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**UNITED STATES** 

NMOCD ARTES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NM-0560353 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT 6. If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER 7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No. 1a Type of Work: DRILL REENTER 8. Lease Name and Well No. Oil Well 1b. Type of Well Gas Well Other Single Zone Multiple Zone Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4 🛏 9. API Well No. 2. Name of Operator 30-015-Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado 3b. Phone No. (include area code) 10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory 3a. Address Benson; Bone Spring 600 N. Marienfeld St., Ste. 600; Midland, TX 79701 4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.\*) 11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area 990 FSL & 525 FWL At Surface At proposed prod Zone 660 FSL & 330 FEL Horizontal Bone Spring test 1-19S-30E 13. State 14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office\* 12. County or Parish NM 16. No of acres in lease 17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 15 Distance from proposed\* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig, unit line if NM-0560353 - 2160.32 acres 330' **S2S2** 160 acres anv) 19. Proposed Depth 20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on File 18 Distance from proposed location\* to nearest well, drilling, completed, Pilot Hole 8950' applied for, on this lease, ft. MD 13017' N/A TVD 8730' NM-2575 21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 22. Approximate date work will start\* 23. Estimated duration 3529' GR 01.25.09 25-30 days 24. Attachments The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 1, shall be attached to this form Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor Item 20 above). 2. A Drilling Plan A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the Operator Certification SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office). Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer. 25. Signature Name (Printed/Typed) Date Zeno Farris 12.16.09 Title Manager Operations Administration Date MAR 0 2 2010 Approved By (Signature) Name (Printed/Typed) Title 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 APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS conduct operations thereon.

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached

Title 18 U.S.S. 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

\* (Instructions on page 2)

CAPITAN CONTROLLED WATER BASIN

SEE ATTACHED FUR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL



APPROVAL SUBJECT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS **ATTACHED** 

DISTRICT I 6,1625 N. French Dr., Hobba, NM 88240 DISTRICT II 1801 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

State of New Mexico
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

☐ AMENDED REPORT

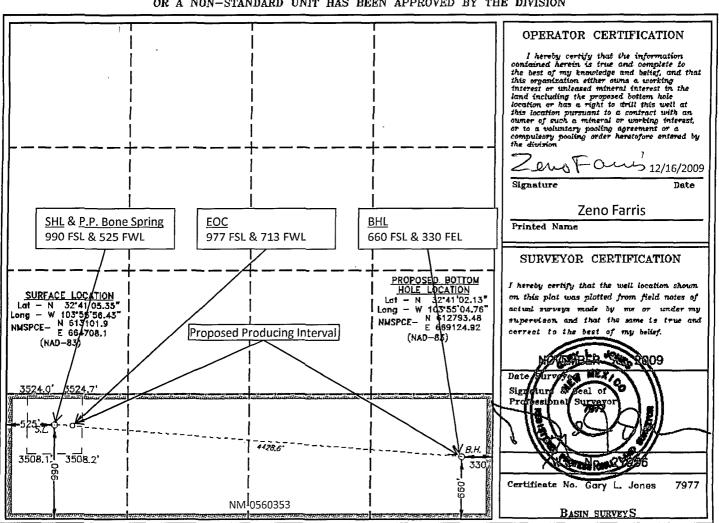
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Property Code			Property Nam	ie		Well Nu	
38064	CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM						<b>)</b>
OGRID No.			Operator Nam	e		Elevat	
162683	CIN	MAREX EN	NERGY CO.	OF COLORADO		3529	9'
Surface Location							
UL or lot No. Section	Township Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

M 1 19 S 30 E 990 SOUTH 525 WEST EDDY

Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

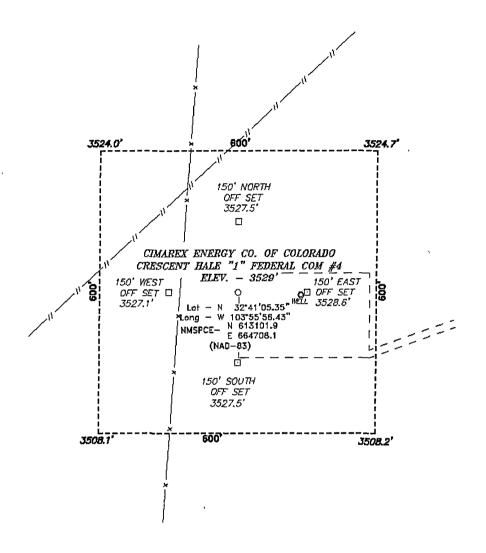
North/South line East/West line UL or lot No. Section Township Range Lot Idn. Feet from the Feet from the County SOUTH 330 **EAST** 19 S 30 E 660 **EDDY** Dedicated Acres Joint or Infill Consolidation Code Order No. 160

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



SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY.

NEW MEXICO.



Directions to Location:

FROM THE JUNCTION OF SHUGART AND GRUBBS, GO WEST ON GRUBBS FOR 2.7 MILES TO LEASE ROAD, ON LEASE ROAD GO SOUTH 2.5 MILES TO PROPOSED LOCATION.

BASIN SURVEYS P.O. BOX 1786-HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

W.O. Number: 21956 Drawn By: J. SMALL

Date: 12-03-2009 Disk: JMS 21956

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SCALE: 1" = 200'

### CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO

REF: CRESCENT HALE "1" FEDERAL COM #4 / WELL PAD TOPO

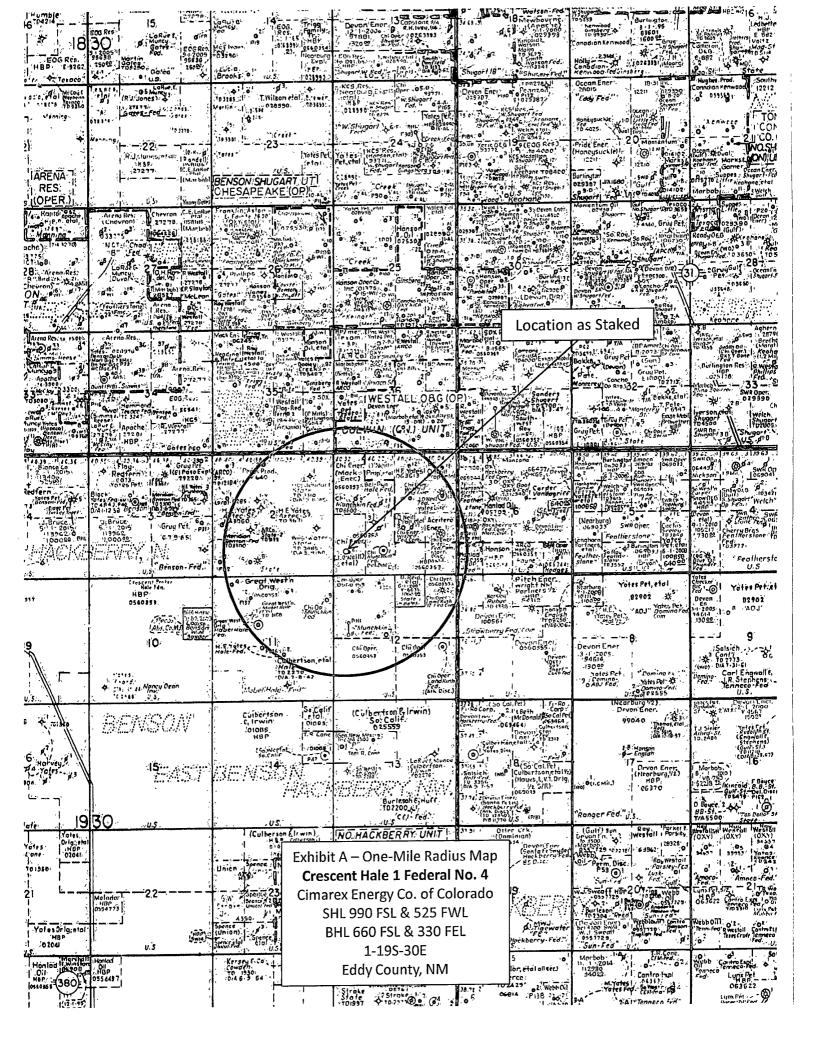
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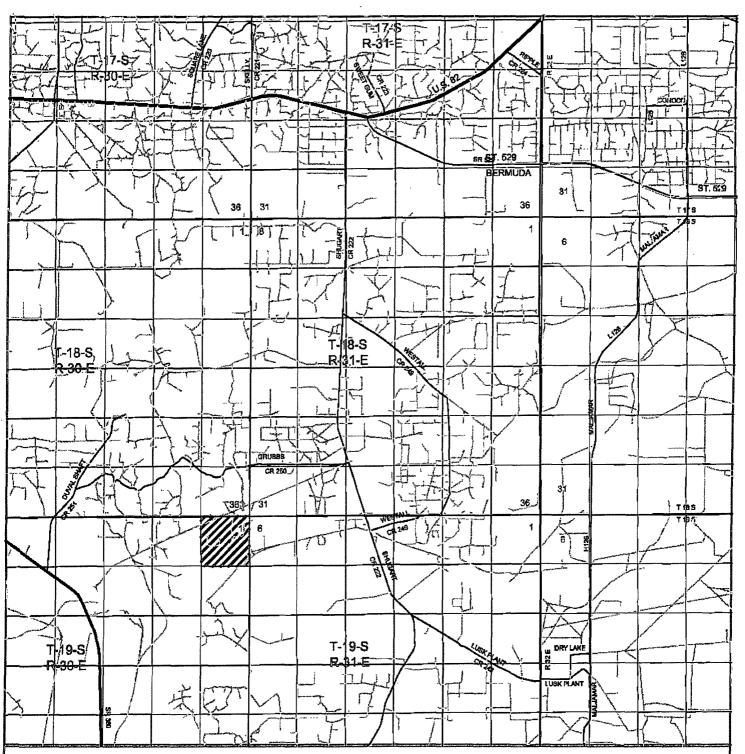
FROM THE SOUTH LINE AND 525' FROM THE WEST LINE OF

SECTION 1. TOWNSHIP 19 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST,

N.M.P.M., EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

Survey Date: 11-30-2009 Sheet 1 of 1 Sheets





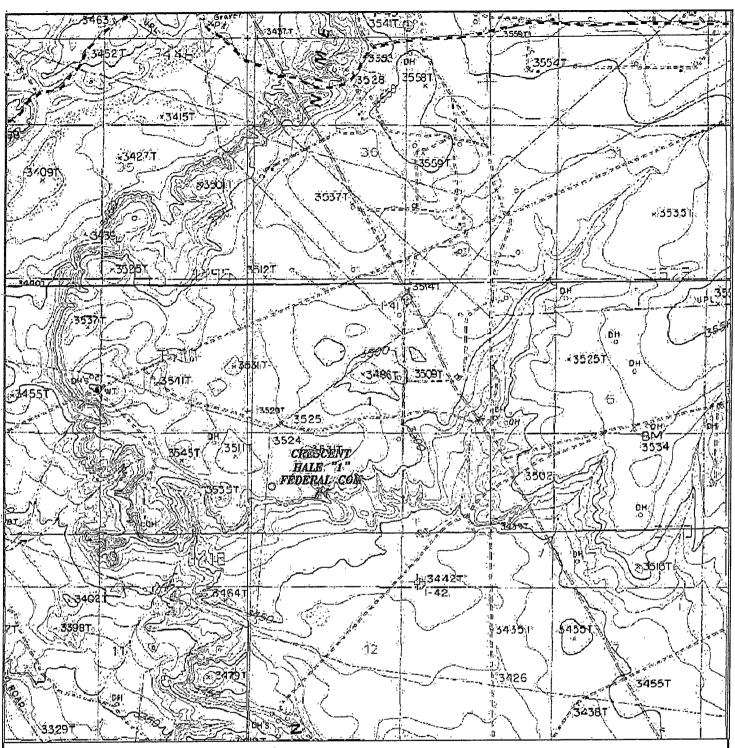
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P.O. Box 1786 1120 N. West County Rd. Hobbs, New Mexico 88241 (575) 393-7316 — Office (575) 392-2208 — Fax basinsurveys.com

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CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO Application to Drill

### Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Unit M, Section 1

T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

In response to questions asked under Section II B of Bulletin NTL-6, the following information is provided for your consideration:

1 Location:

SHL

990 FSL & 525 FWL

BHL

660 FSL & 330 FEL

2 Elevation above sea level:

3,529 GR

3 Geologic name of surface formation:

**Quaternery Alluvium Deposits** 

4 Drilling tools and associated equipment:

Conventional rotary drilling rig using fluid as a

circulating medium for solids removal.

5 Proposed drilling depth:

Pilot Hole 8950'

MD 13017'

TVD 8730'

6 Estimated tops of geological markers:

Anhydrite	464'	Cherry Canyon	4080'
Yates	2256'	<b>Brushy Canyon</b>	5136'
7 Rivers	2470'	<b>Bone Spring</b>	6175'
Queen	3082'	FBSS	7650'
Delaware Sands	3950'	SBSS	8400'

### 7 Possible mineral bearing formation:

Delaware

Oil

**Bone Spring** 

Oil

8 Proposed Mud Circulating System:

	Depth		Mud Wt Visc		Fluid Loss	Type Mud
0'	to	550 500'	8.4 - 8.6	28	NC	FW
,500'	to	4000'	10.0	30-32	NC	Brine water
4000'	to	8950'	8.4 - 9.5	30-32	NC	FW, brine
8480'	to	13017'	8.4	28-32	NC	2% KCI .

Sufficient mud materials will be kept on location at all times in order to combat lost circulation or unexpected kicks. In order to run DSTs, open hole logs, and casing, the viscosity and water loss may have to be adjusted in order to meet these needs.

### Proposed drilling Plan

After drilling and setting surface casing, drill to vertical TD 8950' and log. Set 7" casing to 8420' and cross over to 2%" 2000 psi IJ fiberglass tubing underneath to 8950' and cement in place. Drill out of the bottom of the 7" with a 6%" bit and through cement and fiberglass tubing to KOP @ 8480' and kick off to drill the lateral. The fiberglass tubing effectively circulates cement to surface and plugs back the open hole.



### Application to Drill Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Unit M, Section 1 T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

### 9 Casing & Cementing Program:

See COA

String	Hole Size		Dept	h	Casir	g OD	Weight	Collar	Grade
Surface	17½"	0'	to	500'55x	New	13¾"	48#	STC	H-40
Intermediate	12¼"	0'	to	4000'	New	9%"	40#	LTC	J/K-55
Production	8¾"	0,	to	8420'	New	7"	26#	LTC	P-110
Production	8¾"	8420'	to	8950'	New	21/3"	2.18#	0	IJ
Lateral Pt. 1	61/8"	8380'	to	8777'	New	4½"	11.6#	BTC	P-110
Lateral Pt. 2	61/8"	8777'	to	13017'	New	4½"	11.6#	LTC	P-110

10 Cementing: See CoiA

Surface

600 sx Premium Plus + 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub> (wt 14.8, yld 1.35)

**TOC Surface** 

See

Intermediate

Lead: 215 sx Econocem + 3% Salt + 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 3 lbm/sk Glisonite (wt 11.7, yld 2.06)

Tail: 650 sks Premium Plus + 1% CaCl<sub>2</sub> (wt 14.8, yld 1.34)

**TOC Surface** 

**Production** 

Lead: 360 sx EconoCem + 3% Salt + 5 lbm/sk gilsonite (wt 13.0, yld 1.71)

Tail: 365 sx HalCem (wt 14.8, yld 1.34)

TOC 3800'

Lateral

No cement needed. Peak completion assembly.

Fresh water zones will be protected by setting 13%" casing at 500' and cementing to surface. Hydrocarbon zones will be protected by setting 9%" casing at 4000' and cementing to surface, and by setting 7" casing at 8420' and fiberglass to 8950' and cementing to 3800.'

<u>Collapse Factor</u>	Burst Factor	Tension Factor
1.125	1.125	1.6

### 11 Pressure control Equipment:

Exhibit "E". A 13%" 5000 PSI working pressure BOP tested to 3000 psi consisting of one set of blind rams and one set of pipe rams and a 5000# annular type preventer. A choke manifold and 120 gallon accumulator with floor and remote operating stations and auxiliary power system. Rotating head as needed. A kelly cock will be installed and maintained in operable condition and a drill string safety valve in the open position will be available on the rig floor.

BOP unit will be hydraulically operated. BOP will be nippled up and operated at least once a day while drilling and the blind rams will be operated when out of hole during trips. No abnormal pressure or temperature is expected while drilling. From the base of the surface pipe through the running of production casing, the well will be equipped with a 5000 psi BOP system tested to 3000 psi.

BOPS will be tested by an independent service company to 250 psi low and 3000 psi high. Hydril will be tested to 250 psi low and 1500 psi high.

Application to Drill

Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado

Unit M, Section 1

T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

12 Testing, Logging and Coring Program: See COA

A. Mud logging program: 2 man unit from 4000' to TD

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

C. No DSTs or cores are planned at this time.

### 13 Potential Hazards:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. In accordance with Onshore Order 6, Cimarex does not anticipate that there will be enough  $H_2S$  from the surface to the Bone Spring formations to meet the BLM's minimum requirements for the submission of an " $H_2S$  Drilling Operation Plan" or "Public Protection Plan" for the drilling and completion of this well. Since we have an  $H_2S$  Safety package on all wells, attached is an " $H_2S$  Drilling Operations Plan." Adequate flare lines will be installed off the mud / gas separator where gas may be flared safely. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used.

Estimated BHP 3000 psi Estimated BHT 130°

14 Road and location construction will begin after BLM approval of APD. Anticipated spud date as soon as approved.

Drilling expected to take 30-35 days

If production casing is run an additional 30 days will be required to complete and construct surface facilities.

### 15 Other Facets of Operations:

After running casing, cased hole gamma ray neutron collar logs will be run from total depth over possible pay intervals.

Bone Spring pay will be perforated and stimulated.

The proposed well will be tested and potentialed as an oil well.



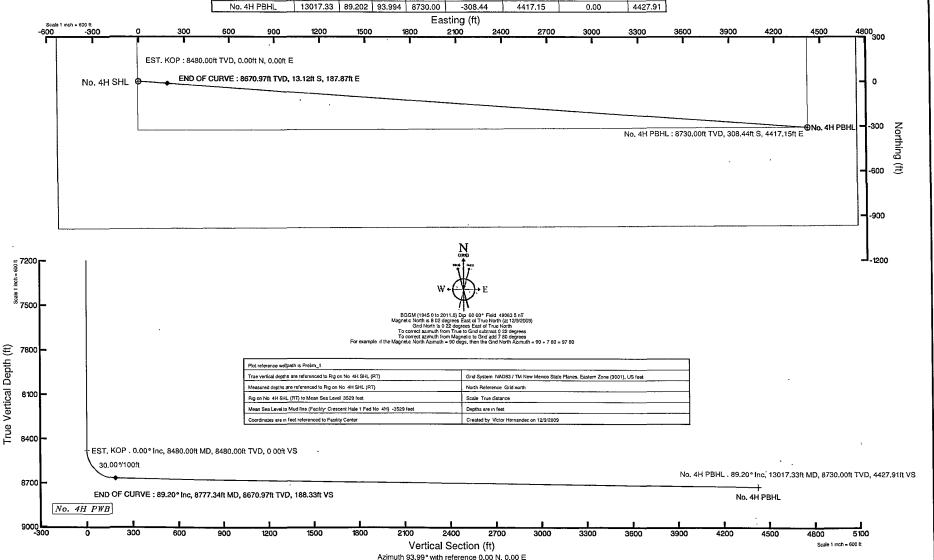
### Cimarex Energy Co.

Location: Eddy County, NM Field: (Crescent) Sec 1, T19S, R30E Facility: Crescent Hale 1 Fed No. 4H

Well: No. 4H SHL Wellbore: No. 4H PWB



Well Profile Data								
Design Comment	MD (ft)	Inc (°)	Az (°)	TVD (ft)	Local N (ft)	Local E (ft)	DLS (%100ft)	VS (ft)
Tie On	0.00	0.000	93.994	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EST. KOP	8480.00	0.000	93.994	8480.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
END OF CURVE	8777.34	89.202	93.994	8670.97	-13.12	187.87	30.00	188.33
No. 4H PBHL	13017.33	89.202	93.994	8730.00	-308.44	4417.15	0.00	4427.91





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Operator	Cimarex Energy Co.	Slot	No. 4H SHL
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Field	(Crescent) Sec 1, T19S, R30E	Wellbore	No. 4H PWB
Facility	Crescent Hale 1 Fed No. 4H		

REPORT SETUP INFORMATION								
Projection System	NAD83 / TM New Mexico State Planes, Eastern Zone (3001), US feet	Software System	WellArchitect® 2.0					
North Reference	Grid	User	Victor Hernandez					
Scale	0.999927	Report Generated	12/9/2009 at 4:36:30 PM					
Convergence at slot	0.22° East	Database/Source file	WA_Midland/No4H_PWB.xml					

WELLPATH LOCATION						
	Local coordinates		Grid co	oordinates	Geographic coordinates	
	North[ft]	East[ft]	Easting[USft]	Northing[USft]	Latitude	Longitude
Slot Location	0.00	0.00	664708.10	613101.90	32°41'05.353"N	103°55'56.426"W
Facility Reference Pt			664708.10	613101.90	32°41'05.353"N	103°55'56.426"W
Field Reference Pt			664708.10	613101.90	32°41'05.353"N	103°55'56.426"W

WELLPATH DATUM			
Calculation method	Minimum curvature	Rig on No. 4H SHL (RT) to Facility Vertical Datum	0.00ft
Horizontal Reference Pt	Facility Center	Rig on No. 4H SHL (RT) to Mean Sea Level	3529.00ft
Vertical Reference Pt	Rig on No. 4H SHL (RT)	Facility Vertical Datum to Mud Line (Facility)	0.00ft
MD Reference Pt	Rig on No. 4H SHL (RT)	· Section Origin	N 0.00, E 0.00 ft
Field Vertical Reference	Mean Sea Level	Section Azimuth	93.99°



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WELLPATH DATA	$(49 \text{ stations}) \dagger =$	interpolated/ex	trapolated statio	n		11-16- 21-11-		
MD	Inclination	Azimuth	TVD	Vert Sect	North	East	DLS	Comments
[ft]	[°]	[°]	[ft]	[ft]	[ft]	[ft]	[°/100ft]	
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8480.00	0.000	93.994	8480.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	EST. KOP
8580.00†	30.000	93.994	8575.49	25.59	-1.78	25.53	30.00	
8680.00†	60.000	93.994	8645.40	95.49	-6.65	95.26	30.00	
8777.34	89.202	→ 93.994		188.33	-13.12	187.87	30.00	END OF CURVE
8780.00†	89.202	93.994	8671.00	190.99	-13.30	190.52	0.00	
8880.00†	89.202	93.994	8672.40	290.98	-20.27	290.27	0.00	
8980.00†	89.202	93.994	8673.79	390.97	-27.23	390.02	0.00	
9080.00†	89.202	93.994	8675.18	490.96	-34.20	489.76	0.00	
9180.00†	-89.202	93.994	→ 8676.57/	590.95	41.16	589.51.	0.00	
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MD [ft]	Inclination	Azimuth [°]	TVD [ft]	Vert Sect [ft]	North [ft]	East [ft]	DLS [°/100ft]	Comments
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11380.00†	89.202	93.994	8707.20	2790.73	-194,40	2783.95	0.00	
11480.00†	89.202	93,994	8708.60		-201.36	2883.70	0.00	
				2890.72			0.00	
11580.00†	89.202		8709.99	2990.71	-208.33	2983.45		
11680.00†			8711.38					
11780.00†			8712.77	3190.69	-222.26	3182.94	0.00	
11880.00†		93.994	8714.17	3290.69	-229.23	3282.69	0.00	
11980.00†	89.202	93.994	8715.56	3390.68	-236.19	3382.44	0.00	
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12280.00†	89.202	93.994	8719.73	3690.65	-257.09	3681.68	0.00	
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12480.00†	89.202	93.994	8722.52	3890.63	-271.02	3881.18	0.00	
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12680.00†	89.202	93.994	8725.30	.4090.61	-284.95	4080.67	0.00	
12780.00†	89.202	93.994	8726.70	4190.60	-291.91	4180.42	0.00	
12880.00†	89.202	93.994	8728.09	4290.59	-298.88	4280.17	0.00	
12980.00†	89.202	93.994	8729.48	4390.58	-305.84	4379.91	0.00	
13017.33	89.202	93.994	8730:00 <sup>1</sup>	4427.91	-308.44	4417.15	0.00	No. 4H PBHL

HOLE & CASING SECTION	S Ref Wellbon	re: No. 4H PWB	Ref Well	oath: Prelim_1					
String/Diameter	Start MD [ft]	End MD [ft]	Interval [ft]	Start TVD [ft]	End TVD [ft]	Start N/S [ft]	Start E/W [ft]	End N/S [ft]	End E/W [ft]
6.125in Open Hole	8480.00	13017.33	4537.33	8480.00	8730.00	0.00	0.00	-308.44	4417.15



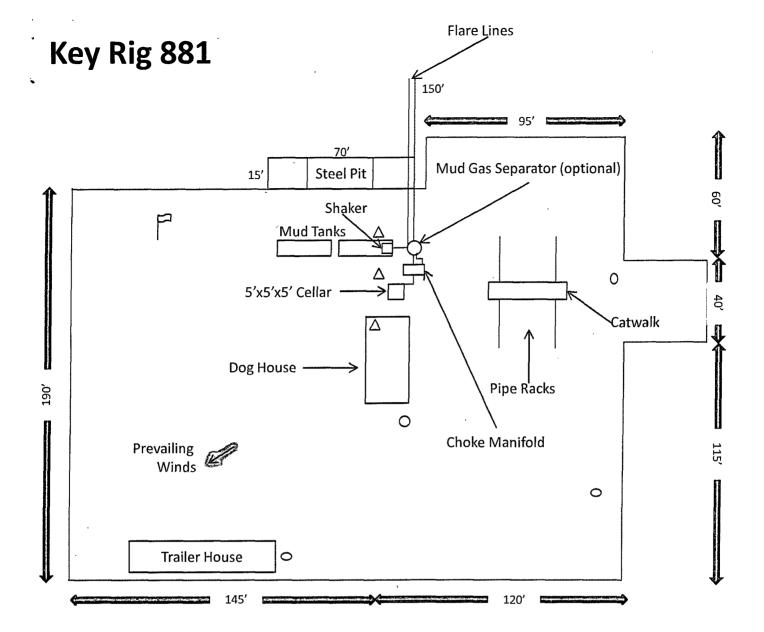
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TARGETS		1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1	1, 3, 31			·			
Name	MD [ft]	TVD [ft]	North [ft]	East [ft]	Grid East [srv ft]	Grid North [srv ft]	Latitude	Longitude	Shape
1) No. 4H PBHL	13017.33	8730.00	-308.44	4417.15	669124.92	612793.48	32°41'02.133"N	403°55'04.760"W	point

SURVEY PROGRA	AM Ref Wellbore:	No. 4H PWB Ref Wellpath: Prelim_1		
Start MD	End MD	Positional Uncertainty Model	Log Name/Comment	Wellbore
[ft]	[ft]			
0.00	13017.33	NaviTrak (Standard)		No. 4H PWB



- Wind Direction Indicators (wind sock or streamers)
- $\Delta$  H2S Monitors (alarms at bell nipple and shale shaker)
- O Briefing Areas
- O Remote BOP Closing Unit

Exhibit D – Rig Diagram

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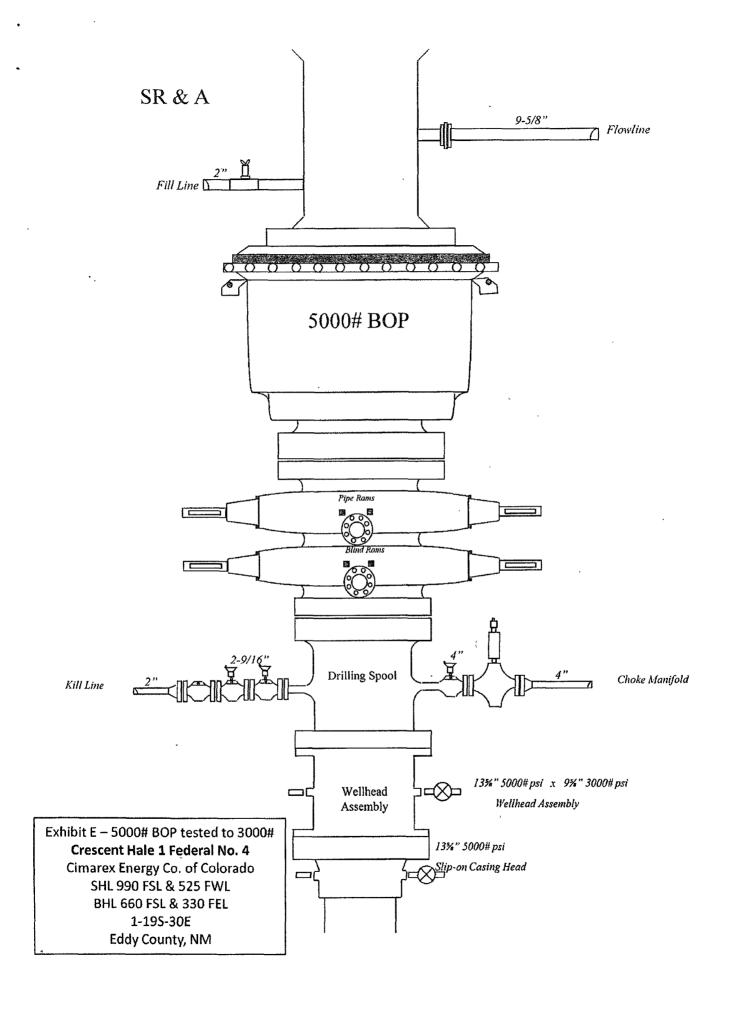
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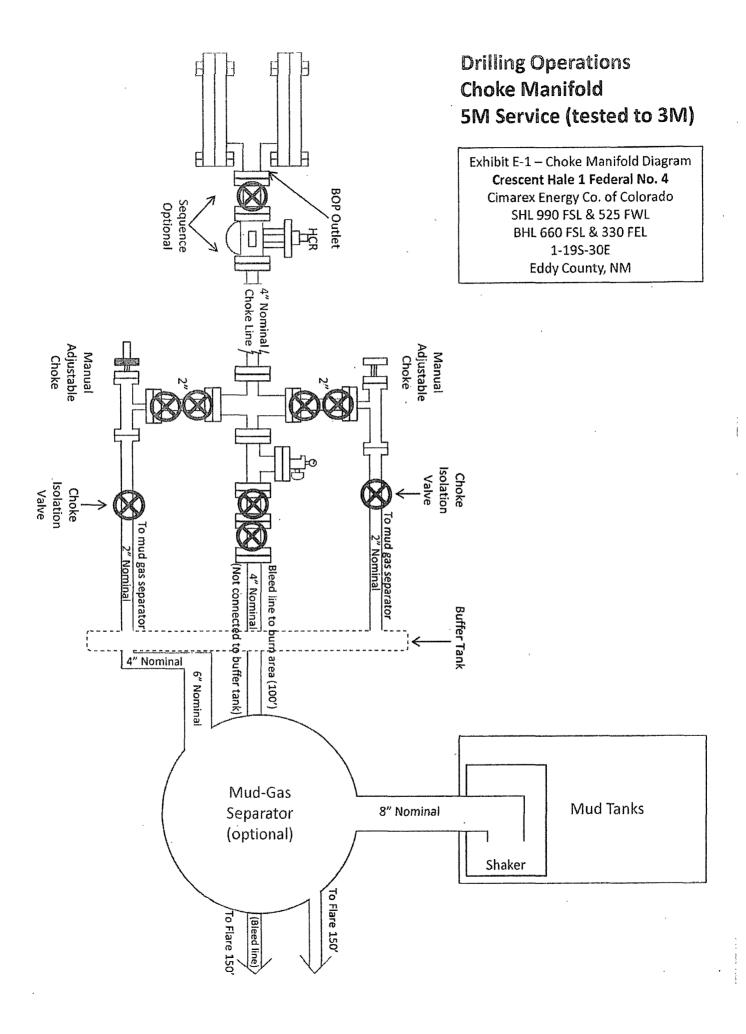
SHL 990 FSL & 525 FWL

BHL 660 FSL & 330 FEL

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Eddy County, NM





# Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operations Plan Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Unit M, Section 1 T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

- 1 All Company and Contract personnel admitted on location must be trained by a qualified H<sub>2</sub>S safety instructor to the following:
  - A. Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S
  - B. Physical effects and hazards
  - C. Proper use of safety equipment and life support systems.
  - D. Principle and operation of H<sub>2</sub>S detectors, warning system and briefing areas.
  - E. Evacuation procedure, routes and first aid.
  - F. Proper use of 30 minute pressure demand air pack.

### 2 H<sub>2</sub>S Detection and Alarm Systems:

A. H<sub>2</sub>S detectors and audio alarm system to be located at bell nipple, end of flow line (mud pit) and on derrick floor or doghouse.

### 3 Windsock and/or wind streamers:

- A. Windsock at mudpit area should be high enough to be visible.
- B. Windsock at briefing area should be high enough to be visible.

### 4 Condition Flags and Signs:

- A. Warning sign on access road to location.
- B. Flags to be displayed on sign at entrance to location. Green flag indicates normal safe condition. Yellow flag indicates potential pressure and danger. Red flag indicates danger (H<sub>2</sub>S present in dangerous concentration). Only emergency personnel admitted to location.

### 5 Well control equipment:

A. See exhibit "E"

### 6 Communication:

- A. While working under masks chalkboards will be used for communication.
- B. Hand signals will be used where chalk board is inappropriate.
- C. Two way radio will be used to communicate off location in case of emergency help is required. In most cases cellular telephones will be available at most drilling foreman's trailer or living quarters.

### 7 Drillstem Testing:

No DSTs or cores are planned at this time.

- 8 Drilling contractor supervisor will be required to be familiar with the effects H<sub>2</sub>S has on tubular goods and other mechanical equipment.
- 9 If H<sub>2</sub>S is encountered, mud system will be altered if necessary to maintain control of formation. A mud gas seperator will be brought into service along with H<sub>2</sub>S scavengers if necessary.

### H₂S Contingency Plan Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Unit M, Section 1

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### **Emergency Procedures**

In the event of a release of gas containing H<sub>2</sub>S, the first responder(s) must:

- ★ Isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE.
- ★ Evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE.
- ★ Be equipped with H<sub>2</sub>S monitors and air packs in order to control the release.
- ★ Use the "buddy system" to ensure no injuries occur during the response.
- ★ Take precautions to avoid personal injury during this operation.
- ★ Contact operator and/or local officials to aid in operation. See list of phone numbers attached.
- ★ Have received training in the:
  - Detection of H₂S, and
  - Measures for protection against the gas,
  - Equipment used for protection and emergency response.

### **Ignition of Gas Source**

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide ( $SO_2$ ). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally, the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever there is an ignition of the gas.

Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S and SO<sub>2</sub>

Common	Chemical	Specific	Threshold	Hazardous	Lethal
Name	Formula	Gravity	Limit	Limit	Concentration
Hydrogen Sulfide	H₂S	1.189 Air=1	10 ppm	100 ppm/hr	600 ppm
Sulfur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	2.21 Air=1	2 ppm	N/A	1000 ppm

### **Contacting Authorities**

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado's personnel must liaise with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available including directions to site. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado's response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's "Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan" (HMER).

### H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan Emergency Contacts

### Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Unit M, Section 1 T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

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Key Personnel		0.00		
Name	Title	Office		Mobile
Doug Park	Drilling Manager	432-620-1934		972-333-1407
Dee Smith	Drilling Super	432-620-1933		972-882-1010
Jim Evans	Drilling Super	432-620-1929		972-465-0564
Roy Shirley	Field Super			432-634-2136
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State Police		575-746-2703		
City Police		575-746-2703		
Sheriff's Office		575-746-9888		
Fire Department		575-746-2701		
Local Emergency Planning	Committee	575-746-2122		
New Mexico Oil Conservat	ion Division	575-748-1283		
<u>Carlsbad</u>				
Ambulance		911		
State Police		575-885-3137		
City Police		575-885-2111		
Sheriff's Office		575-887-7551		
Fire Department		575-887-3798		
Local Emergency Planning	Committee	575-887-6544		
US Bureau of Land Manage	ement	575-887-6544		
Santa Fe				
New Mexico Emergency Re	sponse Commission (Santa Fe)	505-476-9600		
	sponse Commission (Santa Fe) 24 Hrs	505-827-9126		
New Mexico State Emerger	ncy Operations Center	505-476-9635		
<u>National</u>				
National Emergency Respo	nse Center (Washington, D.C.)	800-424-8802		
<u>Medical</u>				
Flight for Life - 4000 24th S	t.; Lubbock, TX	806-743-9911		
Aerocare - R3, Box 49F; Lub	bock, TX	806-747-8923		
	Yale Blvd S.E., #D3; Albuquerque, NM	505-842-4433		
SB Air Med Service - 2505 (	Clark Carr Loop S.E.; Albuquerque, NM	505-842-4949		
<u>Other</u>				
Boots & Coots IWC		800-256-9688	or	281-931-8884
Cudd Pressure Control		432-699-0139	or	432-563-3356
Halliburton		575-746-2757	-01	-32-303-3330
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575-746-3569

### Surface Use Plan Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Unit M, Section 1

T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

- 1 <u>Existing Roads:</u> Area maps, Exhibit "B" is a reproduction of Eddy Co. General Highway Map. Exhibit "C" is a reproduction of a USGS Topographic Map, showing existing roads and proposed roads. All existing roads will be maintained in a condition equal to or better than current conditions. Any new roads will be constructed to BLM specifications.
  - A. Exhibit "A" shows the proposed well site as staked.
  - B. From the junction of Shugart and Grubbs, go West on Grubbs for 2.7 miles to lease road. On lease road, go South 2.5 miles to proposed location.
- 2 Planned Access Roads: No new access roads will be built to access this location.
- 3 Location of Existing Wells in a One-Mile Radius Exhibit A
  - A. Water wells None known
  - B. Disposal wells None known
  - C. Drilling wells None known
  - D. Producing wells As shown on Exhibit "A"
  - E. Abandoned wells As shown on Exhibit "A"
- 4 If on completion this well is a producer, Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado will furnish maps and/or plats showing on site facilities or off site facilities if needed. This will be accompanied by a Sundry Notice.
- 5 Location and Type of Water Supply:

Water will be purchased locally from a commercial source and trucked over the access roads or piped in flexible lines laid on top of the ground.

6 Source of Construction Material:

If possible, construction will be obtained from the excavation of drill site. If additional material is needed, it will be purchased from a local source and transported over the access route as shown on Exhibit "C".

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### 7 Methods of Handling Waste Material:

- A. Drill cuttings will be seperated by a series of solids removal equipment and stored in steel containment pits and then hauled to a state-approved disposal facility.
- B. All trash, junk and other waste material will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering. When the job is completed all contents will be removed and disposed of in an approved sanitary land fill.
- C. Salts remaining after completion of well will be picked up by supplier including broken sacks.
- D. Sewage from living quarters will drain into holding tanks and be cleaned out periodically. A Porta-John will be provided for the rig crews. This equipment will be properly maintained during the drilling operations and removed upon completion of the well.
- E. Drilling fluids will be contained in steel pits in a closed circulating system. Fluids will be cleaned and reused. Water produced during testing will be contained in the steel pits and disposed of at a state approved disposal facility. Any oil or condensate produced will be stored in test tanks until sold and hauled from the site.

### 8 Ancillary Facilities:

A. No camps or airstrips to be constructed.

### 9 Well Site Layout:

- A. Exhibit "D" shows location and rig layout.
- C. Mud pits in the closed circulating system will be steel pits and the cuttings will be stored in steel containment pits.
- D. Cuttings will be stored in steel pits until they are hauled to a state-approved disposal facility.
- E. If the well is a producer, those areas of the location not essential to production facilities will be reclaimed and seeded per BLM requirements.

### 10 Plans for Restoration of Surface:

Rehabilitation of the location will start in a timely manner after all drilling operations cease. The type of reclamation will depend on whether the well is a producer or a dry hole.

Drainage systems, if any, will be reshaped to the original configuration with provisions made to alleviate erosion. These may need to be modified in certain circumstances to prevent inundation of the location's pad and surface facilities. After the area has been shaped and contoured, topsoil from the spoil pile will be placed over the disturbed area to the extent possible. Revegetation procedures will comply with BLM standards.

If the well is a dry hole, the pad and road area will be recountoured to match the existing terrain. Topsoil will be spread to the extent possible. Revegetation will comply with BLM standards.

Should the well be a producer, the previously noted procedures will apply to those areas which are not required for production facilities.

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### 11 Other Information

- A. Topography consists of a sloping plane with loose tan sands. Vegetation is mainly yucca, mesquite and shin oak.
- B. The wellsite is on surface owned by Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. The land is used mainly for farming, cattle ranching, recreational use, and oil and gas production.
- C. In lieu of an archaeological survey report, Cimarex will be submitting an MOA application for this well pad and access road since they are within the MOA boundary.
- D. There are no know dwellings within 1½ miles of this location.

Operator Certification Statement
Crescent Hale 1 Federal No. 4
Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Unit M, Section 1
T19S-R30E, Eddy County, NM

Operator's Representative Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado 600 N. Marienfeld St., Ste. 600

Midland, TX 79701

Office Phone: (432) 571-7800

Zeno Farris

**CERTIFICATION**: I hereby certify that the statements and plans made in this APD are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado and/or its contractors/subcontractors and is in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provision of U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

NAME:	Zono Fams	,
_	Zeno Farris	
DATE:	December 16, 2009	
TITLE:	Manager Operations Administration	

### PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:

LEASE NO.:

WELL NAME & NO.:

SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:

BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE

LOCATION:

COUNTY:

Cimarex Energy Co of Colorado

NM0560353

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990' FSL & 525' FWL

660' FSL & 330' FEL

Section 01, T. 19 S., R 30 E., NMPM

COUNTY: Eddy County, New Mexico

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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)

### Rerouting of lessee's fence

The lessee's fence located approximately 150 feet west of the center hole shall be rerouted to accommodate the well pad if necessary.

Timing Limitation Stipulation / Condition of Approval for lesser prairie-chicken: Oil and gas activities including 3-D geophysical exploration, and drilling will not be allowed in lesser prairie-chicken habitat during the period from March 1st through June 15th annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period. Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 feet from the source of the noise.

Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching: Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well. For more installation details, contact the Carlsbad Field Office at 575-234-5972.

### 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. V-DOOR DIRECTION: East

### C. TOPSOIL

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

### D. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

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

### E. 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.

### F. 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.

### G. 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 thirty (30) 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

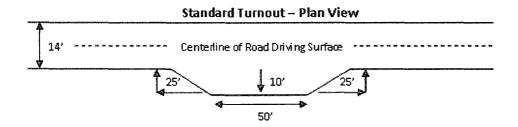
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### Ditching

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

### **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:

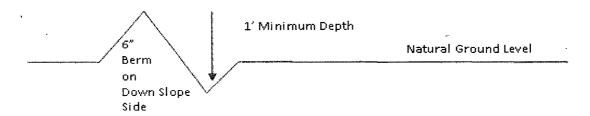


### Drainage

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outsloping 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 foot road with 4% road slope: 
$$\frac{400'}{4\%} + 100' = 200'$$
 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

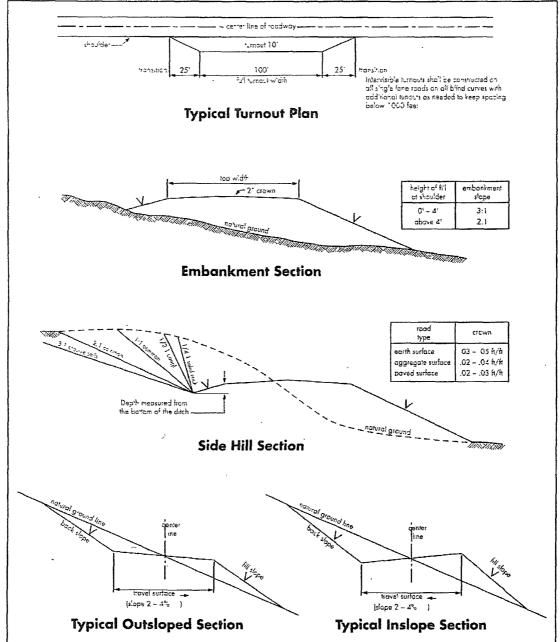
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

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

### **Eddy County**

Call the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220, (575) 361-2822

- 1. Due to recent H2S encounters in the salt formation, it is recommended that monitoring equipment be onsite for potential Hydrogen Sulfide prior to drilling out the surface shoe. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measurements 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.
- 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 CAL/GR/N well log run from TD to surface will 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 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. 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.

Secretary's Potash

Possible brine and water flows in the Artesia and Salado Groups. Possible lost circulation in the Capitan Reef and the Artesia Group.

- 1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set at approximately 550 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) and cemented to the surface. Fresh water mud to be used to setting depth.
  - 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 a 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.
- 2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 9-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:
  - □ 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 potash. Additional cement may be required as the excess calculates to be 1%.

Formation below the 9-5/8" shoe to be tested according to Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.i. Test to be done as a mud equivalency test using the mud weight necessary for the pore pressure of the formation below the shoe (not the mud weight required to prevent dissolving the salt formation) and the mud weight for the bottom of the hole. Report results to BLM office.

- 3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 7 inch production casing is:
  - Cement should tie-back at least 500 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to potash.
- 4. Cement not required on the 4-1/2" casing. Packer system being used.
- 5. 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.
  - a. For surface casing only: If the BOP/BOPE is to be tested against casing, the wait on cement (WOC) time for that casing is to be met (see WOC statement at start of casing section). Independent service company required.
- 3. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
  - a. Casing cut-off and BOP installation will not be initiated until the cement has had 4-6 hours of setup time in a water basin and 12 hours in the potash areas. This time will start after the cement plug is bumped. Testing the BOP/BOPE against a plug can commence after meeting the above conditions plus the BOP installation time.
  - b. The tests shall be done by an independent service company utilizing a test plug.
  - 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.

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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

- B. PIPELINES (Not applied for in APD)
- C. ELECTRIC LINES (Not applied for in APD)

### 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).

Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching: Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well.

### 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 <u>no</u> 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:

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

<sup>\*</sup>Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed.