

Introduction

On 27 June 1979, New Mexico Archaeological Services, Inc., (NMAS), Carlsbad, undertook for General American Oil Company, Loco Hills, an archaeological reconnaissance of lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Eddy County, New Mexico. Reconnoitered areas will be impacted by the construction of a drill location and an associated access road. This project was advanced by Mr. Lendell Hawkins, General American Oil Company, and was expedited by Dr. J. Loring Haskell, Principal Investigator, NMAS.

Survey Technique

For this investigation, General American Oil Company's proposed location was reconnoitered for evidence of man's past activities by walking it in a series of 20 ft wide, close interval (15° or less), zigzag transects. In addition, an added zone embracing 20 ft on each side of the location, and hence lying outside the reconnoitered 400 X 400 ft work area, was investigated by a similar means as was the access road. Methodologically, this procedure served to maximize the visual examination of areas to be impacted by construction-related activities.

Stablien Well No.8

Location

General American Oil Company's proposed location will measure 400 X 400 ft on federal lands and will be situated 660 ft from the east line and 1980 ft from the south line of:

Section 15, T16S, R30E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM