

**19.15.5.313 EMULSION, BASIC SEDIMENTS, AND TANK BOTTOMS:** Wells producing oil shall be operated in such a manner as will reduce as much as practicable the formation of emulsion and basic sediments. These substances and tank bottoms shall not be allowed to pollute fresh waters or cause surface damage. ~~If tank bottoms are removed to surface pits, the pits shall be fenced and the fence shall be kept in good repair. To protect migratory birds, all tanks exceeding 16 feet in diameter, and exposed pits and ponds shall be screened, netted or covered. Upon written application by the operator, an exception to screening, netting or covering of a facility may be granted by the district supervisor upon a showing that an alternative method will protect migratory birds or that the facility is not hazardous to migratory birds.~~

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