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YEAR(S): 1995

NEW MEXICO STATE LAND OFFICE REQUEST FOR FIELD ASSIGNMENT

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State of New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER

310 OLD SANTA FE TRAIL P.O. BOX 1148

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87504-1148

March 8, 1995

TO: RAY B. POWELL, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

FROM: R.D. WILLIFORD, LAND USE SPECIALIST ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

LIST SWEEP

(505) 827-5760

FAX (505) 827-5766

SUBJECT: OIL FIELD DAMAGE REPORTED

<u>SYNOPSIS</u>

Mr. Charles Bennett called this office reporting subject damage. Mr. Bennett is a realtor involved in a ranch sale transaction of the surface estate of subject area. His phone number is (505)-356-5616.

A field inspection confirms that there have been numerous leaks and spills; also there are open pits not properly covered and a considerable amount of junk/rusted pipe left on location.

I called our Central Records Division and have determined that the mineral estate ownership pattern is somewhat complicated. Several of the wells and tank batteries have no signs. The legal descriptions/names and lease number shown below are reflected by our tract book records. These lessees should be contacted and advised to implement a major "clean-up"; possibly under the direction of the State Land Office and/or Oil Conservation Division.

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		Also Lots 3 & 4
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		Yates-SE1/4NW1/4 - VA-613
		N. Dale Nichols OG-2391-3 S1/2NW1/4
		(McIntyre State Lease (SW1/4SW1/4)

Lease #062391

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SECTION: 05

(All except SW1/4NW1/4 & NE1/4SW1/4) Paul Slayton E-3614-4 (Sign identifies this lease as Mountain States Petroleum Corp)

LOCATION

This site is located approximately 25 miles northeast of Roswell, New Mexico with access via U.S. 70 and ranch/oilfield roads.

HIGHEST AND BEST USE

The highest, best and current use of the surface estate is for livestock production and wildlife habitat. The highest and best use of the mineral estate is oil/gas production; however, misuse has resulted in considerable damage to the surface estate (see attached photos).

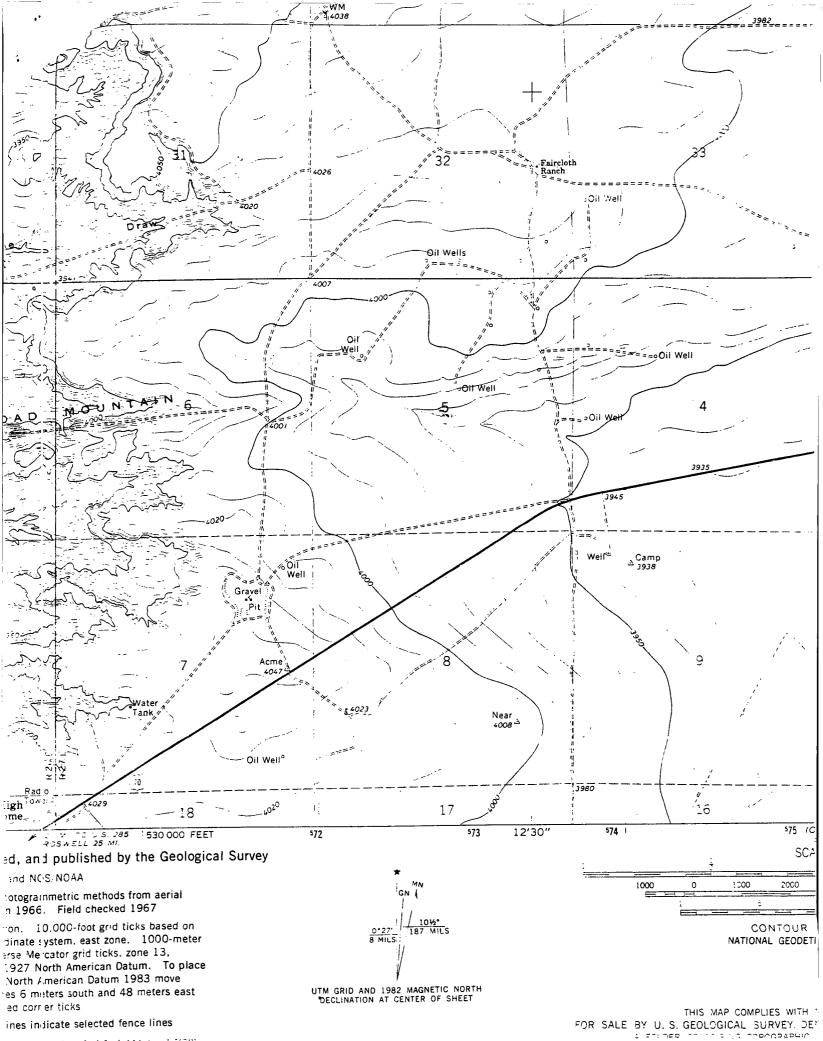
ESTIMATE OF VALUE

I estimate the value of this land to be from \$80.00 to \$100.00 per acre as rangeland. Value of the mineral estate should be determined by the Oil/Gas Division.

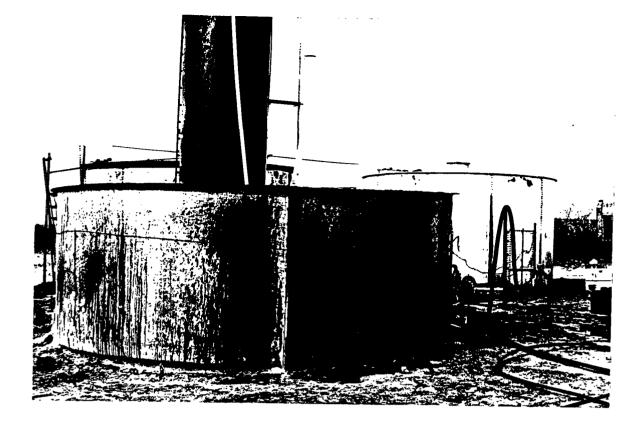
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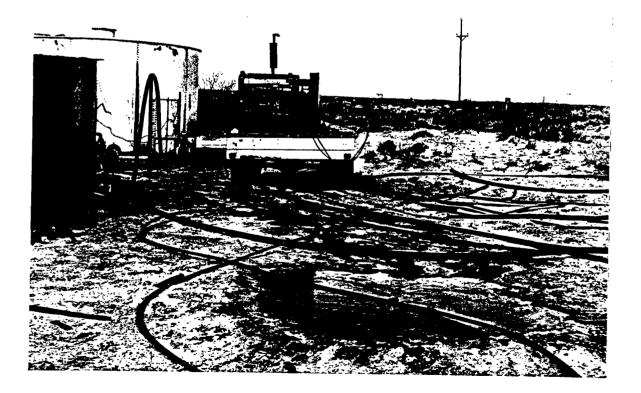
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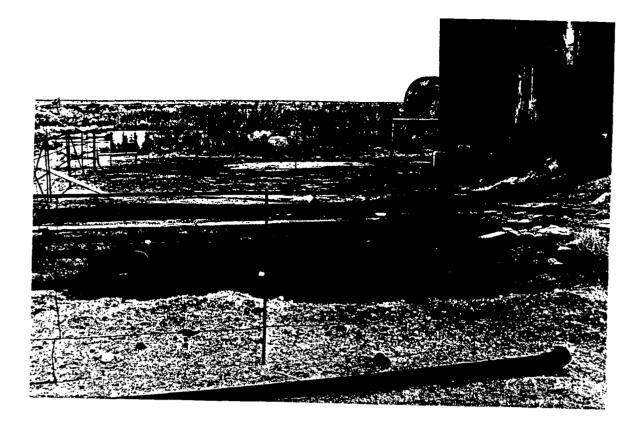


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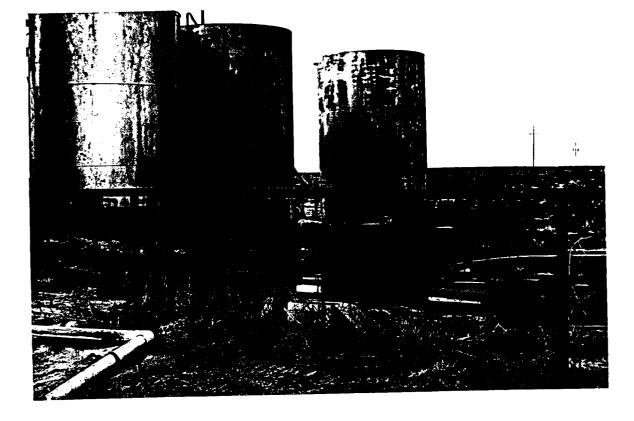


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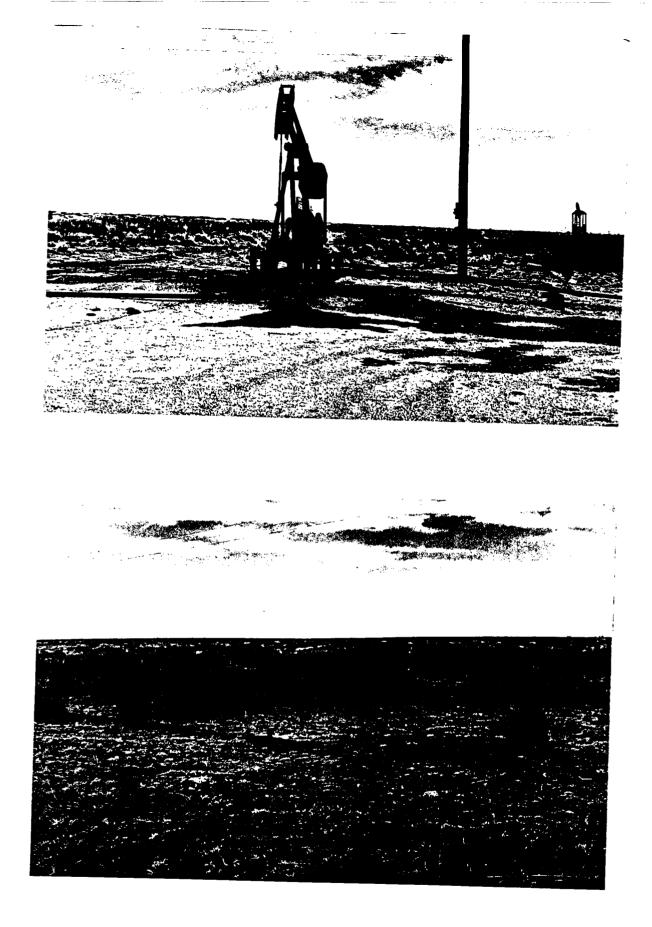


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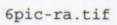






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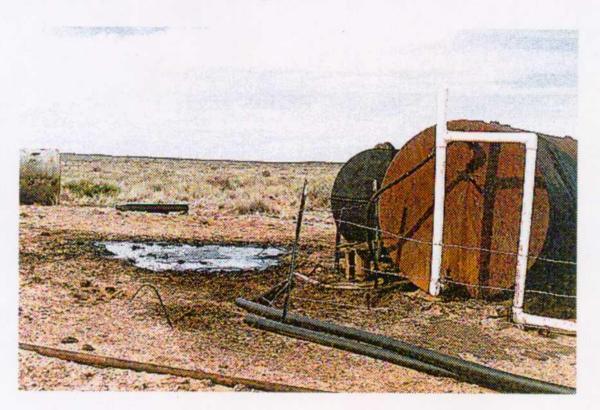






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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

N. Dale Nichols P.O. Box 1972 Midland, Texas 79702

Re: State of New Mexico Oil & Gas Lease No. OG-2391-3

Dear Sir:

It has come to our attention that certain unacceptable damages to the surface exist at well sites located on your lease. These damages, discussed in the attached field report by our Land Use Specialist, require immediate remedial action.

As you know, ownership of New Mexico state oil and gas leases incurs certain obligations which include operating in a prudent manner. In addition, it requires protection of the surface estate, including livestock, soil, vegetation, and surface improvements. The photographs taken by the Land Use Specialist clearly show violations of the lease covenants.

You are hereby notified that corrective action must commence within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter or proper steps will be taken by this office to enforce compliance with this request. You will notify this office in writing when the surface work is completed, so that a re-inspection can be arranged.

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Sincerely,

RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

ź By: James B. Lewis, Director

Oil, Gas & Minerals Division (505) 827-5744

cc: R.D. Williford OCD Environmental Bureau

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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Julian Ard 4808 Westridge Avenue Fort Worth, Texas 76116

Re: State of New Mexico Oil & Gas Lease No. LG-978-1

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Mr. Paul Slayton P.O. Box 2035 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

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RAY POWELL, M.S., D.V.M. COMMISSIONER Because this is the second documented violation of identical unworkmanlike operations on your lease, the Oil Conservation Division has been notified of the situation.

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