

## Stubblefield, Mike

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**From:** Anderson, Roger  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 03, 2002 11:27 AM  
**To:** Stubblefield, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: RAY WESTALL BRINE SUPPLY FACILITY TRACY #3

The BLM is correct. The last person we have on file for the facility is Broom. Westall only had the well. If BLM is going to clean it up, that's great. Don't rock the boat!!!!

*Roger C. Anderson*  
Environmental Bureau Chief  
Oil Conservation Division

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ROGER,

THE TRACY #3 BRINE SUPPLY WELL HAS BEEN PLUGGED AND THE FINAL CLEANUP ON THE WELL LOCATION WAS OK.

I HAVE SENT YOU A COPY OF SUBSEQUENT PLUGGING REPORT TODAY.

QUESTION ? THE MAIN BRINE SUPPLY STORAGE AND SALES FACILITY IS LOCATED OFF LOCATION FROM THE WELL SITE ON FEDERAL LAND ON COUNTY ROAD 606.

I WENT BY THIS BRINE FACILITY YESTERDAY AND TWO BLM STAFF WERE AT THE SITE. LINK LACEWELL AND GENE HUNT HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPECIALIST FOR BLM CARLSBAD OFFICE.

I INQUIRED AS TO WHAT THEY WERE DOING AND THEY SAID TAKING SOIL SAMPLES FOR CLOSURE OF THE BRINE STATION BY BLM.

I INQUIRED AS TO WHO THEY THOUGHT OWNED THE BRINE STATION AND LINK SAID THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.  
HE INFORMED ME THAT THE LAST LEASE ON RECORD WAS EARNEST BROOM AND PRIOR TO MR. BROOM CHAMPION CHEMICAL.

LINK INFORMED ME THAT BLM WAS GOING TO CLOSE THE BRINE FACILITY AS BUDGET ALLOWED.

MR. WESTALL CLAIMS TO HAVE NEVER OWNED OR OPERATED THE BRINE STATION.  
HE SAID HE WAS NEVER WAS APPROVED FOR FEDERAL RIGHT AWAY PERMIT.

THE BRINE STATION HAS A LARGE HOLDING POND, STOCK TANKS, AND A LOT OF MISC. ITEMS STILL ON SITE.

WHO DO YOU SEE AS RESPONSIBLE FOR CLOSURE OF THIS BRINE FACILITY?

MIKE S.