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Meter Number: 75857
Location Name: FLORANCE #80
Location: TN-30 RG-09
SC-13 UL-M
2 - Federal
NMOCD Zone: OUTSIDE

**Hazard Ranking Score:00** 

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## RATIONALE FOR RISK-BASED CLOSURE OF PRODUCTION PITS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE VULNERABLE ZONE IN THE SAN JUAN BASIN

This production pit location was ranked according to the criteria in the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's Unlined Surface Impoundment Closure Guidelines and received a ranking score of zero. The estimated depth to groundwater is greater than 100-feet beneath ground surface (bgs), the pit is not in a well head protection area, and there are no surface water bodies within 1,000 horizontal feet of the pit location.

The primary source, discharge to the pit has been removed. There has been no discharge to the pits for at least 4 years and the pits have been closed for at least one year.

Each pit was backfilled with clean soil and graded in a manner to divert precipitation away from the excavated area. Minimal infiltration of rainfall is expected. Any rainfall that does infiltrate the ground surface must migrate through clean backfill before reaching the residual hydrocarbons.

There is no source material at the ground surface, so direct contact of hydrocarbons with livestock and the populous is not likely.

In general, outside of the vulnerable area and alluvial valleys, bedrock material is generally encountered within 20 feet of the ground surface. Bedrock material in the San Juan Basin consists of interbedded sandstones, shales and clays. According to Freeze and Cherry, 1979, the hydraulic conductivity of the bedrock material are as follows:

Sandstone  $10^{-9}$  to  $10^{-13}$  cm/sec Shale  $10^{-12}$  to  $10^{-16}$  cm/sec Clay  $10^{-12}$  to  $10^{-15}$  cm/sec

Based on this information, the residual hydrocarbons should not migrate to groundwater.

Natural process (bioremediation) are degrading the residual hydrocarbon to carbon dioxide and water and will continue until the source is gone, therefore minimizing any impact to the environment.

Based on the above information, it is highly unlikely that any source material will impact groundwater or ever find an exposure pathway to affect human health and therefore El Paso Field Services Company (EPFS) requests closure of this pit location.

## FIELD PIT SITE ASSESSMENT FORMEL PASO FIELD SELVICES

GENERAL	Meter: 75857 Location: FLORANCE #80  Operator #: 0203 Operator Name: Amo co P/L District: BLOOMFIELD  Coordinates: Letter: M Section 13 Township: 30 Range: 9				
	Or Latitude Longitude Pit Type: Dehydrator Location Drip: _X Line Drip: Other:				
	Site Visit Date: 4.25.94 Run: 10 33				
	NMOCD Zone: Inside Land Type: BLM (From NMOCD Vulnerable State   State   Type: State				
SITE ASSESSMENT	Depth to Groundwater  Less Than 50 Feet (20 points)  50 Ft to 99 Ft (10 points)  Greater Than 100 Ft (0 points)				
	Wellhead Protection Area:  Is it less than 1000 ft from wells, springs, or other sources of fresh water extraction?, or; Is it less than 200 ft from a private domestic water source? ☐ YES (20 points) ☒ NO (0 points)				
	Horizontal Distance to Surface Water Body Less Than 200 Ft (20 points)  200 Ft to 1000 Ft (10 points)  Greater Than 1000 Ft (0 points)  Name of Surface Water Body				
	(Surface Water Body : Perennial Rivers, Major Wash, Streams, Creeks, Irrigation Canals, Ditches, Lakes, Ponds)				
	TOTAL HAZARD RANKING SCORE: POINTS				
REMARKS	Remarks: SIX PITS ON LOCATION. WILL CLOSE ONLY ONE. PIT IS DRY, REDLINE AND TOPO CONFIRMED LOCATION TO BE OUTSIDE THE V.Z.				
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GEL .RAL	Meter: 75857 Location: Florana #80  Coordinates: Letter: M Section 13 Township: 30 Range: 9  Or Latitude Longitude  Date Started: 5-18-94 Area: 10 Run: 33
FIELD OBSERVATIONS	Sample Number(s): 106  Sample Depth: Feet  Final PID Reading PID Reading Depth Feet  Yes No  Groundwater Encountered (1) (2) Approximate Depth Feet
CLOSURE	Remediation Method:  Excavation
REMARKS	
ì	Signature of Specialist: Vale Wilsen



## FIELD SERVICES LABORATORY ANALYTICAL REPORT PIT CLOSURE PROJECT - Soil

## SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION

_	Field ID	Lab ID
SAMPLE NUMBER:	VW106	945227
MTR CODE   SITE NAME:	75857	N/A
SAMPLE DATE   TIME (Hrs):	9-18-94	1320
SAMPLED BY:	N	/A
DATE OF TPH EXT.   ANAL.:	5-19-94	5/19/94
DATE OF BTEX EXT.   ANAL.:	NIA	N/A
TYPE   DESCRIPTION:	V 6	Snown/Grey Course sand
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REMARKS:

PARAMETER	RESULT	RESULT UNITS	QUALIFIERS			
			DF	Q	M(g)	V(ml)
BENZENE		MG/KG			-	
TOLUENE		MG/KG			<u> </u>	
ETHYL BENZENE		MG/KG		_		
TOTAL XYLENES		MG/KG	<del>-</del> -			
TOTAL BTEX		MG/KG				
TPH (418.1)	860 85	MG/KG			2.0	28
HEADSPACE PID	260	PPM				
PERCENT SOLIDS	89,4	%				

The Surrogate Recovery was at

Narrative:

- TPH is by EPA Method 418.1 and BTEX is by EPA Method 8020 –

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% for this sample All QA/QC was acceptable.

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Approved By: Shu Vald

Date: <u>4//5/44</u>

\* Test Method for Oil and Grease and Fetroleum Hydrocarbons in Water and Soil

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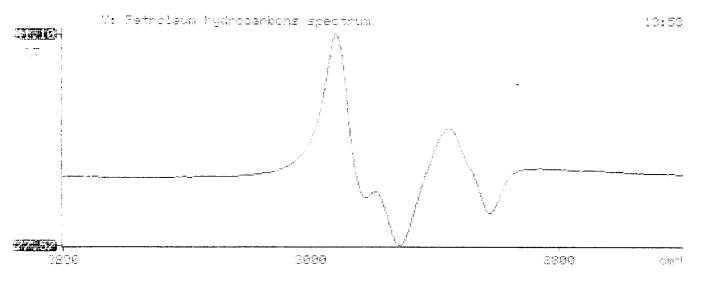
Sample identification 945227

Initial mass of sample, g

Volume of sample after extraction, ml

Petrolaum hydrocarbons, ppm 856.796

Met absorbance of hydrocarbons (2930 cm-1)





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