Incident Number: nMCS0124838636



Incident Assessment and Closure

Federal AB-B Tank Battery

Section 32, Township 18 South, Range 25 East

API: 30-015-23643

County: Eddy

Vertex File Number: 22E-00123-15

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1.0 Introduction

EOG Resources Inc. (EOG) retained Vertex Resource Services Inc. (Vertex) to conduct an Incident Assessment and Closure for a produced water release that occurred on August 6, 2001, at Federal AB-B Tank Battery API 30-015-23643 (hereafter referred to as the "site"). EOG submitted an initial C-141 Release Notification (Appendix A) to New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) District 2 on August 7, 2001. Incident ID number nMCS0124838636 was assigned to this incident. Vertex performed the assessment to address the closure denial by NMOCD for the incident.

This report provides a description of the assessment and remediation activities associated with the site. The information presented demonstrates that closure criteria established in Table I of 19.15.29.12 of the *New Mexico Administrative Code* (NMAC; New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, 2018) related to NMOCD has been met and all applicable regulations are being followed. This document is intended to serve as a final report to obtain approval from NMOCD for the closure of this release, with the understanding that restoration of the release site will be deferred until such time as all oil and gas activities are terminated and the site is reclaimed as per NMAC 19.15.29.13.

2.0 Incident Description

The incident occurred on October 16, 2001, due to a lightning strike that resulted in a tank battery fire. The incident was reported on October 17, 2001, and involved the release of approximately 10 barrels (bbl.) of produced water into the containment and access road. No free fluids were recovered during the initial clean-up. Additional details relevant to the release are presented in the C-141 Report. The Daily Field Report (DFR) with site photographs is included in Appendix C.

3.0 Site Characteristics

The site is located approximately 11.8 miles southwest of Artesia, New Mexico (Google Inc., 2023). The legal location for the site is Section 32, Township 18 South and Range 25 East in Eddy County, New Mexico. The release area is located on private property. An aerial photograph and site schematic are presented on Figure 1.

The location is typical of oil and gas exploration and production sites in the Permian Basin and is currently used for oil and gas production, and storage. The following sections specifically describe the release area in the containment and access road that is parallel to the battery (Figure 1).

The surface geology at the site primarily comprises Qp — Piedmont alluvial deposits from the Holocene to lower Pleistocene ages (New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources, 2023) and the soil at the site is characterized as gravelly loam (United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 2023). Additional soil characteristics include a well-drained drainage class with a low runoff class. The karst geology potential for the site is medium (United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, 2018).

The surrounding landscape is associated with knolls, ridges, hillslopes alluvial fans and escarpments, with elevations ranging between 2,842 and 4,500 feet. The climate is semiarid with average annual precipitation ranging between 6 and 15 inches. Using information from the United States Department of Agriculture, the dominant vegetation was determined to be grassland communities with shrubs common throughout the site. Black Grama with Mesquite and

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Catclaw Mimosa dominate the historic plant community (United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 2023). Limited to no vegetation is allowed to grow on the compacted production pad, right-of-way, and access road.

4.0 Closure Criteria Determination

The nearest active well to the site is a New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE) monitoring well located approximately 0.75 miles southeast of the site (United States Geological Survey, 2023). Data from 2023 shows the NMOSE borehole recorded a depth to groundwater of 305 feet below ground surface (bgs). Information pertaining to the depth to groundwater determination is included in Appendix B.

There is no surface water present at the site. The nearest significant watercourse, as defined in Subsection P of 19.15.17.7 NMAC, is the Rio Penasco located approximately 2.46 miles north of the site (United States Fish and Wildlife Service, 2023).

At the site, there are no continuously flowing watercourses or significant watercourses, lakebeds, sinkholes, playa lakes or other critical water or community features as outlined in Paragraph (4) of Subsection C of 19.15.29.12 NMAC.

Based on the data included in the closure criteria determination worksheet, the nearest groundwater data is located further than 0.5 miles from the site; therefore, the depth to groundwater cannot be accurately determined.

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Table 1.	Closure Criteria Determination			
Site Spec	ific Conditions	Value	Unit	Reference
1	Depth to Groundwater	<50	feet	1
2	Within 300 feet of any continuously flowing watercourse or any other significant watercourse	12,989	feet	2
3	Within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)	9,256	feet	3
4	Within 300 feet from an occupied residence, school, hospital, institution or church	13,728	feet	4
5	i) Within 500 feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or	4,699	feet	5
	ii) Within 1000 feet of any fresh water well or spring		feet	5
6	Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to Section 3-27-3 NMSA 1978 as amended, unless the municipality specifically approves	No	(Y/N)	6
7	Within 300 feet of a wetland	4,884	feet	7
8	Within the area overlying a subsurface mine	No	(Y/N)	8
9	Within an unstable area (Karst Map)	Medium	Critical High Medium Low	9
10	Within a 100-year Floodplain	500	year	10
11	Soil Type	Upton-Reagan		11
12	Ecological Classification	Loamy		12
13	Geology	Piedmont alluvium		13
	NMAC 19.15.29.12 E (Table 1) Closure Criteria	<50'	<50' 51-100' >100'	

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The closure criteria determined for the site are associated with the following constituent concentration limits as presented in Table 2.

Table 2. Closure Criteria for Soils Impacted by a Release							
Minimum depth below any point within the horizontal boundary of the release to groundwater							
less than 10,000 mg/l TDS	Constituent	Limit					
	Chloride	600 mg/kg					
< 50 feet	TPH (GRO+DRO+MRO)	100 mg/kg					
< 50 feet	BTEX	50 mg/kg					
	Benzene	10 mg/kg					

TDS - total dissolved solids

5.0 Remedial Actions Taken

A site inspection of the impacted area was completed on March 16 through 18, 2023, which identified the area of the impacted area that needed to be addressed. The impacted area was determined to be 487 square feet. The Remediation Plan was submitted to NMOCD and approved on May 30, 2023.

Remediation efforts were completed on May 31, 2023. Vertex personnel supervised the excavation of impacted soils. Field screening was completed on base and wall sample points and consisted of analysis using a Photo Ionization Detector (volatile hydrocarbons), Dexsil Petroflag using EPA SW-846 Method 9074 (extractable hydrocarbons) and Silver Nitrate (chlorides). Field screening results were used to identify areas requiring further remediation. Soils were removed to a depth of 2 to 6 feet bgs. Impacted soil was transported by a licensed waste hauler and disposed of at an approved waste management facility as stipulated by the Form C-138 Request for Approval to Accept Solid Waste. The DFR documenting various phases of the remediation is presented in Appendix C.

Notification that confirmatory samples were being collected was provided to the NMOCD on May 24, 2023, and is included in Appendix D. Confirmatory composite samples were collected from the base and walls of the excavation in 200-square-foot increments. A total of 16 samples, were collected for laboratory analysis following NMOCD soil sampling procedures. Samples were submitted to Hall Environmental Laboratory in Albuquerque, New Mexico, under chain-of-custody protocols and analyzed for BTEX (EPA Method 8021B), total petroleum hydrocarbons (GRO, DRO, MRO – EPA Method 8015D) and total chlorides (EPA Method 300.0). Laboratory results are presented in Table 3, and the laboratory data report is included in Appendix E. All confirmatory samples collected and analyzed were below the closure criteria for the site.

TPH - total petroleum hydrocarbons, GRO - gas range organics, DRO - diesel range organics, MRO - motor oil range organics

BTEX – benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes

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6.0 Closure Request

Vertex recommends no additional action to the site. Laboratory analyses of confirmation samples collected at the site show final confirmatory values below NMOCD closure criteria for areas where depth to groundwater is less than 50 feet bgs as presented in Table 2. There are no anticipated risks to human, ecological, or hydrological receptors at this site.

The excavation was backfilled with non-waste-containing, uncontaminated, earthen material, sourced locally, and placed to meet the site's existing grade to prevent water ponding and erosion.

Vertex requests that this incident (nMCS0124838636) be closed as all closure requirements set forth in Subsection E of 19.15.29.12 NMAC have been met. EOG certifies that all information in this report and the appendices are correct, and that they have complied with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in Division rules and directives to meet NMOCD requirements to obtain closure on the site.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Chance Dixon at 575.988.1472 or cdixon@vertex.ca.

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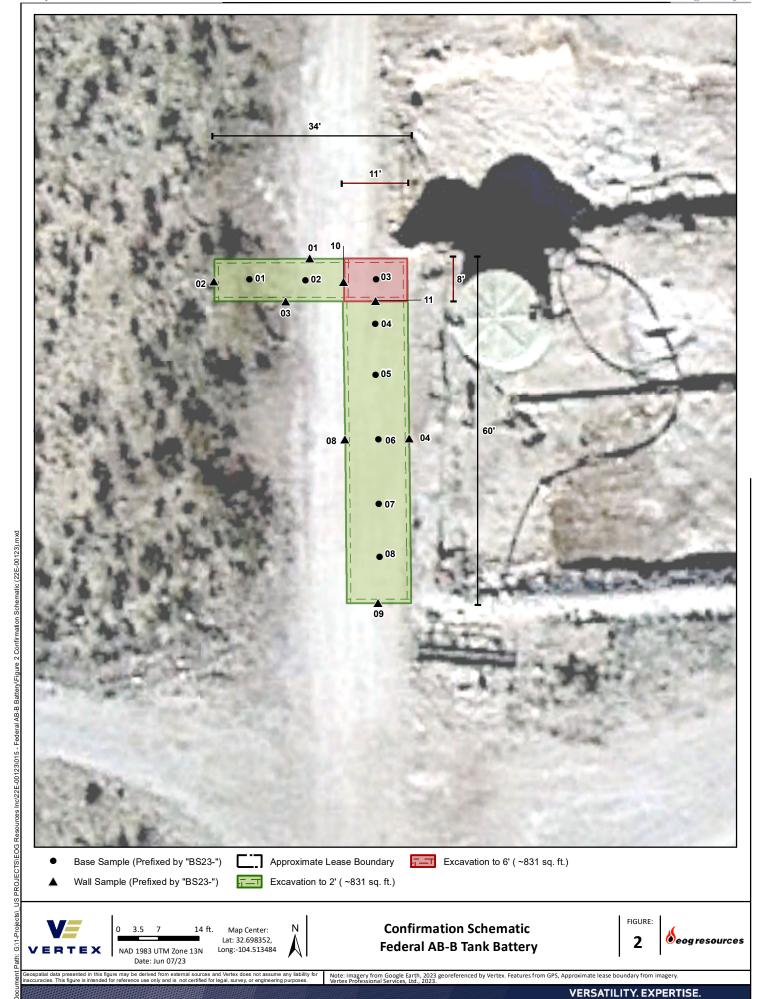
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8.0 Limitations

This report has been prepared for the sole benefit of EOG Resources Inc. This document may not be used by any other person or entity, with the exception of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, without the express written consent of Vertex Resource Services Inc. (Vertex) and EOG Resources Inc. Any use of this report by a third party, or any reliance on decisions made based on it, or damages suffered as a result of the use of this report are the sole responsibility of the user.

The information and conclusions contained in this report are based upon work undertaken by trained professional and technical staff in accordance with generally accepted scientific practices current at the time the work was performed. The conclusions and recommendations presented represent the best judgement of Vertex based on the data collected during the assessment. Due to the nature of the assessment and the data available, Vertex cannot warrant against undiscovered environmental liabilities. Conclusions and recommendations presented in this report should not be considered legal advice.

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Table 3. Confirmatory Laboratory Results - Depth to Groundwater <50 feet bgs EOG Resources
Federal AB-B Battery
NM OCD Tracking #: nMCS0124838636

Project #: 22E-00123-15 Lab Report: 2306060

		Petroleum Hydrocarbons											
Sample ID	Depth (ft) Date		(kg) Benzene	(wk/kg)	(84/8 Ethylbenzene	(88/ Total Xylenes	(83/8 BTEX (Total)	(GRO) Gasoline Range Organics	Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	(GRO + DRO)	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH)	공 경우 Chloride Concentration (26
	NMOCD - NMAC <5	50 ft 19.15.29 (2018)	10	- (1116/116/	- (1116/116/	- (1116/116/	50	- (1116/116/	- (1116/116/	- (1116/116/	- (1116/116/	100	600
Criteria		100 ft 19.15.29 (2018)	10	-	-	-	50	-	-	-	1000	2500	10000
	NMOCD - NMAC >1	NMOCD - NMAC >100 ft 19.15.29 (2018)			-	-	50	-	-	-	1000	2500	20000
xcavation													
BS23-01	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-02	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-03	6	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-04	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-05	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-06	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-07	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
BS23-08	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
WS23-01	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
WS23-02	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
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WS23-04	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
WS23-08	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
WS23-09	2	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
WS23-10	2 - 6	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
WS23-11	2 - 6	May 31, 2023	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

NMAC - New Mexico Administrative Code (Title 19, Chapter 15, Part 29; 2018)

ND - Not Detected at the Reporting Limit

- Denotes no standard/not analyzed



APPENDIX A - NMOCD C-141 Report

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Incident ID	nMCS0124838636
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

Closure

The responsible party must attach information demonstrating they have complied with all applicable closure requirements and any conditions or directives of the OCD. This demonstration should be in the form of a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) including a scaled site map, sampling diagrams, relevant field notes, photographs of any excavation prior to backfilling, laboratory data including chain of custody documents of final sampling, and a narrative of the remedial activities. Refer to 19.15.29.12 NMAC.

Closure Report Attachment Checklist: Each of the following items must be included in the closure report.

X A scaled site and sampling diagram as described in 19.15.29.11 NMAC									
X Photographs of the remediated site prior to backfill or photos of the liner integrity if applicable (Note: appropriate OCD District office must be notified 2 days prior to liner inspection)									
X Laboratory analyses of final sampling (Note: appropriate ODC District office must be notified 2 days prior to final sampling)									
Description of remediation activities									
and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and rer human health or the environment. In addition, OCD acceptance of compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regular restore, reclaim, and re-vegetate the impacted surface area to the coaccordance with 19.15.29.13 NMAC including notification to the O	ntions. The responsible party acknowledges they must substantially nditions that existed prior to the release or their final land use in								
OCD Only									
Received by:	Date:								
Closure approval by the OCD does not relieve the responsible party of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment nor does not relieve the responsible party of compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.									
Closure Approved by: Ashley Maxwell	Date: 6/23/2023								
Closure Approved by: Ashley Maxwell Printed Name: Ashley Maxwell	Title:Environmental Specialist								

APPENDIX B – Closure Criteria Research Documentation



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Water Column/Average Depth to Water

(A CLW##### in the POD suffix indicates the POD has been replaced & no longer serves a water right file.)

(R=POD has been replaced, O=orphaned, C=the file is

closed)

(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)

(quarters are smallest to largest) (NAD83 UTM in meters) (In feet)

		POD													
		Sub-		Q	Q	Q								,	Water
POD Number	Code	basin	County	64	16	4	Sec	Tws	Rng	X	Y	DistanceDep	thWellDe	pthWater (Column
<u>RA 05331</u>		RA	ED	1	1	4	05	19S	25E	546308	3616955*	1042	460	305	155
<u>RA 04335</u>		RA	СН		1	1	32	18S	25E	545580	3619275*	1396	400	300	100
<u>RA 08146</u>		RA	ED	4	4	3	28	18S	25E	547693	3619576*	2267	400		
<u>RA 13243 POD 1</u>		RA	ED	4	3	3	06	19S	25E	544060	3616318	2617	105		
<u>RA 05333</u>		RA	ED		2	2	09	19S	25E	548430	3616046*	3033	315	260	55
<u>RA 03959</u>		RA	ED		2	4	12	19S	24E	543589	3615225*	3715	545	265	280
<u>RA 13269 POD1</u>		RA	ED	4	1	1	16	19S	25E	547276	3614401	3764	55		
RA 08148		RA	ED	3	3	1	36	18S	24E	542252	3618748*	3913	508		
<u>RA 04208</u>		RA	ED		2	4	03	19S	25E	550036	3616845*	4105	110		
<u>RA 06436</u>		RA	ED	3	1	4	12	19S	24E	543083	3615122*	4143		300	
<u>RA 11061 POD1</u>		RA	ED		4	2	35	18S	24E	541949	3618852*	4231	450	364	86
<u>RA 05900</u>		RA	ED		2	2	16	19S	25E	548442	3614424*	4259	185	95	90
<u>RA 06418</u>		RA	ED	1	2	3	17	19S	25E	545925	3613710*	4266	120	72	48
<u>RA 04236</u>		RA	СН	3	3	1	02	19S	25E	550335	3617145*	4326	360	204	156
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<u>RA 04344</u>		RA	СН		1	1	21	18S	25E	547168	3622497*	4650	381	220	161
RA 04365		RA	СН		1	1	21	18S	25E	547168	3622497*	4650	265	150	115

Average Depth to Water: 214 feet Minimum Depth: 42 feet

364 feet Maximum Depth:

Record Count: 17

UTMNAD83 Radius Search (in meters):

Easting (X): 546088.28 **Northing (Y):** 3617973.81 Radius: 5000

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WATER COLUMN/ AVERAGE DEPTH TO WATER

^{*}UTM location was derived from PLSS - see Help



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Point of Diversion Summary

(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)

(quarters are smallest to largest)

(NAD83 UTM in meters)

Well Tag POD Number Q64 Q16 Q4 Sec Tws Rng

X Y

1 1 4 05 19S 25E

546308 3616955*

Driller License: 353 **Driller Company:** OSBOURN DRILLING & PUMP CO.

Driller Name:

RA 05331

Drill Start Date: 04/05/1967 **Drill Finish Date:** 04/13/1967 **Plug Date:**

Log File Date: 04/17/1967 **PCW Rcv Date: Source:** Shallow

Pump Type: Pipe Discharge Size: Estimated Yield:

Casing Size: 5.50 Depth Well: 460 feet Depth Water: 305 feet

Water Bearing Stratifications:

Top Bottom Description

328 364 Limestone/Dolomite/Chalk
398 440 Other/Unknown

Casing Perforations:
Top Bottom
400 440

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POINT OF DIVERSION SUMMARY

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New Mexico Office of the State Engineer

Water Right Summary

WR File Number: RA 05331 Subbasin: RA Cross Reference: -

Primary Purpose: PRO 72-12-1 PROSPECTING OR DEVELOPMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE

Primary Status: PMT PERMIT

Total Acres: Subfile: - Header: -

Total Diversion: 3 Cause/Case: -

Owner: JAMES H. AND BETTY R. HOWELL REVOCABLE TRUST

Contact: ALAN HOWELL

Documents on File

			Sta	itus		From/			
Trn #	Doc	File/Act	1	2	Transaction Desc.	To	Acres	Diversion	Consumptive
527432	COWNF	2013-05-06	CHG	PRC	RA 05331	T		3	
252706	COWNF	1996-05-23	CHG	PRC	RA 05331	T		3	
252700	72121	<u>1995-04-07</u>	PMT	APR	RA 05331	T		3	
252696	72121	1968-02-07	EXP	EXP	RA 05331	T		3	
252688	72121	1967-04-04	PMT	LOG	RA 05331	T		0	

Current Points of Diversion

(NAD83 UTM in meters)

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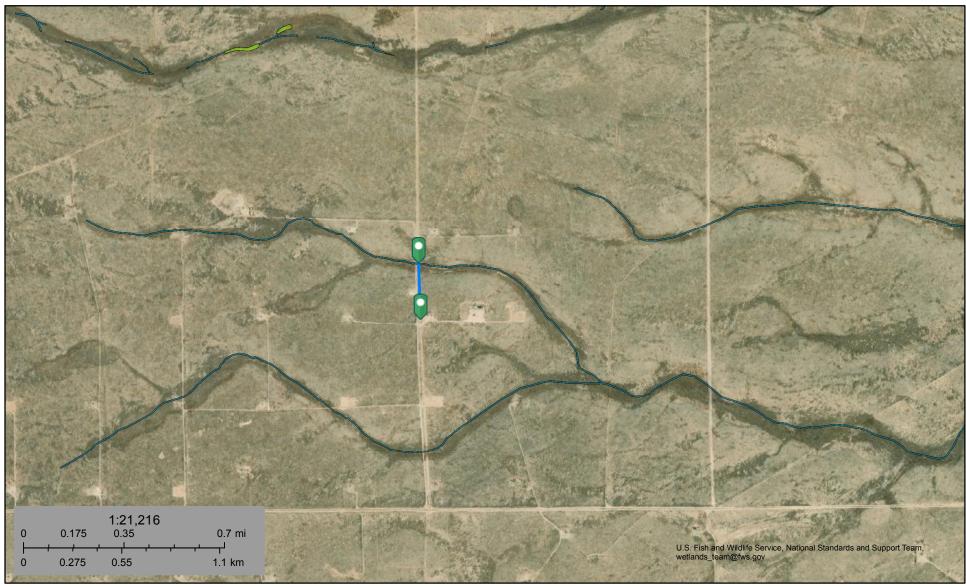
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Federal AB-B Battery Riverine 877 ft



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Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

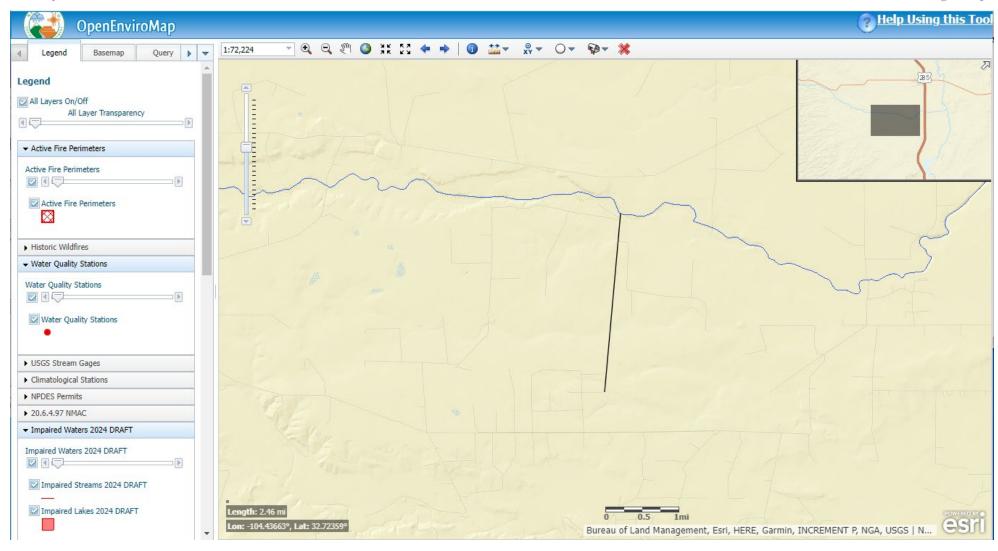
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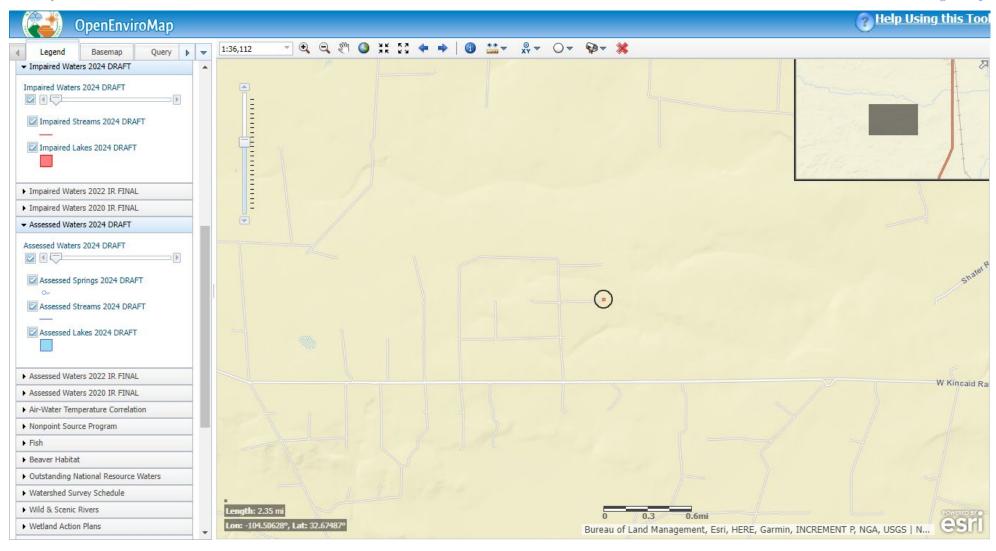
Lake

Other

Riverine

This map is for general reference only. The US Fish and Wildlife Service is not responsible for the accuracy or currentness of the base data shown on this map. All wetlands related data should be used in accordance with the layer metadata found on the Wetlands Mapper web site.







Federal AB-B Battery Pond 9,256 ft



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Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

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Freshwater Emergent Wetland

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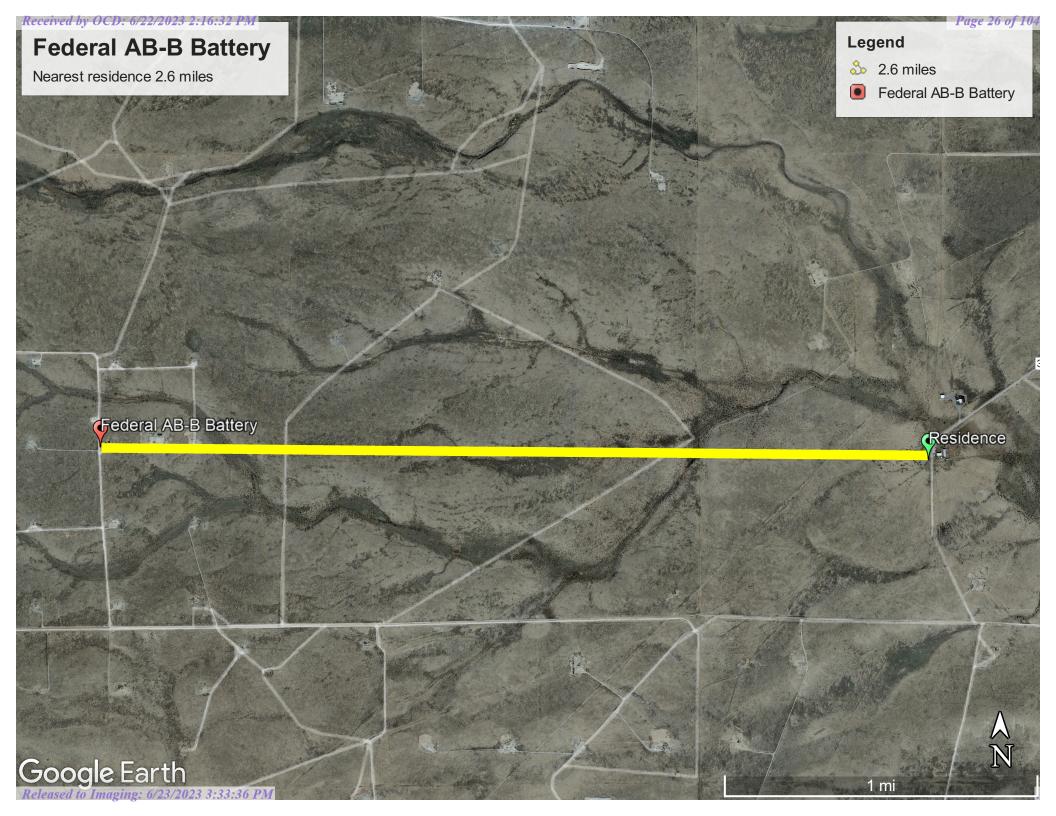
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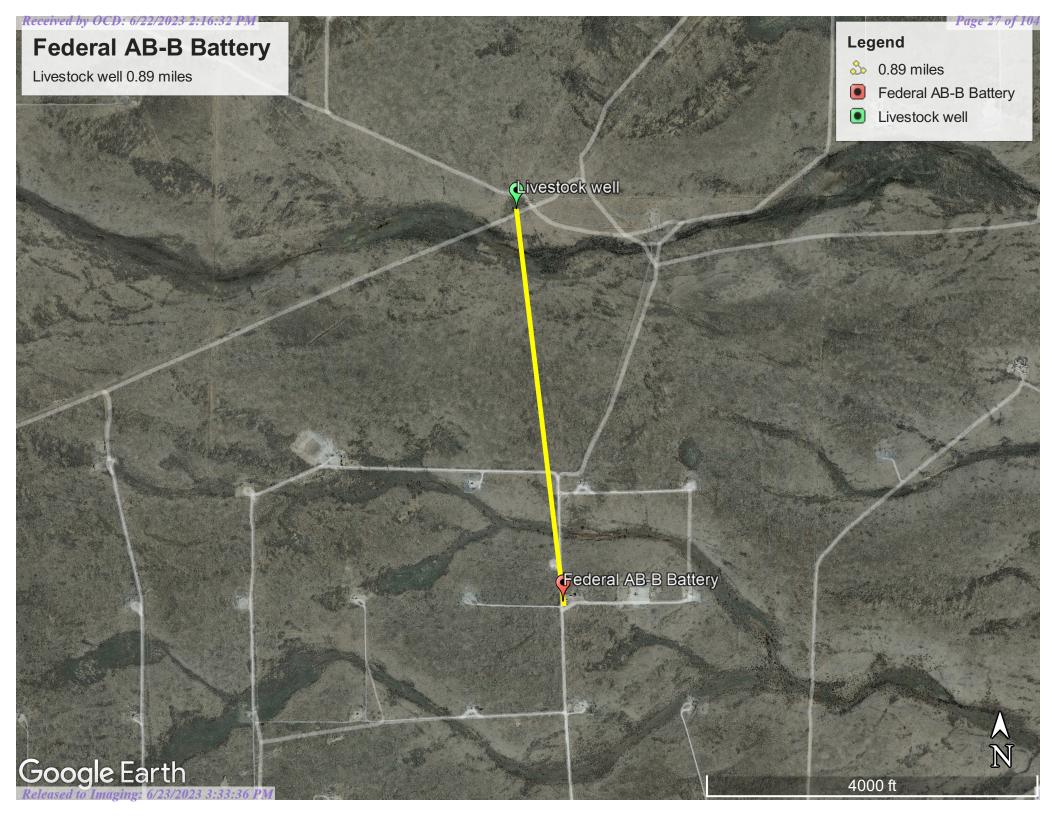
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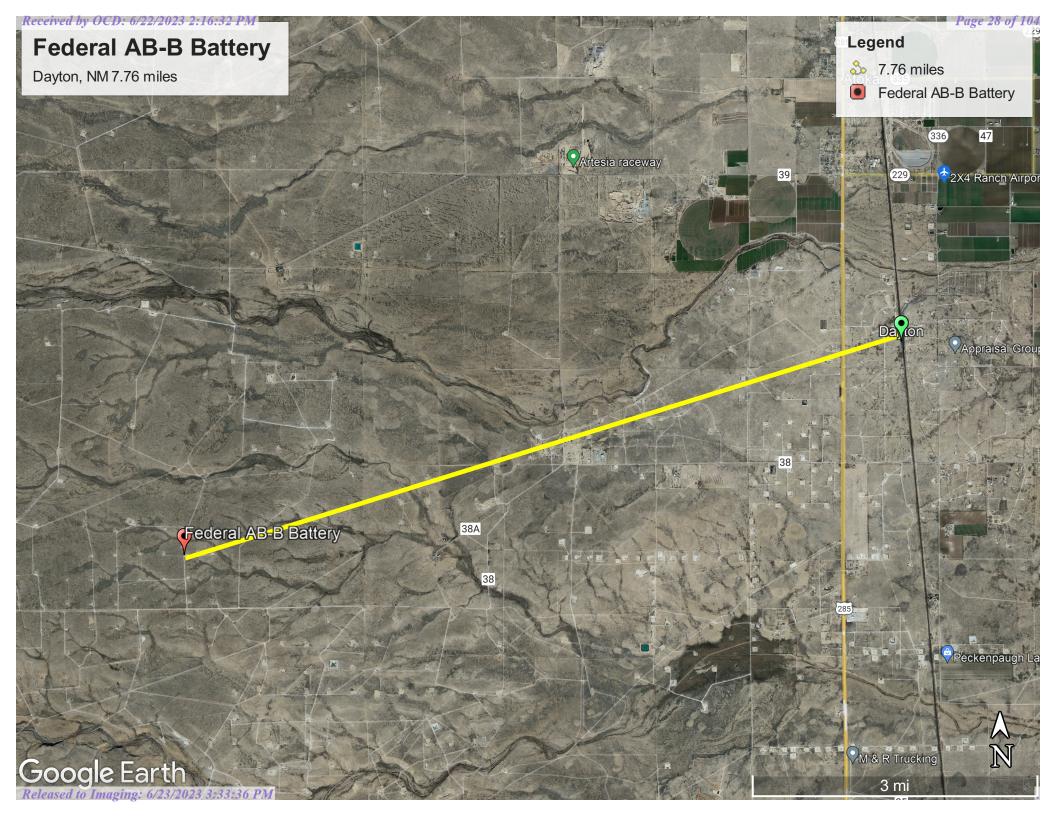
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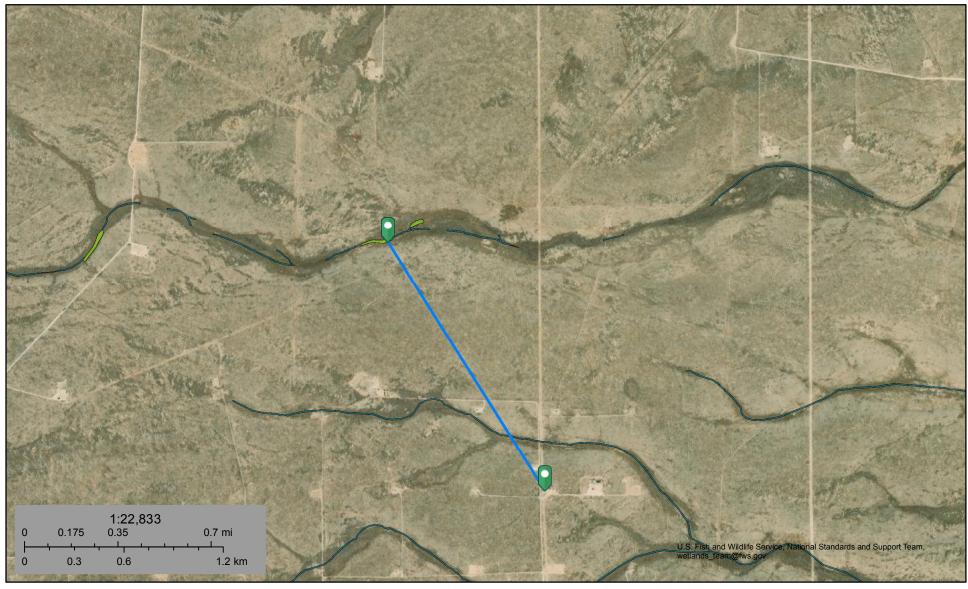








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Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Pond

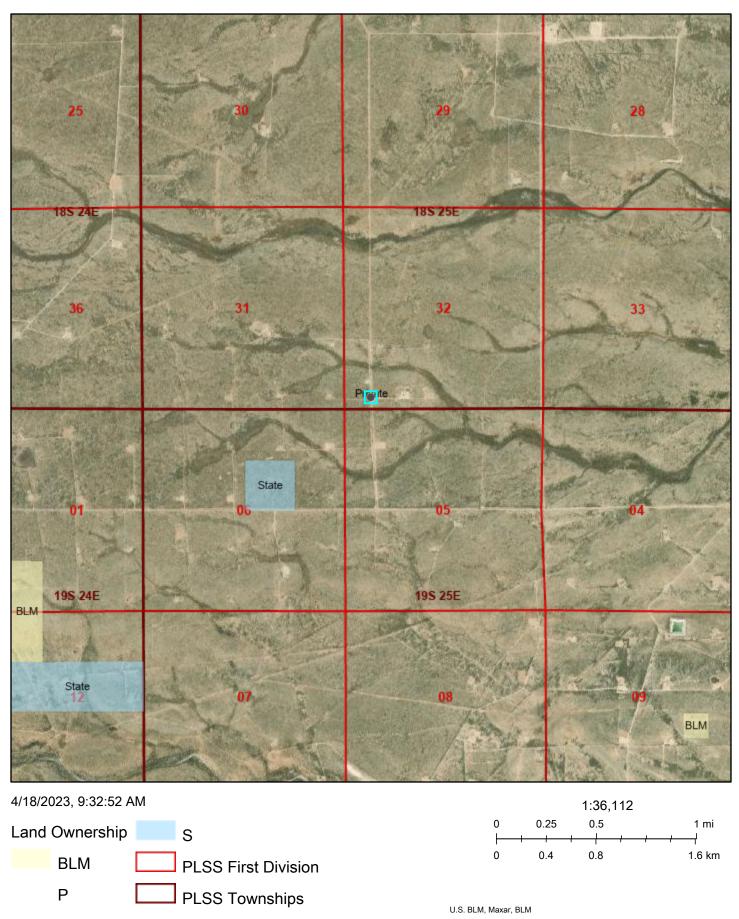
Lake Other

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

Riverine

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Federal AB-B Mines



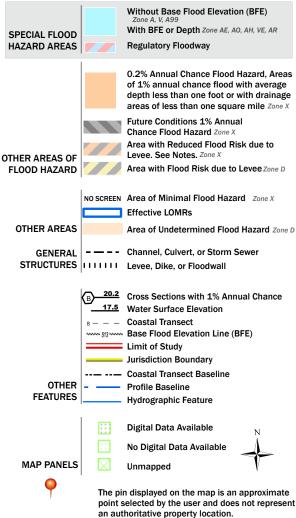
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Custom Soil Resource Report for Eddy Area, New Mexico



Preface

Soil surveys contain information that affects land use planning in survey areas. They highlight soil limitations that affect various land uses and provide information about the properties of the soils in the survey areas. Soil surveys are designed for many different users, including farmers, ranchers, foresters, agronomists, urban planners, community officials, engineers, developers, builders, and home buyers. Also, conservationists, teachers, students, and specialists in recreation, waste disposal, and pollution control can use the surveys to help them understand, protect, or enhance the environment.

Various land use regulations of Federal, State, and local governments may impose special restrictions on land use or land treatment. Soil surveys identify soil properties that are used in making various land use or land treatment decisions. The information is intended to help the land users identify and reduce the effects of soil limitations on various land uses. The landowner or user is responsible for identifying and complying with existing laws and regulations.

Although soil survey information can be used for general farm, local, and wider area planning, onsite investigation is needed to supplement this information in some cases. Examples include soil quality assessments (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/soils/health/) and certain conservation and engineering applications. For more detailed information, contact your local USDA Service Center (https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?agency=nrcs) or your NRCS State Soil Scientist (http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/soils/contactus/?cid=nrcs142p2 053951).

Great differences in soil properties can occur within short distances. Some soils are seasonally wet or subject to flooding. Some are too unstable to be used as a foundation for buildings or roads. Clayey or wet soils are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields. A high water table makes a soil poorly suited to basements or underground installations.

The National Cooperative Soil Survey is a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and other Federal agencies, State agencies including the Agricultural Experiment Stations, and local agencies. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has leadership for the Federal part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey.

Information about soils is updated periodically. Updated information is available through the NRCS Web Soil Survey, the site for official soil survey information.

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How Soil Surveys Are Made

Soil surveys are made to provide information about the soils and miscellaneous areas in a specific area. They include a description of the soils and miscellaneous areas and their location on the landscape and tables that show soil properties and limitations affecting various uses. Soil scientists observed the steepness, length, and shape of the slopes; the general pattern of drainage; the kinds of crops and native plants; and the kinds of bedrock. They observed and described many soil profiles. A soil profile is the sequence of natural layers, or horizons, in a soil. The profile extends from the surface down into the unconsolidated material in which the soil formed or from the surface down to bedrock. The unconsolidated material is devoid of roots and other living organisms and has not been changed by other biological activity.

Currently, soils are mapped according to the boundaries of major land resource areas (MLRAs). MLRAs are geographically associated land resource units that share common characteristics related to physiography, geology, climate, water resources, soils, biological resources, and land uses (USDA, 2006). Soil survey areas typically consist of parts of one or more MLRA.

The soils and miscellaneous areas in a survey area occur in an orderly pattern that is related to the geology, landforms, relief, climate, and natural vegetation of the area. Each kind of soil and miscellaneous area is associated with a particular kind of landform or with a segment of the landform. By observing the soils and miscellaneous areas in the survey area and relating their position to specific segments of the landform, a soil scientist develops a concept, or model, of how they were formed. Thus, during mapping, this model enables the soil scientist to predict with a considerable degree of accuracy the kind of soil or miscellaneous area at a specific location on the landscape.

Commonly, individual soils on the landscape merge into one another as their characteristics gradually change. To construct an accurate soil map, however, soil scientists must determine the boundaries between the soils. They can observe only a limited number of soil profiles. Nevertheless, these observations, supplemented by an understanding of the soil-vegetation-landscape relationship, are sufficient to verify predictions of the kinds of soil in an area and to determine the boundaries.

Soil scientists recorded the characteristics of the soil profiles that they studied. They noted soil color, texture, size and shape of soil aggregates, kind and amount of rock fragments, distribution of plant roots, reaction, and other features that enable them to identify soils. After describing the soils in the survey area and determining their properties, the soil scientists assigned the soils to taxonomic classes (units). Taxonomic classes are concepts. Each taxonomic class has a set of soil characteristics with precisely defined limits. The classes are used as a basis for comparison to classify soils systematically. Soil taxonomy, the system of taxonomic classification used in the United States, is based mainly on the kind and character of soil properties and the arrangement of horizons within the profile. After the soil

scientists classified and named the soils in the survey area, they compared the individual soils with similar soils in the same taxonomic class in other areas so that they could confirm data and assemble additional data based on experience and research.

The objective of soil mapping is not to delineate pure map unit components; the objective is to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. Each map unit is defined by a unique combination of soil components and/or miscellaneous areas in predictable proportions. Some components may be highly contrasting to the other components of the map unit. The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The delineation of such landforms and landform segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

Soil scientists make many field observations in the process of producing a soil map. The frequency of observation is dependent upon several factors, including scale of mapping, intensity of mapping, design of map units, complexity of the landscape, and experience of the soil scientist. Observations are made to test and refine the soil-landscape model and predictions and to verify the classification of the soils at specific locations. Once the soil-landscape model is refined, a significantly smaller number of measurements of individual soil properties are made and recorded. These measurements may include field measurements, such as those for color, depth to bedrock, and texture, and laboratory measurements, such as those for content of sand, silt, clay, salt, and other components. Properties of each soil typically vary from one point to another across the landscape.

Observations for map unit components are aggregated to develop ranges of characteristics for the components. The aggregated values are presented. Direct measurements do not exist for every property presented for every map unit component. Values for some properties are estimated from combinations of other properties.

While a soil survey is in progress, samples of some of the soils in the area generally are collected for laboratory analyses and for engineering tests. Soil scientists interpret the data from these analyses and tests as well as the field-observed characteristics and the soil properties to determine the expected behavior of the soils under different uses. Interpretations for all of the soils are field tested through observation of the soils in different uses and under different levels of management. Some interpretations are modified to fit local conditions, and some new interpretations are developed to meet local needs. Data are assembled from other sources, such as research information, production records, and field experience of specialists. For example, data on crop yields under defined levels of management are assembled from farm records and from field or plot experiments on the same kinds of soil.

Predictions about soil behavior are based not only on soil properties but also on such variables as climate and biological activity. Soil conditions are predictable over long periods of time, but they are not predictable from year to year. For example, soil scientists can predict with a fairly high degree of accuracy that a given soil will have a high water table within certain depths in most years, but they cannot predict that a high water table will always be at a specific level in the soil on a specific date.

After soil scientists located and identified the significant natural bodies of soil in the survey area, they drew the boundaries of these bodies on aerial photographs and

identified each as a specific map unit. Aerial photographs show trees, buildings, fields, roads, and rivers, all of which help in locating boundaries accurately.

Soil Map

The soil map section includes the soil map for the defined area of interest, a list of soil map units on the map and extent of each map unit, and cartographic symbols displayed on the map. Also presented are various metadata about data used to produce the map, and a description of each soil map unit.



MAP LEGEND

Area of Interest (AOI)

Area of Interest (AOI)

Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons

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Soil Map Unit Lines

Soil Map Unit Points

Special Point Features

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Very Stony Spot

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Wet Spot Other

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Special Line Features

Water Features

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Interstate Highways

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US Routes
Major Roads

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Local Roads

Background

Aerial Photography

MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:20.000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale.

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service

Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Eddy Area, New Mexico Survey Area Data: Version 18, Sep 8, 2022

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50.000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Nov 12, 2022—Dec 2, 2022

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

Map Unit Legend (Federal AB-B Soil Map)

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI				
UR	Upton-Reagan complex, 0 to 9 percent slopes	8.6	100.0%				
Totals for Area of Interest		8.6	100.0%				

Map Unit Descriptions (Federal AB-B Soil Map)

The map units delineated on the detailed soil maps in a soil survey represent the soils or miscellaneous areas in the survey area. The map unit descriptions, along with the maps, can be used to determine the composition and properties of a unit.

A map unit delineation on a soil map represents an area dominated by one or more major kinds of soil or miscellaneous areas. A map unit is identified and named according to the taxonomic classification of the dominant soils. Within a taxonomic class there are precisely defined limits for the properties of the soils. On the landscape, however, the soils are natural phenomena, and they have the characteristic variability of all natural phenomena. Thus, the range of some observed properties may extend beyond the limits defined for a taxonomic class. Areas of soils of a single taxonomic class rarely, if ever, can be mapped without including areas of other taxonomic classes. Consequently, every map unit is made up of the soils or miscellaneous areas for which it is named and some minor components that belong to taxonomic classes other than those of the major soils.

Most minor soils have properties similar to those of the dominant soil or soils in the map unit, and thus they do not affect use and management. These are called noncontrasting, or similar, components. They may or may not be mentioned in a particular map unit description. Other minor components, however, have properties and behavioral characteristics divergent enough to affect use or to require different management. These are called contrasting, or dissimilar, components. They generally are in small areas and could not be mapped separately because of the scale used. Some small areas of strongly contrasting soils or miscellaneous areas are identified by a special symbol on the maps. If included in the database for a given area, the contrasting minor components are identified in the map unit descriptions along with some characteristics of each. A few areas of minor components may not have been observed, and consequently they are not mentioned in the descriptions, especially where the pattern was so complex that it was impractical to make enough observations to identify all the soils and miscellaneous areas on the landscape.

The presence of minor components in a map unit in no way diminishes the usefulness or accuracy of the data. The objective of mapping is not to delineate pure taxonomic classes but rather to separate the landscape into landforms or landform segments that have similar use and management requirements. The delineation of such segments on the map provides sufficient information for the development of resource plans. If intensive use of small areas is planned, however,

onsite investigation is needed to define and locate the soils and miscellaneous areas.

An identifying symbol precedes the map unit name in the map unit descriptions. Each description includes general facts about the unit and gives important soil properties and qualities.

Soils that have profiles that are almost alike make up a *soil series*. Except for differences in texture of the surface layer, all the soils of a series have major horizons that are similar in composition, thickness, and arrangement.

Soils of one series can differ in texture of the surface layer, slope, stoniness, salinity, degree of erosion, and other characteristics that affect their use. On the basis of such differences, a soil series is divided into *soil phases*. Most of the areas shown on the detailed soil maps are phases of soil series. The name of a soil phase commonly indicates a feature that affects use or management. For example, Alpha silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is a phase of the Alpha series.

Some map units are made up of two or more major soils or miscellaneous areas. These map units are complexes, associations, or undifferentiated groups.

A *complex* consists of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas in such an intricate pattern or in such small areas that they cannot be shown separately on the maps. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar in all areas. Alpha-Beta complex, 0 to 6 percent slopes, is an example.

An association is made up of two or more geographically associated soils or miscellaneous areas that are shown as one unit on the maps. Because of present or anticipated uses of the map units in the survey area, it was not considered practical or necessary to map the soils or miscellaneous areas separately. The pattern and relative proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas are somewhat similar. Alpha-Beta association, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

An *undifferentiated group* is made up of two or more soils or miscellaneous areas that could be mapped individually but are mapped as one unit because similar interpretations can be made for use and management. The pattern and proportion of the soils or miscellaneous areas in a mapped area are not uniform. An area can be made up of only one of the major soils or miscellaneous areas, or it can be made up of all of them. Alpha and Beta soils, 0 to 2 percent slopes, is an example.

Some surveys include *miscellaneous areas*. Such areas have little or no soil material and support little or no vegetation. Rock outcrop is an example.

Eddy Area, New Mexico

UR—Upton-Reagan complex, 0 to 9 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 1w65 Elevation: 1,100 to 5,400 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 6 to 15 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 60 to 70 degrees F

Frost-free period: 180 to 240 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Upton and similar soils: 55 percent Reagan and similar soils: 35 percent Minor components: 10 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

Description of Upton

Setting

Landform: Ridges, fans

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, rise

Down-slope shape: Convex Across-slope shape: Convex

Parent material: Residuum weathered from limestone

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 9 inches: gravelly loam H2 - 9 to 13 inches: gravelly loam H3 - 13 to 21 inches: cemented

H4 - 21 to 60 inches: very gravelly loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 9 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 7 to 20 inches to petrocalcic

Drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: High

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Low to moderately high

(0.01 to 0.60 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum content: 75 percent

Maximum salinity: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.0 to 2.0 mmhos/cm)

Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum: 1.0

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Very low (about 1.4 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7s

Hydrologic Soil Group: D

Ecological site: R070BC025NM - Shallow

Hydric soil rating: No

Description of Reagan

Setting

Landform: Fan remnants, alluvial fans Landform position (three-dimensional): Rise

Down-slope shape: Convex, linear Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Alluvium and/or eolian deposits

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 8 inches: loam H2 - 8 to 60 inches: loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high to high

(0.60 to 2.00 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum content: 40 percent

Maximum salinity: Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)

Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum: 1.0

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Moderate (about 8.2 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6e

Hydrologic Soil Group: B

Ecological site: R070BC007NM - Loamy

Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Pima

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Ecological site: R070BC017NM - Bottomland

Hydric soil rating: No

Reagan

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Ecological site: R070BC007NM - Loamy

Hydric soil rating: No

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Ecological site R070BC007NM Loamy

Accessed: 04/18/2023

General information

Provisional. A provisional ecological site description has undergone quality control and quality assurance review. It contains a working state and transition model and enough information to identify the ecological site.

Figure 1. Mapped extent

Areas shown in blue indicate the maximum mapped extent of this ecological site. Other ecological sites likely occur within the highlighted areas. It is also possible for this ecological site to occur outside of highlighted areas if detailed soil survey has not been completed or recently updated.

Table 1. Dominant plant species

Tree	Not specified
Shrub	Not specified
Herbaceous	Not specified

Physiographic features

This site occurs on uplands landforms, mainly on hill slopes, ridges, plains, terraces and some fan remnants. Slopes range from 1 to 5 percent and average about 3 percent. Average annual precipitation is about 8 to 14 inches. Elevations range from 2,842 to 5,000 feet.

Table 2. Representative physiographic features

Landforms	(1) Plain(2) Terrace(3) Fan piedmont
Flooding frequency	None
Ponding frequency	None
Elevation	2,842–5,000 ft
Slope	0–5%
Aspect	E, S, W

Climatic features

The average annual precipitation ranges from 8 to 13 inches. Variations of 5 inches, more or less, are common. Over 80 percent of the precipitation falls from April through October. Most of the summer precipitation comes in the form of high intensity short duration thunderstorms.

Temperatures are characterized by distinct seasonal changes and large annual and diurnal temperature changes. The average annual temperature is 61 degrees with extremes of 25 degrees below zero in the winter to 112 degrees in the summer.

The average frost-free season is 207 to 220 days. The last killing frost is in late March or early April, and the first killing frost is in late October or early November.

Temperature and rainfall both favor warm season perennial plant growth. In years of abundant spring moisture, annual forbs and cool season grasses can make up an important component of this site. Strong winds blow from the southwest in January through June rapidly drying out the soil during a critical time for cool season plant growth.

Climate data was obtained from http://www.wrcc.sage.dri.edu/summary/climsmnm.html web site using 50% probability for freeze-free and frost-free seasons using 28.5 degrees F and 32.5 degrees F respectively.

Table 3. Representative climatic features

Frost-free period (average)	221 days
Freeze-free period (average)	240 days
Precipitation total (average)	13 in

Influencing water features

This site is not influenced by wetland or streams.

Soil features

The soils of this site are deep to moderately deep. The moderately deep soils have either a petrocalcic, petrogypsic or gypsum horizon between 30 and 40 inches.

Surface textures are loam, silt loam, very fine sandy loam, or clay loam. Substratum textures are loam, silty clay loam, or silt loams. Subsoil textures are silt loam, clay loam silty clay loam, gravelly loam, gravelly clay loam or very gravelly loam. Permeability is moderate to slow and the available water holding capacity is high to moderate. The Atoka, Reeves, Russler, Milner soils may have highr amounts of CaC03, ranging as high as 40 percent in the subsoil. Rock fragments range fro 5 to 50 percent in the subsoil. Reeves, Rusler, Milner, Holloman soils will have 40 to 80 percent gypsum in the underlying material.

Maximum and minimum values listed below represent the characteristic soils for this site.

Characteristic Soils:

Atoka (petrocalcic)

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Reagan

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Reeves (gypsum)

Russler (gypsum)

Largo

Russler (gypsum)

Largo

Berino

Tinney

Midessa

Ratliff

Holloman (gypsum)

Milner (gypsum)

Table 4. Representative soil features

Surface texture	(1) Loam (2) Very fine sandy loam (3) Silt loam
Family particle size	(1) Loamy
Drainage class	Well drained to somewhat excessively drained
Permeability class	Moderate to slow
Soil depth	30–72 in

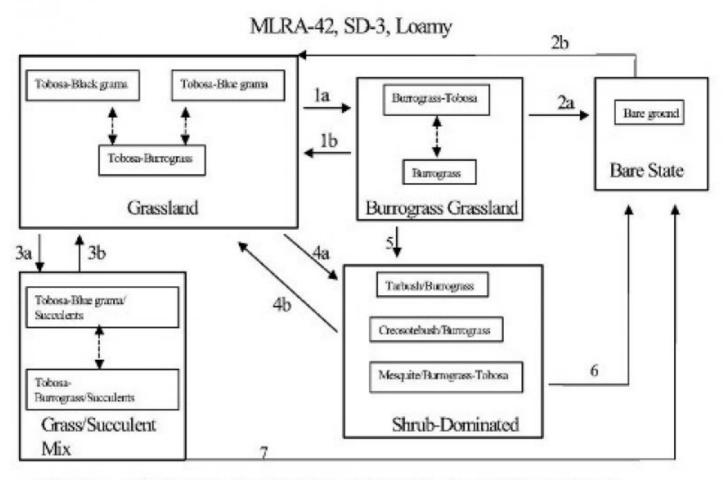
Surface fragment cover <=3"	0–5%
Surface fragment cover >3"	0%
Available water capacity (0-40in)	5–12 in
Calcium carbonate equivalent (0-40in)	0–10%
Electrical conductivity (0-40in)	0–8 mmhos/cm
Sodium adsorption ratio (0-40in)	0–6
Soil reaction (1:1 water) (0-40in)	6.6–8.4
Subsurface fragment volume <=3" (Depth not specified)	0–5%
Subsurface fragment volume >3" (Depth not specified)	0%

Ecological dynamics

Overview: The Loamy site is associated with the Gyp Upland ecological site with which it intergrades. There is a pronounced increase in alkali sacaton along this interface. The loamy site is also associated with the Gravelly and Shallow ecological sites from which it receives run-on water. The Draw site often dissects Loamy sites and is distinguished from the Loamy site by increased production or greater densities of woody species. The historic plant community has a grassland aspect, dominated by grasses with shrubs and half-shrubs sparse and evenly distributed. Tobosa, black grama and blue grama are the dominant species. Retrogression within this state is characterized by a decrease in black and blue grama and an increase in burrograss. Continuous overgrazing and drought can initiate a transition to a Burrograss- Grassland state. Continued reduction in grass cover and resulting infiltration problems may eventually effect a change to a Bare State, with very little or no remaining grass cover. Alternatively, creosotebush, tarbush or mesquite may expand or invade. Transitions back to a Grassland State from a Bare or Shrub-Dominated state are costly and may not be economically feasible. Decreased fire frequency may play a part in the transition to the Grass/Succulent Mix state with increased amounts of cholla and prickly pear.

State and transition model

Plant Communities and Transitional Pathways (diagram)



- Ia. Soil drying, overgrazing, drought, soil surface sealing. Ib. Restore natural overland flow, increase infiltration, prescribed grazing.
- Severe reduction in cover, soil surface sealing, decreased infiltration, erosion. 2b. Restore hydrology, break up physical crust, range seeding, prescribed grazing.
- 3a. Lack of fire, overgrazing, hall storms or other physical disturbance, drought, 3b. Prescribed fire, brush control, prescribed grazing.
- 4a. Seed dispersal of shrubs, persistent loss of grass cover, competition by shrubs, lack of fire. 4b. Brush control, range seeding -dependent on amount of grass (seed bank) remaining.
- 5. Loss of grass cover, seed dispersal of shrubs, competition by shrubs.
- 6. & 7. Brush control with continued loss of grass cover, soil sealing, erosion.

State 1 Historic Climax Plant Community

Community 1.1 Historic Climax Plant Community

State Containing Historic Climax Plant Community Grassland: The historic plant community has a grassland aspect, dominated by grasses with shrubs and half-shrubs sparse and evenly distributed. Black grama, blue grama, and tobosa are the dominant grass species. There are a variety of perennial forbs and their production varies widely by season and year. Globemallow, verbena, groundsels, croton and filaree are forbs commonly found on this site. Fourwing saltbush and winterfat are two of the more palatable shrubs. The Loamy ecological site encompasses a

wide variety of soils, with surface textures ranging from sandy loams to clay loams. Soil depths range from shallow to very deep and can include sub surface features such as calcic, petrocalcic, and gypsic horizons. These variations cause differences in plant community composition and dynamics. Black grama is found at highest densities on coarser textured sandy loams, with blue grama preferring finer textured loam and silt loam, and tobosa favoring lower landscape positions and loam to clay loam surface textures. Burrograss may often be the dominant grass species on silty soils, perhaps in part due to the seedlings ability to auger into and establish on physically crusted soils. Gypsum influenced soils typically have greater amounts of tobosa, burrograss, and ephedra. There is greater representation of sideoats and vine mesquite within the tobosa-blue grama community. Retrogression under continuous heavy grazing results in a decrease of black grama, blue grama, sideoats grama, plains bristlegrass, bush muhly, cane bluestem, vine mesquite, winterfat, and fourwing saltbush. Species such as burrograss, threeawns, sand dropseed, sand muhly, and broom snakeweed increase under continuous heavy grazing or prolonged periods of drought. Under continued retrogression burrograss can completely dominate the site. Creosotebush, tarbush, and mesquite, can also dominate. Cholla and prickly pear can increase on areas that are disturbed or overgrazed. Diagnosis: Tobosa, black grama, and blue grama are the dominant species. Grass cover is uniformly distributed with few large bare areas. Shrubs are sparse and evenly distributed. Slopes range from level to gently sloping and usually display limited evidence of active rills and gully formation if plant cover remains intact. Litter movement associated with overland flow is limited to smaller size class litter and short distances. Other shrubs include: yucca, mesquite, tarbush, cholla and creosote bush. Other forbs include: desert holly, scorpionweed, bladderpod, flax, nama, fleabane, Indianwheat, Indian blanket flower, groundcherry, deerstongue, and rayless goldenrod.

Table 5. Annual production by plant type

Plant Type	Low (Lb/Acre)	Representative Value (Lb/Acre)	
Grass/Grasslike	585	833	1080
Forb	39	55	72
Shrub/Vine	26	37	48
Total	650	925	1200

Table 6. Ground cover

Tree foliar cover	0%
Shrub/vine/liana foliar cover	0%
Grass/grasslike foliar cover	15-30%
Forb foliar cover	0%
Non-vascular plants	0%
Biological crusts	0%
Litter	25-30%
Surface fragments >0.25" and <=3"	0%
Surface fragments >3"	0%
Bedrock	0%
Water	0%
Bare ground	40-50%

Figure 5. Plant community growth curve (percent production by month). NM2807, R042XC007NM Loamy HCPC. R042XC007NM Loamy HCPC Warm Season Plant Community..

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
0	0	0	5	10	10	25	30	15	5	0	0

Burrograss-Grassland

Community 2.1 Burrograss-Grassland

Burrograss-Grassland: Changes in hydrology resulting in decreased available soil moisture, reduces grass cover and increases bare ground. Burrograss is the dominant grass. Tobosa cover is variable and can range from sizeable areas to small patches occupying only depressions or the lowest and wettest positions within the site. Threeawns, ear muhly, sand muhly, and fluffgrass occur at increased densities compared to the grassland state. Shrub densities may increase especially mesquite, creosotebush or tarbush. Retrogression within this state is characterized by a further decrease in grass cover and increased bare ground. Further deterioration of this site can result in the transition to a bare state or becoming shrub dominated. Diagnosis: Burrograss is the dominant species. Grass cover is no longer uniformly distributed, instead tending to be patchy with large areas of bare ground present. Physical crusts are present in bare areas reducing infiltration and suppressing seedling establishment by any grass species other than burrograss. Transition to Burrograss-Grassland (1a): Transitions from grassland to a burrograssgrassland state may occur due to changes in hydrology. Gullies, roads or obstructions that alter natural water flow patterns may cause this transition. Changes in surface hydrology may also occur due to overgrazing or drought. The reduction in grass cover promotes increased soil physical crusts and reduces infiltration. 5 Key indicators of approach to transition: ? Diversion of overland flow resulting in decreased soil moisture. ? Increase in amount of burrograss cover ? Reduction in grass cover and increase in size and frequency of bare patches. ? Formation of physical crusts—indicating reduced infiltration. ? Evidence of litter movement—indicating loss or redistribution of organic matter. Transition back to Grassland (1b) The natural hydrology of the site must be returned. Culverts, turnouts, or rerouting roads may help re-establish natural overland flow, if roads or trails have altered the hydrology. Erosion control structures or shaping and filling gullies may help regain natural flow patterns and establish vegetation if the flow has been channeled. Breaking up physical crusts by soil disturbance may promote infiltration and seedling emergence. Allow natural revegetation to take place. Prescribed grazing will help ensure proper forage utilization and reduce grass loss due to grazing.

State 3 Bare State

Community 3.1 Bare State

Bare State: Extremely low ground cover, soil degradation and erosion characterize this state. Very little vegetation remains. Burrograss is the dominant grass and cover is extremely patchy. Physical soil crusts are extensive. Erosion and resource depletion increase as site degrades. Diagnosis: Very little cover remains. Erosion is evident by soil sealing, water flow patterns, pedestals or terracettes. Rills and gullies may be present and active. Transition to Bare State (2a): Extended drought, continuous heavy grazing, or other disturbance that severely depletes grass cover can effect this transition. As grass cover decreases, sheet flow and erosion increase, and physical soil crusts form, thereby further reducing infiltration. Key indicators of approach to transition: ? Continued reduction in grass cover. ? Increased soil surface sealing. ? Increased erosion. ? Reduced aggregate stability in bare areas.

Transition back to Grassland (2b) Restore the hydrology, see (1a). With the extent of grass loss range seeding may be necessary. Utilizing livestock or mechanical means to break up the physical crusts may increase infiltration and aid seedling establishment. Prescribed grazing will help ensure adequate deferment period following seeding, and proper forage utilization once the grass stand is well established. The degree to which this site is capable of recovery depends on the restoration of hydrology, extent of degradation to soil resources, and adequate rainfall necessary to establish grasses.

State 4 Grass/Succulent Mix

Community 4.1 Grass/Succulent Mix

Grass / Succulent Mix: Increased representations of succulents characterize this site. Increased densities of cholla or pricklypear is recognized as a management concern, but their impact on grass production is unclear. Light to

medium cholla or prickly pear infestation doesn't seem to greatly reduce grass production, however it limits access to palatable grasses and interferes with livestock movement and handling. Tobosa and blue grama are the dominant species on this site. Retrogression within this site is characterized by a decrease in blue grama and an increase in succulents, tobosa and burrograss. Diagnosis: Cholla or prickly pear is found at increased densities. Grass cover is variable ranging from uniformly distributed to patchy with frequent areas of bare ground present. Tobosa or blue grama is the dominant grass species. Transition to Grass/Succulent Mix (3a): If fire was historically a part of desert grassland ecosystem and played a role in suppressing seedlings of shrubs and succulents, then fire suppression may favor the increase of succulents.1 Heavy grazing by livestock or other physical disturbances may help disseminate seed and increase the establishment of succulents. Areas historically overgrazed by sheep are sometimes associated with higher densities of Succulents. Intense hailstorms can spread pricklypear by breaking off joints causing new plants to take root.3 During severe drought perennial grass cover can decline significantly, leaving resources available for use by more drought tolerant succulents. Cholla and pricklypear are both adapted to and favored by drought due to the ability of their shallow, wide spreading root systems to absorb and store water.4 Key indicators of approach to transition: ? Decrease or change in distribution of grass cover. ? Increase in amount of succulent seedlings. ? Increased cover of succulents. Transition back to Grassland (3b) Fire is an effective means of controlling cholla and prickly pear if adequate grass cover remains to carry fire.2 Cholla greater than two feet tall or pricklypear with a large amount of pads (>15-20) are harder to kill. Chemical control is effective in controlling prickly pear and cholla; apply when growth starts in May. Hand grubbing is also effective if cholla or pricklypear is severed 2-4 inches below ground and care is taken not to let broken joints or pads take root. Stacking and burning piles and grubbing during winter or drought help keeps broken joints and pads from rooting. Prescribed grazing will help ensure proper forage utilization and sustain grass cover.

State 5 Shrub Dominated

Community 5.1 Shrub Dominated

Shrub Dominated: Increased shrub cover characterizes this state. Mesquite, creosotebush, and/or tarbush are the dominant shrub species. Burrograss or tobosa is the dominant grass species. Grass cover is decreased, typically patchy with large bare areas present; however, sometimes grass cover can remain relatively high for extended periods when associated with light to moderate infestations of mesquite. Variations in soil characteristics play a part in determining which shrub species increase. Mesquite is well adapted to a wide range of soil types, but increases more often on deep soils low in carbonates, that have a sandy surface overlying finer textured soils. Tarbush prefers finer textured, calcareous soils, usually in lower positions that receive some extra water. Creosotebush is less tolerant of fine textured soils, preferring sandy, calcareous soils that have some gravel. Creosotebush also does well on soils that are shallow over caliche. Retrogression within this state is characterized by a decrease in tobosa, and an increase in burrograss. As the site continues to degrade shrub cover continues to increase and grass cover is severely reduced. Diagnosis: Mesquite, Creosotebush, and/or tarbush are the dominant shrubs. Blue grama and black grama cover is low or absent. Burrograss or tobosa are the dominant grasses. Typically grass cover is patchy with large interconnected bare areas present. Physical soil crusts are present, especially on silt loam surface soils. Transition to Shrub Dominated (4a): Wildlife and livestock consume and disperse mesquite seeds. Flood events may wash creosote or tarbush seeds off adjacent gravelly sites onto the loamy site and supply adequate moisture for germination. Persistent loss of grass cover due to overgrazing or drought can cause large bare patches, providing competition free areas for shrub seedling establishment. As shrub cover increases, competition for soil resources, especially water, becomes a major factor in further reducing grass cover. Reduction of fire, due to either fire suppression policy or loss of adequate fine fuels may increase the probability of shrub encroachment. Increased soil surface physical crusts and associated decreased infiltration, may prevent the establishment of grass seedlings. Transition to Shrub Dominated (5): The dispersal of creosotebush, tarbush or mesquite seed, combined with loss of grass cover and resource competition by shrubs may cause this transition. Key indicators of approach to transition: ? Decreased grass and litter cover. ? Increased bare patch size. ? Increased physical soil crusts. ? Increased amount of mesquite, creosotebush, or tarbush seedlings. ? Increased shrub cover. Transition back to Grassland (4b) Brush control will be necessary to remove shrubs and eliminate competition for resources necessary for grass establishment or reproduction. Seeding may be necessary on those sites where desired grass species are absent or very limited. Pitting and seeding may increase the chances of successful grass establishment. Prescribed grazing will help ensure adequate time is elapsed before grazing seeded area is allowed and proper forage utilization following seeding establishment. Transition to Bare State (6): If grass cover on the shrub-dominated state is

severely limited and shrubs are removed a bare state may result. This transition will depend on amount of grasses or seed remaining, whether site is seeded, or if seeding is successful. Transition to Bare State (7): Removal of succulents and continued overgrazing or drought may cause loss of remaining grasses and erosion. Soil surface physical crusting may also be an important factor in inhibiting grass seedling establishment

Additional community tables

Table 7. Community 1.1 plant community composition

Group	Common Name	Symbol	Scientific Name	Annual Production (Lb/Acre)	Foliar Cover (%)
Grass	/Grasslike				
1	Warm Season			278–324	
	tobosagrass	PLMU3	Pleuraphis mutica	278–324	_
2	Warm Season	•		9–46	
	burrograss	SCBR2	Scleropogon brevifolius	9–46	_
3	Warm Season			231–278	
	black grama	BOER4	Bouteloua eriopoda	231–278	_
	blue grama	BOGR2	Bouteloua gracilis	231–278	
4	Warm Season			28–46	
	sideoats grama	BOCU	Bouteloua curtipendula	28–46	
5	Warm Season			46–93	
	bush muhly	MUPO2	Muhlenbergia porteri	46–93	
	plains bristlegrass	SEVU2	Setaria vulpiseta	46–93	_
6	Warm Season			9–28	
	Arizona cottontop	DICA8	Digitaria californica	9–28	_
7	Warm Season		-	46–93	
	threeawn	ARIST	Aristida	46–93	
	muhly	MUHLE	Muhlenbergia	46–93	
	sand dropseed	SPCR	Sporobolus cryptandrus	46–93	
8	Warm Season	<u> </u>	1	28–46	
	Graminoid (grass or grass-like)	2GRAM	Graminoid (grass or grass-like)	28–46	
Shrub	/Vine	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
9	Shrub			9–28	
	fourwing saltbush	ATCA2	Atriplex canescens	9–28	
	jointfir	EPHED	Ephedra	9–28	
	winterfat	KRLA2	Krascheninnikovia lanata	9–28	
	cane bluestem	BOBA3	Bothriochloa barbinodis	5–24	
	Arizona cottontop	DICA8	Digitaria californica	5–24	
	plains bristlegrass	SEVU2	Setaria vulpiseta	5–24	
10	Shrub	l	,	9–28	
	javelina bush	COER5	Condalia ericoides	9–28	
	broom snakeweed	GUSA2	Gutierrezia sarothrae	9–28	
	Grass, annual	2GA	Grass, annual	5–15	
11	Shrubs		.,	9–28	
	Shrub (>.5m)	2SHRUB	Shrub (>.5m)	9–28	
Forb		1		1 0 20	

12	Forb			9–46	
	threadleaf ragwort	SEFLF	Senecio flaccidus var. flaccidus	9–46	_
	globemallow	SPHAE	Sphaeralcea	9–46	_
	verbena	VEPO4	Verbena polystachya	9–46	_
	broom snakeweed	GUSA2	Gutierrezia sarothrae	5–15	_
	pricklypear	OPUNT	Opuntia	5–15	_
13	Forb			9–28	
	croton	CROTO	Croton	9–28	_
	woolly groundsel	PACA15	Packera cana	9–28	_
14	Forb	-		9–28	
	Goodding's tansyaster	MAPIG2	Machaeranthera pinnatifida ssp. gooddingii var. gooddingii	9–28	_
	woolly paperflower	PSTA	Psilostrophe tagetina	9–28	_
15	Forb			9–28	
	redstem stork's bill	ERCI6	Erodium cicutarium	9–28	_
	Texas stork's bill	ERTE13	Erodium texanum	9–28	_
16	Forb	•	•	9–28	
	Forb (herbaceous, not grass nor grass-like)	2FORB	Forb (herbaceous, not grass nor grass-like)	9–28	_

Animal community

This site provides habitats which support a resident animal community that is characterized by pronghorn antelope, black-tailed jackrabbit, black tailed prairie dog, yellow-faced pocket gopher, banner-tailed kangaroo rat, hispid cotton rat, swift fox, burrowing owl, horned lark, mockingbird, meadowlark, mourning dove, scaled quail, Great Plains toad, plains spadefoot toad, prairie rattlesnake and western coachwhip shake.

Hydrological functions

The runoff curve numbers are determined by field investigations using hydraulic cover conditions and hydrologic soil groups.

Hydrologic Interpretations

Soil Series Hydrologic Group

Atoka C

Bigetty B

Ratliff B

Reyab B

Holloman B

Largo B

Holloman B

Bigetty B

Berino B

Reagan B

Reakor B

Reeves B

Russler C

Recreational uses

This site offers limited potential for hiking, horseback riding, nature observation and photography. Game bird, antelope and predator hunting are also limited.

Wood products

This site has no potential for wood products

Other products

This site is suitable for grazing by all kinds and classes of livestock, during all seasons of the year. Under retrogression, such plants as black grama, blue grama, sideoats grama, bush muhly, plains bristlegrass, Arizona cottontop, fourwing saltbush and winterfat decrease and there is an increase in burrograss, threeawns, sand dropseed, muhlys, broom snakeweed and javilinabush. Under continued retrogression, burrograss can completely dominate the site. Creosotebush, mesquite, and tarbush can also dominate. Grazing management alone will not improve the site in the above situation. This site is well suited to a system of management that rotates the season of use.

Other information

Guide to Suggested Initial Stocking Rate Acres per Animal Unit Month

Similarity Index Ac/AUM 100 - 76 3.0 - 4.2 75 - 51 4.1 - 5.5 50 - 26 5.3 - 7.0 25 - 0 7.1 +

Inventory data references

Other References:

Data collection for this site was done in conjunction with the progressive soil surveys within the Southern Desertic Basins, Plains and Mountains, Major Land Resource Areas of New Mexico. This site has been mapped and correlated with soils in the following soil surveys. Eddy County Lea County and Chavez County.

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Rangeland health reference sheet

Interpreting Indicators of Rangeland Health is a qualitative assessment protocol used to determine ecosystem condition based on benchmark characteristics described in the Reference Sheet. A suite of 17 (or more) indicators are typically considered in an assessment. The ecological site(s) representative of an assessment location must be known prior to applying the protocol and must be verified based on soils and climate. Current plant community cannot be used to identify the ecological site.

Author(s)/participant(s)	
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Approval date	
Composition (Indicators 10 and 12) based on	Annual Production

Ind	licators
1.	Number and extent of rills:
2.	Presence of water flow patterns:
3.	Number and height of erosional pedestals or terracettes:
4.	Bare ground from Ecological Site Description or other studies (rock, litter, lichen, moss, plant canopy are not bare ground):
5.	Number of gullies and erosion associated with gullies:
6.	Extent of wind scoured, blowouts and/or depositional areas:
7.	Amount of litter movement (describe size and distance expected to travel):
8.	Soil surface (top few mm) resistance to erosion (stability values are averages - most sites will show a range of values):
9.	Soil surface structure and SOM content (include type of structure and A-horizon color and thickness):

10. Effect of community phase composition (relative proportion of different functional groups) and spatial

Received by OCD: 6/22/2023 2:16:32 PM distribution on infiltration and runoff: 11. Presence and thickness of compaction layer (usually none; describe soil profile features which may be mistaken for compaction on this site): 12. Functional/Structural Groups (list in order of descending dominance by above-ground annual-production or live foliar cover using symbols: >>, >, = to indicate much greater than, greater than, and equal to): Dominant: Sub-dominant: Other: Additional: 13. Amount of plant mortality and decadence (include which functional groups are expected to show mortality or decadence): 14. Average percent litter cover (%) and depth (in): 15. Expected annual annual-production (this is TOTAL above-ground annual-production, not just forage annualproduction): 16. Potential invasive (including noxious) species (native and non-native). List species which BOTH characterize degraded states and have the potential to become a dominant or co-dominant species on the ecological site if their future establishment and growth is not actively controlled by management interventions. Species that become dominant for only one to several years (e.g., short-term response to drought or wildfire) are not invasive plants. Note that unlike other indicators, we are describing what is NOT expected in the reference state

for the ecological site:

17. Perennial plant reproductive capability:



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General information

Provisional. A provisional ecological site description has undergone quality control and quality assurance review. It contains a working state and transition model and enough information to identify the ecological site.

Figure 1. Mapped extent

Areas shown in blue indicate the maximum mapped extent of this ecological site. Other ecological sites likely occur within the highlighted areas. It is also possible for this ecological site to occur outside of highlighted areas if detailed soil survey has not been completed or recently updated.

Table 1. Dominant plant species

Tree	Not specified
Shrub	Not specified
Herbaceous	Not specified

Physiographic features

This site occurs on knolls, ridges, hillslopes alluvial fans and escarpments. Slopes range fro 0 to 25 percent and average about 7 percent. Direction of slope varies and is usually not significant. Elevations range from 2,842 to 4,500 feet.

Table 2. Representative physiographic features

Landforms	(1) Hill (2) Ridge (3) Fan piedmont
Flooding frequency	None
Ponding frequency	None
Elevation	2,842-4,500 ft
Slope	0–25%
Aspect	Aspect is not a significant factor

Climatic features

The average annual precipitation ranges from 8 to 13 inches. Variations of 5 inches, more or less, are common. Over 80 percent of the precipitation falls from April through October. Most of the summer precipitation comes in the form of high intensity – short duration thunderstorms.

Temperatures are characterized by distinct seasonal changes and large annual and diurnal temperature changes. The average annual temperature is 61 degrees with extremes of 25 degrees below zero in the winter to 112 degrees in the summer.

The average frost-free season is 180 to 220 days. The last killing frost is late March or early April, and the first killing frost is in late October or early November.

Temperature and rainfall both favor warm season perennial plant growth. In years of abundant spring moisture, annual forbs and cool season grasses can make up an important component of this site. Because of the shallow soil depth, the vegetation on this site can take advantage of moisture almost anytime it falls. Strong winds that blow from the west and southwest blow from January through June, which accelerates soil drying at a critical time for cool season plant growth.

Climate data was obtained from http://www.wrcc.sage.dri.edu/summary/climsmnm.html web site using 50% probability for freeze-free and frost-free seasons using 28.5 degrees F and 32.5 degrees F respectively.

Table 3. Representative climatic features

Frost-free period (average)	220 days
Freeze-free period (average)	240 days
Precipitation total (average)	13 in

Influencing water features

This site is not influenced from water from wetlands or streams.

Soil features

The soils of this site are shallow to very shallow. Soils are derived from mixed calcareous eolian deposits derived from sedimentary rock. Surface layers are very cobbly loam, very gravelly loam, gravelly loam, cobbly loam, gravelly fine sandy loam or gravelly sandy loam.

There is an indurated caliche layer or limestone bedrock that occurs within 20 inches and averages less than 10 inches. Limestone or caliche layer may be the restrictive layer.

Minimum and maximum values listed below represent the characteristic soils for this site.

Characteristic soils:

Lozier

Potter

Tencee

Upton

Ector

Kimbrough

Table 4. Representative soil features

Surface texture	(1) Gravelly loam(2) Extremely gravelly loam(3) Extremely cobbly loam
Family particle size	(1) Loamy
Drainage class	Well drained
Permeability class	Very slow to moderately slow
Soil depth	4–20 in
Surface fragment cover <=3"	15–40%
Available water capacity (0-40in)	1 in
Calcium carbonate equivalent (0-40in)	15–60%

Electrical conductivity (0-40in)	0–2 mmhos/cm
Sodium adsorption ratio (0-40in)	0–1
Soil reaction (1:1 water) (0-40in)	7.4–8.4
Subsurface fragment volume <=3" (Depth not specified)	13–42%
Subsurface fragment volume >3" (Depth not specified)	0–1%

Ecological dynamics

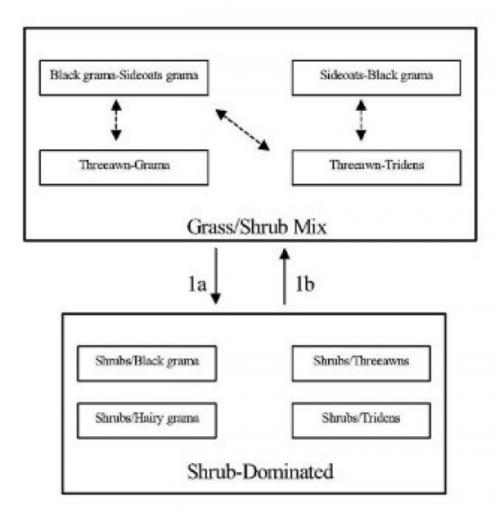
Overview:

The Shallow site is associated with and Limestone Hills, Loamy, and Shallow Sandy sites. When associated with Limestone Hills, the Shallow site occurs on the summits, foot slopes and toeslopes of hills. Loamy sites often occur as areas between low elongated hills with rounded crests (Shallow site). When the Shallow Sandy site and Shallow site occur in association, the Shallow Sandy soils occupy the tops of low ridges and the Shallow site soils occur on the steeper sideslopes of the ridge. The historic plant community of the Shallow site has the aspect of a grassland/shrub mix, dominated by grasses, but with shrubs common throughout the site. Black grama is the dominant grass species; creosotebush, mesquite, and catclaw mimosa are common shrubs. Overgrazing and or extended drought can reduce grass cover, effect a change in grass species dominance, and may result in a shrubdominated state. 1

State and transition model

Plant Communities and Transitional Pathways (diagram)

MLRA-42, SD-3, Shallow



Extended drought, overgrazing, no fire

1b. Brush control, Prescribed grazing

State 1 Grass/Shrub Mix

Community 1.1 Grass/Shrub Mix

Grassland/Shrub Mix: The historic plant community is dominated by black grama with sideoats grama as the sub-dominant. Blue grama, hairy grama, bush muhly, and sand dropseed also occur in significant amounts. Sideoats grama can occur as the dominant grass with black grama as sub-dominant on the western side of the Land Resource Unit SD-3. This may be due to higher average elevation on the west side. Retrogression within this state due to extended drought or overgrazing will cause a decrease in species such as black grama, sideoats grama, blue grama, and bush muhly. Threeawns may become the dominant grass species due to a decline in more palatable grasses or because of its ability to quickly recover following drought. Continued loss of grass cover and associated increase in amount of bare ground may result in a shrub-dominated state. Decreased fire frequencies may also be

an important component in the cause of this transition. Diagnosis: Grass cover is fairly uniform, however, surface gravel, cobble, and bare ground make up a large percent of total ground cover, and grass production during unfavorable years may only average 150-175 pounds per acre. Shrubs are common with canopy cover averaging five to ten percent. Evidence of erosion such as rills and gullies are rare, but may occur on slopes greater than eight percent.

Table 5. Annual production by plant type

Plant Type	Low (Lb/Acre)	Representative Value (Lb/Acre)	
Grass/Grasslike	168	352	536
Shrub/Vine	63	131	200
Forb	20	42	64
Total	251	525	800

Table 6. Ground cover

Tree foliar cover	0%
Shrub/vine/liana foliar cover	5-10%
Grass/grasslike foliar cover	10-15%
Forb foliar cover	0%
Non-vascular plants	0%
Biological crusts	0%
Litter	5-8%
Surface fragments >0.25" and <=3"	0%
Surface fragments >3"	0%
Bedrock	0%
Water	0%
Bare ground	40-60%

Figure 5. Plant community growth curve (percent production by month). NM2825, R042XC025NM Shallow HCPC. R042XC025NM Shallow HCPC Warm Season Plant Community.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
0	0	3	5	10	10	25	30	12	5	0	0

State 2 Shrub-Dominated

Community 2.1 Shrub-Dominated

Shrub-Dominated: This state is characterized by an increase in shrubs and a decrease in grass cover relative to grassland/shrub mix. As grass cover decreases shrubs increase, especially creosotebush, catclaw mimosa, whitethorn acacia, and mesquite. Each of these shrub species may become dominant in localized areas or across the site, depending on the spatial variability in soil characteristics and landscape position. Black grama, threeawns, hairy grama, or hairy tridens may be the dominant grass species. Fluffgrass, burrograss and broom snakeweed increase in representation. The Shallow site is resistant to state change, due to the natural rock armor of the soil and a shallow impermeable layer. The amount of rock fragments on the soil surface assist in retarding erosion. On Shallow sites with low slope, the shallow depth to either a petrocalcic layer or limestone bedrock helps to keep water perched and available to shallow rooted grasses for extended periods. 2 Diagnosis: Shrubs are the dominant species, especially creosotebush, catclaw mimosa, whitethorn acacia, or mesquite. Grass cover is variable ranging

from patchy with large connected bare areas present to sparse with only a limited amount in shrub inter-spaces. Transition to Shrub-Dominated (1a) Overgrazing and or extended periods of drought, and suppression of natural fire regimes are thought to cause this transition. As grass cover is lost, soil fertility and available soil moisture decline, due to the reduction of organic matter and decreased infiltration.3 Shrubs have the ability to extract nutrients and water from a greater area of soil than grasses and are better able to utilize limited water. Competition by shrubs for water and nutrients limits grass recruitment and establishment. Fire historically may have played a part in suppressing shrub expansion; fire suppression may therefore facilitate shrub expansion. Key indicators of approach to transition: *Decrease or change in composition or distribution of grass cover. *Increase in size and frequency of bare patches. *Increase in amount of shrub seedlings. Transition back to Grassland/Shrub Mix (1b) Brush control is necessary to re-establish grasses. Prescribed grazing will help to ensure proper forage utilization and sustain grass cover. Once the transition is reversed and grass cover is re-established, periodic use of prescribed fire may assist in maintaining the Grassland/Shrub state.

Additional community tables

Table 7. Community 1.1 plant community composition

Group	Common Name	Symbol	Scientific Name	Annual Production (Lb/Acre)	Foliar Cover (%)
Grass	/Grasslike	•		•	
1				105–158	
	black grama	BOER4	Bouteloua eriopoda	105–158	_
2				79–105	
	sideoats grama	BOCU	Bouteloua curtipendula	79–105	_
3				79–105	
	blue grama	BOGR2	Bouteloua gracilis	79–105	_
	hairy grama	BOHI2	Bouteloua hirsuta	79–105	_
4				26–53	
	bush muhly	MUPO2	Muhlenbergia porteri	26–53	_
5				16–26	
	cane bluestem	BOBA3	Bothriochloa barbinodis	16–26	_
6		•		26–53	
	sand dropseed	SPCR	Sporobolus cryptandrus	26–53	_
7		<u> </u>	•	16–26	
	hairy woollygrass	ERPI5	Erioneuron pilosum	16–26	_
8		<u> </u>	•	5–16	
	ear muhly	MUAR	Muhlenbergia arenacea	5–16	_
9		•		5–16	
	New Mexico feathergrass	HENE5	Hesperostipa neomexicana	5–16	_
10		•		5–16	
	low woollygrass	DAPU7	Dasyochloa pulchella	5–16	_
11		•		16–26	
	Grass, perennial	2GP	Grass, perennial	16–26	_
Forb				•	
12				11–26	
	stemless four-nerve daisy	TEACE	Tetraneuris acaulis var. epunctata	11–26	_
13				5–16	
	woolly groundsel	PACA15	Packera cana	5–16	_

14	1			o-10	
	globemallow	SPHAE	Sphaeralcea	5–16	_
15				5–16	
	bladderpod	LESQU	Lesquerella	5–16	_
16				5–16	
	cassia	CASSI	Cassia	5–16	_
17				11–26	
	Forb (herbaceous, not grass nor grass-like)	2FORB	Forb (herbaceous, not grass nor grass-like)	11–26	_
Shru	b/Vine	-		•	
18				5–16	
	littleleaf sumac	RHMI3	Rhus microphylla	5–16	_
19				5–16	
	creosote bush	LATR2	Larrea tridentata	5–16	_
20		-		5–16	
	littleleaf ratany	KRER	Krameria erecta	5–16	_
21		•		5–16	
	javelina bush	COER5	Condalia ericoides	5–16	_
22		•		5–16	
	American tarwort	FLCE	Flourensia cernua	5–16	_
23		•		5–16	
	crown of thorns	KOSP	Koeberlinia spinosa	5–16	_
24		•		11–26	
	honey mesquite	PRGL2	Prosopis glandulosa	11–26	_
	honey mesquite	PRGL2	Prosopis glandulosa	11–26	_
25				5–16	
	catclaw mimosa	MIACB	Mimosa aculeaticarpa var. biuncifera	5–16	_
26		•		5–16	
	pricklypear	OPUNT	Opuntia	5–16	_
27		-•	•	11–26	
	mariola	PAIN2	Parthenium incanum	11–26	_
	mariola	PAIN2	Parthenium incanum	11–26	_
28			•	5–16	
	broom snakeweed	GUSA2	Gutierrezia sarothrae	5–16	
29		1	ı	16–26	
	Shrub (>.5m)	2SHRUB	Shrub (>.5m)	16–26	_

Animal community

This site provides habitats which support a resident animal community that is characterized by desert cottontail, spotted ground squirrel, Merriam's kangaroo rat, cactus mouse, white-throated woodrat, gray fox, spotted skunk, roadrunner, Swainson's hawk, white-necked raven, cactus wren, pyrrhuloxia, lark sparrow, mourning dove, scaled quail, leopard lizard, round-tailed horned lizard, prairie rattlesnake, marbled whiptail, and greater earless lizard. Where associated with limestone hills, mule deer utilize this site.

Where large woody shrubs occur, most resident birds and scissor-tailed flycatcher, morning dove, lark sparrow and

Swainson's hawk nest.

Hydrological functions

The runoff curve numbers are determined by field investigations using hydraulic cover conditions and hydrologic soil groups.

Hydrologic Interpretations Soil Series Hydrologic Group Lozier D Potter C Tencee D Upton C Kimbrough D
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Upton D Ector D

Recreational uses

This site offers recreation potential for hiking, horseback riding, rock hunting, nature photography and bird hunting and birding. During years of abundant spring moisture, a colorful array of wild flowers is displayed during May and June. A few summer and fall flowers also occur.

Wood products

This site has no potential for wood production.

Other products

This site is suited for grazing by all kinds and classes of livestock during all seasons of the year. Missmanagement will cause a decrease in black grama, sideoats grama, and blue grama, bush muhly and New Mexico feathergrass. A corresponding increase in bare ground will occur. There will also be an increase in muhlys, fluffgrass, creosotebush, javalinabush, catclaw, and mesquite. This site will respond best to a system of management that rotates the season of use.

Other information

Guide to Suggested Initial Stocking Rate Acres per Animal Unit Month Similarity Index------ Ac/AUM 100 - 76------ 3.7 - 4.5 75 - 51------ 4.3 - 5.5 50 - 26------ 5.3 - 10.0 25 - 0------ 10.1 +

Inventory data references

Data collection for this site was done in conjunction with the progressive soil surveys within the Southern Desertic Basins, Plains and Mountains, Major Land Resource Areas of New Mexico (SD-3). This site has been mapped and correlated with soils in the following soil surveys. Eddy County, Lea County, and Chaves County.

Other references

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Rangeland health reference sheet

Interpreting Indicators of Rangeland Health is a qualitative assessment protocol used to determine ecosystem condition based on benchmark characteristics described in the Reference Sheet. A suite of 17 (or more) indicators are typically considered in an assessment. The ecological site(s) representative of an assessment location must be known prior to applying the protocol and must be verified based on soils and climate. Current plant community cannot be used to identify the ecological site.

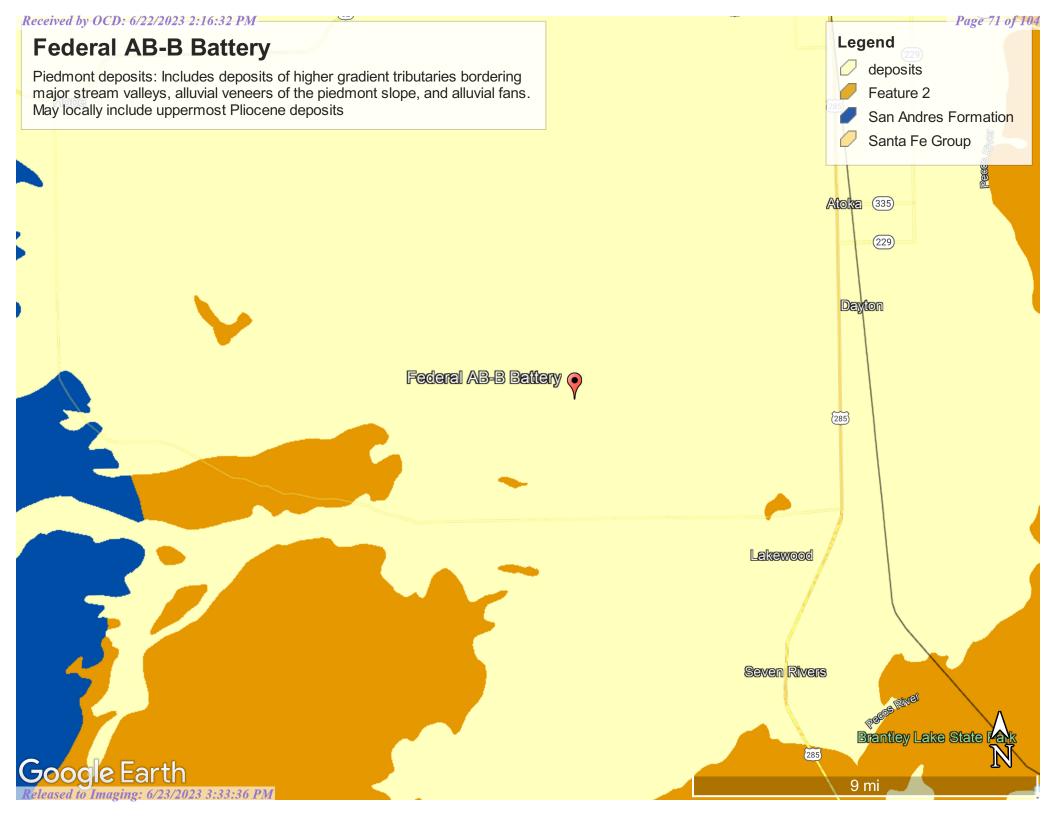
Author(s)/participant(s)	
Contact for lead author	
Date	
Approved by	
Approval date	
Composition (Indicators 10 and 12) based on	Annual Production

Indicators

1.	Number and extent of rills:
2.	Presence of water flow patterns:
3.	Number and height of erosional pedestals or terracettes:
4.	Bare ground from Ecological Site Description or other studies (rock, litter, lichen, moss, plant canopy are not bare ground):
5.	Number of gullies and erosion associated with gullies:
6.	Extent of wind scoured, blowouts and/or depositional areas:

7. Amount of litter movement (describe size and distance expected to travel):

8.	Soil surface (top few mm) resistance to erosion (stability values are averages - most sites will show a range of values):
9.	Soil surface structure and SOM content (include type of structure and A-horizon color and thickness):
10.	Effect of community phase composition (relative proportion of different functional groups) and spatial distribution on infiltration and runoff:
11.	Presence and thickness of compaction layer (usually none; describe soil profile features which may be mistaken for compaction on this site):
12.	Functional/Structural Groups (list in order of descending dominance by above-ground annual-production or live foliar cover using symbols: >>, >, = to indicate much greater than, greater than, and equal to):
	Dominant:
	Sub-dominant:
	Other:
	Additional:
13.	Amount of plant mortality and decadence (include which functional groups are expected to show mortality or decadence):
14.	Average percent litter cover (%) and depth (in):
15.	Expected annual annual-production (this is TOTAL above-ground annual-production, not just forage annual-production):
16.	Potential invasive (including noxious) species (native and non-native). List species which BOTH characterize degraded states and have the potential to become a dominant or co-dominant species on the ecological site if their future establishment and growth is not actively controlled by management interventions. Species that become dominant for only one to several years (e.g., short-term response to drought or wildfire) are not invasive plants. Note that unlike other indicators, we are describing what is NOT expected in the reference state for the ecological site:
17.	Perennial plant reproductive capability:



APPENDIX C – Daily Field Report



EOG Resources Inc.	Inspection Date:	5/31/2023
Federal AB-B Battery	Report Run Date:	5/31/2023 10:25 PM
Chase Settle	API #:	
575-703-6537		
	Project Owner:	
	Project Manager:	
	Summary of ⁻	Times
5/31/2023 8:14 AM		
	Field Not	
	Federal AB-B Battery Chase Settle 575-703-6537	Federal AB-B Battery Chase Settle 575-703-6537 Project Owner: Project Manager:

- 8:20 Arrived at site and filled out safety paperwork. Met with Standard Safety contractor, held safety meeting, and discussed work plan for the day. On site to start excavation and continue soil remediation.
- 8:20 Excavation will be done on the west side of the bermed containment of location. Will start by excavating an "L" shaped 2ft trench with a 6ft vertical area in the middle. Will run a secondary line sweep and will hand dig near the berm for any suspected underground PVC lines.
- 15:06 Collected confirmatory samples for the excavation. Wall and base samples were collected in accordance with the current square footage. Soil samples were field screened for chlorides and TPH.
- 15:34 Southern leg of the excavation was stepped out to the west and south. Also collected and field screen samples from these walls. Samples that tested under criteria were placed into glass containers and will be sent for laboratory analysis. Mapped out excavation and added sample points to Field Maps and DSS.

Next Steps & Recommendations

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Site Photos



Southern leg of excavation



Viewing Direction: West



West leg of excavation



East wall of excavation





6ft base of excavation



West walls of excavation



North wall of excavation



South wall of excavation



Daily Site Visit Signature

Inspector: Fernando Rodriguez

Signature: Signature

APPENDIX D – Notification

From: Chase Settle
To: Chance Dixon

Subject: FW: Federal AB-B Battery (nMCS0124838636) Sampling Notification

Date: May 24, 2023 4:33:57 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

From: Tina Huerta <Tina_Huerta@eogresources.com>

Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 4:29 PM

To: ocd.enviro@emnrd.nm.gov

Cc: Artesia S&E Spill Remediation <Artesia_S&E_Spill_Remediation@eogresources.com>; Artesia

Regulatory < Artesia_Regulatory@eogresources.com>

Subject: Federal AB-B Battery (nMCS0124838636) Sampling Notification

Good afternoon,

EOG Resources, Inc. respectfully submits notification (2) business days prior to conducting sampling on the following location.

Federal AB-B Battery N-32-18S-25E Eddy County, NM nMCS0124838636

Sampling will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 29, 2023, and continue through Friday, June 2, 2023.

Thank you,

Tina Hverta Regulatory Specialist Direct: 575.748.4168 Cell: 575.703.3121

Email: tina huerta@eogresources.com

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APPENDIX E – Laboratory Data Report and Chain of Custody Form



Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory 4901 Hawkins NE Albuquerque, NM 87109 TEL: 505-345-3975 FAX: 505-345-4107 Website: www.hallenvironmental.com

June 07, 2023

Chance Dixon
Vertex Resources Services, Inc.
3101 Boyd Drive
Carlsbad, NM 88220
TEL: (505) 506-0040

FAX

RE: Federal AB B Battery OrderNo.: 2306060

Dear Chance Dixon:

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory received 16 sample(s) on 6/2/2023 for the analyses presented in the following report.

These were analyzed according to EPA procedures or equivalent. To access our accredited tests please go to www.hallenvironmental.com or the state specific web sites. In order to properly interpret your results, it is imperative that you review this report in its entirety. See the sample checklist and/or the Chain of Custody for information regarding the sample receipt temperature and preservation. Data qualifiers or a narrative will be provided if the sample analysis or analytical quality control parameters require a flag. When necessary, data qualifiers are provided on both the sample analysis report and the QC summary report, both sections should be reviewed. All samples are reported, as received, unless otherwise indicated. Lab measurement of analytes considered field parameters that require analysis within 15 minutes of sampling such as pH and residual chlorine are qualified as being analyzed outside of the recommended holding time.

Please don't hesitate to contact HEAL for any additional information or clarifications.

ADHS Cert #AZ0682 -- NMED-DWB Cert #NM9425 -- NMED-Micro Cert #NM0901

Sincerely,

Andy Freeman

Laboratory Manager

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4901 Hawkins NE

Albuquerque, NM 87109

Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-01 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:00:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-001
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Q	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	8.5	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 1:39:05 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	42	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 1:39:05 AM
Surr: DNOP	96.6	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 1:39:05 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	5.0	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
Surr: BFB	79.0	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.025	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
Toluene	ND	0.050	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.050	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.10	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	90.9	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 12:40:14 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 10:31:53 AM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-02 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:05:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-002
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	ial Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.9	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 1:49:50 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	50	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 1:49:50 AM
Surr: DNOP	96.0	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 1:49:50 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	5.0	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
Surr: BFB	85.2	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.025	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
Toluene	ND	0.050	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.050	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.099	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	92.6	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 1:50:37 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 10:44:18 AM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-03 6ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:10:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-003
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Q	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE O	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.1	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:00:32 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	45	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:00:32 AM
Surr: DNOP	102	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 2:00:32 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.7	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
Surr: BFB	82.8	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
Toluene	ND	0.047	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.047	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.095	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	89.7	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 3:01:23 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 10:56:42 AM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-04 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:15:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-004
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	al Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OR	GANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.9	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:11:14 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	50	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:11:14 AM
Surr: DNOP	97.2	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 2:11:14 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.9	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
Surr: BFB	82.5	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.025	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
Toluene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.099	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	90.3	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 3:25:02 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	61	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 11:09:06 AM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-05 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:20:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-005
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	ial Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.4	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:32:38 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	47	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:32:38 AM
Surr: DNOP	90.3	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 2:32:38 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
Surr: BFB	77.4	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.097	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	89.1	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 3:48:38 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	59	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 11:21:31 AM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-06 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:25:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-006
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Q	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE O	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.2	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:43:23 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	46	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:43:23 AM
Surr: DNOP	88.2	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 2:43:23 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.9	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
Surr: BFB	93.2	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.025	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
Toluene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.098	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	92.9	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 4:12:17 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 11:33:55 AM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-07 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:30:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-007
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	al Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE C	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	10	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:54:07 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	50	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 2:54:07 AM
Surr: DNOP	88.0	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 2:54:07 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.9	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
Surr: BFB	94.1	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.025	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
Toluene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.098	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	92.7	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 4:35:58 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 12:11:08 PM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: BS23-08 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:35:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-008
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Q	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.1	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:04:52 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	46	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:04:52 AM
Surr: DNOP	91.0	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 3:04:52 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
Surr: BFB	85.5	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.096	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	89.8	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 4:59:37 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 12:23:32 PM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc. Client Sample ID: WS23-01 2ft

Project: Federal AB B Battery Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:40:00 AM 2306060-009 Lab ID: Matrix: SOIL Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	8.8	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:15:38 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	44	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:15:38 AM
Surr: DNOP	89.0	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 3:15:38 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
Surr: BFB	77.3	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.096	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	88.8	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 5:23:13 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 12:35:57 PM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.

D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix

Н Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded

ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit

Practical Quanitative Limit

% Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.

Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank

Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value Ε

J Analyte detected below quantitation limits

Sample pH Not In Range

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: WS23-02 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:45:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-010
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.0	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:26:27 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	45	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:26:27 AM
Surr: DNOP	87.8	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 3:26:27 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
Surr: BFB	82.9	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.096	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	90.5	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 5:46:45 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 12:48:22 PM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc. Client Sample ID: WS23-03 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:50:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-011
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	ıal Units	DF	Date Analyzed
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE (ORGANICS				Analyst: PRD
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.1	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:37:16 AM
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	45	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:37:16 AM
Surr: DNOP	88.6	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 3:37:16 AM
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
Surr: BFB	78.3	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.096	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	89.8	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 6:33:40 PM
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 1:00:47 PM

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: WS23-04 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 10:55:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-012
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	al Units	DF	Date Analyzed			
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OR	GANICS				Analyst: PRD			
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	10	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:48:07 AM			
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	50	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:48:07 AM			
Surr: DNOP	91.4	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 3:48:07 AM			
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP			
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
Surr: BFB	68.1	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP			
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.097	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	86.7	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 6:57:03 PM			
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS			
Chloride	ND	59	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 1:13:11 PM			

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: WS23-08 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 11:00:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-013
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Q	ual Units	DF	Date Analyzed			
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OF	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD			
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.7	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:59:06 AM			
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	48	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 3:59:06 AM			
Surr: DNOP	93.2	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 3:59:06 AM			
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP			
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
Surr: BFB	67.8	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP			
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.095	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	87.0	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 7:20:31 PM			
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS			
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 1:25:36 PM			

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: WS23-09 2ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 11:05:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-014
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	al Units	DF	Date Analyzed			
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE OI	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD			
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.9	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 4:10:04 AM			
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	50	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 4:10:04 AM			
Surr: DNOP	92.4	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 4:10:04 AM			
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP			
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
Surr: BFB	68.4	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP			
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.095	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	87.2	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 7:44:03 PM			
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS			
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 1:38:00 PM			

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: WS23-10 2-6ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 11:10:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-015
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	al Units	DF	Date Analyzed			
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE (ORGANICS				Analyst: PRD			
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	9.5	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 4:20:59 AM			
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	47	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 4:20:59 AM			
Surr: DNOP	93.1	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 4:20:59 AM			
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP			
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.8	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
Surr: BFB	71.6	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP			
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
Toluene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.048	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.096	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	87.7	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 8:07:28 PM			
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS			
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 1:50:24 PM			

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

Qualifiers:

- Value exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level.
- D Sample Diluted Due to Matrix
- H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded
- ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit
- PQL Practical Quanitative Limit
- S % Recovery outside of standard limits. If undiluted results may be estimated.
- B Analyte detected in the associated Method Blank
- E Above Quantitation Range/Estimated Value
- J Analyte detected below quantitation limits
- P Sample pH Not In Range
- RL Reporting Limit

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Date Reported: 6/7/2023

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

CLIENT: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Client Sample ID: WS23-11 2-6ft

 Project:
 Federal AB B Battery
 Collection Date: 5/31/2023 11:15:00 AM

 Lab ID:
 2306060-016
 Matrix: SOIL
 Received Date: 6/2/2023 7:25:00 AM

Analyses	Result	RL Qu	al Units	DF	Date Analyzed			
EPA METHOD 8015M/D: DIESEL RANGE O	RGANICS				Analyst: PRD			
Diesel Range Organics (DRO)	ND	10	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 4:31:53 AM			
Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO)	ND	50	mg/Kg	1	6/6/2023 4:31:53 AM			
Surr: DNOP	93.2	69-147	%Rec	1	6/6/2023 4:31:53 AM			
EPA METHOD 8015D: GASOLINE RANGE					Analyst: JJP			
Gasoline Range Organics (GRO)	ND	4.9	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
Surr: BFB	61.7	15-244	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
EPA METHOD 8021B: VOLATILES					Analyst: JJP			
Benzene	ND	0.024	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
Toluene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.049	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.098	mg/Kg	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	86.1	39.1-146	%Rec	1	6/5/2023 8:30:50 PM			
EPA METHOD 300.0: ANIONS					Analyst: SNS			
Chloride	ND	60	mg/Kg	20	6/6/2023 2:02:48 PM			

Refer to the QC Summary report and sample login checklist for flagged QC data and preservation information.

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QC SUMMARY REPORT

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

WO#: **2306060**

07-Jun-23

Client: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Project: Federal AB B Battery

Sample ID: MB-75377 SampType: MBLK TestCode: EPA Method 300.0: Anions

Client ID: PBS Batch ID: 75377 RunNo: 97233

Prep Date: 6/6/2023 Analysis Date: 6/6/2023 SeqNo: 3532409 Units: mg/Kg

Analyte Result PQL SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC LowLimit HighLimit %RPD RPDLimit Qual

Chloride ND 1.5

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QC SUMMARY REPORT

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WO#: **2306060**

07-Jun-23

Client: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Project: Federal AB B Battery

Sample ID: LCS-75337 SampType: LCS TestCode: EPA Method 8015M/D: Diesel Range Organics Client ID: LCSS Batch ID: 75337 RunNo: 97202 Prep Date: 6/5/2023 Analysis Date: 6/6/2023 SeqNo: 3530846 Units: mg/Kg PQL SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC HighLimit %RPD **RPDLimit** Qual Analyte Result LowLimit

 Diesel Range Organics (DRO)
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 Surr: DNOP
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 87.4
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 147

Sample ID: MB-75337 SampType: MBLK TestCode: EPA Method 8015M/D: Diesel Range Organics

Client ID: PBS Batch ID: 75337 RunNo: 97202

Prep Date: 6/5/2023 Analysis Date: 6/6/2023 SeqNo: 3530849 Units: mg/Kg

Analyte Result PQL SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC LowLimit HighLimit %RPD RPDLimit Qual
Diesel Range Organics (DRO) ND 10

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Motor Oil Range Organics (MRO) ND 50

Surr: DNOP 8.9 10.00 88.8 69 147

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OC SUMMARY REPORT

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

WO#: **2306060** *07-Jun-23*

Client: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Project: Federal AB B Battery

Sample ID: Ics-75327 SampType: LCS TestCode: EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range Client ID: LCSS Batch ID: 75327 RunNo: 97222 Prep Date: 6/2/2023 Analysis Date: 6/5/2023 SeqNo: 3530967 Units: mq/Kq PQL SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC %RPD **RPDLimit** Analyte Result LowLimit HighLimit Qual Gasoline Range Organics (GRO) 22 5.0 25.00 Λ 88.6 70 130 Surr: BFB 4500 1000 450 15 244 S

Sample ID: mb-75327 SampType: MBLK TestCode: EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range Client ID: PBS Batch ID: 75327 RunNo: 97222 Prep Date: Analysis Date: 6/5/2023 6/2/2023 SeqNo: 3530968 Units: mg/Kg Analyte Result PQL SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC LowLimit HighLimit %RPD **RPDLimit** Qual Gasoline Range Organics (GRO) ND 5.0 Surr: BFB 720 1000 72.1 15 244

Sample ID: 2306060-001ams SampType: MS TestCode: EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range Client ID: BS23-01 2ft Batch ID: 75327 RunNo: 97222 Prep Date: 6/2/2023 Analysis Date: 6/5/2023 SeqNo: 3530976 Units: mg/Kg Result SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC HighLimit %RPD **RPDLimit** Analyte PQL LowLimit Qual Gasoline Range Organics (GRO) 20 5.0 24.90 0 80.9 70 130 Surr: BFB 4800 S 996.0 478 15 244

TestCode: EPA Method 8015D: Gasoline Range Sample ID: 2306060-001amsd SampType: MSD Client ID: BS23-01 2ft Batch ID: 75327 RunNo: 97222 Prep Date: 6/2/2023 Analysis Date: 6/5/2023 SeqNo: 3530977 Units: mg/Kg SPK value SPK Ref Val %REC HighLimit %RPD **RPDLimit** Result PQL LowLimit Qual Gasoline Range Organics (GRO) 23 5.0 24.93 93.2 70 130 14.3 20 Surr: BFB 4900 997.0 489 15 244 0 0 S

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QC SUMMARY REPORT

Hall Environmental Analysis Laboratory, Inc.

WO#: **2306060**

07-Jun-23

Client: Vertex Resources Services, Inc.

Project: Federal AB B Battery

Sample ID: LCS-75327	SampT	ype: LC	S	Tes	tCode: El								
Client ID: LCSS	Batch	n ID: 75 3	327	F	RunNo: 9								
Prep Date: 6/2/2023	Analysis D	Date: 6/	5/2023	9	SeqNo: 3	530997	Units: mg/Kg						
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual			
Benzene	0.79	0.025	1.000	0	79.5	70	130						
Toluene	0.79	0.050	1.000	0	78.9	70	130						
Ethylbenzene	0.80	0.050	1.000	0	80.1	70	130						
Xylenes, Total	2.4	0.10	3.000	0	80.7	70	130						
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	0.91 1.000				90.8	39.1	146						

Sample ID: mb-75327	SampT	ype: ME	BLK	Tes	tCode: El					
Client ID: PBS	Batcl	n ID: 75	327	F	RunNo: 9					
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Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual
Benzene	ND	0.025								
Toluene	ND	0.050								
Ethylbenzene	ND	0.050								
Xylenes, Total	ND	0.10								
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	0.90		1.000		89.6	39.1	146			

Sample ID: 2306060-002ams	SampT	Гуре: МS	5	Tes									
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Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual			
Benzene	0.75	0.025	0.9881	0	76.4	70	130						
Toluene	0.79	0.049	0.9881	0	79.5	70	130						
Ethylbenzene	0.80	0.049	0.9881	0	80.9	70	130						
Xylenes, Total	2.4	0.099	2.964	0	82.5	70	130						
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene 0.92 0.988				92.9 39.1 146									

Sample ID: 2306060-002amsd	I SampT	ype: MS	SD.	Tes									
Client ID: BS23-02 2ft	Batch	ID: 75 3	327	F									
Prep Date: 6/2/2023	Analysis D	ate: 6/	5/2023	8	SeqNo: 3	531008	Units: mg/Kg						
Analyte	Result	PQL	SPK value	SPK Ref Val	%REC	LowLimit	HighLimit	%RPD	RPDLimit	Qual			
Benzene	0.77	0.025	0.9862	0	78.1	70	130	2.03	20				
Toluene	0.80	0.049	0.9862	0	81.0	70	130	1.71	20				
Ethylbenzene	0.82	0.049	0.9862	0	83.4	70	130	2.74	20				
Xylenes, Total	2.5 0.099 2.959		0 83.8 70		130 1		20						
Surr: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	0.94 0.9862				95.1	39.1	146	0	0				

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Sample Log-In Check List

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Reviewed By:	116/	2/23)							
Chain of Cus	tody									
1. Is Chain of C	ustody comp	lete?			Yes	V	No		Not Present	
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<u>Log In</u> 3. Was an atten	npt made to d	cool the samp	les?		Yes	V	No		na 🗆	
4. Were all sam	oles received	at a tempera	ture of >0° C	to 6.0°C	Yes	✓	No		NA 🗆	
5. Sample(s) in	proper conta	iner(s)?			Yes	V	No		•	
6. Sufficient sam	iple volume f	or indicated te	est(s)?		Yes	✓	No [
7. Are samples (except VOA	and ONG) pro	perly preserve	ed?	Yes	V	No [
8. Was preserva	tive added to	bottles?			Yes		No [V	NA 🗌	
9. Received at le	ast 1 vial wit	h headspace	<1/4" for AQ V	OA?	Yes		No [NA 🗹	
10. Were any sar	mple containe	ers received b	roken?		Yes		No	✓	# of preserved bottles checked	
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16. Additional re	marks:									
17. Cooler Infor	3		1 6							
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	Action Type:
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