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**PIT REMEDIATION AND CLOSURE REPORT**

Operator: Phillips Petroleum (Williams Field Services) Telephone: (801) 584-6361  
Address: P.O. Box 58900, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900  
WellName: SJ 29-5 UNIT #12-30 ( 86226 )  
Location: Unit or Qtr/Qtr Sec M Sec 30 T 29N R 5W County Rio Arriba  
PitType Separator  
LandType Fee

Pit Location: Pit dimensions: length 19 ft., width 13 ft., depth 10 ft.  
(Attach diagram)

Reference: Wellhead

Footage from reference: 15 ft.

Direction from reference: 320 Degrees East of North

Depth To Ground Water:	Less than 50 feet	(20 points)	
(Vertical distance from	50 feet to 99 feet	(10 points)	
contaminants to seasonal	Greater than 100 feet	(0 points)	0
high water elevation of			
ground water)			

Wellhead Protection Area:	Yes	(20 points)	
(Less than 200 feet from a private	No	(0 points)	0
domestic water source, or; less than			
1000 feet from all other water sources)			

Distance To Surface Water:	Less than 200 feet	(20 points)	
(Horizontal distance to perennial	200 feet to 1,000 feet	(10 points)	
lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, creeks,	Greater than 1,000 feet	(0 points)	0
irrigation canals and ditches)			

Ranking Score (TOTAL POINTS): 0

Date Remediation Started: 11/8/96

Date Completed: 12/20/96

Remediation Method: Excavation ☒  
(check all appropriate  
sections)

Approx. Cubic Yard 100

Landfarmed ☒Insitu Bioremediation ☐Other Landfarmed soil after mechanical aeration. Returned to site 4/6/99  
w/ probe. Met refusal at 14' bgs.Remediation Location: Onsite ☒ Offsite(ie. landfarmed onsite,  
name and location of  
offsite facility)

## General Description Of Remedial Action:

Excavate gross contamination, mix w/fertilizer, and aerate w/soil shredder. Install passive soil vent system to facilitate degradation of residual contamination. Soil landfarmed onsite. When sample results met cleanup criteria soil from LF returned to pit

Ground Water Encountered: No

Final Pit:

Sample location SJ 29-5 #12 V-EX-02

Closure Sampling:

(if multiple samples, attach  
sample results and diagram  
of sample locations and  
depths)A composite sample, made up of 4 points from each excavation face, was  
collected..

Sample depth Up to 10 feet

Sample date 12/20/96

Sample time 9:30

Sample Result

Benzene (ppm) &lt;0.54

Total BTEX (ppm) &lt;3.24

Field Headspace (ppm)

TPH (ppm) &lt;29.4

Ground Water Sample: No

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO  
THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

DATE 9-20-99

SIGNATURE  FOR WFSPRINTED NAME  
AND TITLEMARK HARVEY  
PROJECT COORDINATOR



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### **Pit Closure and Retirement Addendum- Risk Assessment**

The sample analyzed for confirmation at the San Juan 29-5 #12-30 exhibited slightly elevated levels of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) and / or BTEX. Toxicity information indicates that such low levels pose little risk to human health and the environment. This conclusion is based in part on the information below:

#### **Toxicity Information**

Toxicity values for TPH have not been established due to the variability of the chemical makeup of TPH. Normally, the toxicity is based on the toxicity of particular constituents of concern that may be present and which are evaluated based on health-based standards. The most common constituents examined include benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene, and xylene.

In the absence of constituents of concern or when the concentrations of the constituents of concern are low, the acceptable level of TPH is established by considering the following:

- No liquid product should remain in the soil
- The TPH should not harm vegetation
- The TPH concentrations should not create an odor nuisance
- Hydrocarbon vapors which may emanate from the impacted soil should not generate harmful or explosive vapors
- Site monitoring should indicate that TPH levels are stable or declining

#### **Environmental and Site Conditions**

Based on an evaluation of topography, this site is believed to have ground water greater than 100' below ground surface. Due to the immobility of these types of contaminants through soil and a lack of continuous transporting mechanisms, it is very likely that the residual contamination in the pit will degrade in the short term under existing conditions, or certainly during the life of the producing well. Observations and data collected from other sites suggests that contaminant concentrations would diminish vertically and likely be less than 10 ppm within the next 4 - 10 feet of soil depth. Notwithstanding, bedrock was discovered within 4' of the pit bottom. This condition retards vertical migration of contaminants and serves to significantly limit potential groundwater impact.

While residual TPH and/or BTEX may exist at this site, closure of this site is warranted for the following reasons:

1. The majority of soils which exhibited high levels of TPH and BTEX have been removed.
2. Residual TPH concentrations are below levels considered problematic based on the criteria above.
3. Discharge has been eliminated and a steel tank installed to prevent any future release to soils.
4. Depth to groundwater is estimated at greater than 100'.
5. Vertical migration of contamination is limited due to bedrock and/or the low vertical hydraulic conductivity of underlying soils.
6. TPH / BTEX concentrations will not increase and will likely degrade over time from natural processes occurring in-situ.
7. Further excavation at the site would only result in removing a relatively small amount of affected soil before bedrock is reached.

**Since there are no nearby receptors or domestic water sources, this site poses little risk to human health and the environment. Closure is justified based on the relatively low total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH) concentration and the fact that all closure criteria cannot be practically attained. Additional information may be found in the Technical Background Document titled: *Risk Based Closure of Unlined Surface Impoundment Sites, San Juan Basin, New Mexico.***

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Land Type: BLM STATE FEE INDIAN

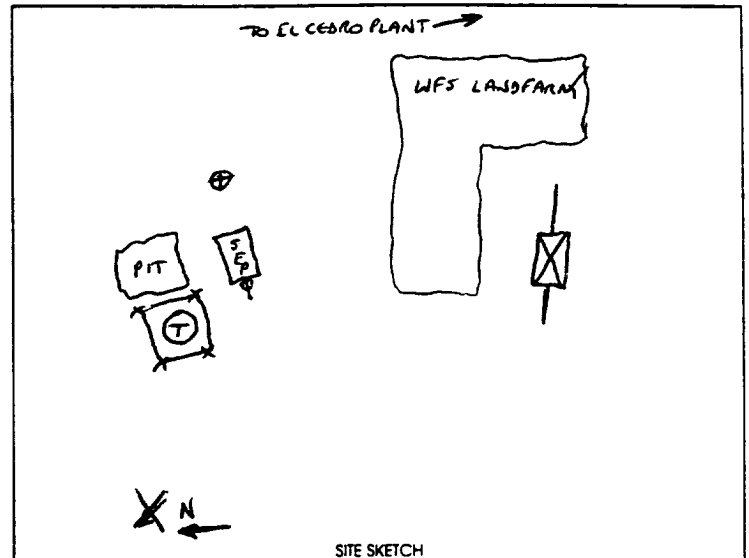
Line Marking Evident? ☒ Y ☐ N

Reference Wellhead X Other       

Direction: 320 Degrees X E N X

Starting Pit Dimensions 10' x 10' x 2'

Final Pit Dimensions 19' x 13' x 10'



**Organic Vapor Readings:** Start \_\_\_\_\_  
 @ 2' \_\_\_\_\_  
 @ 4' \_\_\_\_\_  
 @ 6' \_\_\_\_\_  
 @ 8' \_\_\_\_\_  
 @ \_\_\_\_\_  
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Soil Description: SILTY SAND

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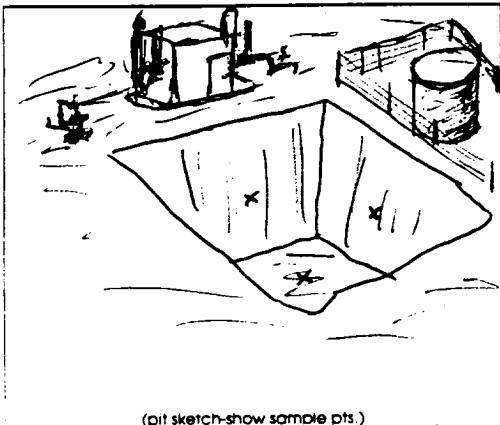
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Well Proximity To: Residence, Domestic Water Well, Stock Well NONE  
Arroyo, Wash, Lake, Stream 3/4 MILE TO  
Estimated or Known Distance to Ground Water > 100'

Source of Backfill (if other than processed material) LAND FARM

**Samples collected:** Type Progress: Verification: ID S/29-5#12V-EX-02 soil / water  
Progress: Verification: ID S/295#12V-LF-02 soil / water  
Progress: Verification: ID S/29-5#12V-LF-03 soil / water

Sample sent to Lab Via: Courier Hand Carried Other \_\_\_\_\_ Preservative: ICE Other \_\_\_\_\_



Comments: SET UP + BEGIN EXCAVATING — MATERIAL HAS VERY STRONG HYDROCARBON ODOR FROM 4' — 13' — ADD FERTILIZER — CONSTRUCT LANDFARM SOUTH OF WELLHEAD + NORTH OF METER BLOC — SIDEWALL (WEST) AGAINST TANK STILL SHOWS SLIGHT STAINING — AT 16' WEST SIDEWALL BEGINS SLOUGHING OFF — DUE TO TANK INTEGRITY CONCERN LIMIT FURTHER EXCAVATING — SAMPLE EACH SIDEWALL + FLOOR USING HOE BUCKET (5 PT COMPOSITE) — BACKFILL HOES PARTIALLY W/ SHREDDED MATERIAL — INSTALL SOIL VENT TO FACILITATE DEGRADATION

Soil Shipped to: 1111

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## Organic Analysis - Pit Closure

### Williams Field Services

Project ID: OCD Pits  
Sample ID: SJ 29-5 #12 V-EX-02  
Lab ID: 6042  
Sample Matrix: Soil  
Preservative: Cool  
Condition: Intact

Report Date: 01/01/97  
Date Sampled: 12/20/96  
Date Received: 12/20/96  
Date Extracted: 12/20,24/1996  
Date Analyzed: 12/20,24/1996

Target Analyte	Concentration (mg/kg)	Detection Limit (mg/kg)
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#### Total Aromatic Hydrocarbons

ND

Benzene	ND	0.54
Toluene	ND	0.54
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.54
m,p-Xylenes	ND	1.08
o-Xylene	ND	0.54

#### Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons

ND

29.4

Quality Control:	<u>Surrogate</u>	<u>Percent Recovery</u>	<u>Acceptance Limits</u>
	Trifluorotoluene	83	81 - 117%
	Bromofluorobenzene	86	74 - 121%

**Reference:** Method 5030, Purge and Trap; Method 8020, Aromatic Volatile Organics;  
Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Wastes, SW-846, United States  
Environmental Protection Agency, Final Update I, July, 1992.

Method 3550 - Sonication Extraction; Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste,  
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Water and Waste, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 1978.

#### Comments:

  
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## Organic Analysis - Pit Closure

### Williams Field Services

Project ID: OCD Pits  
Sample ID: SJ 29-5 #12 V-LF-03  
Lab ID: 5976  
Sample Matrix: Soil  
Preservative: Cool  
Condition: Intact

Report Date: 12/18/96  
Date Sampled: 12/16/96  
Date Received: 12/16/96  
Date Extracted: 12/17/96  
Date Analyzed: 12/17/96

Target Analyte	Concentration (mg/kg)	Detection Limit (mg/kg)
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<b>Total Aromatic Hydrocarbons</b>	<b>8.81</b>	
Benzene	ND	0.72
Toluene	ND	0.72
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.72
m,p-Xylenes	6.41	1.43
o-Xylene	2.40	0.72

<b>Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons</b>	<b>44.1</b>	<b>25.3</b>
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	Trifluorotoluene	99	81 - 117%
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