SEZSWZ, Section 6, T23S, R31E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM NEZNWZ, Section 7, T23S, R31E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM

The associated access road will measure approximately 20 X 1264 ft and will be situated in the:

SE<sup>1</sup>SW<sup>1</sup>, Section 6, T23S, R31E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM NE<sup>1</sup>SW<sup>1</sup>, Section 6, T23S, R31E, NMPM, Eddy County, NM Map Reference: USGS NASH DRAW QUADRANGLE, 15 Minute Series, 1939. Terrain

BELCO PETROLEUM COMPANY's proposed location will be situated east of Nash Draw, on a flat, open plain which lies coextensive with the Los Medanos area of Livingston Ridge. Ocassionally, minor hummocks occur on the landform's surface, measuring to 0.25 m in height. Drainage in this area is of the internal type. Local soil individuals consist of brownish silt loams and silty clay loams which are subject to some scaling. These soils, typologically speaking, can be assigned to the Typic Calciorthid subgroup. Lithic inclusions are frequent, but limited to limestone cobbles and gravels.

## Floristics

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The landform's floral overstory includes <u>Larrea</u> <u>tridentata</u>, <u>Prosopis</u> <u>juliflora</u>, <u>Opuntia</u> <u>macrocentra</u>, <u>Opuntia</u> <u>imbricata</u>, and <u>Condalia</u> <u>ericoides</u>. Associated forbs are <u>Gutierrezia</u> <u>sarothrae</u>, <u>Perezia</u> <u>nana</u>, and <u>Croton</u> sp. Grasses are represented by <u>Tridens</u> <u>pulchellus</u> and <u>Bouteloua</u> sp.

## Cultural Resources

No cultural resources were recorded during this reconnaissance. Beasons cited for their absence include the dearth of potentially knappahl Itihic resources, the paucity of potable water, and the open, windswept nature of the landform. The prehistoric hunter-gatherers who occupied