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Form 3160-3 (April 2004)

**UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OF A THE ONE

FORM APPROVED OMB No 1004-0137

	Expites Match 31, 2007
5	Lease Serial No
	NM-24165
6	If Indian, Allotee or Tribe Name

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT	TO DRILL OR I	REENTER					
1a Type of Work X DRILL RI	7 If Unit or CA Agree	ement, Na	me and No				
1b Type of Well X Oil Well Gas Well Other  2 Name of Operator	8 Lease Name and W Mescalero B 29 I 9 API Well No		<369	11			
Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado	Controlled W	later Basin (160	1683)	30-025- 38	67	7	
3a Address	3b Phone No	(ınclude area code)		10 Field and Pool, or	Explorato	ry	
PO Box 140907 Irving, TX 75014	972-401-3	111		Quail Ridge; Bon	ne Spring	. South	
4 Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance				11 Sec, T. R. M or Blk.			
At Surface 1140' FSL & 810' FWL	330'F	366601	EWL	- Unit M			
At proposed prod Zone —1140' FSL & 810' FWL	C.L.	10/15/07		29-19S-34E			
14 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post of				12 County or Parish		13. State	
32 miles West of Hobbs, NM				Lea		NM	
15 Distance from proposed*	16 No of acre	s in lease	17 Spa	cing Unit dedicated to this w	ell		
location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig unit line if							
any) 810'		40		SWSW 40			
18 Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft	19 Proposed I	•	20 BL	M/BIA Bond No on File	_		
N/A		10,400'		NM-257			
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.)	22 Approxim	ate date work will_start*	ente a ce	23 Estimated duration	*****	ે કુરે કરાય	
3664' GR	1	1/1/2007		20-25	days		
	24 A	Attachments					
The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of	Onshore Oil and (	Gas Order No 1, shall b	e attached	to this form.			
Well plat certified by a registered surveyor     A Drilling Plan     A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest Syste SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office.)		Item 20 above 5 Operator Certi	) fication specific in	ons unless covered by an exis		,	
25 Signature	Name (F	rinted/Typed)			Date		
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Title			• • •		<del></del>		<del></del>
Manager Operations Administration							
Approved By (Signature)	Name (P	rinted/Typed)			Date DEC	1 9 20	 007
/s/ Linda S.C. Rundell		/s/ Linda S.C.			I DEC	, 13 21	JUI
Title /s/ Linda S.C. Rundell STATE DIRECTOR	Office	NM STA	TE O	FFICE			_
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Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease which would entitle the applicant to APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached Title 18 U S S Section 1001 and Title 43 U S.C. Section 1212, make

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States any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representation

\* (Instructions on page 2)

SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL HOBBS

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APPROVAL SUBJECT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS **ATTACHED** 

Form 3160-5. (November 1994)

#### **UNITED STATES** DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

OCD-HORES

FORM APPROVED
OMB No. 1004-0135
Expires July 31, 1996

Lease Senal No.

NM	-24165
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				7. If Unit	or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.
SUBMIT IN TRIF	PLICATE - Other instruction	ns on reverse side			
1. Type of Well					
X Oil Well Gas Well	Other		8. Well N	Name and No.	
2. Name of Operator		:		Mescaler	o B 29 Federal No. 1
Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado				9. API V	Vell No.
3a Address		3b. Phone No. (include	area code)	30-025-	
PO Box 140907; Irving, TX 7501	4-0907	972-401-3111	,		and Pool, or Exploratory Area
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M.,				Ouail Rid	ge; Bone Spring, South
1140' FSL & 810' FWL	or Currey Decemporary				ty or Pansh, State
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TYPE OF SUBMISSION			PE OF ACTION		
X Notice of Intent	Acidize	Deepen	Production (Start/	Resume)	Water Shut-Off
	X Alter Casing	Fracture Treat	Reclamation	·	Well Integrity
	H	듬	Ħ		
Subsequent Report	Casing Repair	New Construction	Recomplete		Other
	Change Plans	Plug and Abandon	Temporarily Aban	don	
Final Abandonment Notice	Convert to Injection	Plug Back	Water Disposal		
Attach the bond under which the work will b following completion of the involved operat testing has been completed. Final Abando determined that the site is ready for final in:  Per Cody Layton's permission, (see attached revised plats.	ons. If the operation results in a minnment Notices shall be filed only afepection.)	ultiple completion or recomp ter all requirements, includir	oletion in a new interval, ng reclamation, have be	a Form 3160-4 een completed, a	shall be filed once and the operator has
14. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and Name (Printed/Typed)  Natalie Krueger  Signature	d correct	Reg Analyst Date October 11,			
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Approved by /S/	Linda S.C. Rundell			DECTOR	Date DEC 1.9 2007
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Conditions of Approval, if any, are attached.	• •	Office N	M STATI	E OFFICE	

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

certify that the applicant holds legal or equitable title to those rights in the subject lease

which would entitle the applicant to conduct operations thereon.

DISTRICT I - 1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240 DISTRICT II

State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102 Revised October 12, 2005

Submit to Appropriate District Office

State Lease - 4 Copies Fee Lease - 3 Copies

# DISTRICT III 1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Aztec, NM 87410

1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

DISTRICT IV 1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505 OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION
1220 South St. Francis Dr.
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

M AMENDED REPORT

#### WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number	Pool	Code	Pool Name	
30-025-3	8677 504	61	Quail Ridge; Bone Spring, South	
Property Code		Prop	erty Name	Well Number
36918	ME ME	MESCALERO "B-29" FEDERAL		
OGRID No.		Oper	ator Name	Elevation
162683	CIMARE	X ENERGY	CO. OF COLORADO	3659'

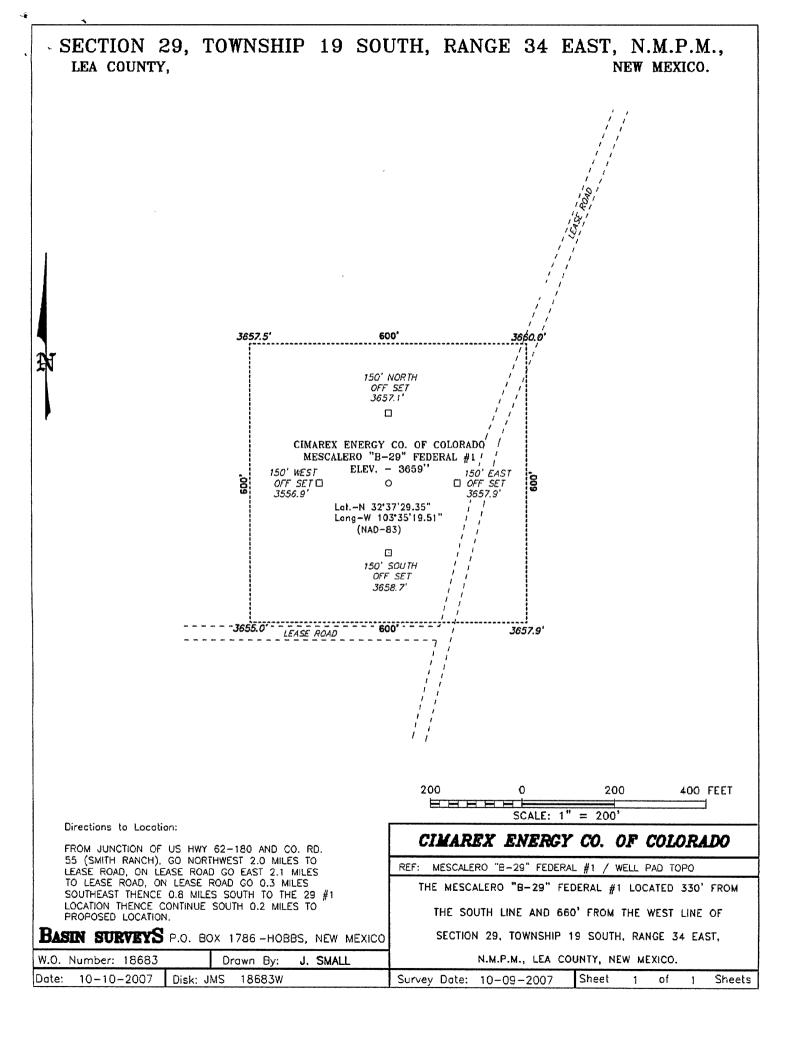
#### Surface Location

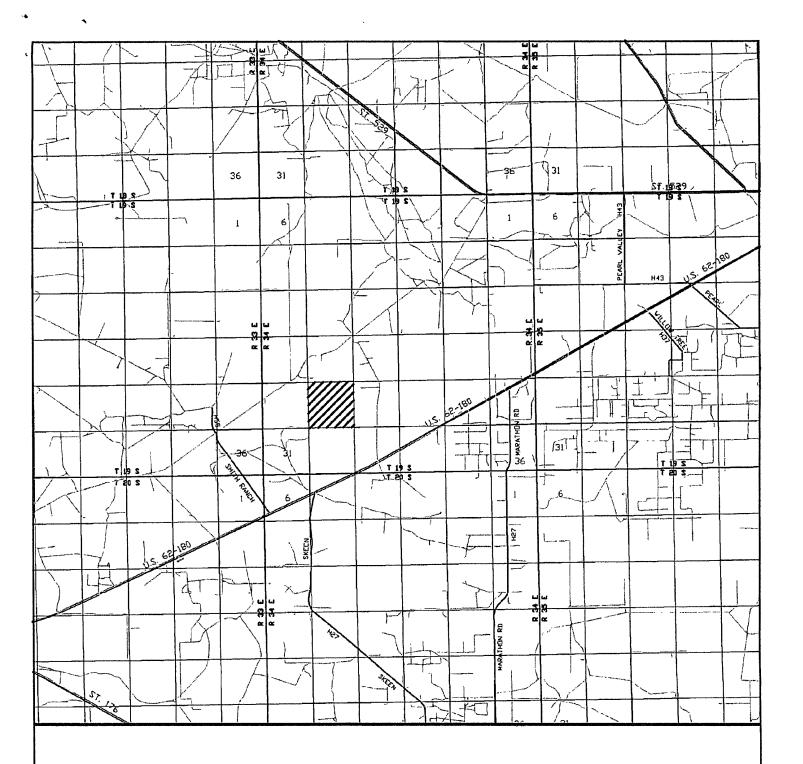
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•	Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface									
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NO ALLOWABLE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THIS COMPLETION UNTIL ALL INTERESTS HAVE BEEN CONSOLIDATED OR A NON-STANDARD UNIT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE DIVISION

	OR A NON-STANDARD	UNIT HAS BEEN	APPROVED B	Y THE	S DIVISION
				,	OPERATOR CERTIFICATION  I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division  Watalie Krueger  Printed Name  SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION
NM-24165  3657.5 3660.0'  660'	SURFACE LOCATION Lat - N32°37'29.35" Long - W103°35'19.51" NMSPCE- N 591842.993 E 770567.271 (NAD-83) Mescalero B 29 Fed #1		Ą		I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervison and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.  OCTOBER 10 2007  Date Surveyed 1.  Signature St. Company of the professional surveyed 1.  Certificate No. Gary L. Jones 7977  BASIN SURVEYS





MESCALERO "B-29" FEDERAL #1 Located 330' FSL and 660' FWL Section 29, Township 19 South, Range 34 East, N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

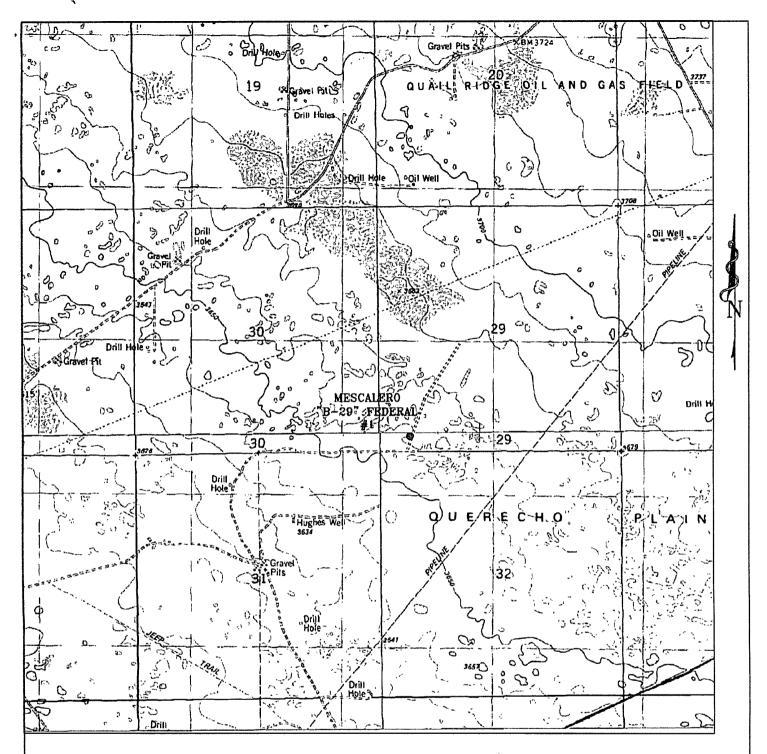


in the oilfield

P.O. Box 1786 1120 N. West County Rd. Hobbs, New Mexico 88241 (505) 393-7316 — Office (505) 392-3074 — Fax basinsurveys.com

	W.O. Number: JMS 18683TR
	Survey Date: 10-09-2007
-	Scale: 1" = 2 MILES
	Date: 10-10-2007

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO



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CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO

## **Application to Drill** Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Mescalero B 29 Federal No. 1

Unit M

Section 29

T19S R34E

Lea County, NM

In response to questions asked under Section II B of Bulletin NTL-6, the following information is provided for your consideration:

1 Location:

SHL 1140 FSL & 810' FWL

2 Elevation above sea level:

3664' GR

3 Geologic name of surface formation:

**Quaternery Alluvium Deposits** 

4 Drilling tools and associated equipment:

Conventional rotary drilling rig using fluid as a

circulating medium for solids removal.

5 Proposed drilling depth:

10,400'

6 Estimated tops of geological markers:

Yates	3,320'
Capitan Reef	4,170'
Delaware	5,400'
Bone Spring	8,250'
FBSS	9,325'
SBSS	9,830'
TBSC	10,280'

7 Possible mineral bearing formation:

**Bone Spring** 

Oil Primary And And And

8 Proposed Mud Circulating System:

		Deptl	n	Mud Wt	Visc	Fluid Loss	Type Mud		
1	0'	to	456'	8.4 - 8.6	30-32	May lose circ	Fresh water gel spud mud		
$\left  \cdot \right $	<i>9</i> 50'	to	5,380'	8.4 - 8.6	28-29	May lose circ	Fresh water mud		
	5,380'	to	10,400'	8.4 - 9.7	28-29	NC	Fresh water and brine, use hi-vis sweeps to keep hole clean		

Sufficient mud materials will be kept on location at all times in order to combat lost circulation, or unexpected kicks. In order to run DSTs, open hole logs, and casing, the viscosity and water loss may have to be adjusted in order to meet these needs. Mud system monitoring equipment with derrick floor indicators and visual/audio alarms shall be installed and operative prior to drilling into the Wolfcamp formation. This equipment will remain in use until production casing is run and cemented.

#### Application to Drill

## Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado

## Mescalero B 29 Federal No. 1

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9 Casing & Cementing Program:

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<b>Hole Size</b>		Dept	th 🍑	Casi	ng OD	Weight	Thread	Collar	Grade	_
17-1/2	0	to	<b>√</b> 450'	New	13-3/8	48#	8-R	STC	H-40	HCK-55
11	0	to	5,380'	New	8-5/8	32#	8-R	LTC	155	
7-7/8	0	to	10,400'	New	5-1/2	17#	8-R	LTC	N-80	per oper.
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10 Cementing & Setting Depth:

13-3/8 Surface Set 450 of 13-3/8 48# H-40 STC

Lead: 350 sx (120 bbl) 50/50 POZ-C + 6% D-20 + 3% S-1 + 5# D-24 + 0.125# D-130 (wt

12.6, yld 1.93)

Tail: 200 sx (47.4 bbl) Class C + 2% S-1 + 0.125# D-130 (wt 14.8, yld 1.33)

TOC

Surface

8-5/8 Intermediate

Set 5,380' of 8-5/8 32# J-55 LTC

Lead: 762 sx (336 bbl) 50/50 POZ-C + 5% D-44 (BWOW) + 10% D-20 + 5# D-24 + 0.125#

D-130 + 0.2% D-46 (wt 11.9, yld 2.47)

Tail: 200 sx (47.4 bbl) Class C + 2% S-1 (wt 14.8, yld 1.34)

TOC Surface

5-1/2 **Production** 

10,400' of 5-1/2 17# N-80 LTC Set

**First Stage** 

Lead: 403 sx (179 bbl) 50/50 POZ-H + 10% D-20 + 0.125# D-130 + 2% D-167 + 2% D-65

+ 2% D-13 + 5% D-44 (BWOW) + 2% D-46 (wt 11.9, yld 2.5)

<u>Tail:</u> 232 sx (58 bbl) PVL + 1.33% D-44 (BWOW) + .% D-167 + 2% D-65 + 3% D-13 (wt

13, yld 1.41)

DV to/0, 6560 Second Stage

Lead: 490 sx (218 bbl) 50/50 POZ-H + 10% D-20 + 0.125# D-130 + 0.2% D-167 + 0.2% D-

65 + 0.2% D-13 + 5% D-44 (BWOW) + 0.2% D-46 (wt 11.9, yld 2.5)

Tail: 100 sx (21 bbl) Class H + 0.1% D-65 + 0.1% D-167 + 0.1% D-13 (wt 15.6, yld 1.18)

5,180' (- Ge COA

Fresh water will be protected by setting 13-3/8 casing at 450' and cementing to Surface Hydrocarbon zones will be protected by setting 8-5/8 casing at 5,380' and cementing to Surface and by setting 5-1/2 casing at 10,400' and cementing to 5,180

Cimarex uses the following minimum safety factors:

Burst	Collapse	Tension
1.125	1.0	1.80

# Application to Drill Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Mescalero B 29 Federal No. 1

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#### 11 Pressure control Equipment:

Exhibit "E-1" - Surface Casing - A 13 5/8" 3000 PSI working pressure B.O.P. consisting of a 3000# annular type preventer. A choke manifold and 120 gallon accumulator with floor and remote operating stations and auxiliary power system. A kelly cock will be installed and maintained in operable condition and a drill string safety valve in the open position will be available on the rig floor. Annular preventor to be function-tested once per day. Annular preventor will be tested to 250 psi low and 2000 psi high.

Exhibit "E-2" - Intermediate & Production Casing - A 11" 5000 PSI working pressure B.O.P. consisting of one set of blind rams and one set of pipe rams and a 5000# hydril. A choke manifold and 120 gallon accumulator with floor and remote operating stations and auxiliary power system. Rotating head below 6000'. A kelly cock will be installed and maintained in operable condition and a drill string safety valve in the open position will be available on the rig floor.

BOP unit will be hydraulically operated. Below intermediate casing shoe, BOP will be operated at least once a day while drilling and the blind rams will be operated when out of hole during trips. No abnormal pressure or temperature is expected while drilling. From the base of the surface pipe through the running of production casing, the well will be equipped with a 5000 psi BOP system.

The BOPs will be tested by an independent service company. Ram type BOPs to 250 psi low and 5000 psi high. Annular BOP 250 psi low and 3000 psi high.

#### 12 Testing, Logging and Coring Program:

- A. Mud logging program: 1 man unit from 5380' to TD
- B. Electric logging program: CNL / LDT / CAL / GR, DLL / CAL / GR
- C. No DSTs are planned at this time.

#### 13 Potential Hazards:

No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. The area has a potiential H2S hazard.

Estimated BHP 200

4000 **2000 psi** Estimated BHT **135** 177

14 Road and location construction will begin after BLM approval of APD. Anticipated spud date as soon as approved.

Drilling expected to take

20-25 days

If production casing is run an additional 30 days will be required to complete and construct surface facilities.

#### 15 Other Facets of Operations:

After running casing, cased hole gamma ray neutron collar logs will be run from total depth over possible pay intervals.

Bone Spring pay will be perforated and stimulated.

The proposed well will be tested and potentialed as an oil well

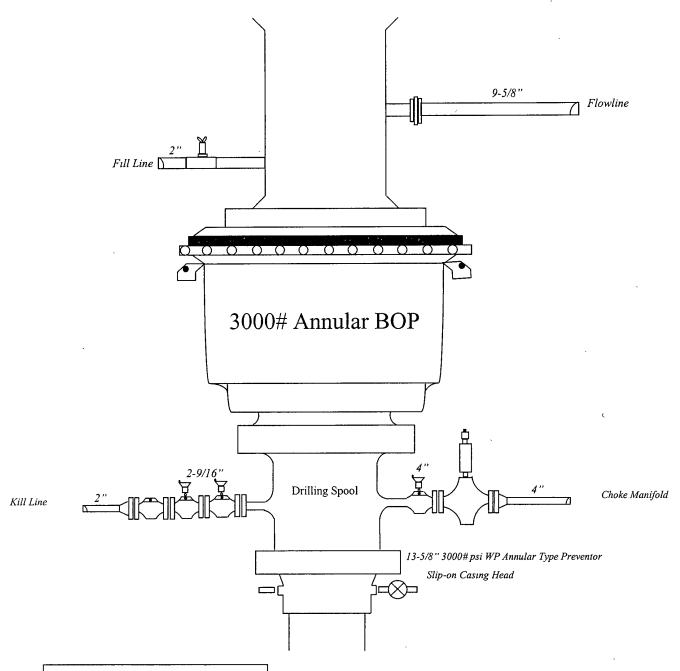


Exhibit E-1 – Surface Casing BOP

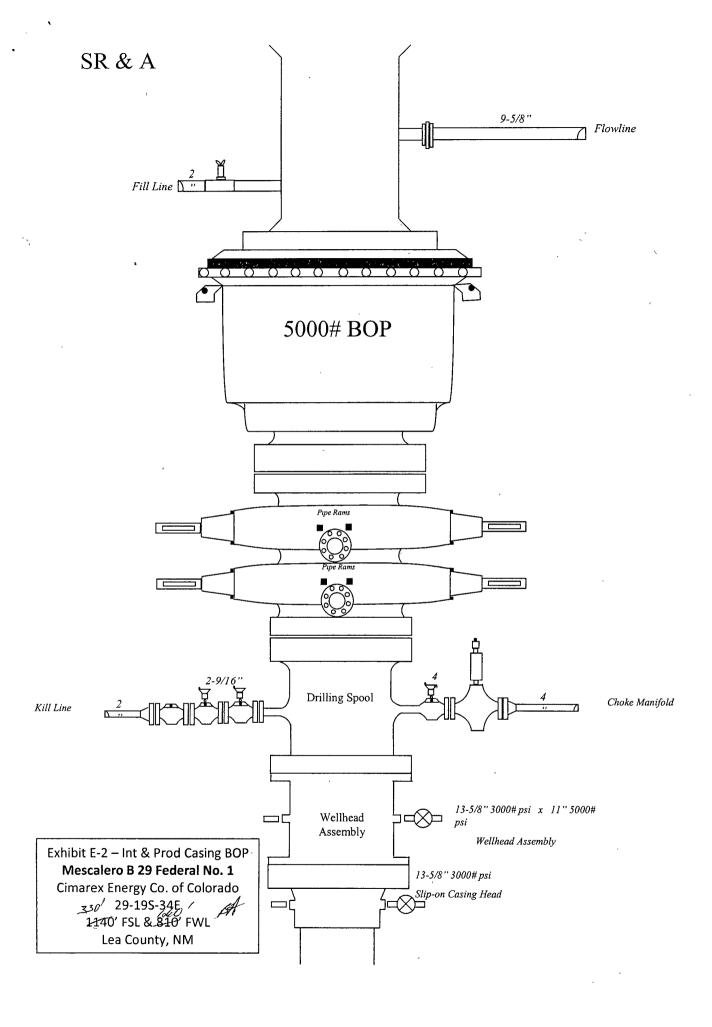
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Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado

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1140' FSL & 810' FWL

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# ORILLING OPERATIONS CHOKE MANIFOLD 5M SERVICE

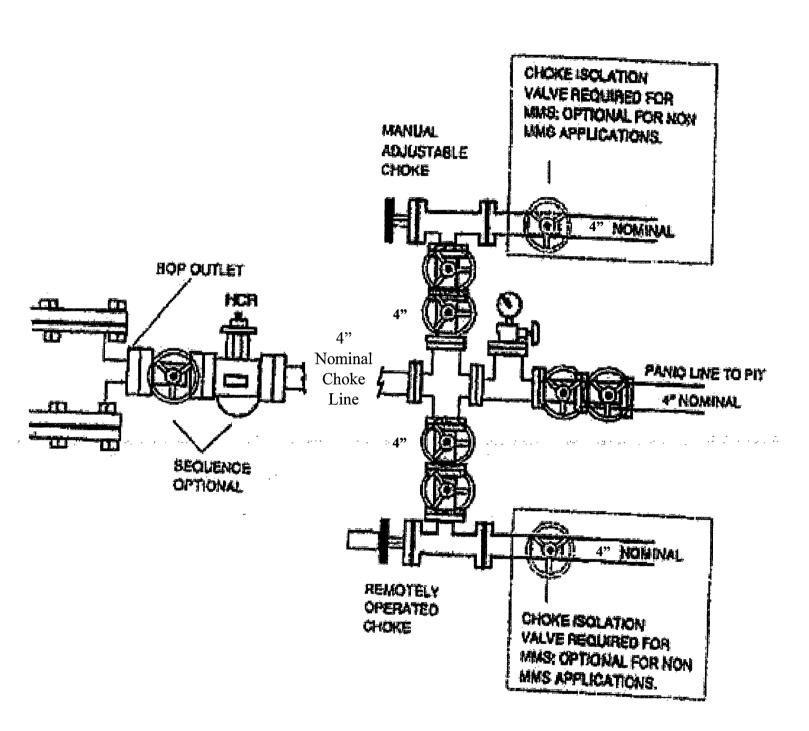


Exhibit E1 – Choke Manifold **Mescalero B 29 Federal No. 1** 

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado 29-19S-34E

1140° FSL & 810° FWL 3 30° FSL £660° FWL Lea County, NM



## **DRILLING PROGNOSIS Cimarex Energy Company**

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Well:

Mescalero B 29 Fed #1

Location:

Sec 29, T19S, R34E

County, State

Lea County, NM Surface Location: 660' FSL 660' FWL

Bottomhole Loc: (same)

E-Mail: Wellhead: Lse Serial #:

Field:

Objective:

Quail Ridge Bone Springs

TVD/MD: Cementing:

Offset Wells:

10,400 Halliburton

Mud:

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Motors: **OH Logs** 

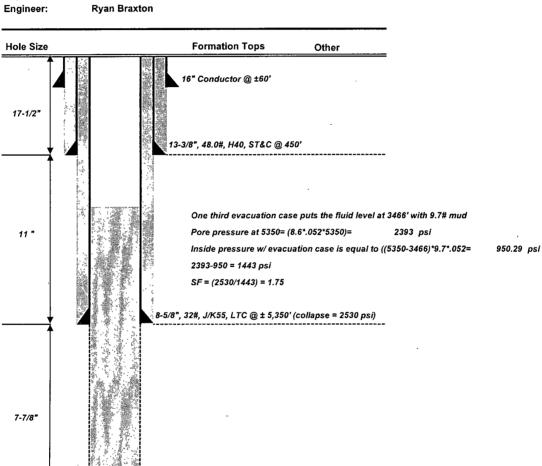
Rig:

Halliburton Pat Rig 80

**Xmas Tree** Tubing:

5M tree 2 9/16" 2 7/8" L80 EUE Jim Evans

Superintendent:



-1/2", 17#, N-80, LTC @ ± 10,400'



 Well
 Mescalero B 29 Fed #1

 Location
 Sec 29, T19S, R34E

 County, State
 Lea County, NM

 Surface Location
 660° FSL 660° FWL

 Bottomhole Loc
 (same)

 E-Mail.
 Wellhead:

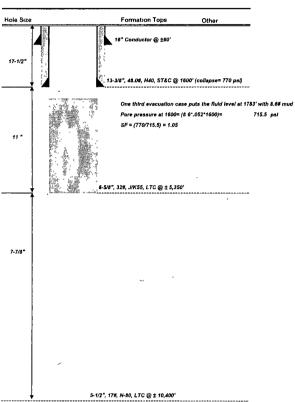
Lse Serial #, Field. Objective TVD/MD. Cementing: Mud Motors OH Logs

Quail Ridge Bone Springs 10,400 Halliburton MI

Halliburton Pat Rig 80

Rig Offset Wells:

Xmas Tree Tubing Superintendent Engineer 5M tree 2 9/16" 2 7/8" L80 EUE Jim Evans Ryan Braxton



Outside	Inside	ft3/ft
17-1/2	13-3/8 48#	0.6946
13-3/8 48#	ŧ	0.8817
13-3/8 48#	8 5/8" 32#	0.476
11"	8 5/8" 32#	0.2542
8 5/8" 32#		0.3422
8 5/8" 32#	5-1/2" 17#	0.1772
7 7/8"	5-1/2" 17#	0.1733
5-1/2" 17#		0.1305

Surface		TD		450					
	Lead			Excess			sacks		
•			264	1	366.7488				
				yield	1.98		185.2267		
	Tail		186	1	258.3912				
				•	1.34		220.4646		
	Shoe		42	0.	37.0314				
Int		TD		3500	CD	450			
	Lead	10					sacks	Total	
			450	0			87.42857		
				0.7			435.1385		
	Tail								
			583	0.7	251.9376	1.33	189.4268		
	Shoe	•	42	0	14.3724	1.33	10.80632	200	
D		TD		40775	00				
Prod	Lood	TD		10775			TOC		Γ 8000
	Lead		500				sacks		
			4500				36.16327		
	Tail		4500	0.25	974.8125	2.45	397.8827	434	
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## Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operations Plan Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Mescalero B 29 Federal No. 1

Unit M Section 29

T19S R34E Lea County, NM

- 1 All Company and Contract personnel admitted on location must be trained by a qualified H2S safety instructor to the following:
  - A. Characteristics of H2S
  - B. Physical effects and hazards
  - C. Proper use of safety equipment and life support systems.
  - D. Principle and operation of H2S detectors, warning system and briefing areas.
  - E. Evacuation procedure, routes and first aid.
  - F. Proper use of 30 minute pressure demand air pack.

### 2 <u>H2S Detection and Alarm Systems</u>

A. H2S detectors and audio alarm system to be located at bell nipple, end of flow line (mud pit) and on derrick floor or doghouse.

#### 3 Windsock and/or wind streamers

- A. Windsock at mudpit area should be high enough to be visible.
- B. Windsock at briefing area should be high enough to be visible.

#### 4 Condition Flags and Signs

- A. Warning sign on access road to location.
- B. Flags to be displayed on sign at entrance to location. Green flag indicates normal safe condition. Yellow flag indicates potential pressure and danger. Red flag indicates danger (H2S present in dangerous concentration). Only emergency personnel admitted to location.

#### 5 Well control equipment

A. See exhibit "E"

#### 6 Communication

- A. While working under masks chalkboards will be used for communication.
- B. Hand signals will be used where chalk board is inappropriate.
- C. Two way radio will be used to communicate off location in case of emergency help is required. In most cases cellular telephones will be available at most drilling foreman's trailer or living quarters.

#### 7 Drillstem Testing

No DSTs are planned at this time.

- 8 Drilling contractor supervisor will be required to be familiar with the effects H2S has on tubular goods and other mechanical equipment.
- 9 If H2S is encountered, mud system will be altered if necessary to maintain control of formation. A mud gas seperator will be brought into service along with H2S scavengers if necessary.

Unit M Section 29 T19S R34E Lea County, NM

- 1 <u>Existing Roads:</u> Area maps, Exhibit "B" is a reproduction of Eddy Co. General Highway Map. Exhibit "C" is a reproduction of a USGS Topographic Map, showing existing roads and proposed roads. All existing roads will be maintained in a condition equal to or better than current conditions. Any new roads will be constructed to BLM specifications.
  - A. Exhibit "A" shows the proposed well site as staked.
  - B. From the junction of US Hwy 62-180 and Co Rd 55 (Smith Ranch Rd), go Northwest 2.0 miles to lease road. On lease road, go East 2.1 miles to lease road. On lease road, go Southeast 0.3 miles and thence 0.8 miles South to the Mescalero 29 Federal No. 1 location. Thence continue South 0.1 miles to proposed location.
- 2 Planned Access Roads: No new lease roads will be constructed.
- 3 Location od Existing Wells in a One-Mile Radius Exhibit A
  - A. Water wells None known
  - B. Disposal wells None known
  - C. Drilling wells None known
  - D. Producing wells As shown on Exhibit "A"
  - E. Abandoned wells As shown on Exhibit "A"

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4 If on completion this well is a producer, Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado will furnish maps and/or plats showing on site facilities or off site facilities if needed. This will be accompanied by a Sundry Notice.

#### 5 Location and Type of Water Supply

Water will be purchased locally from a commercial source and trucked over the access roads or piped in flexible lines laid on top of the ground.

#### 6 Source of Construction Material

If possible, construction will be obtained from the excavation of drill site. If additional material is needed, it will be purchased from a local source and transported over the access route as shown on Exhibit "C".

#### 7 Methods of Handling Waste Material

- A. Drill cuttings will be seperated by a series of solids removal equipment and hauled to the cuttings drying area and then disposed of in the cuttings burial cell.
- B. All trash, junk and other waste material will be contained in trash cages or bins to prevent scattering. When the job is completed all contents will be removed and disposed of in an approved sanitary land fill.
- C. Salts remaining after completion of well will be picked up by supplier including broken sacks.
- D. Sewage from living quarters will drain into holding tanks and be cleaned out periodically. A Porta-John will be provided for the rig crews. This equipment will be properly maintained during the drilling operations and removed upon completion of the well.
- E. Drilling fluids will be contained in steel pits in a closed circulating system. Fluids will be cleaned and reused. Water produced during testing will be contained in the steel pits and disposed of at a state approved disposal facility. Any oil or condensate produced will be stored in test tanks until sold and hauled from the site.

## 8 Ancillary Facilities

A. No camps or airstrips to be constructed.

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#### 9 Well Site Lavout

- A. Exhibit "D" shows location and rig layout.
- B. This exhibit indicates proposed location of the 100' X 100' cuttings drying area.
- C. Mud pits in the closed circulating system will be steel pits and the cuttings drying area will be surrounded by a 2' X 2' ring levee and a 2' earthen berm. A 12 mil liner will cover the cuttings drying area and extend a minimum of 2' over the earthen berm where it will be anchored down. A pump off system will pump any accumulated fluids in the ring levee to the rig holding tanks to be cleaned and reused.
- D. After drying cuttings will be disposed of in a 50' X 50' cuttings burial cell. The bottom will be lined with a 12 mil liner. Drill cuttings will be hauled from the cuttings drying area and encapsulated in a 12 mil liner. The 12 mil liner will be folded over the cuttings and capped with a 20 mil membrane cap. The cell will be filled with 3' to 4' of top soil and leveled and contoured to conform to the original surrounding area.
- E. If the well is a producer, the cuttings burial area and those areas of the location not essential to production facilities will be reclaimed and seeded per BLM requirements.

#### 10 Plans for Restoration of Surface

Rehabilitation of the location and cuttings burial cell will start in a timely manner after all drilling operations cease. The type of reclamation will depend on whether the well is a producer or a dry hole.

However, in either event, the drill cuttings will be allowed to dry properly, and fluid removed and disposed of in accordance with Article 7.B as previously noted. The cuttings burial area will then be leveled and contoured to conform to the original and surrounding area. Drainage systems, if any, will be reshaped to the original configuration with provisions made to alleviate erosion. These may need to be modified in certain circumstances to prevent inundation of the location's pad and surface facilities. After the area has been shaped and contoured, topsoil from the spoil pile will be placed over the disturbed area to the extent possible. Revegetation procedures will comply with BLM standards.

If the well is a dry hole, the pad and road area will be recountoured to match the existing terrain. Topsoil will be spread to the extent possible. Revegetation will comply with BLM standards.

Should the well be a producer, the previously noted procedures will apply to those areas which are not required for production facilities.

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#### 11 Other Information

- A. Topography consists of a sloping plane with loose tan sands. Vegetation is mainly yucca, mesquite and shin oak.
- B. The wellsite is on surface owned by Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. The land is used mainly for farming, cattle ranching, recreational use, and oil and gas production.
- C. An Archaeological survey will be conducted on the location and proposed roads, and this report will be filed with the Bureau of Land Management in the Carlsbad BLM office.
- D. There are no know dwellings within 1 1/2 miles of this location.

## Operator Certification Statement Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Mescalero B 29 Federal No. 1

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#### Operator's Representative

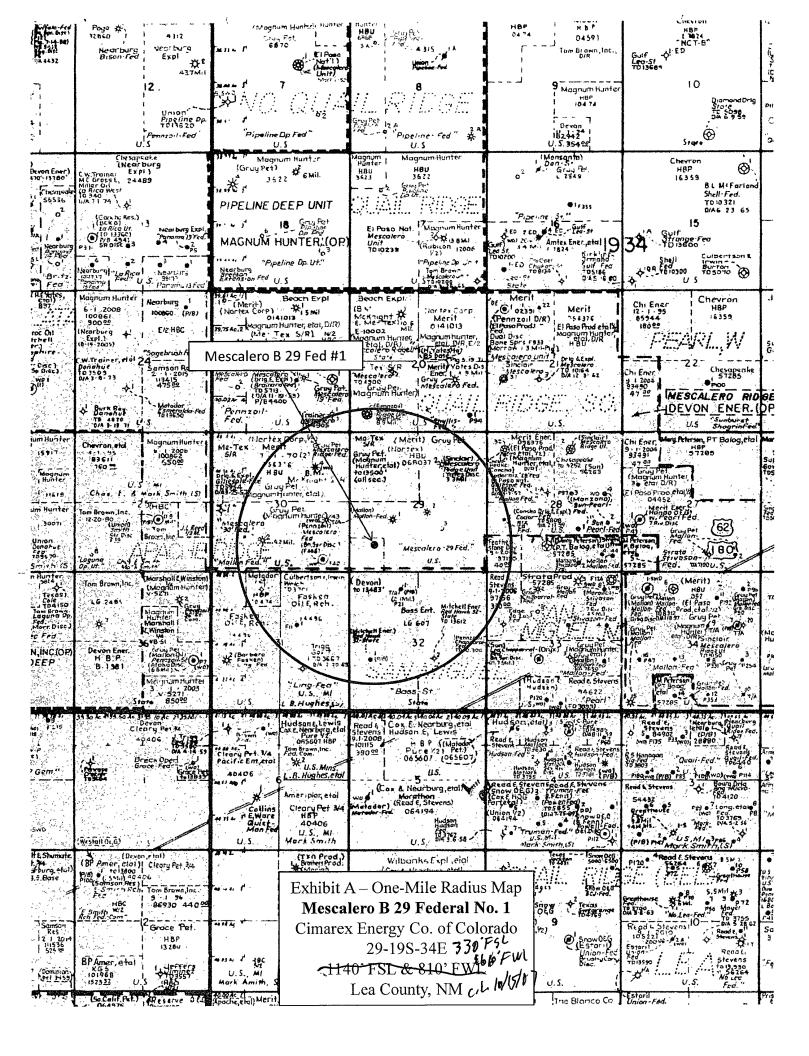
Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado P.O. Box 140907 Irving, TX 75014

Office Phone: (972) 443-6489

Zeno Farris

**CERTIFICATION**: I hereby certify that the statements and plans made in this APD are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado and/or its contractors/subcontractors and is in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provision of U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

NAME:	Zeno Farris
	Zeno Farris
DATE:	September 11, 2007
TITLE:	Manager Operations Administration



## PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME: CIMAREX ENERGY CO. OF COLORADO
LEASE NO.: NM24165
WELL NAME & NO.: MESCALERO B 29 FEDERAL NO. 1
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE: 330' FSL & 660' FWL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE Same
LOCATION: Section 29, T. 19 S., R 34 E., NMPM
COUNTY: Lea County, New Mexico

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#### I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The approval of the Application For Permit To Drill (APD) is in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations: 43 Code of Federal Regulations 3160, the lease terms, Onshore Oil and Gas Orders, Notices To Lessees, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD) Rules, National Historical Preservation Act As Amended, and instructions and orders of the Authorized Officer. Any request for a variance shall be submitted to the Authorized Officer on Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Report on Wells.

#### II. PERMIT EXPIRATION

If the permit terminates prior to drilling and drilling cannot be commenced within 60 days after expiration, an operator is required to submit Form 3160-5, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells, requesting surface reclamation requirements for any surface disturbance. However, if the operator will be able to initiate drilling within 60 days after the expiration of the permit, the operator must have set the conductor pipe in order to allow for an extension of 60 days beyond the expiration date of the APD. (Filing of a Sundry Notice is required for this 60 day extension.)

## III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES

Any cultural and/or paleontological resource discovered by the operator or by any person working on the operator's behalf shall immediately report such findings to the Authorized Officer. The operator is fully accountable for the actions of their contractors and subcontractors. The operator shall suspend all operations in the immediate area of such discovery until written authorization to proceed is issued by the Authorized Officer. An evaluation of the discovery shall be made by the Authorized Officer to determine the appropriate actions that shall be required to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values of the discovery. The operator shall be held responsible for the cost of the proper mitigation measures that the Authorized Officer assesses after consultation with the operator on the evaluation and decisions of the discovery. Any unauthorized collection or disturbance of cultural or paleontological resources may result in a shutdown order by the Authorized Officer.

#### IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS

The operator shall be held responsible if noxious weeds become established within the areas of operations. Weed control shall be required on the disturbed land where noxious weeds exist, which includes the roads, pads, associated pipeline corridor, and adjacent land affected by the establishment of weeds due to this action. The operator shall consult with the Authorized Officer for acceptable weed control methods, which include following EPA and BLM requirements and policies.

## V. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)

Mitigation Measures: The mitigation measures include the special drilling stipulations, and the Lesser Prairie Chicken timing stipulations. Timing Limitation Stipulation/Condition of Approval for Lesser Prairie Chicken: Oil and gas activities including 3-D geophysical exploration, and drilling will not be allowed in Lesser prairie chicken habitat during the period from March 15 through June 15 annually. During that period, other activities that produce noise or involve human activity, such as the maintenance of oil and gas facilities, geophysical exploration other than 3-D operations, and pipeline, road, and well pad construction, will be allowed except between 3:00 am and 9:00 am. The 3:00 am to 9:00 am restriction will not apply to normal, around-the-clock operations, such as venting, flaring, or pumping, which do not require a human presence during this period. Additionally, no new drilling will be allowed within up to 200 meters of leks known at the time of permitting. Normal vehicle use on existing roads will not be restricted. Exhaust noise from pump jack engines must be muffled or otherwise controlled so as not to exceed 75 db measured at 30 ft. from the source of the noise.

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#### VI. CONSTRUCTION

#### A. NOTIFICATION

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Carlsbad Field Office at (505) 234-5972 at least 3 working days prior to commencing construction of the access road and/or well pad.

When construction operations are being conducted on this well, the operator shall have the approved APD and Conditions of Approval (COA) on the well site and they shall be made available upon request by the Authorized Officer.

#### B. TOPSOIL

The operator shall stockpile the topsoil of the well pad The topsoil shall not be used to backfill the reserve pit and will be used for interim and final reclamation.

#### C. RESERVE PITS

The reserve pit shall be constructed and closed in accordance with the NMOCD rules.

#### **Cuttings Burial Cell and Drying Pad West V-Door North**

The reserve pit shall be constructed, so that upon completion of drilling operations, the dried pit contents shall be buried a minimum depth of three feet below ground level. Should the pit content level not meet the three foot minimum depth requirement, the excess contents shall be removed until the required minimum depth of three feet below ground level has been met. The operator shall properly dispose of the excess contents at an authorized disposal site.

The reserve pit shall be constructed and maintained so that runoff water from outside the location is not allowed to enter the pit. The berms surrounding the entire perimeter of the pit shall extend a minimum of two (2) feet above ground level. At no time will standing fluids in the pit be allowed to rise above ground level.

The reserve pit shall be fenced on three (3) sides during drilling operations. The fourth side shall be fenced immediately upon rig release.

#### D. FEDERAL MINERAL MATERIALS PIT

If the operator elects to surface the access road and/or well pad, mineral materials extracted during construction of the reserve pit may be used for surfacing the well pad and access road and other facilities on the lease.

Payment shall be made to the BLM prior to removal of any additional federal mineral materials from any site other than the reserve pit. Call the Carlsbad Field Office at (505) 234-5972.

#### E. WELL PAD SURFACING

Surfacing of the well pad is not required.

If the operator elects to surface the well pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

The well pad shall be constructed in a manner which creates the smallest possible surface disturbance, consistent with safety and operational needs.

#### F. ON LEASE ACCESS ROADS

#### Road Width

The access road shall have a driving surface that creates the smallest possible surface disturbance and does not exceed fourteen (14) feet in width. The maximum width of surface disturbance, when constructing the access road, shall not exceed thirty (30) feet.

#### Surfacing

Surfacing material is not required on the new access road driving surface. If the operator elects to surface the new access road or pad, the surfacing material may be required to be removed at the time of reclamation.

Where possible, no improvements should be made on the unsurfaced access road other than to remove vegetation as necessary, road irregularities, safety issues, or to fill low areas that may sustain standing water.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to require surfacing of any portion of the access road at any time deemed necessary. Surfacing may be required in the event the road deteriorates, erodes, road traffic increases, or it is determined to be beneficial for future field development. The surfacing depth and type of material will be determined at the time of notification.

#### Crowning

Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

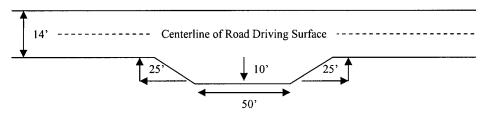
#### **Ditching**

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

#### **Turnouts**

Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:

#### Standard Turnout - Plan View

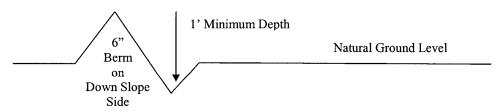


#### **Drainage**

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outsloping and insloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

A typical lead-off ditch has a minimum depth of 1 foot below and a berm of 6 inches above natural ground level. The berm shall be on the down-slope side of the lead-off ditch.

#### Cross Section of a Typical Lead-off Ditch



All lead-off ditches shall be graded to drain water with a 1 percent minimum to 3 percent maximum ditch slope. The spacing interval are variable for lead-off ditches and shall be determined according to the formula for spacing intervals of lead-off ditches, but may be amended depending upon existing soil types and centerline road slope (in %);

#### Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches

Example - On a 4% road slope that is 400 feet long, the water flow shall drain water into a lead-off ditch. Spacing interval shall be determined by the following formula:

400 foot road with 4% road slope: 
$$\frac{400'}{4\%}$$
 + 100' = 200' lead-off ditch interval

#### **Culvert Installations**

Appropriately sized culvert(s) shall be installed at the deep waterway channel flow crossing.

#### Cattleguards

An appropriately sized cattleguard(s) sufficient to carry out the project shall be installed and maintained at fence crossing(s).

Any existing cattleguard(s) on the access road shall be repaired or replaced if they are damaged or have deteriorated beyond practical use. The operator shall be responsible for the condition of the existing cattleguard(s) that are in place and are utilized during lease operations.

A gate shall be constructed and fastened securely to H-braces.

#### Fence Requirement

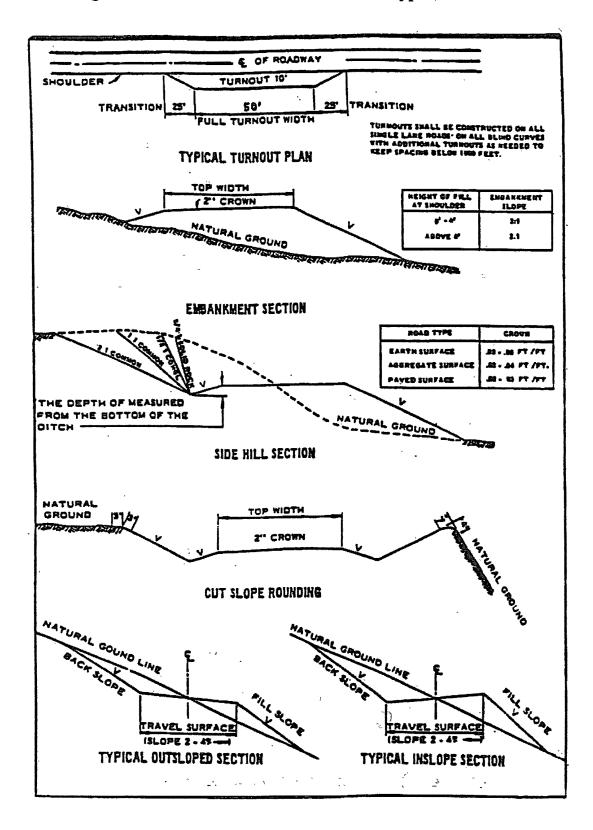
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

#### **Public Access**

Public access on this road shall not be restricted by the operator without specific written approval granted by the Authorized Officer.

Figure 1 - Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections



#### VII. DRILLING

#### A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

The BLM is to be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness:

- a. Spudding well
- b. Setting and/or Cementing of all casing strings
- c. BOPE tests

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Call the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240, (505) 393-3612

- 1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the Yates formation. Hydrogen Sulfide has been reported in sections 28 and 29 measuring 500-700 ppm and 300-7000 ppm in STVs.
- 2. Unless the production casing has been run and cemented or the well has been properly plugged, the drilling rig shall not be removed from over the hole without prior approval.
- 3. Floor controls are required for 3M or Greater systems. These controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.

#### B. CASING

- 1. The 13-3/8 inch surface casing shall be set a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite at approximately 1600 feet and cemented to the surface. Additional cement will be required.
  - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with a surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement.
  - b. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater. (This is to include the lead cement).

- c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
- d. If cement falls back, remedial action will be done prior to drilling out that string.

#### Possible lost circulation and water flows in the Capitan Reef if encountered.

- 2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 8-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:
  - ⊠ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a-d above.
- 3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:
  - Cement should tie-back at least 500 feet into previous casing string due to Secretary's Potash. Operator shall provide method of verification. First stage to circulate.
- 4. If hardband drill pipe is rotated inside casing, returns will be monitored for metal. If metal is found in samples, drill pipe will be pulled and rubber protectors which have a larger diameter than the tool joints of the drill pipe will be installed prior to continuing drilling operations.

#### C. PRESSURE CONTROL

- 1. All blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) shall comply with well control requirements as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and API RP 53 Sec. 17.
- 2. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
  - a. The tests shall be done by an independent service company.
  - b. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
  - c. All tests are required to be recorded on a calibrated test chart. A copy of the BOP/BOPE test chart and a copy of independent service company test will be submitted to the appropriate BLM office.
  - d. The BOP/BOPE test shall include a low pressure test from 250 to 300 psi. The test will be held for a minimum of 10 minutes if test is done with a test plug and 30 minutes without a test plug.

Engineer on call phone (after hours): Carlsbad: (575) 706-2779

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## VIII. PRODUCTION (POST DRILLING)

#### A. WELL STRUCTURES & FACILITIES

#### **Placement of Production Facilities**

Production facilities should be placed on the well pad to allow for maximum interim recontouring and revegetation of the well location.

#### **Containment Structures**

The containment structure shall be constructed to hold the capacity of the entire contents of the largest tank, plus 24 hour production, unless more stringent protective requirements are deemed necessary by the Authorized Officer.

#### **Painting Requirement**

All above-ground structures including meter housing that are not subject to safety requirements shall be painted a flat non-reflective paint color Shale Green, Munsell Soil Color Chart # 5Y 4/2

## VRM Facility Requirement

- B. PIPELINES
- C. ELECTRIC LINES

#### IX. INTERIM RECLAMATION & RESERVE PIT CLOSURE

#### A. INTERIM RECLAMATION

If the well is a producer, interim reclamation shall be conducted on the well site in accordance with the orders of the Authorized Officer. The operator shall submit a Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells (Notice of Intent), Form 3160-5, prior to conducting interim reclamation.

During the life of the development, all disturbed areas not needed for active support of production operations should undergo interim reclamation in order to minimize the environmental impacts of development on other resources and uses.

At the time reserve pits are to be reclaimed, operators should work with BLM surface management specialists to devise the best strategies to reduce the size of the location. Any reductions should allow for remedial well operations, as well as safe and efficient removal of oil and gas.

During reclamation, the removal of caliche is important to increasing the success of revegetating the site. Removed caliche may be used for road repairs, fire walls or for building other roads and locations. In order to operate the well or complete workover operations, it may be necessary to drive, park and operate on restored interim vegetation within the previously disturbed area. Disturbing revegetated areas for production or workover operations will be allowed. If there is significant disturbance and loss of vegetation, the area will need to be revegetated. Communicate with the appropriate BLM office for any exceptions/exemptions if needed.

#### B. RESERVE PIT CLOSURE

The reserve pit, when dried and closed, shall be recontoured, all trash removed, and reseeded as follows:

#### Seed Mixture 2, for Sandy Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)\* per acre. There shall be <u>no</u> primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law (s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The see mixture will be evenly and uniformly planted over the disturbed area (smaller/heavier seeds have a tendency to drop the bottom of the drill and are planted first). The holder shall take appropriate measures to ensure this does not occur. Where drilling is not possible, seed will be broadcast and the area shall be raked or chained to cover the seed. When broadcasting the seed, the pounds per acre are to be doubled. The seeding will be repeated until a satisfactory stand is established as determined by the authorized officer. Evaluation of growth will not be made before completion of at least one full growing season after seeding.

Species to be planted in pounds of pure live seed\* per acre:

<u>Species</u>	1 <u>b/acre</u>
Sand dropseed (Sporobolus cryptandrus)	1.0
Sand love grass (Eragrostis trichodes)	1.0
Plains bristlegrass (Setaria macrostachya)	2.0

<sup>\*</sup>Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed (Insert Seed Mixture Here)

## X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & REHABILITATION REQUIREMENTS

Upon abandonment of the well and/or when the access road is no longer in service the Authorized Officer shall issue instructions and/or orders for surface reclamation and restoration of all disturbed areas.

On private surface/federal mineral estate land the reclamation procedures on the road and well pad shall be accomplished in accordance with the private surface land owner agreement.