

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

Form C-144  
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Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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 ☒

Operator: <u>Ray Westall</u> Telephone: <u>505-677-2370</u> e-mail address: _____		
Address: <u>P.O. Box 4, Loco Hills, NM 88255</u>		
Facility or well name: <u>Back Basin Fed #1</u> API #: <u>30-025-27051</u> U/L or Qtr/Qtr <u>I</u> Sec <u>20</u> T <u>23S</u> R <u>34E</u>		
County: <u>Lea</u> Latitude _____ Longitude _____ NAD: 1927 <input type="checkbox"/> 1983 <input type="checkbox"/>		
Surface Owner: Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Pit</b> Type: Drilling <input type="checkbox"/> Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Workover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Lined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlined <input type="checkbox"/> Liner type: Synthetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thickness <u>12</u> mil Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Pit Volume _____ bbl	<b>Below-grade tank</b> Volume: _____ bbl Type of fluid: _____ Construction material: _____ Double-walled, with leak detection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If not, explain why not. _____	
Depth to ground water (vertical distance from bottom of pit to seasonal high water elevation of ground water.)	Less than 50 feet 50 feet or more, but less than 100 feet 100 feet or more	(20 points) (10 points) ( 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 No	(20 points) ( 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 200 feet or more, but less than 1000 feet 1000 feet or more	(20 points) (10 points) ( 0 points) 0 -
<b>Ranking Score (Total Points)</b>		0 -

**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 you 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:
We plan to trench bury the drilling pit at the Back Basin Federal #1. As per rule 50 of the Pit and Below-Grade Tank Guidelines, we will line the trench with 12 mil liner and bury pit contents and liner then cover with 20 mil plastic. We will cap with 3' of native material capable of supporting native plant growth. We will contour the pit area to prevent erosion and ponding of rainwater over the site.
<i>Re-seed to B/m specifications.</i>

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: 2/14/07  
Printed Name/Title RANDALL HARRIS GEOLOGIST Signature [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 CHRIS WILLIAMS/DIST. SUPV. Signature Chris Williams Date: 2/14/07