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

X String-Reinforced

Alternative Method:

3.

Liner Seams: Welded Factory Other

State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

Pit, Closed-Loop System, Below-Grade Tank, or

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.

Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application					
Type of action: X Permit of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method Closure of a pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method Modification to an existing permit Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method					
Instructions: Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, closed-loop system, below-grade tank or alternative request					
Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances					
Operator: Dugan Production Corp. OGRID#: 006515					
Address: 709 East Murray Drive, Farmington, New Mexico 87401					
Facility or well name: Martinez Begay Com #1					
API Number: 30-045-34983 OCD Permit Number. U/L or Qtr/Qtr P Section 34 Township 24N Range 10W County San Juan County					
U/L or Qtr/Qtr P Section 34 Township 24N Range 10W County San Juan County					
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.26631 N Longitude 107.87816 W NAD: 1927 X 1983					
Surface Owner: Federal State Private Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment					
2					
X Pit: Subsection F or G of 19.15.17.11 NMAC					
Temporary: 🔀 Drilling 🗌 Workover					
Permanent Emergency Cavitation P&A					
X Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness 20 mil X LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other					

LI <u>Closed-loop System</u> : Subsection H of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
Type of Operation: P&A Drilling a new well Workover or Drilling (Applies to activities which require prior approval of a permit or notice of intent)
☐ Drying Pad ☐ Above Ground Steel Tanks ☐ Haul-off Bins ☐ Other
Lined Unlined Liner type: Thickness mil LLDPE HDPE PVC Other
Lined Unlined Liner type: Thickness mil LLDPE HDPE PVC Other Liner Seams: Welded Factory Other
4. Below-grade tank: Subsection I of 19.15 17.11 NMAC RECEIVED
Volume:bbl Type of fluid:bbl Type of fluid:
1 Tank Construction material:
Secondary containment with leak detection Visible sidewalls. liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off
Secondary containment with leak detection Visible sidewalls. liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off Visible sidewalls and liner Visible sidewalls only Other Lines types. Thickness.
Liner type: Thicknessmil
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Volume: 600 bbl Dimensions: L 76' x W 13' x D 8'

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

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, institution or church)	hospital,
Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet	
X Alternate. Please specify 4' Hogwire	
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	
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. Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.	office for
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 accept material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria may require administrative approval from the appropriate or may be considered an exception which must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of applicant must attach justification for request. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance. Siting criteria does not apply to drying above-grade tanks associated with a closed-loop system.	priate district pproval.
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). - 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. (Applies to temporary, emergency, or cavitation pits and below-grade tanks) - Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ NA
Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. (Applies to permanent pits)	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ NA
- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image 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.	☐ Yes ☒ No
 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 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 X No
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map	Yes X No

Ti. 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 19.15.17.11 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 □ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API 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: (Applies only to closed-loop system that use above ground steel tanks or haul-off bins and propose to implement waste removal for closure)
Distructions: 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 Dister 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 Preeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H ₂ 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
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

Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Groun Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for the disposal of liquids		
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 ☐ Yes (If yes, please provide the information below) ☐ No	occur on or in areas that will not be used for future serv	vice and operations?
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Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste. - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Do	ata 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; Database search;	ata 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; D	ata obtained from nearby wells	∑ Yes □ No □ NA □ NA
Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other s lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). - Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site	ignificant watercourse or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa	Yes X No
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Within 500 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring that lowestering purposes, or within 1000 horizontal feet of any other fresh water well or - NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection	r spring, in existence at the time of initial application.	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh wa adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. - Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approximate	·	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within 500 feet of a wetland US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Vis	aual 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-Minimation or map from the NM EMNRD-M	ng and Mineral Division	Yes X No
Within an unstable area. - Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geold Society; Topographic map	egy & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological	☐ Yes ☒ No
Within a 100-year floodplain FEMA map		☐ Yes 🗓 No
18. On-Site Closure Plan Checklist: (19.15.17.13 NMAC) Instructions: Each of by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached. Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate reprince of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements. Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19 Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsections.	equirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC of Subsection F of 19.15 17.13 NMAC appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC g pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC equirements of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC of Subsection F of 19.15.17.13 NMAC d drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot 1 of 19.15.17.13 NMAC on I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC	15.17.11 NMAC

Operator Application Certification:	77-10
I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge	and belief.
Name (Print): Kurt Fagrelius Title: Vice President, Exp	ploration
Signature: Nut Fegure Date: May 20, 2009	
e-mail address. kfagrelius@duganproduction.com Telephone: 505-325-1821(o),	505-320-8248 (H)
20. OCD Approval: Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachmed)	ent)
OCD Representative Signature: Approval Date:	7-2-09
Title: Enviro /spec OCD Permit Number:	
Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion): Subsection K of 19.15.17.13 NMAC Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and sub The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed. Closure Completion Date:	
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Closure Method: Waste Excavation and Removal On-Site Closure Method Alternative Closure Method Waste Removal (C) If different from approved plan, please explain.	losed-loop systems only)
Closure Report Regarding Waste Removal Closure For Closed-loop Systems That Utilize Above Ground Steel Tanks or Instructions: Please indentify the facility or facilities for where the liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings were disposed. Utwo facilities were utilized. Disposed Facility Name:	Ise attachment if more than
Disposal Facility Name: Disposal Facility Permit Number: Disposal Facility Permit Number:	
Were the closed-loop system operations and associated activities performed on or in areas that will not be used for future service	
Yes (If yes, please demonstrate compliance to the items below) No	
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 must be attached to the closure report. Programmer in the box, that the documents are attached.	lease indicate, by a check
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 Longitude NAD:	☐ 1927 ☐ 1983
Operator Closure Certification:	
I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved	
Name (Print): Title: Vice President Explo	oration
Signature: Kurt Fagrelius Date:	
e-mail address: kfagrelius@duganproduction.com Telephone: 505-325-1821	

Martinez Begay Com #1 Hydrogeologic Data

The Martinez Begay Com #1 is located on Navajo Allotted land on the Chaco Slope area in San Juan County, New Mexico. The region is characterized as a high arid mesa broken by numerous, deep cutting arroyos. Vegetation in the area is predominantly short stands of sage and sparse grass.

A records search of the NM Office of the State Engineer –iWATERS database was conducted on a three square mile area centered on the Martinez Begay Com #1 location (Exhibit 2). One water well was located 5,200-feet to the southwest (total depth 373', depth to water not reported). The results of the search are shown on Exhibit 1.

The main source of stock water in the region is encountered in valley-fill deposits in existing arroyos at shallow depths of approximately 15 – 50 feet below the surface and stock tanks constructed on surface shale layers at the confluences and upper reaches of arroyos. The proposed temporary pit is not located in an arroyo; the closest arroyo and stock pond is 1,00-feet to the north (Exhibit 2).

The Nacimiento Formation extends from the surface down to a depth of 295-feet. Thin silty sands can occur near the base. However, there are no sands in the Nacimiento section at this location and the interval is not expected to contain groundwater.

The underlying Ojo Alamo Sandstone is from 295 to 390-feet and is comprised of a coarse grained alluvial sandstone inter-bedded with lenses of mudstone and occasional conglomeratic sandstone. The Ojo Alamo may yield marginal quantities of water for livestock; however, the water quality is typically greater than 1,000 ppm total dissolved solids and high in sulfate (Stone, 1983).

The underlying Kirtland and Fruitland shale layers do not have reservoir rocks capable of storing ground water. However, the Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs Sandstone from 1130-1250 feet contains ground water and natural gas. The water quality is very poor (>15,000 ppm TDS); water that is recovered with natural gas production is disposed of in nearby salt water disposal wells (analysis of this water is available upon request from Dugan Production).

Based on electric open hole logs, the iWATERS database and literature reviewed, poor quality groundwater might be found at a depth of approximately 295-feet in the Ojo Alamo Sandstone. A deeper source of poor quality groundwater would be the Fruitland Coal / Pictured Cliffs interval at 1130-1250 feet.

This Hydrogeologic Report was prepared by Mr. Kurt Fagrelius, Geologist for Dugan Production. Mr. Fagrelius has been employed as a geologist for Dugan for the past 31-years, received a MS in Geology from NMIMT in Socorro, NM and a BS in Geology from FLC in Durango, CO.

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New Mexico Office of the State Engineer **POD Reports and Downloads** Township: 24N Range: 10W Sections: 26,27,28,33,34,35 NAD27 X: Y: Zone: Search Radius: 61 Basin: Number: Suffix: County: Owner Name: (First) (Last) Non-Domestic Domestic All POD / Surface Data Report Avg Depth to Water Report Water Column Report Clear Form iWATERS Menu Help WATER COLUMN REPORT 07/11/2008 (quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE) Depth Depth (quarters are biggest to smallest) Well Water POD Number X Tws Rng Sec qqq

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Siting Criteria for the Martinez Begay Com #1

- 1. Ground water is not less than 50-feet below the bottom of the temporary pit. Ground water is greater than 100-feet below the bottom of the temporary pit.
- 2. The temporary pit is not within 300-feet of a continuously flowing water course, or 200 feet of any other watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from ordinary high water mark). See the attached Topographic map (Exhibit 2) and Visual Inspection Certification of the location and area around the subject temporary pit.
- 3. The temporary pit is not within 300-feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application. See the attached Satellite Image (Exhibit 3) and Visual Inspection certification of the location and area around the subject temporary pit.
- 4. The temporary pit is not within 500-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. See the attached NM Office of the State Engineer iWATERS database search (Exhibit 4) and Visual Inspection certification of the location and area around the subject temporary pit.
- 5. The temporary pit is not located within the 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. See the attached Topographic map of the location and area around the subject temporary pit.
- 6. The temporary pit is not located within 500-feet of a wetland. See the attached Topographic map and Visual Inspection Certification of the location and area around the subject temporary pit.
- 7. The temporary pit is not located within the area overlying a subsurface mine. See the attached Mine, Mills and Quarry Map of New Mexico (New Mexico, EMND 2008) (Exhibit 5) showing the location and area around the subject pit.
- 8. The temporary pit is not located within an unstable area. See the attached Topographic map of the location and area around the subject temporary pit.
- 9. The temporary pit is not located within a 100-year floodplain area. See the attached FEMA map (Exhibit 6) of the 100 year floodplain showing the location and area around the subject pit.

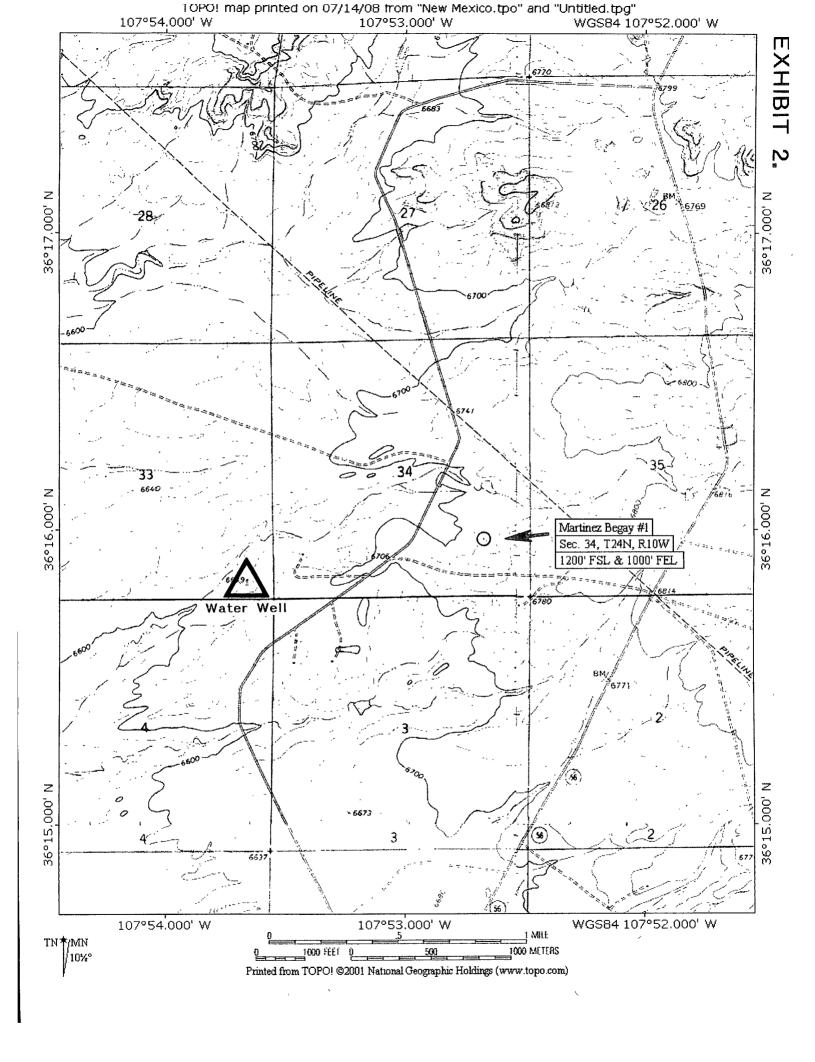
Martinez Begay Com #1 Visual Inspection Certification

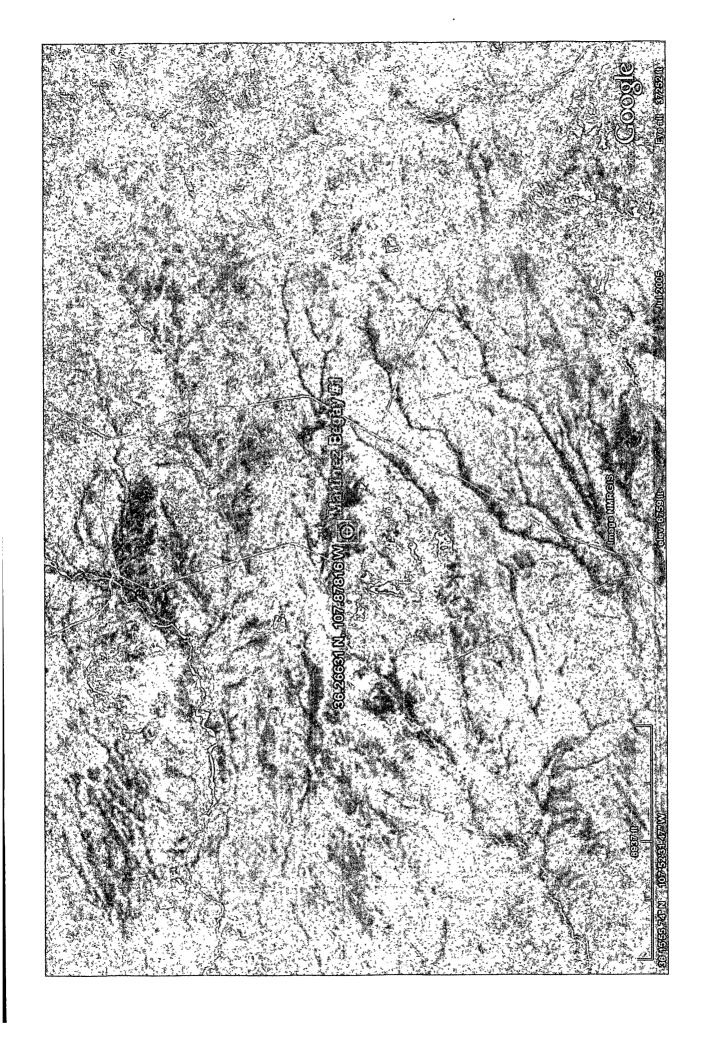
I, <u>Kurt Fagrelius</u>, Vice President of Exploration for Dugan Production Corp. 709 East Murray Drive, Farmington, New Mexico hereby certify that I or persons under my direct supervision, prepared the attached exhibits and conducted a Visual Inspection of the location and area around the Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit (May 11, 2009) and that this application is in full compliance with all siting criteria and standards for temporary pits established by the State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department 19.15.17.10 NMAC.

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May 20, 2009

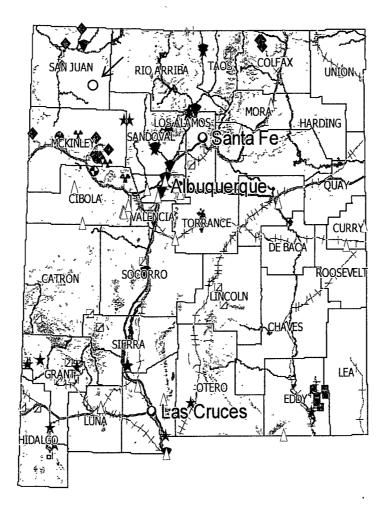
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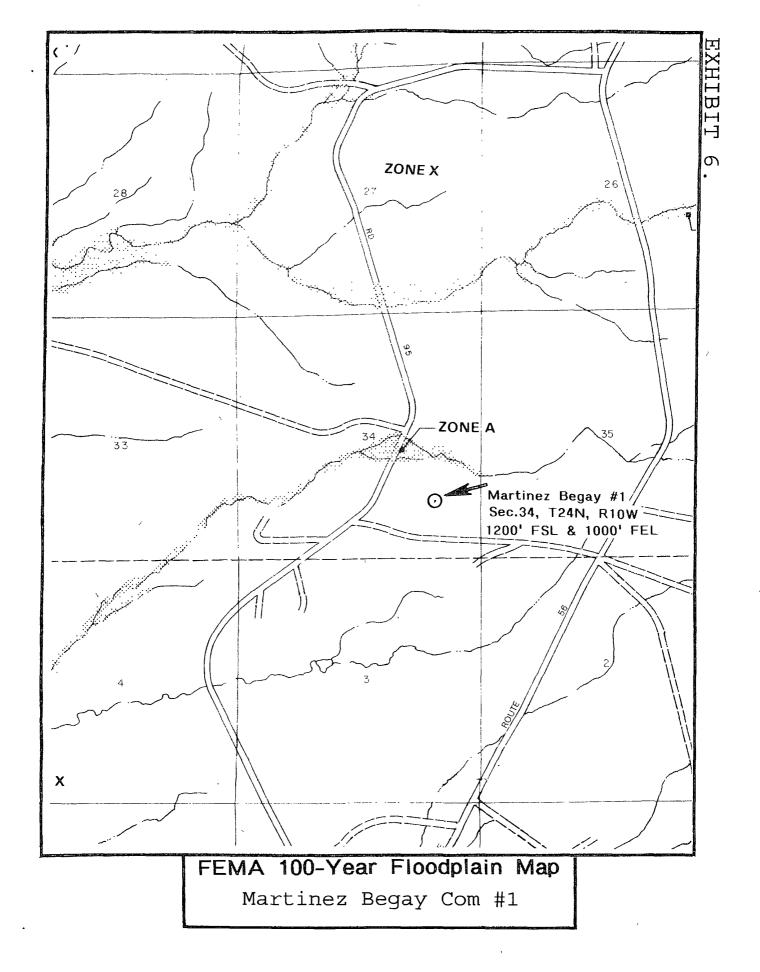
Mine, Mills and Quarry Map of New Mexico

Dugan Production Corp.

Martinez Begay #1

Taken from the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department.

Mining and Minerals Division.



Martinez Begay Com #1 Design and Construction Plan

- 1. The Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit will be designed and constructed in accordance with the following requirements:
- 2. Temporary pit will be designed and constructed to contain liquids and solids and prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment.
- 3. Stockpile topsoil prior to digging pit, keep separate from subsoil and use as final cover and fill when closing pit.
- 4. Sign-12" by 24" with operator name, lease name, well #, location (unit letter, qtr/qtr, Sect., Twp., and Rge.) and emergency phone #'s will be posted on location. Sign will be posted in a location where it can be easily read.
- 5. Fencing around the Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit will be constructed and operated in a manner that prevents unauthorized access and shall be maintained in good condition to protect the public and wildlife. Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit is not located within 1000 feet of house, school, hospital or church. Administrative Approval is requested for alternative design (4'-hogwire). See attachment.
- 6. Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit will be designed and constructed to ensure the confinement of liquids and prevent unauthorized releases. Pit will be constructed with a firm foundation and interior slopes, smooth and free of rocks or sharp edges. Administrative Approval is requested for alternative design (2H: 1V slopes on 2-sides, vertical on 2-sides). See attachment.
- 7. Liner will be 20-mil string reinforced LLDPE, impervious material, resistant to UV light, hydrocarbons, salt, acidic or basic liquids. Liner seams will be minimized, oriented up and down, not across slopes, will have factory seam welds. Construction methods to avoid excessive stress-strain on the liner will be used. Geo-textile will be used under the liner as needed to reduce localized stress-strain on the liner in order to prevent punctures or tears in the liner.
- 8. Anchor trenches for the liner will be at least 18-inches deep.
- 9. A header, diverter, smooth flanged fittings or other devices that prevent damage to the liner by fluid force or mechanical damage at any point of discharge into or suction from the pit will be used.
- 10. Diversionary berms, ditches or sloping will be constructed as necessary to prevent surface run-off from flowing into pit.

Martinez Begay Com #1 Operational Requirements

- 1. The Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit will be maintained and operated in Accordance with the following requirements:
- 2. Recycle, re-use, reclaim or dispose of fluids in a manner approved by the NMOCD rules.
- 3. Drilling fluids will be transferred to the next temporary (drilling reserve) pit to be used again in drilling the next well. Free fluid that shakes out of mud will be transferred to the Dugan operated Sanchez O'Brien SWD #1 disposal well.
- 4. Do not dispose of solid waste, trash, debris or hazardous material into the pit.
- 5. If the pit liner becomes torn or damaged, notify the appropriate NMOCD district office within 48-hours and repair or replace and remove all liquid above leak (505) 334-6178. If a hole or tear occurs below the fluid level, call the NMOCD office within 24-hours.
- 6. All injection or withdrawal of liquids from a pit using a water truck will be done through a header, diverter or other device that prevents damage to the liner by erosion, fluid jets or impact from installation and removal of hoses or pipes.
- 7. Discharge line from pit and suction lines to mud pumps will be equipped with smooth flanged fittings and hoses to prevent damage to the pit liner.
- 8. BOP manifolds will be constructed, installed and staked down in a manner that prevents damage to the pit liner.
- 9. Temporary pit will be constructed and operated in a manner that prevents surface water from entering the pit. Diversion berms will be constructed along the upslope sides of pit.
- 10. Oil absorbent booms or other devices to contain and remove oil from pit's surface will be kept onsite until final pit closure.
- 11. Discharge only fluids generated during drilling or work-over operations into the pit.
- 12. Immediately following drilling or work-over operations, remove any oil from pit surface.
- 13. Maintain at least 2-feet of freeboard in pit at all times.
- 14. Keep log book of daily inspections during drilling and work-over operations.
- 15. Keep log book of weekly inspections after rig is moved off, until final pit closure.
- 16. Note date of drilling or work-over rig release on form C-105 or C-103.

Martinez Begay Com #1 Request for Administrative Approval

Administrative approval is hereby requested for an alternative to the slope requirement (2H:1V), fencing design and steel marker to be set at the center of burial site following on-site pit closure for the Martinez Begay Com #1 temporary pit.

The requests for administrative approval cited above are needed to help minimize environmental impact and increase safety and protect wildlife and public health. The alternatives proposed will protect fresh water, public health, safety and the environment more effectively than the design and construction specifications established by the State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department do in rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC.

1. The proposed alternative pit design would have 2H: 1V slopes on two ends and vertical walls in the middle (Exhibit 7). The maximum depth of the pit would be 8-feet, never exceeding 6-feet of drilling fluid with at least 2-feet of freeboard. This pit size, depth and design (developed over the last 30+-years) is the best design (enabling separation of cuttings and mud) for the small water well rig and mud pump that will be used to drill the subject well. Based on the small size of the pit and larger size of liner installed, there will not be any vertical strain on the liner. In the event someone falls into the pit they will be able to exit the pit using the 2H: 1V slopes on either end of the pit (spaced 40-feet apart), using a rope ladder located at the midpoint on the far side of pit or by climbing up the suction or discharge lines on the rig side of the pit.

The existing rule (19.15.17.11.F.2) would require the operator to build a temporary pit that has 2H: 1V slopes on all four sides. To achieve the minimum depth and width needed for proper separation of cuttings and mud (8-feet deep, 13-feet wide, 6-feet of mud and 2-feet of freeboard) the width of the pit required under the existing rule would have to be doubled (13-feet wide proposed design, 45-feet wide under the existing rule). The larger pit size required under the existing rule would require the pad size to be increased from the current 105-feet by 150-feet (0.36 acres) to 150-feet by 150-feet (0.52 acres). The larger pit size required under the existing rule would require a doubling of mud volume (600-bls proposed design, 1200-bls existing rule) to operate properly and would have to be disposed of once the temporary pit is closed. Also the larger pit size required under the existing rule would require a larger liner (102' X 42' proposed design, 102' X 60' existing rule) and would have to be disposed of once the temporary pit is closed. The proposed alternative temporary pit design is needed so that the optimum size and design can be constructed which will also minimize the impact on the environment.

The proposed temporary pit will be constructed and operated in a safe manner to prevent contamination of fresh water and protect public health and the environment.

2. The proposed alternative fencing design will include T-posts spaced 10-feet apart with 3-T-posts on each end. T-posts will be located outside of the liner apron and burial trench. Hog-wire / field fence 4-feet in height will be strung tightly and anchored to the top and bottom of each T-post. Small holes (3" high X 6" wide) in the hog-wire will be located at ground level with increasing larger holes (up to 7" high X 6" wide) located at the top of the fence. Anchor braces will be put at all four corners to strengthen and tighten the fence. During drilling or work-over operations, there will be no fence

adjacent to the rig. However, the ends of fence will be attached to the front and rear of rig when responsible personnel are

not on-site. Once the rig is moved off, the third side of fence will be constructed in the same manner. This fence design (developed over the last 30-years) has proven to be very effective controlling unauthorized access to temporary drilling pits.

The existing rule (19.15.17.11.D.3) would require the operator to fence the temporary pit with a four foot fence that has at least four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced in the interval between on foot and four feet above the ground level. The proposed fencing alternative would provide better security against unauthorized access to temporary drilling pits. The smaller holes in hog-wire (3" X 6" up to 7" X 6") is more effective at controlling unauthorized access by the public and wildlife than 4-strands of barbed wire spaced 12" apart.

The proposed fence around the temporary pit will be constructed and operated in a manner that prevents unauthorized access and shall maintain the fence in good condition to protect the public and wildlife.

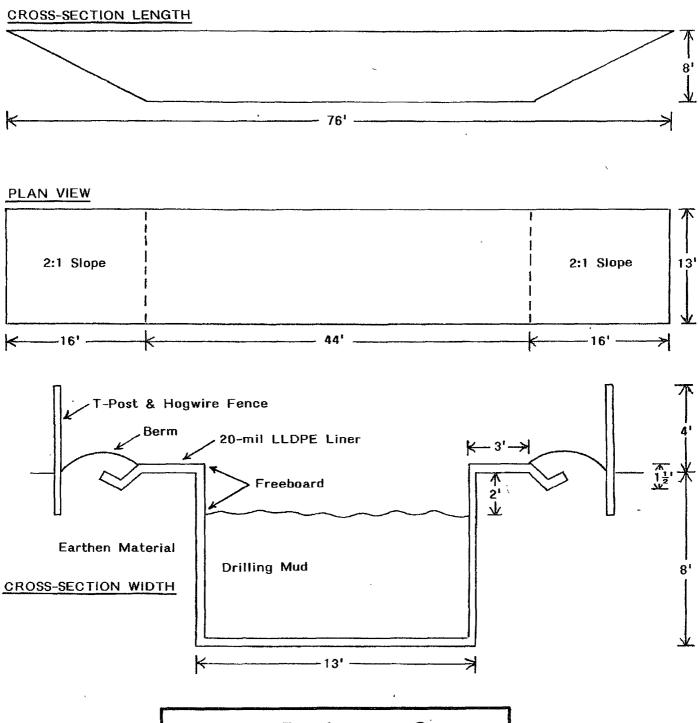
3. The proposed alternative steel marker set at the center of the on-site burial following onsite-pit closure will be a flat steel marker. The marker will be (24" X 24") and will have the operator name, lease name, well number, location (UL, Sec., Twp., Rge.) and that it designates an "on-site burial location" lettering welded on the top side with a 4" threaded collar welded to the bottom side. The marker will be set at ground level and attached to a 4" diameter pipe that is cemented in a hole three feet deep. When the well is abandoned, a steel riser that is 4" in diameter, extending 4' above the ground will be welded to the pipe anchored in cement below the surface. The riser will have lettering welded on side showing operator name, well number, location (UL, Sec., Twp., and Rge.) and that it designates an on-site burial location.

The existing rule (19.15.17.13.F.1.d) would require the operator to install a 4" diameter steel marker a minimum 3' deep in cement and extending at least 4' above ground. The proposed steel marker alternative would be much safer than the existing rule. The steel marker will be located approximately 15-20 feet from the well head. A marker that stands 4' tall would present a safety hazard for personnel and vehicle traffic working around the well-head.

The requests for administrative approval cited above are needed to help minimize environmental impact, increase safety and protect wildlife and public health. The alternatives proposed will protect fresh water, public health, safety and the environment more effectively than the design and construction specifications established by the State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department do in rule 19.15.17.11 NMAC.

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Martinez Begay Com #1 Closure Plan-Methods, Procedures and Protocols

- 1. Comply with siting criteria for temporary pits established by the State of New Mexico, Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department 19.15.17.10 NMAC.
- 2. Provide the NMOCD district office at least 72-hours notice but no greater than 1 week prior to any closure operations. Notice will include operator name, well name and number, API number, and location (unit letter, section, township and range).
- 3. Provide the surface owner notice of the operator's proposal of an on-site closure method. Proof of notice will be attached to the permit application. Also, proof of closure notice will be provided by certified mail to surface owner after closure. Proof of notice will be attached to final closure report.
- 4. Remove all liquid from pit and reclaim, re-use or dispose of at an NMOCD approved facility. Upon completion of drilling operations, drilling mud will be vacuumed from pit and transported to the next reserve pit for re-use at another drilling location. After the remaining mud settles, the free water that shakes out and any free water left over from completion operations will be hauled to the Dugan Production operated Sanchez O'Brien #1 SWD located 1650 feet from the South line and 990 feet from the West line (Unit L) of Section 6, Township 24 North, Range 9 West NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. The disposal facility was permitted by the NMOCD with Administrative Order SWD-694.
- 5. Remove all fluids from temporary pit within 30-days and close within 6-months following release of drilling rig.
- 6. Air dry pit contents and stabilize or solidify to a load bearing capacity sufficient to support the temporary pit's final cover.
- 7. Collect a five point, composite sample of the pit contents to demonstrate that Benzene, BTEX, the GRO and DRO combined fraction, TPH. and chlorides (depth to groundwater from bottom of pit is greater than 100-feet), do not exceed the standards as specified in 19.15.17.9.B or the background concentration, whichever is greater.

Components	Test Method	Limit (mg/kg)
Benzene	EPA SW-846 8021B or 8260B	0 2
BTEX	EPA SW-846 8021B or 8260B	50
TPH	EPA SW-846 418.1	2500
GRO/DRO	EPA SW-846 8015M	500
Chlorides	EPA 300.1	1000 / 500

8. Other methods if the standards in 19.15.17.9.B can not be met will include: The pit contents may be mixed to a ratio not to exceed 3:1, un-contaminated soil or other material to pit contents. A second five point, composite sample of the contents after treatment or stabilization will be taken to demonstrate that the contents do not exceed the standards. If the second soil analyses do no satisfy the closure standards, the operator will close the temporary pit using the waste excavation and removal method.

- 9. Cut pit liner off at the mud line (solids level); remove liner and apron and transport to a NMOCD approved facility for disposal.
- 10. Stockpiled sub-surface soil will be used to backfill pit and re-contour well pad (to a final or intermediate cover that blends with the surrounding topography). A minimum of four feet of compacted, non-waste containing, earthen material will be used as backfill.
- 11. Stockpiled surface soil will be used as a cover over the backfilled pit and disturbed areas of the well pad no longer needed for production operations. The soil cover will include either the background thickness of top soil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site whichever is greater.
- 12. The area will be re-seeded as per BLM guidelines. Re-seeding will be repeated until 70% of the native natural cover is achieved and maintained for two successive growing seasons. The first growing season after the pit is closed the disturbed area will be re-seeded. The seeding method will be to drill on contour whenever possible.
- 13. The NMOCD will be notified once successful re-vegetation has been achieved.
- 14. A steel marker will be set at the center of the on-site burial following onsite-pit closure (see application for administrative approval). The marker will be (24" X 24") and will have the operator name, lease name, well number, location (UL, Sec., Twp. and Rge.) and that it designates an "on-site burial location" lettering welded on the top side with a 4" threaded collar welded to the bottom side. The marker will be set at ground level and attached to a 4" diameter pipe that is cemented in a hole three feet deep. When the well is abandoned, a steel riser that is 4" in diameter, extending 4" above the ground will be welded to the pipe anchored in cement below the surface. The riser will have lettering welded on side showing operator name, well number, location (UL, Sec., Twp., and Rge.) and that it designates an on-site burial location.
- 15. Closure Report will be submitted 60-days after re-seeding.
- 16. A deed notice identifying the exact location of the on-site burial will be filed with the County clerk in the county where the on-site burial occurs.