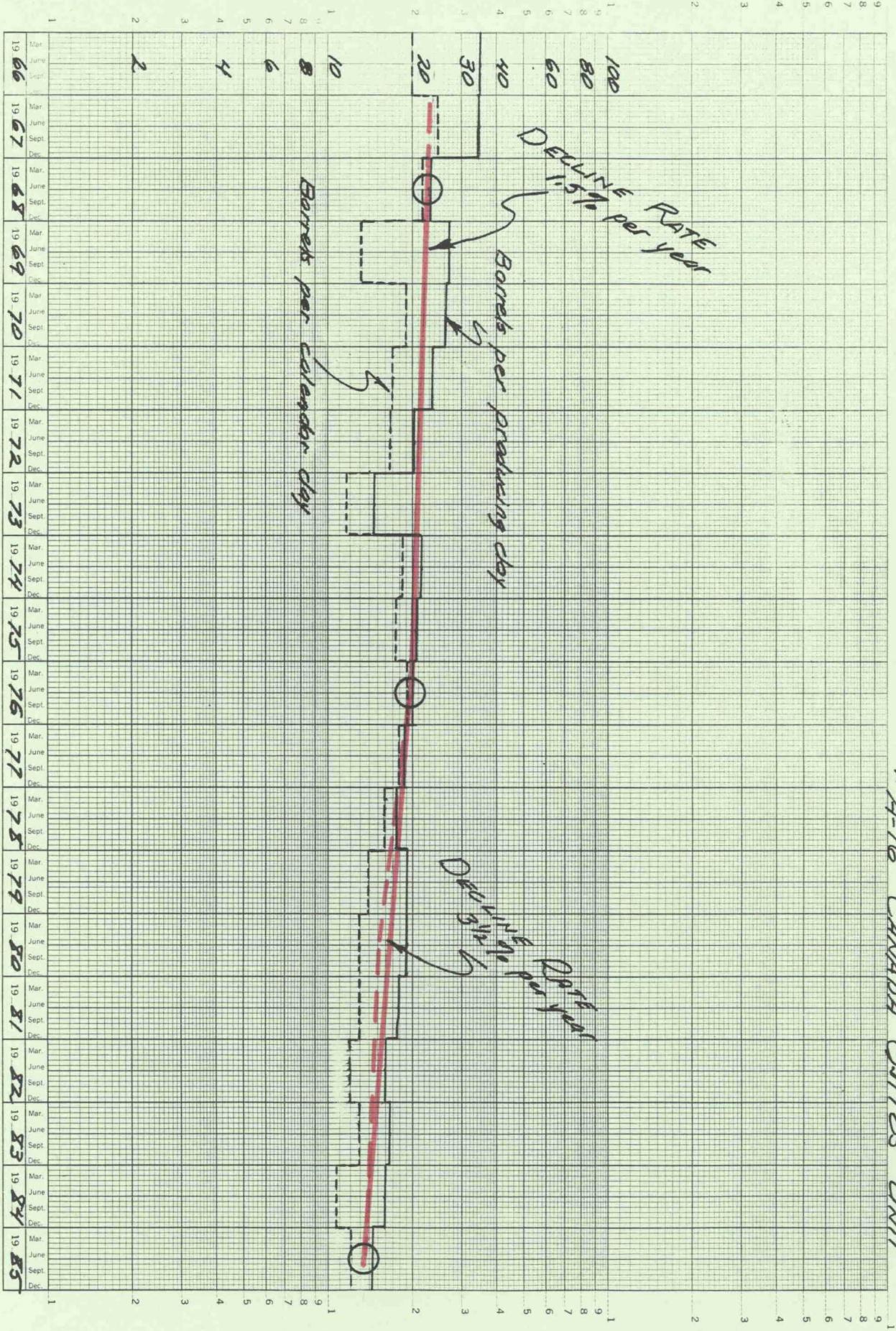
PRODUCTION HISTORY  
CANADA OJITOS UNIT WELL E-10

GAVILAN MANCOS POOL

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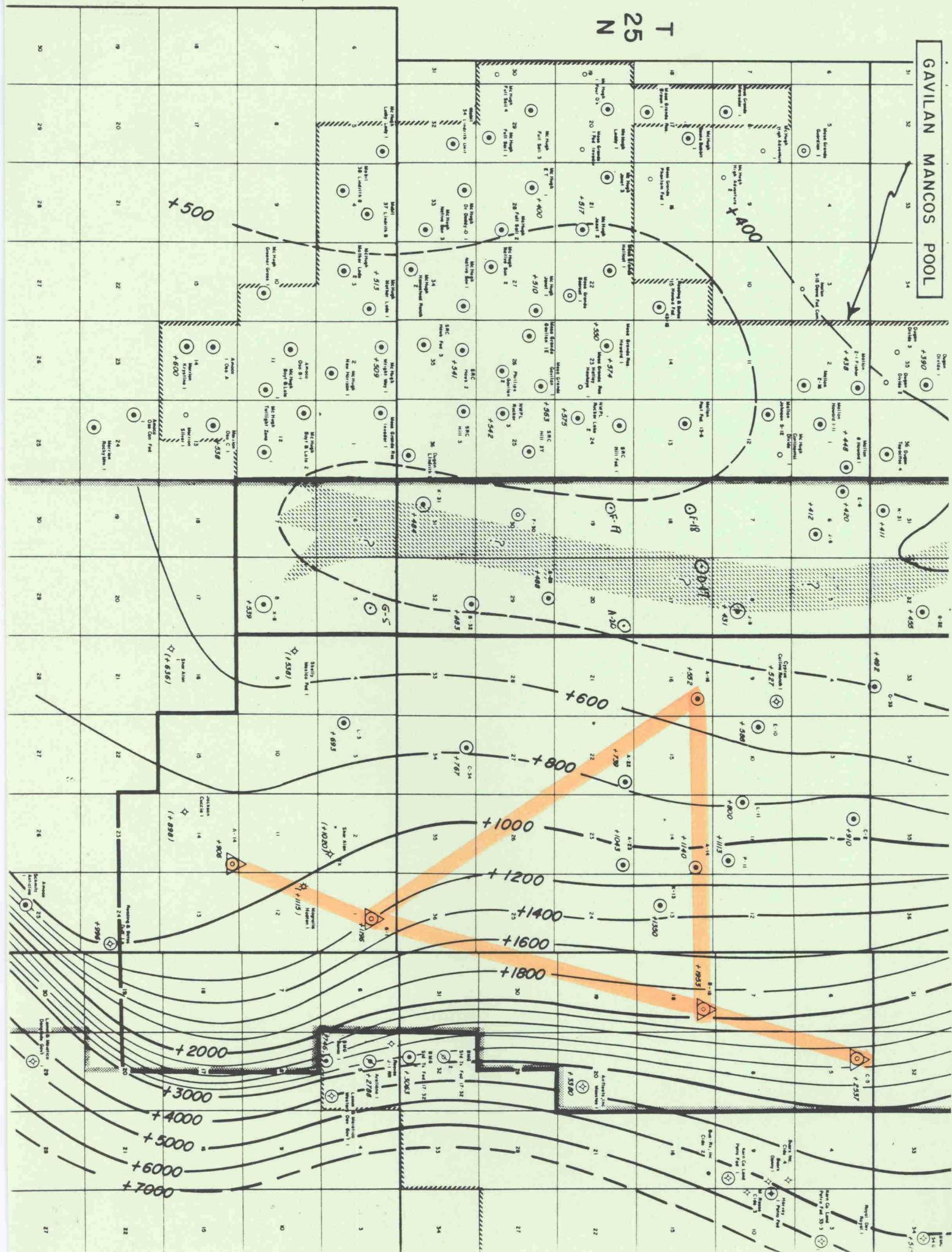


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GAVILAN MANCOS POOL

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## PRODUCTION RATE - BOPD

1 9  
2 8  
3 7  
4 6  
5 5  
6 4  
7 3  
8 2  
9 1

PL-3 CANADA OUTS UNIT

100  
80  
60  
50  
40  
30  
20  
10

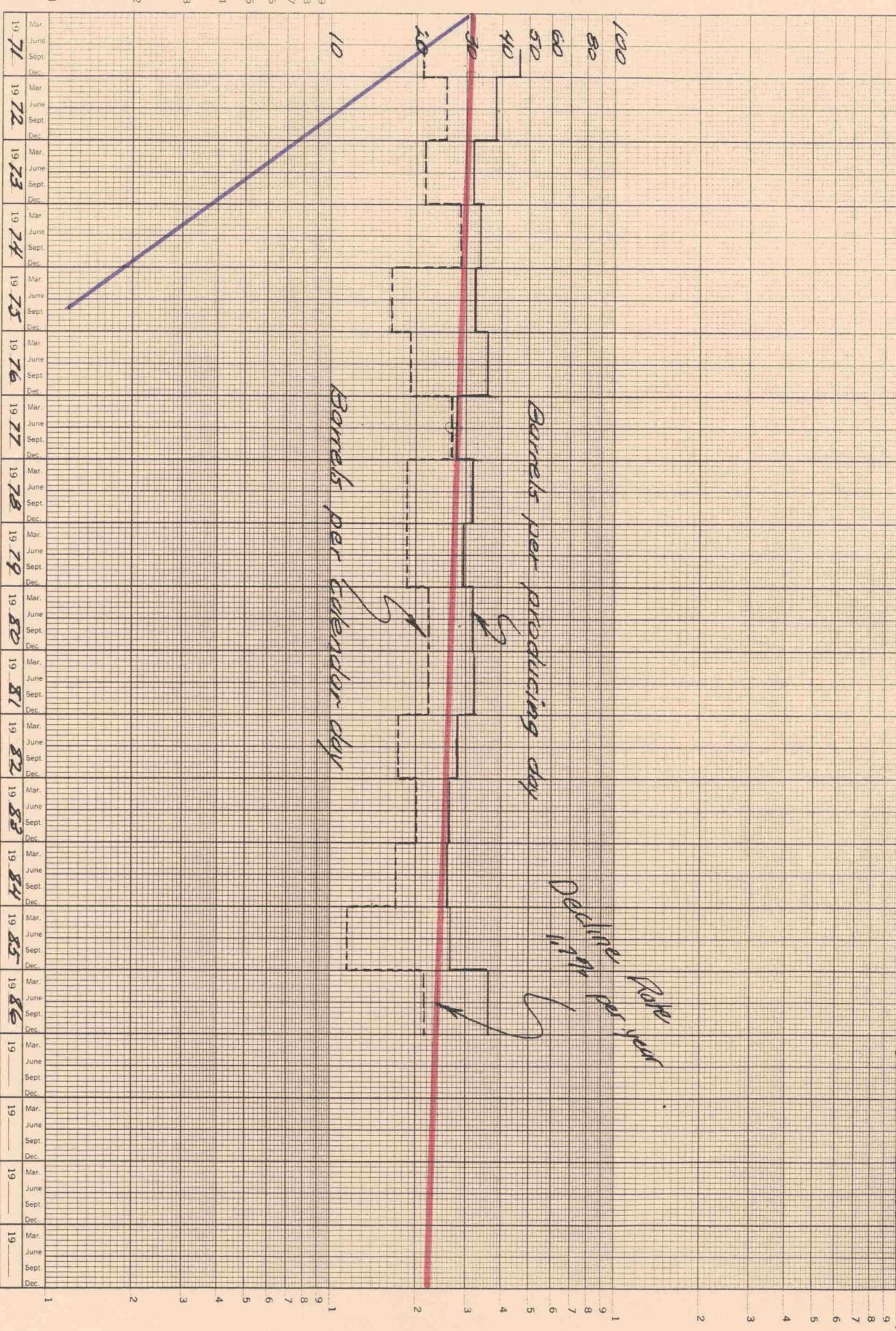
Buckets per producing day

Rate per year

Decline per year

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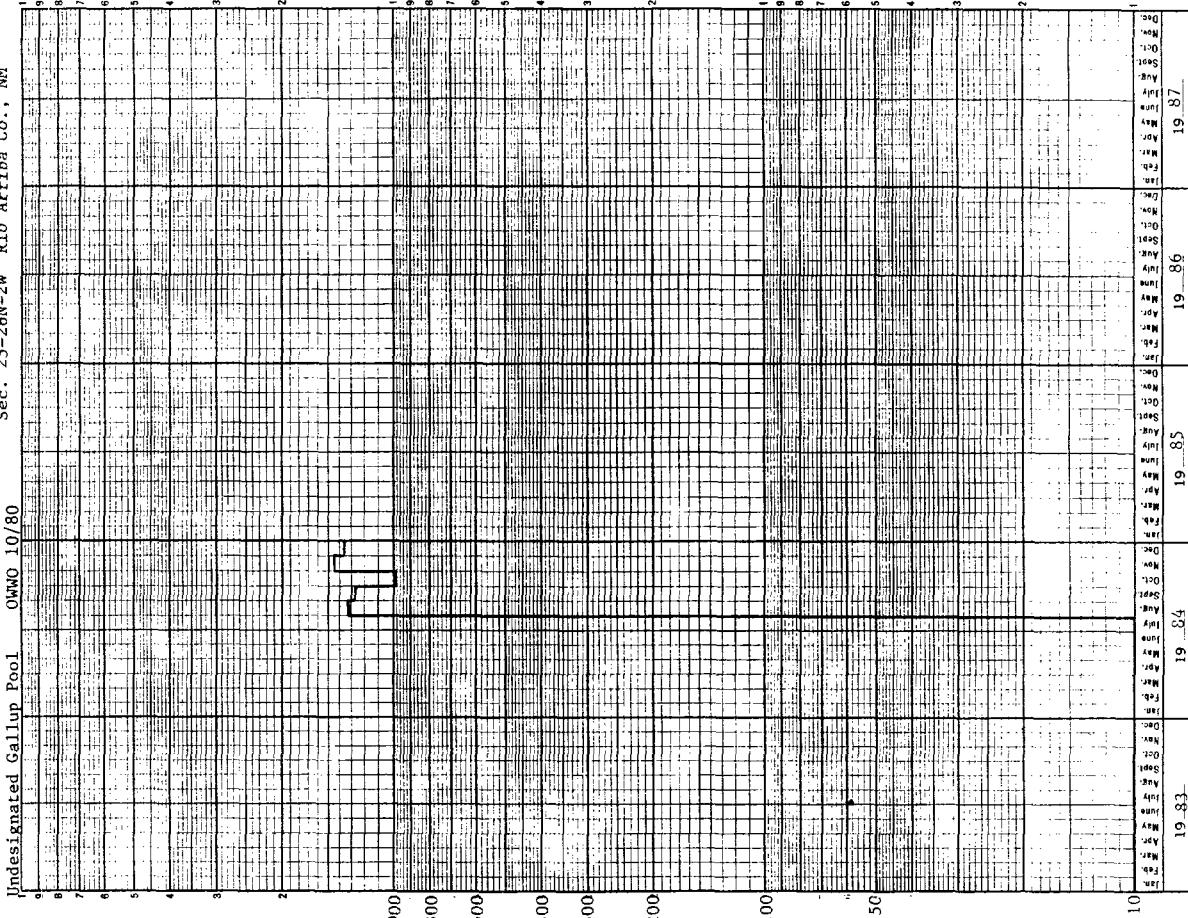
Buckets per calendar day





EVIDENCE OF COMMUNICATION: DUGAN TAPACITOS AREA

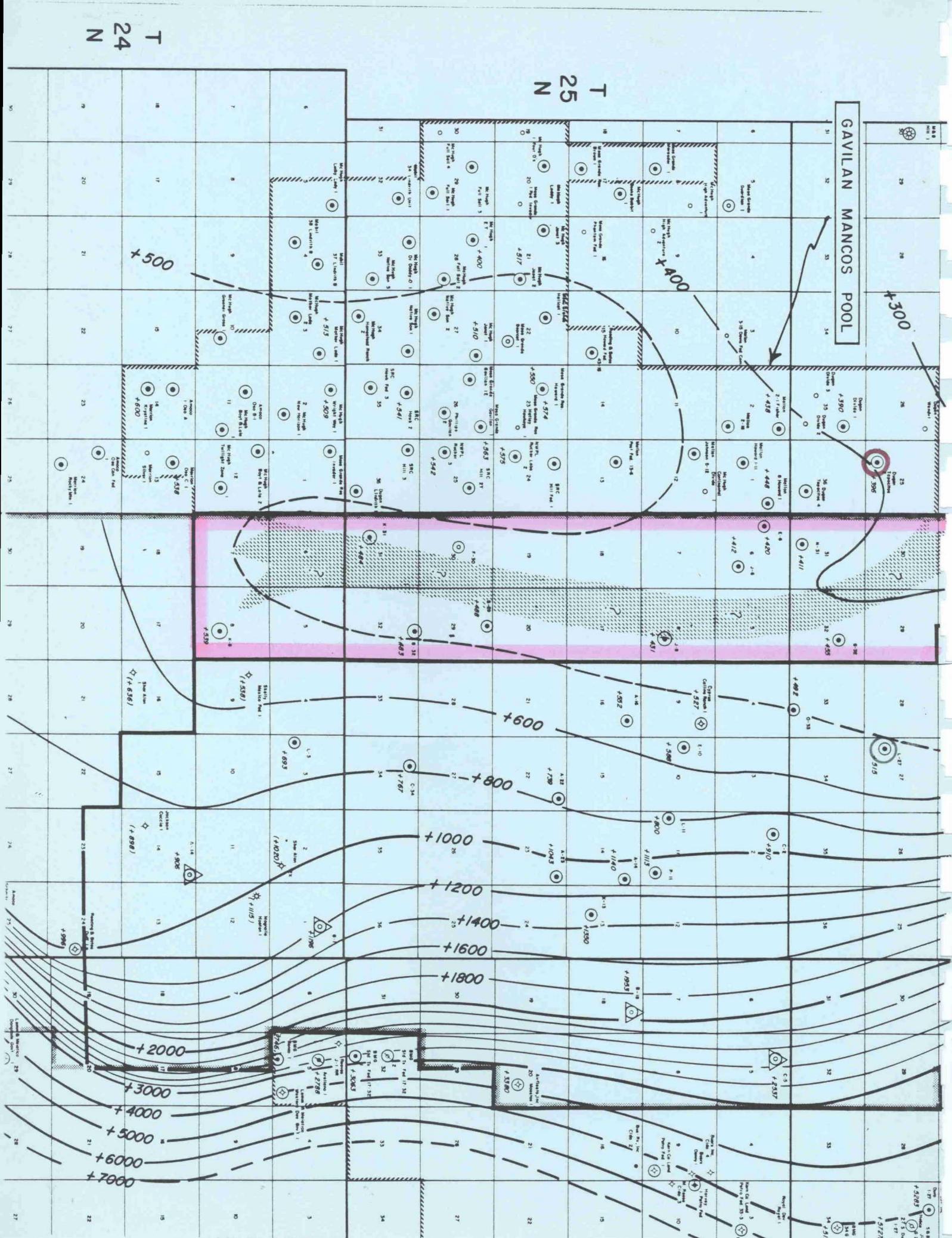
DUGAN PRODUCTION CO.  
TAPACITOS #2  
Sec. 25-26N-2W Rio Arriba Co., NM



The flat production decline rate for the Tapacitos 2 in the last half of 1984 suggests that it is completed in a fractured reservoir. The well was producing on pump below a packer on the tubing; meaning that its production rate will be particularly sensitive to either increasing gas-oil ratio or decreasing reservoir pressure. Under these conditions, the flat production decline rate is particularly significant in defining the reservoir as being of the same fractured nature as found in West Puerto Chiquito.

This production behavior plus the similar electric log characteristics in the Niobara B zone strongly suggested that the Niobara Reservoir of West Puerto Chiquito extended west to the Dugan Tapacito area at the time the application was made for approval of the 13th expansion of the participating area in the Canada Ojitos Unit. This was part of the evidence submitted to the authorities in requesting approval of the 13th expansion of the participating area (that part of the 13th expansion located on the plat on the facing page is outlined thereon).

GAVILAN MANCOS POOL



MALLON AREA: EVIDENCE OF COMMUNICATION

In both formal hearings and informal meetings of the Oil Conservation Division, both Mallon and Koch have emphasized their "exploratory" efforts and the discovering of "new reserves" in the Gavilan area and the consequent importance of these efforts to the State of New Mexico.

However, analysis of the communication data of the Mallon area reveals something else: namely, Mallon's first wells were drilled in a partially depleted reservoir discovered some 25 years earlier.

Mallon's first well was hardly more than a direct offset to the 13th expansion of the Canada Ojitos Unit participating area - an expansion approved before Mallon started drilling this well; and for which expansion area the Canada Ojitos Unit owners had earlier approved a seven million dollar development program. (See plat on facing page.)

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