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July 31, 1968

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission P. 0. Box 2088 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

> Re: Application for Administrative Approval for Conversion of Additional Wells to Water Injection West Lovington Unit West Lovington San Andres Pool Lea County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

TEXACO Inc. respectfully requests administrative approval to convert 8 additional wells to water injection in the West Lovington Unit, West Lovington San Andres Pool, Lea County, New Mexico. The following wells are proposed for conversion:

Well	Unit	Sec.	TWP	Rge.
West Lovington Unit Well No. 3	A	5	17S	36E
5	С	4	17S	36E
7	H	6	17s	36E
27	N	6	17S	36E
29	P	6	17S	36E
38	М	3	17S	36E
51	\mathbf{F}	7	17S	36E
53	Η	7	17S	36E

The West Lovington Unit Waterflood Project was approved by Order No. R-2071 dated October 9, 1961. The West Lovington Unit became effective January 1, 1962 and water injection commenced on February 18, 1963. Cumulative water injection to July 1, 1968 has been 10,541,431 barrels and is currently averaging 160,000 barrels per month. Oil production since unitization to July 1, 1968 has been 1,328,146 barrels.

The overall operation of this waterflood has been generally satisfactory. Response to water injection has been slow but steady, increasing at a rate of 17% per year until mid-1966 when it reached a plateau. Response has also been noted to be very sensitive to the water injection rate. The western half and northeastern periphery of the reservoir exhibits a definite reduction in permeability when compared to the eastern half of the reservoir. This is demonstrated by the variation in cumulative injection volumes in the two areas and shown by Figure III attached.

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To improve production in the western and northern portions of the reservoir it is proposed to convert the subject wells to water injection. This will change the current 9-spot pattern to an 80-acre 5-spot pattern in the west portion of the field and to a modified peripheral pattern on the north and east. It is anticipated that water injection into these additional wells will be approximately 1900 BWPD. Water Rights Permits L-4084 and L-4085, Lea County Underground Water Basin, furnish water for the West Lovington Unit and the allotment is sufficient for all estimated future requirements.

The following attachments are submitted in accordance with Rule 701 (E)(5) in support of this request.

- 1. Lease Ownership Map of the area within two miles of each proposed injection well and the wells in this area with the formation from which the wells produce.
- Logs on three of the proposed injection wells. (These are the only ones available.)
- 3. Diagrammatic sketch on each proposed injection well.
- 4. A plat of the West Lovington Unit with well test information for 1962 (prior to water injection) and for 1968. This is to show that each proposed injection well has either experienced response to water injection or is offset by a producing well which has experienced response. (Figure I)
- 5. A graph of the Unit production performance

A copy of this application is being furnished to each offset operator by mail on this date.

Yours very truly,

Carmon

H. D. Raymond District Superintendent

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USGS - Roswell NMOCC - Hobbs All Offset Operators OFFSET OPERATORS

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Aztec Oil and Gas Company P. O. Box 847 Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

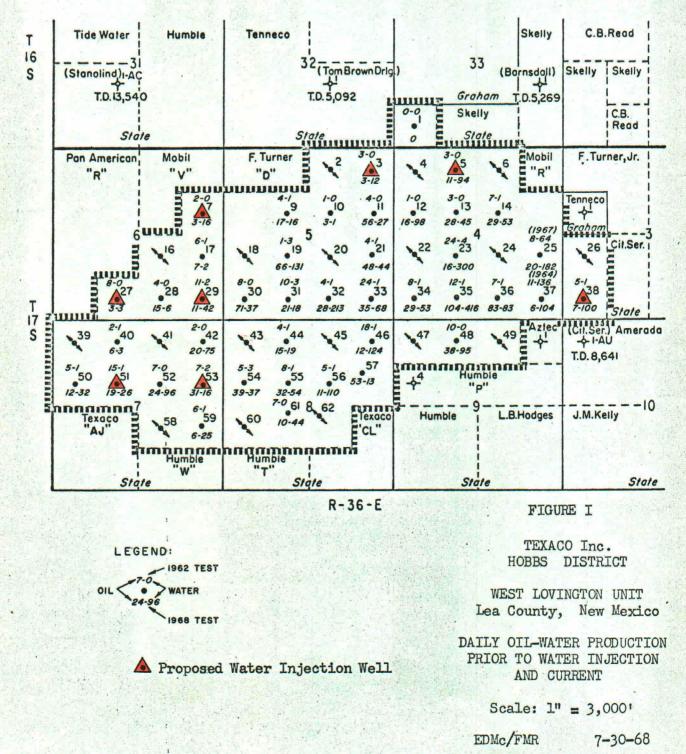
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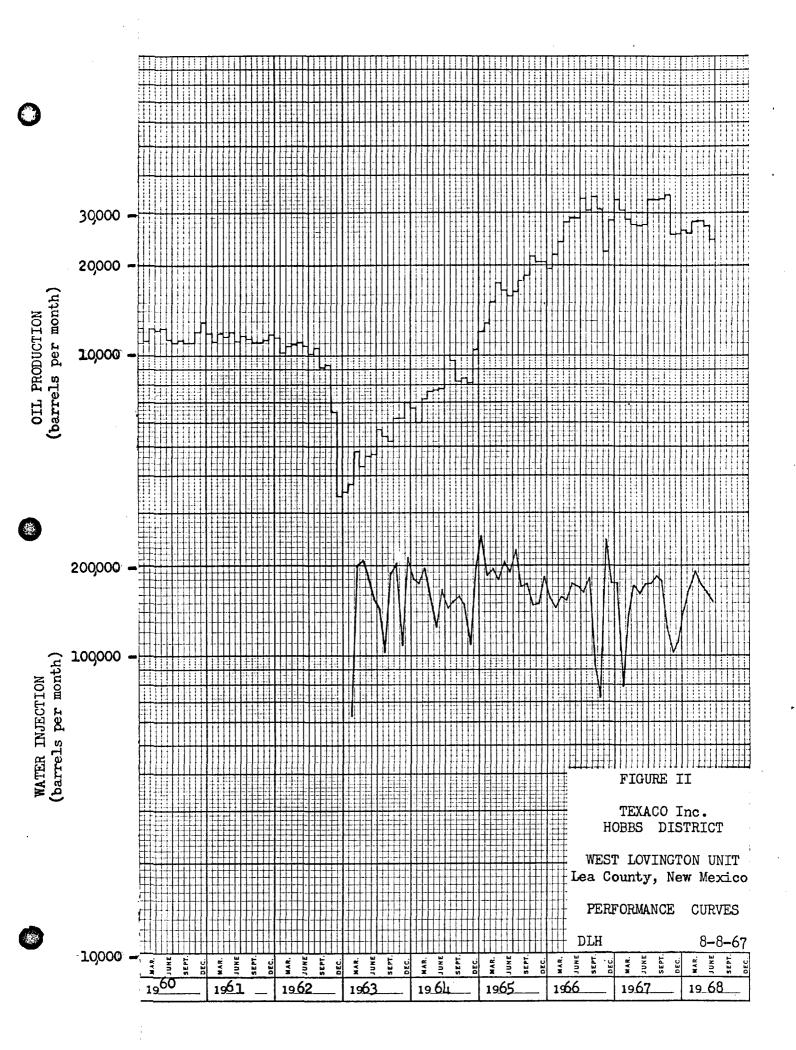
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Fred Turner, Jr. Estate P. O. Box 910 Midland, Texas 79701





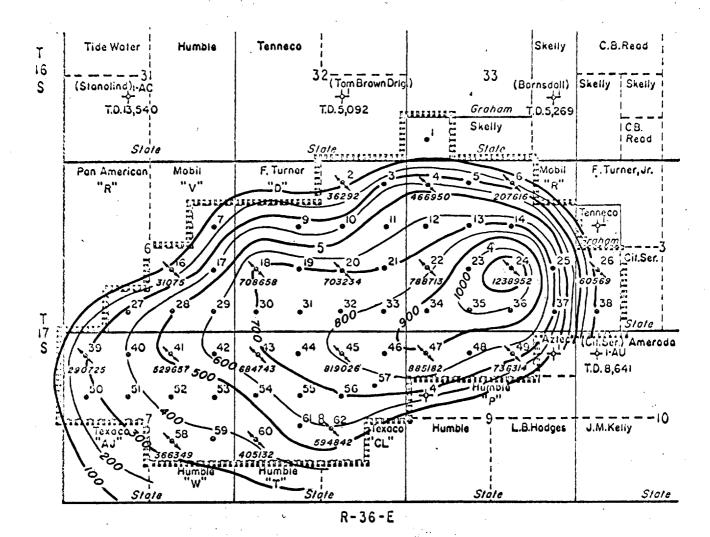


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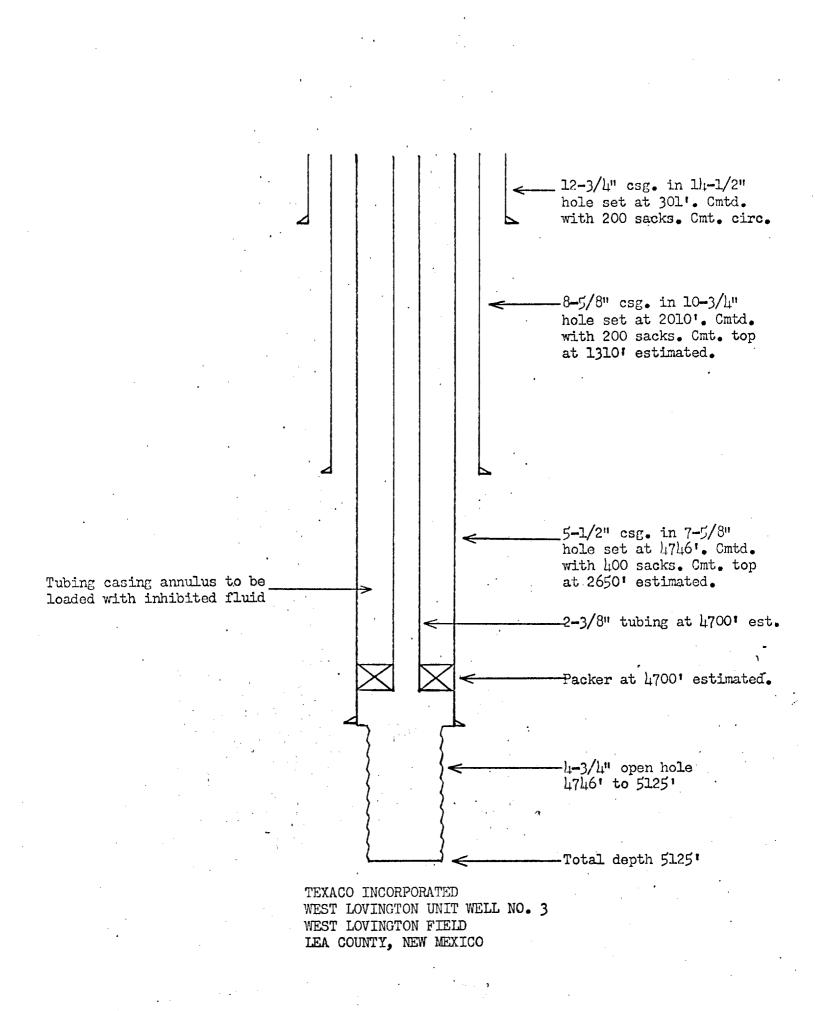
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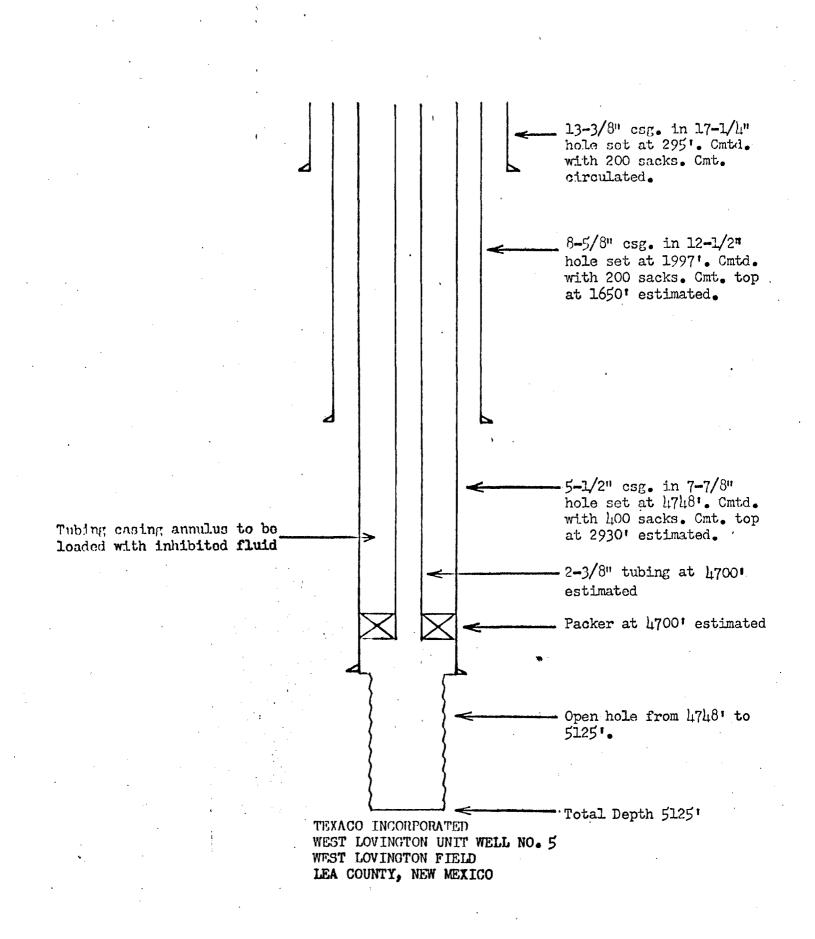
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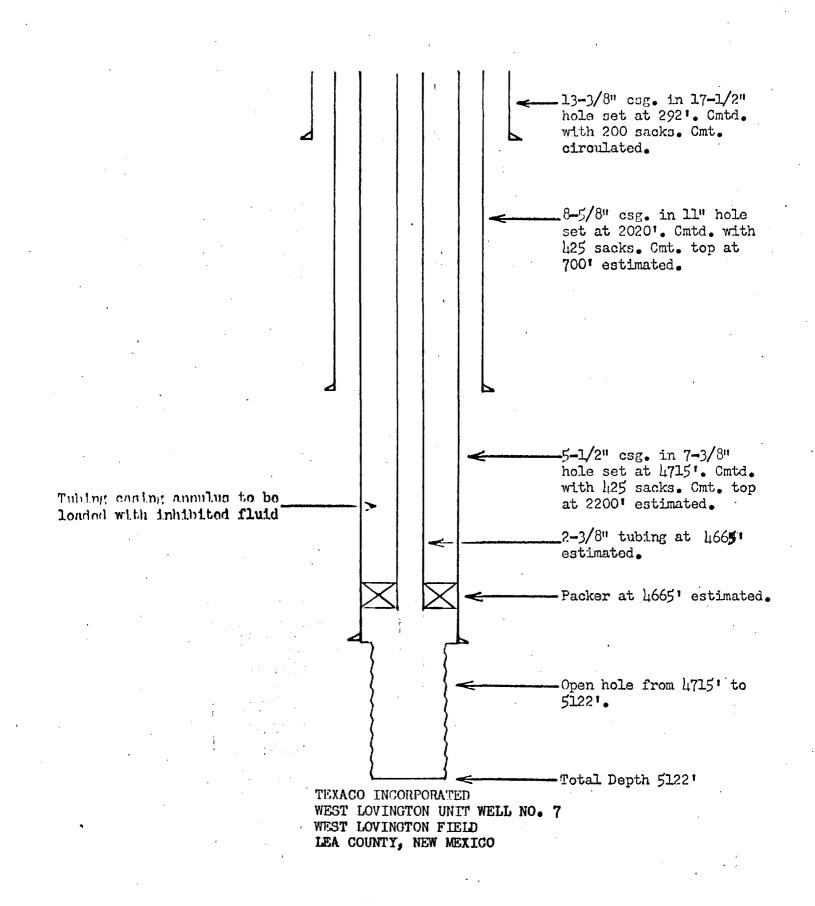
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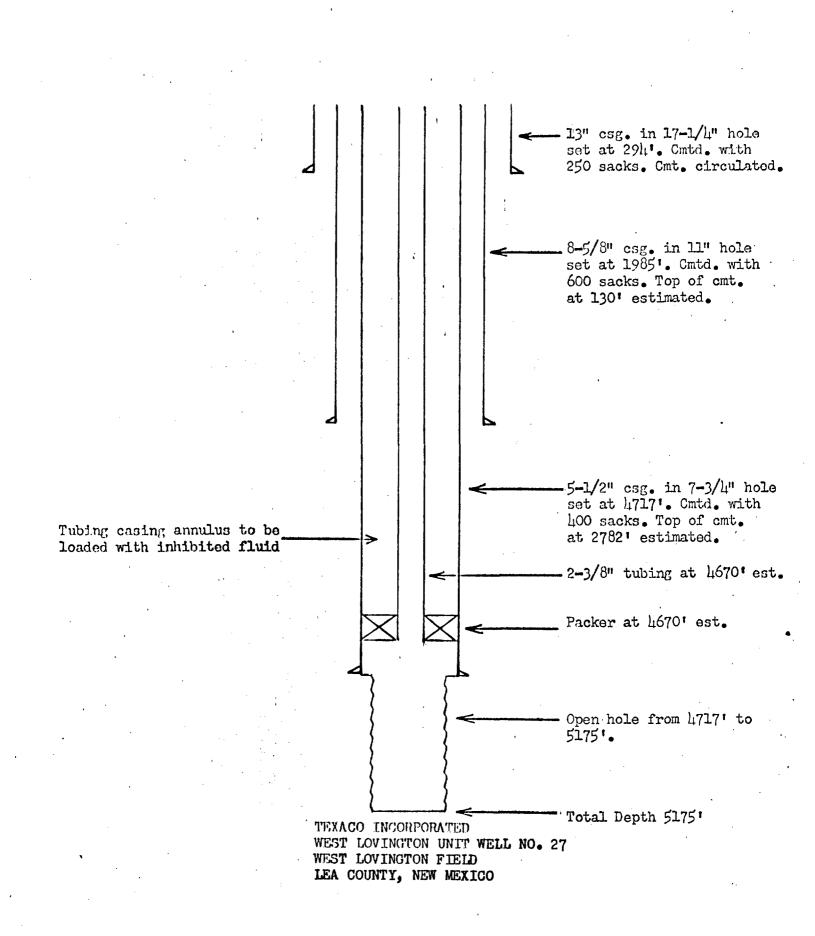
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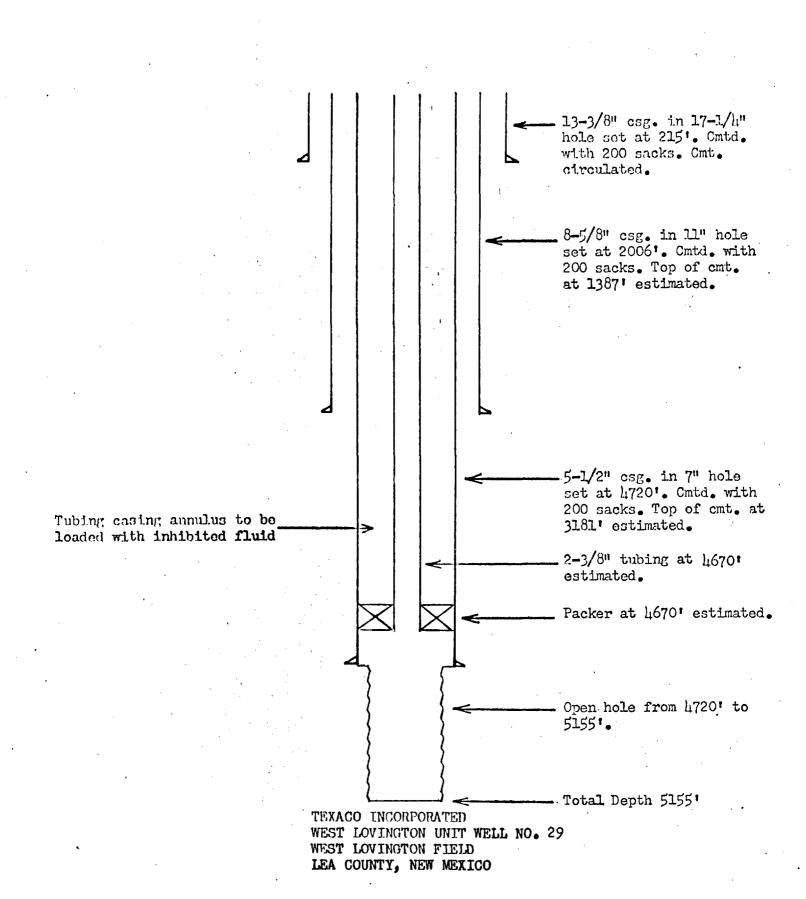
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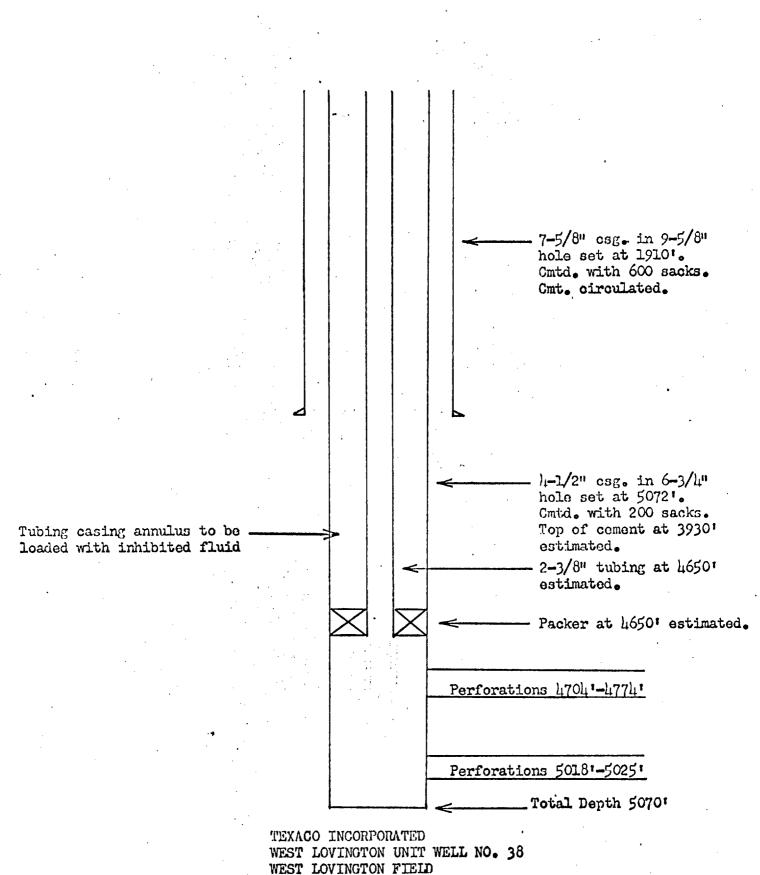






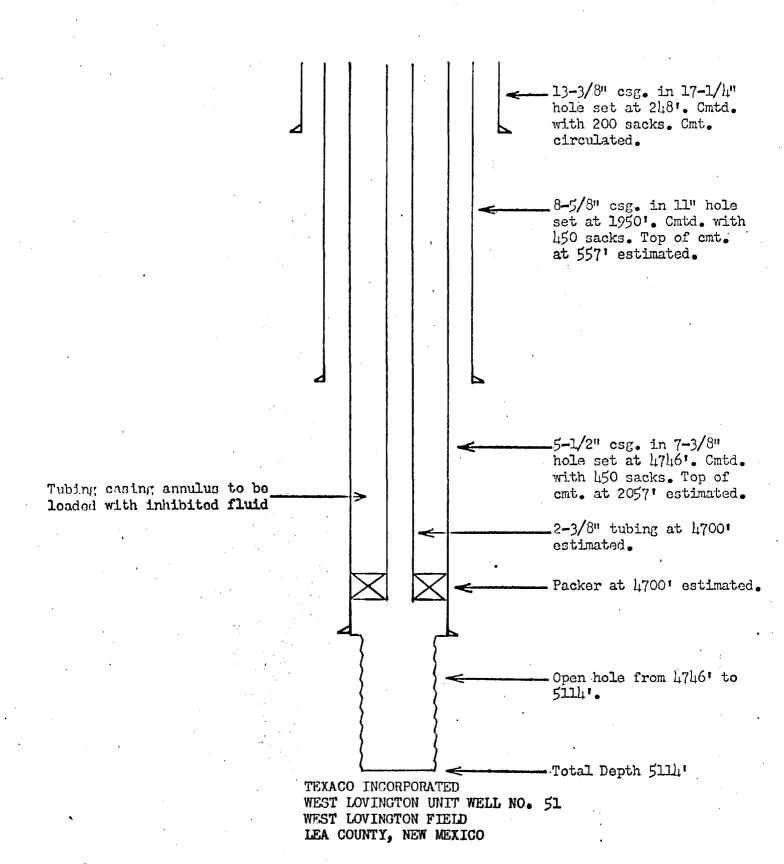


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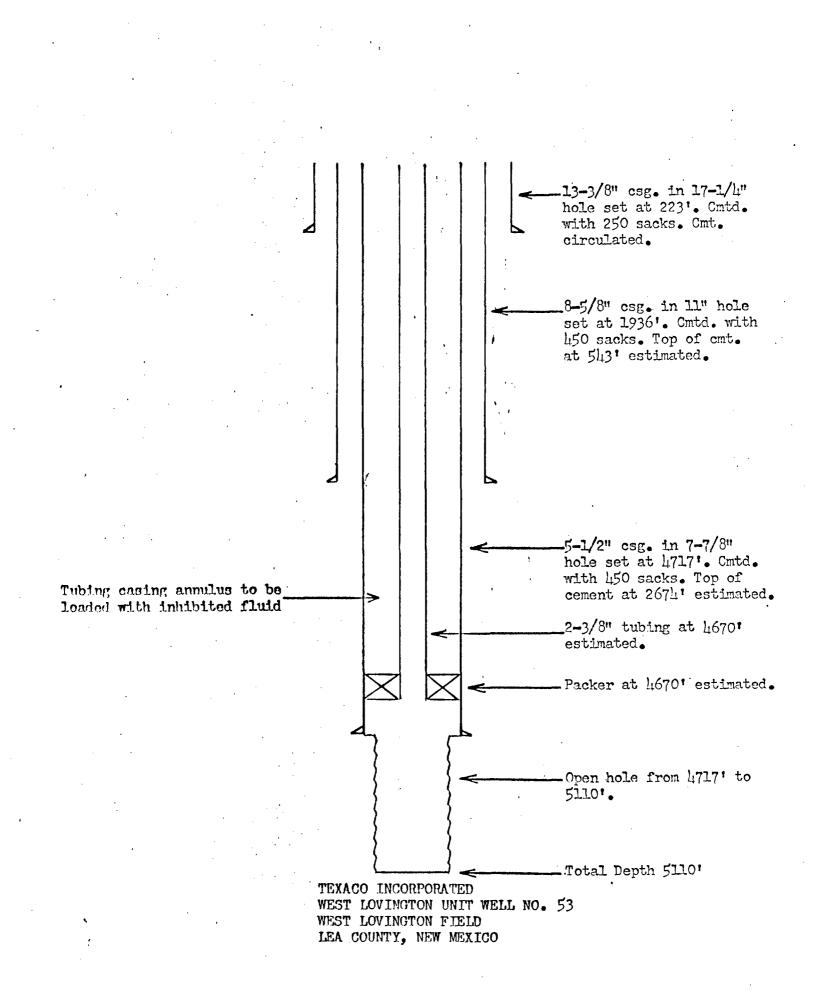


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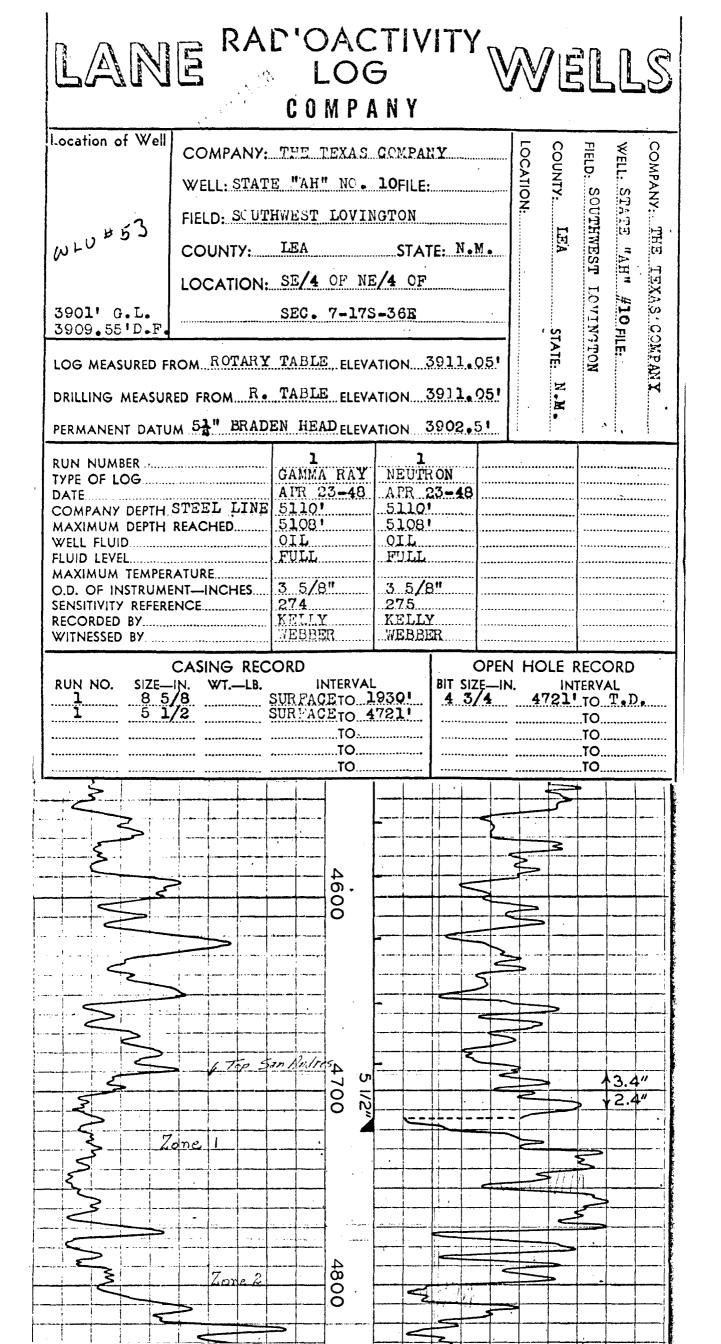


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