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ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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April 28, 1994

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Meridian Oil, Inc. P.O. Box 4289

Farmington, NM 87499-4289

Attention: Peggy Bradfield

Administrative Order NSL-3385(NSP)

Dear Ms. Bradfield:

Reference is made to your application date April 4, 1994 for an unorthodox gas well location for both the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool and the Undesignated Gobernador-Pictured Cliffs Pool for the proposed San Juan 28-5 Unit Well No. 242. Said well to be drilled 1575 feet from the South line and 215 feet from the West line (Lot 4/Unit L) of Irregular Section 12, Township 28 North, Range 5 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. It is our understanding that both said zones are to be downhole commingled.

All of said Irregular Section 12 being a non-standard 299.04-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool and Lots 3 and 4 and the S/2 SW/4 (SW/4 equivalent) of said Section 12 being a non-standard 139.81-acre gas spacing and proration unit in the Undesignated Gobernador-Pictured Cliffs Pool are to be dedicated to said well.

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Rules 6 and 8 of the "Special Rules and Regulations for the Basin-Fruitland Coal Gas Pool", as promulgated by Division Order No. R-8768, as amended, and Division General Rules 104.F(1) and 104.D(2), the above-described unorthodox gas well locations and non-standard gas spacing and proration units are hereby approved.

Also, Meridian Oil, Inc. shall comply with all other provisions of said Order No. R-8768, as amended, pertaining to the downhole commingling of coal gas production with gas from the Undesignated Gobernador-Pictured Cliffs interval.

Sincerely,

William J. LeMay

Director

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April 4, 1994

Sent Federal Express

Mr. William LeMay New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Post Office Box 2088 Santa Fe. New Mexico 87501

Re:

Meridian Oil Inc. San Juan 28-5 Unit #242

1575'FSL, 215'FWL, Section 12, T-28-N, R-5-W - Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

API # 30-039-(not assigned)

Dear Mr. LeMay:

Meridian Oil Inc. is applying for administrative approval of a non-standard location for the above location in both the Basin Fruitland Coal and South Blanco Pictured Cliffs formations. This application for the referenced location is due to terrain as shown on the topographic map and at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, due to special wildlife concerns (bald eagle habitat).

This well is planned as a Basin Fruitland Coal/South Blanco Pictured Cliffs well, and application will be made to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division to commingle this well.

The following attachments are for your review:

- 1. Application for Permit to Drill.
- Completed C-102 at referenced location.
- Offset operators/owners plat
- 4. 7.5 minute topographic map showing the orthodox windows for the southwest quarter dedication for the Pictured Cliffs and the south half dedication for the Fruitland Coal; and enlargement of the map to define topographic features.
- If the well were directionally drilled to a standard bottom hole location, the economics would be severely burdened due to the incremental directional drilling costs of \$140,000.

Meridian Oil Inc. is operator of the Sar Juan 28-5 Unit and is the offsetting operator for this section.

Sincerely,

Peggy Bradfield

Regulatory/Compliance Representative

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15. Distance from Proposed Location to Nearest Property or Lease Line 215'		
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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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OPERATIONS PLAN

Well Name: San Juan 28-5 Unit #242

Location: 1575'FSL, 215'FWL Section 12, T-28-N, R-5-W

Rio Arriba County, New Mexico

Latitude 36° 40' 24", Longitude 107° 19' 08"

Formation: Basin Fruitland Coal/S.Blanco Pictured Cliffs

Elevation: 7418'GL

Formation:	Top	Bottom	Contents
Surface	San Jose	3740'	
Ojo Alamo	3740'	3895'	aquifer
Kirtland	38 95'	4140'	•
Fruitland	4140'	4390'	
Fruitland Coal Top	4205'	4385'	qas
Pictured Cliffs	4390'	4520'	qas
Lewis	4520'		-
Total Depth	4565'		

Logging Program: Mud logs from 4100' to Total Depth.

DIL-GR-SP - surface to Total Depth.

GL-GR-SP-CAL/Dens-Neut-GR-CAL - 3700' to Total Depth

Mud Program:

Interval	Type	Weight	Vis.	Fluid Loss
0- 200'	Spud	8.4-8.9	40-50	no control
200-4565'	Non-dispersed	8.4-9.5	30-60	no control

Casing Program:

Hol	le Size	Depth Inter	val Csg.Size	Wt.	Grade
	1/4" 7/8"	0 - 200' 0 - 4565'	8 5/8" 4 1/2"	24.0# 10.5#	
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Float Equipment: 8 5/8" surface casing - saw tooth guide shoe. Centralizers will be run in accordance with Onshore Order #2.

4 1/2" production casing - float shoe on bottom. Three centralizers run every other joint above shoe. Four centralizers run every 3rd joint to the base of the Ojo Alamo @ 3895'. Two turbolizing type centralizers - one below and one into the base of the Ojo Alamo @ 3895'. Standard centralizers thereafter every fourth joint up to the base of the surface pipe.

Wellhead Equipment: 8 5/8" x 4 1/2" x 2 3/8" x 11" 2000 psi xmas tree assembly.

Cementing:

- 8 5/8" surface casing cement with 210 sx Class "B" cement with 1/4# flocele/sx and 3% calcium chloride (247 cu.ft. of slurry, 200% excess to circulate to surface). WOC 12 hrs. Test casing to 600 psi for 30 minutes.
- 4 1/2" production casing -

First stage - lead w/55 sx Class "B" 65/35 Poz w/6% gel, 2% calcium chloride, 6.25# gilsonite/sx and 1/4# flocele/sx (98 cu.ft. of slurry), tail w/100 sx Class "B" w/2% calcium chloride, 5#/sx gilsonite, 0.25#/sx celloflake (118 cu.ft.), 100% excess to circulate stage tool @ 4090').

Second stage - lead w/888 sx of Class "B" 65/35 Poz w/6% gel, 2% calcium chloride, 6.25# gilscnite/sx and 1/4# flocele/sx (1572 cu.ft.). Tail w/50 sx Class "B" w/2% calcium chloride (59 cu.ft. of slurry, 75% excess to circulate to surface). WOC 12 hrs. If cement does not circulate to surface, a temperature log will be run after 8 hours to determine TOC.

BOP and tests:

Surface to TD - 11" 2000 psi (minimum double gate BOP stack (Reference Figure #1 and #2). Prior to drilling out surface casing, test rams to 600 psi/30 min.

Completion - 6" 2000 psi (minimum) double gate BOP stack (Reference Figure #2). Prior to completion operations, test rams and casing to 2000 psi/15 min.

From surface to TD - choke manifold (Reference Figure #3).

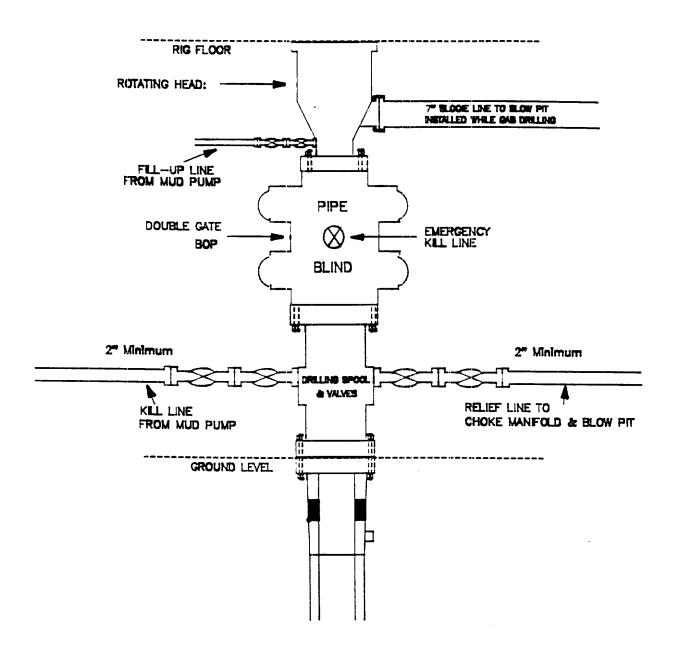
Pipe rams will be actuated to least once each day and blind rams actuated once each trip to test proper functioning. An upper kelly cock valve with handle and drill string safety valves to fit each drill string will be maintained and available on the rig floor.

Additional information:

- * The Fruitland Coal and Pictured Cliffs formations will be completed and commingled per New Mexico Oil Conservation Division order.
- * Anticipated pore pressure for the Fruitland is 1150 psi and for the Pictured Cliffs is 1150 psi.
- * This gas is dedicated.
- * The south half of Section 12 is dedicated to the Fruitland Coal and the southwest quarter of the section is dedicated to the Pictured Cliffs.
- * New casing will be utilized.
- * Pipe movement (either rotation or reciprocation) will be done if hole conditions permit.

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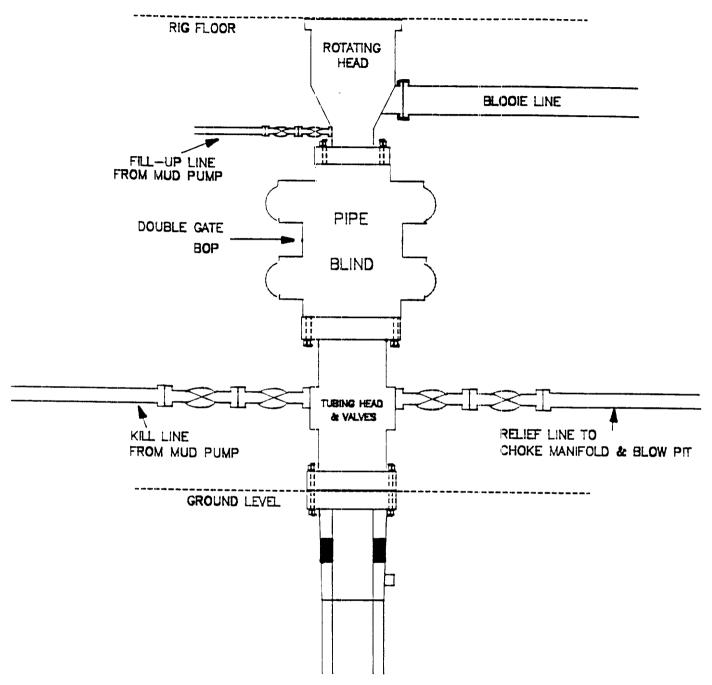
BOP Configuration 2M psi SYSTEM



11" Bore, 2000psi minimum working pressure double gate BOP to be equipped with blind and pipe rams. A Schaffer Type 50 or equivalent rotating head to be installed on the top of the BOP. All equipment is 2000psi working pressure/or greater.

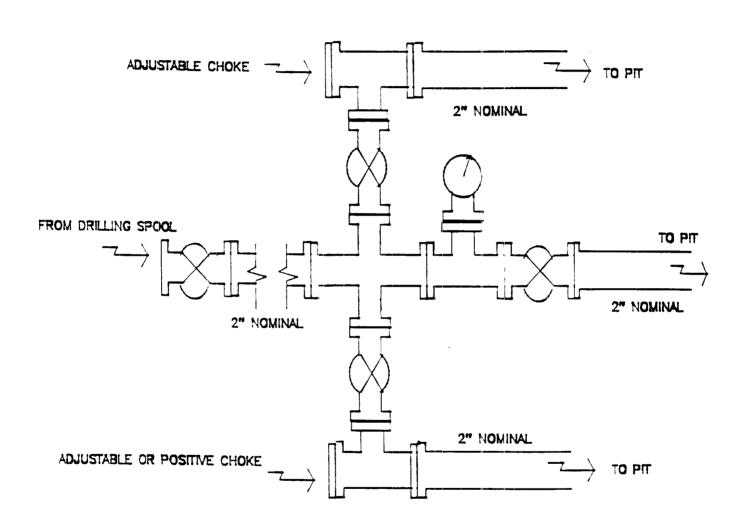
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BOP Configuration 2M psi SYSTEM



Minimum BOP installation for Completion operations. 7 1/16" Bore (6" Nominal), 3000psi minimum working pressure double gate BOP to be equipped with blind and pipe rams.

MERIDIAN OIL INC. Choke Manifold Configuration 2M psi SYSTEM



Minimum choke manifold installation from surface to Total Depth. 2" minimum, 2000psi working pressure equipment with two chokes.

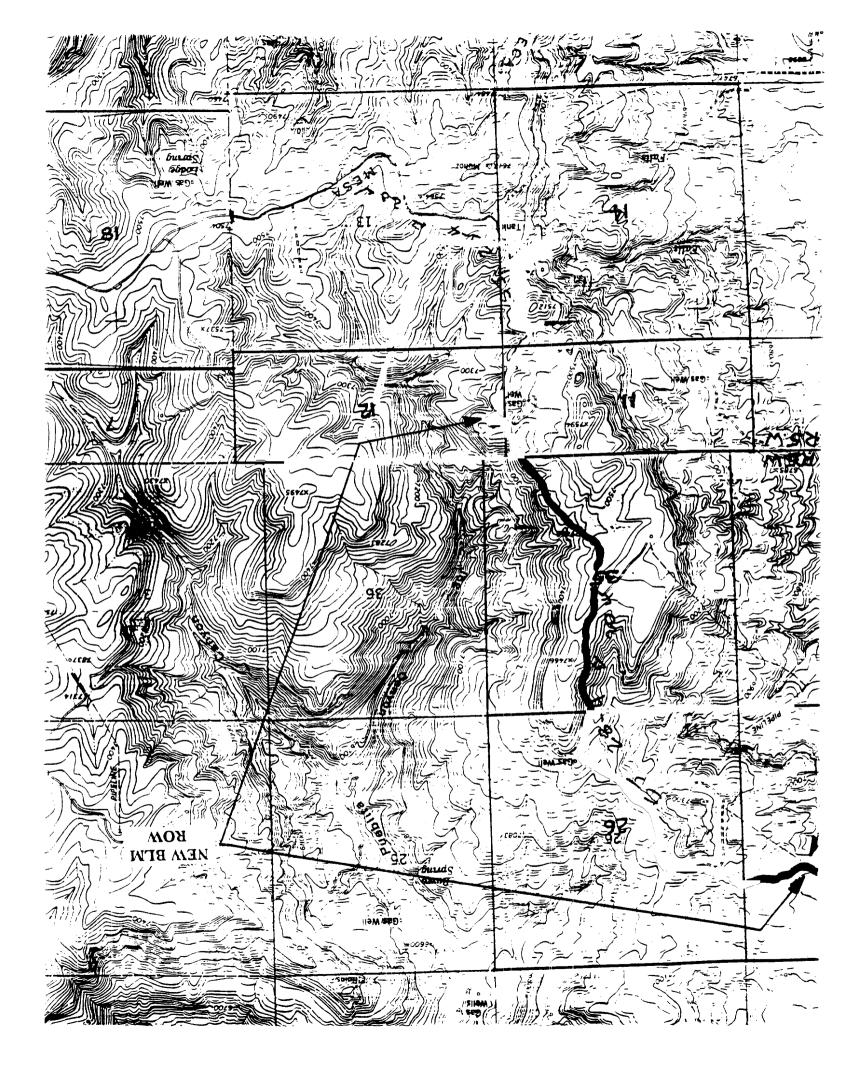
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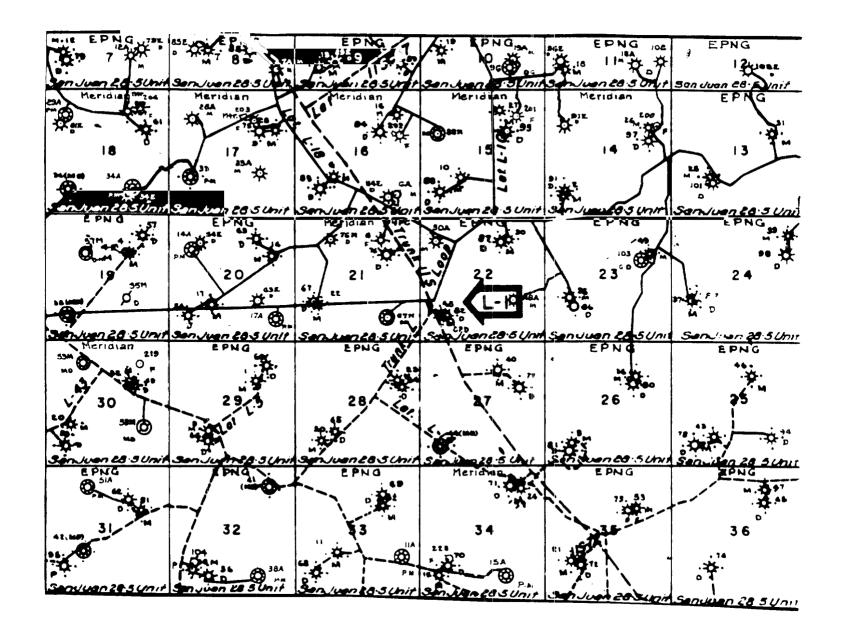


- 1. Existing Roads Refer to Map No. 1. Existing roads used to access the proposed location will be properly maintained for the duration of the project. Bureau of Land Management right-of-way has been applied for as shown on Map No. 1.
- 2. Planned Access Road Refer to Map No. 1. None required.
- 3. Location of Existing Wells Refer to Map No. 1A.
- 4. Location of Existing and/or Proposed Facilities if Well is Productive
 - a. On the Well Pad Refer to Plat No. 1, anticipated production facilities plat.
 - b. Off the Well Pad Anticipated facilities off the well pad will be applied for as required.
- 5. Location and Type of Water Supply Water will be hauled by truck for the proposed project and will be obtained from San Juan 29-6 Water Well #1 in located in SW/4 Section 28, T-29-N, R-6-W, New Mexico.
- 6. Source of Construction Materials If construction materials are required for the proposed project, such materials will be obtained from a commercial quarry.
- 7. Methods of Handling Waste Materials All garbage and trash materials will be removed from the site for proper disposal. A portable toilet will be provided for human waste and serviced in a proper manner. If liquids are left in the reserve pit after completion of the project, the pit will be fenced until the liquids have had adequate time to dry. The location clean-up will not take place until such time as the reserve pit can be properly covered over to prevent run-off from carrying waste materials into the watershed. All reserve pits will be lined with 12 mil bio-degradable plastic liner. All earthen pits will be so constructed as to prevent leakage from occurring; no earthen pit will be located on natural drainage. Generation of hazardous waste is not anticipated. Federal regulations will be adhered to regarding handling and disposal of such waste if so generated.
- 8. Ancillary Facilities None anticipated.
- 9. Wellsite Layout Refer to the location diagram and to the wellsite cut and fill diagram (Figure No. 4). The blow pit will be constructed with a 2'/160' grade to allow positive drainage to the reserve pit and prevent standing liquids in the blow pit.

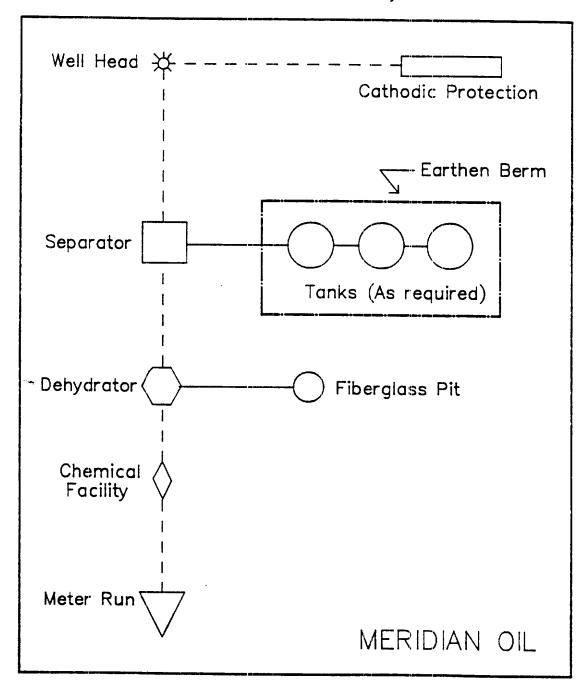
- 10. Plans for Restoration of the Surface - After completion of the proposed project, the location will be cleaned and leveled. The location will be left in such a condition that will enable reseeding operations to be carried out. Seed mixture as designated by the responsible government agency will be used. The reseeding operations will be performed during the time period set forth by the responsible government agency. The permanent location facilities will be painted as designated by the responsible government agency.
- 11. Surface Ownership - Bureau of Land Management.
- 12. Other Information - Environmental stipulations as outlined by the responsible government agency will be adhered to. Refer to the archaeological report for a description of the topography, flora, fauna, soil characteristics, dwellings, historical and cultural sites.
- 13. Operator's Representative and Certification - Meridian Oil Regional Drilling Manager. Post Office Box 4289, Farmington, NM 87499, telephone (505) 326-9700. I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan, are to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Meridian Oil Inc. and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

Regional Drilling Engineer





MERIDIAN OIL INC.
Pipeline Map
T-28-N, R-05-W
San Juan County, New Mexico
San Juan 28-5 Unit #242
Map #1A



ANTICIPATED PRODUCTION FACILITIES

FOR A FRUITLAND COAL/PICTURED CLIFFS COMMINGLED WELL

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PLAT #1

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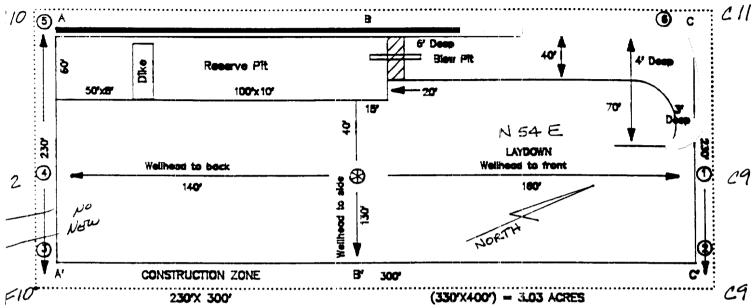
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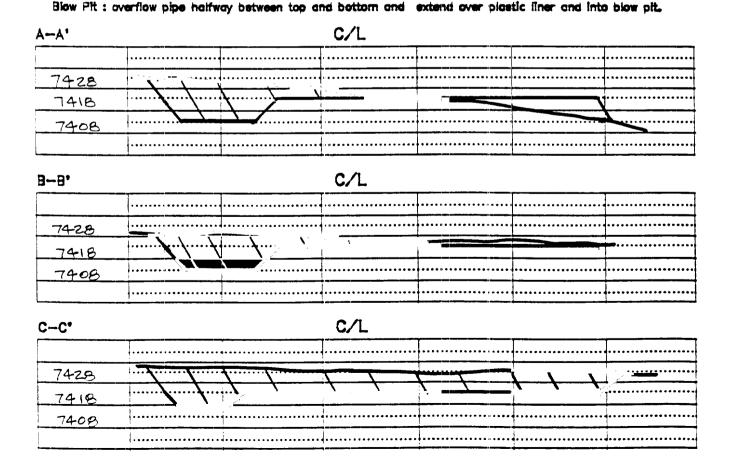
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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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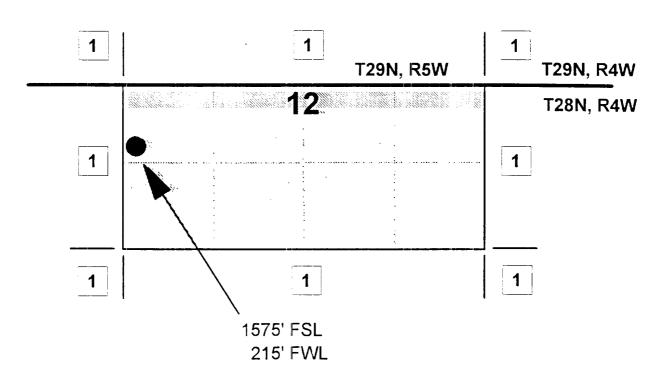
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OFFSET OPERATOR \ OWNER PLAT

Unorhtodox Fruitland Coal \ Pictured Cliffs Well Location

Township 28 North, Range 5 West



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