

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-144  
June 1, 2004

Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

**Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure**

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes  No

Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank  Closure of a pit or below-grade tank

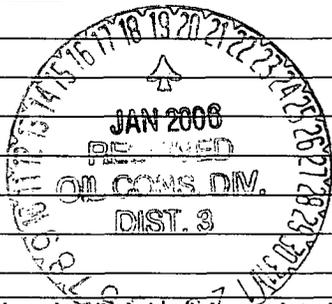
Operator: Koch Exploration Company, LLC Telephone: (505) 334-9111 e-mail address: clark23j@kochind.com or johnso4d@kochind.com  
Address: PO Box 489, Aztec, NM 87410  
Facility or well name: Nordhaus 710S API #: 30-045-32618 U/L or Qtr/Qtr P Sec 01 T 31N R 9W  
County: San Juan Latitude 36.55.3564 Longitude 107.43.5552 NAD: 1927  1983  Surface Owner Federal  State  Private  Indian

<u>Pit</u>	<u>Below-grade tank</u>	
Type: Drilling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Volume _____ bbl	Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not. _____	
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	Less than 50 feet X 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet 100 feet or more	(20 points) (10 points) 10 points ( 0 points)
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	Yes X No	(20 points) ( 0 points) 0 points
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	X Less than 200 feet 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet 1000 feet or more	(20 points) 20 points (10 points) ( 0 points)
	<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b>	<b>30 points</b>

**If this is a pit closure:** (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: (check the onsite box if you are burying in place) onsite  offsite  If offsite, name of facility \_\_\_\_\_ (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No  Yes  If yes, show depth below ground surface \_\_\_\_\_ ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

Additional Comments:

*closure*



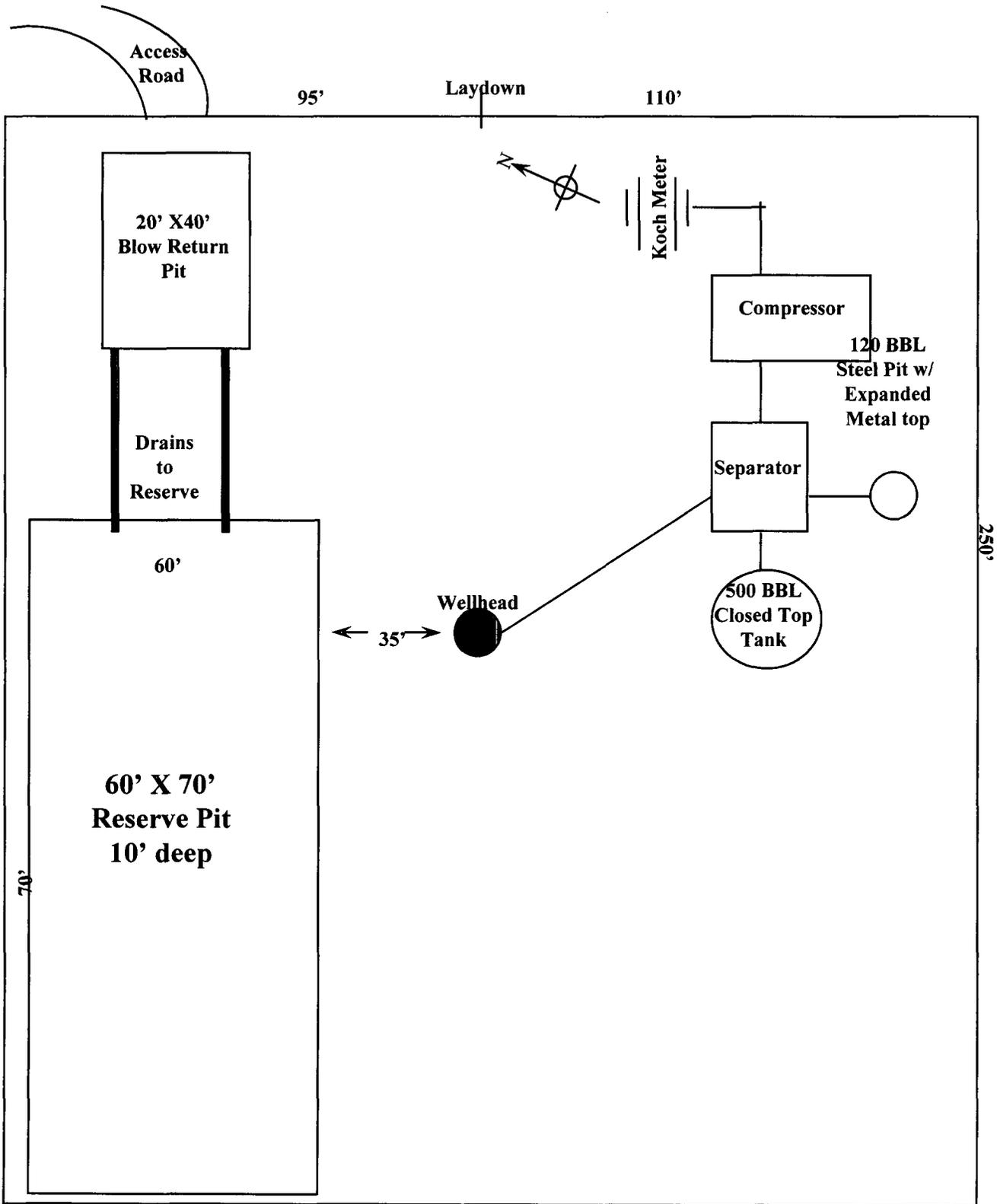
I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines , a general permit  or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan

Date: 01/17/06  
Printed Name/Title Don Johnson, Field Operations Manager Signature [Signature] 1/17/06

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approval: **DEPUTY OIL & GAS INSPECTOR, DIST. 3**  
Printed Name/Title \_\_\_\_\_ Signature [Signature] Date: JAN 19 2006

**KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC**  
**Nordhaus 710S**  
**S01, T31N, R9W**  
**1160' FSL & 1055' FEL - ELEVATION 6511'**



**Nordhaus 710S**

S01, T31N, R09W, 1160' FSL & 1055 FEL

San Juan Co., New Mexico

API No. 30-045-32618 Lease SF078508

Upon completion of drilling/completion remaining liquids were removed from pit by truck to an approved disposal facility.

Prior to closing the pit, liner was cut off at mud level. The excess liner was hauled to a licensed disposal.

December 14 through December 15, 2005 the remaining waste in pit was encapsulated. This was accomplished by covering the remaining waste and liner with earthen materials. Surface area where pit was located was contoured according to BLM requirements, and reseeded with recommended BLM seed mixture.