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## State of New Mexico Energy Minerals and Natural Resources

Oil Conservation Division 1220 South St. Francis Dr. Santa Fe, NM 87505 Form C-144 March 12, 2004 r drilling and production facilities, submit to

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Type of action: Registration of a pit of	or below-grade tank 📋 Closure of a pit or below-grad	le tank 🗵			
Derator: Gruy Petroleum Management Co. Telephone: q	172_443_6489e-mail address: zfarris@cimarev.com				
Address: P.O. Box 140907, Irving, Tx 75014-0907					
Facility or well name: Rhodes Federal Unit No. 159Y API #: 30-025	37599 U/L or Qtr/QtrH Sec 15 T268	SR37E			
Facility or well name: Rhodes Federal Unit No. 159Y API #: 30-025 County: Lea Latitude 320240.47N Longitude 10308	835.80W / NAD: 1927 <b>⊠</b> 1983 ☐ Surface Ow	ner Federal State Private Indian			
<u>Pit</u>	Below-grade tank				
Type; Drilling 🛮 Production 🗌 Disposal 🗀	Volume:bbl Type of fluid:				
Workover    Emergency	Construction material:				
Lined X Unitner!	Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes 🔲 If not, explain why not,				
Liner type: Synthetic ☑ Thickness 12 mil Clay ☐ Volumebbl					
	Less than 50 feet	(20 points)			
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high	50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet	(10 points)			
water elevation of ground water.)	100 feet or more	( 0 points)			
A/allhand area size and A 200 for for	Yes	(20 points)			
Wellhead protection area: (Less than 200 feet from a private domestic water source, or less than 1000 feet from all other water sources.)	No	( 0 points)			
Distance to surface water: (horizontal distance to all wetlands, playas,	Less than 200 feet	(20 points)			
irrigation canals, ditches, and perennial and ephemeral watercourses.)	200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet	(10 points)			
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	Ranking Score (Total Points)	-0-			
If this is a pit closure: (1) attach a diagram of the facility showing the pit:	s relationship to other equipment and ranks. (2) Indica	te disposal location:			
onsite X offsite  If offsite, name of facility	(3) Attach a general description of remedial action	on taken including remediation start date and en			
date. (4) Groundwater encountered: No 💟 Yes 🗌 If yes, show depth bel-					
diagram of sample locations and excavations.	,	•			
I hereby certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of been/will be constructed or closed according to NMOCD guidelines	a general permit 🔲, or an (attached) alternative OG	above-described pit or below-grade tank has CD-approved plan .			
Printed Name/Title Zeno Farris Manager Operations Administration	_SignatureSignature				
Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does no otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the regulations.	t relieve the operator of liability should the contents of	the pit or tank contaminate ground water or other federal, state, or local laws and/or			
Your certification and NMOCD approval of this application/closure does no otherwise endanger public health or the environment. Nor does it relieve the	t relieve the operator of liability should the contents of e operator of its responsibility for compliance with any	other federal, state, or local laws and/or			

## Surface Pit Closure Plan

## Pit Parameters

Well site: Rhodes Federal Unit # 159Y

Legal Description: 2110 FNL, 410 FEL

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Lea County, New Mexico

The reserve pit insitu on this leasehold is being permitted to close as per New Mexico OCD "Pit and Below Grade Tank Guidelines" dated November 1, 2004.

This pit was excavated and formed to the dimensions roughly 120 feet x 115 feet x 6 feet deep. A 12 mil membrane liner and pad was used to prevent leakage to the surface soils. A visual examination of the membrane liner indicates that the liner has maintained its integrity.

The well bore penetrated a salt/anhydrite section causing the drilling fluid to saturate to a concentration weight of > 9.5 ppg.

After the drilling and completion phase of this project, the water phase of the pit contents were pumped and hauled to an approved water injection facility. The remaining solids were mechanically pulled to the corners of the containment area to allow them to dry and leach out as much liquid phase as possible. Again these liquids we hauled to an approved water injection facility. It is estimated that the volume of solids remaining are to +/- 1400 yards. The burial cell is to

be excavated and lined with a minimum 12 mil membrane that complies with ASTM Standard(s): D 5747, D 5199, D-5994, and D-4833. The cuttings will be loaded as to allow for > 36" freeboard to ground level. After the cuttings are loaded, the 12 mil liner will be folded over the top. A 20 mil minimum thickness liner meeting the minimum requirements as outlined in ASTM Standard Methods: D-5747, D-5199, D-5994, D-4833; will be used to cap and cover to an extended area that exceeds three feet in all directions from the edge of the burial cell. This cap will be constructed as to slope and allow for water runoff from burial cell.

A minimum of 36" of top soil will be used to cover the burial cell. This soil must be capable of supporting native plant growth. A seed mixture will be used as to conform to local BLM as well as New Mexico OCD requirements. The seeding and propagation of required native plants will be monitored as to insure that growth is reestablished.

After the drilled solids are buried, the natural contour of the surrounding soils will be mechanically shaped as prevent erosion of the well site until vegetation is established.

The caliches and soils will be pulled from the well site pad to allow for a 200 X 300 pad dimension for production use. The remaining materials will be used to maintain lease roads and other drill sites