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

For temporary pits, closed-loop systems, and below-grade tanks, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

For permanent pits and exceptions submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

	Santa Fe, NW 8/303 Distric	ict Office.
3007	Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank,	
	Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan A	Application
	Type of action:    Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or propose   Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or propose   Modification to an existing permit   Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-perbelow-grade tank, or proposed alternative method	posed alternative method
Instructio	ons: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below	ow-grade tank or alternative request
nvironment. Nor do	at approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution oes approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable government.	
1. Operator:	Williams Operating Co, LLC OGRID #:	120782
	PO Box 640 / 721 S Main Aztec, NM 87410	
	ame: <u>Jicarilla 92 #2B</u>	
	30-039-29935 OCD Permit Number:	
	L Section 29 Township 27N Range 03W Count	
	ed Design: Latitude 36.542511 Longitude -107.174764 NAD:	
	☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☒ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment	
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	Emergency Cavitation P&A	DIST. 3
	lined Liner type: Thicknessmil	
☐ String-Reinford	rced	
Liner Seams:	Welded Factory Other Volume: bbl Dimension	ns: Lx Wx D
Type of Operation intent)  Drying Pad  Lined Unlin	System: Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  n: P&A Drilling a new well Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which requi  Above Ground Steel Tanks Haul-off Bins Other  ined Liner type: Thickness mil LLDPE HDPE PVC Other  Welded Factory Other	
4.  Relow-grade t	tank: Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC	
Volume: 120	<del></del>	
	n material: DBL WALL STEEL	
	ontainment with leak detection   Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow s	shut-off
	/alls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other	

Alternative Method:

Liner type: Thickness

Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

mil HDPE PVC Other

Fencing: Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)					
Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital,					
institution or church)  Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet					
☐ Alternate. Please specify <u>Per Tribal Specifications</u>					
7.					
Netting: Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks)					
Screen Netting Other					
Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)					
8. Signs: Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC					
12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers					
Signed in compliance with 19.15.3.103 NMAC					
9.					
Administrative Approvals and Exceptions:  Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.					
Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:					
Administrative approval(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district or the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau consideration of approval.	office for				
Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.					
10.					
Siting Criteria (regarding permitting): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of accep	otable source				
material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appro- office or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of a	priate district				
Applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. Siting criteria does not apply to dryi	ing pads or				
above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.					
Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the temporary pit, permanent pit, or below-grade tank.  NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ☒ No				
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).	Yes No				
- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site					
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ NA				
(Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks)  - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image					
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.	☐ Yes ☐ No 図 NA				
(Applies to permanent pits) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	M III				
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watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application.  - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site					
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance	☐ Yes ☒ No				
adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended.  - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality					
Within 500 feet of a wetland.  - US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☑ No				
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ⊠ No				
Within an unstable area.	☐ Yes ☑ No				
- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map					
Within a 100-year floodplain - FEMA map	☐ Yes ☑ No				

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Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.    Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC   Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC   Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC   Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC   Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC						
Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: or Permit Number:						
Closed-loop Systems Permit Application Attachment Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.  Geologic and Hydrogeologic Data (only for on-site closure) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (3) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9						
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations (only for on-site closure) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC ☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC ☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC ☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC						
Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design)  API Number:						
Previously Approved Operating and Maintenance Plan API Number: (Applies only to closed-loop system that use						
above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)						
Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist: Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.    Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC   Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC   Climatological Factors Assessment   Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC   Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC   Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC   Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan   Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC   Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC   Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H <sub>2</sub> S, Prevention Plan   Emergency Response Plan   Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization   Monitoring and Inspection Plan   Erosion Control Plan   Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC						
Proposed Closure: 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.						
Type: Drilling Workover Emergency Cavitation P&A Permanent Pit Below-grade Tank Closed-loop System Alternative Proposed Closure Method: Waste Excavation and Removal						
Waste Excavation and Refinoval  Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)  In-place Burial On-site Trench Burial  Alternative Closure Method (Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau for consideration)						
Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.  Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)  Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC						

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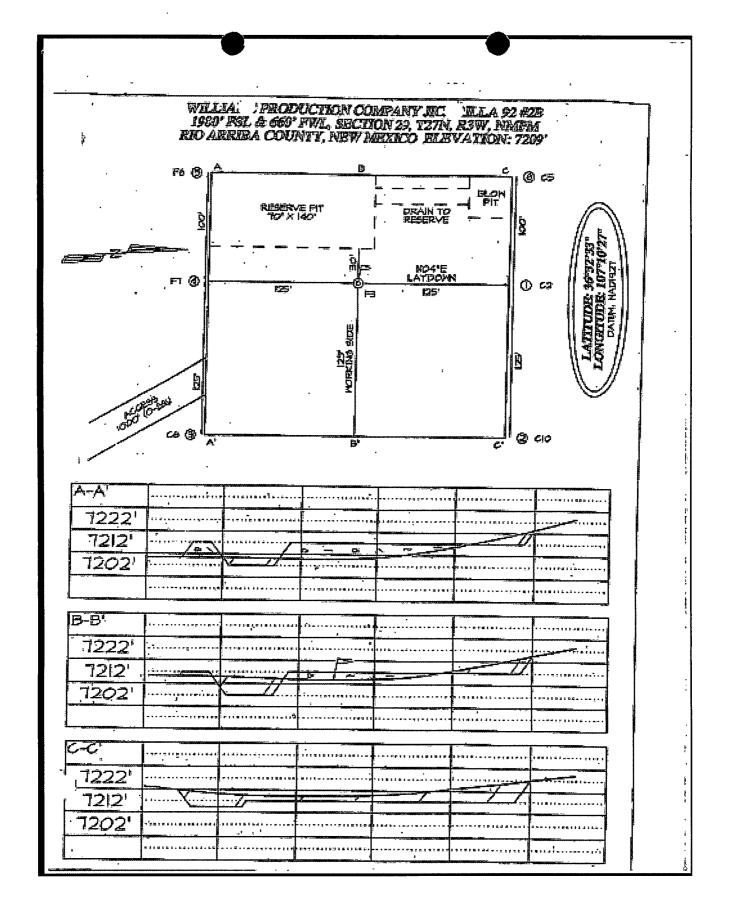
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Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Haul-off Bins Only: (19.15.17.13. Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings. Use attachment if						
facilities are required.						
Disposal Facility Name: Disposal Facility Permit Number:						
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Will any of the proposed closed-loop system operations and associated activities occur on or in areas that will not be used for future set Yes (If yes, please provide the information below)  No	vice and operations?					
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations:  Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	C					
Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only): 19.15.17.10 NMAC Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable sou provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate disconsidered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval. Just demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.	trict office or may be					
Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.  - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ⊠ No ☐ NA					
Ground water is between 50 and 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste  - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	⊠ Yes □ No □ NA					
Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.  - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells	☐ Yes ⊠ No ☐ NA					
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).  - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	⊠ Yes □ No					
Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.  - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ⊠ No					
Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that less than five households use for domestic or stock watering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of initial application.  - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ⊠ No					
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended.  - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality	☐ Yes ⊠ No					
Within 500 feet of a wetland US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	☐ Yes ☑ No					
Within the area overlying a subsurface mine Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division	☐ Yes ⊠ No					
Within an unstable area.  - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map	☐ Yes ☑ No					
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map	☐ Yes ☑ No					
On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure p by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.  Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19  Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection G of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	.15.17.11 NMAC					

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Operator Application Certification:	
I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate an	d complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Name (Print): Sax Michael K Lane	Title: Sr. EH & S Specialist
Signature: by Holly C. Perkus	Date:
e-mail address: myke.lane@williams.com	Telephone: 505-634-4219
20.  OCD Approval:   Permit Application (including closure plan)   Closure Plan (or	nly) OCD Conditions (see attachment)
	Approval Date: 2-10-09
Title: Enviro (spec OCI	O Permit Number:
Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to imp The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the consection of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure	lementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report.  Inpletion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this
22.  Closure Method:  Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative C☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.	closure Method  Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
	oosal Facility Permit Number:
Required for impacted areas which will not be used for future service and operations.  Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation) Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique	
24.  Closure Report Attachment Checklist: Instructions: Each of the following items memorial in the box, that the documents are attached.  Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)  Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure)  Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)  Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)  Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)  Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number  Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation  Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique  Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)  On-site Closure Location: Latitude	ust be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check  NAD:   1983
25.  Operator Closure Certification:  I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report	is true accurate and complete to the best of my languages and
belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements a	and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.
Name (Print)	Title:
Signature:	Date:
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# Hydrogeological Report Williams Production Company, LLC Jicarilla 92 #2B Regional Hydrological Context

# Referenced Well Location:

The referenced well and pit is located on the Jicarilla Apache Reservation in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. This site is positioned in the northeastern portion of the San Juan Basin, an asymmetrical syncline that extends from northwestern New Mexico into southwestern Colorado (Carson National Forest FEIS, 2008). Elevation of the referenced well is approximately 7209 feet MSL.

### **General Regional Groundwater Description:**

As a portion of the San Juan Basin, the Jicarilla Reservation is underlain by sandstone aquifers of the Colorado Plateau. The primary aquifer of potential concern at this location is the Unita-Animas Aquifer, composed primarily of Lower Tertiary rocks in the San Juan Basin. The aquifer consists of the San Jose Formation; the underlying Animas formation and its lateral equivalent, the Nacimiento formation; and the Ojo Alamo Sandstone. The thickness of the Unita-Animas aquifer generally increases toward the central part of the basin. In the northeastern part of the San Juan Basin, the maximum thickness of the aquifer is approximately 3500 feet (USGS, 2001). This aquifer contains fresh to moderately saline water.

Groundwater generally flows toward the San Juan River and it tributaries, where it becomes alluvial groundwater or is discharged to stream flow. Additional information regarding the Hydrogeologic setting can be found in the provided references.

**Site Specific Information:** 

Surface Hydrology: The pit is located in lowlands east of drainage associated with Tapicito

Creek. The USGS topo map indicates a possible wash, but onsite

reconnaissance and review of the aerial photos show there is a game trail in the drainage and no well defined wash or drainage feature. The closest

significant wash is over 500 feet from the site and proposed pit.

1<sup>st</sup> Water Bearing Formation:

Formation Thickness: Underlying Formation: Depth to Groundwater: San Jose, Tertiary Approximately 2200 ft.

Nacimiento, Tertiary Depth to groundwater is estimated at 50 - 100 feet bgs. There are no

iWATERS wells with recorded groundwater depth within a one-mile radius of the pit. However, cathodic data associated with Jicarilla Apache 92 #2 (approximately 1200 feet from the pit), Jicarilla 92 #12

(approximately 1900 feet from the pit), and Jicarilla 92 #11

(approximately 2500 feet from the pit) show a depth to moisture of 60, 180, and 100 feet, respectively (see Siting Criteria Map I for details).

### **References:**

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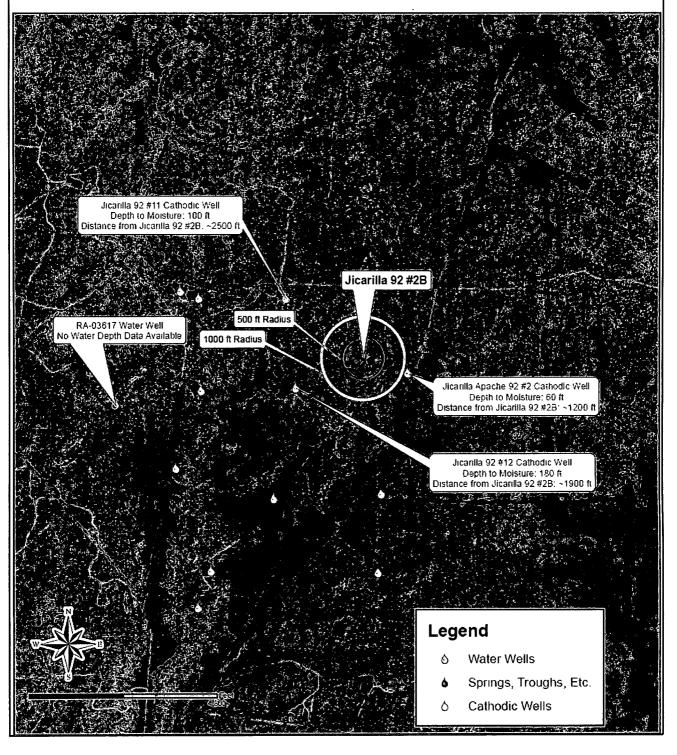
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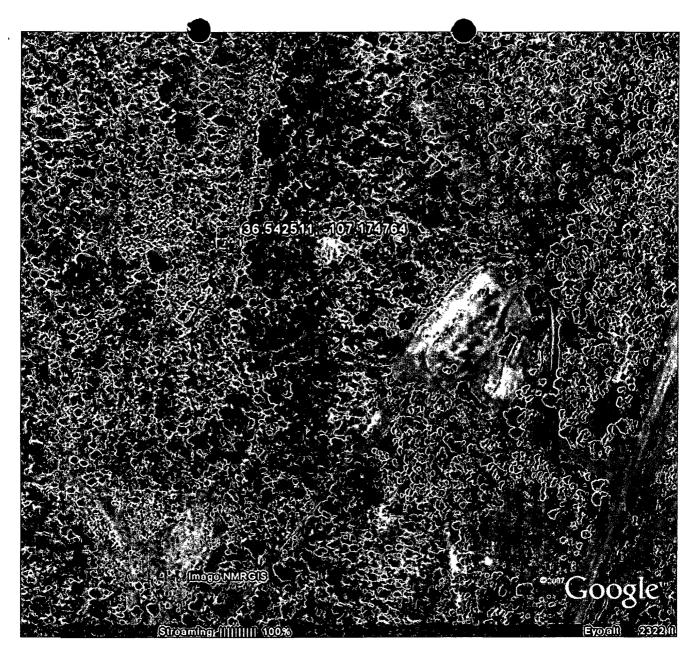
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# Siting Criteria Map I Water Wells, Cathodic Wells, & Springs Williams Exploration and Production Company Jicarilla 92 #2B T27N, R3W, Section 29, NMPM Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

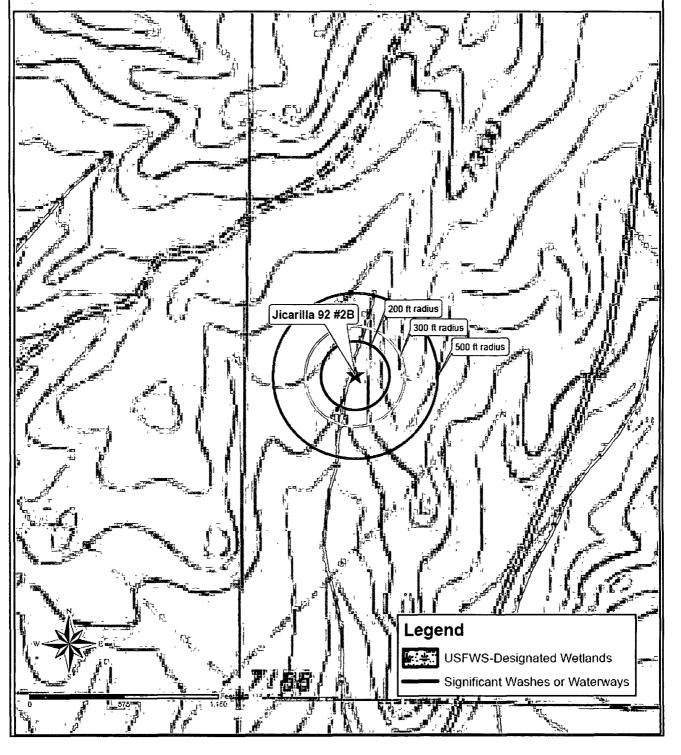




Williams Production Jicarilla 92 #002B Rio Arriba Co., NM

Demonstration no significant drainage near proposed wellsite just a trail

Siting Criteria Map II
Topographic Features
Williams Exploration and Production Company
Jicarilla 92 #2B
T27N, R3W, Section 29, NMPM
Rio Arriba County, New Mexico





# FEMA Map - 100-Year Floodplain:

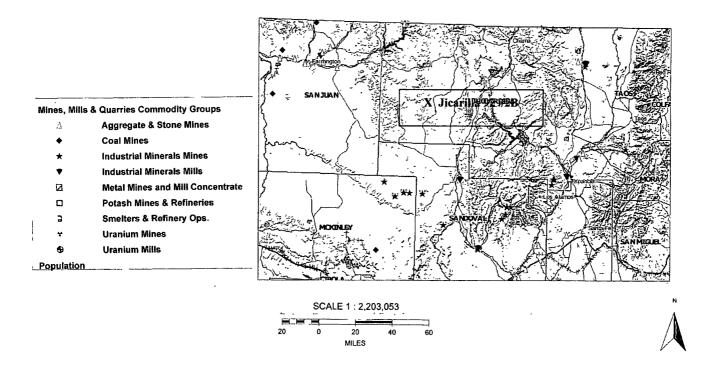


As this location is within the Jicarilla Apache Reservation, FEMA maps are not available for the site. However, ortho and topographic maps indicate that the location is not within a floodplain.

### **Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations:**

The Jicarilla 92 #2B pit is not in an unstable location. The location is not situated over a mine or a steep slope (see attached New Mexico Mines, Mills, and Quarries Map). Excavated pit material will not be located within 300 feet of a continuously flowing water course or within 500 feet of any reported riparian areas or wetlands. Additioanlly, the location does not appear to be within 200 feet of a significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (see Siting Criteria Map II). The pit is not within 500 feet of any private, domestic fresh water well or spring or within 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring (see Siting Criteria Map I). The pit will not be within any incorporated municipal boundaries or defined municipal freshwater well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. The location of the proposed pit is not within 300 feet of any permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church.

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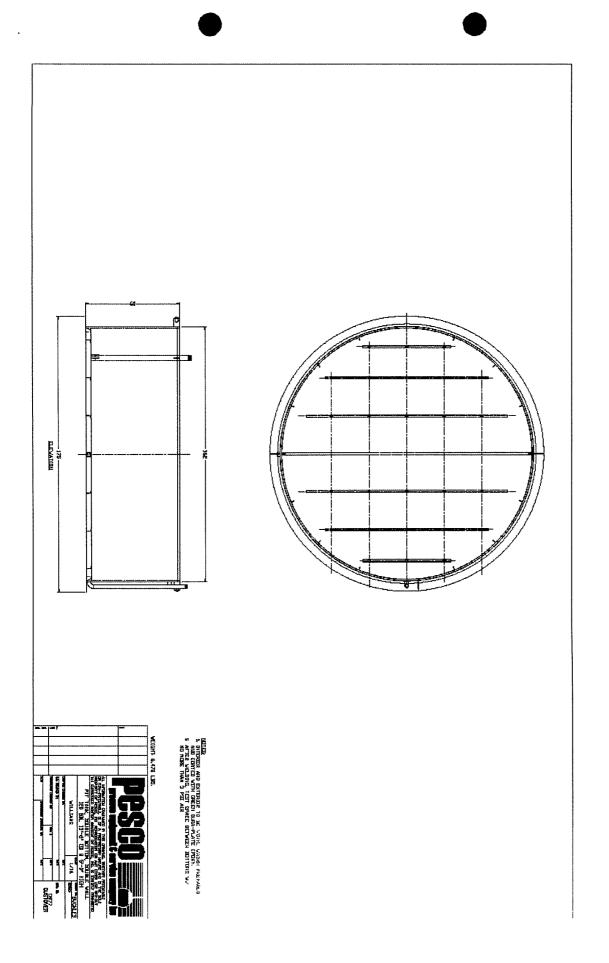
# Production Pit: Buried Double-Wall Steel Tank Design and Construction Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 NMAC, the following plan describes the general design and construction (D&C) of production pits using buried double-wall steel tanks on Williams Production Co, LLC (WPX) locations in the San Juan Basin of New Mexico. For those production pits which do not conform to this standard plan, a separate well specific D&C plan will be developed and utilized.

# General Plan Requirements:

- 1. WPX will design and construct a production pit to contain liquids associated with the dehydration and compression of produced natural gas, which will prevent contamination of fresh water resources and protect public health and the environment.
- 2. The pit will be located as close as possible to the well and associated production/process equipment to minimize surface disturbance. Prior to excavation for the pit, topsoil will be stripped and stockpiled on the well location.
- 3. The excavation will have a firm compacted bottom and sidewalls that are stable for the soil conditions.
- 4. The BGT will be placed in the excavation such that there is a minimum 12 inch free board between the surrounding soils and the tank top. Backfilled soils will be carefully compacted to avoid damaging the tank.
- 5. The buried BGT will be constructed of steel with double-walls and double-bottom, welded following appropriate API and industry codes, coated with an epoxy based paint, covered with a steel #9 mesh screen, and equipped with an EFM to monitor high liquid levels and automatically shut off liquid discharges.
- 6. A solid riser pipe will be installed to allow withdrawal of liquids by suction. The riser will draw from the bottom of the BGT, capped when not in use and sloped to the pit to allow drainage of liquids not collected during withdrawal operations.
- 7. A solid riser pipe will be installed between the interstitial space of the double-walls to allow monthly inspection to determine tank integrity.
- 8. The BGT will be protected from run-on by the construction of a compacted earthen berm.
- 9. Fencing will be constructed to protect livestock/wildlife as specified by the federal Surface Management Agency or, if not federal land/minerals, NMOCD rule 17 requirements.
- 10. WPX will post a well sign in accordance with the federal Surface Management Agency and rule 19.15.3.103.

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# Williams Production Co., LLC San Juan Basin: New Mexico Assets

Production Pit: Buried Double-Wall Steel Tank Operations and Maintenance Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17 NMAC, the following plan describes the general operations and maintenance (O&M)of production pits using subgrade tanks on Williams Production Co, LLC (WPX) locations in the San Juan Basin of New Mexico. For those production pits which do not conform to this standard O&M plan, a separate well specific O&M plan will be developed and utilized.

- 1. WPX will only allow produced liquids meeting the RCRA exemption for O&G wastes to be stored in the SGT. WPX will not discharge or store any hazardous waste as defined under RCRA 40CFR 261 and 19.15.1.7.W(3) NMAC in any temporary pit.
- 2. Produced water will be disposed by evaporation or transport any of the following NMOCD approved facilities depending on the well location: Basin Disposal, Inc in Bloomfield, New Mexico (Permit # NM-01-005), Williams Rosa SWD#1 (Permit # SWD-916), Williams Rosa #94 (Permit # SWD-758), Burlington Resources Jillson SWD#1 (Permit #R10168A), or other NMOCD approved water disposal facilities.
- 3. WPX shall maintain sufficient freeboard for to prevent overtopping. Discharges to the pit will be shut off automatically if the high-level alarm is triggered from the EFM or manually if the EFM is not functional.
- 4. Any oil or hydrocarbon collecting on the pit will be removed. Saleable condensate will be returned to the sales tank. Slop oil from compression will be recycled with Safety Kleen, Farmington, NM or Hydropure, Aztec, NM (No Permit Required).
- 5. If the tank integrity is compromised:
  - a. All discharges will be shut off to the pit.
  - b. All liquids will be removed as soon as possible but no more that within 24 hours of discovery
  - c. WPX will notify and report to NMOCD as follows:
  - i. If the release is less than 25 bbls, the Aztec District Office by phone or email within 48-hours of discovery and repair.
  - ii. If the release is suspected to be greater than 25 bbls, the Aztec District Office and the Environmental Bureau Chief by phone for immediate verbal notification pursuant to 19.15.3.116.B (1)(d).
  - d. Written Spill/Release reports will be submitted on Form C-141 per 19.15.3.116.C NMAC within 15 days to the Aztec District Office.
- 6. Berms around the perimeter of the pit shall be maintained as protection from run-on.
- 7. WPX will inspect the SGT pits monthly. Electronic copies of the inspections will be kept at the WPX San Juan Basin office for a minimum of five years following completion. Copies of the inspections will be available to NMOCD upon request.

# Williams Production Co., LLC San Juan Basin: New Mexico Assets

Production Pit: Buried Double-Wall Steel Tank
Closure Plan

In accordance with Rule 19.15.17.13 NMAC, the following plan describes the general closure requirements of below-grade tanks (BGT) on Williams Production Co, LLC (WPX) locations in the San Juan Basin of New Mexico. This is WPX's standard closure procedure for all BGTs regulated under Rule 19.15.17 NMAC and operated by WPX. For those closures which do not conform to this standard closure plan, a separate well/pit specific closure plan will be developed and utilized.

# **Closure Conditions and Timing:**

Pursuant to 19.15.17.13 (A) NMAC, WPX will initiate closure of any BGT should any one of these conditions occur:

- The Division requires closure because of imminent danger to fresh water, public health or the environment.
- The integrity of the BGT fails. Notification will be within 48 hours to the Division and closure will be schedule as specified in 19.15.17.12 (A)(5) NMAC.
- WPX chooses to take the BGT out-of-service due to operational needs. Closure under these conditions will be closed within 60 days of cessation of the BGT's operation.
- BGTs installed prior to June 16, 2008 that do not meet the requirements under 19.15.17.11.1(6) NMAC and WPX chooses not to retrofit or upgrade. Closure under these conditions will be completed within five years (by June 16, 2013).

# **General Plan Requirements:**

- 1. Prior to initiating any BGT Closure except in the case of an emergency, WPX will review County Tax Records for the current surface owner of record. The surface owner of record will be notified of the intent to close the BGT by certified mail and a copy of this notification will be included in the closure report. In the case of an emergency, the surface owner of record will be notified as soon as practical.
- 2. Notice of Closure will be given to the Aztec District office between 72 hours and one week of the scheduled closure via email or phone. The notification of closure will include the following:
  - a. Operators Name (WPX)
  - b. Well Name and API Number
  - c. Location (USTR)
- 3. All piping will be re-routed to an alternative produced water storage/disposal location (e.g. surface tanks, temporary frac tank ...). The well will be temporarily shut in until the re-routing is completed.
- 4. All produced water will be removed from the BGT following discharge-pipe re-routing. Produced water will be disposed at one of the following NMOCD approved facilities depending on the proximity of the BGT site: Rosa Unit SWD #1 (Order: SWD-916, API: 30-039-27055), Rosa Unit #94 (Order: SWD-3RP-1003-0, API: 30-039-23035), Jillson Fed. SWD #001 (Order: R10168/R10168A, API: 30-039-25465), Middle Mesa SWD #001 (Order: SWD-350-0, API: 30-045-27004) and/or Basin Disposal (Permit: NM-01-0005).
- 5. Solids and sludges will be shoveled and /or vacuumed out for disposal at Envirotech (Permit Number NM-01-0011).
- 6. WPX will obtain prior approval from NMOCD to dispose, recycle, reuse, or reclaim the BGT and provide documentation of the disposition of the BGT in the closure report. Steel materials will be recycled or reused as approved by the Division. Fiberglass tanks will be empty, cut up or shredded, and EPA cleaned for disposal as solid waste. Liners materials will be cleaned without soils or contaminated material for disposal as solid waste. Fiberglass

- tanks and liner materials will meet the conditions of paragraph is absection D of 19.15.9.712 NMAC. Disposal will be at a licensed disposal facility, presently San Juan Regional Landfill operated by Waste Management under NMED Permit SWM-052426.
- 7. Any equipment associated with the BGT that is no longer required for some other purpose, following the closure, will be removed from the location.
- 8. Following removal of the tank and any liner material, a five-point composite sample will be taken of the excavation and tested per 19.15.17.13(E)(4) NMAC as identified in Table 1. Grab samples will be collected from any area that is wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release. Results will be reported to the Division following receipt from the lab on Form C-141.

Table 1: Closure Criteria for BGTs

Components	Testing Methods	Closure Limits (mg/Kg)					
Benzene	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	0.2					
BTEX	EPA SW-846 Method 8021B or 8260B	50					
TPH	EPA SW-846 Method 418.1(1)	100					
Chlorides	EPA SW-846 Method 300.1(1)	250(2)					

<sup>(1)</sup> Method modified for solid waste.

- 9. If the Division and/or WPX determine there is a release, WPX will comply with 19.15.3.116 NMAC and 19.15.1.19 NMAC.
- 10. Upon completion of the tank removal, the excavation will be backfilled with non-waste earthen material compacted and covered with a minimum of one foot of top soil or background thickness, whichever is greater and to existing grade. The surface will be recontoured to match the native grade and prevent ponding.
- 11. For those portions of the former pit area no longer required for production activities, WPX will seed the disturbed areas the first growing season after the pit is covered. Seeding will be accomplished via drilling on the contour whenever practical, or by other Division-approved methods. Vegetative cover will equal 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (unimpacted) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintained that cover through two successive growing seasons. Repeat seeding or planting will be continued until successful vegetative growth occurs. Note: If a surface owner agreement requires re-seeding or other surface restoration that do not meet the re-vegetation requirements of 19.15.17.13.I NMAC then WPX will submit the proposed alternative with written documentation that the surface owner agrees to the alternative, for Division approval.
- 12. For those portions of the former pit area required for production activities, re-seeding will be done at well abandonment, and following the procedure noted above.

# **Closure Report:**

All closure activities will include proper documentation and will be submitted to OCD within 60 days of the BGT closure on a Closure Report using Division Form C-144. The Report will include the following:

- Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner & NMOCD)
- Backfilling & Cover Installation
- Site Diagram with coordinates
- Available Inspection reports

- Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results
- Disposal Facility Name(s) and Permit Number(s)
- Application Rate & Seeding techniques
- Photo Documentation of Reclamation

<sup>(2)</sup> If background concentration of Chlorides greater than 250 mg/Kg, then higher concentration will be used for closure.