NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Elm Ridge

ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

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[NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]

[DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]

[PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]

[WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]

[SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]

[EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1]			ck Those Which Apply for [A]
	[A]	Location - Spacing	Unit - Simultaneous Dedication SD
		NSL NSP	SD

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

[B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement

DHC CTB PLC PC OLS OLM

[C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery WFX PMX SWD IPI EOR PPR

[D] Other: Specify

[2] NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply

[A] Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners

(B) Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner

[C] Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice

Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO
U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office

(E] For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,

[F] Waivers are Attached

[3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

Print or Type Name

BRIAN WOOD (505) 466-8120 FAX 466-9682 Signature

Title

Date

CONSULTANT

10-14-01

e-mail Address

brian@permitswest.com



REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION FOR ELM RIDGE RESOURCES, INC.

BONITA CANYON 1 WELL SOUTH LINDRITH GALLUP DAKOTA

1185' FNL & 950' FEL SEC. 23, T. 23 N., R. 4 W., SANDOVAL COUNTY, NM

- I. The well is on Jicarilla Apache tribal surface and a Jicarilla Apache tribal oil and gas lease (BIA #390). The proposed location is non-standard for the Gallup. A standard location must be at least 330' from the quarter-quarter line. This well is staked 195' further south than standard. (Closest standard location would be 990' FNL and 950' FEL and among trees.) The APD is attached.
- II. A C-102 showing the well location and proration unit (NE4NE4 for the Gallup and NE4 for the Dakota) is attached. The lease (contains 1,920 acres: all of Sections 23, 24, & 26; T. 23 N., R. 4 W.) is shown on the attached copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW USGS topo map.
- III. According to NM Oil Conservation Division records reviewed in the Santa Fe office on August 22, 2001; the closest producer is Elm Ridge's Whitaker #53 a Gallup Dakota well which is 2,543' south at 1650' FSL & 1650' FEL 23-23n-4w. A standard location would actually be closer to the Whitaker #53. The next closest well after that is Galloway's Delo #1 well which is a Pictured Cliffs well 2,632' northeast in SWSW 13-23n-4w.

A copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW 7.5' USGS maps is attached. The map shows the proposed well site, Gallup (dotted line including all of NE4NE4 Sec. 23) spacing unit, Dakota (dashed line including all of NE4 Sec. 23) spacing unit, and lease (solid line including all of Sections 23, 24, and 26).

There is only one lease within a minimum 1,185' radius. Elm Ridge is the operator of the Gallup and Dakota rights in the Sections 23 and 26 portions of the tribal lease.

Three existing Pictured Cliffs spacing units adjoin the Elm Ridge's proposed acreage dedication. Only the PC wells are shown as black squares, not their acreage dedications.

Registered letters were sent on October 13, 2001 to all offset interest owners. A copy of the each letter is attached.

- IV. A copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW USGS map is attached. The proposed well site is marked. Proration unit for the Gallup is the 40 acre northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 23. Proration unit for the Dakota is the 160 acre northeast quarter of Section 23. Both are in Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Sandoval County, NM.
- V. Elm Ridge selected its location to miss trees. The drilling window is in a pinyon-juniper forest. The Jicarilla Apache Nation wants to minimize tree loss.
- VI. No archaeology sites were found.
- VII. See item V. above and attached map for a description of the surface conditions.
- VIII. Directional drilling is not feasible because it is not cost effective.
- IX. I hereby certify notice has been sent to the following lessees, lessors, operators of spacing units, or owners of undrilled leases which adjoin the applicant's spacing unit on one or more of the two sides or the single closest corner to the proposed well and that the information is current and correct.

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Bureau of Land Management
Chace Oil Co. Inc.
Fisher, J. C.
Galloway, W. M.
Jicarilla Apache Nation Oil & Gas Administration
Whittier Energy Co.

Signature, Title, & Date

Consultant 10-14-01

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) SS:
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 14th day of October, 2001 by Brian Wood. Witness my hand and official seal.

Notary/Public

My Commission Expires: 9

Business Address: 37 VERANO LOOP, SANTA FE, NM 87508

cc: Aztec OCD, Clark, Endsley

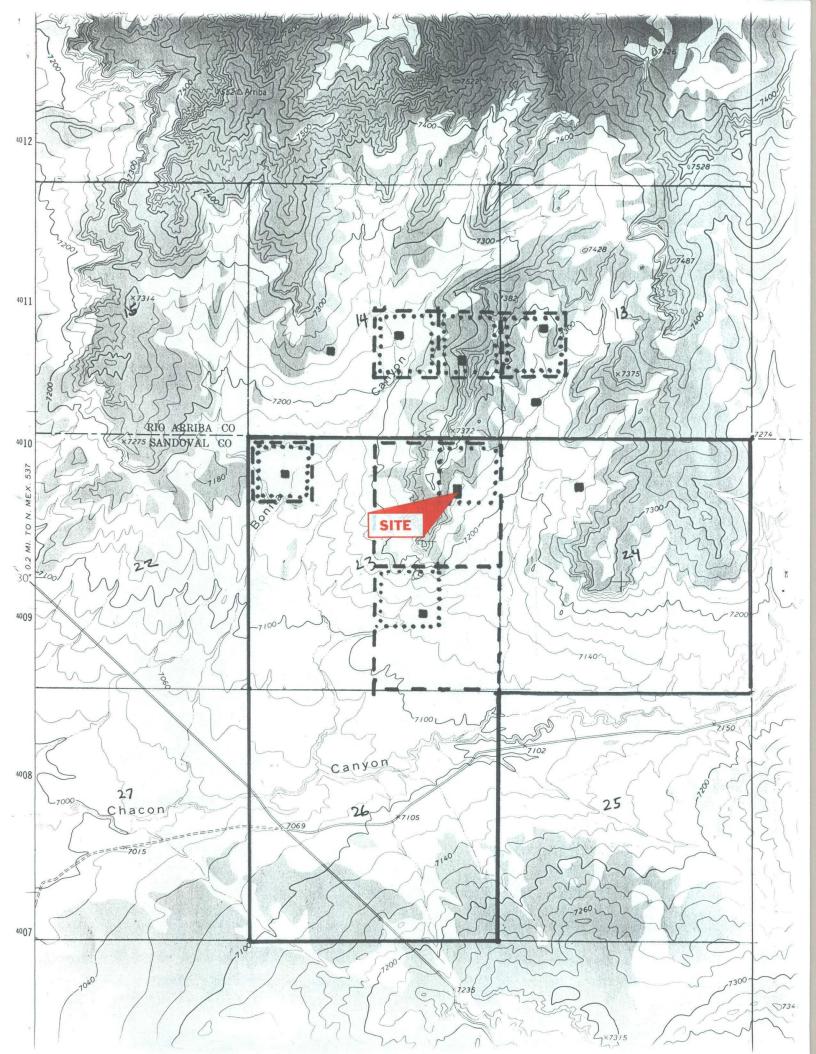


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BIA P. O. Box 167 Dulce, NM 87528

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Sandoval County, NM on tribal lease BIA #390

Approximate Location: ≈13 air miles east of Counselor, NM

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October 13, 2001

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W. M. Galloway 3005 Northridge, Suite 1 Farmington, NM 87401

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SUBMIT IN TRIPLICATE.

(Other instructions on reverse side)

FORM APPROVED OMB NO. 1004-0136 Expires: February 28, 1995

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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12-1/4"	K-55 8-5/8"	24	350'	≈250 cu. ft. & to surface
7-7/8"	J-55 4-1/2"	10.5	7,175'	≈3,390 cu. ft. & to surface

cc: BIA, BLM, Elm (D&F), C	CD (via BLM), Tribe
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State of New Mexico Energy. Minerals & Mining Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe. NM 87505

MENDED REPORT

WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

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Drilling Program

1. ESTIMATED FORMATION TOPS

Formation Name	<u>GL Depth</u>	KB Depth	Subsea Elevation
San Jose	000'	12'	+7,245'
Ojo Alamo	2,380'	2,392'	+4,865'
Pictured Cliffs Ss	2,820'	2,832'	+4,425'
Chacra Ss	3,575'	3,587'	+3,670'
Mesa Verde Ss	4,310'	4,322'	+2,935'
Mancos Sh	5,105'	5,117'	+2,140'
Gallup Ss	5,445'	5,457'	+1,800'
Semilla Ss	6,745'	6,757'	+500'
Greenhorn Ls	6,945'	6,957'	+300'
Dakota Ss	7,010'	7,022'	+235'
Burro Canyon	7,145'	7,157'	+100'
Total Depth (TD)*	7,175'	7,187'	+70'

^{*} all elevations reflect the ungraded ground level of 7,245'

2. NOTABLE ZONES

Oil & Gas Zones	Water Zones	<u>Coal Zone</u>
Fruitland	San Jose	Fruitland
Pictured Cliffs	Ojo Alamo	
Gallup	Fruitland	
Dakota		

Water zones will be protected with casing, cement, and weighted mud. Fresh water encountered during drilling will be recorded by depth, cased, and cemented. Oil and gas shows will be tested for commercial potential based on the well site geologist's recommendations.



3. PRESSURE CONTROL

The drilling contract has not yet been awarded, thus the exact BOP model to be used is not yet known. A typical 3,000 psi model is on PAGE 3.

A \geq 3,000 psi BOP and choke manifold system will be installed and tested to 2,000 psi before drilling surface casing plug. It will remain in use until the well is completed or abandoned. A safety valve and sub with a full opening valve to fit the drill pipe and collars will be available on the rig floor in the open position at all times for use when kelly is not in use.

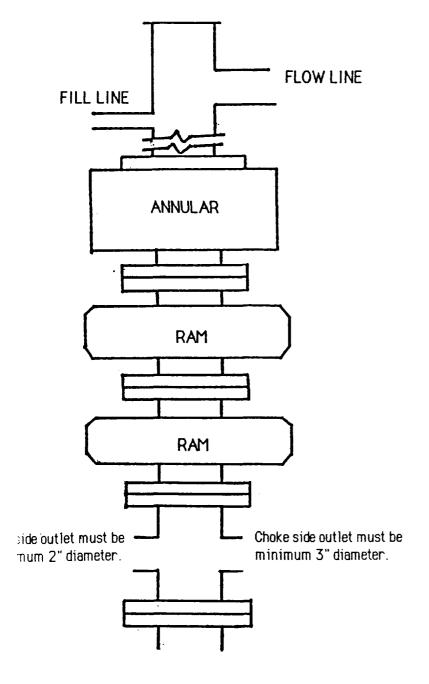
All BOP mechanical and pressure tests will be recorded on the driller's log. BOPs will be inspected and opened and closed at least daily to assure good mechanical working order. Inspections will be recorded on the daily drilling report. Pressure tests will be conducted before drilling out from under all casing strings which are set and cemented in place.

4. CASING & CEMENT

Hole Size	<u>O.D.</u>	Weight (lb/ft)	<u>Grade</u>	Туре	Age	GL Setting Depth
12-1/4"	8-5/8"	24	K-55	ST&C	New	350'
7-7/8"	4-1/2"	10.5	J-55	LT&C	New	7,175

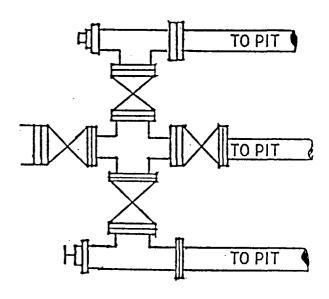
Surface casing will be cemented to the surface with ≈ 250 cubic feet (≈ 250 sx) Class B with 1/4#/sk Flocele + 2% CaCl₂. Volume is based on 100% excess. Centralizers will be installed on the middle of the shoe joint and every other centralizer thereafter. Thread lock the guide shoe and bottom of float collar only. Use API casing dope.





TYPICAL BOP STACK & CHOKE MANIFOLD

There will be at least 2 chokes and 2 choke line valves (3" minimum). The choke line will be 3" in diameter. There will be a pressure gauge on the choke manifold.



line will be minimum 2" diameter have 2 valves, one of which shall minimum 2" check valve.

Upper kelly cock will have handle available.

Safety valve and subs will fit all drill string connections in use.

All BOPE connections subjected to well pressure will be flanged, welded, or clamped.



Production casing will be cemented to the surface in 2 stages with a stage tool set at \approx 4,750'. First stage volume will be \approx 1,470 cu ft consisting of \approx 360 sx Halliburton Lite with 1/4 #/sk Flocele followed by \approx 670 sx Class B with 2% CaCl₂. Second stage volume will be \approx 1,920 cu ft consisting of \approx 1,040 sx of Halliburton Lite with 2% CaCl₂ followed by \approx 55 sx Class B with 2% CaCl₂ to cover the Mesa Verde, Pictured Cliffs, and Ojo Alamo. Volume is based on 75% excess, but caliper log will be used to determine actual volume needed. Centralizers will be installed on the middle of the shoe joint and on every joint thereafter for a total of \approx 31 centralizers. Thread lock the guide shoe, bottom of float collar, and bottom of stage tool only. Use API casing dope.

5. MUD PROGRAM

<u>Depth</u>	<u>Type</u>	ppg	Viscosity	Fluid Loss	pН
0' - 350'	Fresh water gel chem	9.0	50	NC	9
350' - TD'	Fresh water gel chem	9.0	38-50	6.0	9

Sufficient material to maintain mud properties, control lost circulation, and contain a blowout will be available at the well site while drilling. Mud will be checked hourly by rig personnel. Material to soak up possible oil or fuel spills will be on site.

6. CORING, TESTING, & LOGGING

No cores or DSTs are planned. DIL/GR logs will be run from TD to surface. CNL/FDC logs may be run over selected segments. Samples will be collected every 10' from 200' above the Point Lookout to the base of the Point Lookout and through the Gallup and Dakota. Samples will be collected every 30' elsewhere.



7. DOWN HOLE CONDITIONS

No abnormal pressures, temperatures, or hydrogen sulfide are expected. Maximum pressure will be <2,870 psi.

8. OTHER INFORMATION

The anticipated spud date is September 20, 2001. It is expected it will take \approx 2 weeks to drill and \approx 10 days to complete the well. Completion is expected to include \approx 1000 to \approx 1500 gallons 15% HCl and a 50 to 60 ton sand frac.

Questions or notices concerning down hole matters should be directed to BLM's petroleum engineer Dave Sitzler in Albuquerque at 505-761-8919 or petroleum engineering technician Al Yepa in Cuba at 505-289-3748.



Surface Use Plan

1. DIRECTIONS & EXISTING ROADS (See Pages 10 & 11)

From the equivalent of Milepost 4.4 on NM 537 ...

Go east 0.1 miles to a dumpster

Then bear left and go NE 0.3 mi.

Then bear left and continue NE 1.4 miles

Then turn right and go SE 0.9 miles

Then turn right and go S 0.1 mile to the Delo #1 well

Then follow flags cross country 0.5 miles southwest to the well site

Roads will be maintained to a standard at least equal to their present condition.

2. ROADS TO BE BUILT OR IMPROVED

One half mile of new road will be built. It will initially be flat bladed with a ≈ 15 ' wide running surface. (It will be crowned and ditched if production results. Borrow ditches will turn out and be skewed to drain at least once every 500'.) Brush will be used as mulch to stop head cutting arroyos on the east side of the new road. No fence is crossed. No turnout is needed. No upgrading of existing roads is needed. Maximum disturbance will be 30'. Maximum grade will be 6%. Piñon trees will be avoided as much as practical.

3. EXISTING WELLS (See PAGE 11)

There are ten existing oil or gas wells and one P&A well within a mile radius. There are no water or injection wells.



4. PROPOSED PRODUCTION FACILITIES (See Page 14)

Production facilities will include a pipeline, separator, dehydrator, meter run, and 210 bbl tank. Above ground equipment will be painted a flat juniper green. A steel \leq 4" O.D. natural gas pipeline will be laid north, west, and south 11,788.22' along roads and pipelines to an existing Elm Ridge gas pipeline. The pipeline will operate at \approx 250 psi, be tested to \approx 2,500 psi, has a burst rating of \approx 11,010 psi, and will be buried at least 36" deep.

5. WATER SUPPLY

Water will be trucked from a water hole a mile northwest of the junction of US 550 and NM 537.

6. CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS & METHODS

The top 6" of soil and brush will be stripped and piled west of the pad. A diversion ditch will be cut west of the pile. A minimum 12 mil plastic liner will be installed in the reserve pit.

7. WASTE DISPOSAL

The reserve pit will be fenced sheep tight on 3 sides with woven wire fence topped with barbed wire. The fourth side will be fenced once the rig moves off. The fence will be kept in good repair while the pit dries. Once dry, contents of the reserve pit will be buried in place.

Trash will be placed in a trash cage and hauled to an approved landfill. Human waste will be disposed of in 10' deep rat holes under trailers or in chemical toilets. Holes will be filled with bentonite when the trailers are removed.



8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES

There will be no air strips or camps. Camper trailers will be on location for the company man, tool pusher, and mud logger.

9. WELL SITE LAYOUT

See Pages 12 and 13 for depictions of the well pad, cross sections, cut and fill diagrams, reserve pit, trash cage, access road onto the location, parking, living facilities, soil stockpile, and rig orientation.

10. RECLAMATION

Reclamation starts once the reserve pit is dry. It usually takes a year for a reserve pit to fully evaporate, at which point it will be backfilled. The pad, road, pipeline, and backfilled pit will be recontoured to a natural appearance, soil spread evenly over disturbed areas, and disturbed areas ripped or harrowed. The south half seed mix will be drilled as prescribed by the BIA and Tribe. Bladed brush will used as mulch.

If the well is a producer, then the reserve pit and any other areas not needed for workovers will be reclaimed as previously described. All of the topsoil pile will be used to reclaim the reserve pit.

11. SURFACE OWNER

The well, road, and pipeline are all on Jicarilla Apache Tribal Trust land.

12. OTHER INFORMATION



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Elm Ridge Resources, Inc. Bonita Canyon 1 1185' FNL & 950' FEL Sec. 23, T. 23 N., R. 4 W. Sandoval County, New Mexico

The nearest clinics are an hour plus drive away in Cuba and Dulce. The nearest hospital is over two hours away in southwest Farmington.

13. REPRESENTATION

Anyone having questions concerning the APD should contact:

Brian Wood, Consultant Permits West, Inc. 37 Verano Loop Santa Fe, NM 87505 (505) 466-8120

FAX: (505) 466-9682 Mobile: (505) 699-2276

The field representative will be:

Doug Endsley Elm Ridge Resources, Inc. P. O. Box 189 Farmington, NM 87499 (505) 632-3476

Elm Ridge Resources, Inc. has the necessary consents from the proper lease owners to conduct lease operations in conjunction with this well. Bond coverage pursuant to 43 CFR 3104 for lease activities and operations is being provided by Elm Ridge Resources, Inc.

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which currently exist; that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with operations proposed herein will be performed by Elm Ridge Resources, Inc. and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is



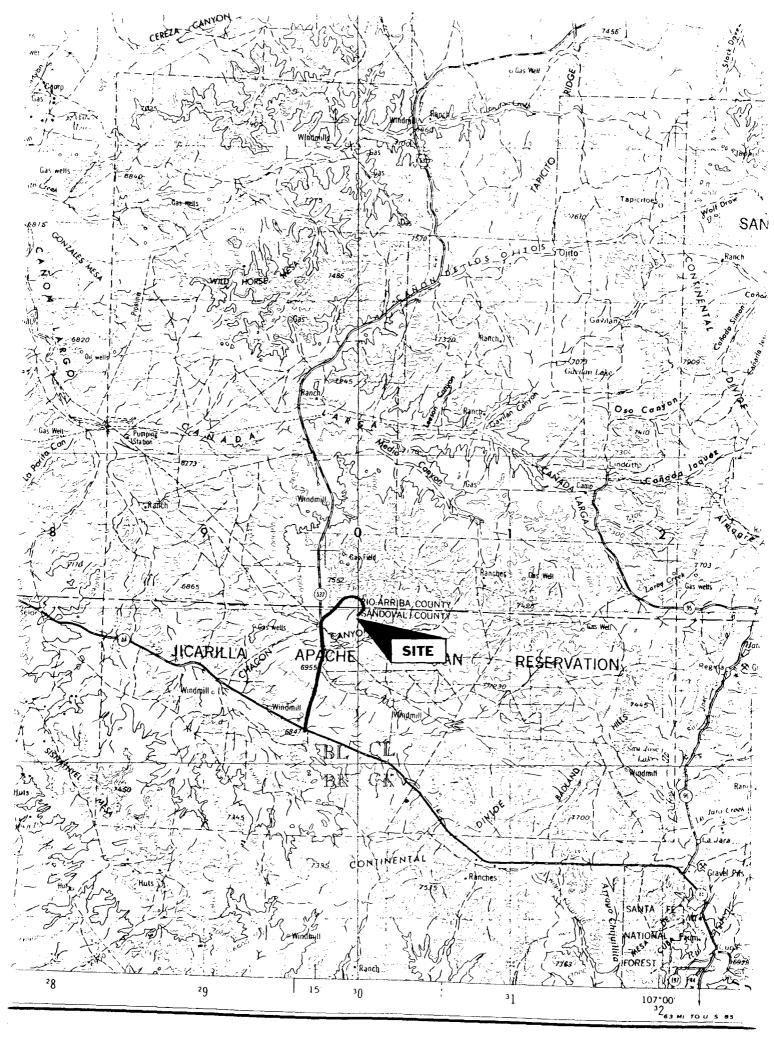
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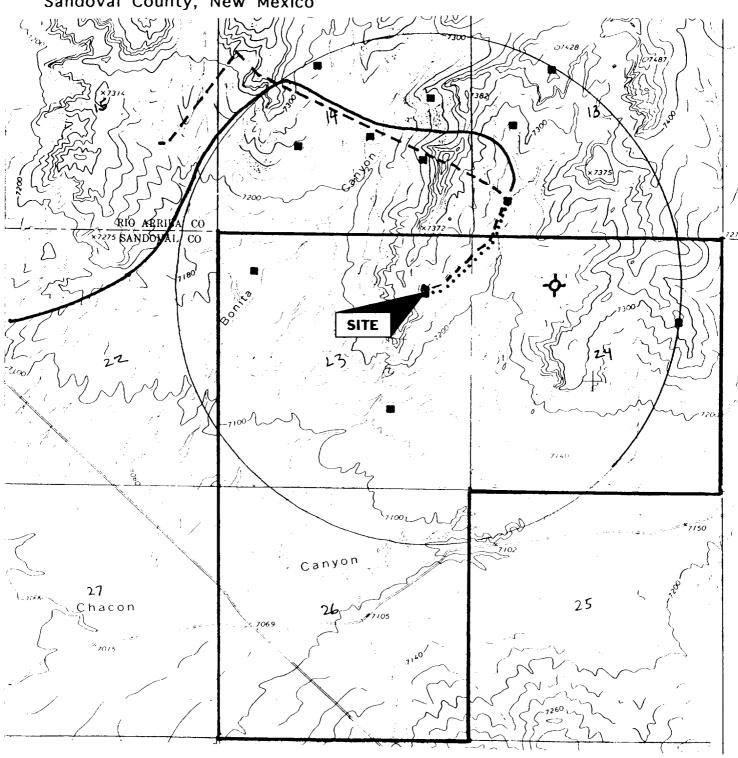
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1185' FNL & 950' FEL Sec. 23, T. 23 N., R. 4 W.

Sandoval County, New Mexico



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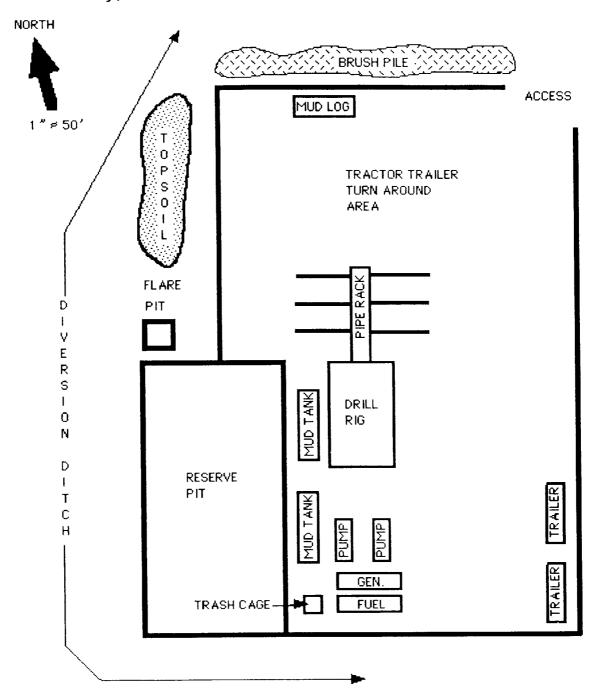
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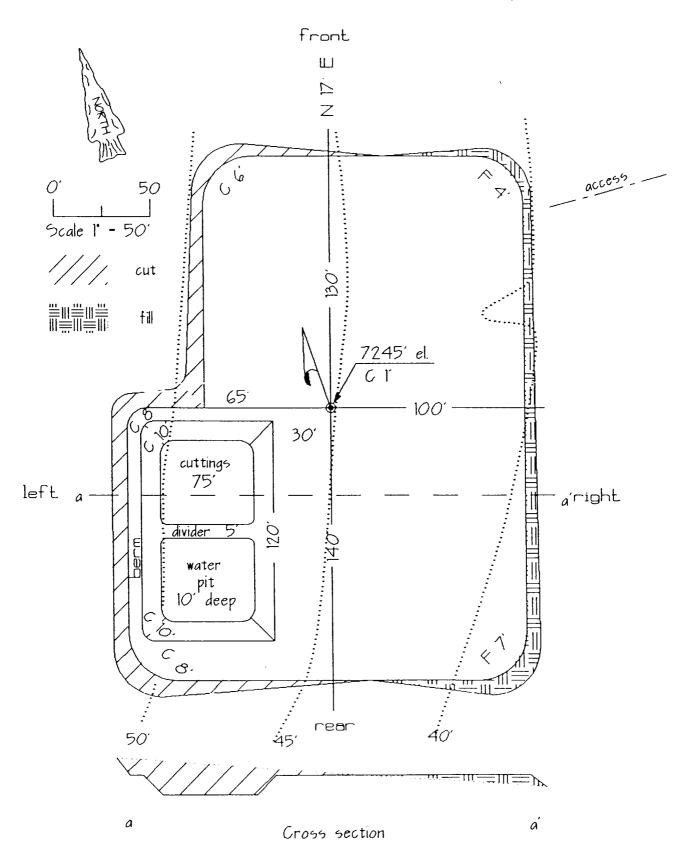
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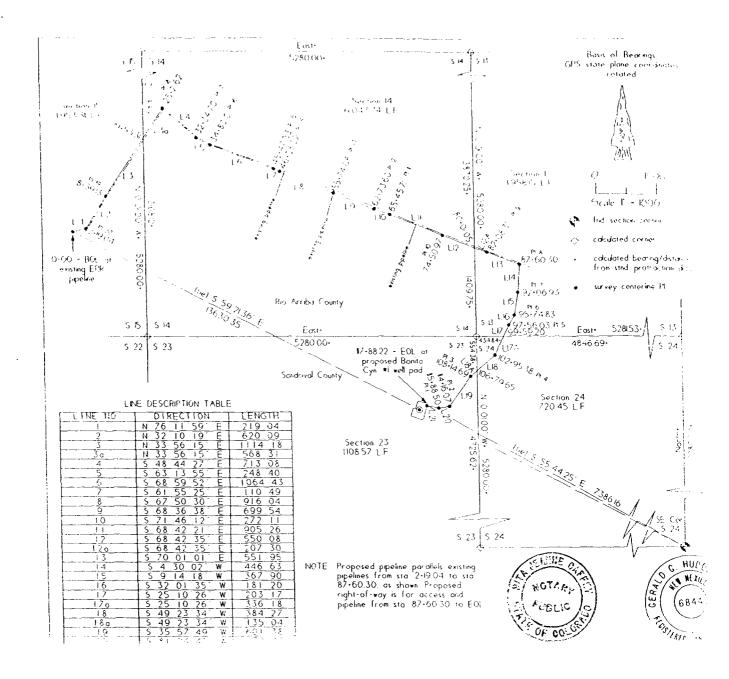
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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 4954 Order No. R-4555

NOMENCLATURE

APPLICATION OF CHACE OIL COMPANY FOR POOL CREATION AND DOWN-HOLE COMMINGLING AND SPECIAL POOL RULES, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on April 25, 1973, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this 25th day of June, 1973, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That the applicant, Chace Oil Company, seeks the creation of a new oil pool for Gallup and Dakota production in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, and the promulgation of temporary special rules and regulations governing said pool, including provisions for 160-acre spacing and proration units and limited well locations.
- (3) That the applicant further seeks to have such temporary special pool rules apply to two drilling wells in Unit O of Section 21, Township 24 North, Range 4 West, and Unit E of Section 3, Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico.
- (4) That Chace Oil Company's Jicarilla 70 Well No. 3, located in Unit C, Section 33, Township 24 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, has discovered a separate and common source of supply which should be designated the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool; that the vertical limits, of said pool should be the NW/4 of said Section 33.
 - (5) That the evidence presently available indicates that

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one well in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool can efficiently and economically drain and develop 160 acres.

- (6) That in order to prevent the economic loss caused by the drilling of unnecessary wells, to avoid the augmentation of risk arising from the drilling of an excessive number of wells, to prevent reduced recovery which might result from the drilling of too few wells, and to otherwise prevent waste and protect correlative rights, temporary special rules and regulations providing for 160-acre spacing units should be promulgated for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool.
- (7) That the temporary special rules and regulations should provide for limited well locations in order to assure orderly development of the pool and protect correlative rights.
- (8) That the temporary special rules and regulations for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool should apply only to wells located within the horizontal limits of said pool except that they should immediately apply to the two Chace Oil Company wells described in Finding (3) above upon their completion as Gallup-Dakota oil wells.
- (9) That this case should be reopened at an examiner hearing during the month of July, 1974, at which time operators in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool should appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That a new pool in Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, classified as an oil pool for Gallup and Dakota production, is hereby created and designated as the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Pool, consisting of the following described area:

TOWNSHIP 24 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, NMPM Section 33: NW/4

(2) That, effective July 1, 1973, Temporary Special Rules and Regulations for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, are hereby promulgated as follows:

TEMPORARY SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE SOUTH LINDRITH GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL

- RULE 1. Each well completed or recompleted in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool shall be spaced, drilled, operated, and produced in accordance with the Special Rules and Regulations hereinafter set forth.
- RULE 2. Each well shall be located on a standard unit containing 160 acres, more or less, substantially in the form of a square, which is a quarter section being a legal subdivision of the United States Public Land Surveys.

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- RULE 3. The Secretary-Director of the Commission may grant an exception to the requirements of Rule 2 without notice and hearing when an application has been filed for a non-standard unit consisting of less than 160 acres or the unorthodox size or shape of the tract is due to a variation in the legal subdivision of the United States Public Land Surveys. All operators offsetting the proposed non-standard unit shall be notified of the application by registered or certified mail, and the application shall state that such notice has been furnished. The Secretary-Director may approve the application upon receipt of written waivers from all offset operators or if no offset operator has entered an objection to the formation of the non-standard unit within 30 days after the Secretary-Director has received the application.
- RULE 4. Each well shall be located no nearer than 330 feet to the outer boundary of the proration unit or to any governmental quarter-quarter section line nor nearer than 660 feet to the nearest well drilling to or capable of producing from the same pool.
- RULE 5. The Secretary-Director may grant an exception to the requirements of Rule 4 without notice and hearing when an application has been filed for an unorthodox location necessitated by topographical conditions or the recompletion of a well previously drilled to another horizon. All operators offsetting the proposed location shall be notified of the application by registered or certified mail, and the application shall state that such notice has been furnished. The Secretary-Director may approve the application upon receipt of written waivers from all operators offsetting the proposed location or if no objection to the unorthodox location has been entered within 20 days after the Secretary-Director has received the application.
- RULE 6. A standard proration unit (158 through 162 acres) shall be assigned a 160-acre depth bracket allowable of 347 barrels for allowable purposes, and in the event there is more than one well on a 160-acre proration unit, the operator may produce the allowable assigned to the unit from the wells on the unit in any proportion.

The allowable assigned to a non-standard proration unit shall bear the same ratio to a standard allowable as the acreage in such non-standard unit bears to 160 acres.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

(1) That the above pool rules shall apply only to wells completed within the horizontal limits of the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, provided however, that upon completion of applicant's wells in Unit O of Section 21, Township 24 North, Range 4 West, and Unit E of Section 3, Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, as Gallup-Dakota oil wells, said rules shall be applicable thereto prior to extension of the horizontal limits of the pool to include said wells.

- (2) That the locations of all wells presently drilling to the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool are hereby approved; that the operator of any well having an unorthodox location shall notify the Aztec District Office of the Commission in writing of the name and location of the well on or before July 1, 1973.
- (3) That, pursuant to Paragraph A. of Section 65-3-14.5, NMSA 1953, contained in Chapter 271, Laws of 1969, existing wells in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool shall have dedicated thereto 160 acres in accordance with the foregoing pool rules; or, pursuant to Paragraph C. of said Section 65-3-14.5, existing wells may have non-standard spacing or proration units established by the Commission and dedicated thereto.

Failure to file new Forms C-102 with the Commission dedicating 160 acres to a well or to obtain a non-standard unit approved by the Commission within 60 days from the date of this order shall subject the well to cancellation of allowable. Until said Form C-102 has been filed or until a non-standard unit has been approved, and subject to said 60-day limitation, each well presently drilling to or completed in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool shall receive no more than one-fourth of a standard allowable for the pool.

- (4) That this cause shall be reopened at an examiner hearing during the month of July, 1974, at which time the operators in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool may appear and show cause why said pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing.
- (5) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I. R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

ALEX J. ARMIJO, Member

A. L. PORTER, Jr., Member & Secretary

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BEFORE THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF NEW MEXICO FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 4954 (REOPENED) Order No. R-4555-A

IN THE MATTER OF CASE NO. 4954 BEING REOPENED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORDER NO. R-4555, WHICH ORDER ESTABLISHED TEMPORARY SPECIAL POOL RULES FOR THE SOUTH LINDRITH GALLUP-DAKOTA OIL POOL, RIO ARRIBA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

This cause came on for hearing at 9 a.m. on July 24, 1974, at Santa Fe, New Mexico, before Examiner Richard L. Stamets.

NOW, on this <u>30th</u> day of July, 1974, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony, the record, and the recommendations of the Examiner, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

- (1) That due public notice having been given as required by law, the Commission has jurisdiction of this cause and the subject matter thereof.
- (2) That Order No. R-4555, dated June 25, 1974, established temporary pool rules for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, Rio Arriba County, New Mexico, which rules provided for 160-acre spacing in the pool.
- (3) That Order No. R-4555 provided that Case No. 4954 would be reopened in July of 1974 to allow operators in the subject pool to appear and show cause why the pool should not be developed on 40-acre spacing.
- (4) That no operator has offered evidence to establish that the pool should be developed on other than 40-acre spacing.
- (5) That the Temporary Special Rules and Regulations for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool should be rescinded and said pool should be governed by the Statewide Rules for oil pools in the State, effective August 1, 1974.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- (1) That effective August 1, 1974, the Temporary Special Rules and Regulations for the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, promulgated by Order No. R-4555, dated June 25, 1974, are hereby rescinded and the pool is placed under the Statewide Rules for oil pools in the State.
- (2) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained for the entry of such further orders as the Commission may deem necessary.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the day and year herein-above designated.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

I./R. TRUJILLO, Chairman

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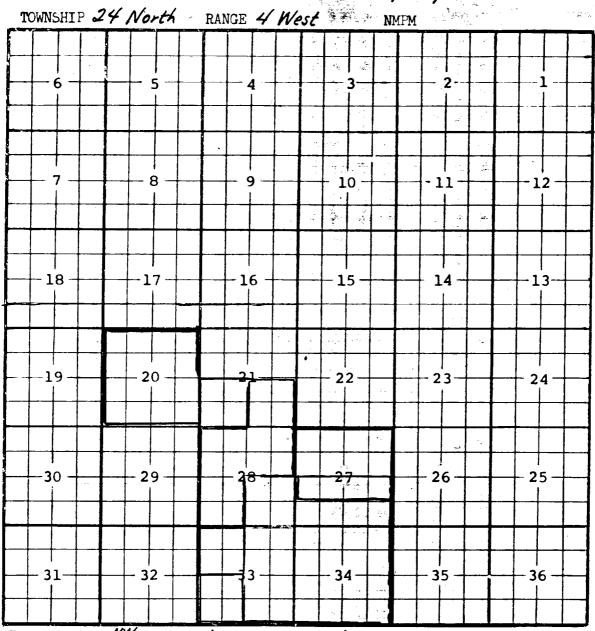
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From:

Hayden, Steven

Sent:

Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:52 AM

To:

Stogner, Michael

Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

For a while there he was emailing me for every application that wasn't in the major pools wanting me to give him the pool name, spacing, setbacks and special pool rules. After accommodating him a few times, I finally told him that I didn't think I was here to do his research on applications for him and that if he needed information that he didn't have he should come in to an OCD office or go online and research his applications. I don't object to checking things over for people, but his requests were becoming pretty time consuming.

Steve Hayden

NM OCD District III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd. shayden@state.nm.us (505) 334-6178 Ext. 14 Fax: (505) 334-6170

Aztec, NM 87410

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From:

Stogner, Michael

Sent:

Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:44 AM

To:

Hayden, Steven

Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

That is most apparent that he hasn't talked with you.

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From: Hayden, Steven

Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:42 AM

To: Stogner, Michael

Subject: RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

You would think that someone who does as much work as this guy would not make so many dumb errors. I started making him do his own pool work last year after he started emailing me for each pool dedication that came up instead of looking things up for himself. He hasn't talked to me since.

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Steve Hayden

shayden@state.nm.us (505) 334-6178 Ext. 14

NM OCD District III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd.

Fax: (505) 334-6170

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From:

Stogner, Michael

Sent:

Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:38 AM

To: 'Brian Wood (E-mail)'
Cc: Hayden, Steven

Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

Received your amended application yesterday, October 24, 2001. Can I assume Paragraph "IV" on page two is in error?

----Original Message----

From: Stogner, Michael

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2001 9:13 AM

To: Brian Wood (E-mail)
Cc: Hayden, Steven

Subject: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

Re: Administrative application (application reference No. pKRV0-129038996) filed on behalf of the operator, Elm Ridge Resources, Inc., on October 15, 2001 for its Bonita Canyon Well No. 1 to be drilled at an unorthodox oil well location in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool (--pool code here---) 1185' FNL & 959' FEL (A) of Sec. 23-T23N-R4W, Sandoval County, NM.

Dear Mr. Wood:

The subject application is for a well in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, which was created on July 1, 1973 for the production of oil from both the Gallup and Dakota formations (see Division Order No. R-4555 issued in Case No. 4954 on June 25, 1973). This pool is governed by Division Rule 104.B (1), which requires 40-acre spacing and proration units and for wells to be located no closer to the unit boundary line then 330 feet.

Your application indicates that the dedicated acreage for this well in the Dakota interval will be the 160 acres comprising the NE/4 of Section 23 and the 40 acres comprising the NE/4 NE/4 for the Gallup interval. This appears to be in error.

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Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

From:

Hayden, Steven

Sent:

Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:42 AM

To:

Stogner, Michael

Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

You would think that someone who does as much work as this guy would not make so many dumb errors. I started making him do his own pool work last year after he started emailing me for each pool dedication that came up instead of looking things up for himself. He hasn't talked to me since.

Steve Hayden

NM OCD District III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd. Aztec, NM 87410

shayden@state.nm.us (505) 334-6178 Ext. 14

Fax: (505) 334-6170

----Original Message----

From:

Stogner, Michael

Sent:

Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:38 AM

To:

'Brian Wood (E-mail)' Havden, Steven

Cc: Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

Received your amended application yesterday, October 24, 2001. Can I assume Paragraph "IV" on page two is in error?

-----Original Message-----Stogner, Michael From:

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2001 9:13 AM

To: Brian Wood (E-mail)

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To:

'Permits West' Hayden, Steven

Cc: Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

I thought as much, however it would be confusing for others receiving notice. I'll look for your revision.

----Original Message----

From: Permits West [mailto:brian@permitswest.com]

Sent: Thursday, October 25, 2001 11:34 AM

To: Stogner, Michael

Subject: RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

Yes, and I will send you revised page. Sorry - I thought I'd scrubbed all references to 160.

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Havden, Steven

Subject:

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Mike Stogner NM Oil Conservation Div. 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

Dear Mike,

As requested, I have enclosed the revised NSL application for Elm Ridge's Bonita Canyon 1 well (23-23n-4w, Sandoval County). The revision reflects the 40 acre spacing for both the Gallup and Dakota.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Brian Wood

cc: Aztec OCD

Clark Endsley

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- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

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[EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1]TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication [A] **NSP**

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

Commingling - Storage - Measurement [B]

DHC PLC OLS CTB PC **OLM**

[C] Injection - Disposal - Pressure Increase - Enhanced Oil Recovery **PMX** SWD WFX IPI FOR

[D] Other: Specify

- [2] NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply
 - Working, Royalty or Overriding Royalty Interest Owners [A]
 - Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner B
 - Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice
 - Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Commissioner of Public Lands, State Land Office
 - For all of the above, Proof of Notification or Publication is Attached, and/or,
 - [F] Waivers are Attached
- [3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.
- [4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that no action will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

Title Date Print or Type Name Signature

CONSULTANT **BRIAN WOOD** 10-24-01 (505) 466-8120 e-mail Address FAX 466-9682

brian@permitswest.com



REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION FOR ELM RIDGE RESOURCES, INC. BONITA CANYON 1 WELL SOUTH LINDRITH GALLUP DAKOTA

1185' FNL & 950' FEL SEC. 23, T. 23 N., R. 4 W., SANDOVAL COUNTY, NM

- I. The well is on Jicarilla Apache tribal surface and a Jicarilla Apache tribal oil and gas lease (BIA #390). The proposed location is non-standard (per Division Order R-4555 in Case 4954 on 6-25-73) for the Gallup and Dakota. A standard location must be at least 330' from the quarter-quarter line. This well is staked 195' further south than standard. (Closest standard location would be 990' FNL and 950' FEL and among trees.) The APD is attached.
- II. A revised C-102 showing the well location and proration unit (NE4NE4 for the Gallup and the Dakota) is attached. The lease (contains 1,920 acres: all of Sections 23, 24, & 26; T. 23 N., R. 4 W.) is shown on the attached copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW USGS topo map.
- III. According to NM Oil Conservation Division records reviewed in the Santa Fe office on August 22, 2001; the closest producer is Elm Ridge's Whitaker #53 a Gallup Dakota well which is 2,543' south at 1650' FSL & 1650' FEL 23-23n-4w. The next closest well after that is Galloway's Delo #1 well which is a Pictured Cliffs well 2,632' northeast in SWSW 13-23n-4w.

A copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW 7.5' USGS map is attached. The map shows the proposed well site, proposed Gallup Dakota (wide black line line including all of NE4NE4 Sec. 23), lease (solid line including all of Sections 23, 24, and 26), and other existing Gallup Dakota spacing units (dotted for Gallup and dashed for Dakota) as shown on the operator's C-102 forms. There is only one lease within a minimum 1,185' radius. Elm Ridge is the operator of the Gallup and Dakota rights in the Sections 23 and 26 portions of the tribal lease.

Three existing Pictured Cliffs spacing units adjoin the Elm Ridge's proposed acreage dedication. Only the PC wells are shown as black squares, not their acreage dedications.

Registered letters were sent on October 13, 2001 to all offset interest owners. Copies of all the letters and green cards are attached.

- IV. A copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW USGS map is attached. The proposed well site is marked. Proration unit for the Gallup is the 40 acre northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 23. Proration unit for the Dakota is the 160 acre northeast quarter of Section 23. Both are in Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Sandoval County, NM.
- V. Elm Ridge selected its location to miss trees. The drilling window is in a pinyon-juniper forest. The Jicarilla Apache Nation wants to minimize tree loss.
- VI. No archaeology sites were found.
- VII. See item V. above and attached map for a description of the surface conditions.
- VIII. Directional drilling is not feasible because it is not cost effective.
- IX. I hereby certify notice has been sent to the following lessees, lessors, operators of spacing units, or owners of undrilled leases which adjoin the applicant's spacing unit on one or more of the two sides or the single closest corner to the proposed well and that the information is current and correct.

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Bureau of Land Management
Chace Oil Co. Inc.
Fisher, J. C.
Galloway, W. M.
Jicarilla Apache Nation Oil & Gas Administration
Whittier Energy Co.

Signature, Title, & Date

Consultant 10-24-01

STATE OF NEW MEXICO)
) SS:
COUNTY OF SANTA FE)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24th day of October, 2001 by Brian Wood. Witness my hand and official seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: <u>June 9,2003</u>

Business Address: 37 VERANO LOOP, SANTA FE, NM 87508

cc: Aztec OCD, Clark, Endsley

State of New Mexico Energy. Minerals & Mining Resources Department

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION 2040 South Pacheco Santa Fe. NM 87505



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BIA P. O. Box 167 Dulce, NM 87528

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Mike Stogner NM Oil Conservation Div. 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505

Dear Mike,

As requested, I have enclosed the revised NSL application for Elm Ridge's Bonita Canyon 1 well (23-23n-4w, Sandoval County). The revision reflects the 40 acre spacing for both the Gallup and Dakota.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Brian Wood

cc: Aztec OCD

Clark Endsley NEW MEXICO OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

- Engineering Bureau -

1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87505

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST IS MANDATORY FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH REQUIRE PROCESSING AT THE DIVISION LEVEL IN SANTA FE

Application Acronyms:

[NSL-Non-Standard Location] [NSP-Non-Standard Proration Unit] [SD-Simultaneous Dedication]
[DHC-Downhole Commingling] [CTB-Lease Commingling] [PLC-Pool/Lease Commingling]
[PC-Pool Commingling] [OLS - Off-Lease Storage] [OLM-Off-Lease Measurement]
[WFX-Waterflood Expansion] [PMX-Pressure Maintenance Expansion]
[SWD-Salt Water Disposal] [IPI-Injection Pressure Increase]

[EOR-Qualified Enhanced Oil Recovery Certification] [PPR-Positive Production Response]

[1] TYPE OF APPLICATION - Check Those Which Apply for [A]

[A] Location - Spacing Unit - Simultaneous Dedication NSL NSP SD

Check One Only for [B] or [C]

[B] Commingling - Storage - Measurement

DHC CTB PLC PC OLS OLM

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[D] Other: Specify

[2] NOTIFICATION REQUIRED TO: - Check Those Which Apply, or Does Not Apply

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(B) Offset Operators, Leaseholders or Surface Owner

[C] Application is One Which Requires Published Legal Notice

Notification and/or Concurrent Approval by BLM or SLO
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[F] Waivers are Attached

[3] SUBMIT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS THE TYPE OF APPLICATION INDICATED ABOVE.

[4] **CERTIFICATION:** I hereby certify that the information submitted with this application for administrative approval is **accurate** and **complete** to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that **no action** will be taken on this application until the required information and notifications are submitted to the Division.

Note: Statement must be completed by an individual with managerial and/or supervisory capacity.

Print or Type Name

BRIAN WOOD (505) 466-8120 FAX 466-9682 Signature

Title

Date

CONSULTANT

10-24-01

e-mail Address

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REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL FOR NON-STANDARD LOCATION FOR ELM RIDGE RESOURCES, INC. BONITA CANYON 1 WELL SOUTH LINDRITH GALLUP DAKOTA

1185' FNL & 950' FEL SEC. 23, T. 23 N., R. 4 W., SANDOVAL COUNTY, NM

- I. The well is on Jicarilla Apache tribal surface and a Jicarilla Apache tribal oil and gas lease (BIA #390). The proposed location is non-standard (per Division Order R-4555 in Case 4954 on 6-25-73) for the Gallup and Dakota. A standard location must be at least 330' from the quarter-quarter line. This well is staked 195' further south than standard. (Closest standard location would be 990' FNL and 950' FEL and among trees.) The APD is attached.
- II. A revised C-102 showing the well location and proration unit (NE4NE4 for the Gallup and the Dakota) is attached. The lease (contains 1,920 acres: all of Sections 23, 24, & 26; T. 23 N., R. 4 W.) is shown on the attached copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW USGS topo map.
- III. According to NM Oil Conservation Division records reviewed in the Santa Fe office on August 22, 2001; the closest producer is Elm Ridge's Whitaker #53 a Gallup Dakota well which is 2,543' south at 1650' FSL & 1650' FEL 23-23n-4w. The next closest well after that is Galloway's Delo #1 well which is a Pictured Cliffs well 2,632' northeast in SWSW 13-23n-4w.

A copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW 7.5' USGS map is attached. The map shows the proposed well site, proposed Gallup Dakota (wide black line line including all of NE4NE4 Sec. 23), lease (solid line including all of Sections 23, 24, and 26), and other existing Gallup Dakota spacing units (dotted for Gallup and dashed for Dakota) as shown on the operator's C-102 forms. There is only one lease within a minimum 1,185' radius. Elm Ridge is the operator of the Gallup and Dakota rights in the Sections 23 and 26 portions of the tribal lease.

Three existing Pictured Cliffs spacing units adjoin the Elm Ridge's proposed acreage dedication. Only the PC wells are shown as black squares, not their acreage dedications.

Registered letters were sent on October 13, 2001 to all offset interest owners. Copies of all the letters and green cards are attached.

IV. A copy of the Five Lakes Canyon NW USGS map is attached. The proposed well site is marked. Proration unit for the Gallup is the 40 acre northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 23. Proration unit for the Dakota is the 160 acre northeast quarter of Section 23. Both are in Township 23 North, Range 4 West, NMPM, Sandoval County, NM.

V. Elm Ridge selected its location to miss trees. The drilling window is in a pinyon-juniper forest. The Jicarilla Apache Nation wants to minimize tree loss.

VI. No archaeology sites were found.

VII. See item V. above and attached map for a description of the surface conditions.

VIII. Directional drilling is not feasible because it is not cost effective.

IX. I hereby certify notice has been sent to the following lessees, lessors, operators of spacing units, or owners of undrilled leases which adjoin the applicant's spacing unit on one or more of the two sides or the single closest corner to the proposed well and that the information is current and correct.

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Bureau of Land Management
Chace Oil Co. Inc.
Fisher, J. C.
Galloway, W. M.

Jicarilla Apache Nation Oil & Gas Administration
Whittier Energy Co.

Signature, Title, & Date

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 24th day of October, 2001 by Brian Wood. Witness my hand and official seal.

Notary Public

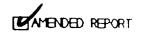
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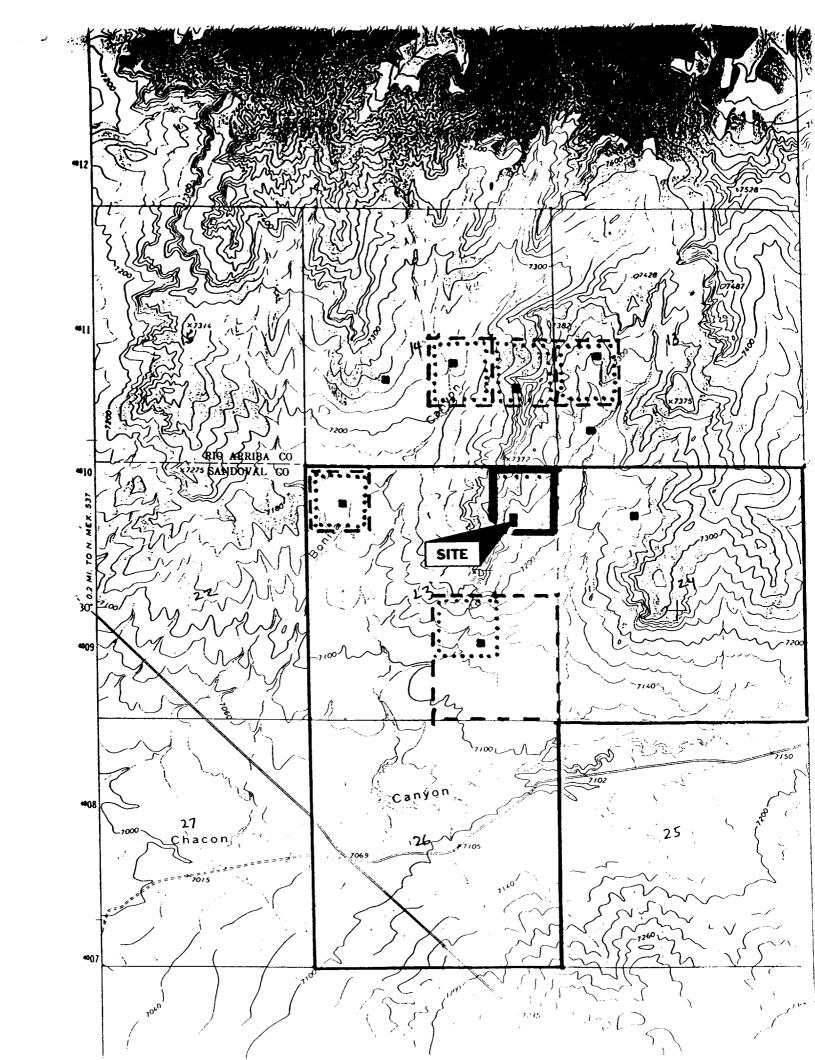
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Oil & Gas Administration P. O. Box 507 Dulce, NM 87528

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Sandoval County, NM on tribal lease BIA #390

Approximate Location: ≈13 air miles east of Counselor, NM

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Applicant's Address: P. O. Box 189, Farmington, NM 87499

<u>Submittal Information:</u> Application for a non-standard location will be filed with the NM Oil Congariation Division. If they determine the application

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From:

Stogner, Michael

Sent:

Thursday, October 25, 2001 9:38 AM

To: Cc: 'Brian Wood (E-mail)' Hayden, Steven

Subject:

RE: Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

Received your amended application yesterday, October 24, 2001. Can I assume Paragraph "IV" on page two is in error?

----Original Message----

From:

Stogner, Michael

Sent:

Tuesday, October 23, 2001 9:13 AM

To: Cc: Brian Wood (E-mail) Hayden, Steven

Subject:

Elm Ridge/Bonita Canyon Well No. 1

Re: Administrative application (application reference No. pKRV0-129038996) filed on behalf of the operator, Elm Ridge Resources, Inc., on October 15, 2001 for its Bonita Canyon Well No. 1 to be drilled at an unorthodox oil well location in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool (--pool code here---) 1185' FNL & 959' FEL (A) of Sec. 23-T23N-R4W. Sandoval County, NM.

Dear Mr. Wood:

The subject application is for a well in the South Lindrith Gallup-Dakota Oil Pool, which was created on July 1, 1973 for the production of oil from both the Gallup and Dakota formations (see Division Order No. R-4555 issued in Case No. 4954 on June 25, 1973). This pool is governed by Division Rule 104.B (1), which requires 40-acre spacing and proration units and for wells to be located no closer to the unit boundary line then 330 feet.

Your application indicates that the dedicated acreage for this well in the Dakota interval will be the 160 acres comprising the NE/4 of Section 23 and the 40 acres comprising the NE/4 NE/4 for the Gallup interval. This appears to be in error.

Since the submitted information is insufficient to review, this application is hereby ruled incomplete as of October 23, 2001. Please submit corrected information by Tuesday, October 30, 2001.

The Division cannot precede any further with your application until this information is submitted. Upon receipt, the Division will continue to process your application. The additional information can be faxed to (505) 476-3471, or mailed to the Division in Santa Fe. If the necessary information is not submitted, your application will be returned to you. Thank you for you cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Stogner Chief Hearing Officer/Engineer

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