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Form C-141  
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Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

## Release Notification and Corrective Action

### OPERATOR

☐ Initial Report ☒ Final Report

Name of Company	Linn Operating Inc.	Contact	E.L. Gonzales
Address	2130 W Bender Blvd Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.	575-738-1739
Facility Name	H.E. West B # 33	Facility Type	Injection
Surface Owner	Federal	Mineral Owner	API No. 30-015-25944

### LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
L	03	17S	31E	1980	South	660	West	Eddy

Latitude 32.86183 Longitude -103.86335

### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release	Produced Water	Volume of Release	70 bbls	Volume Recovered	60 bbls
Source of Release	Well head	Date and Hour of Occurrence	02/12/2015	Date and Hour of Discovery	02/12/2015 0600
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?			
By Whom?	Date and Hour				
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			


If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\* drilling rig near the West B 33 called LINN to report a leak-Bobby Sooter was contacted and he responded along with Eddie Jaramillo and Rick Rickman. It appeared that the well had been hit by a truck as dual wheel marks were at the well head. The damage results were the tubing valve and tubing below being broken off at the top of the well head and fluid was back flowing on to location

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\* estimated 40 bbls. Of fluid picked up in adjacent pasture and estimate of 30 bbls from location, equipment near location was used to dike well pad and contain fluid along with a vacuum truck tied to the well head.

On February 17, 2015 DFSI personnel responded to the location and placed a berm around the well to contain the fluid. DFSI personnel scraped up the saturated soil in the pasture and on the caliche pad. Four soil samples of the spill area were taken. Each sample was tested for chloride levels as well as TPH. The TPH samples were performed using a Mini Rae Photoionization Detector (PID). All field samples that field tested below state/BLM requirements were taken to Cardinal Lab of Hobbs to obtain confirmation samples. The results are attached (Appendix IV). On March 19, 2015, DFSI personnel returned to the site to start excavation. The impacted caliche pad was removed at 6" below ground surface. On March 20, 2015, the impacted soil in the pasture was excavated to 3'bgs. DFSI personnel returned to the site on March 23, 2015 to backfill the excavated area on the pad with fresh caliche. DFSI used the surrounding terrain for backfill in the pasture area, and the site was completed on March 25, 2015. Photographs are attached (Appendix II). All contaminated soil was hauled to a BLM/NMOCD approved facility.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Signature: 	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>		
Printed Name: E.L. Gonzales	Approved by Environmental Specialist:		
Title: Production Supervisor	Approval Date: 4/13/2015	Expiration Date: N/A	
E-mail Address: elgonzales@linenergy.com	Conditions of Approval:		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 03/26/2015 Phone: 505-504-8002	FINAL		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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