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H₂S CONTINGENCY PLAN SECTION**Scope:**

This contingency plan provides an organized plan of action for alerting and protecting the public within an area of exposure prior to an intentional release, or following the accidental release of a potentially hazardous volume of hydrogen sulfide. The plan establishes guidelines for all personnel whose work activity may involve exposure to Hydrogen Sulfide Gas (H₂S).

Objective:

Prevent any and all accidents, and prevent the uncontrolled release of H₂S into the atmosphere.

Provide proper evacuation procedures to cope with emergencies.

Provide immediate and adequate medical attention should an injury occur.

Discussion of Plan:***Suspected Problem Zones:***

Implementation: This plan, with all details, is to be fully implemented 500' above or three days prior to drilling into the first known sour zone

Emergency Response and Public Protection Procedure: This section outlines the conditions and denotes steps to be taken in the event of an emergency.

Emergency Equipment and Procedure: This section outlines the safety and emergency equipment that will be required for the drilling of this well.

Training Provisions: This section outlines the training provisions that must be adhered to 500 feet above or three days prior to drilling into the first known sour zone.

Emergency call lists: Included are the telephone numbers of all persons that would need to be contacted should an H₂S emergency occur.

Briefing: This section deals with the briefing of all persons involved with the drilling of this well.

Public Safety: Public Safety Personnel will be made aware of the drilling of this well.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION SECTION

- I. In the event of any evidence of H₂S levels above 10 ppm, take the following steps immediately:
 - A. Secure breathing apparatus.
 - B. Order non-essential personnel out of the danger zone.
 - C. Take steps to determine if the H₂S level can be corrected or suppressed, and if so, proceed with normal operations.
- II. If uncontrollable conditions occur, proceed with the following:
 - A. Take steps to protect and/or remove any public downwind of the rig, including partial evacuation or isolation. Notify necessary public safety personnel and the New Mexico Oil & Gas of the situation.
 - B. Isolate area and prevent entry by unauthorized persons into the 100 ppm ROE.
 - C. Remove all personnel to the Safe Briefing Area.
 - D. Notify public safety personnel for help with maintaining roadblocks and implementing evacuation. Phone number list attached.
 - E. Determine and proceed with the best possible plan to regain control of the well. Maintain tight security and safety measures.
- III. Responsibility:
 - A. The Company Approved Supervisor shall be responsible for the total implementation of the plan.
 - B. The Company Approved Supervisor shall be in complete command during any emergency.
 - C. The Company Approved Supervisor shall designate a back up Supervisor in the event that he/she is not available.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURE IMPLEMENTATION

I. Drilling or Tripping

A. All Personnel

1. When alarm sounds, don escape unit and report to upwind Safe Briefing Area.
2. Check status of other personnel (buddy system).
3. Secure breathing apparatus.
4. Wait for orders from supervisor.

B. Drilling Foreman

1. Report to the upwind Safe Briefing Area.
2. Don Breathing Apparatus and return to the point of release with the Tool Pusher or Driller (buddy system).
3. Determine the concentration of H₂S.
4. Assess the situation and take appropriate control measures.

C. Tool Pusher

1. Report to the upwind Safe Briefing Area.
2. Don breathing apparatus and return to the point of release with the Drilling Foreman or the Driller (buddy system).
3. Determine the concentration.
4. Assess the situation and take appropriate control measures.

D. Driller

1. Check the status of other personnel (in a rescue attempt, always use the buddy system).
2. Assign the least essential person to notify the Drilling Foreman and Tool Pusher, in the event of their absence.

3. Assume the responsibility of the Drilling Foreman and the Tool Pusher until they arrive, in the event of their absence.

E. Derrick Man and Floor Hands

1. Remain in the upwind Safe Briefing Area until otherwise instructed by a supervisor.

F. Mud Engineer

1. Report to the upwind Safe Briefing Area.
2. When instructed, begin check of mud for pH level and H₂S level.

G. On-site Safety Personnel

1. Don Breathing Apparatus.
2. Check status of all personnel.
3. Wait for instructions from Drilling Foreman or Tool Pusher.

II. Taking a Kick

- A. All personnel report to the upwind Safe Briefing Area.
- B. Follow standard BOP procedures.

III. Open Hole Logging

- A. All unnecessary personnel should leave the rig floor.
- B. Drilling Foreman and Safety Personnel should monitor the conditions and make necessary safety equipment recommendations.

IV. Running Casing or Plugging

- A. Follow "Drilling or Tripping" procedures.
- B. Assure that all personnel have access to protective equipment.

SIMULATED BLOWOUT CONTROL DRILLS

All drills will be initiated by activating alarm devices (air horn). Use one long blast on the air horn for ACTUAL and SIMULATED Blowout Control Drills. This operation will be performed by the Drilling Foreman or Tool Pusher at least one time per week for each of the following conditions, with each crew:

Drill # 1 Bottom Drilling

Drill # 2 Tripping Drill Pipe

In each of these drills, the initial reaction time to shutting in the well shall be timed as well as the total time for the crew to complete its entire pit drill assignment. The times must be recorded on the IADC Driller's Log as "Blowout Control Drill".

Drill No.:			
Reaction Time to Shut-In:	minutes,	seconds.	
Total Time to Complete Assignment:	minutes,	seconds.	

I. Drill Overviews

A. Drill No. 1- Bottom Drilling

1. Sound the alarm immediately.
2. Stop the rotary and hoist kelly joint above the rotary table.
3. Stop the circulatory pump.
4. Close the drill pipe rams.
5. Record casing and drill pipe shut-in pressures and pit volume increases.

B. Drill No. 2 – Tripping Drill Pipe

1. Sound the alarm immediately.
2. Position the upper tool joint just above the rotary table and set the slips.

3. Install a full opening valve or inside blowout preventor tool in order to close the drill pipe.
4. Close the drill pipe rams.
5. Record the shut-in annular pressure.

II. Crew Assignments

A. Drill No. 1 – Bottom Drilling

1. Driller
 - a) Stop the rotary and hoist kelly joint above the rotary table.
 - b) Stop the circulatory pump.
 - c) Check flow.
 - d) If flowing, sound the alarm immediately.
 - e) Record the shut-in drill pipe pressure.
 - f) Determine the mud weight increase needed or other courses of action.
2. Derrickman
 - a) Open choke line valve at BOP.
 - b) Signal Floor Man # 1 at accumulator that choke line is open.
 - c) Close choke and upstream valve after pipe tams have been closed.
 - d) Read the shut-in annular pressure and report readings to Driller.
3. Floor Man # 1
 - a) Close the pipe rams after receiving the signal from the Derrickman.
 - b) Report to Driller for further instructions.

4. Floor Man # 2

- a) Notify the Tool Pusher and Operator Representative of the H₂S alarms.
- b) Check for open fires and, if safe to do so, extinguish them.
- c) Stop all welding operations.
- d) Turn-off all non-explosion proof lights and instruments.
- e) Report to Driller for further instructions.

5. Tool Pusher

- a) Report to the rig floor.
- b) Have a meeting with all crews.
- c) Compile and summarize all information.
- d) Calculate the proper kill weight.
- e) Ensure that proper well procedures are put into action.

6. Operator Representative

- a) Notify the Drilling Superintendent.
- b) Determine if an emergency exists and if so, activate the contingency plan.

B. Drill No. 2 – Tripping Pipe

1. Driller

- a) Sound the alarm immediately when mud volume increase has been detected.
- b) Position the upper tool joint just above the rotary table and set slips.
- c) Install a full opening valve or inside blowout preventor tool to close the drill pipe.
- d) Check flow.

e) Record all data reported by the crew.

f) Determine the course of action.

2. Derrickman

a) Come down out of derrick.

b) Notify Tool Pusher and Operator Representative.

c) Check for open fires and, if safe to do so, extinguish them.

d) Stop all welding operations.

e) Report to Driller for further instructions.

3. Floor Man # 1

a) Pick up full opening valve or inside blowout preventor tool and stab into tool joint above rotary table (with Floor Man # 2).

b) Tighten valve with back-up tongs.

c) Close pipe rams after signal from Floor Man # 2.

d) Read accumulator pressure and check for possible high pressure fluid leaks in valves or piping.

e) Report to Driller for further instructions.

4. Floor Man # 2

a) Pick-up full opening valve or inside blowout preventor tool and stab into tool joint above rotary table (with Floor Man # 1).

b) Position back-up tongs on drill pipe.

c) Open choke line valve at BOP.

d) Signal Floor Man # 1 at accumulator that choke line is open.

e) Close choke and upstream valve after pipe rams have been closed.

f) Check for leaks on BOP stack and choke manifold.

- g) Read annular pressure.
- h) Report readings to the Driller.

5. Tool Pusher

- a) Report to the rig floor.
- b) Have a meeting with all of the crews.
- c) Compile and summarize all information.
- d) See that proper well kill procedures are put into action.

6. Operator Representative

- a) Notify Drilling Superintendent
- b) Determine if an emergency exists, and if so, activate the contingency plan.

IGNITION PROCEDURES

Responsibility:

The decision to ignite the well is the responsibility of the DRILLING FOREMAN in concurrence with the STATE POLICE. The State Police shall be the Incident Command on the scene of any major release. Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. In the event the Drilling Foreman is incapacitated, it becomes the responsibility of the RIG TOOL PUSHER. This decision should be made only as a last resort and in a situation where it is clear that:

1. Human life and property are endangered.
2. There is no hope of controlling the blowout under the prevailing conditions.

If time permits, notify the main office, but do not delay if human life is in danger. Initiate the first phase of the evacuation plan.

Instructions for Igniting the Well:

1. Two people are required for the actual igniting operation. Both men must wear self-contained breathing apparatus and must use a full body harness and attach a retrievable safety line to the D-Ring in the back. One man must monitor the atmosphere for explosive gases with the LEL monitor, while the Drilling Foreman is responsible for igniting the well.
2. The primary method to ignite is a 25mm flare gun with a range of approximately 500 feet.
3. Ignite from upwind and do not approach any closer than is warranted.
4. Select the ignition site best suited for protection and which offers an easy escape route.
5. Before igniting, check for the presence of combustible gases.
6. After igniting, continue emergency actions and procedures as before.
7. All unassigned personnel will limit their actions to those directed by the Drilling Foreman.

NOTE: After the well is ignited, burning Hydrogen Sulfide will convert to Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂), which is also highly toxic. Do not assume the area is safe after the well is ignited.

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

When working in an area where Hydrogen Sulfide (H_2S) might be encountered, definite training requirements must be carried out. The Company Supervisor will ensure that all personnel at the well site, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, have had adequate training by a qualified instructor in the following:

1. Hazards and Characteristics of Hydrogen Sulfide and Sulfur Dioxide.
2. Physicals effects of Hydrogen Sulfide on the human body.
3. Toxicity of Hydrogen Sulfide and Sulfur Dioxide.
4. H_2S detection, emergency alarm and sensor location.
5. Emergency rescue.
6. First aid and artificial resuscitation.
7. The effects of Hydrogen Sulfide on metals.
8. Location safety.

In addition, Supervisory Personnel will be trained in the following areas:

1. If high tensile tubular are to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well as well as blowout prevention and well control procedures.
3. The contents and requirements of the H_2S Drilling Operations Contingency Plan and the Public Protection Plan.

Service company personnel and visiting personnel must be notified if the zone contains H_2S , and each service company must provide adequate training and equipment for their employees before they arrive at the well site.

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

As stated in the BLM Onshore Order 6, for wells located in a known H₂S areas, H₂S equipment will be rigged up after setting surface casing. For wells located inside known H₂S areas, the flare pit will be located 150' from the location and for wells located outside known H₂S areas, the flare pit will be located 100' away from the location. (See page 6 of Survey plat package and diagram 2.)

It is not anticipated that any H₂S is in the area, however in the event that H₂S is encountered, the attached H₂S Contingency Plan will be implemented. (Please refer to diagram 2 for choke manifold and closed loop system layout.) See H₂S location layout diagram for location of all H₂S equipment on location.

All H₂S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested and be operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500' above, or three days prior to penetrating a known formation containing H₂S.

Lease Entrance Sign:

Caution signs should be located at all roads providing direct access to the location. Signs shall have a yellow background with black lettering and contain the words "CAUTION" and "POISON GAS" that is legible from a distance of at least 50 feet.

**LEASE NAME
CAUTION – POTENTIAL POISON GAS
HYDROGEN SULFIDE
NO ADMITTANCE WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION**

Windsocks or Wind Streamers:

- A minimum of two 10" windsocks located at strategic locations so that they may be seen from any point on location.
- Wind streamers (if preferred) should be placed at various locations on the well site to ensure wind consciousness at all times. (Corners of location)

Hydrogen Sulfide Detector and Alarms:

- H₂S monitors with alarms will be located on the rig floor, at the cellar, and at the mud pits. These monitors will be set to alarm at 10 PPM with a red light and to alarm at 15 PPM with a red light and audible alarm.

Well Condition Flags:

The Well Condition flags should be located at all roads providing direct access to the location. It should have three (3) color coded flags (green, yellow and red) that will be used to denote the following location conditions:

GREEN – Normal Operating Conditions
YELLOW – Potential Danger
RED – Danger, H₂S Gas Present

Respiratory Equipment:

- Fresh air breathing equipment should be placed at the company supervision trailer and the safe briefing areas and should include the following:
 - A minimum of two SCBA's at each briefing area and the supervisor company supervision trailer.
 - Enough air line units to operate safely, anytime the H₂S concentration reaches the IDLH level (100 PPM).
 - Cascade system with enough breathing air hose and manifolds to reach the rig floor, the derrickman and the other operation areas.

Fire Extinguishers:

Adequate fire extinguishers shall be located at strategic locations.

Mud Program:

The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H₂S circulated to the surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices and the use of H₂S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H₂S bearing zones.

Metallurgy:

All drill strings, casing, tubing, wellhead; blowout preventer, drilling spools, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H₂S service.

Well Control Equipment:

- Flare Line (See diagram 2).
- Choke manifold (See diagram 2).
- Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing units.
- Auxiliary equipment may include, if applicable, annular preventer & rotating head.

Communication Equipment:

- Proper communication equipment such as cell phones or 2 – way radios should be available for communication between the company man's trailer, rig floor and tool pusher's trailer.

Well Testing:

- There will be no drill stem testing.

Evacuation Plan:

- Evacuation routes should be established prior to spudding the well.
- Should be discussed with all rig personnel.

Designated Areas:***Parking and Visitor area:***

- All vehicles are to be parked at a pre-determined safe distance from the wellhead.
- A smoking area will be designated at a pre-determined safe distance from the wellhead and any other possible flammable areas.

Safe Briefing Areas:

- Two Safe Briefing Areas shall be designated on either side of the location at the maximum allowable distance from the well bore so they offset prevailing winds or they are at a 180 degree angle if wind directions tend to shift in the area.

- Personal protective equipment should be stored at both briefing areas or if a moveable cascade trailer is used, it should be kept upwind of existing winds. When wind is from the prevailing direction, both briefing areas should be accessible.

NOTE:

- Additional equipment will be available at Indian Fire and Safety in Hobbs, NM or at Total Safety in Hobbs, NM.

EVACUATION PLAN

General Plan

The direct lines of action to protect the public from hazardous gas situations are as follows:

1. When the company approved supervisor (Drilling Foremen, Tool Pusher or Driller) determine that Hydrogen Sulfide gas cannot be limited to the well location, and the public will be involved, he will activate the evacuation plan. Escape routes are noted on the Area Map.
2. Company safety personnel or designee will notify the appropriate local government agency that a hazardous condition exists and evacuation needs to be implemented.
3. Company approved safety personnel that have been trained in the use of the proper emergency equipment will be utilized.
4. Law enforcement personnel (State Police, Local Police Department, Fire Department, and the Sheriff's Department) will be called to aid in setting up and maintaining road blocks. Also, they will aid in evacuation of the public if necessary.

NOTE: Law enforcement personnel will not be asked to come into a contaminated area. Their assistance will be limited to uncontaminated areas. Constant radio contact will be maintained with them.

5. After the discharge of gas has been controlled, Company approved safety personnel will determine when the area is safe for re-entry.

See Emergency Action Plan

Contacting Authorities

BOPCO L.P. personnel must liaison 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. (Operator Name)'s response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's "Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan" (HMER).

H₂S CONTINGENCY PLAN EMERGENCY CONTACTS

BOPCO L.P. Midland Office

432-683-2277

Key Personnel

Name	Title	Cell Phone Number
Stephen Martinez	Drilling Supt.	432-556-0262
Buddy Jenkins	Assistant Supt	432-238-3295
Bill Dannels	Engineer	432-638-9463
Pete Lensing	Engineer	432-557-7157
Charles Warne	Engineer	432-894-1392

Artesia

Ambulance	911
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 Conservation Division	575-748-1283

Carlsbad

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 Management	575-887-6544

New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe)	505-476-9600
24 Hour	505-827-9126
New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center	505-476-9635
National Emergency Response Center (Washington, DC)	800-424-8802

Other

Wild Well Control	432-550-6202 (Permian Basin)
Cudd PressureControl	432-580-3544 or 432-570-5300 (Permian Basin)
Flight For Life – 4000 24 th St. Lubbock, Texas	806-743-9911
Aerocare – R3, Box 49F, Lubbock, Texas	806-747-8923
Med Flight Air Amb – 2301 Yale Blvd SE #D3, Albuquerque, NM	505-842-4433
S B Air Med Service – 2505 Clark Carr Loop SE, Albuquerque, NM	505-842-4949
Indian Fire and Safety – 3317 NW Cnty Rd, Hobbs, NM	575-393-3093
Total Safety – 3229 Industrial Dr., Hobbs, NM	575-392-2973

TOXIC EFFECTS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE

Hydrogen Sulfide is extremely toxic. The acceptable ceiling concentration for eight-hour exposure is 10 PPM, which is .001% by volume. Hydrogen Sulfide is heavier than air (specific gravity = 1.192) and colorless. It forms an explosive mixture with air between 4.3 and 46.0 percent by volume. Hydrogen sulfide is almost as toxic as hydrogen cyanide and is between five and six times more toxic than carbon monoxide. Toxicity data for hydrogen sulfide and various other gases are compared in Table I. Physical effects at various Hydrogen Sulfide exposure levels are shown in Table II.

Table I - TOXICITY OF VARIOUS GASES

Common Name	Chemical Formula	Specific Gravity (SC=1)	Threshold Limit (1)	Hazardous Limit (2)	Lethal Concentration (3)
Hydrogen Cyanide	HCN	0.94	10 PPM	150 PPM/HR	300 PPM
Hydrogen Sulfide	H ₂ S	1.18	10 PPM	250 PPM/HR	600 PPM
Sulfur Dioxide	SO ₂	2.21	5 PPM	--	1000 PPM
Chlorine	CL ₂	2.45	1 PPM	4 PPM/HR	1000 PPM
Carbon Monoxide	CO	0.97	50 PPM	400 PPM/HR	1000 PPM
Carbon Dioxide	CO ₂	1.52	5000 PPM	5%	10%
Methane	CH ₄	0.55	90,000 PPM	Combustible in air	Above 5%

- 1) **Threshold Limit** – Concentration at which it is believed that all worker may be repeatedly exposed day after day without adverse effects.
- 2) **Hazardous Limit** – Concentration that will cause death with short-term exposure.
- 3) **Lethal Concentration** – Concentration that will cause death with short-term exposure.

Table II – PHYSICAL EFFECTS OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE

Percent (%)	PPM	Concentration Grains 100 STD. FT3*	Physical Effects
0.001	< 10	00.65	Obvious & unpleasant odor.
0.002	10	01.30	Safe for 8 hours of exposure.
0.010	100	06.48	Kills smell in 3-15 minutes. May sting eyes & throat.
0.020	200	12.96	Kills smell shortly; stings eyes & throat.
0.050	500	32.96	Dizziness; Breathing ceases in a few minutes. Needs prompt artificial respiration.
0.070	700	45.36	Unconscious quickly; Death will result if not rescued promptly.
0.100	1000	64.30	Unconscious at once; Followed by death within minutes.

- At 15.00 PSIA and 60° F.

USE OF SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS

1. Anyone who uses an SCBA shall: Be approved by a physician or licensed health care practitioner; Pass a fit test; Be trained in donning and doffing, proper use, including how to ensure a proper face seal, conducting an inspection of the SCBA, and conduct proper maintenance.
2. Such items as facial hair (beard or sideburns) and eyeglasses will not allow a proper face mask seal.
3. Anyone reasonably expected to wear SCBA's shall have these items removed before entering a toxic atmosphere.
4. A special mask with a mount for prescription glasses must be obtained for anyone who must wear eyeglasses in order to see while using an SCBA.
5. SCBA's should be worn in H₂S concentrations above 10 PPM.

RESCUE & FIRST AID FOR H₂S POISONING

DO NOT PANIC – REMAIN CALM – THINK

1. Hold your breath – do not inhale first.
2. Put on SCBA.
3. Remove victim(s) to fresh air as quickly as possible. Go upwind from source or at right angle to the wind. Do not go downwind.
4. Briefly apply chest pressure – using arm lift method of artificial respiration to clean victim's lungs and to avoid inhaling any toxic gas directly from victim's lungs.
5. Provide artificial respiration if needed.
6. Provide for prompt transportation to the hospital and continue giving artificial respiration if needed.
7. Inform hospital/medical facilities of the possibility of H₂S gas poisoning before they treat.

Besides basic first aid, everyone on location should have a good working knowledge of artificial respiration and CPR, as well as first aid for eyes and skin contact with liquid H₂S.

Proposed H2S Safety Schematic

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| 1) Location of windsocks. | 4) Terrain of surrounding area (Please refer to page 2 of survey plat package also see point 11 of multi-surface use plan) |
| 2) Location of H2S alarms | 5) Location of flare line(s) and pit(s) (Please refer to diagram 2 choke manifold diagram and or page six of survey plat packet) |
| 3) Location of briefing areas. | 6) Location of caution and/or danger signs. |
| | (7) Location of Breathing Equipment |

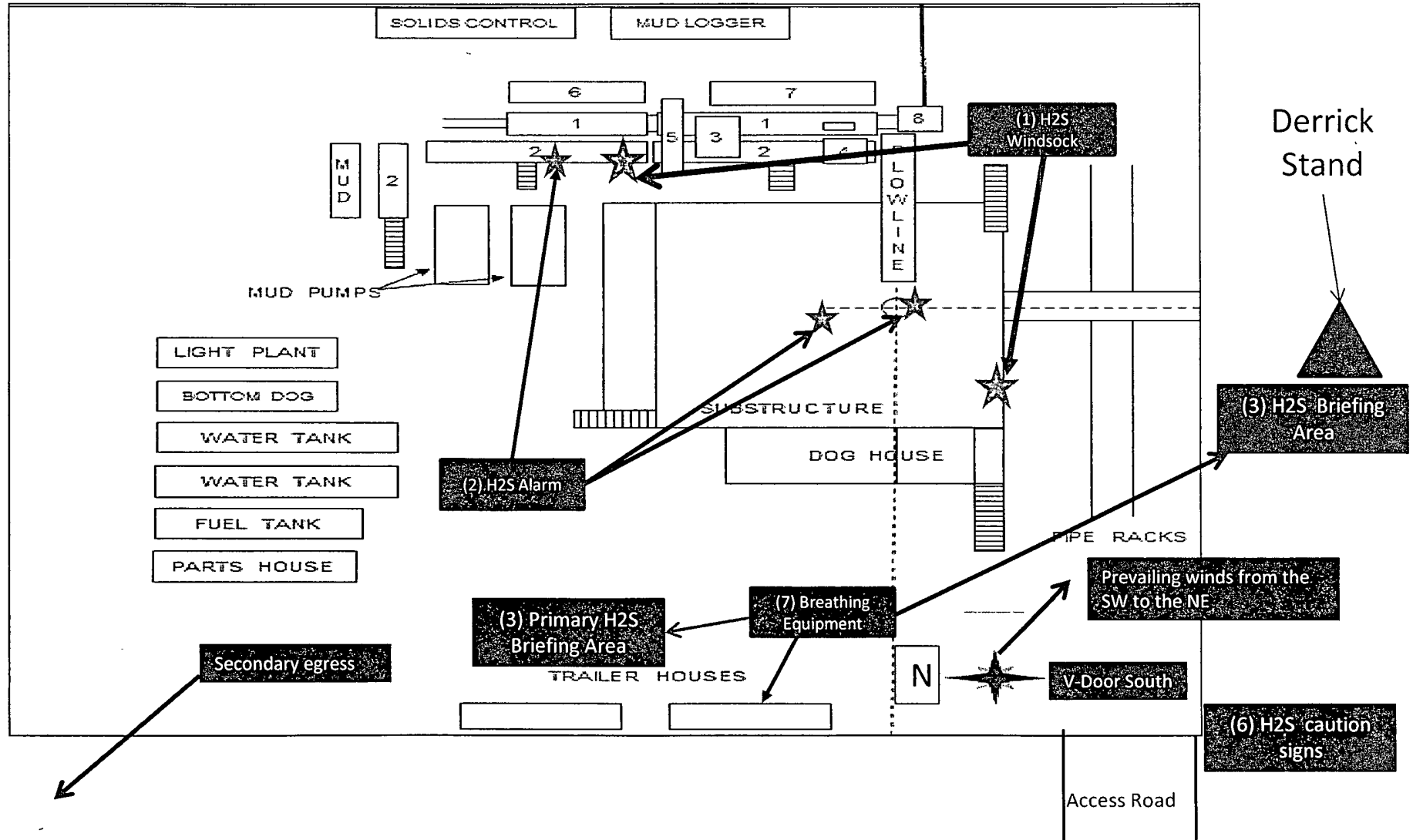
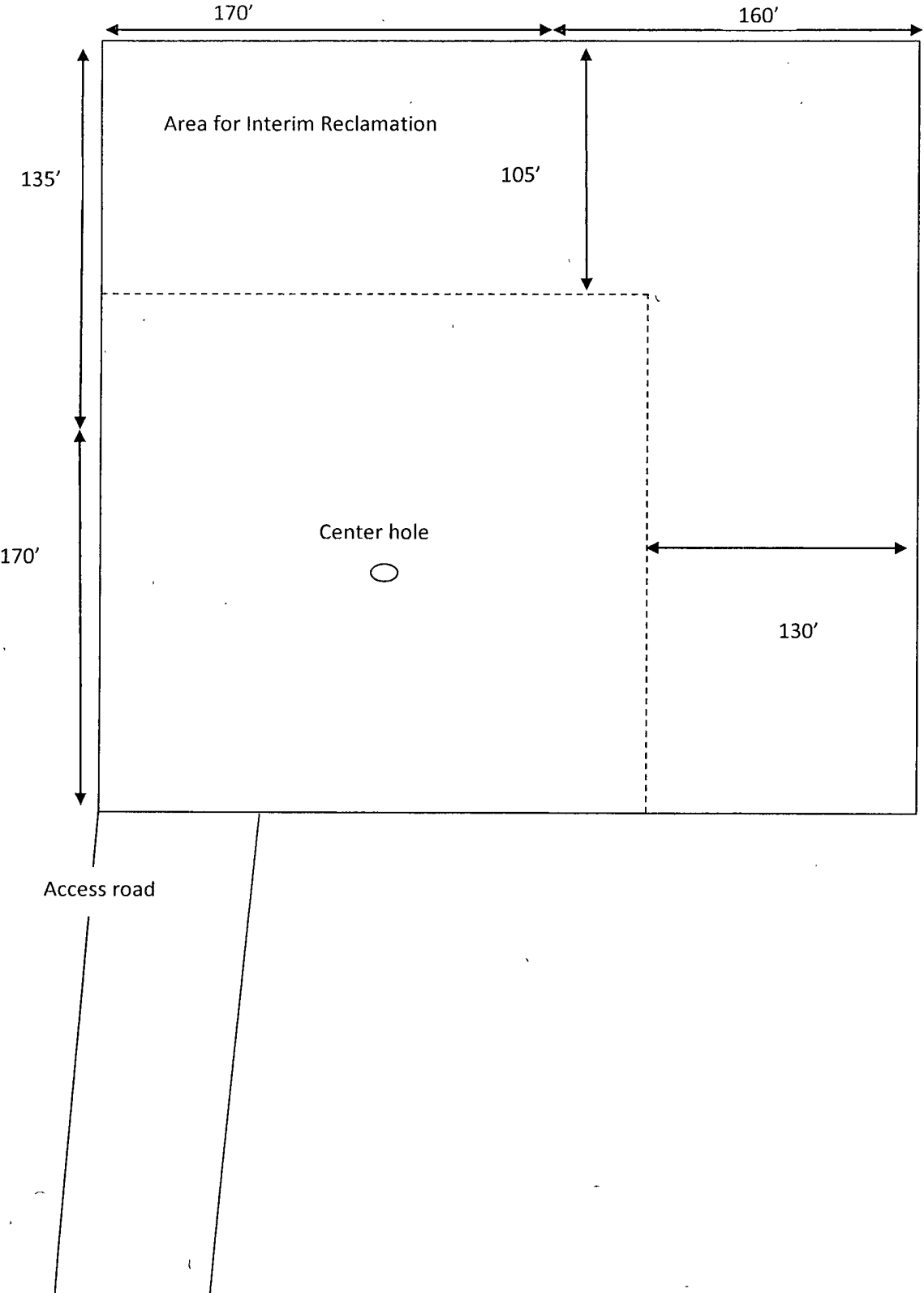
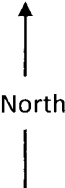


Diagram 3

BOPCO, Pterodactyl 21 Fed 1H

Interim Reclamation Well Pad Layout



Location On-Site Notes

On January 31, 2012, a BLM on-site meeting was held with Cecil Watkins with BOPCO, L.P., Randy Rust with the BLM, and Robert Gomez with Basin Surveys. The Pterodactyl 21 Fed 1H was approved at 190' FNL, 145' FEL, Sec 21-20S-R34E. The pad was rotated w/short side parallel with east section fence line. V-Door south.