

U.S. Department of the Interior  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

<b>Well Name:</b> HOWELL C	<b>Well Location:</b> T30N / R8W / SEC 18 / SWSW / 36.806305 / -107.718643	<b>County or Parish/State:</b> SAN JUAN / NM
<b>Well Number:</b> 4	<b>Type of Well:</b> CONVENTIONAL GAS WELL	<b>Allottee or Tribe Name:</b>
<b>Lease Number:</b> NMSF078596	<b>Unit or CA Name:</b>	<b>Unit or CA Number:</b> NMNM73453
<b>US Well Number:</b> 3004509435	<b>Well Status:</b> Producing Gas Well	<b>Operator:</b> HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY

**Notice of Intent**

**Sundry ID:** 2742870

**Type of Submission:** Notice of Intent

**Type of Action:** Recompletion

**Date Sundry Submitted:** 07/26/2023

**Time Sundry Submitted:** 09:24

**Date proposed operation will begin:** 09/01/2023

**Procedure Description:** Hilcorp Energy Company wishes to REVISE the previously submitted NOI to adjust the Fruitland Coal perforations. Please see the attached revised procedure, current/proposed wellbore diagram, plat and natural gas management plan. A closed loop system will be used. A pre-reclamation site visit was held on 5/22/2023 with Roger Herrera/BLM. The reclamation plan is attached.

**Surface Disturbance**

**Is any additional surface disturbance proposed?:** No

**NOI Attachments**

**Procedure Description**

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Notify NMOCD 24 Hours Prior to beginning operations

DHC required

The CBL proposed in the procedures shall be submitted to the Division. If the cement sheath around the casing is not adequate to protect the casing and isolate strata from the top Fruitland Coal perforation to at least 150 feet above the top Fruitland Coal perforation, then Hilcorp shall conduct operations to remediate it prior to completing or producing from the formation.

*Dean R McClure*

08/25/2023

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**Operator**

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction. Electronic submission of Sundry Notices through this system satisfies regulations requiring a

Operator Electronic Signature: AMANDA WALKER

Signed on: JUL 26, 2023 09:23 AM

Name: HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY

Title: Operations/Regulatory Technician

Street Address: 1111 TRAVIS ST.

City: HOUSTON

State: TX

Phone: (346) 237-2177

Email address: mwalker@hilcorp.com

**Field**

Representative Name:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email address:

**BLM Point of Contact**

BLM POC Name: KENNETH G RENNICK

BLM POC Title: Petroleum Engineer

BLM POC Phone: 5055647742

BLM POC Email Address: krennick@blm.gov

Disposition: Approved

Disposition Date: 07/26/2023

Signature: Kenneth Rennick



**HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY  
HOWELL C 4  
FRUITLAND COAL RECOMPLETION SUNDRY**

<b>Prepared by:</b>	Scott Anderson
<b>Preparation Date:</b>	June 19, 2023

WELL INFORMATION			
<b>Well Name:</b>	HOWELL C 4	<b>State:</b>	NM
<b>API #:</b>	3004509435	<b>County:</b>	SAN JUAN
<b>Area:</b>	4	<b>Location:</b>	933' FSL & 931' FWL - Unit N - Section 18 - T 030N - R 008W
<b>Route:</b>	0407	<b>Latitude:</b>	36.80631 N
<b>Spud Date:</b>	9/28/1957	<b>Longitude:</b>	-107.71864 W

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Isolate the Mesaverde, perforate and stimulate the UPE Fruitland Coal in 1-2 stages via frac string. Commingle the Fruitland Coal production with the existing Mesa Verde production. Strip facilities if necessary; repair production eqmt as needed

CONTACTS			
Title	Name	Office Phone #	Cell Phone #
Engineer	Scott Anderson		248-761-3965
Area Foreman	Colter Faverino		326-9758
Lead	Ramon Florez		599-3479
Artificial Lift Tech	Jesse McDowell		386-8062
Operator	Michael Archuleta		716-0118



**HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY**  
**HOWELL C 4**  
**FRUITLAND COAL RECOMPLETION SUNDRY**

**JOB PROCEDURES**

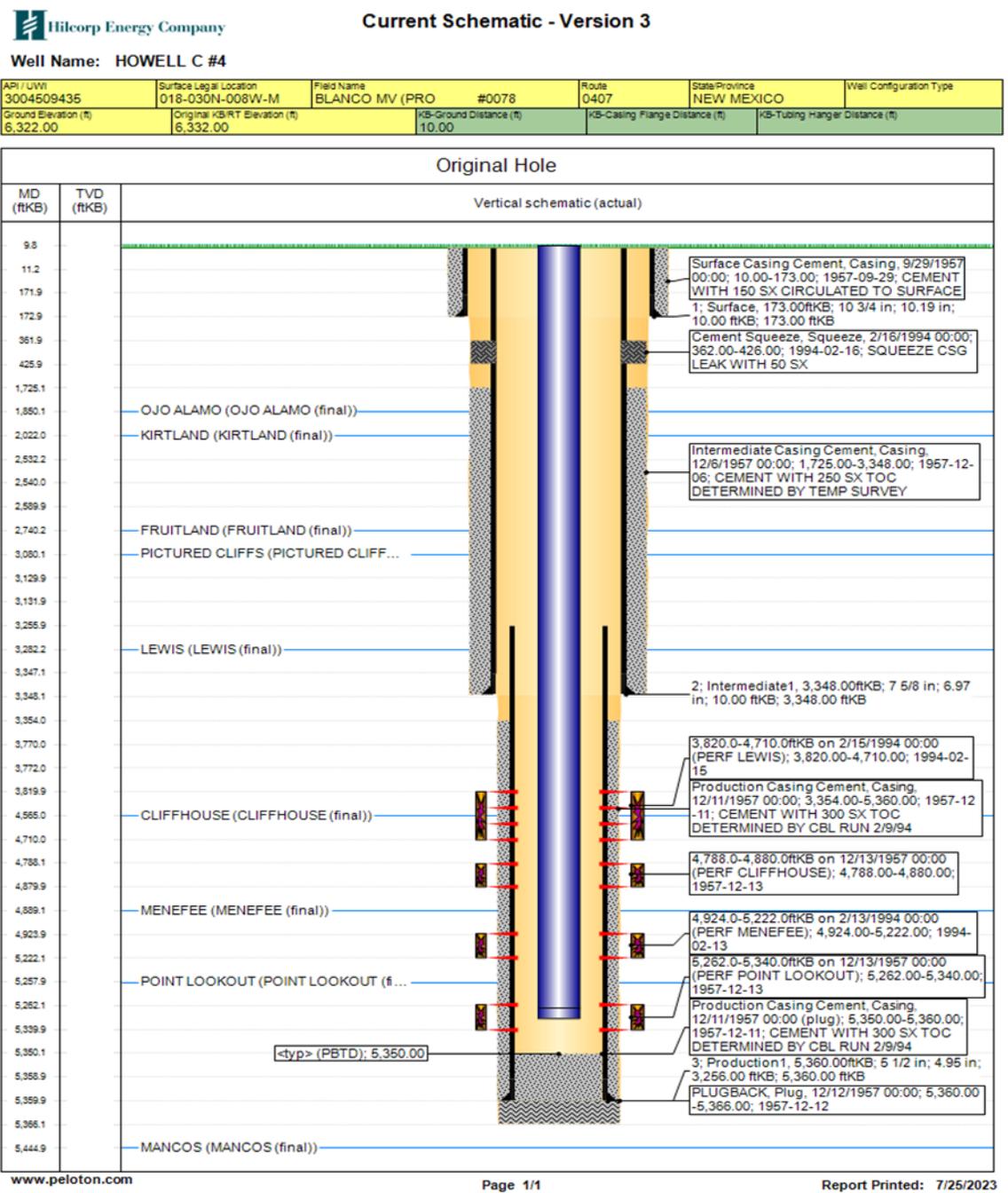
- NMOCD **Contact OCD 24 hrs prior to MIRU. Record and document all casing pressures daily, including BH, IC (if present) and**  
 BLM **PC. Comply with all NMOCD, BLM, and HEC safety and environmental regulations.**

1. MIRU service rig and associated equipment; NU and test BOP per HEC, State, and Federal guidelines.
2. TOOH with 2-3/8" tubing
3. **Set a 4-1/2" bridge plug at 3,770' to isolate the Mesa Verde formation.**
4. Load wellbore with fluid. RU wireline and run a CBL from the BP at 3,770' to surface
5. RU pressure test truck. Perform a Mechanical Integrity Test on the wellbore above the plug at 3,770'. Chart record the MIT test (Notify BLM and NMOCD +24hr before actual test).
6. **Set a 7" Base of Frac plug above the 4-1/2" liner top at +/- 3,130'**
7. **RU E-line crew. Perforate the Fruitland Coal. (Top perforation @ 2,740', Bottom perforation @ 3,080').**  
NOTE: perforation interval subject to change based on the results of the CBL run above
8. **RIH with frac string and packer, land packer ~50' above the top perf.**
9. N/D BOP, N/U 10K frac stack and test frac stack to frac pressure. PT frac string to 8000-9000 psi, PT backside to 1500 psi
10. **RU stimulation crew. Frac the Fruitland Coal in one or two stages.**  
NOTE: if a 2 stage operation is desired, an additional frac-thru plug will be set between the 2 sets of perforations
11. MIRU service rig. Nipple down frac stack, nipple up BOP and test. Kill well with fluid, if necessary
12. POOH w/ frac string and packer.
13. **Pending DHC approval, drill out the Base of Frac plug and Mesaverde Isolation plug. Clean out to PBTD**
14. TIH and land 2-3/8" production tubing.
15. **Flowback well thru flowback separator and sand trap. Get a commingled Fruitland Coal / Mesa Verde flow rate.**



**HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY**  
**HOWELL C 4**  
**FRUITLAND COAL RECOMPLETION SUNDRY**

**HOWELL C 4 - CURRENT WELLBORE SCHEMATIC**





# WBD Proposed Formations 1

Well Name: HOWELL C #4

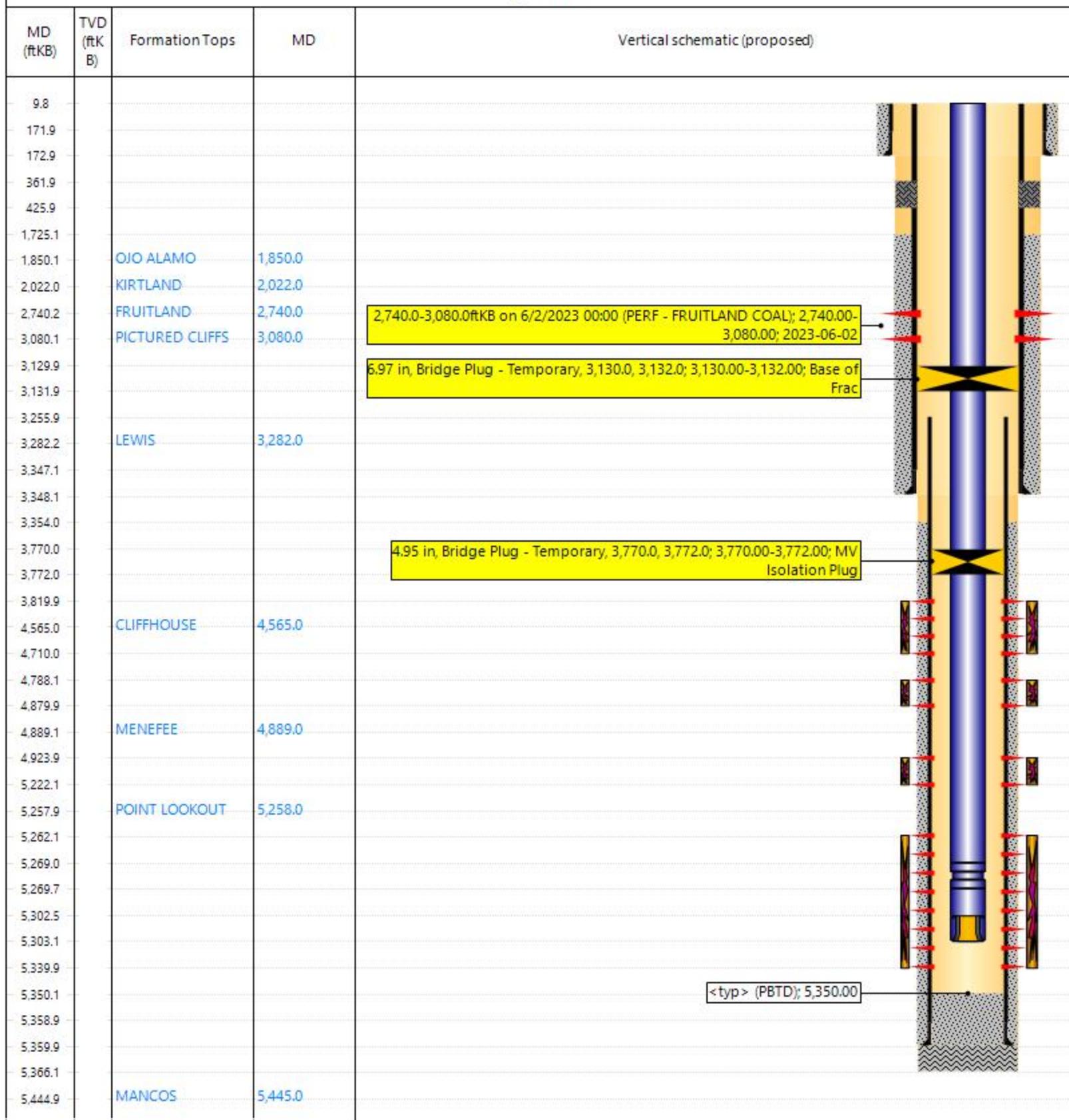
API / UWI 3004509435	Surface Legal Location 018-030N-008W-M	Field Name BLANCO MV (PRO #0078	License No. NM	State/Province NEW MEXICO	Well Configuration Type
Ground Elevation (ft) 6,322.00	Casing Flange Elevation (ft)	KB-Ground Distance (ft) 10.00	KB-Casing Flange Distance (ft)	Original Spud Date 9/28/1957 00:00	Rig Release Date 2/22/1994 06:00

**Most Recent Job**

Job Category WELL INTERVENTION	Primary Job Type PAY ADD	Secondary Job Type	Actual Start Date 2/7/1994	End Date 2/22/1994
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TD: 5,366.0

Original Hole



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Energy, Minerals and Natural  
Resources  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 S. St Francis Dr.  
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August 1, 2011

Permit 340598

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**WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**

1. API Number 30-045-09435	2. Pool Code 71629	3. Pool Name BASIN FRUITLAND COAL (GAS)
4. Property Code 318563	5. Property Name HOWELL C	6. Well No. 004
7. OGRID No. 372171	8. Operator Name HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY	9. Elevation 6320

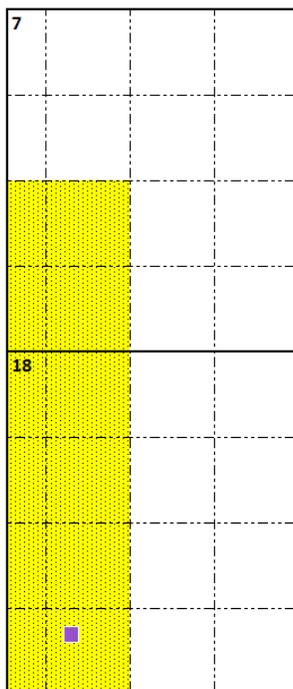
**10. Surface Location**

UL - Lot N	Section 18	Township 30N	Range 08W	Lot Idn 4	Feet From 933	N/S Line S	Feet From 931	E/W Line W	County SAN JUAN
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**11. Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface**

UL - Lot	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet From	N/S Line	Feet From	E/W Line	County
12. Dedicated Acres 334.94	13. Joint or Infill			14. Consolidation Code			15. Order No. R-8857-A		

**NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION**



**OPERATOR CERTIFICATION**

*I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location(s) or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.*

E-Signed By: *C. O. Walker*  
Title: Operations Regulatory Tech Sr.  
Date: 5/16/2023

**SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION**

*I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.*

Surveyed By: C. O. Walker  
Date of Survey: 5/31/1957  
Certificate Number: 1007

Hilcorp Energy  
Interim Reclamation Plan  
**Howell C 4**  
API: 30-045-09435  
Unit M – Sec 18 -T30N-R8W  
Lat:36.80631, Long: -107.71864  
Footage: 933' FSL & 931' FWL  
San Juan County, NM

**1. PRE- INTERIM RECLAMATION SITE INSPECTION**

- 1.1) A pre-interim reclamation onsite inspection was conducted on May 22,2023 with BLM Environmental Protection Specialist Roger Herrera and Bobby Spearman Construction Foreman for Hilcorp Energy.
- 1.2) Location surface will be brush hogged or mulched and bladed as required within original disturbance to acquire additional working surface for well recompletion activities.

**2. LOCATION INTERIM RECLAMATION PROCEDURE**

- 2.1) Interim reclamation work will be completed after well recompletion.
- 2.2) Location tear drop will be re-defined as applicable during interim reclamation.
- 2.3) All disturbed areas will be seeded, any disturbed areas that are compacted will be ripped before seeding.
- 2.4) All trash and debris will be removed within 50' buffer outside of the location disturbance during reclamation.

**3. ACCESS ROAD RECLAMATION PROCEDURE:**

- 3.1) No lease access road issues were identified at the time of onsite.

**4. SEEDING PROCDURE**

- 4.1) A Pinion/Juniper seed mix will be used for all reclaimed and disturbed areas of the location.
- 4.2) Drill seeding will be done where applicable and all other disturbed areas will be broadcast seeded and harrowed, broadcast seeding will be applied at a double the rate of seed.
- 4.3) Timing of the seeding will take place when the ground is not frozen or saturated.

**5. WEED MANAGEMENT**

- 5.1) No action is required at this time for weed management, no noxious weeds were identified during the onsite.

State of New Mexico  
 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Submit Electronically  
 Via E-permitting

Oil Conservation Division  
 1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
 Santa Fe, NM 87505

## NATURAL GAS MANAGEMENT PLAN

This Natural Gas Management Plan must be submitted with each Application for Permit to Drill (APD) for a new or recompleted well.

### Section 1 – Plan Description Effective May 25, 2021

**I. Operator:** Hilcorp Energy Company **OGRID:** 372171 **Date:** 6/20/2023

**II. Type:**  Original  Amendment due to  19.15.27.9.D(6)(a) NMAC  19.15.27.9.D(6)(b) NMAC  Other.

If Other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Well(s):** Provide the following information for each new or recompleted well or set of wells proposed to be drilled or proposed to be recompleted from a single well pad or connected to a central delivery point.

Well Name	API	ULSTR	Footages	Anticipated Oil BBL/D	Anticipated Gas MCF/D	Anticipated Produced Water BBL/D
Howell C 4	3004509435	N,18,30N,08W	933' FSL & 931' FWL	0	150	3

**IV. Central Delivery Point Name:** Chaco Processing Plan [See 19.15.27.9(D)(1) NMAC]

**V. Anticipated Schedule:** Provide the following information for each new or recompleted well or set of wells proposed to be drilled or proposed to be recompleted from a single well pad or connected to a central delivery point.

Well Name	API	Spud Date	TD Reached Date	Completion Commencement Date	Initial Flow Back Date	First Production Date
<b>Howell C 4</b>	<b>3004509435</b>					

**VI. Separation Equipment:**  Attach a complete description of how Operator will size separation equipment to optimize gas capture.

**VII. Operational Practices:**  Attach a complete description of the actions Operator will take to comply with the requirements of Subsection A through F of 19.15.27.8 NMAC.

**VIII. Best Management Practices:**  Attach a complete description of Operator's best management practices to minimize venting during active and planned maintenance.

**Section 2 – Enhanced Plan**  
**EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2022**

Beginning April 1, 2022, an operator that is not in compliance with its statewide natural gas capture requirement for the applicable reporting area must complete this section.

Operator certifies that it is not required to complete this section because Operator is in compliance with its statewide natural gas capture requirement for the applicable reporting area.

**IX. Anticipated Natural Gas Production:**

Well	API	Anticipated Average Natural Gas Rate MCF/D	Anticipated Volume of Natural Gas for the First Year MCF

**X. Natural Gas Gathering System (NGGS):**

Operator	System	ULSTR of Tie-in	Anticipated Gathering Start Date	Available Maximum Daily Capacity of System Segment Tie-in

**XI. Map.**  Attach an accurate and legible map depicting the location of the well(s), the anticipated pipeline route(s) connecting the production operations to the existing or planned interconnect of the natural gas gathering system(s), and the maximum daily capacity of the segment or portion of the natural gas gathering system(s) to which the well(s) will be connected.

**XII. Line Capacity.** The natural gas gathering system  will  will not have capacity to gather 100% of the anticipated natural gas production volume from the well prior to the date of first production.

**XIII. Line Pressure.** Operator  does  does not anticipate that its existing well(s) connected to the same segment, or portion, of the natural gas gathering system(s) described above will continue to meet anticipated increases in line pressure caused by the new well(s).

Attach Operator’s plan to manage production in response to the increased line pressure.

**XIV. Confidentiality:**  Operator asserts confidentiality pursuant to Section 71-2-8 NMSA 1978 for the information provided in Section 2 as provided in Paragraph (2) of Subsection D of 19.15.27.9 NMAC, and attaches a full description of the specific information for which confidentiality is asserted and the basis for such assertion.

### **Section 3 - Certifications**

**Effective May 25, 2021**

Operator certifies that, after reasonable inquiry and based on the available information at the time of submittal:

Operator will be able to connect the well(s) to a natural gas gathering system in the general area with sufficient capacity to transport one hundred percent of the anticipated volume of natural gas produced from the well(s) commencing on the date of first production, taking into account the current and anticipated volumes of produced natural gas from other wells connected to the pipeline gathering system; or

Operator will not be able to connect to a natural gas gathering system in the general area with sufficient capacity to transport one hundred percent of the anticipated volume of natural gas produced from the well(s) commencing on the date of first production, taking into account the current and anticipated volumes of produced natural gas from other wells connected to the pipeline gathering system.

***If Operator checks this box, Operator will select one of the following:***

**Well Shut-In.**  Operator will shut-in and not produce the well until it submits the certification required by Paragraph (4) of Subsection D of 19.15.27.9 NMAC; or

**Venting and Flaring Plan.**  Operator has attached a venting and flaring plan that evaluates and selects one or more of the potential alternative beneficial uses for the natural gas until a natural gas gathering system is available, including:

- (a) power generation on lease;
- (b) power generation for grid;
- (c) compression on lease;
- (d) liquids removal on lease;
- (e) reinjection for underground storage;
- (f) reinjection for temporary storage;
- (g) reinjection for enhanced oil recovery;
- (h) fuel cell production; and
- (i) other alternative beneficial uses approved by the division.

### **Section 4 - Notices**

1. If, at any time after Operator submits this Natural Gas Management Plan and before the well is spud:

(a) Operator becomes aware that the natural gas gathering system it planned to connect the well(s) to has become unavailable or will not have capacity to transport one hundred percent of the production from the well(s), no later than 20 days after becoming aware of such information, Operator shall submit for OCD's approval a new or revised venting and flaring plan containing the information specified in Paragraph (5) of Subsection D of 19.15.27.9 NMAC; or

(b) Operator becomes aware that it has, cumulatively for the year, become out of compliance with its baseline natural gas capture rate or natural gas capture requirement, no later than 20 days after becoming aware of such information, Operator shall submit for OCD's approval a new or revised Natural Gas Management Plan for each well it plans to spud during the next 90 days containing the information specified in Paragraph (2) of Subsection D of 19.15.27.9 NMAC, and shall file an update for each Natural Gas Management Plan until Operator is back in compliance with its baseline natural gas capture rate or natural gas capture requirement.

2. OCD may deny or conditionally approve an APD if Operator does not make a certification, fails to submit an adequate venting and flaring plan which includes alternative beneficial uses for the anticipated volume of natural gas produced, or if OCD determines that Operator will not have adequate natural gas takeaway capacity at the time a well will be spud.

**I certify that, after reasonable inquiry, the statements in and attached to this Natural Gas Management Plan are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and acknowledge that a false statement may be subject to civil and criminal penalties under the Oil and Gas Act.**

Signature: 
Printed Name: Amanda Walker
Title: Operations Regulatory Tech Sr.
E-mail Address: <a href="mailto:mwalker@hilcorp.com">mwalker@hilcorp.com</a>
Date: 6/20/2023
Phone: 346.237.2177

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**  
**(Only applicable when submitted as a standalone form)**

Approved By:
Title:
Approval Date:
Conditions of Approval:

## VI. Separation Equipment:

Hilcorp Energy Company (HEC or Operator) production facilities include separation equipment designed to efficiently separate gas from liquid phases to optimize gas capture based on projected and estimated volumes from the targeted pool of our recomplete project. HEC will utilize flowback separation equipment and production separation equipment designed and built to industry specifications after the recomplete to optimize gas capture and send gas to sales or flare based on analytical composition. HEC operates facilities that are typically one-well facilities. Production separation equipment is upgraded prior to well being completed, if determined to be undersized or inadequate. This equipment is already on-site and tied into our sales gas lines prior to the recomplete operations.

## VII. Operational Practices:

1. Subsection (A) Venting and Flaring of Natural Gas
  - o HEC understands the requirements of NMAC 19.15.27.8 which outlines that the venting and flaring of natural gas during drilling, completion or production operations that constitutes waste as defined in 19.15.2 are prohibited.
2. Subsection (B) Venting and Flaring during drilling operations
  - o This gas capture plan isn't for a well being drilled.
3. Subsection (C) Venting and flaring during completion or recompletion
  - o Flowlines will be routed for flowback fluids into a completion or storage tank and if feasible under well conditions, flare rather than vent and commence operation of a separator as soon as it is technically feasible for a separator to function.
  - o At any point in the well life (completion, production, inactive) an audio, visual and olfactory inspection be performed at prescribed intervals (weekly or monthly) pursuant to Subsection D of 19.15.27.8 NMAC, to confirm that all production equipment is operating properly and there are no leaks or releases.
4. Subsection (D) Venting and flaring during production operations
  - o At any point in the well life (completion, production, inactive) an audio, visual and olfactory inspection be performed at prescribed intervals (weekly or monthly) pursuant to Subsection D of 19.15.27.8 NMAC, to confirm that all production equipment is operating properly and there are no leaks or releases.
  - o Monitor manual liquid unloading for wells on-site or in close proximity (<30 minutes' drive time), take reasonable actions to achieve a stabilized rate and pressure at the earliest practical time, and take reasonable actions to minimize venting to the maximum extent practicable.
  - o HEC will not vent or flare except during the approved activities listed in NMAC 19.15.27.8 (D) 1-4.
5. Subsection (E) Performance standards
  - o All tanks and separation equipment are designed for maximum throughput and pressure to minimize waste.
  - o If a flare is utilized during production operations it will have a continuous pilot and is located more than 100 feet from any known well or storage tanks.
  - o At any point in the well life (completion, production, inactive) an audio, visual and olfactory inspection be performed at prescribed intervals (weekly or monthly) pursuant to Subsection D of 19.15.27.8 NMAC, to confirm that all production equipment is operating properly and there are no leaks or releases.

6. Subsection (F) Measurement or estimation of vented and flared natural gas
  - o Measurement equipment is installed to measure the volume of natural gas flared from process piping.
  - o When measurement isn't practicable, estimation of vented and flared natural gas will be completed as noted in 19.15.27.8 (F) 5-6.

VIII. Best Management Practices:

1. Operator has adequate storage and takeaway capacity for wells it chooses to recomplete as the flowlines at the sites are already in place and tied into a gathering system.
2. Operator will flare rather than vent vessel blowdown gas when technically feasible during active and/or planned maintenance to equipment on-site.
3. Operator combusts natural gas that would otherwise be vented or flared, when technically feasible.
4. Operator will shut in wells in the event of a takeaway disruption, emergency situation, or other operations where venting or flaring may occur due to equipment failures.

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CONDITIONS

Action 255164

**CONDITIONS**

Operator: HILCORP ENERGY COMPANY 1111 Travis Street Houston, TX 77002	OGRID: 372171
	Action Number: 255164
	Action Type: [C-103] NOI Recompletion (C-103E)

**CONDITIONS**

Created By	Condition	Condition Date
dmcclure	Notify NMOCD 24 Hours Prior to beginning operations	8/25/2023
dmcclure	DHC required	8/25/2023
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