

(2) H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS

Note: all H2S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested and operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500 feet above, or three days prior to penetrating the first zone containing or reasonably expected to contain H2S.

a. Well Control Equipment:

1. Choke manifold with a minimum of one remote-controlled choke.
2. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with a properly sized closing unit.

b. Protective equipment for essential personnel:

1. Mark II Surviveair (or equivalent) 30 minute units located in the dog house and at the primary briefing area (to be determined.)

c. H2S detection and monitoring equipment:

1. Three (3) portable H2S monitors positioned on location for best coverage and response. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H2S levels of 20 PPM are reached.

d. Visual warning systems:

1. Wind direction indicators will be positioned for maximum visibility.
2. 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 reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used when appropriate.

e. Mud program:

1. The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H2S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices and the use of H2S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H2S bearing zones.