

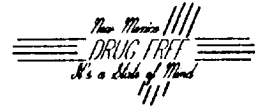


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February 19, 1992

Mr. Ron Helland
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Re: Hartman #1 B-8-30N-11W

Dear Mr. Helland:

I share the concern that there may be an advantage to installing a below grade marker on this well after it has served its useful life and is abandoned. However, after discussing this issue with our Santa Fe office and local staff, we are going to require the traditional surface marker.

Over the years we have had several occasions arise wherein we needed to locate old wells and have been unable to do so, even after certified survey records existed. A few short years ago we spent a considerable amount of time and money trying to locate an old well bore in a residential area here in Aztec. We were unsuccessful.

Over time the use of this area of land will change. It would be tragic if a building were placed over this well bore years from now and the well bore sprang a leak. Although it is unlikely that this may happen, we have had to replug several wells in the Basin over the last few years. We strongly recommend that a barrier be placed around the marker.

Sincerely,

Frank T. Chavez, District Supervisor

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Well file

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Re: Plug and Abandon
Hartman #1 Well
Unit Letter B
Section 8 T-30-NR-11-W
San Juan County, NM

Dear Mr. Chavez:

Due to the location of the above referenced well (parking lot of Aztec Football and Track Field) I request an exception be allowed on Plug and Abandon Marker. It would be an advantage to the school and the general public if it could be placed underground level as is allowed in some cases.

Sincerely,

Ron Helland
Superintendent

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