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Department  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
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Form C-144  
Revised June 6, 2013

For temporary pits, below-grade tanks, and multi-well fluid management pits, submit to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.  
For permanent pits submit to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office and provide a copy to the appropriate NMOCD District Office.

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Pit, Below-Grade Tank, or  
Proposed Alternative Method Permit or Closure Plan Application

Type of action: ☒ Below grade tank registration  
☐ Permit of a pit or proposed alternative method  
☐ Closure of a pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method  
☐ Modification to an existing permit/or registration  
☐ Closure plan only submitted for an existing permitted or non-permitted pit, below-grade tank, or proposed alternative method

OIL CONS. DIV DIST. 3

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**Instructions:** Please submit one application (Form C-144) per individual pit, below-grade tank or alternative request

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve the operator of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve the operator of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules, regulations or ordinances.

1.  
Operator: Chevron Midcontinent, LP OGRID #: 241333  
Address: 1600 Smith Street, Houston, TX 77002  
Facility or well name: La Plata CDP 3 (adjacent to O'Shea 3 #2)  
API Number: CDP (adjacent to 30-045-28793) OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
U/L or Qtr/Qtr K Section 3 Township 31N Range 13W County: San Juan  
Center of Proposed Design: Latitude 36.926126 Longitude -108.193945 NAD: ☐ 1927 ☒ 1983  
Surface Owner: ☒ Federal ☐ State ☐ Private ☐ Tribal Trust or Indian Allotment

2.  
☐ **Pit:** Subsection F, G or J of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
Temporary: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover  
☐ Permanent ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Multi-Well Fluid Management Low Chloride Drilling Fluid ☐ yes ☐ no  
☐ Lined ☐ Unlined Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ LLDPE ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ String-Reinforced  
Liner Seams: ☐ Welded ☐ Factory ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ bbl Dimensions: L \_\_\_\_\_ x W \_\_\_\_\_ x D \_\_\_\_\_

3.  
☒ **Below-grade tank:** Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC - BGT #2  
Volume: 95 bbl Type of fluid: Produced Water  
Tank Construction material: Steel  
☒ Secondary containment with leak detection ☐ Visible sidewalls, liner, 6-inch lift and automatic overflow shut-off  
☐ Visible sidewalls and liner ☐ Visible sidewalls only ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Liner type: Thickness \_\_\_\_\_ mil ☐ HDPE ☐ PVC ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

4.  
☐ **Alternative Method:**  
Submittal of an exception request is required. Exceptions must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

5.  
**Fencing:** Subsection D of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (Applies to permanent pits, temporary pits, and below-grade tanks)  
☐ Chain link, six feet in height, two strands of barbed wire at top (Required if located within 1000 feet of a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church)  
☐ Four foot height, four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced between one and four feet  
☒ Alternate. Please specify Cattle Panel

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6.  
**Netting:** Subsection E of 19.15.17.11 NMAC (*Applies to permanent pits and permanent open top tanks*)

- ☐ Screen ☐ Netting ☒ Other Solid/Cone-top  
☐ Monthly inspections (If netting or screening is not physically feasible)

7.  
**Signs:** Subsection C of 19.15.17.11 NMAC

- ☐ 12"x 24", 2" lettering, providing Operator's name, site location, and emergency telephone numbers  
☒ Signed in compliance with 19.15.16.8 NMAC

8.  
**Variances and Exceptions:**

Justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency are required. Please refer to 19.15.17 NMAC for guidance.

*Please check a box if one or more of the following is requested, if not leave blank:*

- ☐ Variance(s): Requests must be submitted to the appropriate division district for consideration of approval.  
☐ Exception(s): Requests must be submitted to the Santa Fe Environmental Bureau office for consideration of approval.

9.  
**Siting Criteria (regarding permitting):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC

*Instructions: The applicant must demonstrate compliance for each siting criteria below in the application. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Siting criteria does not apply to drying pads or above-grade tanks.*

### General siting

#### Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of a low chloride temporary pit or below-grade tank.

- ☒ NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; ☐ USGS; ☐ Data obtained from nearby wells

☐ Yes ☒ No  
☐ NA

#### Ground water is less than 50 feet below the bottom of a Temporary pit, permanent pit, or Multi-Well Fluid Management pit.

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells

☐ Yes ☐ No  
☒ NA

Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended. (**Does not apply to below grade tanks**)

- Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within the area overlying a subsurface mine. (**Does not apply to below grade tanks**)

- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within an unstable area. (**Does not apply to below grade tanks**)

- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within a 100-year floodplain. (**Does not apply to below grade tanks**)

- FEMA map

☐ Yes ☒ No

### Below Grade Tanks

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant watercourse, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption;

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☒ No

#### Temporary Pit using Low Chloride Drilling Fluid (maximum chloride content 15,000 mg/liter)

Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark). (Applies to low chloride temporary pits.)

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet from a occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 300feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in existence at the time of the initial application.

NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No



Within 100 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

### **Temporary Pit Non-low chloride drilling fluid**

Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or any other significant watercourse, or within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private, domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes, or 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring, in the existence at the time of the initial application;

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 300 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

### **Permanent Pit or Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit**

Within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, or lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).

- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 1000 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.

- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.

- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

Within 500 feet of a wetland.

- US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site

☐ Yes ☐ No

10.

#### **Temporary Pits, Emergency Pits, and Below-grade Tanks Permit Application Attachment Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

*Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☒ Hydrogeologic Report (Below-grade Tanks) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Hydrogeologic Data (Temporary and Emergency Pits) - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (2) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☒ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☒ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☒ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☒ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

11.

#### **Multi-Well Fluid Management Pit Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

*Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Design Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC
- ☐ A List of wells with approved application for permit to drill associated with the pit.
- ☐ Closure Plan (Please complete Boxes 14 through 18, if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Hydrogeologic Data - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (4) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC
- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC

☐ Previously Approved Design (attach copy of design) API Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_



12.

**Permanent Pits Permit Application Checklist:** Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC

*Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the application. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Hydrogeologic Report - based upon the requirements of Paragraph (1) of Subsection B of 19.15.17.9 NMAC  
☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC  
☐ Climatological Factors Assessment  
☐ Certified Engineering Design Plans - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Dike Protection and Structural Integrity Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Leak Detection Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Liner Specifications and Compatibility Assessment - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Quality Control/Quality Assurance Construction and Installation Plan  
☐ Operating and Maintenance Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.12 NMAC  
☐ Freeboard and Overtopping Prevention Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC  
☐ Nuisance or Hazardous Odors, including H<sub>2</sub>S, Prevention Plan  
☐ Emergency Response Plan  
☐ Oil Field Waste Stream Characterization  
☐ Monitoring and Inspection Plan  
☐ Erosion Control Plan  
☐ Closure Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.9 NMAC and 19.15.17.13 NMAC

13.

**Proposed Closure:** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

*Instructions: Please complete the applicable boxes, Boxes 14 through 18, in regards to the proposed closure plan.*

- Type: ☐ Drilling ☐ Workover ☐ Emergency ☐ Cavitation ☐ P&A ☐ Permanent Pit ☒ Below-grade Tank ☐ Multi-well Fluid Management Pit  
☐ Alternative
- Proposed Closure Method: ☒ Waste Excavation and Removal  
☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)  
☐ On-site Closure Method (Only for temporary pits and closed-loop systems)  
☐ In-place Burial ☐ On-site Trench Burial  
☐ Alternative Closure Method

14.

**Waste Excavation and Removal Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☒ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection C of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings)  
☒ Soil Backfill and Cover Design Specifications - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
☒ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

15.

**Siting Criteria (regarding on-site closure methods only):** 19.15.17.10 NMAC

*Instructions: Each siting criteria requires a demonstration of compliance in the closure plan. Recommendations of acceptable source material are provided below. Requests regarding changes to certain siting criteria require justifications and/or demonstrations of equivalency. Please refer to 19.15.17.10 NMAC for guidance.*

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| Ground water is less than 25 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.<br>- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><input type="checkbox"/> NA |
| Ground water is between 25-50 feet below the bottom of the buried waste<br>- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><input type="checkbox"/> NA |
| Ground water is more than 100 feet below the bottom of the buried waste.<br>- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database search; USGS; Data obtained from nearby wells  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><input type="checkbox"/> NA |
| Within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, or 200 feet of any other significant watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark).<br>- Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                |
| Within 300 feet from a permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church in existence at the time of initial application.<br>- Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site; Aerial photo; Satellite image  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                |
| Within 300 horizontal feet of a private, domestic fresh water well or spring used for domestic or stock watering purposes, in existence at the time of initial application.<br>- NM Office of the State Engineer - iWATERS database; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                |
| Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                |
| Within 300 feet of a wetland.<br>US Fish and Wildlife Wetland Identification map; Topographic map; Visual inspection (certification) of the proposed site   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                |
| Within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance   |   |



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| adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3, as amended.<br>- Written confirmation or verification from the municipality; Written approval obtained from the municipality | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Within the area overlying a subsurface mine.<br>- Written confirmation or verification or map from the NM EMNRD-Mining and Mineral Division                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Within an unstable area.<br>- Engineering measures incorporated into the design; NM Bureau of Geology & Mineral Resources; USGS; NM Geological Society; Topographic map     | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Within a 100-year floodplain.<br>- FEMA map   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

16. **On-Site Closure Plan Checklist:** (19.15.17.13 NMAC) *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure plan. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstrations - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.10 NMAC
- ☐ Proof of Surface Owner Notice - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection E of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Construction/Design Plan of Burial Trench (if applicable) based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection K of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Construction/Design Plan of Temporary Pit (for in-place burial of a drying pad) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.11 NMAC
- ☐ Protocols and Procedures - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Confirmation Sampling Plan (if applicable) - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Waste Material Sampling Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number (for liquids, drilling fluids and drill cuttings or in case on-site closure standards cannot be achieved)
- ☐ Soil Cover Design - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Re-vegetation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC
- ☐ Site Reclamation Plan - based upon the appropriate requirements of Subsection H of 19.15.17.13 NMAC

17. **Operator Application Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name (Print): April E Pohl Title: Permitting Specialist  
 Signature: April E Pohl Date: 12/17/2015  
 e-mail address: April.Pohl@Chevron.com Telephone: 505-333-1941

18. **OCD Approval:** ☒ Permit Application (including closure plan) ☐ Closure Plan (only) ☐ OCD Conditions (see attachment)

OCD Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ OCD Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

19. **Closure Report (required within 60 days of closure completion):** 19.15.17.13 NMAC

*Instructions: Operators are required to obtain an approved closure plan prior to implementing any closure activities and submitting the closure report. The closure report is required to be submitted to the division within 60 days of the completion of the closure activities. Please do not complete this section of the form until an approved closure plan has been obtained and the closure activities have been completed.*

☐ Closure Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

20. **Closure Method:**

- ☐ Waste Excavation and Removal ☐ On-Site Closure Method ☐ Alternative Closure Method ☐ Waste Removal (Closed-loop systems only)
- ☐ If different from approved plan, please explain.

21. **Closure Report Attachment Checklist:** *Instructions: Each of the following items must be attached to the closure report. Please indicate, by a check mark in the box, that the documents are attached.*

- ☐ Proof of Closure Notice (surface owner and division)
- ☐ Proof of Deed Notice (required for on-site closure for private land only)
- ☐ Plot Plan (for on-site closures and temporary pits)
- ☐ Confirmation Sampling Analytical Results (if applicable)
- ☐ Waste Material Sampling Analytical Results (required for on-site closure)
- ☐ Disposal Facility Name and Permit Number
- ☐ Soil Backfilling and Cover Installation
- ☐ Re-vegetation Application Rates and Seeding Technique
- ☐ Site Reclamation (Photo Documentation)

On-site Closure Location: Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_ NAD: ☐ 1927 ☐ 1983



22.

**Operator Closure Certification:**

I hereby certify that the information and attachments submitted with this closure report is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that the closure complies with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan.

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_





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January 8, 2016

Mr. Cory Smith  
New Mexico Oil & Gas Conservation Division  
1000 Rio Brazos Road  
Aztec, New Mexico 87410

Re: BGT permits delivered December 17, 2015

Dear Mr. Smith:

It was found an error was made in our latest BGT permit applications.

Item 10 of the closure plan erroneously incorrectly cites NMAC 19.15.29 and 19.50-30.

The correct rule, NMAC 19.15.17.13.c(3) will replace the rules listed in error.

Thank you,

April E. Pohl  
Permitting Specialist  
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Aztec, New Mexico 87410  
505-333-1941  
[April.Pohl@chevron.com](mailto:April.Pohl@chevron.com)



## La Plata CDP 3 Hydrogeologic Report

### Topography and Surface Hydrology

The La Plata CDP 3 well site is located in what is considered the Colorado River Basin. The largest, continuously flowing streams of the Colorado River Basin are the Animas and San Juan Rivers. The La Plata River is the closest continuously flowing waterway to the site and is approximately 2,712 feet east of the site; see attached *Topographic Map*. Most stream channels within the Colorado River Basin are ephemeral, with some being intermittent (Stone et al., 1983). The tributaries of the San Juan River that contribute large quantities of water during precipitation events are Canyon Largo, Gallegos Canyon, Chaco River, Animas River, and La Plata River. The nearest significant water course to the La Plata CDP 3 is Cunningham Ditch approximately 1,718 feet east of the proposed below grade tank and is a first order tributary of La Plata River; see attached *Topographic Map*. The general topographic slope of the site is to the northeast. Storm water runoff flows off of the La Plata CDP 3 well site toward the northeast and then follows storm water channels toward the Cunningham Ditch, then to the La Plata River which is approximately 2,712 feet east of the site.

The nearest wetland area to the La Plata CDP 3 well site is approximately 792 feet northwest of the BGT. This wetland area is identified as Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland in accordance with the attached *U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory Map*.

There are no named lake beds or playa lakes within 100 feet for the proposed BGT location; see attached *Topographic Map* (scale at 1:24,000, nearest named lake bed or playa lake are beyond the map boundaries). The nearest unnamed lakebed or playa lake is estimated to be 1,334 feet northwest of the proposed BGT; see attached *Topographic Map*.

### Geology

The area geology is comprised of mostly sandstone, mudstone, and siltstone. The underlying geologic unit in the area of the La Plata CDP 3 well site is the Nacimiento Formation. The **Nacimiento Formation (Tn)** is Paleocene in age and grades laterally into the Animas Formation (Tka) around Dulce, New Mexico thickening considerably around Durango, Colorado. The Animas occurs at the same stratigraphic interval as the Nacimientos (Fassett and Hinds, 1971, p. 34). The Nacimiento sits unconformably to conformably below the San Jose Formation, outcrops in a broad band inside the southern and western boundaries of the central basin and rises structurally as a narrow band along the west side of the Nacimiento Uplift (Baltz, 1967, p. 35). The Nacimiento is the surface formation in the eastern third of the San Juan Basin, and being nonresistant, erodes to low rounded hills or the formation of badlands-type physiography distinctive from the much more resistant overlying San Jose Formation. The Nacimiento Formation is present in only the southern two-thirds of the Basin where it conformably both overlies and intertongues with the much thinner Ojo Alamo Sandstone (Fassett, 1974, p. 229). Thickness ranges from 800 feet in the southern part to nearly 2,232 feet (Stone, et al, 1983, p. 30) in the subsurface of the northern part. In the eastern outcrops, the thickness is less than 500 feet to nearly 1,400 feet due to folding and erosion (Baltz, 1967, p. 1). In general, the total thickness of the Nacimiento thickens from the basin margins towards the basin center. The Nacimiento in the southern area is comprised predominantly of drab interbedded black and gray claystones and siltstones with some discontinuous relatively unconsolidated white, medium to coarse-grained arkosic sandstone with a few interbedded resistant sandstone strata (Stone, et al, 1983, p.30). To the north, the Nacimiento Formation contains a much greater proportion of sandstone, and at some localized places more than 50 percent (Baltz, 1967, p. 1), although most of the sandstones extend only a few thousand feet (Brimhall, 1973, p. 201). Overall, the environment of deposition is predominantly lake deposits and to a lesser extent localization in stream channels (Brimhall, 1973, p. 201).

The local underlying geology of the basin is not conducive to sinkhole features, more predominant in soluble rocks such as limestone and dolomite, creating what is considered to be Karst features. Karst features are formed by the dissolution of soluble rocks, such as limestone and dolomite, and can be characterized by springs, caves, and sinkholes. There are no documented Karst features within 50 miles of La Plata CDP 3 well site in accordance with the *United States Geological Survey (USGS)*; see attached *Karst Image*.



### Groundwater Hydrology

Most water supplies in the San Juan Basin are from groundwater that is accessed through wells completed within the surficial valley-fill deposits of Quaternary age and sandstones of Tertiary, Cretaceous, Jurassic, and Triassic age. The La Plata CDP 3 well site lies in the Nacimiento Formation Aquifer which dips between 7 and 8 degrees to the southeast toward the center of the San Juan Basin (Frenzel, 1983). The Nacimiento Formation lies at the surface in a broad belt at the western and southern edges of the central basin and dips beneath the San Jose Formation in the basin center. (Frenzel, 1983).

There are no registered water wells within 200 feet (~60 meters) from the La Plata CDP 3 well site determined by a Section, Township, and Range search of the area surrounding the BGT on the well site; see attached *New Mexico Office of the State Engineer Water Column/Average Depth to Water Report*. A cathodic well report was not identified for the La Plata CDP 3 well site. The attached iWATERS database search shows a water well approximately 2,311 feet to the northeast of the location with a depth to groundwater of 22 feet. The SJ 02990 water well is labeled on the topographic map with a blue point; see attached *Topographic Map*. The soil type at the La Plata CDP 3 well site is Garland loam. This soil is characterized by mixed alluvium, high permeability, and high water capacity; see attached *USDA Custom Soil Resource Report*. The Nacimiento Formation lies at the surface in a broad belt at the western and southern edges of the central basin and dips beneath the San Jose Formation in the basin center (Frenzel, 1983).

### Resources

New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE) New Mexico Water Right Reporting System (iWaters database)

Stone et al., 1983, Hydrogeology and Water Resources of the San Juan Basin, New Mexico: Socorro, New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources Hydrologic Report 6, 70 p.

United States Geological Survey, Karst in the United States: A Digital Map Compilation and Database; Weary, David J., and Doctor, Daniel H.

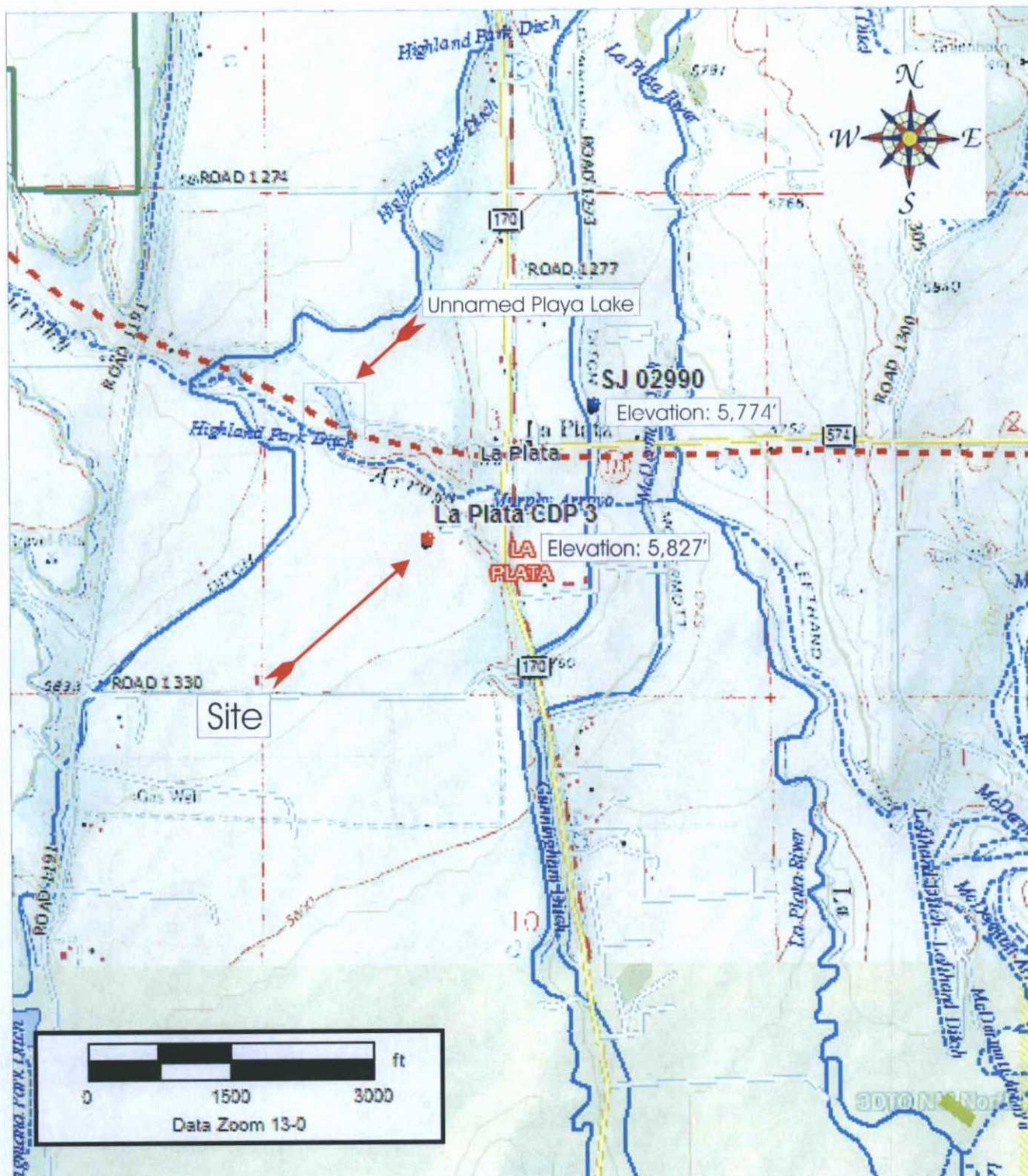
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Chevron Midcontinent, LP  
Below Grade Tank Registration Siting Criteria Compliance Demonstration  
La Plata CDP 3

- **Groundwater is not less than 25 feet below the bottom of the below-grade tank (BGT):** Groundwater will be approximately 69 feet below the bottom of the BGT. This was calculated using information from the closest water well located approximately 2,311 feet northeast of the La Plata CDP 3. The depth of the water well is 100 feet and the depth to groundwater is recorded as 22 feet; see the *attached New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE) Water Column/Average Depth to Water Sheet*. The topographic map indicates the site elevation to be 5,827 feet and the elevation of the water well to be 5,774 feet; see *Topographic Map*. The BGT is buried 6 feet below ground surface which gives a bottom of the BGT elevation of 5,821 feet. The difference between the BGT bottom elevation and groundwater elevation is 69 feet.
- **The below grade tank is not within 100 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse, significant water course, lake bed, sinkhole, wetland or playa lake:**
  - The nearest continuously flowing watercourse is the La Plata River estimated to be 2,712 feet east of the BGT location and the La Plata CDP 3 well site; see attached *Topographic Map*.
  - The nearest significant watercourse is Cunningham Ditch, a first order tributary to the La Plata River. The tributary is approximately 1,718 feet east of the BGT location; see attached *Topographic Map*.
  - There are no named lake beds or playa lakes within 100 feet for the BGT location; see attached *Topographic Map* (scale at 1:24,000, nearest named lake bed or playa lake is beyond the map boundaries). The nearest unnamed lakebed or playa lake is estimated to be 1,334 feet northwest of the BGT; see attached *Topographic Map*.
  - The nearest wetland is located approximately 792 feet northwest of the BGT location; see attached *U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory Map*.
  - There are no sinkholes located within 100 feet of the BGT location at the La Plata CDP 3 well site; see attached *Hydrogeologic Report* and *Karst Image*.
- **The below grade tank is not within 200 horizontal feet of a spring or a fresh water well used for public or livestock consumption:**
  - There are no registered water wells located within 200 feet of the BGT location at the La Plata CDP 3 well site; see attached *New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE) Water Column/Average Depth to Water Sheet* (search of the Section, Township, and Range).
- **The below grade tank is not within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field covered under a municipal ordinance adopted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 3-27-3:**
  - The BGT location resides outside all local municipal boundaries; see attached *Municipal Boundary Map*.
- **The below grade tank is not within the area overlying a subsurface mine:**
  - There are no registered mines underlying the BGT; see attached *Mines of San Juan County Map*.
- **The below grade tank is not within 300 feet of an occupied residence, school, hospital, institution or church:**
  - The BGT is not within 300 feet of any of the aforementioned structures; see attached *Site Map*.
- **The below grade tank does not lie within a 100 year floodplain:**
  - The BGT lies 560 feet southwest of the nearest floodplain; see attached *FEMA FIRM*.





Chevron North America  
 La Plata CDP 3  
 Section 3, Township 31N, Range 13W  
 San Juan County, New Mexico

PROJECT Number: 92270-1304 Date Drawn: 4/27/15



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 Farmington, New Mexico 87401  
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Topographic Map

Figure #1

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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 Number                    | POD<br>Sub-<br>Code basin | County | Q Q Q |    |   |    | Sec | Tws | Rng | X      | Y        | Depth<br>Well | Depth<br>Water | Water<br>Column |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--------|-------|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|--------|----------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
|                               |                           |        | 64    | 16 | 4 | 4  |     |     |     |        |          |               |                |                 |
| <a href="#">SJ 02467 POD1</a> |                           | SJ     | 4     | 3  | 2 | 03 | 31N | 13W |     | 216035 | 4091928  | 42            |                |                 |
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| <a href="#">SJ 03137</a>      |                           | SJ     | 3     | 3  | 2 | 03 | 31N | 13W |     | 215883 | 4091857* | 50            |                |                 |
| <a href="#">SJ 03386</a>      |                           | SJ     |       |    | 2 | 03 | 31N | 13W |     | 216185 | 4092159* | 80            | 11             | 69              |

Average Depth to Water: **16 feet**

Minimum Depth: **11 feet**

Maximum Depth: **22 feet**

Record Count: 5

PLSS Search:

Section(s): 3

Township: 31N

Range: 13W

\*UTM location was derived from PLSS - see Help

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# Municipal Property Boundary Map



**Legend**

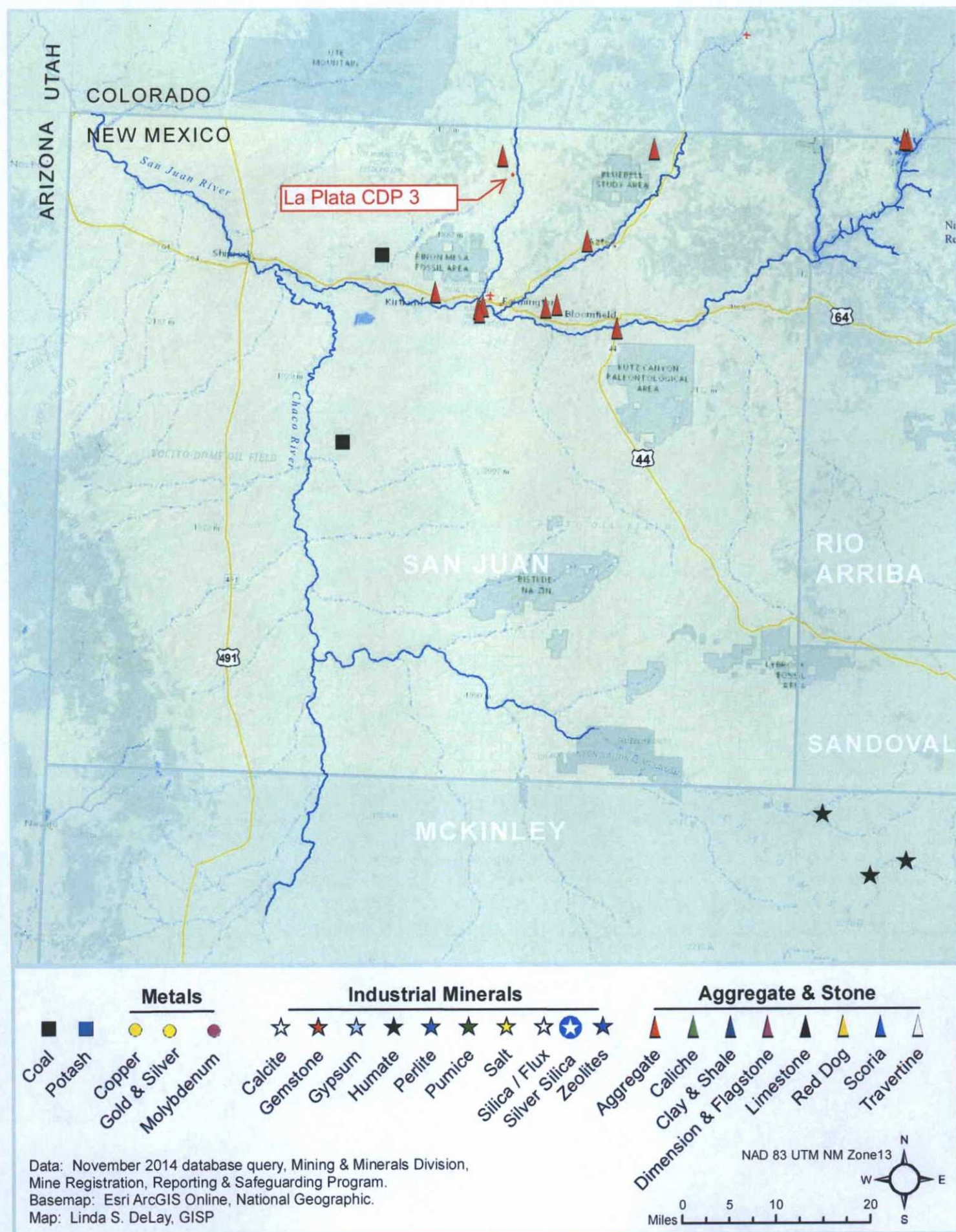
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- FARMINGTON CITY LIMITS
- BLOOMFIELD CITY LIMITS
- AZTEC CITY LIMITS
- SJC Road Status
- Major Road
- SAN JUAN COUNTY
- NEW MEXICO COUNTIES
- NAVAJO RESERVATION

Scale: 1:926,069

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# Active Mines in San Juan County, New Mexico, November 2014







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# Custom Soil Resource Report for **San Juan County, New Mexico, Eastern Part**



April 27, 2015



# Preface

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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 (<http://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](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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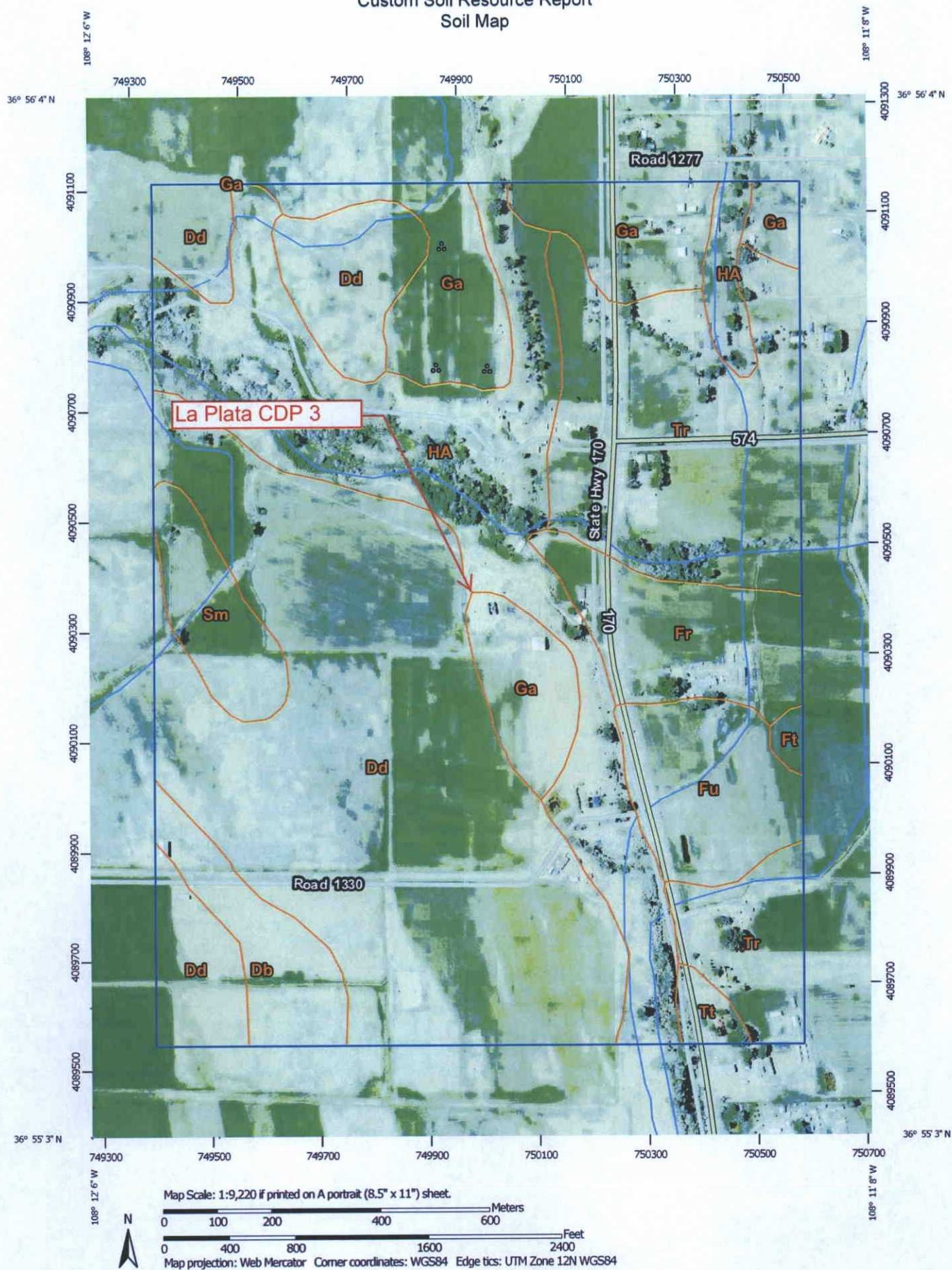
## Soil Map

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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.



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### MAP LEGEND

|                               |                       |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Area of Interest (AOI)</b> |                       | Spoil Area            |
| Area of Interest (AOI)        |                       | Stony Spot            |
| <b>Soils</b>                  |                       | Very Stony Spot       |
| Soil Map Unit Polygons        |                       | Wet Spot              |
| Soil Map Unit Lines           |                       | Other                 |
| Soil Map Unit Points          |                       | Special Line Features |
| <b>Special Point Features</b> |                       |                       |
| Blowout                       | <b>Water Features</b> | Streams and Canals    |
| Borrow Pit                    | <b>Transportation</b> |                       |
| Clay Spot                     | Rails                 |                       |
| Closed Depression             | Interstate Highways   |                       |
| Gravel Pit                    | US Routes             |                       |
| Gravelly Spot                 | Major Roads           |                       |
| Landfill                      | Local Roads           |                       |
| Lava Flow                     | <b>Background</b>     |                       |
| Marsh or swamp                | Aerial Photography    |                       |
| Mine or Quarry                |                       |                       |
| Miscellaneous Water           |                       |                       |
| Perennial Water               |                       |                       |
| Rock Outcrop                  |                       |                       |
| Saline Spot                   |                       |                       |
| Sandy Spot                    |                       |                       |
| Severely Eroded Spot          |                       |                       |
| Sinkhole                      |                       |                       |
| Slide or Slip                 |                       |                       |
| Sodic Spot                    |                       |                       |

### MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:63,400.

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: <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov>  
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: San Juan County, New Mexico, Eastern Part  
Survey Area Data: Version 12, Sep 26, 2014

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50,000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: May 21, 2010—Nov 5, 2010

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

| San Juan County, New Mexico, Eastern Part (NM618) |  |              |                |
|---|--|--------------|----------------|
| Map Unit Symbol                                   | Map Unit Name  | Acres in AOI | Percent of AOI |
| Db  | Doak loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes                       | 15.5         | 3.3%           |
| Dd  | Doak clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes                  | 173.5        | 37.5%          |
| Fr  | Fruitland sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes            | 23.5         | 5.1%           |
| Ft  | Fruitland sandy loam, wet, 0 to 2 percent slopes       | 1.4          | 0.3%           |
| Fu  | Fruitland loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes                  | 22.1         | 4.8%           |
| Ga  | Garland loam   | 48.5         | 10.5%          |
| HA  | Haplargids-Blackston-Torriorthents complex, very steep | 88.0         | 19.0%          |
| Sm  | Shiprock fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes        | 13.7         | 3.0%           |
| Tr  | Turley clay loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes                | 73.2         | 15.8%          |
| Tt  | Turley clay loam, wet, 0 to 2 percent slopes           | 3.3          | 0.7%           |
| <b>Totals for Area of Interest</b>                |  | <b>462.6</b> | <b>100.0%</b>  |

## Map Unit Descriptions

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



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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.

## San Juan County, New Mexico, Eastern Part

### Db—Doak loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

#### Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 1wwj  
Elevation: 5,600 to 6,400 feet  
Mean annual precipitation: 6 to 10 inches  
Mean annual air temperature: 51 to 55 degrees F  
Frost-free period: 140 to 160 days  
Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

#### Map Unit Composition

Doak and similar soils: 90 percent  
Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

#### Description of Doak

##### Setting

Landform: Stream terraces, fan remnants, mesas  
Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread, talf  
Down-slope shape: Linear, convex  
Across-slope shape: Linear, convex  
Parent material: Alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

##### Typical profile

A - 0 to 4 inches: loam  
Btk - 4 to 33 inches: clay loam  
Ck - 33 to 60 inches: clay loam

##### Properties and qualities

Slope: 1 to 3 percent  
Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches  
Natural drainage class: Well drained  
Runoff class: Medium  
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high (0.20 to 0.60 in/hr)  
Depth to water table: More than 80 inches  
Frequency of flooding: None  
Frequency of ponding: None  
Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 10 percent  
Gypsum, maximum in profile: 2 percent  
Salinity, maximum in profile: Very slightly saline to slightly saline (2.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile: 2.0  
Available water storage in profile: High (about 10.1 inches)

##### Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e  
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7e  
Hydrologic Soil Group: C  
Ecological site: Loamy (R035XB001NM)



## **Dd—Doak clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes**

### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol:* 1wwl  
*Elevation:* 5,600 to 6,400 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 6 to 10 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 51 to 55 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 140 to 160 days  
*Farmland classification:* Prime farmland if irrigated

### **Map Unit Composition**

*Doak and similar soils:* 85 percent  
*Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.*

### **Description of Doak**

#### **Setting**

*Landform:* Mesas, fan remnants, stream terraces  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Tread, talf  
*Down-slope shape:* Convex, linear  
*Across-slope shape:* Convex, linear  
*Parent material:* Alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

#### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 5 inches:* clay loam  
*Btk - 5 to 27 inches:* clay loam  
*Ck - 27 to 60 inches:* clay loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope:* 0 to 2 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* Medium  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* Moderately high (0.20 to 0.60 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* More than 80 inches  
*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None  
*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile:* 10 percent  
*Gypsum, maximum in profile:* 2 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Very slightly saline to slightly saline (2.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile:* 2.0  
*Available water storage in profile:* High (about 10.2 inches)

#### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* 2e  
*Land capability classification (nonirrigated):* 7e  
*Hydrologic Soil Group:* C  
*Ecological site:* Clayey (R035XB004NM)

## **Fr—Fruitland sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes**

### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol:* 1wws  
*Elevation:* 4,800 to 6,000 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 6 to 10 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 51 to 55 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 140 to 160 days  
*Farmland classification:* Farmland of statewide importance

### **Map Unit Composition**

*Fruitland and similar soils:* 95 percent  
*Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.*

### **Description of Fruitland**

#### **Setting**

*Landform:* Alluvial fans, stream terraces  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Tread, rise  
*Down-slope shape:* Linear  
*Across-slope shape:* Linear  
*Parent material:* Alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

#### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 7 inches:* sandy loam  
*C - 7 to 60 inches:* fine sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope:* 0 to 2 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* Very low  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* High (2.00 to 6.00 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* More than 80 inches  
*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None  
*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile:* 10 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile:* 2.0  
*Available water storage in profile:* Moderate (about 7.2 inches)

#### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* 2e  
*Land capability classification (nonirrigated):* 7e  
*Hydrologic Soil Group:* A  
*Ecological site:* Sandy (R035XB002NM)



## **Ft—Fruitland sandy loam, wet, 0 to 2 percent slopes**

### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol:* 1www  
*Elevation:* 4,800 to 6,400 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 6 to 10 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 51 to 55 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 140 to 160 days  
*Farmland classification:* Farmland of statewide importance

### **Map Unit Composition**

*Fruitland variant and similar soils:* 90 percent  
*Minor components:* 1 percent  
*Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.*

### **Description of Fruitland Variant**

#### **Setting**

*Landform:* Alluvial fans, stream terraces  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Tread, rise  
*Down-slope shape:* Linear  
*Across-slope shape:* Linear  
*Parent material:* Alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

#### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 6 inches:* sandy loam  
*C - 6 to 60 inches:* sandy loam

#### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope:* 0 to 2 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* Very low  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* High (2.00 to 6.00 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* About 24 to 60 inches  
*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None  
*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile:* 2 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile:* 2.0  
*Available water storage in profile:* Moderate (about 6.6 inches)

#### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* 2w  
*Land capability classification (nonirrigated):* 6w  
*Hydrologic Soil Group:* C  
*Ecological site:* Sandy (R035XB002NM)

### **Minor Components**

#### **Inclusion**

*Percent of map unit:* 1 percent

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*Landform:* Depressions  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Talf  
*Down-slope shape:* Concave  
*Across-slope shape:* Concave  
*Ecological site:* Loamy (R035XB001NM)

### **Fu—Fruitland loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes**

#### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol:* 1www  
*Elevation:* 4,800 to 6,000 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 6 to 10 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 51 to 55 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 140 to 160 days  
*Farmland classification:* Farmland of statewide importance

#### **Map Unit Composition**

*Fruitland and similar soils:* 95 percent  
*Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.*

#### **Description of Fruitland**

##### **Setting**

*Landform:* Alluvial fans, stream terraces  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Tread, rise  
*Down-slope shape:* Linear  
*Across-slope shape:* Linear  
*Parent material:* Alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

##### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 8 inches:* loam  
*C - 8 to 60 inches:* sandy loam

##### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope:* 1 to 3 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural 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 in profile:* 10 percent  
*Gypsum, maximum in profile:* 1 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile:* 2.0  
*Available water storage in profile:* Moderate (about 7.5 inches)

##### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* 2e



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*Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7e*

*Hydrologic Soil Group: B*

*Ecological site: Loamy (R035XB001NM)*

### **Ga—Garland loam**

#### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol: 1wx0*

*Elevation: 4,800 to 6,000 feet*

*Mean annual precipitation: 6 to 10 inches*

*Mean annual air temperature: 51 to 55 degrees F*

*Frost-free period: 140 to 160 days*

*Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated*

#### **Map Unit Composition**

*Garland and similar soils: 95 percent*

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

#### **Description of Garland**

##### **Setting**

*Landform: Terraces*

*Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread*

*Down-slope shape: Linear*

*Across-slope shape: Linear*

*Parent material: Mixed alluvium*

##### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 4 inches: loam*

*Bt - 4 to 24 inches: clay loam*

*Ck - 24 to 60 inches: very gravelly loamy sand*

##### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope: 0 to 3 percent*

*Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches*

*Natural 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 in profile: 5 percent*

*Gypsum, maximum in profile: 5 percent*

*Salinity, maximum in profile: Very slightly saline to slightly saline (2.0 to 4.0 mmhos/  
cm)*

*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile: 10.0*

*Available water storage in profile: Moderate (about 6.1 inches)*

##### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated): 2s*

*Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7e*

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*Hydrologic Soil Group: B*

*Ecological site: Loamy (R035XB001NM)*

### **HA—Haplargids-Blackston-Torriorthents complex, very steep**

#### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol: 1wx2*

*Elevation: 4,800 to 6,400 feet*

*Mean annual precipitation: 6 to 10 inches*

*Mean annual air temperature: 51 to 55 degrees F*

*Frost-free period: 140 to 160 days*

*Farmland classification: Not prime farmland*

#### **Map Unit Composition**

*Haplargids and similar soils: 45 percent*

*Blackston and similar soils: 30 percent*

*Torriorthents and similar soils: 20 percent*

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

#### **Description of Haplargids**

##### **Setting**

*Landform: Escarpments*

*Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope*

*Down-slope shape: Convex*

*Across-slope shape: Convex*

*Parent material: Mixed alluvium*

##### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 7 inches: cobbly sandy loam*

*Bt1 - 7 to 26 inches: cobbly sandy clay loam*

*Bt2 - 26 to 60 inches: cobbly sandy clay loam*

##### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope: 8 to 50 percent*

*Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches*

*Natural drainage class: Well drained*

*Runoff class: High*

*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 in profile: 10 percent*

*Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)*

*Available water storage in profile: Moderate (about 7.3 inches)*

##### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified*

*Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7e*

*Hydrologic Soil Group: B*

*Ecological site: Loamy (R035XB001NM)*



## Description of Blackston

### Setting

*Landform:* Escarpments  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Side slope  
*Down-slope shape:* Convex  
*Across-slope shape:* Convex  
*Parent material:* Mixed alluvium

### Typical profile

*A - 0 to 11 inches:* gravelly loam  
*Bk - 11 to 26 inches:* very gravelly loam  
*Ck - 26 to 60 inches:* very gravelly sand

### Properties and qualities

*Slope:* 8 to 40 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* High  
*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 in profile:* 30 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Slightly saline to moderately saline (4.0 to 8.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Available water storage in profile:* Low (about 4.5 inches)

### Interpretive groups

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* None specified  
*Land capability classification (nonirrigated):* 7e  
*Hydrologic Soil Group:* B  
*Ecological site:* Limy (R035XB003NM)

## Description of Torriorthents

### Setting

*Landform:* Escarpments  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Side slope  
*Down-slope shape:* Convex  
*Across-slope shape:* Convex  
*Parent material:* Mixed alluvium

### Typical profile

*C1 - 0 to 3 inches:* cobbly loam  
*C2 - 3 to 15 inches:* cobbly clay loam  
*R - 15 to 60 inches:* bedrock

### Properties and qualities

*Slope:* 8 to 50 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* 10 to 20 inches to paralithic bedrock  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* Very high  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* Very low to moderately high (0.00 to 0.20 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* More than 80 inches

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*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None  
*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile:* 2 percent  
*Gypsum, maximum in profile:* 2 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile:* 2.0  
*Available water storage in profile:* Very low (about 2.2 inches)

### Interpretive groups

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* None specified  
*Land capability classification (nonirrigated):* 7e  
*Hydrologic Soil Group:* D  
*Ecological site:* Cobbly slopes 10-14" p.z. (R035XC328AZ)

## Sm—Shiprock fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes

### Map Unit Setting

*National map unit symbol:* 1wxq  
*Elevation:* 5,600 to 6,400 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 6 to 10 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 51 to 55 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 140 to 160 days  
*Farmland classification:* Farmland of statewide importance

### Map Unit Composition

*Shiprock and similar soils:* 90 percent  
*Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.*

### Description of Shiprock

#### Setting

*Landform:* Mesas  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Talf  
*Down-slope shape:* Convex  
*Across-slope shape:* Convex  
*Parent material:* Eolian deposits over alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

#### Typical profile

*A - 0 to 2 inches:* fine sandy loam  
*CBk - 2 to 60 inches:* fine sandy loam

#### Properties and qualities

*Slope:* 0 to 2 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* Very low  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* High (2.00 to 6.00 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* More than 80 inches  
*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None



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*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile:* 2 percent  
*Gypsum, maximum in profile:* 2 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Available water storage in profile:* Moderate (about 6.6 inches)

### Interpretive groups

*Land capability classification (irrigated):* 2e  
*Land capability classification (nonirrigated):* 7e  
*Hydrologic Soil Group:* A  
*Ecological site:* Sandy (R035XB002NM)

## Tr—Turley clay loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

### Map Unit Setting

*National map unit symbol:* 1wy0  
*Elevation:* 4,800 to 6,000 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 6 to 10 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 51 to 55 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 140 to 160 days  
*Farmland classification:* Farmland of statewide importance

### Map Unit Composition

*Turley and similar soils:* 95 percent  
*Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.*

### Description of Turley

#### Setting

*Landform:* Alluvial fans  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Rise  
*Down-slope shape:* Linear  
*Across-slope shape:* Linear  
*Parent material:* Fan alluvium derived from sandstone and shale

#### Typical profile

*A - 0 to 9 inches:* clay loam  
*C - 9 to 60 inches:* clay loam  
*Ck - 60 to 64 inches:* clay loam

#### Properties and qualities

*Slope:* 1 to 3 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Natural drainage class:* Well drained  
*Runoff class:* Medium  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* Moderately high (0.20 to 0.60 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* More than 80 inches  
*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None  
*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile:* 5 percent  
*Salinity, maximum in profile:* Very slightly saline to slightly saline (2.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)

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*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile: 2.0*

*Available water storage in profile: High (about 11.4 inches)*

### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e*

*Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 7e*

*Hydrologic Soil Group: C*

*Ecological site: Clayey (R035XB004NM)*

## **Tt—Turley clay loam, wet, 0 to 2 percent slopes**

### **Map Unit Setting**

*National map unit symbol: 1wy2*

*Elevation: 4,800 to 6,000 feet*

*Mean annual precipitation: 6 to 10 inches*

*Mean annual air temperature: 51 to 55 degrees F*

*Frost-free period: 140 to 160 days*

*Farmland classification: Farmland of statewide importance*

### **Map Unit Composition**

*Turley variant and similar soils: 90 percent*

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

### **Description of Turley Variant**

#### **Setting**

*Landform: Alluvial fans*

*Landform position (three-dimensional): Rise*

*Down-slope shape: Linear*

*Across-slope shape: Linear*

*Parent material: Fan alluvium derived from sandstone and shale*

#### **Typical profile**

*A - 0 to 9 inches: clay loam*

*Ck - 9 to 60 inches: clay loam*

#### **Properties and qualities**

*Slope: 0 to 2 percent*

*Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches*

*Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained*

*Runoff class: Medium*

*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high (0.20 to 0.60 in/hr)*

*Depth to water table: About 24 to 60 inches*

*Frequency of flooding: None*

*Frequency of ponding: None*

*Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 5 percent*

*Gypsum, maximum in profile: 2 percent*

*Salinity, maximum in profile: Very slightly saline to slightly saline (2.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)*

*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile: 2.0*

*Available water storage in profile: High (about 10.2 inches)*



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### **Interpretive groups**

*Land capability classification (irrigated): 2w*

*Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6w*

*Hydrologic Soil Group: C*

*Ecological site: Clayey (R035XB004NM)*

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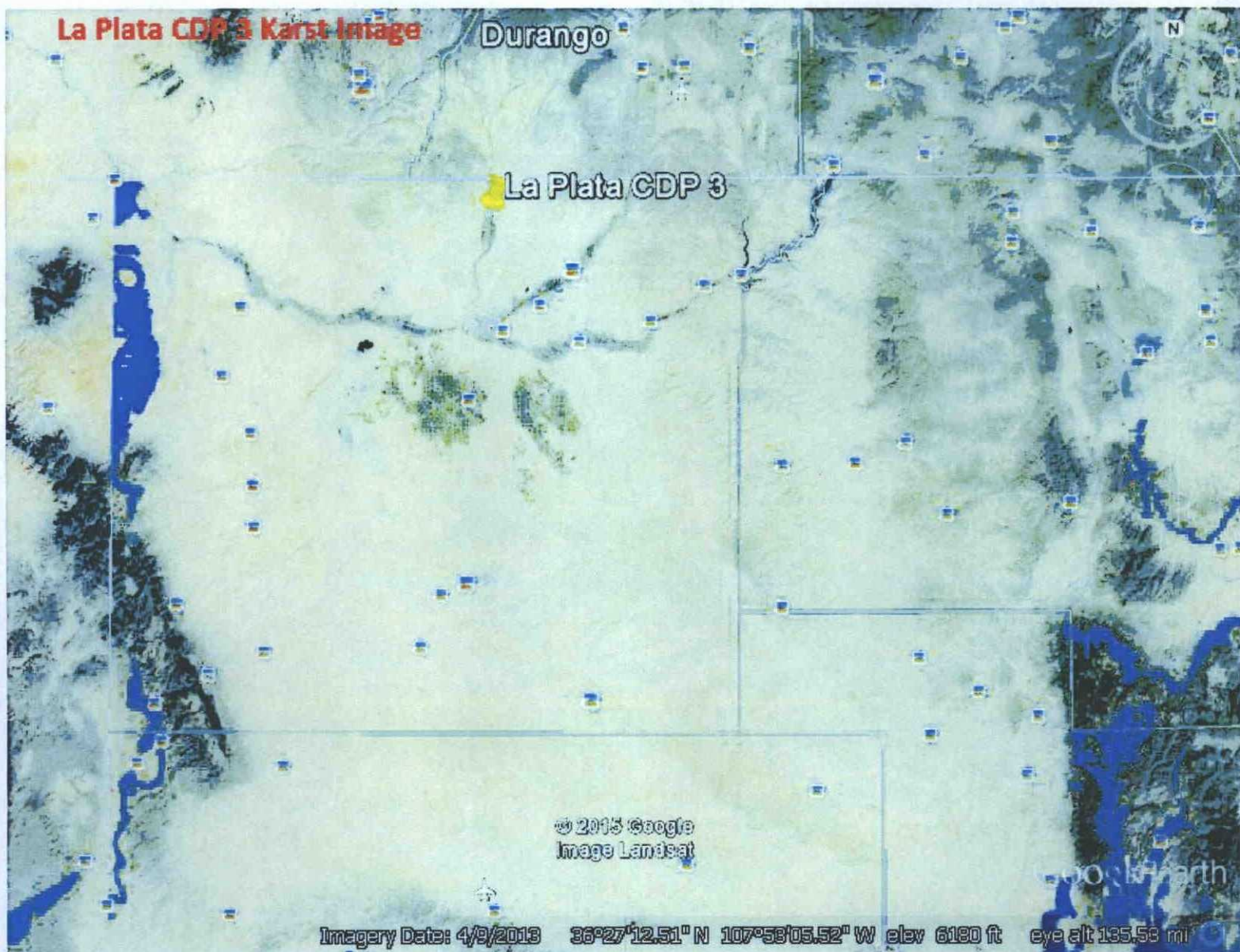
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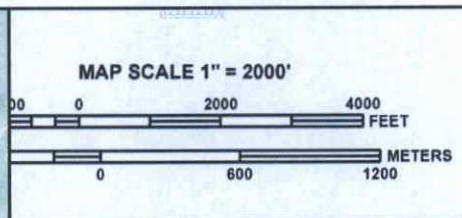
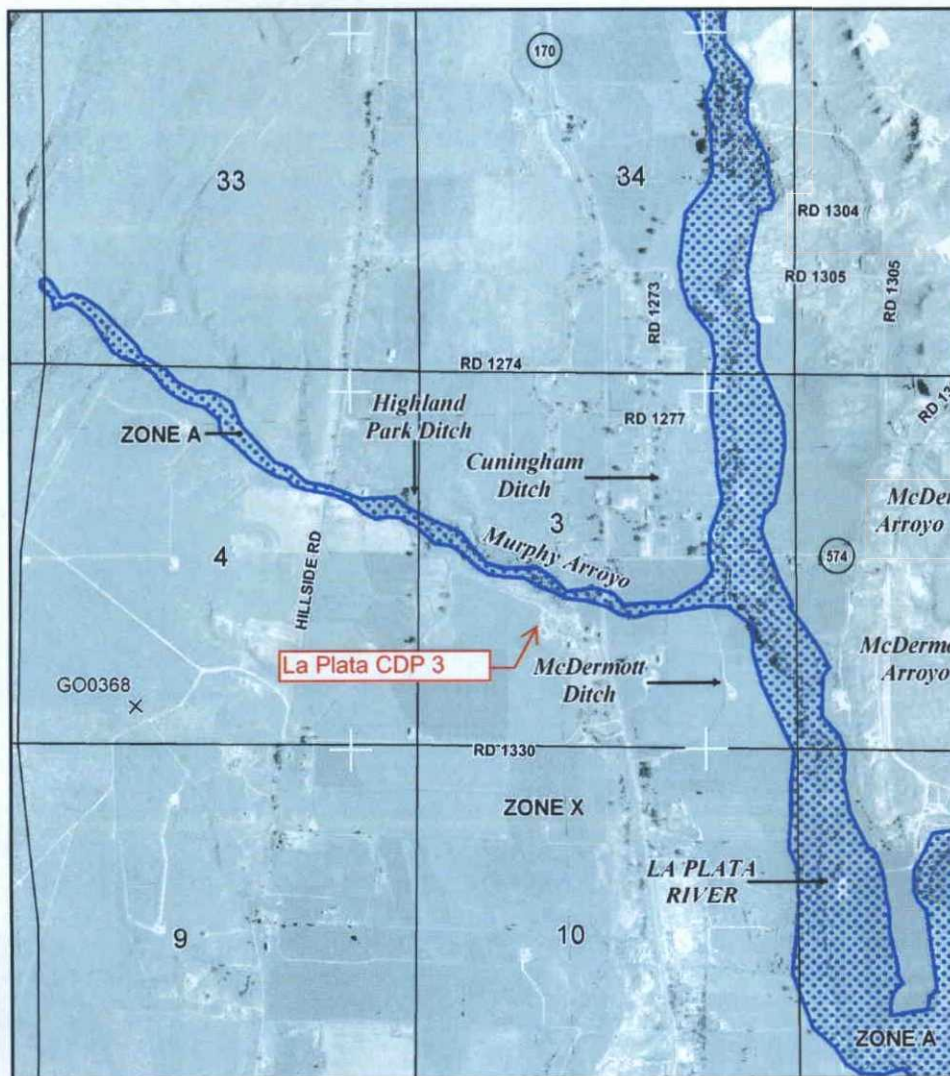
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**FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP**

**SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

**AND INCORPORATED AREAS**

**PANEL 350 OF 2750**

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The below grade tank (BGT) on the La Plata CDP 3 well site is not within 300 feet of:

- an occupied residence
- a school
- hospital
- institution or church

✗ BGT #1

✗ BGT #2

○ Previously Permitted

# **SITE MAP** **Chevron North America** **La Plata CDP 3**

**SECTION 3, TWP 31 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST**  
**SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

SCALE: NTS

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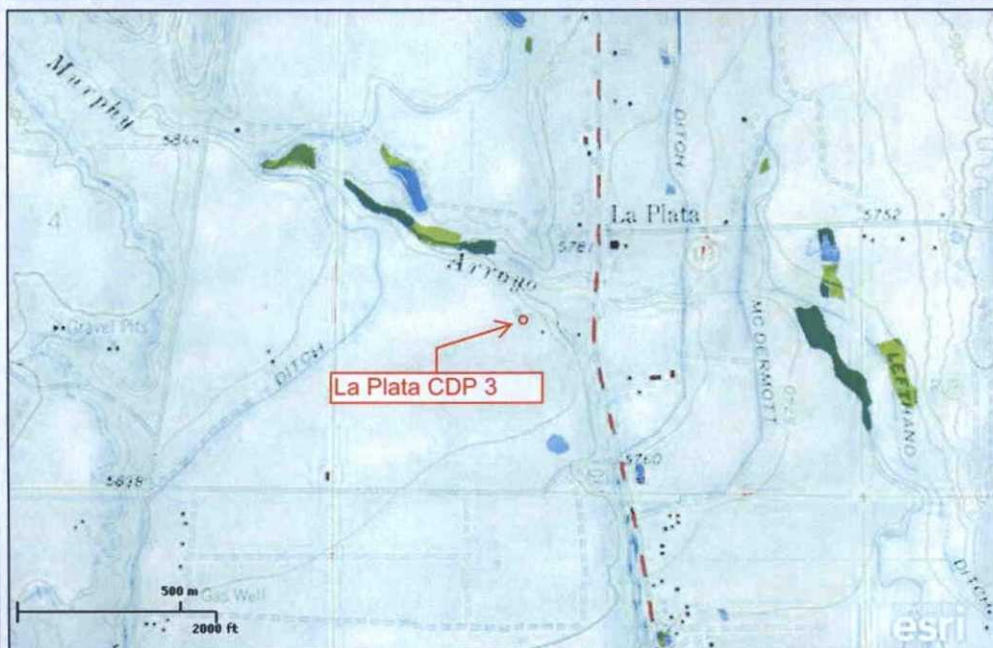


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## National Wetlands Inventory

La Plata CDP 3

Apr 30, 2015



### Wetlands

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- Estuarine and Marine
- Freshwater Pond
- Lake
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BELOW GRADE TANK (BGT) DESIGN AND  
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**CHEVRON  
SAN JUAN BASIN  
BELOW GRADE TANK DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PLAN**

**INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with NMAC §§ 19.15.17.9(B)(3) and 19.15.17.11 Chevron (representing Chevron USA Inc, Chevron Midcontinent, L.P., and Four Star Oil & Gas Company) submits this Design and Construction Plan for below grade tanks (BGTs) in New Mexico. This Plan contains standard conditions that attach to multiple BGTs.

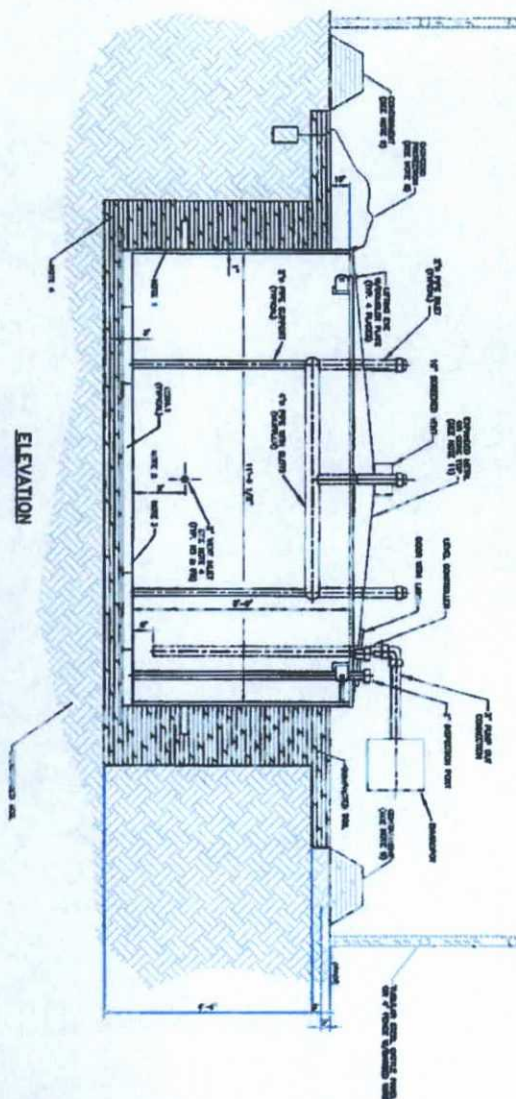
1. Chevron will design and construct a BGT to contain liquids and solids, prevent contamination of fresh water, and protect public health and the environment. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(A).
2. Chevron will post an upright sign not less than 12 inches by 24 inches with lettering not less than two inches in height in a conspicuous place on the fence surrounding the BGT, unless the BGT is located on a site where there is an existing well, signed in compliance with NMAC § 19.15.16.8, that is operated by Chevron. Chevron will post the sign in a manner and location such that a person can easily read the legend. The sign will provide the following information: Chevron's name; the location of the site by quarter-quarter or unit letter, section, township and range; and emergency telephone numbers. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(C).
3. Chevron will fence or enclose a BGT in a manner that prevents unauthorized access and will maintain the fences in good repair. Fences are not required if there is an adequate surrounding perimeter fence that prevents unauthorized access to the well site or facility, including the BGT. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(D)(1).
4. Chevron will fence BGTs to exclude livestock with a four foot fence that has at least four strands of barbed wire evenly spaced in the interval between one foot and four feet above ground level. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(D)(3). Chevron may install tubular steel cattle panels, as it determines appropriate (photo of cattle panel fence submitted to NMOCD, 24 June 2009).
5. Chevron will screen the permanent opening on the tank top with expanding steel mesh in order to render it non-hazardous to wildlife, including migratory birds. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(E).
6. Chevron's BGTs will be constructed with the design features illustrated on the attached drawing.
7. Only double-walled, double-bottomed BGTs will be installed.
8. Chevron will use 3/16" carbon steel which is resistant to the anticipated contents and resistant to damage from sunlight. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(I)(1).

9. Chevron will construct a BGT foundation on a level base free of rocks, debris, sharp edges or irregularities to help prevent punctures, cracks or indentations of the liner or tank bottom. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(I)(2).
10. Chevron will construct a BGT to prevent overflow and the collection of surface water run-on. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(I)(3). Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will install a level control device to help prevent overflow from the BGT and will use berms and/or a diversion ditch to prevent surface run on from entering the BGT. NMAC §§ 19.15.17.11(I)(3), 19.15.17.12(A)(7), and 19.15.17.12(D)(1).
11. All BGTs, in which the side walls are not open for visible inspection for leaks, will be double walled with leak detection capability. NMAC § 19.15.17.11(I)(4)(b).





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**BELOW GRADE TANK (BGT) OPERATING AND  
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## **Chevron**

### **San Juan Basin**

#### **Below Grade Tank Operating and Maintenance Plan**

##### **INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with NMAC §§ 19.15.17.9(B)(4) and 19.15.17.12 Chevron (representing Chevron USA Inc, Chevron Midcontinent, L.P., and Four Star Oil & Gas Company) submits this Operating and Maintenance Plan (O&M Plan) for below grade tanks (BGTs) in New Mexico. This O&M Plan contains standard conditions that attach to multiple BGTs. If needed for a particular BGT, a modified O&M Plan will be submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD or the division) for approval prior to implementation.

##### **GENERAL PLAN:**

1. Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will operate and maintain a BGT to contain liquids and solids to prevent contamination of fresh water and to protect public health and environment. NMAC § 19.15.17.12(A)(1).
2. Chevron will not discharge into or store any hazardous waste in a BGT. NMAC § 19.15.17.12(A)(3).
3. If a BGT develops a leak or is penetrated below the liquid surface, Chevron will remove liquid above the damage within 48 hours, notify the appropriate division district office within 48 hours of discovery and will promptly repair the BGT. If a BGT develops a leak Chevron will remove liquid above the damage within 48 hours, notify the appropriate division district office within 48 hours of discovery and will promptly repair or replace the BGT. If replacement is required, the BGT will meet all specification included in the attached approved design drawing and comply with 19.15.17.11(I)(1-4).
4. If Chevron as an operator of a below-grade tank that was constructed and installed prior to June 16, 2008 that does not meet the requirements of Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC and discovers that the below-grade tank does not demonstrate integrity or that the below-grade tank develops any of the conditions identified in Paragraph (5) of Subsection A of 19.15.17.12 NMAC, then Chevron or their representative shall close the existing below-grade tank pursuant to the closure requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC and install a below-grade tank that complies with the requirements of Paragraphs



(1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC. NMAC § 19.15.17.12(D)(5). If replacement is required, the BGT will meet all specification included in the attached approved design drawing.

5. If Chevron as the operator of the below-grade tank that was constructed and installed prior to June 16, 2008 that does not comply with Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC and equips or retrofits the existing tank to comply with Paragraphs (1) through (4) of Subsection I of 19.15.17.11 NMAC, then Chevron or their representative shall visually inspect the area beneath the below-grade tank during the retrofit and document any areas that are wet, discolored or showing other evidence of a release on form C-141. Chevron shall demonstrate to the division whether the evidence of contamination indicates that an imminent threat to fresh water, public health, safety or the environment exists. If the division determines that the contamination does not pose an imminent threat to fresh water, public health, safety or the environment, the operator shall complete the retrofit or the replacement of the below-grade tank. If Chevron or division determines that the contamination poses an imminent threat to fresh water, public health, safety or the environment, then Chevron shall close the existing below-grade tank pursuant to the closure requirements of 19.15.17.13 NMAC prior to initiating the retrofit or replacement. NMAC § 19.15.17.12(D)(6). If replacement is required, the BGT will meet all specification included in the attached approved design drawing.
6. Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will use berms and/or diversion ditches to prevent surface run-on from entering the BGT by diverting surface water run-on away from the bermed area. NMAC §§ 19.15.17.12(A)(7) and 19.15.17.12(D)(1).
7. Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will not allow a BGT to overflow and will maintain adequate freeboard on existing BGTs by routine inspections utilizing pumper trucks whose routes are timed based on known production rates. Fluid is pumped out on this schedule. For newly constructed BGTs Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will maintain adequate freeboard by installing level control devices that automatically shut off inflow to alleviate potential overtopping. NMAC § 19.15.17.12(D)(1) and 19.15.17.12(D)(4).
8. Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will remove a visible or measurable layer of oil from the fluid surface of a BGT. NMAC § 19.15.17.12(D)(2).
9. Chevron, or a contractor representing Chevron, will inspect the BGT to assess compliance with NMAC § 19.15.17.12, Operational Requirements, at least once monthly and maintain a written record of each inspection for at least five (5) years. The approved inspection form is attached.



# Chevron: New Mexico Inspection Form for Below Grade Tanks

Inspection Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Below Grade Tank (BGT) Location: \_\_\_\_\_

|   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| Does the BGT have adequate freeboard to prevent overflow; | yes | no |
|---|-----|----|

|   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| Does the tank have visible leaks or signs of corrosion; | yes | no |
|---|-----|----|

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|---|-----|----|
| Do tank valves, flanges and hatches have visible leaks; | yes | no |
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| Is there evidence of significant spillage of produced liquids; | yes | no |
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Is this a single or double wall tank; \_\_\_\_\_

Are berms and/or diversion ditches in place to prevent surface

|                               |     |    |
|-------------------------------|-----|----|
| run-on from entering the BGT; | yes | no |
|-------------------------------|-----|----|

Have visible or measurable layers of oil been removed from

|                       |     |    |
|-----------------------|-----|----|
| liquid surface fluid; | yes | no |
|-----------------------|-----|----|

# BELOW GRADE TANK (BGT) CLOSURE PLAN

SUBMITTED TO:

ENVIRONMENTAL BUREAU,

NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

ON BEHALF OF:

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INTRODUCTION

In accordance with NMAC §§ 19.15.17.9(B)(3) and 19.15.17.13, Chevron (representing Chevron USA, Inc., Chevron Midcontinent, L.P., and Four Star Oil & Gas Company) submits this Closure Plan for below grade tanks (BGTs) in New Mexico. This Closure Plan contains standard conditions that attach to multiple BGTs. If needed for a particular BGT, a modified Closure Plan for a proposed alternative closure will be submitted to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD or the division) for approval prior to closure.

CLOSURE PLAN PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLS (NMAC §§ 19.15.17.13).

1) Chevron, or a contractor acting on behalf of Chevron, will close a BGT within the time periods provided in NMAC § 19.15.17.13(G)(4), or by an earlier date required by NMOCD to prevent an imminent danger to fresh water, public health, or the environment. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(G)(4).

2) Chevron, or a contractor acting on behalf of Chevron, shall remove liquids and sludge from a below grade tank prior to implementing a closure method and shall dispose of the liquids and sludge in a division approved facility within 60 days of cessation of the BGT's operation. NMAC §§ 19.15.17.13(G) (4.a). A list of Chevron currently approved disposal facilities is included at the end of this document.

3) Chevron, or a contractor acting on behalf of Chevron, shall remove the below-grade tank and dispose of it in a division-approved facility or recycle, reuse, or reclaim it in a manner that the appropriate division district office approves. When required, prior approval for disposal will be obtained. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(GX4.b). Documentation regarding disposal of the BGT and its associated liner, if any, will be included in the closure report.

4) In accordance with NMAC § 19.15.17.13(E)(1), Chevron will notify the surface owner by certified mail, return receipt requested, of its plans to close a BGT, at least 72 hours, but not more than one (1) week, prior to beginning closure activities. Chevron will notify the landowner by email if the landowner is determined to be a state, federal, or tribal entity. The notice shall include well name, API number and location. Evidence of mailing of the notice to the address of the surface owner shown in the county tax records is sufficient to demonstrate compliance.

5) Chevron will also notify the appropriate division district office verbally and in writing at least 72 hours, but not more than one week, prior to any closure operation. The notice shall include the operator's name and the location to be closed by unit letter, section, township and range. If the closure is associated with a particular well, then the notice shall also include the well's name, number and API number. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(EX2).

6) The proposed method of closure for this Closure Plan is waste excavation and removal. NMAC §§ 19.15.17.13 (C).

7) Waste generated during closure will be handled and disposed of in accordance with applicable laws. NMAC § 19.15.35.8(C)(1)(m) provides that plastic pit liners may be disposed at a solid waste facility without testing before disposal, provided they are cleaned well.

8) Chevron, or a contractor acting on behalf of Chevron, will remove all contents and, if applicable, synthetic liners and transferring those materials to a division approved facility. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(C) (2).

9) Chevron, or a contractor acting on behalf of Chevron, will collect at a minimum, a five point composite sample to include any obvious stained or wet soils, or other evidence of contamination shall be taken under the liner or the below-grade tank and that sample shall be analyzed for the constituents listed in Table I of 19.15.17.13 NMAC.

Table I 19.15.17.13 NMAC  
La Plata CDP 3 Well Site  
Depth to Groundwater, Beneath BGT (50 - 100 feet)

| Constituent | Method                              | Unit         |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Chloride    | EPA 300.0                           | 10,000 mg/Kg |
| TPH         | EPASW-846<br>Method 418.1           | 2,500mg/Kg   |
| GRO+DRO     | EPA SW-846<br>Method 8015M          | 1,000mg/kg   |
| BTEX        | EPA SW-846 Method 8021B<br>or 8260B | 50mg/kg      |
| Benzene     | EPA SW-846 Method 8021B<br>or 8015M | 10mg/kg      |

10) If Chevron or the division determines that a release has occurred, Chevron will comply with NMAC §§ 19.15.29 and 19.15.30, as appropriate. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(C) (3).

11) If the sampling program demonstrates that a release has not occurred or that any release does not exceed the concentrations specified in Table I of NMAC § 19.15.17.13, Chevron will backfill the excavation with compacted, non-waste containing, earthen materials; construct a division prescribed soil cover; re-contour and re-vegetate the site. The division-prescribed soil cover, re-contouring and re-vegetation requirements shall comply with NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H).

12) As per NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H), once Chevron has closed a BGT or is no longer using the BGT or an area associated with the BGT, Chevron will reclaim the BGT location and all areas associated with it including associated access roads not needed by the surface estate owner to a safe and stable condition that blends with the surrounding undisturbed area. Chevron will substantially restore impacted surface area to the condition that existed prior to its oil and gas operations by placement of soil cover as provided in NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H) (see below), re-contour the location and associated areas to a contour that approximates the original contour and blends with the surrounding topography, and re-vegetate according to NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H).

13) Chevron may propose an alternative to the re-vegetation requirement of NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(1) if it demonstrates that the proposed alternative effectively prevents erosion, and protects fresh water, human health and the environment. The proposed alternative must be agreed upon in writing by the surface owner. Chevron will submit the proposed alternative, with written documentation that the surface owner agrees to the alternative, to the division for approval. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(1).

14) Soil cover for closures where Chevron has removed the pit contents or remediated the contaminated soil to the division's satisfaction will consist of the background thickness of topsoil or one foot of suitable material to establish vegetation at the site, whichever is greater. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(2).

15) Chevron will construct the soil cover to the site's existing grade and prevent ponding of water and erosion of the cover material. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(4).

16) As per NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(5), Chevron will seed or plant disturbed areas during the first growing season after it is no longer using a BGT or an area associated with the BGT including access roads unless needed by the surface estate owner as evidenced by a written agreement with the surface estate owner, if any and written approval by NMOCD.



17) Seeding will be accomplished by drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other division approved methods. Chevron will obtain vegetative cover that equals 70% of the native perennial vegetative cover (unimpacted by overgrazing, fire or other intrusion damaging to native vegetation) consisting of at least three native plant species, including at least one grass, but not including noxious weeds, and maintain that cover through two successive growing seasons. During the two growing seasons that prove viability, Chevron will not artificially irrigate the vegetation. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(HX5).

18) Chevron will notify the division when it has seeded or planted and when it successfully achieves re-vegetation NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(5).

19) Seeding or planting will be repeated until Chevron successfully achieves the required vegetative cover. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(5).

20) When conditions are not favorable for the establishment of vegetation, such as periods of drought, the division may allow Chevron to delay seeding or planting until soil moisture conditions become favorable or may require Chevron to use additional cultural techniques such as mulching, fertilizing, irrigating, fencing or other practices. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(H)(5).

21) As per NMAC § 19.15.17.13(F), within 60 days of closure completion, Chevron will submit a closure report containing the elements required by NMAC § 19.15.17.13(F) including:

- i) Confirmation sampling results.
- ii) A plot plan.
- iii) Details on back-filling, capping and covering, where applicable, including re-vegetation application rates and seeding technique.
- iv) Proof of closure notice to the surface owner, if any, and the division.
- v) Name and permit number of disposal facility, and
- vi) Photo documentation.

22) The closure report will be filed on NMOCD Form C-144. Chevron will certify that all information in the closure report and attachments is correct and that it has complied with all applicable closure requirements and conditions specified in the approved closure plan. NMAC § 19.15.17.13(F).

23) As requested, the following are the current Chevron approved Waste Disposal Sites for the identified waste streams:

#### Soils and Sludge

- i) Envirotech, Inc. Soil Remediation Facility, Permit No. NM-01-0011 Solids
- ii) San Juan County Regional Land Fill (NMAC § 19.15.35.8 items only, with prior NMOCD approval when required)

#### Liquids

- i) Agua Moss Crouch Mesa Facility, Sunco SWD #1 Permit No. NM-01-0009
- ii) Basin Disposals Facility, Permit No. NM-01-005.

24) These waste disposal sites are subject to change if their certification is lost or they are closed or other more appropriate, equally protective sites become available. Chevron will provide notice if such a change is affected.