

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

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

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in  
accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

nJMW 1224149562

**OPERATOR**

☒ Initial Report ☐ Final Report

Name of Company Apache Corporation 873	Contact Natalie Gladden
Address PO Box 1849 Eunice, NM 88231	Telephone No. 575-390-4186
Facility Name Tony Federal #36	Facility Type Drilling site, new production well

Surface Owner BLM	Mineral Owner BLM/NMOCD	API No. 30-015-39836
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**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
F	19	17s	31E	2310'	FNL	2260'	FWL	Eddy

Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release Brine Water	Volume of Release 200	Volume Recovered 0
Source of Release Cuttings tank overflowed	Date and Hour of Occurrence 07/28/2012	Date and Hour of Discovery 07/28/2012
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Mike Bratcher	
By Whom? Natalie Gladden	Date and Hour 07/30/12 945am	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

**RECEIVED**

AUG 09 2012

Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

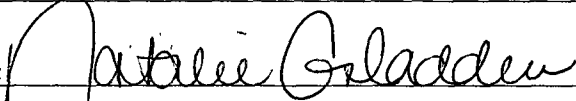
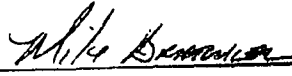
While drilling the intermediate section, flow was encountered, volume overcame pump causing the cuttings tank to overflow.

**NMOCD ARTESIA**

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

Once the drilling rig is moved off of the location, initial samples will be taken and site will be assessed. At that time a remediation plan will be done. Site will be remediated to meet both BLM and OCD regulations.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Signature: 	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Natalie Gladden	Approved by Environmental Specialist: 	Signed By
Title: EHS Environmental Tech	Approval Date: <b>AUG 28 2012</b>	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: natalie.gladden@apachecorp.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 07/30/12 Phone: 575-390-4186		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

Remediation per OCD Rules &  
Guidelines. **SUBMIT REMEDIATION  
PROPOSAL NOT LATER THAN:**

9/28/12

2RP-1264

**Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD**

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**From:** Gladden, Natalie <Natalie.Gladden@apachecorp.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2012 9:45 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Amos, James A (jamos@blm.gov)  
**Cc:** Bruce Baker (bbaker@rice-ecs.com)  
**Subject:** FW: PHOTOS / SPILL REPORT: TONY FEDERAL #36  
**Attachments:** P3070979.JPG; P3070980.JPG; P3070981.JPG

Mike and James,

Attached you will find the reportable spill on the Tony Federal #36 that occurred on Saturday. I was notified about it this morning. I apologize for our drilling department not notifying me in a timely manner. The remediation will begin after the well is completed unless you order it to be done after the drilling rig moves off. Notices will be sent in the mail today.

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F-19-17S-31E  
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**From:** Fleming, Steven  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2012 8:24 AM  
**To:** Gladden, Natalie  
**Subject:** FW: PHOTOS / SPILL REPORT: TONY FEDERAL #36

Natalie,  
Can you get the ball rolling on this if you haven't already?

Thanks

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**From:** Burt, Jeffery  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 28, 2012 5:11 PM  
**To:** Fleming, Steven  
**Subject:** Fw: PHOTOS / SPILL REPORT: TONY FEDERAL #36

Connected by DROID on Verizon Wireless

-----Original message-----

**From:** "Caywood, James" <James.Caywood@apachecorp.com>  
**To:** "Caywood, James" <James.Caywood@apachecorp.com>, "Burt, Jeffery" <Jeffery.Burt@apachecorp.com>  
**Cc:** "Laman, Danny" <Danny.Laman@apachecorp.com>, "McKay, Richard" <Richard.McKay@apachecorp.com>  
**Sent:** Sat, Jul 28, 2012 22:02:39 GMT+00:00  
**Subject:** PHOTOS / SPILL REPORT: TONY FEDERAL #36

### Internal Incident Report – Spill/Release

**Location:** TONY FEDERAL #36

**Date:** 7/28/2012

**Time:** 0100

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**One Line Summary:** PRODUCTION WATER OVERFLOW OF MUD TANK

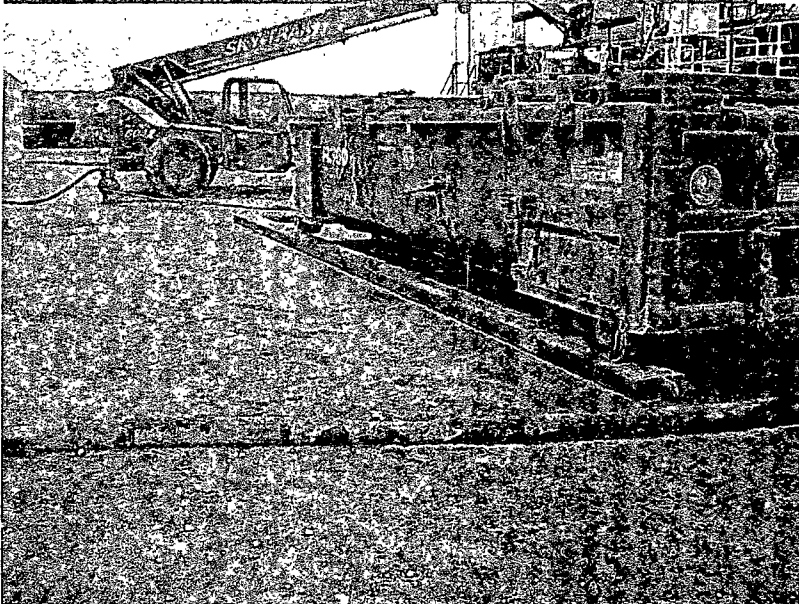
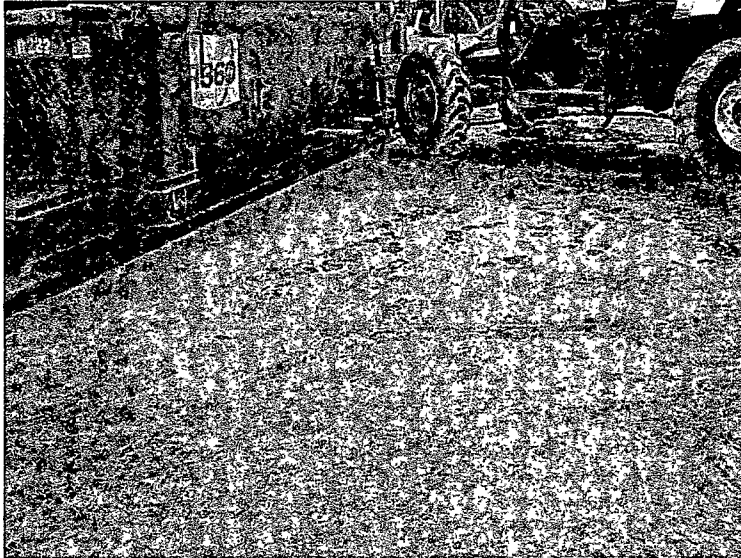
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- AREA AFFECTED IS APROX. 50 FT X 100 FT
- CONTAINED ON LOCATION
- PHOTOS ATTACHED

Reported by: James "Mike" Caywood

Apache Corp Tony Fed 36  
30-015-39836  
F-19-175-312

Release on 1/28/12 during  
Drilling Ops



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Just received a call, it has occurred again. 150bbls out 145 recovered. Will add this to the volume.

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