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Geo copy of the application is returned herewith. Flease notify the Bureau of Land capagement office checked on the attached special stipulation, in sufficient time for a representative to witness all community operations.

Approval of this application does not warrant or certify that the applicant here's legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease unice would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereor.

Sincerely,

Urig. Sed. David L. Mari

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO 87501

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. ATTACHMENT TO FORM C-101

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APPLICATION FOR DRILLING

Ray Westall Trigg Federal #5 1980 FSL 2310 FWL, Sec 35, T 18S R 30E

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In conjunction with Form 9-331C, Application for Permit to Drill subject well, Ray Westall submits the following ten items of pertinent information in accordance with BLM requirements:

1. The Geological surface formation is quaternary.

2. The estimated tops of geologic markers are as follows: Yates 2050 7 Rivers 2500 Queen 3050 Grayburg 3500 San Andres 3850

- 5. The estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil & gas formations are expected to be encountered: Water 180 0il & gas zones listed above in item #2.
- 4. Proposed Casing Program: See 9-3310
- 5. Pressure Control Equipment: See 9-331C and Exhibit E.
- 6. Mud Program: Mud up 100 to 150' before TD and circulate 2 hours after TD and pull out laying down and running casing.
- 7. Auxiliary Equipment: N/A
- 8. Testing, Logging and Coring Program: (E) logs, CNL/FDC, DLL.
- 9. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated.

10. Anticipated Starting Date: As soon as possible.

P. O. BOX 4 / LOCO HILLS, NEW MEXICO 88255 / PHONE (505) 677-3113



Form 9-1123 (Rev. Dec. 1957)

DESIGNATION OF OPERATOR

The undersigned is, on the records of the Bureau of Land Management, holder of lease

DISTRICT LAND OFFICE: SERIAL NO.: NM-06245

and hereby designates

NAME:	Ray Westall	
ADDRESS:	P. O. Box 4	
110011001	Loco Hills, New Mexico	88255

as his operator and local agent, with full authority to act in his behalf in complying with the terms of the lease and regulations applicable thereto and on whom the supervisor or his representative may serve written or oral instructions in securing compliance with the Operating Regulations with respect to (describe acreage to which this designation is applicable):

Township 18 South, Range 30 East, N.M.P.M.

Section 35: E½NW¼, SW¼NW¼ and SW¼ for depths from the surface down to 4,500 feet below the surface. Lea County, New Mexico.

It is understood that this designation of operator does not relieve the lessee of responsibility for compliance with the terms of the lease and the Operating Regulations. It is also understood that this designation of operator does not constitute an assignment of any interest in the lease.

In case of default on the part of the designated operator, the lessee will make full and prompt compliance with all regulations, lease terms, or orders of the Secretary of the Interior or his representative.

The lessee agrees promptly to notify the supervisor of any change in the designated operator.

(Signature of lessee Trigg ohn H.

<u>ر (Date)</u>

201 East Hobbs, Roswell, NM 88201 (Address)

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MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN

RAY WESTALL

This plan is submitted with Form 9-331C. Application for Permit to Drill, covering the above described well. The purpose of this plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activities and Operations Plan, the magnitude of surface disturbance involved, and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operations, so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental effect associated with the operation.

1. EXISTING ROADS.

Exhibit A is a portion of a USGS topographic map showing the wells and roads in the vicinity of the proposed location. The proposed wellsite is located approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of main road.

DIRECTIONS.

- 1. Proceed east from Loco Hills to county roud 222 go South approximately 7 miles, turn west 2 miles location on north side of road.
- 2. PLANNED ACCESS ROAD.
 - A. Approximately 300 feet of road will have to built from the main
- 3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELLS.
 - A. There are no exhisting wells on this 40 acres.

- 4. LOCATION OF EXISTING/OR PROPOSED FACILITIES.
 - A. There are no producing facilities on the shallow lease at the present time.
 - B. In the event that the well is productive, the necessary production facilities will be installed on the drilling pad. If the well is productive oil, electricity will be used to provide the necessary power. No power will be required if the well is productive gas. Electric lines will have to be installed from east side of location.
- 5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY.
 - A. It is planned to drill the proposed well with a fresh water system. The water will be obtained from commercial sources and will be hauled to the location by truck.
- 6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS.
 - A. The location and road will be scraped out to caliche.
- 7. METHODS OF MANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL."
 - A. Drill cuttings will be disposed of in the reserve pit.
 - B. Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate in the reserve pits until the pits are dry.
 - C. Produced water during testing drill pits.
 - D. Oil produced during operation will be stored in tanks until sold.
 - E. Current laws and regulations pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.
 - F. Trash, waste paper, garbage and junk will be buried in a separate trash pit and covored with a minimum of 24 inches of dirt. All waste material will be contained to prevent scattering by the wind.
 - C. All trash and debris will be buried or removed from the wellsite within 30 days after finishing drilling and/or completion of operations.
- 8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES.

A. None required.

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- 9. WELLSITE LAYOUT.
 - A. Exhibit C shows the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, the reserve pits, etc.
 - B. A 400' X 400' area has been staked and flagged.
- 10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION OF THE SURFACE.
 - A. After finishing drilling and/or completion operations, all equipment and other material not needed for further operations will be removed. The location will be cleaned of all trash and junk to leave the wellsite in as aesthetically pleasing a condition as possible.
 - B. Unguared pits, if any, containing fluids will be fenced until they have been filled.
 - C. If the proposed well is non-productive, all rehabilitation and/or vegetation requirements of the BLM and USGS will be complied with and will be accomplished as expeditiously as possible. All pits will be filled level within 90 days after abandonment.

11. OTHER INFORMATION.

- A. Topography: The land surface in the vicinity of the wellsite is in sand duncs. The immediate area of the wellsite is discussed above in paragraph 9B.
- B. Flora and Fauna: The vegetation cover consists of prairie grass, prairie flowers, reasewood and miscellaneous desert growth. No wildlife was observed, but the wildlife in the area probably includes those typical of semi-arid desert land. The area is used for cattle grazing.
- C. There are no ponds, lakes or rivers in the area.
- D. There are no inhabited dwellings in the vicinity of the proposed woll.
- E. Surface Ownarship: The wellsite is on federal surface.
- F. There is no evidence of any archeological, historical or cultural sites in the area.

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- 12. OPERATOR'S REPRESENTATIVE.
 - A. The field representative responsible for accuring compliance with the approved surface use plan is:

Ray Westall P. O. Box 4 Loco Hills, NM 88255 (505) 677-3113 Office 677-3201 Home

13. CERTIFICATION.

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drillsite and access route, that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Ray Westall and it's subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

Ray Westall, Operator

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY of the RAY WESTALL TRIG FEDERAL WELL No. 5 & ACCESS ROAD R/W T185, R30E, SECTION 35, CENTRE, NW/4SE/4SW/4 [990 FSL, 1650 FWL], EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

FEDERAL LAND SURFACE (U.S.G.S. 7.5', HACKBERRY LAKE, N. M., 1985)

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1. ABSTRACT: intensive archaeological survey, on federal land surface, of the Ray Westall TRIG FEDERAL WELL NO. 5 (400 ft. sq., 3.7 acres) and access road R/W (930 ft. long & 50 ft. wide, 1.07 acres). A total federal land surface of 4.77 acres was inspected for cultural remains.

Archaeological survey did <u>not</u> reveal any cultural resources. Therefore, archa gical **CLEARANCE** for the TRIG FEDERAL WELL NO. 5 and access road is **RECOMMENDED**. archaeolo-

2. WELL PAD LOCATION: T185, R30E, Section 35, Centre, NW/4SE/4 SW/4 [970 FSL, 1650 FWL]. Eddy County, New Mexico. ACCESS ROAD R/W: T185, R30E, Section 35, NW/4SE/4SW/4; SW/4NE/4SW/4; SE/4NE/4SW/4. Eddy County, New Mexico.

U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute series, HACKBERRY LAKE, NEW MEXICO, 1985.

LAND STATUS: BLM, Roswell District/Carlsbad Resource Area, N.M.

3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: well pad, 400 ft. sq., 3.7 acres; access road R/W, 930 ft. long X 50 ft. wide, 1.07 acres. A total **federal land surface** of **4.77 acres** was inspected for cultural resources.

TOPOGRAPHY: the proposed TRIG FEDERAL WELL NO. 5 and access road R/W are situated northeast of the Nimenim Ridge escarpment, to the south/southeast of a large NE/SW trending, enclosed sunken basin (ca. 1000 ft. NW), which collects runoff from Nimenim Ridge and the Loco Hills, ca. 1.75 miles to the west. The ridge topography, which consists of shallow Potter-Simona soils (Potter gravelly loam and Simona gravelly fine loam) overlaying indurated caliche, has surface exposures of weathered caliche along the ridge margins. Simona-Bippus complex soils occur in the enclosed sunken basin, with mixed soils, caliche, limestone, & sandstone float at the interface of the basin & ridge topography. The terrain within the southern part of the well pad, is at a gradient of no less than 3 degrees, EW; much of the southeast quadrant of the well pad is on the talus and escarpment of the 35 ft. high ridge. Relatively steep, headward eroding, arroyos occur in the southern & eastern part of the well pad, and a minor number of shallow washes cross-cut the access road R/W.

VEGETATION: three-awn, buffalo grass, snakeweed, creosote bush, mesquite, rare javalina bush, prickly pear.

4. EXAMINATION PROCEDURE: parallel and zig-zag transects. Ca. 6.5 manhours on ground. VISIBILITY: ground, ca. 75%; weather, partial overcast.

5. FINDINGS: BLM records do not indicate the prior recording of archaeological sites within Section 35 (T185, R30E).

Archaeological survey of the proposed Ray Westall Trig Federal Well No. 5 and access road R/W did not reveal any cultural resources.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS: In light of the absence of cultural resources, archaeological CLEARANCE for the Ray Westall TRIG FEDERAL WELL No. 5 and access road, on federal land surface, is <u>RECOMMENDED</u>.

Date of Examination: April 2, 1987.

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