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Elizabeth A. Casbeer Regulatory/Compliance Analyst

NSL-4003

HOIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

August 4, 1998

Oil Conservation Division 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of NMOCD Rule 104.F.(3), ARCO Permian requests administrative approval for an unorthodox location for its Washington "33" State #12, a new well in the Artesia (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) Field and the newly defined Empire-Glorieta-Yeso-SW pool, due to topography and geological conditions. The location for this proposed well is 2432'FNL and 2270'FEL of Section 33, T17S, R28E, Eddy County, New Mexico.

The following exhibits are submitted to support our request for administrative approval:

- 1. An amended C-101.
- 2. An amended C-102.
- 3. Geologic and Engineering Discussion.
- 4. A sketch plat showing topographical obstructions around the location.
- 5. NSL-4003 for Washington "33" State #12 dated April 14, 1998.
- 6. A Glorieta-Yeso type log (Washington"33" State #9).
- 7. San Andres type log (Washington "33" State #9).
- 8. Structure Map, Top Glorieta Sand.
- 9. Structure Map, Tog San Andres.
- 10. Gross Pay, San Andres Dolomite.
- 11. Plat showing adjoining and diagonal spacing units.
- 12. List of offset operators.

All adjoining and diagonal spacing units are ARCO owned.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 915-688-5570 or Dave Pearcy at 915-688-5355. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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Sincerely

Elizabeth A. Casbeer

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NMOCD, Artesia, New Mexico

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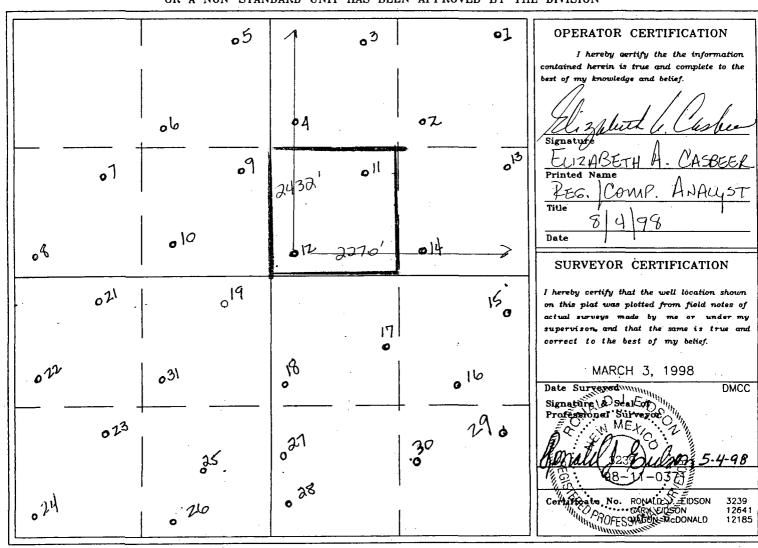
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Geological and Engineering Attachment Washington "33" State #12

Summary:

ARCO Permian requests administrative approval for an unorthodox location for Washington 33 State # 12, a new well we propose to drill to the Artesia-Q-G-SA Pool and the newly-defined Artesia (Glorieta-Yeso) Pool. This location is required for geologic reasons. This well is on the same 40-acre tract as Washington 33 State #11 (API 30-015-30193; Yeso/San Andres orthodox location approved) in Unit Letter G of Section 33. ARCO holds 100% of all rights down to the top of Abo shale on this 600-acre lease.

Background of ARCO NSL Requests in the area:

ARCO was granted NSL-4003 approval for drilling the Washington #12 location to the Queen-Grayburg-San Andres on April 14, 1998. Division Administrative Orders NSL-915-A, NSL 915-B, NSL 809-A, NSL 999-A, NSL-4007, NSL-4035, NSL-4036, and NSL-4060 have also been granted for other unorthodox Artesia (Queen-Grayburg-San Andres) locations on the same lease. Recent completions (documented below) now indicate that all remaining new wells in Section 33 should be cased through the Yeso to allow for a low-cost completion in this deeper zone. We therefore propose to drill Washington #12 to 4200', or 1100' deeper than originally proposed. An amended NSL-4060 will also be requested by separate letter to enable us to drill Washington #19 and #23 to the Yeso.

Washington #9 and #14 Results:

In June 1998, ARCO completed Washington #9 in unit letter F of Section 33 for 28 BOPD, 65 MCFD and 716 BWPD, after sandfrac. A copy of this nearby log showing the Yeso dolomite pay is attached. Washington #14 in Unit letter H was also completed in June from the Yeso, and potentialed for 9 BOPD, 25 MCFD, and 863 BWPD. We believe the larger 175,000# frac on the latter well is responsible for improved stabilized production of around 40 BOPD. According to the NMOCD Artesia office, this new field will be designated the Artesia (Glorieta-Yeso) Pool. These wells also have uphole San Andres pay, as shown on the second attached log.

Geology:

The Yeso (the upper part of which is sometimes called the Paddock Formation) is a fine-crystalline, anhydritic, slightly vuggy dolomite that lies under the Glorieta sand. The lower Yeso (which we are not producing from) is sometimes called the Tubb and Drinkard in Lea County. A structure map of the top Glorieta sand, which is a better geologic marker than the Yeso, has been provided. This map shows up to 5-degree dip to the SE in Section 33, with the "crest" of the structure plunging due east, one mile north of us in Section 28. The gross 250' of Yeso pay we produce from is the same dolomite interval as found at Atoka (Glorieta/Yeso) Field, East Empire (Yeso), and the deeper Grayburg-Jackson (San Andres) pay. This dolomite rarely produces without a major frac job.

The San Andres dolomite is an established pay from offset wells, and maps showing top San Andres Structure and Gross Pay are also included. The San Andres structure dips SE and is similar to the Glorieta structure. Gross pay interval across Section 33 ranges from 500 to 600 feet.

Surface location Problems:

ARCO attempted to obtain an orthodox location for #12 at 2310' FN& EL, but was prevented access by a buried east-west flowline under the location (see engineer's sketch plat). We had to shift the location 122' south (to 2432 FNL, 2270 FEL) to allow adequate and safe setback from the pipeline for the small United rig we will use. Any location on the north side of the pipeline would be too close to #11 to effectively drain in-place oil. The location is unorthodox because of the north measurement. As shown on the attached plat, this unorthodox location is completely surrounded by other ARCO tracts in the same lease, so there will be no impact on any other party.

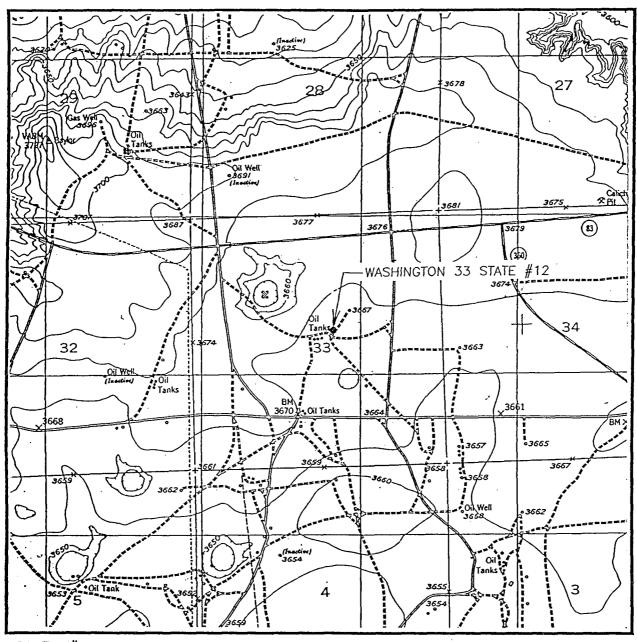
Engineering Justification for Revised NSL Request:

ARCO has already shown the need for 2 strategically spaced wells in each 40-acre tract to recover reserves in the Artesia (Q-G-SA) Field, with 550-600' of gross pay interval. The new Artesia (Glorieta-Yeso) Field, with similar pay type and 220-250' of gross pay, is expected to perform like the San Andres, with low-rate, long-life reserves. Analog San Andres fields indicate we should expect 50 MBO per completion on 20-acre spacing, while other Yeso fields suggest 35 MBO on 20-acre spacing from this deeper pay. Based on other Yeso fields in Eddy County, we expect high variability in pay count and oil rate from one 20-acre Yeso location to the next, and need to retain maximum flexibility to make economic completions. ARCO cannot justify drilling any new well for Yeso reserves alone, nor could we consider directional drilling. ARCO and the State of New Mexico would be best served if all wells were cased to enable Yeso completions.

Production Planning:

In most cases, we expect to complete first in the San Andres dolomite, unless logs or neighboring well performance indicates the Yeso is more prolific. We plan to soon apply to vertically expand the Artesia- Q-G-SA field to include the Yeso, and thus enable co-mingling Yeso with San Andres to keep the wells economic, as was done at Grayburg-Jackson Field by Marbob.

LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1'' = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL - 10'

SEC. 33 TWP. 17-S RGE. 28-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

COUNTY EDDY

DESCRIPTION 2432' FNL & 2270' FEL

ELEVATION 3666'

OPERATOR ARCO PERMIAN

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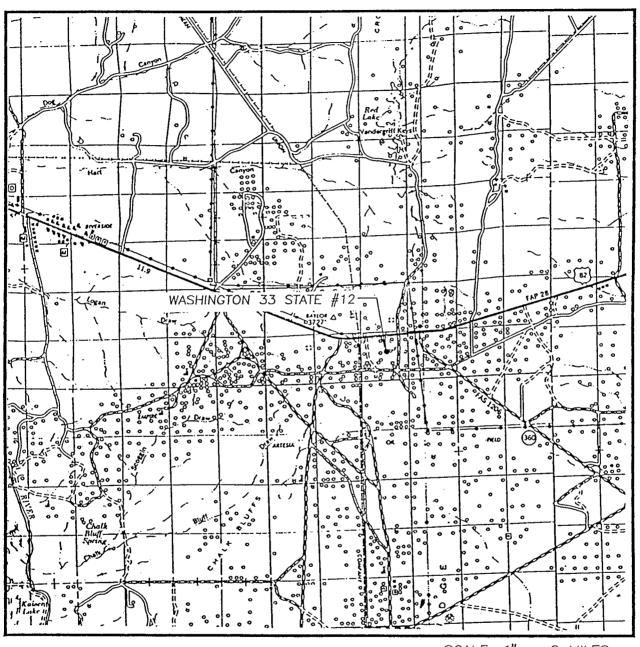
U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

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VICINITY MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2 MILES

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OPERATOR	ARCO PERMIAN
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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Street Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505) 827-7131

April 14, 1998

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REGULATURY

ARCO Permian P. O. Box 1610 Midland, Texas 79702-1610 Attention: Elizabeth A. Casbeer

Administrative Order NSL-4003

Dear Ms. Casbeer:

Reference is made to your application dated March 31, 1998 for an unorthodox oil well location in the Artesia Queen-Grayburg-San Andres Pool for the proposed Washington "33" State Well No. 12 to be drilled 2432 feet from the North line and 2270 feet from the East line (Unit G) of Section 33, Township 17 South, Range 28 East, NMPM, Eddy County, New Mexico. The SW/4 NE/4 of said Section 33 is to be dedicated to said well in order to form a standard 40-acre oil spacing and proration unit for said pool.

Further, the NE/4, NE/4 NW/4, S/2 NW/4, and S/2 of said Section 33 compose a single State lease (New Mexico State Land Office Lease No. X-00647) in which ARCO Permian ("ARCO") is the leasehold operator; therefore, there are no affected offsets to the subject 40-acre tract within the Grayburg/San Andres interval other than ARCO.

The subject application has been duly filed under the provisions of Rule 104.F of the General Rules and Regulations of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division ("Division").

By the authority granted me under the provisions of Division General Rule 104.F(2), the above-described unorthodox oil well location is hereby approved.

Sincerely,

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Director

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cc: New Mexico Oil Conservation Division - Artesia

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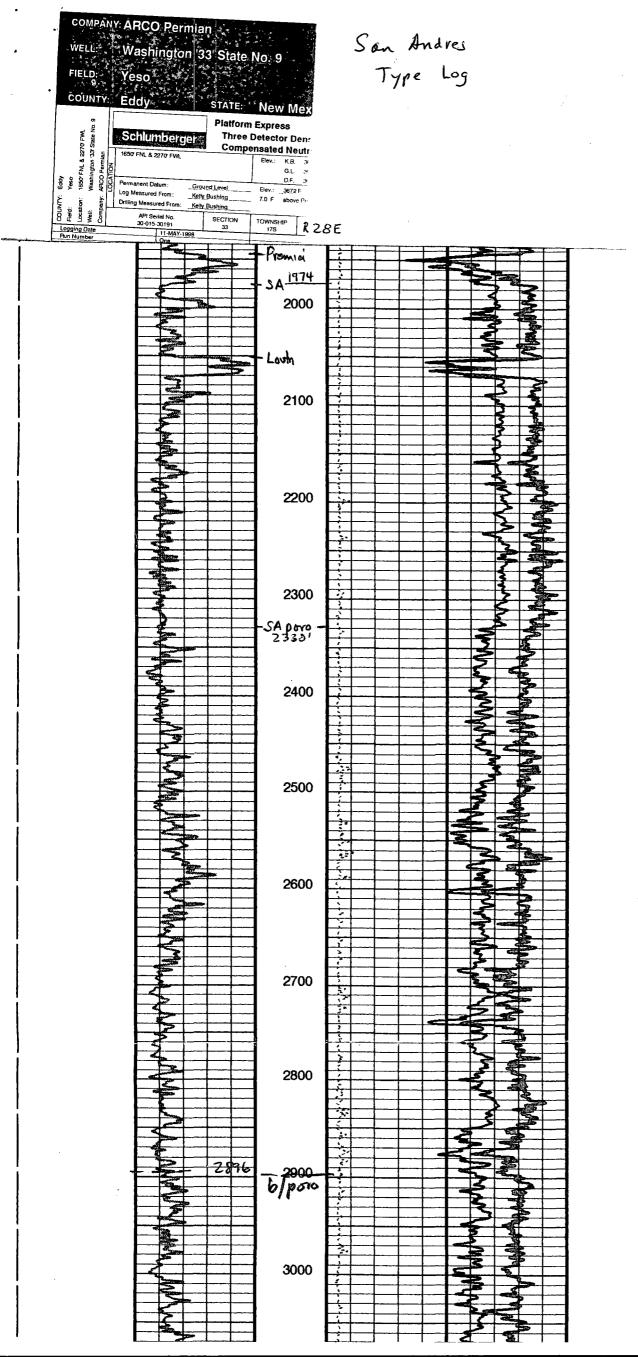
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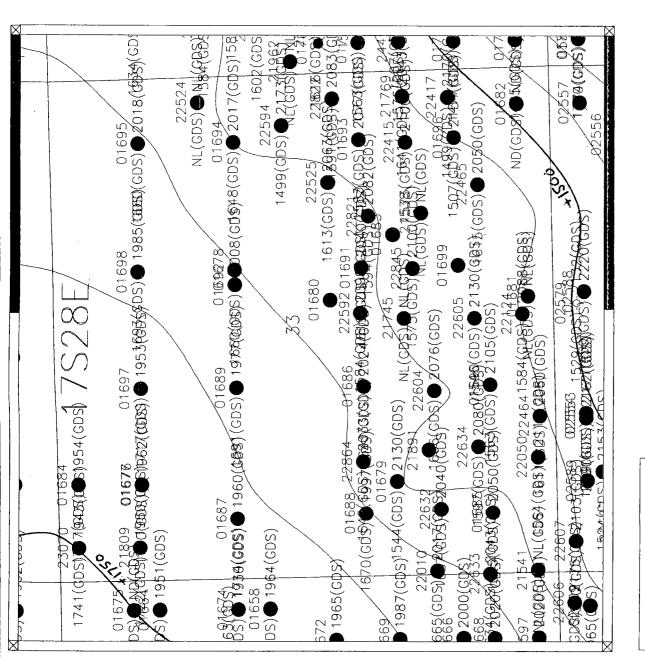
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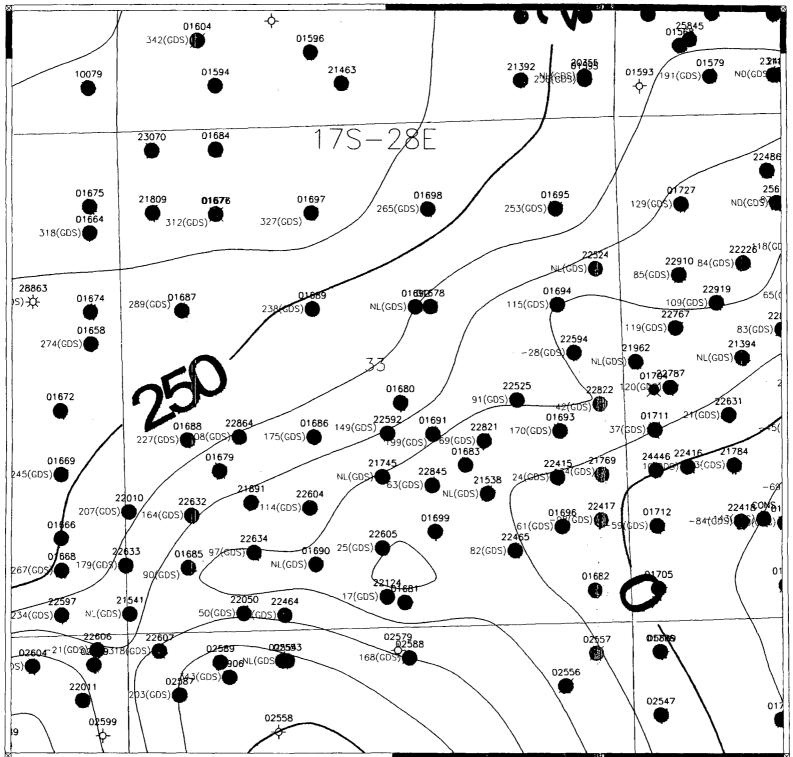


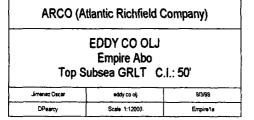


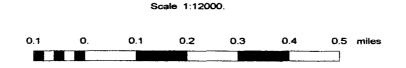
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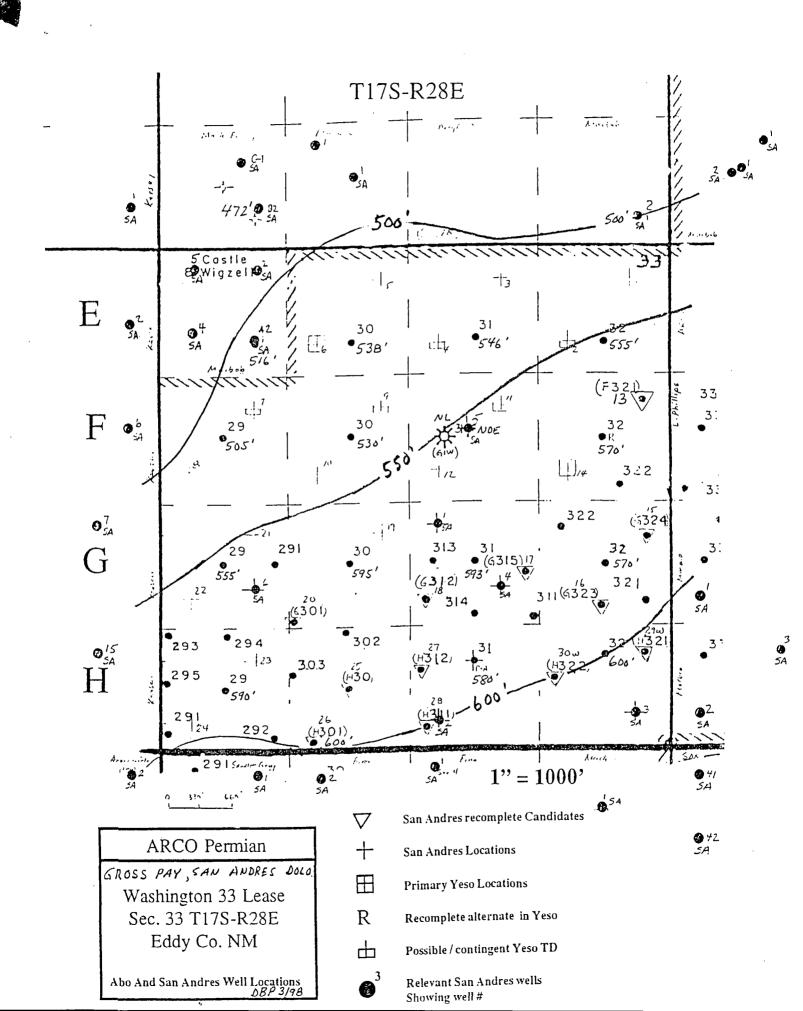
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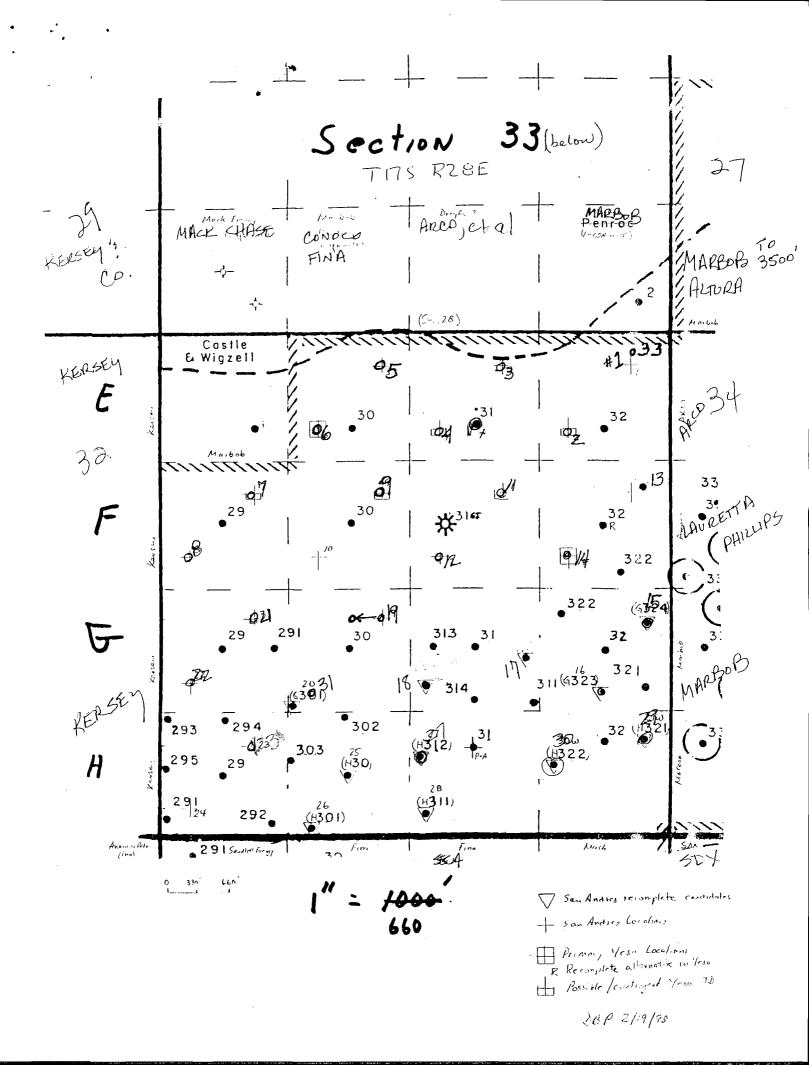
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OFFSET OPERATORS WASHINGTON "33" STATE #12

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