

District I
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240
District II
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210
District III
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410
District IV
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505



State of New Mexico
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Form C-144
June 1, 2004

For drilling and production facilities, submit to appropriate NMOCD District Office.
For downstream facilities, submit to Santa Fe office

Pit or Below-Grade Tank Registration or Closure

Is pit or below-grade tank covered by a "general plan"? Yes ☐ No ☒

Type of action: Registration of a pit or below-grade tank ☐ Closure of a pit or below-grade tank ☒

Month - Year
MAR 27 2007
OCD - ARTESIA, NM

Operator: COG Operating LLC Telephone: 432-685-4340 e-mail address: pedwards@conchoresources.com
Address: Fasken Center Tower II, 550 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1300, Midland, TX 79701
Facility or well name: Blue Thunder 5 Federal Com. #1 API #: 30-015-34991 U/L or Qtr/Qtr: H Sec: 5 T: 19S R: 31E
County: Eddy Latitude: N 32° 41' 28" Longitude: W 103° 53' 05" NAD: 1927 ☐ 1983 ☐
Surface Owner: Federal ☒ State ☐ Private ☐ Indian ☐

Pit

Type: Drilling ☒ Production ☐ Disposal ☐

Workover ☐ Emergency ☐

Lined ☒ Unlined ☐

Liner type: Synthetic ☒ Thickness: 12 mil Clay ☐

Pit Volume: 35,000 bbl

Below-grade tank

Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____

Construction material: _____

Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes ☐ If not, explain why not. _____

Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.) greater than 100'

Less than 50 feet

(20 points)

50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet

(10 points)

100 feet or more - X

(0 points) 0

Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)

Yes

(20 points)

No - X

(0 points) 0

Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas, irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)

Less than 200 feet

(20 points)

200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet

(10 points)

1000 feet or more - X

(0 points) 0

Ranking Score (Total Points)

0 points

If this is a pit closure: (1) Attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit's relationship to other equipment and tanks. (2) Indicate disposal location: (check the onsite box if your are burying in place) onsite ☒ offsite ☐ If offsite, name of facility _____. (3) Attach a general description of remedial action taken including remediation start date and end date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, show depth below ground surface _____ ft. and attach sample results. (5) Attach soil sample results and a diagram of sample locations and excavations.

Additional Comments: Pit Closure Plan attached

I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that the above-described pit or below-grade tank has been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines ☒, a general permit ☐, or an (attached) alternative OCD-approved plan ☐.

Date: 3-26-07

Printed Name/Title PHYLLIS A. EDWARDS ANALYST Signature

Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does not relieve the operator of liability should the contents of the pit or tank contaminate ground water or otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the operator of its responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Approval:

Printed Name/Title _____ Signature _____ Date: _____

DENIED

Pit Closure Plan – Drilling Pit

Operator: COG Operating LLC

Well Name: Blue Thunder 5 Federal Com. #1

Location: Unit H, Section 5, Township 19 S, Range 31 E, Eddy County, NM

The drilling pit associated with this well will be closed as per New Mexico OCD "Pit and Below-Grade Tank Guidelines" dated November 1, 2004. The visual inspection of the pit indicated that the pit liner has maintained its integrity.

1. Any remaining liquids will be removed from the pit.
2. Remaining solid wastes (i.e. buckets, cans, miscellaneous trash, debris, contaminated solids, etc.) will be removed from the pit, except for dried mud and cuttings, cement, and frac materials in drilling and reserve pits which have been approved by the OCD for encapsulation.
3. **This well did penetrate a salt section, and 9.5 lb/gal brine or greater was used during drilling. Therefore, the pit will be closed by capping and encapsulation:**

Capping and encapsulation will be accomplished by mixing earthen materials with the pit contents, as necessary to stiffen the pit contents sufficiently to provide physical stability and support for the pit cover; folding the edges of the liner over the stiffened mud and cuttings; capping with a 20 mil minimum thickness impervious, reinforced, synthetic or fabricated liner meeting ASTM standards that is designed to be resistant to the material encapsulated; the liner will overlap the underling pit by at least 3 feet on all directions; and covering the liner cap with minimum of 3 feet of clean soil that is capable of supporting native plant growth.

4. Upon closure of the pit, the surface where the pit was located will be contoured to prevent erosion and ponding of rainwater over the site.
5. Since this is a federal well, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will be contacted for site reclamation requirements.

Water Well Data
Average Depth to Groundwater (ft)
COG - Blue Thunder 5 Federal Com. #1, Eddy County, New Mexico

18 South			30 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

18 South			31 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

18 South			32 East		
6	5	4	65	3	2
7	460	8	9	10	11
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

19 South			30 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36
115					

19 South			31 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	SITE	8	9	10	11
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	101	34	35
		180			130

19 South			32 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
102	345				
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

20 South			30 East		
6	5	3.5	4	3	2
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
29	29	150			
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36
170	191				

20 South			31 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36
					80

20 South			32 East		
6	5	4	3	2	1
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
31	32	33	34	35	36

88 New Mexico State Engineers Well Reports

105 USGS Well Reports

90 Geology and Groundwater Conditions in Southern Lea, County, NM (Report 6)
 Geology and Groundwater Resources of Eddy County, NM (Report 3)

34 NMOCD - Groundwater Data

TABLE 1. RECORDS OF WELLS IN EDDY COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. (Continued)

LOCATION NUMBER	OWNER OR NAME	DATE COMPLETED	TOPOGRAPHIC SITUATION	ALTITUDE ABOVE SEA LEVEL (feet)	DEPTH OF WELL (feet)	DIAMETER OF WELL (inches)	PRINCIPAL WATER-BEARING BED	
							CHARACTER OF MATERIAL	GEOLOGIC UNIT
19.28.2.122	Herman Lindley	—	Base of Fade-Away ridge	3,460	160	6	Redbeds, gypsum	Rustler (?)
13.210	West well	—	Shallow draw	3,370	—	8 (?)	do.	do.
18.120	—	—	Small depression	3,502	—	7	Redbeds, gypsum, limestone (?)	Chalk Bluff (?)
33.210	—	—	Shallow draw	3,345	170	5	Redbeds, gypsum (?)	Rustler (?)
19.29.13.410	—	—	Large closed depression	3,310	250	6	Redbeds (?)	Rustler or Dockum
19.410a	North Lake well	—	do.	3,310	250+	6	do.	do.
20.220	Rattlesnake well	—	Small closed depression	3,305	—	6	Redbeds, gypsum, limestone	Rustler (?)
19.31.28.330	John Lusk	—	South slope	3,480	—	8	Redbeds	Dockum
33.110	do.	—	Small depression	3,450	160	5	do.	do.
33.110a	do.	—	do.	3,450	—	6	do.	do.
33.110b	do.	—	do.	3,450	—	6	do.	do.

See explanation at beginning of table.

LOCATION NUMBER	WATER LEVEL		YIELD (g.p.m.)	METHOD OF LIFT	USE OF WATER	REMARKS
	BELOW LAND SURFACE (feet)	DATE OF MEASUREMENT				
19.28.2.122	128.3	Dec. 13, 1948	1 E.	W & G	S	Depth to water measured while pumping. See analysis, Table 3. See analysis, Table 3. See analysis, Table 3. Abandoned stock well. West well of two. Abandoned stock well. East well of two. See analysis, Table 3. Depth to water measured while pumping. See analysis, Table 3. See analysis, Table 3.
13.210	154.5	Dec. 3, 1948	3	W	S	
18.120	82.8	Sept. 3, 1948	—	W	S	
33.210	123.1	Dec. 21, 1948	—	N	N	
19.29.13.410	123.2	do.	—	N	N	
19.410a	123.2	do.	1 E.	W	S	Southwest well of three. Southeast well of three. See analysis, Table 3.
20.220	62.9	Dec. 13, 1948	2 E.	W	S	
19.31.28.330	180	Nov. 29, 1948	—	W & G	D	
33.110	100.7	do.	—	N	N	
33.110a	103.0	do.	—	G	S	
33.110b	—	—	3 E.	W	S	

See explanation at beginning of table.

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POD Reports and Downloads

Township: 19S Range: 31E Sections:

NAD27 X: Y: Zone: Search Radius:

County: Basin: Number: Suffix:

Owner Name: (First) (Last) ☐ Non-Domestic ☐ Domestic
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Bsn	Tws	Rng	Sec	Zone	X	Y	Wells	(Depth Water in Feet)		
								Min	Max	Avg
CP	19S	31E	36				1	130	130	130

Record Count: 1

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								Min	Max	Avg
CP	19S	32E	19				1	102	102	102
CP	19S	32E	20				1	345	345	345

Record Count: 2