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SUBJECT: Merit Energy Company Sundance Federal Well No. 10 & Access Road R/W. T24S, R31E, Sec. 5, 1980 FNL, 660 FEL, Eddy County, New Mexico.

ASC Report 93-021 (Preliminary)

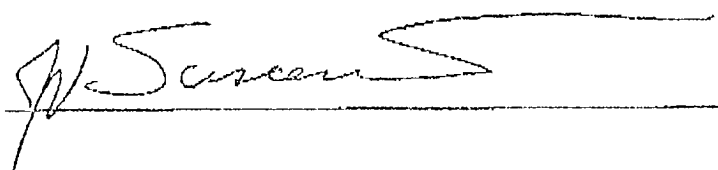
An archaeological survey was conducted on the above project, on 2/07/1993, with 1.5 work hours spent on ground. The project is situated in an area of undulating aeolian topography, with localized dune rises in the NE quadrant and south of the well pad.

A well pad, 400 ft. sq., (3.67 acres) and an access road, ca. 460 ft. long, with a 150 ft. sq. delta (1.23 acres), which runs due west from an extant NS oilfield road on the section-line, was inspected for cultural remains. A total federal acreage of ca. 4.90 acres was inspected for cultural remains.

Archaeological survey of the pad and access road did not reveal any cultural resources.

Therefore, archaeological clearance for the Sundance Federal Well No. 10 & Access Road R/W is recommended.

A final ASC Report 93-021 will be submitted at a later date.

Principal Investigator: 

Date: March 19, 1993

cc: Russell Whited, Merit Energy Company (1)

Exhibit D