

Case No.

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Case 255 - Unorthodox Location 18-27N-9W

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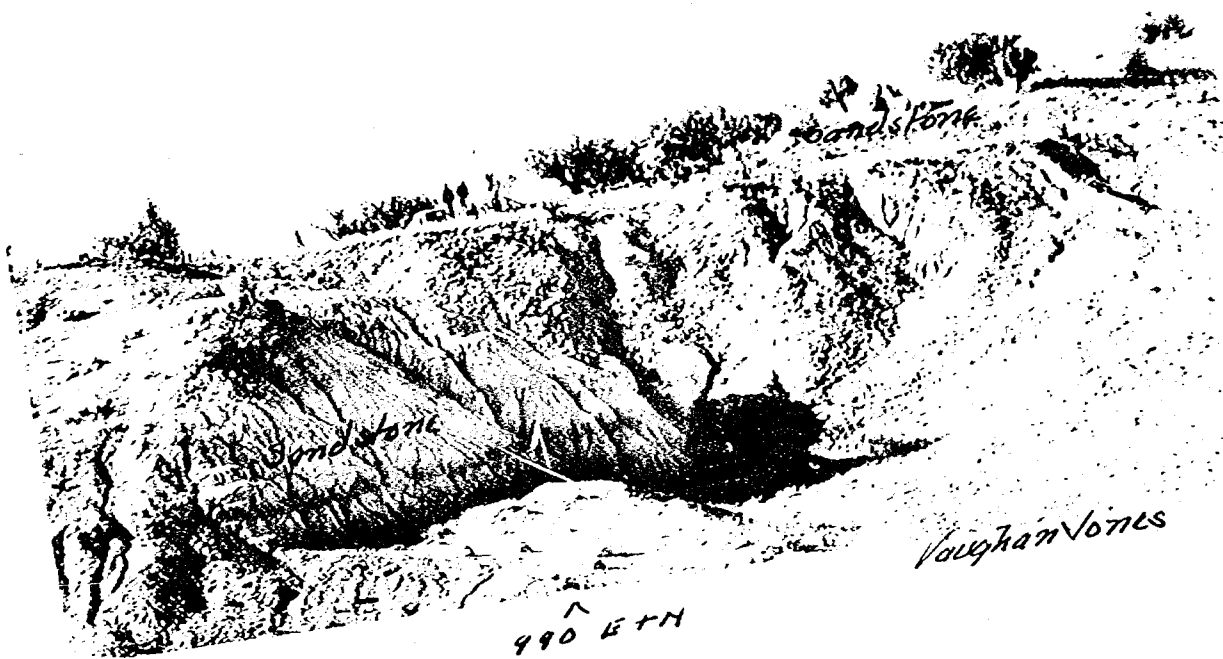
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LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**

The State of New Mexico by its Oil Conservation Commission hereby gives notice pursuant to law and the Rules and Regulations of said Commission promulgated thereunder of the following public hearing to be held February 20, 1951, beginning at 10:00 o'clock a. m. on that day in the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:

All named parties in the following cases and notice to the public:

Case 255

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Case 256

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paragraphs (b) and (c).
Case 258

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GIVEN under the seal of the Oil Conservation Commission of New Mexico at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on February 1, 1951

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**

(SEAL) R. R. SPURRIER,
Secretary

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Robert L. McGee
Publisher-Advertising Manager

before me this 10 day of Feb., 1951

Lela Smith
Notary Public

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OFFICE OF STATE GEOLOGIST
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

February 1, 1951

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Editor,
Farmington Daily Times,
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

RE: Notices of Publication
Cases 255, 256, 258 and
259

Dear Sir:

Please publish the enclosed notices one time immediately on receipt of this request. Please proofread the notices carefully and send a copy of the paper carrying such notices to this office.

UPON COMPLETION OF THE PUBLICATION SEND PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT IN DUPLICATE.

For payment, please submit the statement in duplicate, and sign and return the enclosed voucher.

PLEASE PUBLISH NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 7, 1951.

Very truly yours,

R. R. Spurrier
Secretary - Director

RRS:mr
Encl.

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Case 254

In the matter of the application by Stanolind Oil & Gas Company for approval of the Guadalupe Foothills Unit Area, covering 11,040.04 acres, more or less, located in Twp. 22 and 23 S, R.25 E, N.M.P.M., Eddy County, New Mexico.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

R. R. SPURRIER, SECRETARY

March 1, 1951

Mr. John Carrothers
Byrd-Frost, Inc.
Durango, Colorado

Dear Mr. Carrothers:

We are enclosing Order R-56 in Case 255, in the matter of
your application for an unorthodox location for Lodewick No. 2,
section 18, T. 27 N, R. 9 W, San Juan County.

Very truly yours,

bpw

Secretary and Director

cc: USGS, Roswell, P T McGrath

BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY
THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF
CONSIDERING:

CASE No. 255
ORDER No. R-56

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION, UPON THE
SUGGESTION OF BYRD FROST, INC. FOR AN ORDER
PERMITTING AN UNORTHODOX LOCATION FOR A
PICTURED CLIFFS WELL LOCATED 895' FROM THE
SOUTH AND WEST LINES OF SECTION 18, T. 27 N,
R. 9 W, IN THE KUTZ CANYON-FULCHER BASIN
POOL, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

By the Commission

— This matter came on regularly for hearing at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on
February 20, 1951 at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation
Commission of New Mexico, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 26th day of February 1951, the Commission having
before it the testimony adduced at the hearing and being fully advised in the
premises,

FINDS:

1. That due public notice having been given, as required by law, the
Commission has jurisdiction of the case.
2. That the evidence shows conclusively that topographical con-
ditions are such that a regular location would be difficult and expensive.
3. That the L. B. Lodewick No. 2 well location is upon Federal lands,
and Federal officials present at the hearing interposed no objection to the
proposed location.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

That the application of the Commission, by request of Byrd-Frost, Inc.
for an unorthodox location for Byrd-Frost, Inc., L. B. Lodewick No. 2 well
be, and the same hereby is approved for:

Township 27 North, Range 9 West, N. M. P. M.

"895 feet from the south and west lines of sec. 18"

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove
designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Edwin L. Mechem
EDWIN L. MECHEM, Chairman

GUY SHEPARD, Member
R. R. Spurr
R. R. SPURR, Secretary

Case 255

BYRD-FROST, INC.
P. O. BOX 911
DURANGO, COLORADO

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF UNORTHODOX DRILLING LOCATION

To: The New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

1. Byrd-Frost, Inc., hereby makes application for approval of an unorthodox Picture Cliffs drilling location for the L. B. Lodewick No. 2 well to be drilled on lands covered by Federal Oil and Gas Lease Santa Fe 077974, the drilling location to be 895 feet East of the West line and 895 feet North of the South line of Section Eighteen (18), Township Twenty-seven (27) North, Range Nine (9) West, N.M.P.M., San Juan County, New Mexico.

2. The necessity for the unorthodox location is based on topographical conditions which are such as to make an orthodox location, under Rule 104 of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission, almost prohibitive and the drilling of an orthodox location would be unduly burdensome.

3. It is respectfully requested that the hearing on this application before the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission be set at the earliest possible date.

Dated at Durango, Colorado, this 5th day of February, 1951.

John Carrothers
(John Carrothers,) District
Office Manager for Byrd-
Frost, Inc., Durango, Colo.

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF LA PLATA) ss

John Carrothers, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on his oath deposes and says:

That he has read the foregoing application, knows the contents thereof and is acquainted with the facts therein set forth, that said facts are true of his own knowledge.

John Carrothers
(John Carrothers)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 5th day of February, 1951, by John Carrothers.

E. Ellison Hatfield
Notary Public

My commission expires March 6, 1951.

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January 22, 1951

Mr. John Carothers
Byrd-Frost, Inc.
Durango, Colorado

Dear Sir:

I have your application to the U.S.G.S. for L. E. Lodewick No. 2 well to be located 895 feet from the south and west lines section 18, T.27 N, R.9 W; also letters of permission from Johnston and Johnston and Van Thompson with Southern Union Gas Company.

While you do not say as much, I presume you wish to apply for an unorthodox location. Order 748, page 60, of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission makes no provision for the Secretary-Director of the Commission to authorize an unorthodox location. Paragraph C, Section 2 of Order 743 provides that the Commission may call a hearing upon its own motion for relief in a case such as yours.

It will be necessary that we hear from you immediately so that we may advertise the case for February 20.

Very truly yours,

Secretary-Director

RES:bpw

(SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE)
UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Land Office Santa Fe
Lease No. 071974
Unit L.E. Lodwick

SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF WATER SHUT-OFF.....	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE PLANS.....		SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF SHOOTING OR ACIDIZING.....	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TEST WATER SHUT-OFF.....		SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF ALTERING CASING.....	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO RE-DRILL OR REPAIR WELL.....		SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF REDRILLING OR REPAIR.....	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SHOOT OR ACIDIZE.....		SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF ABANDONMENT.....	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PULL OR ALTER CASING.....		SUPPLEMENTARY WELL HISTORY.....	
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ABANDON WELL.....			

(INDICATE ABOVE BY CHECK MARK NATURE OF REPORT, NOTICE, OR OTHER DATA)

Well No. 2 is located 895 ft. from SW line and 895 ft. from EW line of sec. 18
SW 1/4 Sec. 18 895 (Range) R. 9N
Kuts-Fulcher San Juan New Mexico
(County) (County or Subdivision) (State or Territory)

The elevation of the derrick floor above sea level is ft.

DETAILS OF WORK

(State names of and expected depths to objective sands; show sizes, weights, and lengths of proposed casings; indicate mudding jobs, cementing points, and all other important proposed work)

Drill with Rotary Tools to top of Picture Cliffs sand
Set approximately 125' 9 5/8" O.D. 40# 8 rd. thd. cas. casing
Cemented to surface w/100 sacks cement.
Set 5 1/2" O.D. 15# 8 rd. thd. cas. casing on Picture Cliffs sand
Cemented with 160 sacks
Complete with Cable Tools.
Estimated T.D. 2500'
The Necessity for the unorthodox location is based on topographical conditions,
and a letter of approval will follow from the New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission.
Acres allocated to this well being SW 1/4 of Sec. 18, T-27N, R-9W

I understand that this plan of work must receive approval in writing by the Geological Survey before operations may be commenced.

Company Byrd-Frost, Inc.
Address P.O. Box 911
Durango, Colorado
By John Carothers
Title John Carothers
Dist. Office Mgr.

Company BYRD & FROST, Inc., Dallas, Texas.

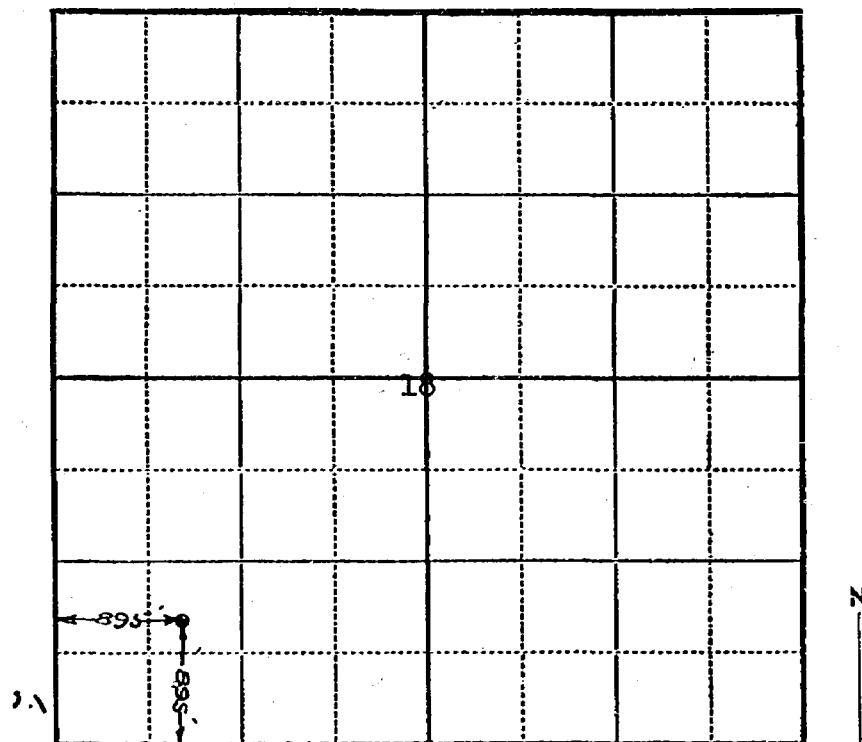
Lease Lodewick Well No. 1

Sec. 18 T. 27 N. R. 9 W., N.M.P.M.

Location 895ft. N. and 895ft. E. from S. and W. Sect. Lines

San Juan County

New Mexico



Scale—4 inches equals 1 mile.

This is to certify that the above plat was prepared from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Seal:

Registered Professional John H. Veale
Engineer and Land Surveyor N.M. Reg. No. 598

Farmington, New Mexico

Surveyed December 12, 1950

BYRD-FROST, INC.

P. O. BOX 911

DURANGO, COLORADO

December 16, 1950

Johnston & Johnston
1453 Esperson Bldg.
Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:

Due to topographical conditions we have made an unorthodox Pictured Cliffs location 895 feet from the west and south lines of section 18, Township 27 north, Range 9 west, San Juan County, New Mexico (Kutz-Fulcher Field). A 990 feet location was impossible to make due to the extremely adverse condition of the terrain.

Since Johnston & Johnston has offset leases in Section 19, Township 27 north and Range 9 west, it is necessary to obtain your approval for the location. Therefore, we would appreciate your signature below indicating your approval of this new location.

Very truly yours,

Byrd-Frost, Inc.

John Carothers
John Carothers

APPROVED:

Walter H. Johnston
W. Beaumont

BYRD-FROST, INC.
P. O. BOX 911
DURANGO, COLORADO

December 16, 1950

Mr. Van Thompson
Southern Union Gas Co.
1104 Burt Bldg.
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

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Since Southern Union Gas Co. has offset leases in Sec. 17, Township 27N, Range 9W, and Section 13 Township 27N, Range 10W, it is necessary to obtain your approval for the location. Therefore, we would appreciate your signature below indicating your approval of this new location.

Very truly yours,

Byrd-Frost, Inc.

By John Carothers
John Carothers

APPROVED:

Van Thompson
Southern Union Gas Co.