

Carlsbad Field Office NM OIL CONSERVATION
OCD Artesia
 ARTESIA DISTRICT

Form 3160-3
 (March 2012)

UNITED STATES
 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

UNORTHODOX LOCATION RECEIVED
 AUG 28 2015
 to 8/27/15

ATS-15-504

FORM APPROVED
 OMB No. 1004-0137
 Expires October 31, 2014

1a. Type of work: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. NMLC-029395B
1b. Type of Well: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
2. Name of Operator APACHE CORPORATION		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.
3a. Address 303 VETERANS AIRPARK LN #1000 MIDLAND, TX 79705		8. Lease Name and Well No. LEE FEDERAL #43 <308720>
3b. Phone No. (include area code) 432-818-1167		9. API Well No. 30-015-43268
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.)* At surface 240' FSL & 380' FWL At proposed prod. zone SAME		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory CEDAR LAKE; GLORIETA-YESO <96831>
14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* APPROX 4 MILES EAST OF LOCO HILLS, NM		11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area SEC: 17 T17S R31E
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 240'	16. No. of acres in lease 1786.15 ACRES	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40 ACRES
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 530'	19. Proposed Depth 6500'	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file BLM-CO-1463 NATIONWIDE / NMB000736
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) GL: 3671'	22. Approximate date work will start* As Soon As Approved	23. Estimated duration ~ 8 DAYS
24. Attachments		

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

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

25. Signature <i>Sorina L Flores</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) SORINA L. FLORES	Date 10/15/14
Title SUPV OF DRILLING SERVICES		
Approved by (Signature) STEPHEN J. CAFFEY	Name (Printed/Typed) STEPHEN J. CAFFEY	Date JUL 29 2015
Title FIELD MANAGER		
Office CARLSBAD 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.

APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

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.

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*(Instructions on page 2)

Roswell Controlled Water Basin

**APPROVAL SUBJECT TO
 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
 AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS
 ATTACHED**

**SEE ATTACHED FOR
 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

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CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE
620 E. GREENE STREET
CARLSBAD, NM 88220

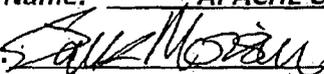
OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I HEARBY CERTIFY THAT I, OR SOMEONE UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION, HAVE INSPECTED THE DRILL SITE AND ACCESS ROUTE PROPOSED HEREIN; THAT I AM FAMILIAR WITH THE CONDITIONS WHICH CURRENTLY EXIST; THAT I HAVE FULL KNOWLEDGE OF STATE AND FEDERAL laws applicable to this operation; that the statements made in the APD package are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed in conformity with this APD package and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. I also certify that I, or the company I represent, am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of false statements.

Executed this 16 day of SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

Well: LEE FEDERAL #43

Operator Name: APACHE CORPORATION

Signature:  Printed Name: JAMES MOISAN

Title: Drilling Engineer Date: _____

Email (optional): James.moisan@apachecorp.com

Street or Box: 303 Veterans Airpark Ln., Ste. 3000

City, State, Zip Code: Midland, TX 79705

Telephone: 432-818-1637

Field Representative (if not above signatory): _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Telephone (if different from above): _____

Email (optional): _____

Agents not directly employed by the operator must submit a letter from the operator authorizing that the agent to act or file this application on their behalf.

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STATEMENT ACCEPTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATIONS

Operator Name: APACHE CORPORATION
Street or Box: 303 VETERANS AIRPARK LANE, STE. 1000
City, State: Midland, TX
Zip Code: 79705

The undersigned accepts all applicable terms, conditions, stipulations, and restrictions concerning operations conducted on the leased land or portion thereof, as described below:

Lease No: NMLC-029395B LEE FEDERAL #043

Legal Description of Land: 240' FSL & 380' FWL

UL: M Section: 17 Township: 17S Range: 31E

County: EDDY State: NM

Bond Coverage: \$150,000

Statewide Oil and Gas Surety Bond, APACHE CORPORATION.

BLM Bond File No.: BLM-CO-1463 NATIONWIDE / NMB000736

Signature: *Bobby L Smith* Printed Name: BOBBY L. SMITH

Title: DRILLING MANAGER, PERMIAN REGION

Date: 10/21/2014

NM OIL CONSERVATION

ARTESIA DISTRICT

Form C-102

DISTRICT I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
Phone: (575) 393-6161 Fax: (575) 393-0720

DISTRICT II
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210
Phone: (575) 748-1283 Fax: (575) 748-9720

DISTRICT III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
Phone: (505) 334-6178 Fax: (505) 334-6170

DISTRICT IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505
Phone: (505) 476-3460 Fax: (505) 476-3462

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

3 2015

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Submit one copy to appropriate District Office

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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AMENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-015-43268	Pool Code 96831	Pool Name Cedar Lake ; Glorieta - Yeso
Property Code 308720	Property Name LEE FEDERAL	Well Number 43
OGRID No. 873	Operator Name APACHE CORPORATION	Elevation 3671'

Surface Location

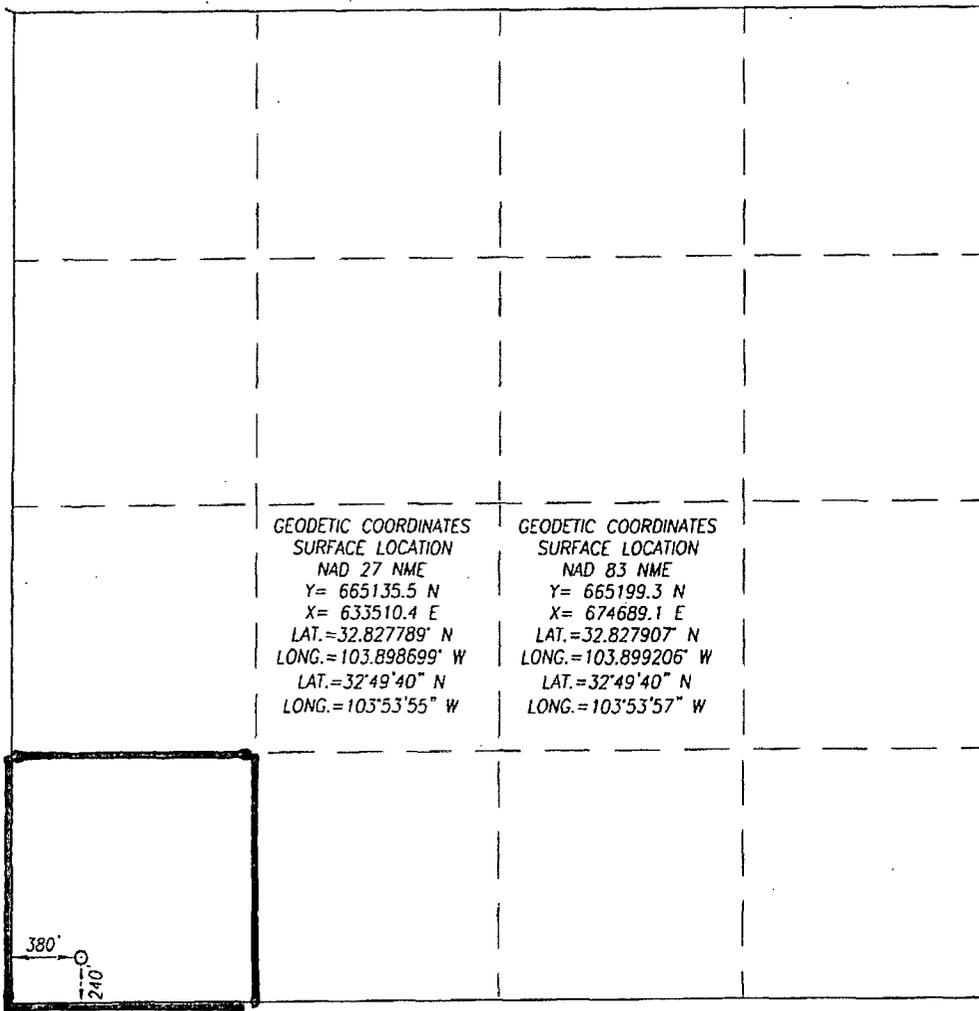
UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
M	17	17-S	31-E		240	SOUTH	380	WEST	EDDY

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 40	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No. NSL-6689
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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



GEODETIC COORDINATES
SURFACE LOCATION
NAD 27 NME
Y= 665135.5 N
X= 633510.4 E
LAT.=32.827789° N
LONG.=103.898699° W
LAT.=32°49'40" N
LONG.=103°53'55" W

GEODETIC COORDINATES
SURFACE LOCATION
NAD 83 NME
Y= 665199.3 N
X= 674689.1 E
LAT.=32.827907° N
LONG.=103.899206° W
LAT.=32°49'40" N
LONG.=103°53'57" W

OPERATOR CERTIFICATION
I hereby certify that the information herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.

Sorina L. Flores 10/15/14
Signature Date

Sorina L. Flores
Printed Name

sorina.flores@apachecorp.com
E-mail Address

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.

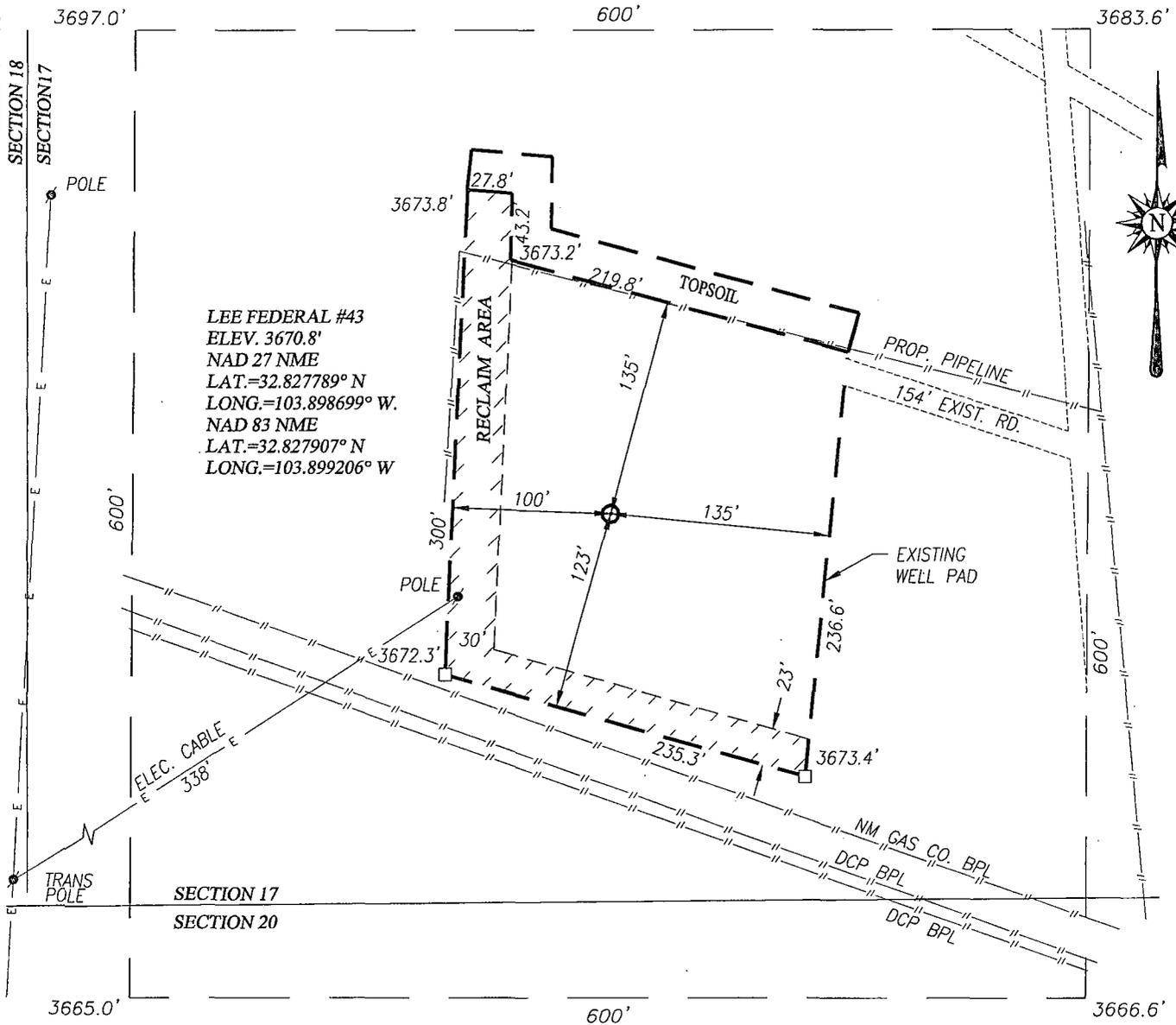
FEBRUARY 17, 2015
Date of Survey

Signature & Seal of Professional Surveyor:
Ronald J. Eidson 03/05/2015

Certificate Number Gary G. Eidson 12641
Ronald J. Eidson 3239

LSL REL. W.O.: 11.11.0344 JWSC W.O.: 15.11.0247

EXHIBIT #1C

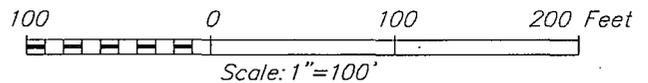


NOTE:
1) SEE "TOPOGRAPHICAL AND ACCESS ROAD MAP" FOR PROPOSED ROAD LOCATION.

////// RECLAIM AREA

DIRECTIONS TO LEE FEDERAL #43:

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF ST. HWY 529 AND US. HWY. 82 GO NORTHWEST ON US. HWY 82 FOR APPROX. 1.5 MILES, TURN RIGHT AND GO NORTHEAST AT A LEASE ROAD 0.3 MILES TURN LEFT AND GO NORTHWEST APPROX. 300', TURN RIGHT AND GO NORTH APPROX. 0.4 MILES THEN FOLLOW ROAD EAST FOR 157' TO THE NE. CORNER OF THIS LOCATION.



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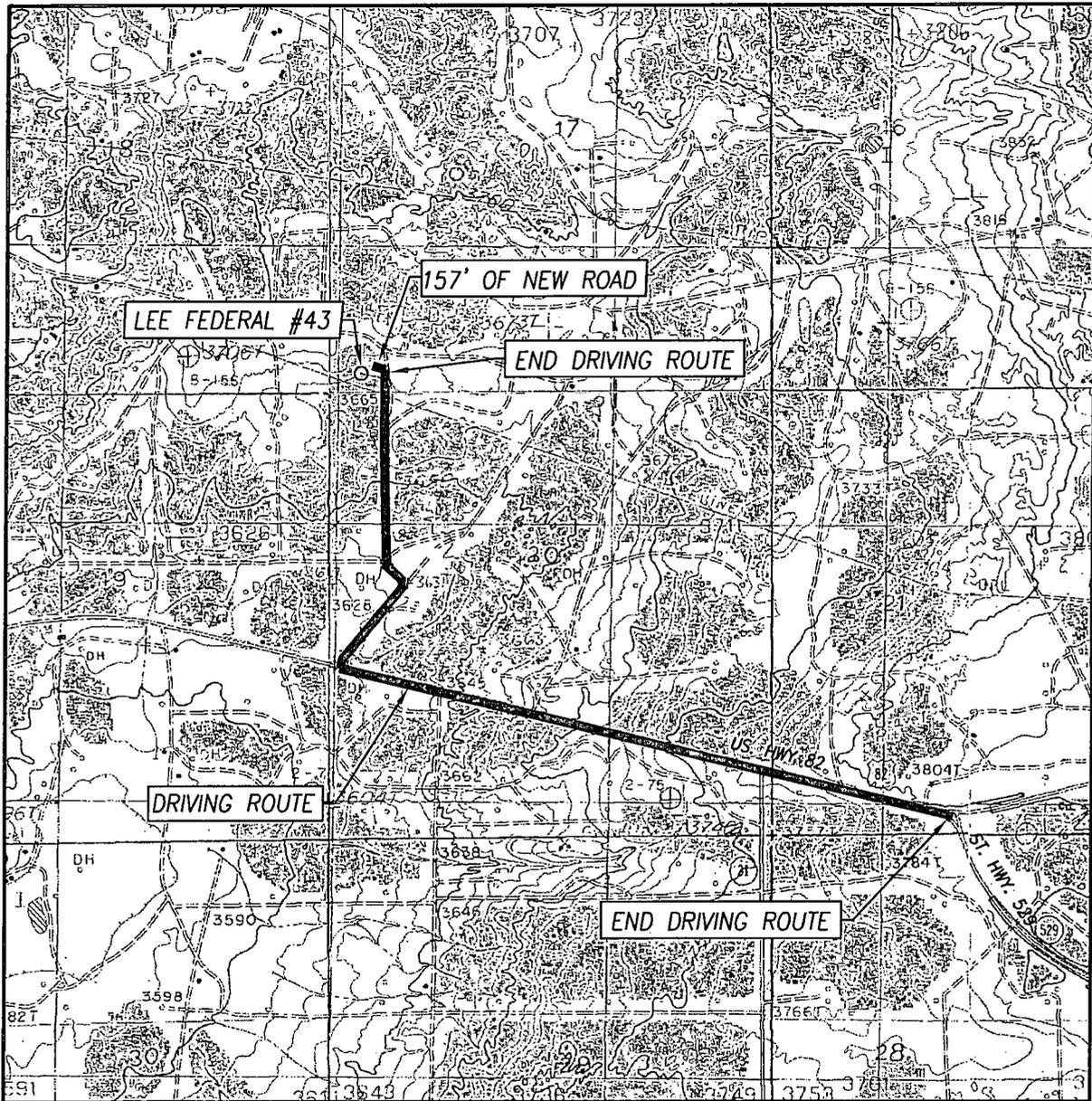
LEE FEDERAL #43 WELL
LOCATED 240 FEET FROM THE SOUTH LINE
AND 380 FEET FROM THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 17,
TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Survey Date: 2/13/15	CAD Date: 3/4/15	Drawn By: LSL
W.O. No.: 15110247	Rev: 3/17/15	Rel. W.O.:
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TOPOGRAPHICAL AND ACCESS ROAD MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:
LOCO HILLS, N.M. - 10'

SEC. 17 TWP. 17-S RGE. 31-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

COUNTY EDDY STATE NEW MEXICO

DESCRIPTION 240' FSL & 380' FWL

ELEVATION 3671'

OPERATOR APACHE CORPORATION

LEASE LEE FEDERAL

U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP
LOCO HILLS, N.M.

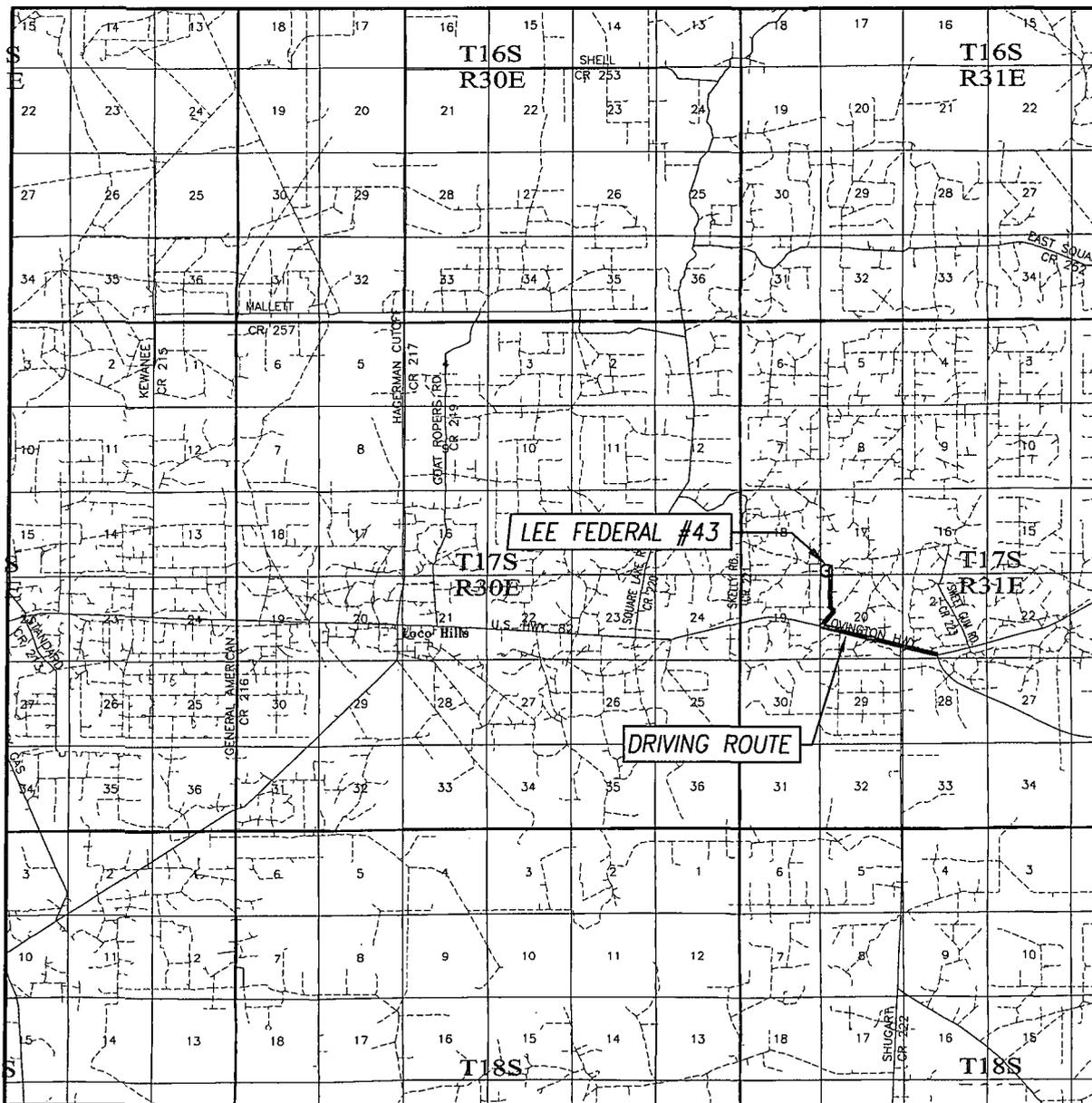
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VICINITY MAP



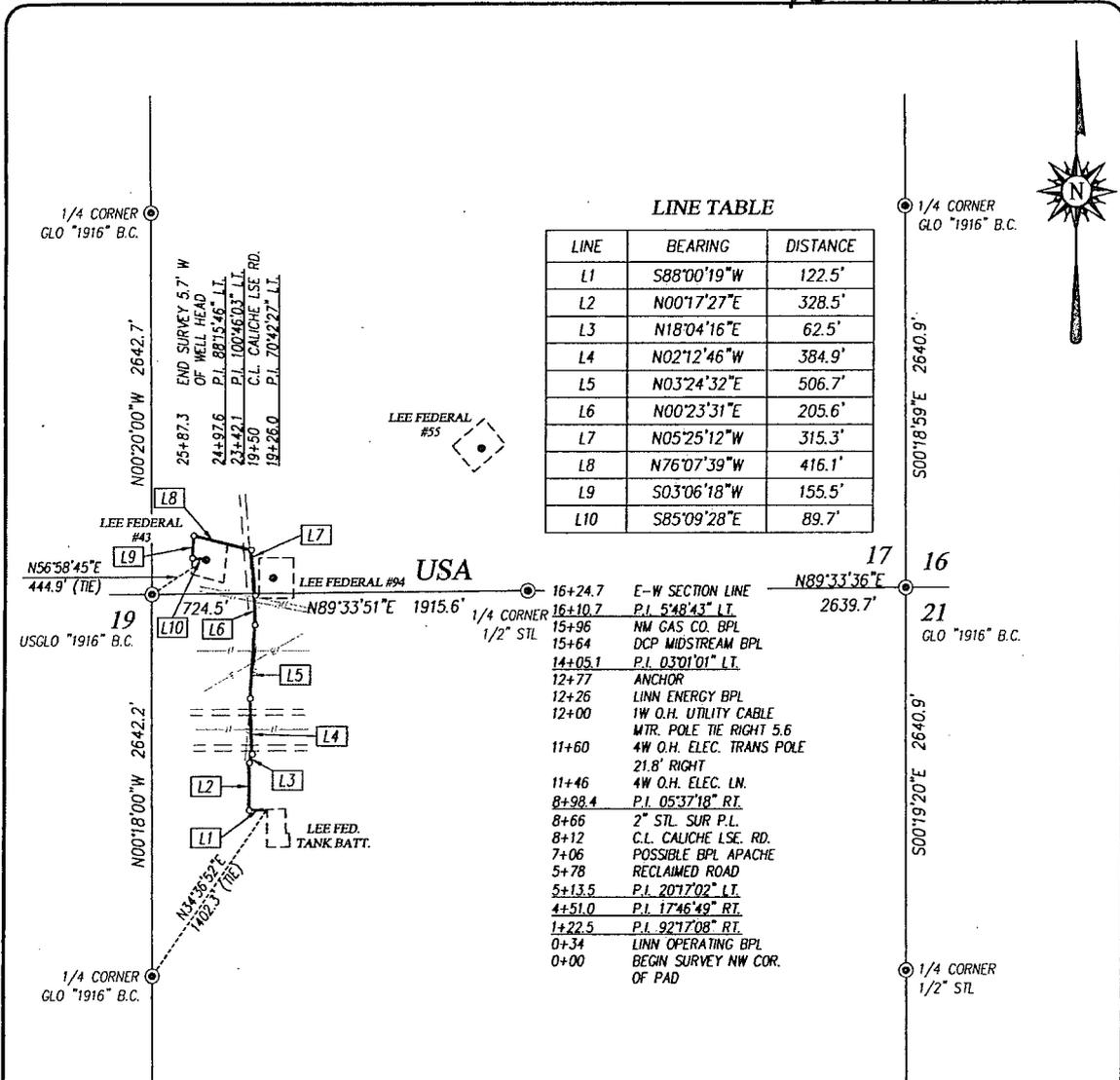
SCALE: 1" = 2 MILES

DRIVING ROUTE: SEE TOPOGRAPHICAL AND ACCESS ROAD MAP

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 SURVEY N.M.P.M.
 COUNTY EDDY STATE NEW MEXICO
 DESCRIPTION 240' FSL & 380' FWL
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 OPERATOR APACHE CORPORATION
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LINE TABLE

LINE	BEARING	DISTANCE
L1	S88°00'19"W	122.5'
L2	N00°17'27"E	328.5'
L3	N18°04'16"E	62.5'
L4	N02°12'46"W	384.9'
L5	N03°24'32"E	506.7'
L6	N00°23'31"E	205.6'
L7	N05°25'12"W	315.3'
L8	N76°07'39"W	416.1'
L9	S03°06'18"W	155.5'
L10	S85°09'28"E	89.7'

16+24.7 E-W SECTION LINE
 16+10.7 P.I. 5'48'43" LT.
 15+96 NW GAS CO. BPL
 15+64 DCP MIDSTREAM BPL
 14+05.1 P.I. 0'30'01" LT.
 12+77 ANCHOR
 12+26 LINN ENERGY BPL
 12+00 1W O.H. UTILITY CABLE
 MTR. POLE TIE RIGHT 5.6
 4W O.H. ELEC. TRANS POLE
 21.8' RIGHT
 11+60 4W O.H. ELEC. LN.
 8+98.4 P.I. 05'37'18" RT.
 8+66 2" STL. SUR P.L.
 8+12 C.L. CALICHE LSE. RD.
 7+06 POSSIBLE BPL APACHE
 5+78 RECLAIMED ROAD
 5+13.5 P.I. 20'17'02" LT.
 4+51.0 P.I. 17'46'49" RT.
 1+22.5 P.I. 92'17'08" RT.
 0+34 LINN OPERATING BPL
 0+00 BEGIN SURVEY NW COR.
 OF PAD

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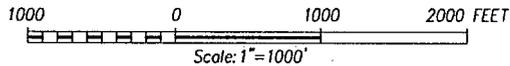
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NOTE

BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE MERCATOR GRID AND CONFORM TO THE NEW MEXICO COORDINATE SYSTEM "NEW MEXICO EAST ZONE" NORTH AMERICAN DATUM 1983. DISTANCES ARE SURFACE VALUES.

LEGEND

⊙ DENOTES FOUND CORNER AS NOTED



I, RONALD J. EIDSON, NEW MEXICO PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR No. 12641, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SURVEY PLAT AND THE ACTUAL SURVEY ON THE GROUND UPON WHICH IT IS BASED WERE PERFORMED BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION; THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS SURVEY; THAT THIS SURVEY MEETS THE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SURVEYING IN NEW MEXICO, AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RONALD J. EIDSON

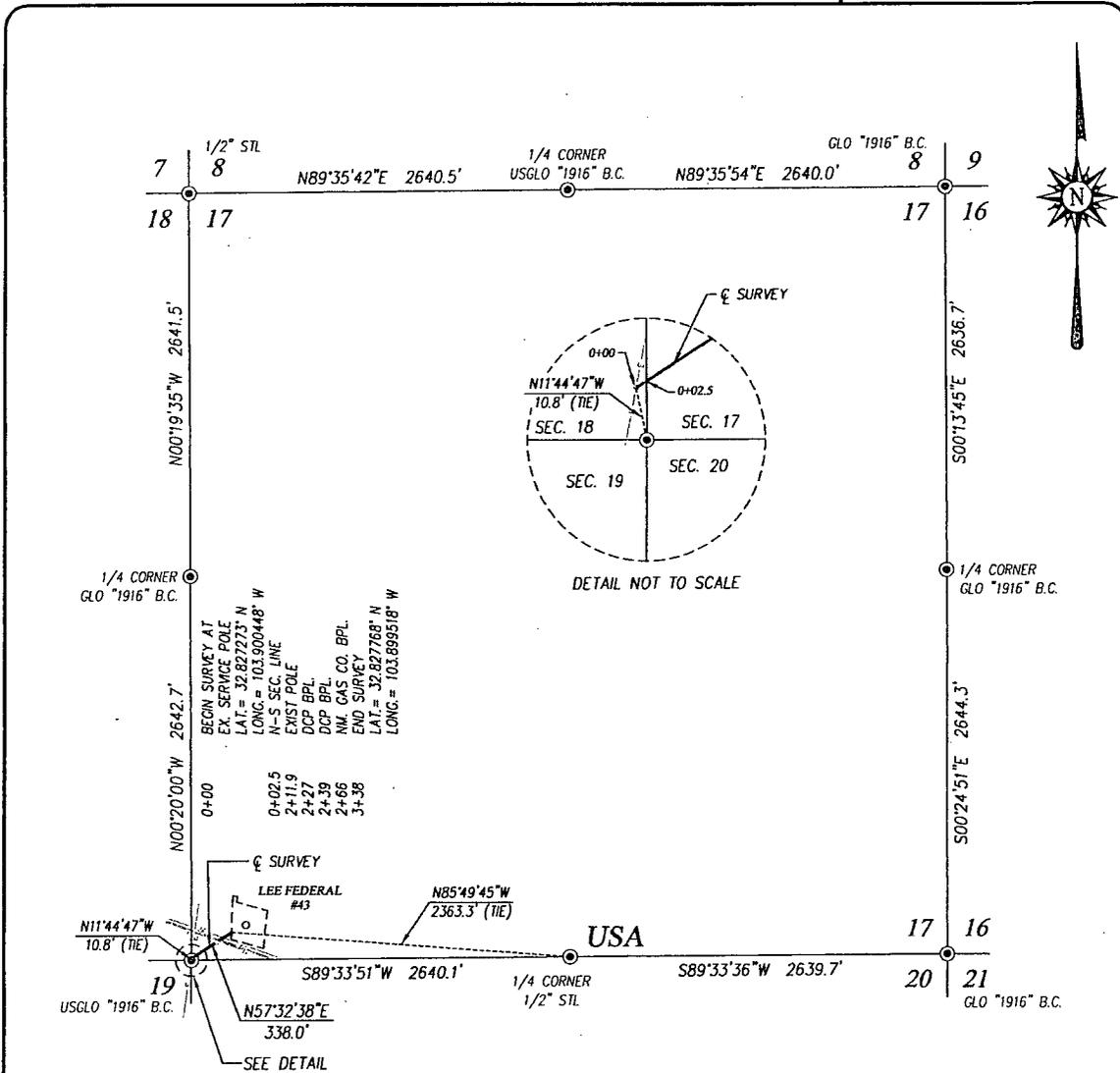
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APACHE CORPORATION

SURVEY FOR A PIPELINE
 TO CONNECT THE LEE FEDERAL #43
 CROSSING SECTIONS 17 & 20, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH,
 RANGE 31 EAST, N.M.P.M.,
 EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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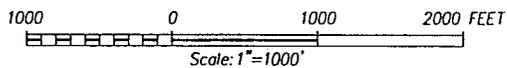
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NOTE

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- 2) LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE VALUES SHOWN HEREON ARE RELATIVE TO THE NORTH AMERICAN DATUM 1983 (NAD83).

LEGEND

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RONALD J. EIDSON *Ronald J. Eidson*
DATE: 03/09/2015

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APACHE CORPORATION

SURVEY FOR AN ELECTRIC LINE TO
THE LEE FEDERAL #43
CROSSING SECTIONS 17 & 18,
TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, N.M.P.M.
EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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APACHE CORPORATION

Lee Federal #43

Sec: 17 T17S R31E Eddy Co.

1 MILE RADIUS



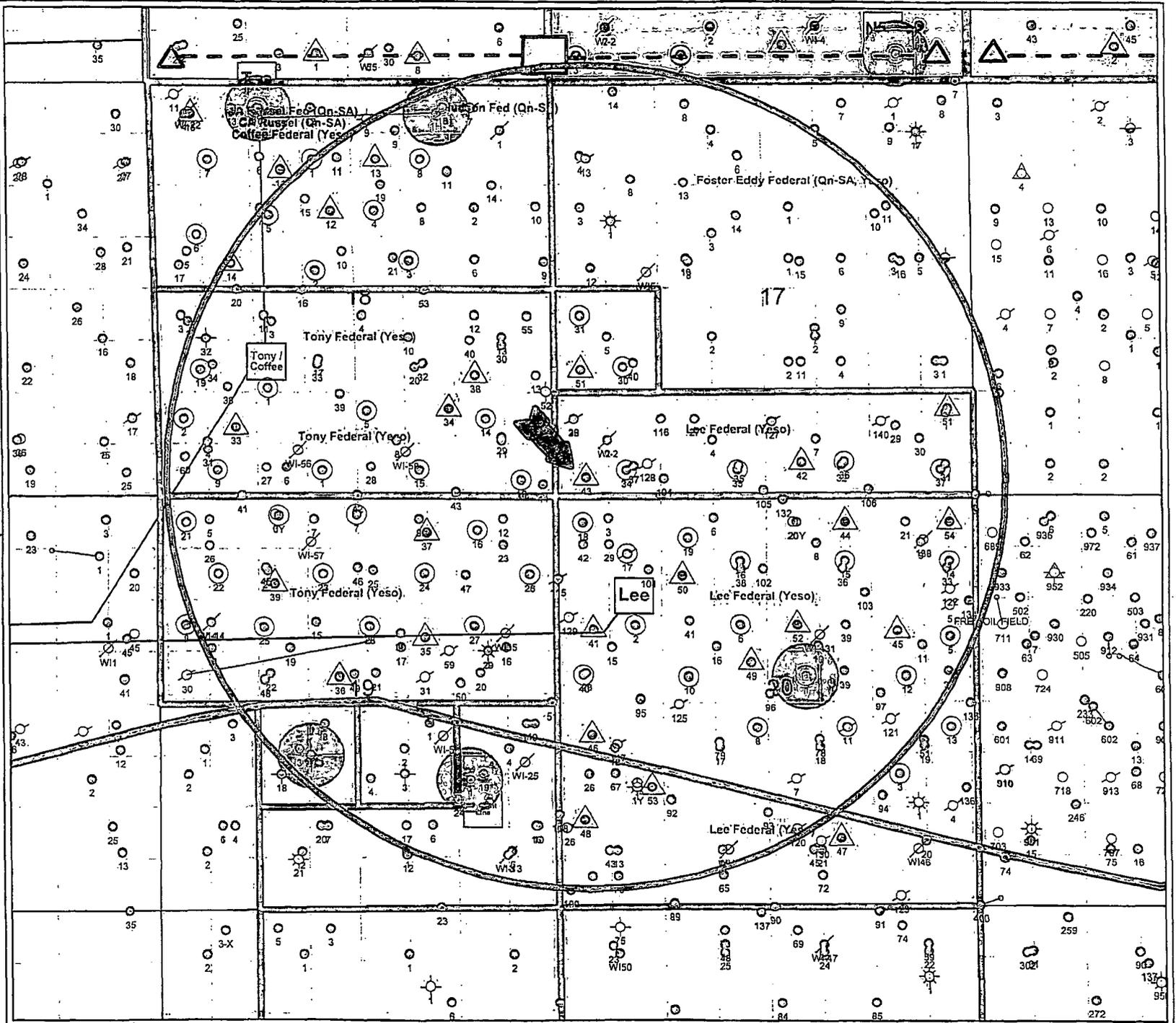
POSTED WELL DATA

Well Number

- WELL SYMBOLS
- Abandoned Well
 - ⊕ Dry Hole, With Show of Oil
 - Dry Hole
 - ⊙ Gas Well
 - ⊖ Injection Well
 - Location
 - △ Proposed Drilling Location
 - Oil Well
 - ⊙ Active Producer
 - △ Service Well

September 28, 2011

Exhibit #2
 Nearest well: ~530'



DRILLING PLAN: BLM COMPLIANCE
(Supplement to BLM 3160-3)

APACHE CORPORATION (OGRID: 873) LEE FEDERAL #43

1. **GEOLOGIC NAME OF SURFACE FORMATION:** Eolian/Piedmond Alluvial Deposits
2. **ESTIMATED TOPS OF GEOLOGICAL MARKERS & DEPTHS OF ANTICIPATED FRESH WATER, OIL OR GAS:**

Eolian/Piedmont Alluvials	Surface	Queen	2357'
Rustler	200'	Grayburg	2672' (Oil)
Salt Top	500'	San Andres	3068' (Oil)
Salt Bottom	1230'	Glorieta	4552' (Oil)
Yates	1458'	Yeso	4619' (Oil)
Seven Rivers	1760'	TD	6500'

Depth to Ground Water: ~ 91'

All fresh water & prospectively valuable minerals, as described by BLM, encountered during drilling, will be recorded by depth and adequately protected. All oil & gas shows within zones of correlative rights will be tested to determine commercial potential. The surface fresh water sands will be protected by setting 13-3/8" csg @ 335' & circ cmt back to surface. All intervals will be isolated by setting 5-1/2" csg to TD & circ cmt above the base of 8-5/8" csg.

** Apache proposes to drill, run & set 5-1/2" csg to TD +/- 6400' TVD, +/- 6444' MD (EOB: +/- 4138' MD/TVD)

3. **CASING PROGRAM:** All casing is new & API approved

HOLE SIZE	DEPTH	OD CSG	WEIGHT	COLLAR	GRADE	COLLAPSE	BURST	TENSION
17-1/2"	0' -335'	13-3/8"	48#	STC	H-40	1.125	1.0	1.8
11"	0'-3500'	8-5/8"	32#	STC	J-55	1.125	1.0	1.8
7-7/8"	0'-6400'	5-1/2"	17#	LTC	J-55	1.125	1.0	1.8

4. **CEMENT PROGRAM:**

A. 13-3/8" Surface (100% excess / cmt to surface):

Lead: 370 sx Class C w/ 1% CaCl₂ (14.8 wt, 1.34 yld, 6.34 gal/sk)

Comp Strengths: 12 hr – 813 psi 24 hr – 1205 psi

* If lost circ is encountered in the 17-1/2" hole, 100 sx Cl C Thrixotropic cmt (14.4 wt, 1.55 yld, 6.65 gal/sk) may be pumped ahead of the cmt slurry listed in the above cmt program

B. 8-5/8" Intermediate (100% excess / cmt to surface):

Lead: 790 sx (35:65) Poz C w/ 6% Bentonite + 5% Salt (12.4 wt, 2.1 yld, 11.64 gal/sk)

Compressive Strengths: 12 hr – 589 psi 24 hr – 947 psi

Tail: 220 sx Class C (14.8 wt, 1.34 yld, 6.31 gal/sk)

Compressive Strengths: 12 hr – 813 psi 24 hr – 1205 psi

C. 5-1/2" Production (30% excess / TOC ~ 500' from surface):

Lead: 390 sx (35:65) Poz C w/ 6% Bentonite + 5% Salt (12.4 wt, 2.1 yld, 11.64 gal/sk)

Compressive Strengths: 12 hr – 589 psi 24 hr – 947 psi

Tail: 520 sx (50:50) Poz C w/ 2% Bentonite + 5% Salt (14.2 wt, 1.28 yld, 5.89 gal/sk)

Compressive Strengths: 12 hr – 1379 psi 24 psi – 2332 psi

** The above cmt volumes could be revised pending caliper measurement from open hole logs. For Surface csg: If cmt does not circ to surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified, TOC shall be determined by a method approved by BLM, operator will propose a remediation method & request BLM approval.

*** **Known water flow in the area.** If water flow is encountered, Apache may 2-stage Intermediate csg. A DVT may be used in the 8-5/8" Intermediate csg. An ECP may be placed below DVT. Csg slips may be set before cmtg. TD of the 11" hole at +/- 3500'. Assuming DVT set at +/- 1800', the following cmt will be used: **Cmt 1st Stage** w/ +/- 680 sx Cl C (14.8#, 1.33 yld, 6.31 gal/sk) 100% excess cmt **Cmt 2nd Stage** w/ +/- 790 sx Cl C (14.8#, 1.33 yld, 6.31 gal/sk) 100% excess cmt If DVT is set at a different depth, cmt volumes will be adjusted accordingly.

5. PROPOSED CONTROL EQUIPMENT

"EXHIBIT 3" shows a 13-5/8" 3M psi WP BOP consisting of an annular bag type preventer. The BOP will be nipped up on the 13-3/8" surface csg head & tested to 2000psi using test plug. After intermediate csg is set & cemented a 13-5/8" or 11" 3M BOP consisting of an annular bag type preventer, middle pipe rams, and bottom blind rams (see "EXHIBIT 3A") will be installed & utilized continuously until TD is reached. The BOP will be tested at 2000 psi (maximum surface pressure is not expected to exceed 2M psi). BHP is calculated to be approximately 2816 psi. All BOPs & associated equipment will be tested as per BLM *Drilling Operations Order #2*. The BOPs will be operated and checked each 24 hr period & the blind rams will be operated & checked when the drill pipe is out of the hole. Function tests will be documented on the daily driller's log. "EXHIBITS 3 & 3A" also show a 3M psi choke manifold with a 3" blow down line. Full opening stabbing valve & kelly cock will be on derrick floor in case of need. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected in this well. No nearby wells have encountered any well control problems.

6. PROPOSED MUD CIRCULATION SYSTEM: (Closed Loop System)

INTERVAL	MW (ppg)	VISC (sec/qt)	FLUID LOSS (cc)	MUD TYPE
0' -335'	8.4	29	NC	Fresh Water
335' to 3500'	9.8 - 10.0	29	NC	Brine
3500' - 6400'	8.9 - 9.0	29	NC	Cut Brine

**** Visual mud monitoring equipment shall be in place to detect volume changes. A mud test shall be performed every 24 hrs after mudding up to determine, as applicable: density, viscosity, gel strength, filtration, and pH. The necessary mud products for weight addition & fluid loss control will be on location at all times. In order to run open hole logs & casing, the above mud properties may be altered to meet these needs.**

7. AUXILIARY WELL CONTROL EQUIPMENT / MONITORING EQUIPMENT:

13-5/8" x 3000 psi annular bag type preventer (3M BOP/BOPE to be used as 2M system)
13-5/8" or 11" x 3000 psi double BOP (blind & pipe rams) and annular (3M BOP/BOPE to be used as 2M system)
4-1/2" x 3000 psi Kelly valve
13-5/8" or 11" 3000 psi mud cross - H2S detector on production hole
Gate-type safety valve - 3" choke line from BOP to manifold
2" adjustable chokes - 3" blow down line
Fill up line as per Onshore Order 2

8. LOGGING, CORING & TESTING PROGRAM:

- A. OH logs: Dual Laterolog, MSFL, CNL, Litho-Density, Gamma Ray, Caliper & Sonic from TD back to 8-5/8" csg shoe.
- B. Run CNL, Gamma Ray from 8-5/8" csg shoe back to surface.
- C. No cores, DST's or mud logger are planned at this time.
- D. Additional testing will be initiated subsequent to setting the 5-1/2" production casing. Specific intervals will be targeted based on log evaluation, geological sample shows & drill stem tests.

9. POTENTIAL HAZARDS:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. In the event abnormal pressures are encountered, however, the proposed mud program will be modified to increase the mud-weight. There is known presence of H₂S in this area. If H₂S is encountered the operator will comply with the provisions of *Onshore Oil & Gas Order No. 6*. No lost circulation is expected to occur. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Estimated BHP: 2860 psi (0.44 psi/ft) and estimated BHT: 115°.

10. ANTICIPATED STARTING DATE AND DURATION OF OPERATIONS:

Road and location construction will begin after BLM has approved APD. Anticipated spud date will be as soon after Santa Fe and BLM approval and as soon as rig will be available. Move in operations and drilling is expected to take 10 days. If production casing is run then an additional 90 days will be needed to complete well and construct surface facilities and/or lay flow lines in order to place well on production.

11. OTHER FACETS OF OPERATION:

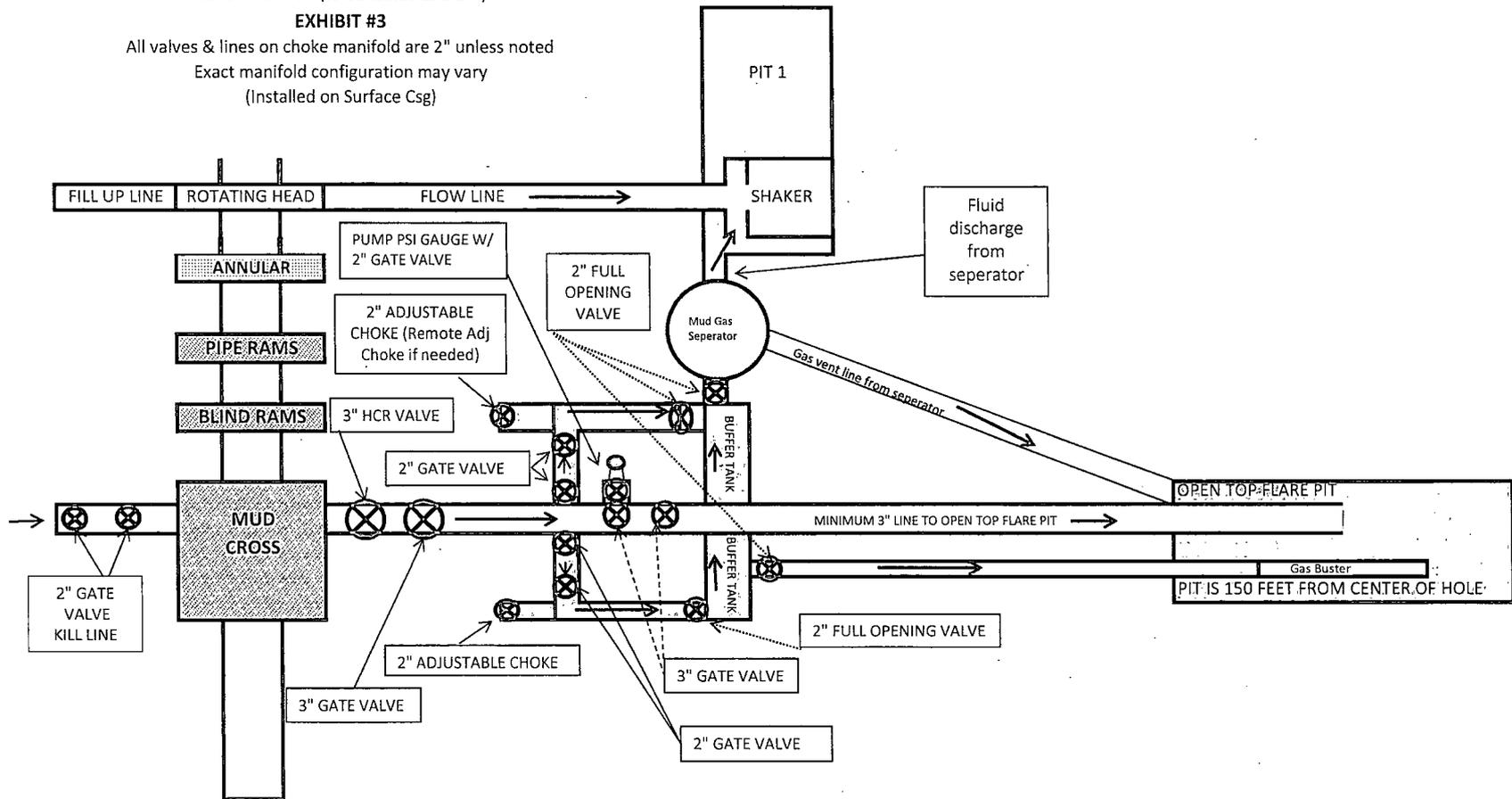
After running csg, cased hole Gamma Ray, Neutron Collar logs will be run from TD back to all possible productive zones. The Cedar Lake; Glorieta-Yeso formation will be perforated and stimulated in order to establish production. The well will be swab tested & potentialized as an oil well.

APACHE BOP AND CHOKE MANIFOLD SCHEMATIC

11" 3M PSI BOP (to be tested as a 2M)

EXHIBIT #3

All valves & lines on choke manifold are 2" unless noted
 Exact manifold configuration may vary
 (Installed on Surface Csg)

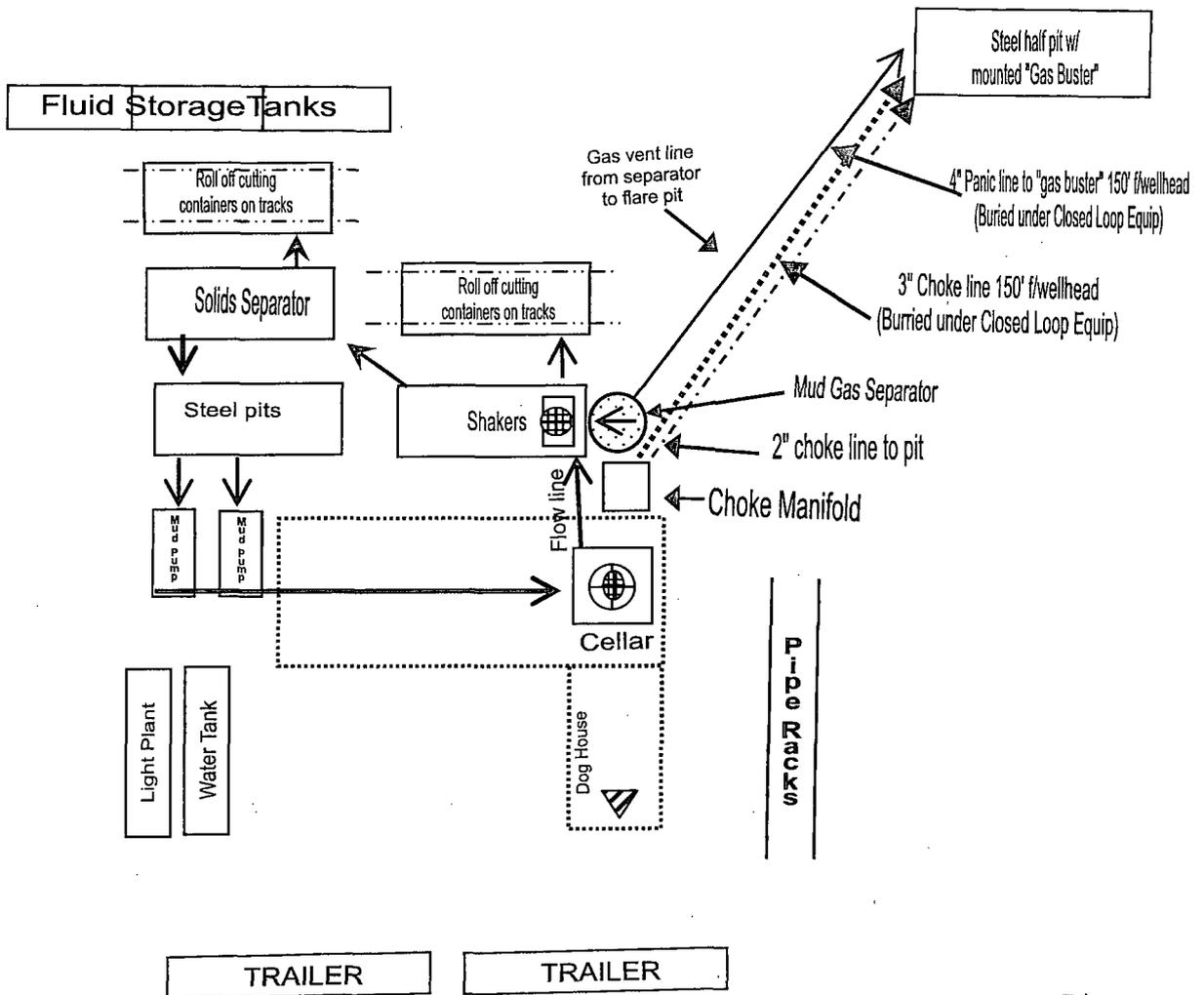
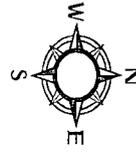


*** If H2S is encountered in quantities greater than 100ppm, Apache will shut in well & install a remote operated choke ***

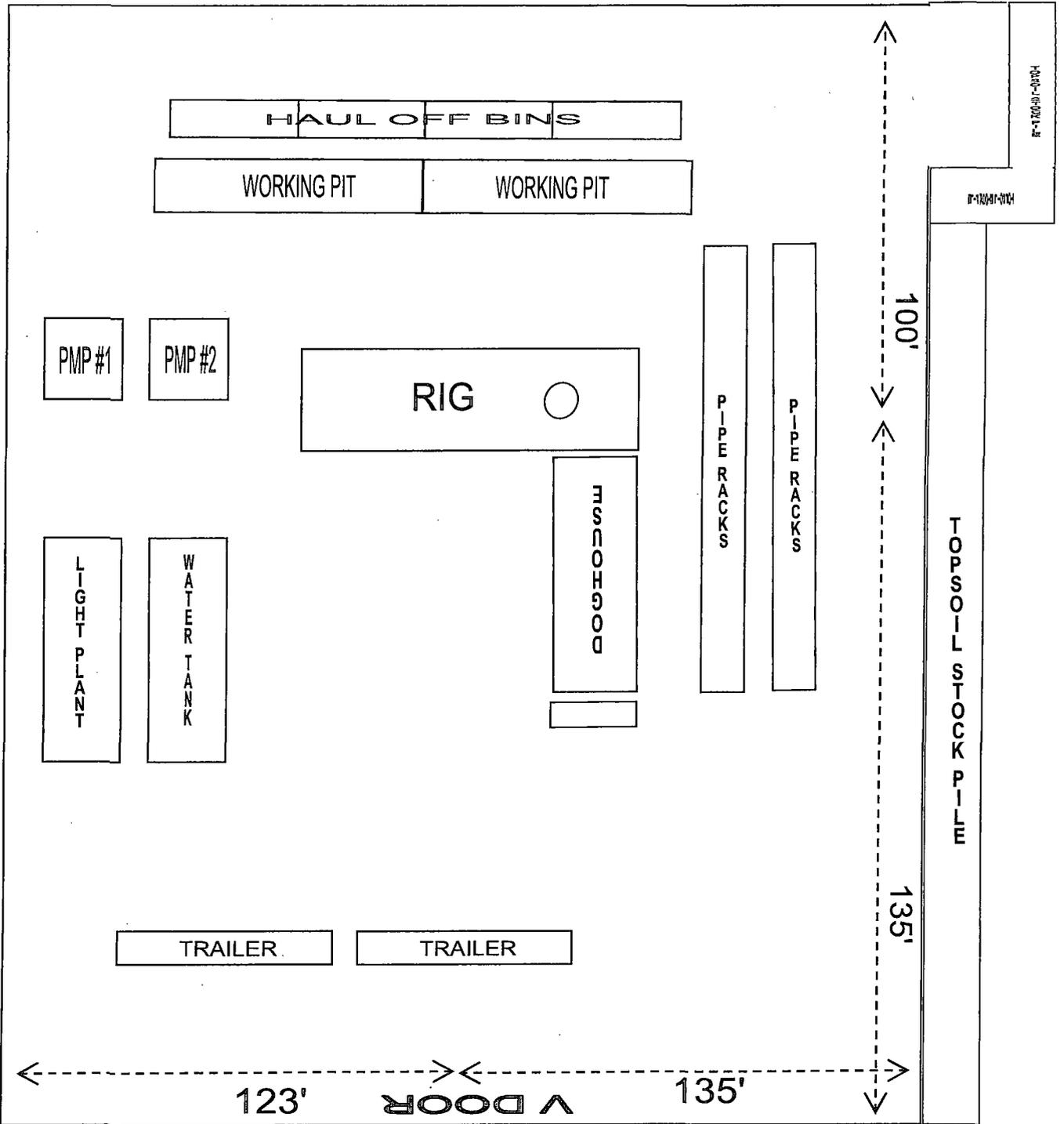
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Closed Loop Equipment Diagram

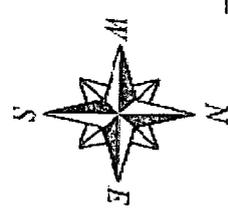
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APPROX 150' OF PROPOSED ROAD



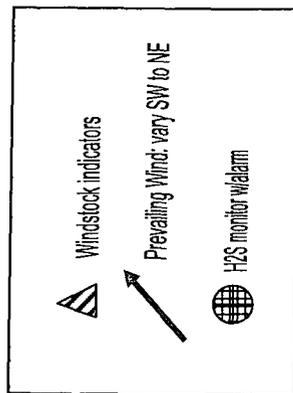
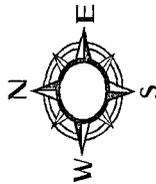
Approx 154' of
proposed road



**RIG ORIENTATION
& LAYOUT
LEE FEDERAL #43
EXHIBIT 5**

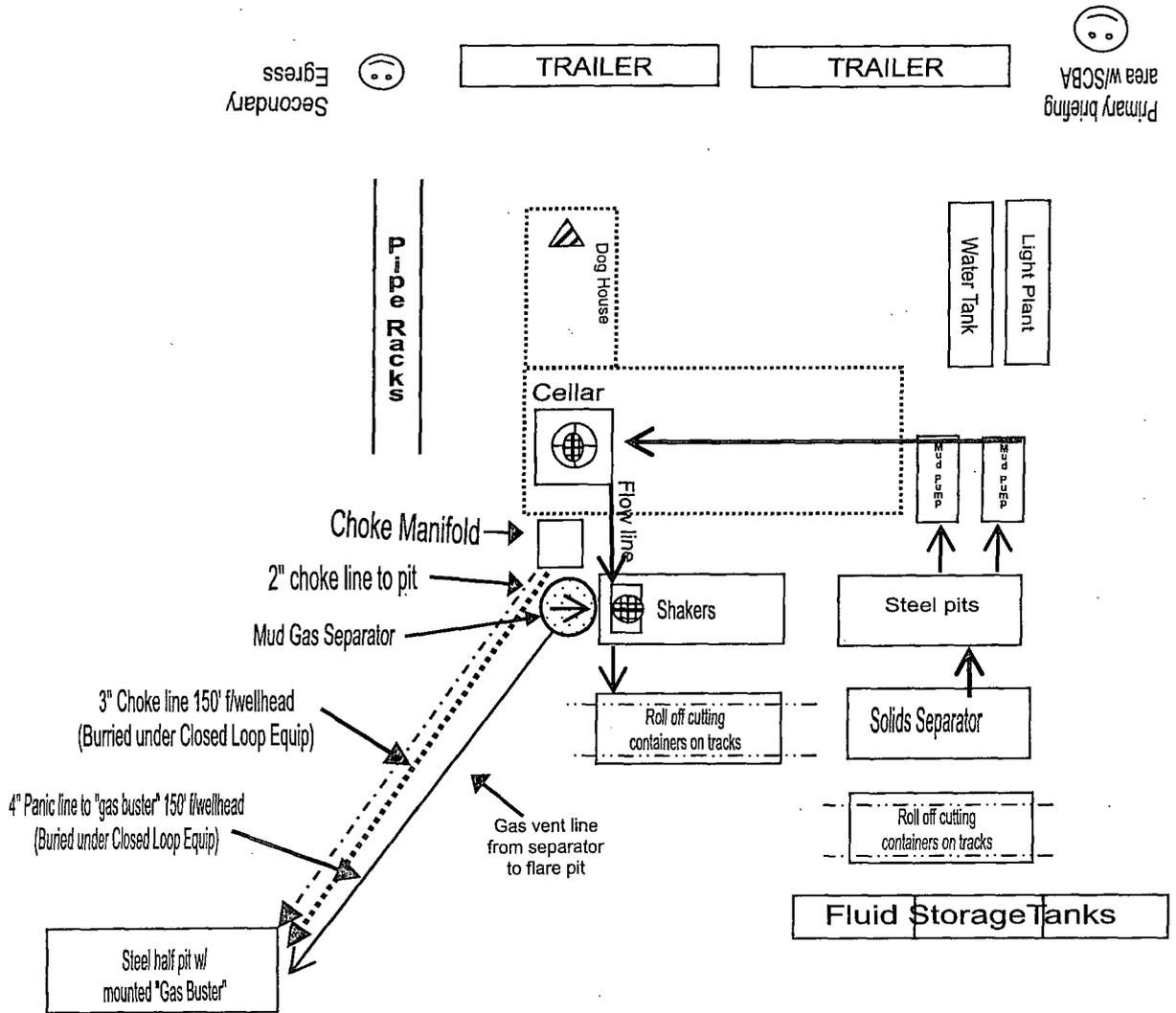


Drilling Location
H2S Safety Equipment Diagram
Exhibit 3A



H2S Warning Sign
~ 200' but no
more than 500'
from well location

Approx 154' of
proposed road



Secondary
Egress

Primary briefing
area w/SCBA

HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H₂S) DRILLING OPERATIONS PLAN

Hydrogen Sulfide Training:

All regularly assigned personnel, contracted or employed by Apache Corporation will receive training from qualified instructor(s) in the following areas prior to commencing drilling possible hydrogen sulfide bearing formations in this well:

- The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H₂S)
- The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
- The proper use of H₂S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing area, evacuation procedures & prevailing winds.
- The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.

Supervisory personnel will be trained in the following areas:

- The effects of H₂S on metal components. If high tensile tubulars are to be utilized, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
- Corrective action & shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well & blowout prevention / well control procedures.
- The contents and requirements of the H₂S Drilling Operations Plan

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H₂S zone (within 3 days or 500') and weekly H₂S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H₂S Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan. This plan shall be available at the well site. All personnel will be required to carry documentation that they have received proper training.

H₂S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS:

Well Control Equipment that will be available & installed if H₂S is encountered:

- Flare Line with electronic igniter or continuous pilot.
- Choke manifold with a minimum of one remote choke.
- Blind rams & pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing unit.
- Auxiliary equipment to include: annular preventer, mud-gas separator, rotating head & flare gun with flares

Protective Equipment for Essential Personnel:

- Mark II Survive-air 30 minute units located in dog house & at briefing areas, as indicated on wellsite diagram.

H₂S Detection and Monitoring Equipment:

- Two portable H₂S monitors positioned on location for best coverage & response. These units have warning lights & audible sirens when H₂S levels of 20 ppm are reached.
- One portable H₂S monitor positioned near flare line.

H₂S Visual Warning Systems:

- Wind direction indicators are shown on wellsite diagram.
- Caution / Danger signs shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted a high visibility yellow with black lettering of sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used when appropriate. "EXHIBIT 7"

Mud Program:

- The Mud Program has been designed to minimize the volume of H₂S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weights, safe drilling practices & the use of H₂S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H₂S bearing zones.
- A mud-gas separator and H₂S gas buster will be utilized as needed.

Metallurgy:

- All drill strings, casing, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventers, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold & lines, & valves will be suitable for H₂S service.
- All elastomers used for packing & seals shall be H₂S trim.

Communication:

- Cellular telephone and 2-way radio communications in company vehicles, rig floor and mud logging trailer.

HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H₂S) CONTINGENCY PLAN

Assumed 100 ppm ROE = 3000'

100 ppm H₂S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.

Emergency Procedures

In the event of a release of gas containing H₂S, the first responder(s) must

- Isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE.
- Evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE.
- Be equipped with H₂S monitors and air packs in order to control the release.
- Use the "buddy system" to ensure no injuries occur during the response
- Take precautions to avoid personal injury during this operation.
- Contact operators and/or local officials to aid in operation. See list of phone numbers attached.
- Have received training in the :
 - Detection of H₂S, and
 - Measures for protection against the gas,
 - Equipment used for protection and emergency response.

Ignition of Gas source

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever this is an ignition of the gas.

Characteristics of H₂S and SO₂

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity	Threshold Limit	Hazardous Limit	Lethal Concentration
Hydrogen Sulfide	H ₂ S	1.189 Air = 1	10 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO ₂	2.21 Air = 1	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm

Contacting Authorities

Apache Corporation personnel must liaison with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available including directions to site. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. Apache's response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's "Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan" (HMER).

WELL CONTROL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

I. GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

Our objective is to ensure that during an emergency, a predetermined procedure is followed so that prompt decisions can be made based on accurate information.

The best way to handle an emergency is with an experienced organization set up for the sole purpose of solving the problem. The *Well Control Emergency Response Team* was organized to handle dangerous & expensive well control problems. The *Team* is structured such that each individual can contribute the most from his area of expertise. Key decision-makers are determined prior to an emergency to avoid confusion about who is in charge.

If the well is flowing uncontrolled at the surface or subsurface, *The Emergency Response Team* will be mobilized. The *Team* is customized for the people currently on the Apache staff. Staff changes may require a change in the plan.

II. EMERGENCY PROCEDURE ON DRILLING OR COMPLETION OPERATIONS

- A. In the event of an emergency the *Drilling Foreman* or *Tool-Pusher* will immediately contact only one of the following starting with the first name listed:

Name	Office	Mobile	Home
Richard McKay – Drlg Superintendent	432-818-1628	432-234-7430	
James Moisan – Drilling Engineer	432-818-1637		
Bobby Smith – Drilling Manager	432-818-1020	432-556-7701	
Bill Jones – EH&S Coordinator		432-967-9576	

***This one phone call will free the Drilling Foreman to devote his full time to securing the safety of personnel & equipment. This call will initiate the process to mobilize the Well Control Emergency Response Team. Apache maintains an Emergency Telephone Conference Room in the Houston office. This room is available for us by the Permian Region. The room has 50 separate telephone lines.*

- B. The Apache employee contacted by the Drilling Foreman will begin contacting the rest of the *Team*. If **Richard McKay** is out of contact, **James Moisan** will be notified.
- C. If a member of the *Emergency Response Team* is away from the job, he must be available for call back. Telephone numbers should be left with secretaries or a key decision-maker.
- D. Apache's reporting procedure for spills or releases of oil or hazardous materials will be implemented when spills or releases have occurred or are probable.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE NUMBERS:

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	
Eddy County	575-887-7551
Lea County	575-396-3611
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
	911
Artesia	575-746-5050
Carlsbad	575-885-2111
Eunice	575-394-2111
Hobbs	575-397-9308
Jal	575-395-2221
Lovington	575-396-2359
HOSPITALS	
	911
Artesia Medical Emergency	575-746-5050
Carlsbad Medical Emergency	575-885-2111
Eunice Medical Emergency	575-394-2112
Hobbs Medical Emergency	575-397-9308
Jal Medical Emergency	575-395-2221
Lovington Medical Emergency	575-396-2359
AGENT NOTIFICATIONS	
Bureau of Land Management	575-393-3612
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division	575-393-6161

EXHIBIT #7

WARNING

**YOU ARE ENTERING AN H2S AREA
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY**

- 1. BEARDS OR CONTACT LENSES NOT ALLOWED**
- 2. HARD HATS REQUIRED**
- 3. SMOKING DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY**
- 4. BE WIND CONSCIOUS AT ALL TIMES**
- 5. CHECK WITH APACHE CORPORATION**

APACHE CORPORATION

1-888-257-6840

Surface Use Plan of Operations

Introduction

The following surface use plan of operations will be followed and carried out once the APD is approved. No other disturbance will be created other than what was submitted in this surface use plan. If any other surface disturbance is needed after the APD is approved, a BLM approved sundry notice or right of way application will be acquired prior to any new surface disturbance.

Before any surface disturbance is created, stakes or flagging will be installed to mark boundaries of permitted areas of disturbance, including soils storage areas. As necessary, slope, grade, and other construction control stakes will be placed to ensure construction in accordance with the surface use plan. All boundary markers will be maintained in place until final construction cleanup is completed. If disturbance boundary markers are disturbed or knocked down, they will be replaced before construction proceeds.

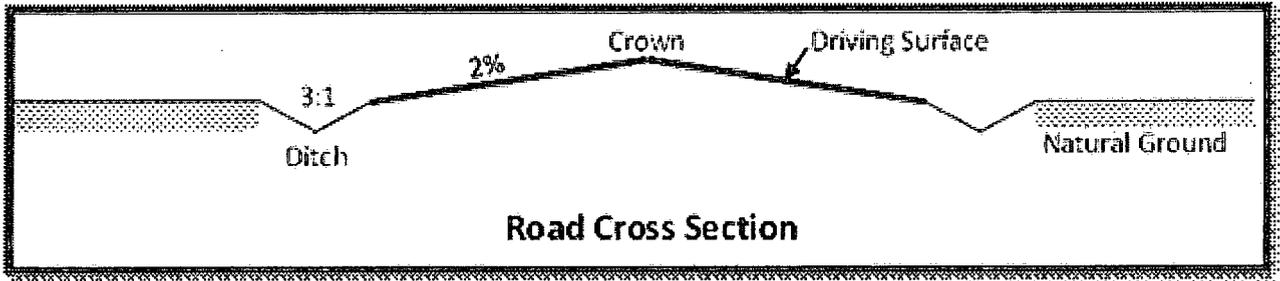
If terms and conditions are attached to the approved APD and amend any of the proposed actions in this surface use plan, we will adhere to the terms and conditions.

1. Existing Roads

- a. The existing access road route to the proposed project is depicted on EXHIBIT 1. Improvements to the driving surface will be done where necessary. No new surface disturbance will be done, unless otherwise noted in the New or Reconstructed Access Roads section of this surface use plan..
- b. The existing access road route to the proposed project does not cross lease or unit boundaries, so a BLM right-of-way grant will not be acquired for this proposed road route.
- c. The operator will improve or maintain existing roads in a condition the same as or better than before operations begin. The operator will repair pot holes, clear ditches, repair the crown, etc. All existing structures on the entire access route such as cattleguards, other range improvement projects, culverts, etc. will be properly repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use.
- d. We will prevent and abate fugitive dust as needed, whether created by vehicular traffic, equipment operations, or wind events. BLM written approval will be acquired before application of surfactants, binding agents, or other dust suppression chemicals on roadways.

2. New or Reconstructed Access Roads

- a. An access road will be needed for this proposed project. See the survey plat for the location of the access road.
- b. The length of access road needed to be constructed for this proposed project is about 154 feet.
- c. The maximum driving width of the access road will be 14 feet. The maximum width of surface disturbance when constructing the access road will not exceed 25 feet. All areas outside of the driving surface will be revegetated.
- d. The access road will be constructed with 6 inches of compacted ROLLED & COMPACTED CALICHE.
- e. When the road travels on fairly level ground, the road will be crowned and ditched with a 2% slope from the tip of the road crown to the edge of the driving surface. The ditches will be 3 feet wide with 3:1 slopes. See Road Cross Section diagram below.



- f. The access road will be constructed with a ditch on each side of the road.
- g. The maximum grade for the access road will be 2 percent.
- h. No turnouts will be constructed on the proposed access road.
- i. No cattleguards will be installed for this proposed access road.
- j. No BLM right-of-way grant is needed for the construction of this access road.
- k. No culverts will be constructed for this proposed access road.
- l. No low water crossings will be constructed for the access road.
- m. Since the access road is on level ground, no lead-off ditches will be constructed for the proposed access road.
- n. Newly constructed or reconstructed roads, on surface under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, will be constructed as outlined in the BLM "Gold Book" and to meet the standards of the anticipated traffic flow and all anticipated weather requirements as needed. Construction will include ditching, draining, crowning and capping or sloping and dipping the roadbed as necessary to provide a well-constructed and safe road.

3. Location of Existing Wells

- a. EXHIBIT 2 of the APD depicts all known wells within a one mile radius of the proposed well.
- b. There is no other information regarding wells within a one mile radius.

4. Location of Existing and/or Proposed Production Facilities

- a. All permanent, lasting more than 6 months, above ground structures including but not limited to pumpjacks, storage tanks, barrels, pipeline risers, meter housing, etc. that are not subject to safety requirements will be painted a non-reflective paint color, Shale Green, from the BLM Standard Environmental Colors chart, unless another color is required in the APD Conditions of Approval.
- b. If any type of production facilities are located on the well pad, they will be strategically placed to allow for maximum interim reclamation, recontouring, and revegetation of the well location.
- c. Production from the proposed well will be transported to the production facility named LEE FEDERAL BATTERY. The location of the facility is as follows: 32 49' 22.10" N, 103 53' 50.43" W.
- d. A pipeline to transport production will be installed from the proposed well to the existing production facility.
 - i. We plan to install a 4 inch surface NUPI pipeline from the proposed well to the production facility. The proposed length of the pipeline will be 2587 feet. The working pressure of the pipeline will be 80 psi or less. If the pipeline route follows an existing road or buried pipeline right-of-way, the surface pipeline will be installed no farther than 10 feet from the edge of the road or buried pipeline right-of-way. If existing surface pipelines prevent this distance, the proposed surface pipeline will be installed immediately adjacent

to the outer surface pipeline. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to existing roads or right-of-ways.

ii. EXHIBIT 1A depicts the proposed production pipeline route from the well to the production facility.

iii. The proposed pipeline does not cross lease boundaries, so a right of way grant will not need to be acquired from the BLM.

If any plans change regarding the production facility or other infrastructure (pipeline, electric line, etc.), we will submit a sundry notice or right of way (if applicable) prior to installation or construction.

Electric Line(s)

a. We plan to install an overhead electric line for the proposed well. The proposed length of the electric line will be 338 feet. EXHIBIT 1B depicts the location of the proposed electric line route. The electric line will be construction to provide protection from raptor electrocution.

b. The proposed electric line does not cross lease boundaries, so a right of way grant will not need to be acquired from the BLM.

5. Location and Types of Water

a. The source and location of the water supply are as follows: ALL WATER_ FRESH OR OTHERWISE_ WILL BE PURCHASED FROM A COMMERCIAL SOURCE & TRUCKED TO THE LOCATION VIA EXISTING & OR PROPOSED ACCESS ROADS NO WATER SOURCE WELLS WILL BE DRILLED & NO SURFACE WATER WILL BE UTILIZED.

b. The operator will use established or constructed oil and gas roads to transport water to the well site. The operator will try to utilize the identified access route in the surface use plan.

6. Construction Material

a. CALICHE WILL BE HAULED/TRUCKED FROM A BLM APPROVED PIT. NO SURFACE MATERIALS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED EXCEPT THOSE NECESSARY FOR ACTUAL GRADING & CONSTRUCTION OF THE DRILL SITE & ACCESS ROAD.

7. Methods for Handling Waste

a. Drilling fluids and produced oil and water from the well during drilling and completion operations will be stored safely and disposed of properly in an NMOCD approved disposal facility.

b. Garbage and trash produced during drilling and completion operations will be collected in a trash container and disposed of properly at a state approved disposal facility. All trash on and around the well site will be collected for disposal.

c. Human waste and grey water will be properly contained and disposed of properly at a state approved disposal facility.

d. After drilling and completion operations, trash, chemicals, salts, frac sand and other waste material will be removed and disposed of properly at a state approved disposal facility.

e. The well will be drilled utilizing a closed loop system. Drill cutting will be properly disposed of into steel tanks and taken to an NMOCD approved disposal facility.

8. Ancillary Facilities

- a. No ancillary facilities will be needed for this proposed project.

9. Well Site Layout

- a. The following information is presented in the well site survey plat or diagram:
- i. reasonable scale (near 1":50')
 - ii. well pad dimensions
 - iii. well pad orientation
 - iv. drilling rig components
 - v. proposed access road
 - vi. elevations of all points
 - vii. topsoil stockpile
 - viii. reserve pit location/dimensions if applicable
 - ix. other disturbances needed (flare pit, stinger, frac farm pad, etc.)
 - x. existing structures within the 600' x 600' archaeological surveyed area (pipelines, electric lines, well pads, etc.)
- b. The proposed drilling pad was staked and surveyed by a professional surveyor. The attached survey plat of the well site depicts the drilling pad layout as staked.
- c. A title of a well site diagram is EXHIBIT 5. This diagram depicts the RIG ORIENTATION & LAYOUT.
- d. Topsoil Salvaging
- i. Grass, forbs, and small woody vegetation, such as mesquite will be excavated as the topsoil is removed. Large woody vegetation will be stripped and stored separately and respread evenly on the site following topsoil respreading. Topsoil depth is defined as the top layer of soil that contains 80% of the roots. In areas to be heavily disturbed, the top 6 inches of soil material, will be stripped and stockpiled on the perimeter of the well location and along the perimeter of the access road to control run-on and run-off, to keep topsoil viable, and to make redistribution of topsoil more efficient during interim reclamation. Stockpiled topsoil should include vegetative material. Topsoil will be clearly segregated and stored separately from subsoils. Contaminated soil will not be stockpiled, but properly treated and handled prior to topsoil salvaging.

10. Plans for Surface Reclamation

Reclamation Objectives

- i. The objective of interim reclamation is to restore vegetative cover and a portion of the landform sufficient to maintain healthy, biologically active topsoil; control erosion; and minimize habitat and forage loss, visual impact, and weed infestation, during the life of the well or facilities.
- ii. The long-term objective of final reclamation is to return the land to a condition similar to what existed prior to disturbance. This includes restoration of the landform and natural vegetative community, hydrologic systems, visual resources, and wildlife habitats. To ensure that the long-term objective will be reached through human and natural processes, actions will be taken to ensure standards are met for site stability, visual quality, hydrological functioning, and vegetative productivity.
- iii. The BLM will be notified at least 3 days prior to commencement of any reclamation procedures.
- iv. If circumstances allow, interim reclamation and/or final reclamation actions will be completed no later than 6 months from when the final well on the location has been completed or plugged. We will gain written permission from the BLM if more time is needed.

v. Interim reclamation will be performed on the well site after the well is drilled and completed. EXHIBIT 1C depicts the location and dimensions of the planned interim reclamation for the well site.

Interim Reclamation Procedures (If performed)

1. Within 30 days of well completion, the well location and surrounding areas will be cleared of, and maintained free of, all materials, trash, and equipment not required for production.
2. In areas planned for interim reclamation, all the surfacing material will be removed and returned to the original mineral pit or recycled to repair or build roads and well pads.
3. The areas planned for interim reclamation will then be recontoured to the original contour if feasible, or if not feasible, to an interim contour that blends with the surrounding topography as much as possible. Where applicable, the fill material of the well pad will be backfilled into the cut to bring the area back to the original contour. The interim cut and fill slopes prior to re-seeding will not be steeper than a 3:1 ratio, unless the adjacent native topography is steeper. Note: Constructed slopes may be much steeper during drilling, but will be recontoured to the above ratios during interim reclamation.
4. Topsoil will be evenly respread and aggressively revegetated over the entire disturbed area not needed for all-weather operations including cuts & fills. To seed the area, the proper BLM seed mixture, free of noxious weeds, will be used. Final seedbed preparation will consist of contour cultivating to a depth of 4 to 6 inches within 24 hours prior to seeding, dozer tracking, or other imprinting in order to break the soil crust and create seed germination micro-sites.
5. Proper erosion control methods will be used on the area to control erosion, runoff and siltation of the surrounding area.
6. The interim reclamation will be monitored periodically to ensure that vegetation has reestablished and that erosion is controlled.

Final Reclamation (well pad, buried pipelines, etc.)

1. Prior to final reclamation procedures, the well pad, road, and surrounding area will be cleared of material, trash, and equipment.
2. All surfacing material will be removed and returned to the original mineral pit or recycled to repair or build roads and well pads.
3. All disturbed areas, including roads, pipelines, pads, production facilities, and interim reclaimed areas will be recontoured to the contour existing prior to initial construction or a contour that blends indistinguishably with the surrounding landscape. Topsoil that was spread over the interim reclamation areas will be stockpiled prior to recontouring. The topsoil will be redistributed evenly over the entire disturbed site to ensure successful revegetation.
4. After all the disturbed areas have been properly prepared, the areas will be seeded with the proper BLM seed mixture, free of noxious weeds. Final seedbed preparation will consist of contour cultivating to a depth of 4 to 6 inches within 24 hours prior to seeding, dozer tracking, or other imprinting in order to break the soil crust and create seed germination micro-sites.
5. Proper erosion control methods will be used on the entire area to control erosion, runoff and siltation of the surrounding area.
6. All unused equipment and structures including pipelines, electric line poles, tanks, etc. that serviced the well will be removed.

7. All reclaimed areas will be monitored periodically to ensure that revegetation occurs, that the area is not redisturbed, and that erosion is controlled.

11. Surface Ownership

- a. The surface ownership of the proposed project is FEDERAL.

12. Other Information

- a. THIS WELL PREVIOUSLY PERMITTED WITH API #30-015-39837, ORIGINAL PERMIT EXPIRED 1/13/15. PRODUCTION FACILITIES: APACHE WILL INSTALL NEW 4" NUPI RATED, UP TO 140 DEGREE SURF FLOWLINE, FLOWLINE PIPE RATED @ 300PSI, WPI ~80PSI, KILL SWITCHES & CHOKES WILL BE INSTALLED TO PREVENT EXCEEDING 125PSI FOR ABOVE GROUND FLOWLINE. OPERATOR REP: RICHARD MCKAY, DRLG SUP, 432-818-1628 OR 432-234-7430; OPERATOR PRODUCTION REP: CRAIG MAXWELL, 575-393-7106 OR 575-441-2568.

13. Maps and Diagrams

- EXHIBIT 1 - Existing Road
- EXHIBIT 2 - Wells Within One Mile
- EXHIBIT 1A - Production Pipeline
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CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

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OPERATOR'S NAME:	Apache Corporation
LEASE NO.:	NMLC-029395B
WELL NAME & NO.:	Lee Federal 43
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	0240' FSL & 0380' FWL
LOCATION:	Section 17, T. 17 S., R 31 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico

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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The approval of the Application For Permit To Drill (APD) is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations: 43 Code of Federal Regulations 3160, the lease terms, Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notices To Lessees, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Rules, National Historical Preservation Act As Amended, and instructions and orders of the Authorized Officer. Any request for a variance shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Report on Wells.

II. PERMIT EXPIRATION

If the permit terminates prior to drilling and drilling cannot be commenced within 60 days after expiration, an operator is required to submit Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, requesting surface reclamation requirements for any surface disturbance. However, if the operator will be able to initiate drilling within 60 days after the expiration of the permit, the operator must have set the conductor pipe in order to allow for an extension of 60 days beyond the expiration date of the APD. (Filing of a Sundry Notice is required for this 60 day extension.)

III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource discovered by the operator or by any person working on the operator's behalf shall immediately report such findings to the Authorized Officer. The operator is fully accountable for the actions of their contractors and subcontractors. The operator shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery shall be made by the Authorized Officer to determine the appropriate actions that shall be required to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values of the discovery. The operator shall be held responsible for the cost of the proper mitigation measures that the Authorized Officer assesses after consultation with the operator on the evaluation and decisions of the discovery. Any unauthorized collection or disturbance of cultural or paleontological resources may result in a shutdown order by the Authorized Officer.

IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS

The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

V. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)

Timing Limitation Stipulation / Condition of Approval for lesser prairie-chicken:

Oil and gas activities including 3-D geophysical exploration, and drilling will not be allowed in lesser prairie-chicken habitat during the period from March 1st through June 15th annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period.

Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted.

Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 feet from the source of the noise.

Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching: Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well. For more installation details, contact the Carlsbad Field Office at 575-234-5972.

This authorization is subject to your Certificate of Participation and/or Certificate of Inclusion under the New Mexico Candidate Conservation Agreement. Because it involves surface disturbing activities covered under your Certificate, your Habitat Conservation Fund Account with the Center of Excellence for Hazardous Materials Management (CEHMM) will be debited according to Exhibit B Part 2 of the Certificate of Participation.

VI. CONSTRUCTION

A. NOTIFICATION

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5909 at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad.

When construction operations are being conducted on this well, the operator shall have the approved APD and Conditions of Approval (COA) on the well site and they shall be made available upon request by the Authorized Officer.

B. TOPSOIL

The operator shall strip the top portion of the soil (root zone) from the entire well pad area and stockpile the topsoil along the edge of the well pad as depicted in the APD. The root zone is typically six (6) inches in depth. All the stockpiled topsoil will be redistributed over the interim reclamation areas. Topsoil shall not be used for berming the pad or facilities. For final reclamation, the topsoil shall be spread over the entire pad area for seeding preparation.

Other subsoil (below six inches) stockpiles must be completely segregated from the topsoil stockpile. Large rocks or subsoil clods (not evident in the surrounding terrain) must be buried within the approved area for interim and final reclamation.

C. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

D. FEDERAL MINERAL MATERIALS PIT

Payment shall be made to the BLM prior to removal of any federal mineral materials. Call the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972.

E. WELL PAD SURFACING

Surfacing of the well pad is not required.

If the operator elects to surface the well pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation. The well pad shall be constructed in a manner which creates the smallest possible surface disturbance, consistent with safety and operational needs.

F. EXCLOSURE FENCING (CELLARS & PITS)

Exclosure Fencing

The operator will install and maintain exclosure fencing for all open well cellars to prevent access to public, livestock, and large forms of wildlife before and after drilling operations until the pit is free of fluids and the operator initiates backfilling. (For examples of exclosure fencing design, refer to BLM's Oil and Gas Gold Book, Exclosure Fence Illustrations, Figure 1, Page 18.)

G. ON LEASE ACCESS ROADS**Road Width**

The access road shall have a driving surface that creates the smallest possible surface disturbance and does not exceed fourteen (14) feet in width. The maximum width of surface disturbance, when constructing the access road, shall not exceed twenty-five (25) feet.

Surfacing

Surfacing material is not required on the new access road driving surface. If the operator elects to surface the new access road or pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

Where possible, no improvements should be made on the unsurfaced access road other than to remove vegetation as necessary, road irregularities, safety issues, or to fill low areas that may sustain standing water.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require surfacing of any portion of the access road at any time deemed necessary. Surfacing may be required in the event the road deteriorates, erodes, road traffic increases, or it is determined to be beneficial for future field development. The surfacing depth and type of material will be determined at the time of notification.

Crowning

Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

Ditching

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

Turnouts

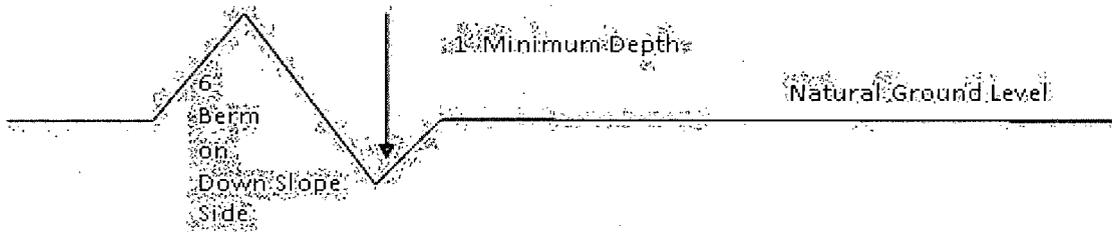
Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

Drainage

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outloping and insloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm of 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm shall be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch.

Cross Section of a Typical Lead-off Ditch



All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval are variable for lead-off ditches and shall be determined according to the formula for spacing intervals of lead-off ditches, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %);

Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches

Example - On a 4% road slope that is 400 feet long, the water flow shall drain water into a lead-off ditch. Spacing interval shall be determined by the following formula:

$$400 \text{ foot road with } 4\% \text{ road slope: } \frac{400'}{4\%} + 100' = 200' \text{ lead-off ditch interval}$$

Cattleguards

An appropriately sized cattleguard sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence/road crossings. Any existing cattleguards on the access road route shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguards that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

Fence Requirement

Where entry is granted across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting. The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fences.

Public Access

Public access on this road shall not be restricted by the operator without specific written approval granted by the Authorized Officer.

Construction Steps

1. Salvage topsoil
2. Construct road

3. Redistribute topsoil
4. Revegetate slopes

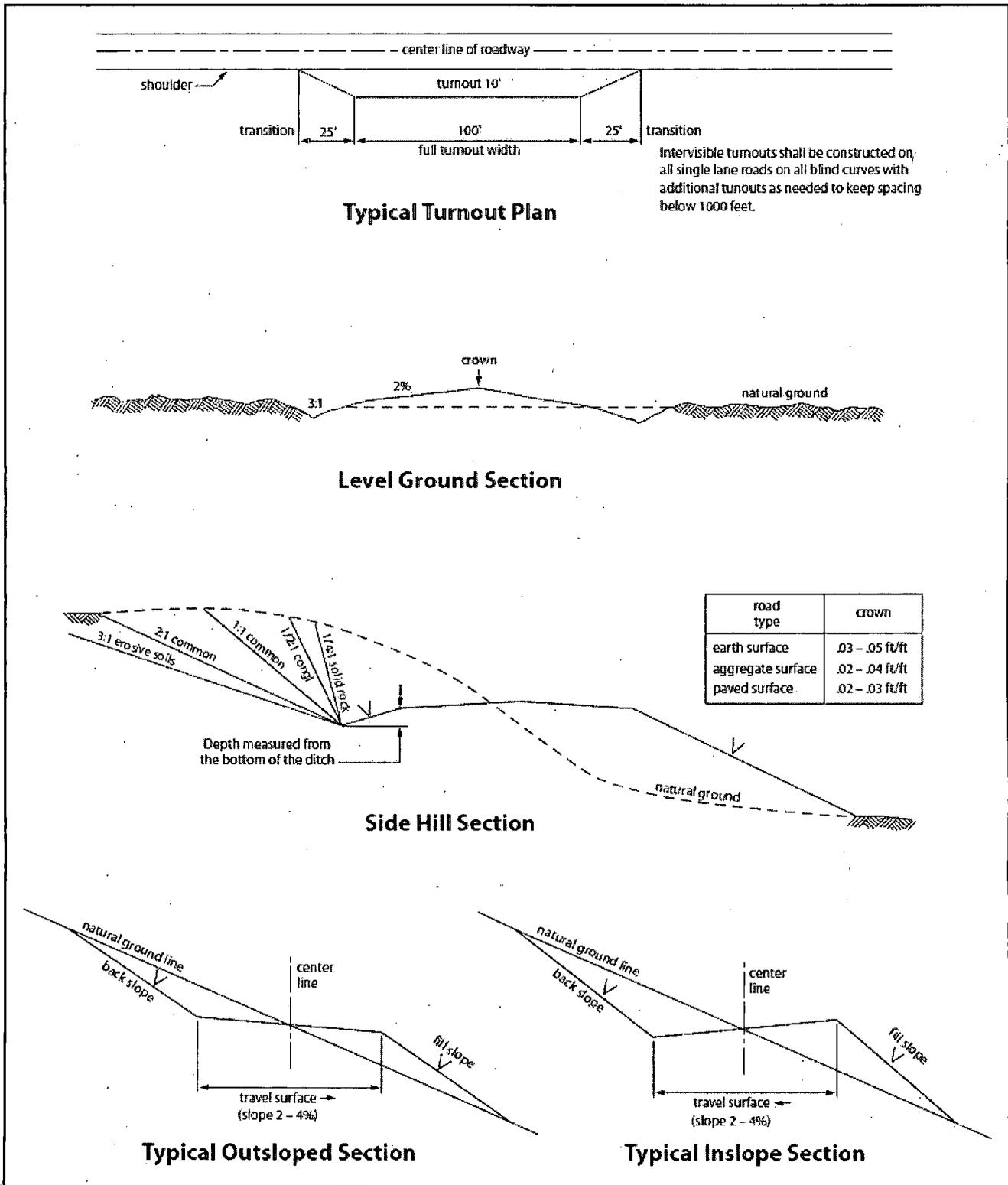


Figure 1. Cross-sections and plans for typical road sections representative of BLM resource or FS local and higher-class roads.

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VII. DRILLING

A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well (minimum of 24 hours)
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings (minimum of 4 hours)
- c. BOPE tests (minimum of 4 hours)

Eddy County

Call the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220,
(575) 361-2822

1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) Drilling Plan shall be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the **Grayburg** formation. **As a result, the Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.**
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. **If the drilling rig is removed without approval – an Incident of Non-Compliance will be written and will be a “Major” violation.**
3. **The record of the drilling rate along with the GR/N well log run from TD to surface shall be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

B. CASING

Changes to the approved APD casing program need prior approval if the items substituted are of lesser grade or different casing size or are Non-API. The Operator can exchange the components of the proposal with that of superior strength (i.e. changing from J-55 to N-80, or from 36# to 40#). Changes to the approved cement program need prior approval if the altered cement plan has less volume or strength or if the changes are substantial (i.e. Multistage tool, ECP, etc.). The initial wellhead installed on the well will remain on the well with spools used as needed.

Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.

Wait on cement (WOC) for Water Basin:

After cementing but before commencing any tests, the casing string shall stand cemented under pressure until both of the following conditions have been met: 1) cement reaches a minimum compressive strength of 500 psi at the shoe, 2) until cement has been in place at least **8 hours**. WOC time will be recorded in the driller's log. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.

No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.

Possibility of water flows in the Artesia Group and Salado.

Possibility of lost circulation in the Red Beds, Rustler, Artesia Group, and San Andres.

1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 360 feet (in a competent bed **below the Magenta Dolomite, which is a Member of the Rustler, and if salt is encountered, set casing at least 25 feet above the salt**) and cemented to the surface.
 - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Temperature survey will be run a minimum of six hours after pumping cement and ideally between 8-10 hours after completing the cement job.
 - b. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.**
 - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
 - d. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 8-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:

Option #1 (Single Stage):

- Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.

Option #2:

Operator has proposed DV tool at depth of 1800', but will adjust cement proportionately if moved. DV tool shall be set a minimum of 50' below previous shoe and a minimum of 200' above current shoe. Operator shall submit sundry if DV tool depth cannot be set in this range. If an ECP is used, it is to be set a minimum of 50' below the shoe to provide cement across the shoe. If it cannot be set below the shoe, a CBL shall be run to verify cement coverage.

a. First stage to DV tool:

- Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office before proceeding with second stage cement job. Operator should have plans as to how they will achieve circulation on the next stage.

b. Second stage above DV tool:

- Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **5-1/2** inch production casing is:

- Cement should tie-back at least 500 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

4. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

C. PRESSURE CONTROL

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **2000 (2M) psi (Installing 3M annular, testing to 2,000 psi).**
3. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the **9-5/8** intermediate casing shoe shall be **2000 (2M) psi (Installing 3M BOP, testing to 2,000 psi).**

4. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
 - a. In a water basin, for all casing strings utilizing slips, these are to be set as soon as the crew and rig are ready and any fallback cement remediation has been done. The casing cut-off and BOP installation can be initiated four hours after installing the slips, which will be approximately six hours after bumping the plug. For those casing strings not using slips, the minimum wait time before cut-off is eight hours after bumping the plug. BOP/BOPE testing can begin after cut-off or once cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified), whichever is greater. However, if the float does not hold, cut-off cannot be initiated until cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified).
 - b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug **not a cup or J-packer**.
 - c. The test shall be run on a 5000 psi chart for a 2-3M BOP/BOP, on a 10000 psi chart for a 5M BOP/BOPE and on a 15000 psi chart for a 10M BOP/BOPE. If a linear chart is used, it shall be a one hour chart. A circular chart shall have a maximum 2 hour clock. If a twelve hour or twenty-four hour chart is used, tester shall make a notation that it is run with a two hour clock.
 - d. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
 - e. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. **A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.**
 - f. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug. This test shall be performed prior to the test at full stack pressure.

D. DRILL STEM TEST

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

E. WASTE MATERIAL AND FLUIDS

All waste (i.e. drilling fluids, trash, salts, chemicals, sewage, gray water, etc.) created as a result of drilling operations and completion operations shall be safely contained and disposed of properly at a waste disposal facility. No waste material or fluid shall be disposed of on the well location or surrounding area.

Porto-johns and trash containers will be on-location during fracturing operations or any other crew-intensive operations.

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VIII. PRODUCTION (POST DRILLING)

A. WELL STRUCTURES & FACILITIES

Placement of Production Facilities

Production facilities should be placed on the well pad to allow for maximum interim recontouring and revegetation of the well location.

Exclosure Netting (Open-top Tanks)

Immediately following active drilling or completion operations, the operator will take actions necessary to prevent wildlife and livestock access, including avian wildlife, to all open-topped tanks that contain or have the potential to contain salinity sufficient to cause harm to wildlife or livestock, hydrocarbons, or Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976-exempt hazardous substances. At a minimum, the operator will net, screen, or cover open-topped tanks to exclude wildlife and livestock and prevent mortality. If the operator uses netting, the operator will cover and secure the open portion of the tank to prevent wildlife entry. The operator will net, screen, or cover the tanks until the operator removes the tanks from the location or the tanks no longer contain substances that could be harmful to wildlife or livestock. Use a maximum netting mesh size of 1 ½ inches. The netting must not be in contact with fluids and must not have holes or gaps.

Chemical and Fuel Secondary Containment and Exclosure Screening

The operator will prevent all hazardous, poisonous, flammable, and toxic substances from coming into contact with soil and water. At a minimum, the operator will install and maintain an impervious secondary containment system for any tank or barrel containing hazardous, poisonous, flammable, or toxic substances sufficient to contain the contents of the tank or barrel and any drips, leaks, and anticipated precipitation. The operator will dispose of fluids within the containment system that do not meet applicable state or U. S. Environmental Protection Agency livestock water standards in accordance with state law; the operator must not drain the fluids to the soil or ground. The operator will design, construct, and maintain all secondary containment systems to prevent wildlife and livestock exposure to harmful substances. At a minimum, the operator will install effective wildlife and livestock exclosure systems such as fencing, netting, expanded metal mesh, lids, and grate covers. Use a maximum netting mesh size of 1 ½ inches.

Open-Vent Exhaust Stack Exclosures

The operator will construct, modify, equip, and maintain all open-vent exhaust stacks on production equipment to prevent birds and bats from entering, and to discourage perching, roosting, and nesting. (*Recommended exclosure structures on open-vent exhaust stacks are in the shape of a cone.*) Production equipment includes, but may not be limited to, tanks, heater-treaters, separators, dehydrators, flare stacks, in-line units, and compressor mufflers.

Containment Structures

Proposed production facilities such as storage tanks and other vessels will have a secondary containment structure that is constructed to hold the capacity of 1.5 times the

largest tank, plus freeboard to account for precipitation, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary.

Painting Requirement

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color, **Shale Green** from the BLM Standard Environmental Color Chart (CC-001: June 2008).

B. STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES

A copy of the application (Grant, Sundry Notice, APD) and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.

Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.
2. 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 USC 2601 *et seq.* (1982) with regards to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (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 State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.
3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, *et seq.* or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, *et seq.*) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to activity of the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties:
4. The holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent

provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. The holder shall be held to a standard of strict liability for damage or injury to the United States resulting from pipe rupture, fire, or spills caused or substantially aggravated by any of the following within the right-of-way or permit area:

- a. Activities of the holder including, but not limited to construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the facility.
- b. Activities of other parties including, but not limited to:
 - (1) Land clearing.
 - (2) Earth-disturbing and earth-moving work.
 - (3) Blasting.
 - (4) Vandalism and sabotage.
- c. Acts of God.

The maximum limitation for such strict liability damages shall not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for any one event, and any liability in excess of such amount shall be determined by the ordinary rules of negligence of the jurisdiction in which the damage or injury occurred.

This section shall not impose strict liability for damage or injury resulting primarily from an act of war or from the negligent acts or omissions of the United States.

5. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the pipeline, any oil, salt water, or other pollutant should be discharged from the pipeline system, impacting Federal lands, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such oil, salt water, or other pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge on or affecting Federal lands, or to repair all damages resulting therefrom, on the Federal lands, the Authorized Officer may take such measures as he deems necessary to control and clean up the discharge and restore the area, including, where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder of any responsibility as provided herein.

6. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to the authorized right-of-way width of 20 feet. If the pipeline route follows an existing road or buried pipeline right-of-way, the surface pipeline must be installed no farther than 10 feet from the edge of the road or buried pipeline right-of-way. If existing surface pipelines prevent this distance, the proposed surface pipeline must be installed immediately adjacent to the outer surface pipeline. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to existing roads or right-of-ways.

7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation will be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.

8. The holder shall install the pipeline on the surface in such a manner that will minimize

suspension of the pipeline across low areas in the terrain. In hummocky or dune areas, the pipeline will be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather than suspended across these features.

9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of 24 inches under all roads, "two-tracks," and trails. Burial of the pipe will continue for 20 feet on each side of each crossing. The condition of the road, upon completion of construction, shall be returned to at least its former state with no bumps or dips remaining in the road surface.

10. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will 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 will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

11. In those areas where erosion control structures are required to stabilize soil conditions, the holder will install such structures as are suitable for the specific soil conditions being encountered and which are in accordance with sound resource management practices.

12. Excluding the pipe, all above-ground structures not subject to safety requirement 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" – **Shale Green**, Munsell Soil Color No. 5Y 4/2; designated by the Rocky Mountain Five State Interagency Committee.

13. The pipeline will be identified by signs at the point of origin and completion of the right-of-way and at all road crossings. At a minimum, signs will state the holder's name, BLM serial number, and the product being transported. Signs will be maintained in a legible condition for the life of the pipeline.

14. The holder shall not use the pipeline route as a road for purposes other than routine maintenance as determined necessary by the Authorized Officer in consultation with the holder. The holder will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that the pipeline route is not used as a roadway.

15. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the authorized officer. Holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the authorized officer. An evaluation of the discovery will be made by the authorized officer to determine appropriate cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the authorized officer after consulting with the holder.

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17. Surface pipelines must be less than or equal to 4 inches and a working pressure below 125 psi.

18. Special Stipulations:

- a. **Lesser Prairie-Chicken:** Oil and gas activities will not be allowed in lesser prairie-chicken habitat during the period from March 1st through June 15th annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities and pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted.
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1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.
2. 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 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards to

any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (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 State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.

3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq. or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, et seq.) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.

4. There will be no clearing or blading of the right-of-way unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Authorized Officer.

5. Power lines shall be constructed and designed in accordance to standards outlined in "Suggested Practices for Avian Protection on Power lines: The State of the Art in 2006" Edison Electric Institute, APLIC, and the California Energy Commission 2006. The holder shall assume the burden and expense of proving that pole designs not shown in the above publication deter raptor perching, roosting, and nesting. Such proof shall be provided by a raptor expert approved by the Authorized Officer. The BLM reserves the right to require modification or additions to all powerline structures placed on this right-of-way, should they be necessary to ensure the safety of large perching birds. Such modifications and/or additions shall be made by the holder without liability or expense to the United States.

Raptor deterrence will consist of but not limited to the following: triangle perch discouragers shall be placed on each side of the cross arms and a nonconductive perching deterrence shall be placed on all vertical poles that extend past the cross arms.

6. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will 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 the fence. No permanent gates will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

7. The BLM serial number assigned to this authorization shall be posted in a permanent, conspicuous manner where the power line crosses roads and at all serviced facilities. Numbers will be at least two inches high and will be affixed to the pole nearest the road crossing and at the facilities served.

8. Upon cancellation, relinquishment, or expiration of this grant, the holder shall comply with those abandonment procedures as prescribed by the Authorized Officer.

9. All surface structures (poles, lines, transformers, etc.) shall be removed within 180 days of abandonment, relinquishment, or termination of use of the serviced facility or facilities or within 180 days of abandonment, relinquishment, cancellation, or expiration of this grant, whichever comes first. This will not apply where the power line extends service to an active, adjoining facility or facilities.

10. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the Authorized Officer. Holder shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery will be made by the Authorized Officer to determine appropriate actions to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the Authorized Officer after consulting with the holder.

11. Special Stipulations:

- For reclamation remove poles, lines, transformer, etc. and dispose of properly.
- Fill in any holes from the poles removed.

Timing Limitation Stipulation/Condition of Approval for Lesser Prairie-Chicken:

Oil and gas activities including 3-D geophysical exploration, and drilling will not be allowed in lesser prairie-chicken habitat during the period from March 1st through June 15th annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, geophysical exploration other than 3-D operations, and pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period. Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 ft. from the source of the noise.

This authorization is subject to your Certificate of Participation and/or Certificate of Inclusion under the New Mexico Candidate Conservation Agreement. Because it involves surface disturbing activities covered under your Certificate, your Habitat Conservation Fund Account with the Center of Excellence for Hazardous Materials

Management (CEHMM) will be debited according to Exhibit B Part 2 of the Certificate of Participation.

IX. INTERIM RECLAMATION

During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo interim reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses.

Within six (6) months of well completion, operators should work with BLM surface management specialists (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909) to devise the best strategies to reduce the size of the location. Interim reclamation should allow for remedial well operations, as well as safe and efficient removal of oil and gas.

During reclamation, the removal of caliche is important to increasing the success of revegetating the site. Removed caliche that is free of contaminants may be used for road repairs, fire walls or for building other roads and locations. In order to operate the well or complete workover operations, it may be necessary to drive, park and operate on restored interim vegetation within the previously disturbed area. Disturbing revegetated areas for production or workover operations will be allowed. If there is significant disturbance and loss of vegetation, the area will need to be revegetated. Communicate with the appropriate BLM office for any exceptions/exemptions if needed.

All disturbed areas after they have been satisfactorily prepared need to be reseeded with the seed mixture provided below.

Upon completion of interim reclamation, the operator shall submit a Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, Subsequent Report of Reclamation (Form 3160-5).

X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & RECLAMATION

At final abandonment, well locations, production facilities, and access roads must undergo "final" reclamation so that the character and productivity of the land are restored.

Earthwork for final reclamation must be completed within six (6) months of well plugging. All pads, pits, facility locations and roads must be reclaimed to a satisfactory revegetated, safe, and stable condition, unless an agreement is made with the landowner or BLM to keep the road and/or pad intact.

After all disturbed areas have been satisfactorily prepared, these areas need to be revegetated with the seed mixture provided below. Seeding should be accomplished by drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other approved methods. Seeding may need to be repeated until revegetation is successful, as determined by the BLM.

Operators shall contact a BLM surface protection specialist prior to surface abandonment operations for site specific objectives (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909).

Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching: Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well.

Seed Mixture for LPC Sand/Shinnery Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)* per acre. There shall be no primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (smaller/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop 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 will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed* per acre:

<u>Species</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains Bristlegrass	5lbs/A
Sand Bluestem	5lbs/A
Little Bluestem	3lbs/A
Big Bluestem	6lbs/A
Plains Coreopsis	2lbs/A
Sand Dropseed	1lbs/A

*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed