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Form 3160-3  
(August 2007)

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

FORM APPROVED  
OMB No 1004-0137  
Expires July 31, 2010 EA 170

5 Lease Serial No.  
NM-102917

6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name

7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.

8 Lease Name and Well No.  
RDX Federal 21-23 [39005]

9 API Well No.  
30-015-39816

10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory  
Brushy Draw Delaware East [8090]

11 Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area  
Section 21, T. 26 S., R. 30 E.

12 County or Parish  
Eddy

13 State  
NM

1a. Type of work: ☒ DRILL ☐ REENTER

1b. Type of Well: ☒ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other ☒ Single Zone ☐ Multiple Zone

2 Name of Operator RKI EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION, LLC.

3a. Address 3817 NW Expressway, Suite 950  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112

3b Phone No. (include area code)  
405-996-5750

4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.)  
At surface 1980 FNL & 2310 FEL  
At proposed prod. zone Same

14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office\*  
Approximately 13 miles southeast of Malaga, NM

15. Distance from proposed\* location to nearest property or lease line, ft.  
1980 ft. RDX 21-24  
(Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any)

16. No. of acres in lease  
640

17 Spacing Unit dedicated to this well  
40

18. Distance from proposed location\* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft.  
1320 ft.

19 Proposed Depth  
7500 ft.

20 BLM/BIA Bond No. on file  
NEM-NMB-000460

21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.)  
3031' GL

22 Approximate date work will start\*

23 Estimated duration  
30 days

24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, must be attached to this form:

1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.
2. A Drilling Plan.
3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO must be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).

4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above).
5. Operator certification
6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the BLM.

25. Signature *Barry W. Hunt*

Name (Printed/Typed)  
BARRY W. HUNT

Date  
10/25/11

Title  
Permit Agent for RKI Exploration & Production, LLC.

Approved by (Signature) /s/George MacDonell

Name (Printed/Typed)

Date  
DEC 22 2011

Title  
FIELD MANAGER

Office  
CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE

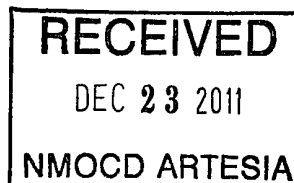
Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.  
Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C. Section 1212, make it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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\*(Instructions on page 2)



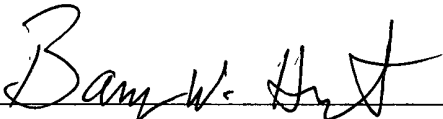
Carlsbad Controlled Water Basin

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached

SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access road proposed herein; that I am familiar with the conditions that presently exist; that I have full knowledge of State and Federal laws applicable to this operation; that the statements made in this APD package are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct, and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed in conformity with this APD package and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. I also certify that I, or RKI Exploration and Production, LLC am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U. S. C. 1001 for the filing of false statements. Executed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011.

Signed:  \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: Barry Hunt

Position: Agent for RKI Exploration & Production, LLC.

Address: 1403 Springs Farm Place, Carlsbad, NM 88220

Telephone: (575) 361-4078

E-mail: [specialtpermitting@gmail.com](mailto:specialtpermitting@gmail.com)

Field Representative: Gene Simer

Address: P. O. Box 370, Carlsbad, NM 88221

Telephone: Office: (575) 885-1313, Cell: (575) 706-3225

## DISTRICT I

1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

## DISTRICT II

1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

## DISTRICT III

1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

## DISTRICT IV

1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

## OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

Form C-102

Revised July 18, 2010

Submit one copy to appropriate  
District Office

## WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

☐ AMENDED REPORT

API Number <b>30-015-39816</b>	Pool Code <b>8090</b>	Pool Name <b>BRUSHY DRAW DELAWARE EAST</b>
Property Code <b>39005</b>	Property Name <b>RDX FEDERAL "21"</b>	Well Number <b>23</b>
OGRID No. <b>246289</b>	Operator Name <b>RKI EXPLORATION &amp; PRODUCTION LLC</b>	Elevation <b>3031'</b>

## Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
G	21	26 S	30 E		1980	NORTH	2310	EAST	EDDY

## Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

Dedicated Acres <b>40</b>	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No.
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED  
OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

	<b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b> I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location or has a right to drill this well at this location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division. Signature <u>Barry W. Hunt</u> Date <u>10/25/11</u> Printed Name <u>Barry W. Hunt</u> Email Address _____
	<b>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</b> I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief. Date Surveyed <u>10/25/11</u> Signature & Seal of Professional Surveyor W.O. No. <u>24596</u> Certificate No. Gary L. Jones 7977 BASIN SURVEYS 24596

RDX 21-23

1,980' FNL &amp; 2,310' FEL

Unit "G" Section 21-26S-30E

Eddy County, NM

1. The elevation of the unprepared ground is 3,031' feet above sea level.
2. The geologic name of the surface formation is Quaternary - Alluvium.
3. A rotary rig will be utilized to drill the well to 7,500' and run casing. This equipment will then be rigged down and the well will be completed with a workover rig.
4. Proposed total depth is 7,500'.
5. Estimated tops of important geologic markers:

Quaternary – Alluvium	Surface*
Rustler	990'
Salado	1,310'
Castile	1,805'
Lamar Lime	3,450'
Base of Lime	3,470'
Delaware Top	3,505'
Bell Canyon Sand	3,505'
Cherry Canyon Sand	4,570'
Brushy Canyon Sand	5,545'
Bone Spring	7,288'
TVD	7,500' (145 degree F)

\*Water possible above Rustler

6. Estimated depths at which anticipated water, oil, gas or other mineral bearing formations are expected to be encountered:

Bell Canyon	Oil (1,480 psi)
Cherry Canyon	Oil (1,948 psi)
Brushy Canyon	Oil (2,405 psi)
Bone Spring	Oil (3,217 psi)

7. The proposed casing program is as follows:

Surface: 13-3/8" 54.5# J-55 ST&C new casing set from 0' – 1,000'  
Tension SF 2.0, Collapse SF 1.125, Burst SF 1.8.

Intermediate: 9-5/8" 40# J-55 LT&C new casing set from 0' – 3,500'  
3450

See  
COA

Tension SF 2.0, Collapse SF 1.125, Burst SF 1.8.

Production: 5-1/2" 17# N-80 LT&C new casing set from 0' – 7,500'  
Tension SF 2.0, Collapse SF 1.125, Burst SF 1.8.

8. Casing setting depth and cementing program:

- a. 13-3/8" surface casing set at 1,000' in 17-1/2" hole. Circulate cement to surface with 650 sx "C" with 4% D20, 2% S001, .2% D46, .125 pps D130 mixed at 12.9 ppg (1.97 cf/sk) followed by 300 sx "C" with .125 pps D130, .10% D201 mixed at 14.8 ppg (1.33 cf/sk), excess-100%.
- b. 9-5/8" intermediate casing set at ~~3,500'~~ in 12 1/4" hole. Circulate cement to surface with 1,200 sx "C" with 3% D20, .125 pps D130, 3 pps D42, .2% D46 mixed at 12.9 ppg (1.95 cf/sk) followed by 300 sx "C" with .2% D201 mixed at 14.8 ppg (1.33 cf/sk), excess -25%.
- c. 5-1/2" production casing set at 7,500' in 8 3/4" hole. Hole will be callipered to determine cement volume to bring TOC to 3,200'. Stage 1: 550 sx "C" with 1.5% D174, .2% D167, .3% D800, .2% D46 mixed at 13.0 ppg (1.41 cf/sk). Stage 2: 225 sx "C" with 5% D44, 27.5 pps D132, 6% D20, .2% D46, .125 pps D130, 3 pps D42, .10% D13 mixed at 12.6 ppg (2.06 cf/sk) followed by 100 sx "C" with .30% D201 mixed at 14.8 ppg (1.33 cf/sk), excess -25%. These are estimated volumes only, caliper will be used from open hole log to determine cement volumes. *ΔV tool at 5000'*

9. Pressure Control Equipment

After setting the 13 3/8" casing a 3,000 psi casing head will be installed and 5,000 psi BOP equipment will be utilized. The 13 3/8" casing will be tested to 1,500 psi before drilling out. The BOP equipment will be tested to 250/3,000 psi and the Hydril will be tested to 1,500 psi. After setting 9 5/8" casing a 5,000 psi casing head will be installed and 5,000 psi BOP equipment will be utilized. The 9 5/8" casing will be tested to 1,500 psi before drilling out. The BOP equipment will be tested to 250/~~5,000~~ psi and the Hydril will be tested to 1,500 psi. The BOP equipment will consist of the following: *3000*

- Annular preventers
- Double ram with blind rams and pipe rams
- Drilling spool, or blowout preventer with 2 side outlets (choke side shall be a 3-inch minimum diameter, kill side shall be at least 2-inch diameter)
- Kill line (2 inch minimum)
- A minimum of 2 choke line valves (3 inch minimum)
- 3 inch diameter choke line
- 2 kill line valves, one of which shall be a check valve (2 inch minimum)

- 2 chokes
- Pressure gauge on choke manifold
- Upper kelly cock valve with handle available
- Safety valve and subs to fit all drill string connections in use
- All BOPE connections subjected to well pressure shall be flanged, welded, or clamped
- Fill-up line above the uppermost preventer.

10. Mud Program:

0' – 1,000'	Bentonite/Lime mud. Paper for losses and seepage. 8.6 to 8.9 ppg, Vis 32 to 36, PV 1 to 6, YP 1 to 6, WL NC.
1,000' - 3,500'	Brine. As needed LCM for losses and seepage. 10.0 to 10.1 ppg, Vis 28 to 30, PV 1 to 3, YP 1 to 3, WL NC.
3,500' – 7,500'	Drill out fresh water/cut brine. 8.9 to 9.3 ppg, Vis 28 to 30, PV 1 to 3, YP 1 to 3, WL NC.

11. Testing, Logging and Coring Program: *see COA*

Testing program: No drillstem tests are anticipated.

Electric logging program: CNL/CAL/GR, DLL/CAL/GR.

Coring program: None.

12. Potential Hazards:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. There is no known presence of H<sub>2</sub>S in this area. If H<sub>2</sub>S is encountered the operator will comply with the provisions of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 6. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Estimated BHP 3,217 psi and estimated BHT 145 degree F.

13. Anticipated Starting Date and Duration of Operations:

Road and location construction will begin after the BLM has approved the APD. Anticipated spud date will be soon after BLM approval and as soon as a rig will be available.

Move in operations and drilling is expected to take 32 days. An additional 30 days will be needed to complete the well and to construct surface facilities.

KB elev = 3048

KB-Grd = 17.0'

30"

46"

52 1/2"

23 1/2"

8"

109"

21"

19.5"

13 1/2" x 5000#

13 1/2" x 5M

Blind

4 1/2" Pipe

Mud Cross

13 1/2" x 5M

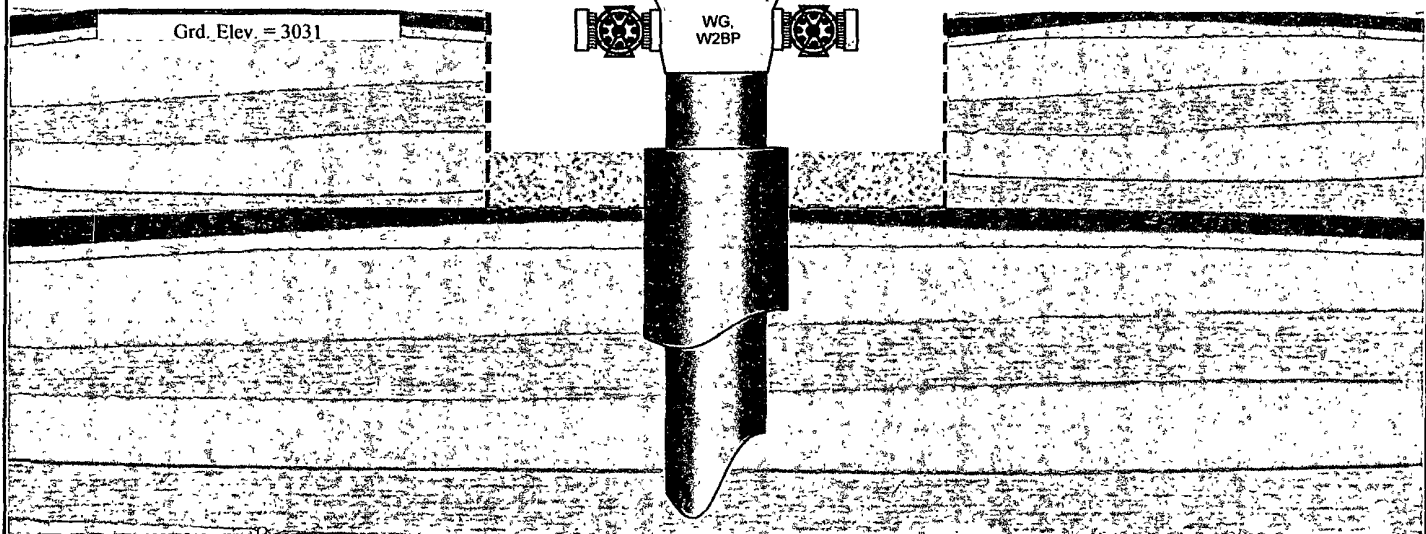
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11" 3M

WG, W2BP

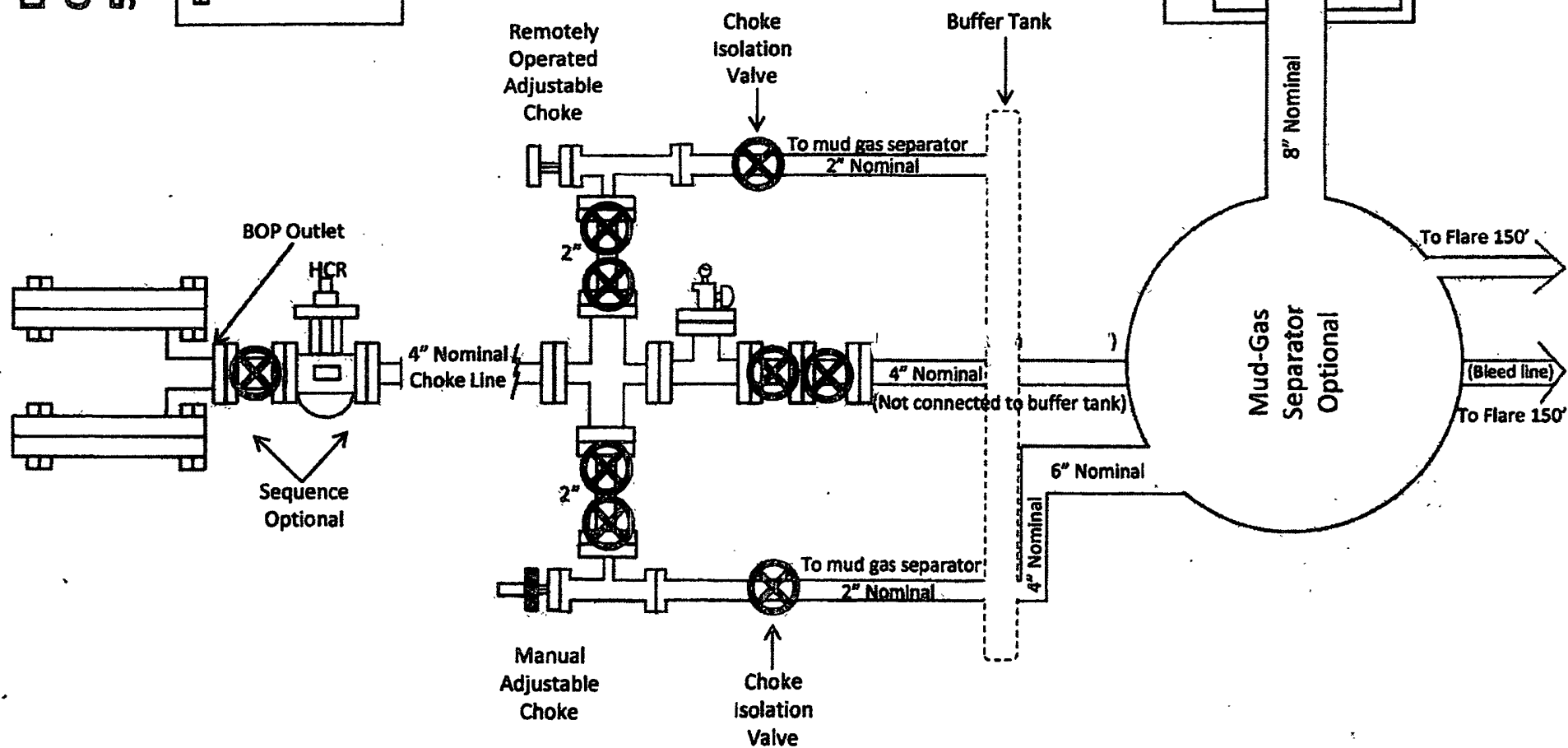
Grd. Elev = 3031

Check valve



# Drilling Operations Choke Manifold 5M Service

Exhibit E-1 – Choke Manifold Diagram





**RKI Exploration & Production**  
**Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan**  
**For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

This well and its anticipated facility are not expected to have Hydrogen Sulfide releases. However, there may be Hydrogen Sulfide production in the nearby area. There are no private Residences in the area but a contingency plan has been orchestrated. RKI Exploration and Production will have a Company Representative available to rig personnel through out drilling or production operations. If hydrogen sulfide is detected or suspected, monitoring equipment will be acquired for monitoring and/or testing.

**RKI Exploration & Production**  
**Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan**  
**For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

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**General H<sub>2</sub>S Emergency Actions:**

1. All personnel will immediately evacuate to an up-wind and if possible up-hill "safe area".
2. If for any reason a person must enter the hazardous area, they must wear a SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus).
3. Always use the "buddy system"
4. Isolate the well/problem if possible
5. Account for all personnel
6. Display the proper colors warning all unsuspecting personnel of the danger at hand.
7. Contact the Company personnel as soon as possible if not at the location (use the enclosed call list as instructed)

At this point the company representative will evaluate the situation and coordinate the necessary duties to bring the situation under control, and if necessary, the notification of the emergency response agencies and nearby residents.

**EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR AN UNCONTROLLABLE RELEASE OF H<sub>2</sub>S**

1. All personnel will don the self contained breathing apparatus
2. Remove all personnel to the "safe area" (always use the buddy system)
3. Contact company personnel if not on location]
4. Set in motion the steps to protect and or remove the general public to and upwind "safe area" Maintain strict security & safety procedures while dealing with the source.
5. No entry to any unauthorized personnel
6. Notify the appropriate agencies:   City Police -- City Street(s)  
  State Police -- State Rd.  
  County Sheriff -- County Rd.
7. Call the NMOCD

## **RKI Exploration & Production LLC**

### **Hydrogen Sulfide Contingency Plan For Drilling/Workover/Facility**

If at this time the supervising person determines the release of H2S cannot be contained to the site location and the general public is in harms way he will take the necessary steps to protect the workers and the public.

EMERGENCY CALL LIST: (Start and continue until ONE of these people has been contacted)

	OFFICE	MOBILE	HOME
RKI E&P	1-800-667-6958		
Gene Simer	575-885-1313	575-706-3225	575-885-6302
Tim Haddican	405-949-2329	405-823-2872	405-348-5515

#### EMERGENCY RESPONSE NUMBERS:

State Police	Eddy County		575 -748-9718
State Police	Lea County		575-392-5588
Sheriff	Eddy County		575-746-2701
Sheriff	Lea County		
Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance)	Eddy County		911 or 505-746-2701
	Lea County	Eunice	911 or 505-394-3258
Emergency Response	Eddy County SERC		575--476-9620
	Lea County		
Artesia Police Dept			575--746-5001
Artesia Fire Dept			575--746-5001
Carlsbad Police Dept			575-885-2111
Carlsbad Fire Dept			575--885-3125

**EMERGENCY CALL LIST (CONT.)**

Loco Hills Police Dept		575- 677-2349
Jal Police Dept		575--395-2501
Jal Fire Dept		575--395-2221
Jal Ambulance		575--395-2221
Eunice Police Dept		575- 394-0112
Eunice Fire Dept		575--394-3258
Eunice Ambulance		575--394-3258
Hobbs Police Dept		575--397-3365
Hobbs Fire Dept		575--397-9308
NMOCD	District 1 (Lea, Roosevelt, Curry)	575--393-6161
	District 2 (Eddy, Chavez)	575--748-1283
Lea County Information		575--393-8203
Callaway Safety	Eddy/Lea Counties	575--392-2973
BJ Services	Artesia	575--746-3140
	Hobbs	575--392-5556
Halliburton	Artesia	1-800-523-2482
	Hobbs	1-800-523-2482
Wild Well Control	Midland	432-550-6202
	Mobile	432-553-1166

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**USING SELF CONTAINED BREATHING AIR EQUIPMENT (SCBA):**

- (SCBA) SHOULD BE WORN WHEN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ARE PERFORMED:
  - Working near the top or on the top of a tank
  - Disconnecting any line where H<sub>2</sub>S can reasonably be expected
  - Sampling air in the area to determine if toxic concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S can exist.
  - Working in areas where over 10 ppm on H<sub>2</sub>S has been detected.
  - At any time there is a doubt as the level of H<sub>2</sub>S in the area.
- All personnel shall be trained in the use of SCBA prior to working in a potentially hazardous location.
- Facial hair and standard eyeglasses are not allowed with SCBA.
- Contact lenses are never allowed with SCBA.
- Air quality shall be continuously checked during the entire operation.
- After each use, the SCBA unit shall be cleaned, disinfected, serviced and inspected.
- All SCBA shall be inspected monthly.

**RESCUE AND FIRST AID FOR VICTIMS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H<sub>2</sub>S) POISONING:**

- Do not panic
- Remain calm and think
- Get on the breathing apparatus

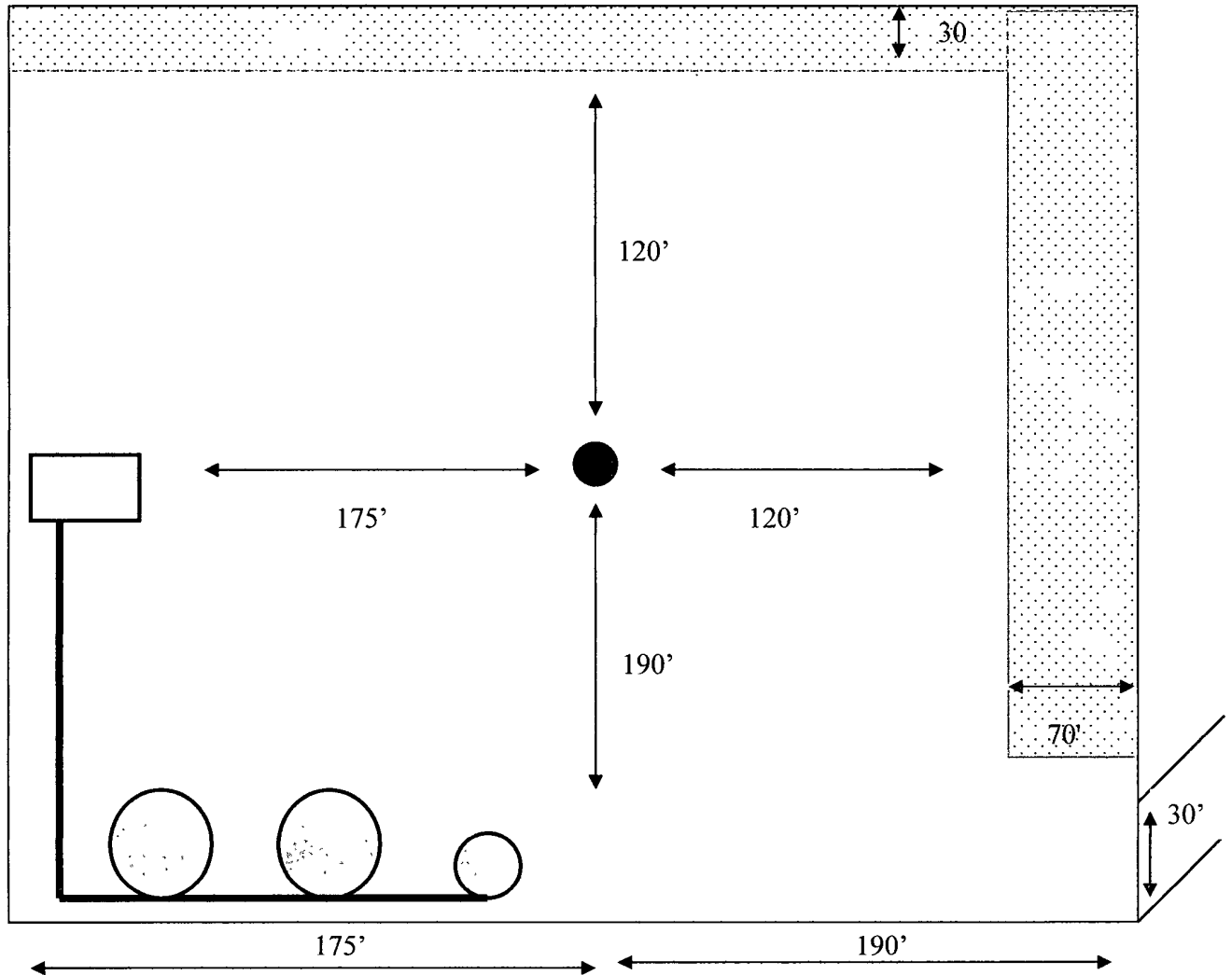
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- Remove the victim to the safe breathing area as quickly as possible. Up wind and uphill from source or cross wind to achieve upwind.
- Notify emergency response personnel.
- Provide artificial respiration and or CPR, as necessary.
- Remove all contaminated clothing to avoid further exposure.
- A minimum of two personnel on location shall be trained in CPR and First Aid.

## EXHIBIT 'B'

### Interim Reclamation & Production Facilities

RDX Federal 21-23



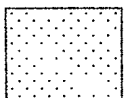
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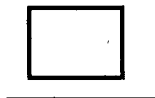
Well Bore



Production Facilities



Interim Reclamation



NORTH EAST



# **RKI Exploration & Production LLC**

P.O. Box 370, Carlsbad, NM 88221  
Office 505-885-1313 Fax 505-885-3509

July 17, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Barry Hunt is employed by RKI Exploration & Production to sign as their agent for APD's and Right of Ways in the states of New Mexico and Texas.

If you have any questions, please contact me at my office at 575-885-1313.

Sincerely,

RKI Exploration & Production, LLC

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gene Simer".

Gene Simer  
Production Superintendent

## PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	RKI Exploration & Production, LLC
LEASE NO.:	NMNM102917
WELL NAME & NO.:	RDX Federal 21 #23
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	1890' FNL & 2310' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	
LOCATION:	Section 21, T. 26 S., R. 30 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Eddy County, New Mexico

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Standard Conditions of Approval (COA) apply to this APD. If any deviations to these standards exist or special COAs are required, the section with the deviation or requirement will be checked below.

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## **I. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

The approval of the Application For Permit To Drill (APD) is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations: 43 Code of Federal Regulations 3160, the lease terms, Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notices To Lessees, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Rules, National Historical Preservation Act As Amended, and instructions and orders of the Authorized Officer. Any request for a variance shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Report on Wells.

## **II. PERMIT EXPIRATION**

If the permit terminates prior to drilling and drilling cannot be commenced within 60 days after expiration, an operator is required to submit Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, requesting surface reclamation requirements for any surface disturbance. However, if the operator will be able to initiate drilling within 60 days after the expiration of the permit, the operator must have set the conductor pipe in order to allow for an extension of 60 days beyond the expiration date of the APD. (Filing of a Sundry Notice is required for this 60 day extension.)

## **III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES**

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource discovered by the operator or by any person working on the operator's behalf shall immediately report such findings to the Authorized Officer. The operator is fully accountable for the actions of their contractors and subcontractors. The operator shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery shall be made by the Authorized Officer to determine the appropriate actions that shall be required to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values of the discovery. The operator shall be held responsible for the cost of the proper mitigation measures that the Authorized Officer assesses after consultation with the operator on the evaluation and decisions of the discovery. Any unauthorized collection or disturbance of cultural or paleontological resources may result in a shutdown order by the Authorized Officer.

## **IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS**

The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

## **V. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)**

Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 ft. from the source of the noise.

Avoid damage to the allotment boundary fence at the pad area. Breeching of this fence is not authorized.

Where the proposed access road crosses the allotment boundary fence, a cattle guard will be installed.

## **VI. CONSTRUCTION**

### **A. NOTIFICATION**

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972 at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad.

When construction operations are being conducted on this well, the operator shall have the approved APD and Conditions of Approval (COA) on the well site and they shall be made available upon request by the Authorized Officer.

### **B. TOPSOIL**

The operator shall stockpile the topsoil in a low profile manner in order to prevent wind/water erosion of the topsoil. The topsoil to be stripped is approximately 4 inches in depth. The topsoil will be used for interim and final reclamation.

### **C. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM**

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

### **D. FEDERAL MINERAL MATERIALS PIT**

Payment shall be made to the BLM prior to removal of any federal mineral materials. Call the Carlsbad Field Office at (575) 234-5972.

### **E. WELL PAD SURFACING**

Surfacing of the well pad is not required.

If the operator elects to surface the well pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

The well pad shall be constructed in a manner which creates the smallest possible surface disturbance, consistent with safety and operational needs.

## **F. ON LEASE ACCESS ROADS**

### **Road Width**

The access road shall have a driving surface that creates the smallest possible surface disturbance and does not exceed fourteen (14) feet in width. The maximum width of surface disturbance, when constructing the access road, shall not exceed twenty (20) feet.

### **Surfacing**

Surfacing material is not required on the new access road driving surface. If the operator elects to surface the new access road or pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

Where possible, no improvements should be made on the unsurfaced access road other than to remove vegetation as necessary, road irregularities, safety issues, or to fill low areas that may sustain standing water.

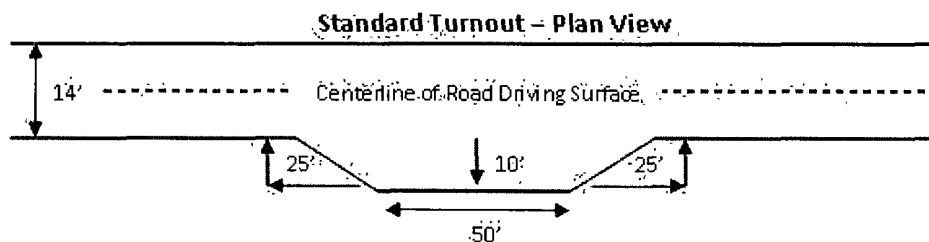
The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require surfacing of any portion of the access road at any time deemed necessary. Surfacing may be required in the event the road deteriorates, erodes, road traffic increases, or it is determined to be beneficial for future field development. The surfacing depth and type of material will be determined at the time of notification.

### **Crowning**

Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### **Turnouts**

Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:

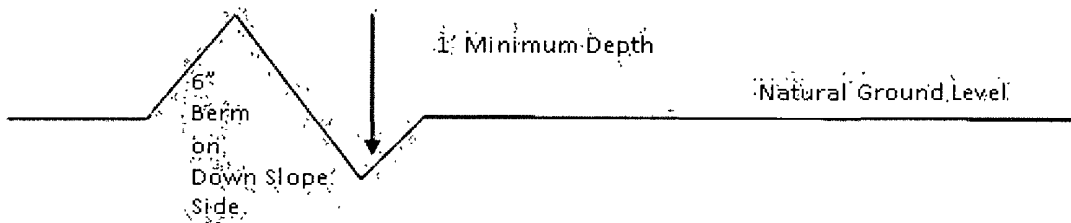


## Drainage

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outslowing and insloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm of 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm shall be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch.

### Cross Section of a Typical Lead-off Ditch



All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval are variable for lead-off ditches and shall be determined according to the formula for spacing intervals of lead-off ditches, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %);

### Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches

Example - On a 4% road slope that is 400 feet long, the water flow shall drain water into a lead-off ditch. Spacing interval shall be determined by the following formula:

$$400 \text{ foot road with } 4\% \text{ road slope: } \frac{400'}{4\%} + 100' = 200' \text{ lead-off ditch interval}$$

## Culvert Installations

Appropriately sized culvert(s) shall be installed at the deep waterway channel flow crossing.

## Cattleguards

An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).

Any existing cattleguard(s) on the access road shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguard(s) that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

A gate shall be constructed and fastened securely to H-braces.

## Fence Requirement

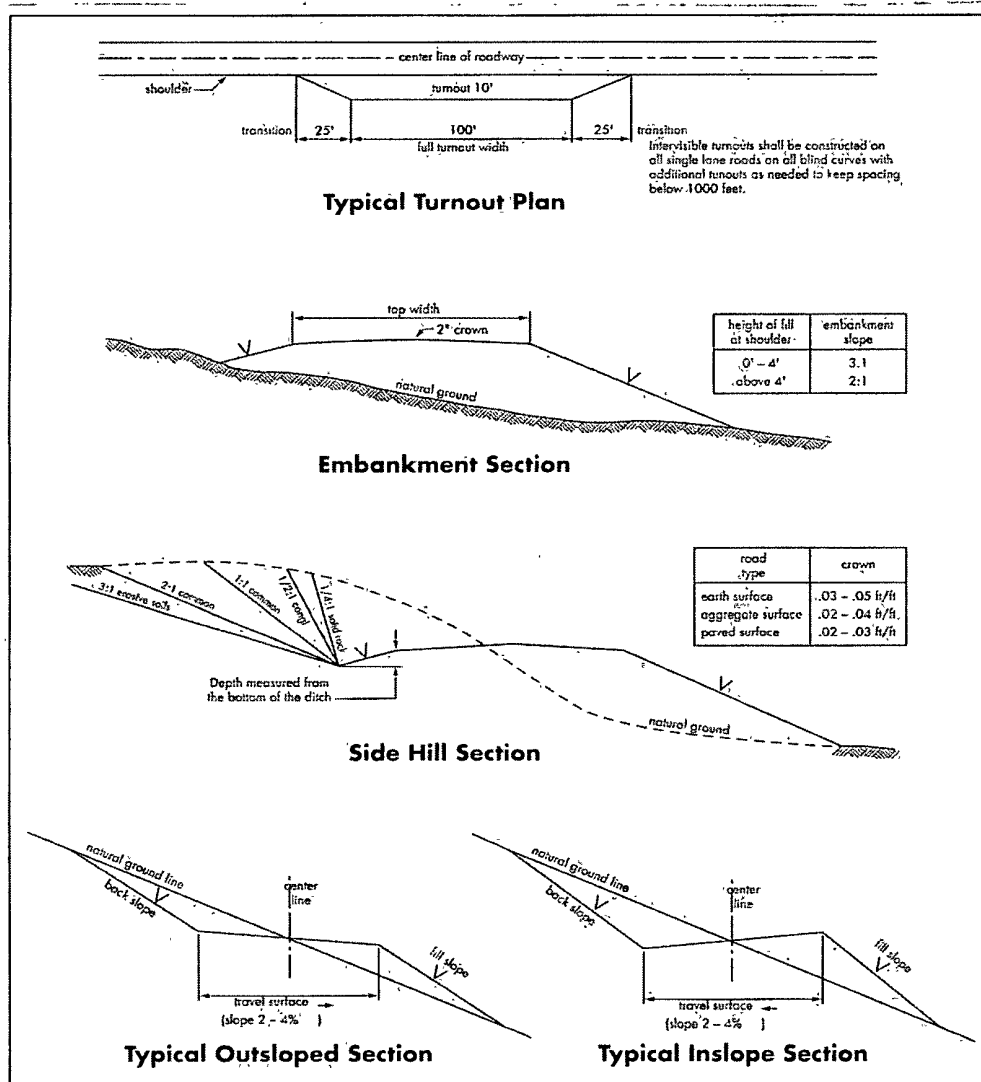
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

## Public Access

Public access on this road shall not be restricted by the operator without specific written approval granted by the Authorized Officer.

Figure 1 – Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections



## VII. DRILLING

### A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests

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1. **Although there are no measured amounts of Hydrogen Sulfide reported, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.**
2. Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval. **If the drilling rig is removed without approval – an Incident of Non-Compliance will be written and will be a “Major” violation.**
3. Floor controls are required for 3M or Greater systems. These controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
4. **The record of the drilling rate along with the GR/N well log run from TD to surface shall be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

### B. CASING

**Changes to the approved APD casing and cement program require submitting a sundry and receiving approval prior to work. Failure to obtain approval prior to work will result in an Incident of Non-Compliance being issued.**

**Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.**



**Wait on cement (WOC) time prior to drilling out for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater for all casing strings. DURING THIS WOC TIME, NO DRILL PIPE, ETC. SHALL BE RUN IN THE HOLE. Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.**

**No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.**

**Medium Cave/Karst**

**Possible lost circulation in Redbeds and evaporates to the base of the Castile group; and in the Delaware and Bone Spring groups.**

1. The **13-3/8** inch surface casing shall be set at approximately **1000** feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) and cemented to the surface.
  - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement. Temperature survey will be run a minimum of six hours after pumping cement and ideally between 8-10 hours after completing the cement job.
  - b. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.**
  - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
  - d. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.

**If 75% or greater lost circulation occurs while drilling the intermediate casing hole, the cement on the production casing must come to surface.**

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **9-5/8** inch intermediate casing is (ensure casing is set in the Lamar at approximately 3450'):
  - ☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.  
**Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to cave/karst.**

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the **5-1/2** inch production casing is:
  - a. First stage to DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office before proceeding with second stage cement job. Operator should have plans as to how they will achieve circulation on the next stage.
  - b. Second stage above DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.
4. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

#### **C. PRESSURE CONTROL**

1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
2. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **3000 (3M)** psi.
3. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
  - a. In a water basin, for all casing strings utilizing slips, these are to be set as soon as the crew and rig are ready and any fallback cement remediation has been done. The casing cut-off and BOP installation can be initiated four hours after installing the slips, which will be approximately six hours after bumping the plug. For those casing strings not using slips, the minimum wait time before cut-off is eight hours after bumping the plug. BOP/BOPE testing can begin after cut-off or once cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified), whichever is greater. However, if the float does not hold, cut-off cannot be initiated until cement reaches 500 psi compressive strength (including lead when specified).
  - b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug **not a cup or J-packer**.
  - c. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.

- d. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. **A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.**
- e. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

#### **D. DRILL STEM TEST**

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

#### **E. WASTE MATERIAL AND FLUIDS**

All waste (i.e. drilling fluids, trash, salts, chemicals, sewage, gray water, etc.) created as a result of drilling operations and completion operations shall be safely contained and disposed of properly at a waste disposal facility. No waste material or fluid shall be disposed of on the well location or surrounding area.

Porto-johns and trash containers will be on-location during fracturing operations or any other crew-intensive operations.

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## **VIII. PRODUCTION (POST DRILLING)**

### **A. WELL STRUCTURES & FACILITIES**

#### **Placement of Production Facilities**

Production facilities should be placed on the well pad to allow for maximum interim recontouring and revegetation of the well location.

#### **Containment Structures**

The containment structure shall be constructed to hold the capacity of the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

#### **Painting Requirement**

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color  
Shale Green, Munsell Soil Color Chart # 5Y 4/2

## **IX. INTERIM RECLAMATION**

During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo interim reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses.

Within six (6) months of well completion, operators should work with BLM surface management specialists (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909) to devise the best strategies to reduce the size of the location. Interim reclamation should allow for remedial well operations, as well as safe and efficient removal of oil and gas.

During reclamation, the removal of caliche is important to increasing the success of revegetating the site. Removed caliche that is free of contaminants may be used for road repairs, fire walls or for building other roads and locations. In order to operate the well or complete workover operations, it may be necessary to drive, park and operate on restored interim vegetation within the previously disturbed area. Disturbing revegetated areas for production or workover operations will be allowed. If there is significant disturbance and loss of vegetation, the area will need to be revegetated. Communicate with the appropriate BLM office for any exceptions/exemptions if needed.

All disturbed areas after they have been satisfactorily prepared need to be reseeded with the seed mixture provided below.

Upon completion of interim reclamation, the operator shall submit a Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, Subsequent Report of Reclamation (Form 3160-5).

## **X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & RECLAMATION**

At final abandonment, well locations, production facilities, and access roads must undergo "final" reclamation so that the character and productivity of the land are restored.

Earthwork for final reclamation must be completed within six (6) months of well plugging. All pads, pits, facility locations and roads must be reclaimed to a satisfactory revegetated, safe, and stable condition, unless an agreement is made with the landowner or BLM to keep the road and/or pad intact.

After all disturbed areas have been satisfactorily prepared, these areas need to be revegetated with the seed mixture provided below. Seeding should be accomplished by drilling on the contour whenever practical or by other approved methods. Seeding may need to be repeated until revegetation is successful, as determined by the BLM.

Operators shall contact a BLM surface protection specialist prior to surface abandonment operations for site specific objectives (Jim Amos: 575-234-5909).

#### Seed Mixture 1, for Loamy Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)\* per acre. There shall be no primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The seed mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (small/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed\* per acre:

<u>Species</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains lovegrass ( <i>Eragrostis intermedia</i> )	0.5
Sand dropseed ( <i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i> )	1.0
Sideoats grama ( <i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> )	5.0

\*Pounds of pure live seed: Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed