

**14. a. Records Search:**

**Location:** Carlsbad Field Office and ARMS

**Date:** January 2, 2001 by Theresa Straight

**List by LA # All sites within .25 miles of the project (Those sites within 500' are to be shown on the project map):** No previously recorded sites are within 0.25 miles of the proposed undertaking.

**b. Description of Undertaking:** Sierra Engineering plans to construct a pipeline on BLM land. The corridor begins at the proposed site of the Phillips 19 Federal No. 13 well, extends east and northeast, ending at an existing Duke buried pipeline.

**c. Environmental Setting (NRCS soil designation; vegetative community; etc.):** The project area is located between Artesia and Loco Hills, north of State Highway 82. The proposed project is situated on the gently undulating aeolian sands of the Aid Oil Fields. The elevation of the project area ranges from 3680 ft to 3690 ft above sea level. Vegetation is consistent with Chihuahuan Desert Scrub, including narrow-leaf yucca, prickly pear cactus, rainbow cacti, and various bunch grasses and forbs. Average surface visibility was approximately 85 percent at the time of survey, due to vegetation cover. Soils are of the Simona-Pajarito association and are very shallow to moderately deep over caliche.

**d. Field Methods:**

**Transect Intervals:** 15m

**Crew Size:** 2

**Time in Field:** 1 hours

**Collections:** None

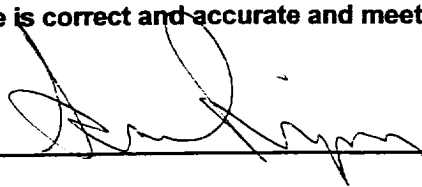
**15. Cultural Resource Findings:** No cultural materials were encountered during the survey.

**a. Identification and description (Location shown on Project map):** N/A

**16. Management Summary (Recommendations):** Archaeological clearance for the proposed pipeline to serve the Phillips 19 Federal No. 13 is recommended as presently staked. If any significant cultural materials are encountered during construction of the above project a qualified archaeologists from the BLM-CFO and HPD should be consulted.

I certify that the information provided above is correct and accurate and meets all appreciable BLM standards.

Responsible Archaeologist: Signature



Date Jan 7, 2001

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