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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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Split Estate

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

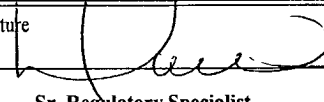
FORM APPROVED  
OMB No 1004-0137  
Expires March 31, 2007

1a. Type of work. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5. Lease Serial No. LC063458
1b. Type of Well: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name N/A
2. Name of Operator ConocoPhillips Company		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No
3a. Address P.O. Box 51810 Midland, Tx 79710		8. Lease Name and Well No. <u>&lt;31493&gt;</u> Warren Unit 329
3b. Phone No. (include area code) 432-688-6943		9. API Well No. <u>&lt;217817&gt;</u> 30-025-38329
4. Location of Well (Report location, clearly and in accordance with any State requirements *) At surface 2040 FSL & 660 FEL Unit I At proposed prod. zone Lea County Controlled Water Basin		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Warren-Blinebry/Tubb O&G
11. Sec, T, R, M or Blk and Survey or Area Section 34-20S-38E		12. County or Parish Lea
13. State NM		14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* Approximately 9 miles south of Hobbs, NM
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drig unit line, if any) 2040' Unit	16. No. of acres in lease 5120	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40 acres
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft 893'	19. Proposed Depth 7238'	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file ES0085
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3530	22. Approximate date work will start* 02/01/2009	23. Estimated duration 10 days

24. Attachments

The following, completed in accordance with the requirements of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No.1, must be attached to this form

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor.  | 4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above). |
| 2. A Drilling Plan.   | 5. Operator certification   |
| 3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO must be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office) | 6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the BLM.             |

25. Signature 	Name (Printed/Typed) Donna Williams	Date 12/08/2008
Title Sr. Regulatory Specialist		

Approved by (Signature) /s/ Don Peterson	Name (Printed/Typed) CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE	Date JAN 20 2009
Title FIELD MANAGER		

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 conduct operations thereon.

Conditions of approval, if any, are attached.

APPROVAL FOR TWO YEARS

Title 18 U.S.C Section 1001 and Title 43 U.S.C Section 1212, make 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.

\*(Instructions on page 2)

SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

KX  
APPROVAL SUBJECT TO  
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS  
AND SPECIAL STIPULATIONS  
ATTACHED



**ConocoPhillips Company**

**PTRRC**

Ronald G. Crouch  
PTRRC Advisor  
4001 Penbrook St., Ste. 345  
Odessa TX, 79762  
Phone (432) 368-1218  
Cell (432) 631-5557

December 4, 2008

Cody Layton  
Bureau of Land Management  
620 East Greene  
Carlsbad New Mexico 88220

Re: Warren Unit 329  
Section 34, T20S-R38E  
Lea County, New Mexico

Dear Cody:

Settlement has been reached between the surface owner and ConocoPhillips Company for the above mentioned well location and appurtenances.  
The surface owner is:

Robert McCasland  
P.O. Box 206  
Eunice, NM 88231

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Ronald Crouch  
PTRRC Advisor  
ConocoPhillips Company

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
1220 South St. Frances Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

☐ AMENDED REPORT

# WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number <b>30-025-38329</b>	Pool Code 62965	Pool Name Warren-Blinebry/Tubb O&G
Property Code 31493	Property Name WARREN UNIT <b>Blinebry-Tubb WF</b>	Well Number 329
OGRIID No. 217817	Operator Name CONOCOPHILLIPS	Elevation 3530'

### Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
1	34	20 S	38 E		2040	SOUTH	660	EAST	LEA

## Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
Dedicated Acres 40	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code		Order No.					

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


Plane Coordinate  
X = 871,042.8  
Y = 557,798.3

**NOTE:**

1) Plane Coordinates shown hereon are Transverse Mercator Grid and Conform to the "New Mexico Coordinate System", New Mexico East Zone, North American Datum of 1927. Distances shown hereon are mean horizontal surface values.

### OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the 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 or has a right to drill this well at this 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.

Signature

Donna Williams

Printed Name

12/8/08

Date

### SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION

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 supervision and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief

October 31, 2008

Date of Survey

Signature & Seal      Professional Surveyor

W.O. Num: 2008-1229

Certificate No. MACON McDONALD 12185

**DISTRICT 2**  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION  
1220 South St. Frances Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**DISTRICT III**  
1000 Rio Brazos Rd., Artec, NM 87410

**DISTRICT IV**  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

☐ AMENDED REPORT

# WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-025-39329	Pool Code 63080	Pool Name Warren-Drinkard
Property Code <del>31493</del> 31488	Property Name WARREN UNIT	Well Number 329
OGRID No. 217817	Operator Name CONOCOPHILLIPS	Elevation 3530'

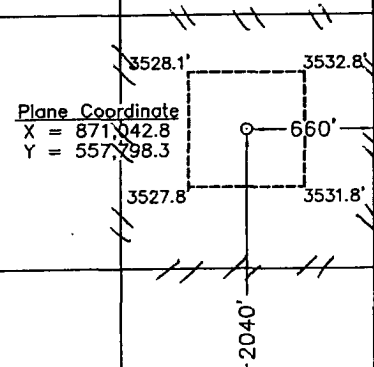
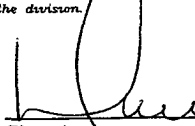
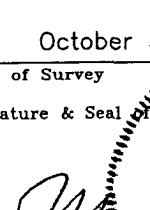
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<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"><b>WELL LOCATION</b></div>  <p style="margin-top: 20px;"><u>Plane Coordinate</u> X = 871,042.8 Y = 557,298.3</p>	<div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 20px;"><b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b></div> <p><i>I hereby certify 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 or has a right to drill this well at this 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.</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"><div style="width: 60%;"> _____ Signature</div><div style="width: 35%; text-align: center;">12/8/08 _____ Date</div></div> <div style="margin-top: 20px; text-align: center;">Donna Williams _____ Printed Name</div>
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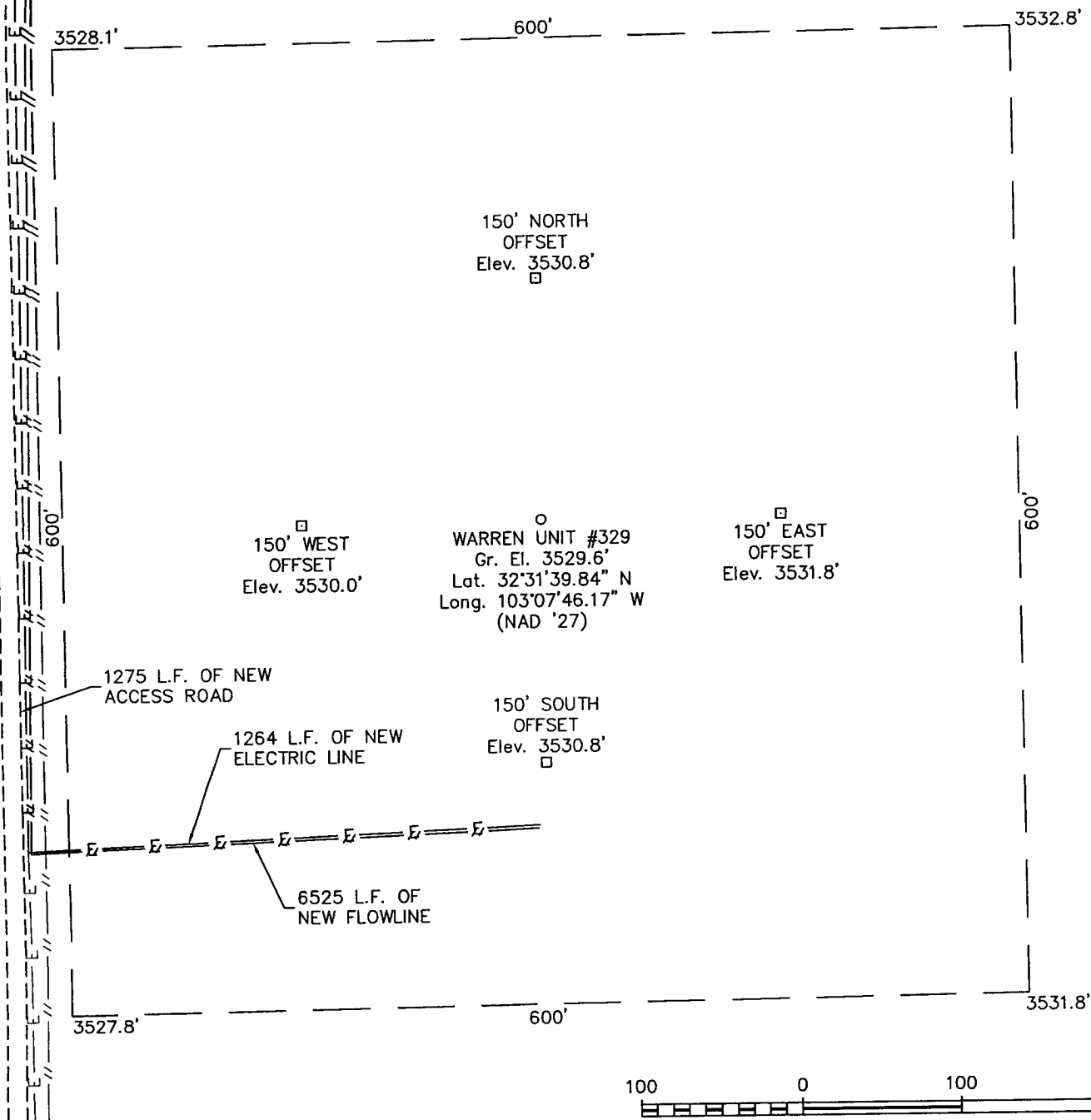
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# SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 38 EAST, N.M.P.M.

L-2008-1229-A

NEW MEXICO

LEA COUNTY



## DRIVING DIRECTIONS

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF STATE HIGHWAY 176 AND STATE HIGHWAY 18 2 MILES EAST OF EUNICE, NEW MEXICO, GO NORTH ON SAID HIGHWAY 18 6.1 MILES TO A CATTLE GUARD ON WEST (LEFT) SIDE OF HIGHWAY, THEN GO WEST ON A LEASE ROAD 0.1 MILE TO A POINT BEING 1200 FEET SOUTH CROSS-COUNTRY FROM THE PROPOSED LOCATION.

**CONOCOPHILLIPS**

**WARREN UNIT #329**

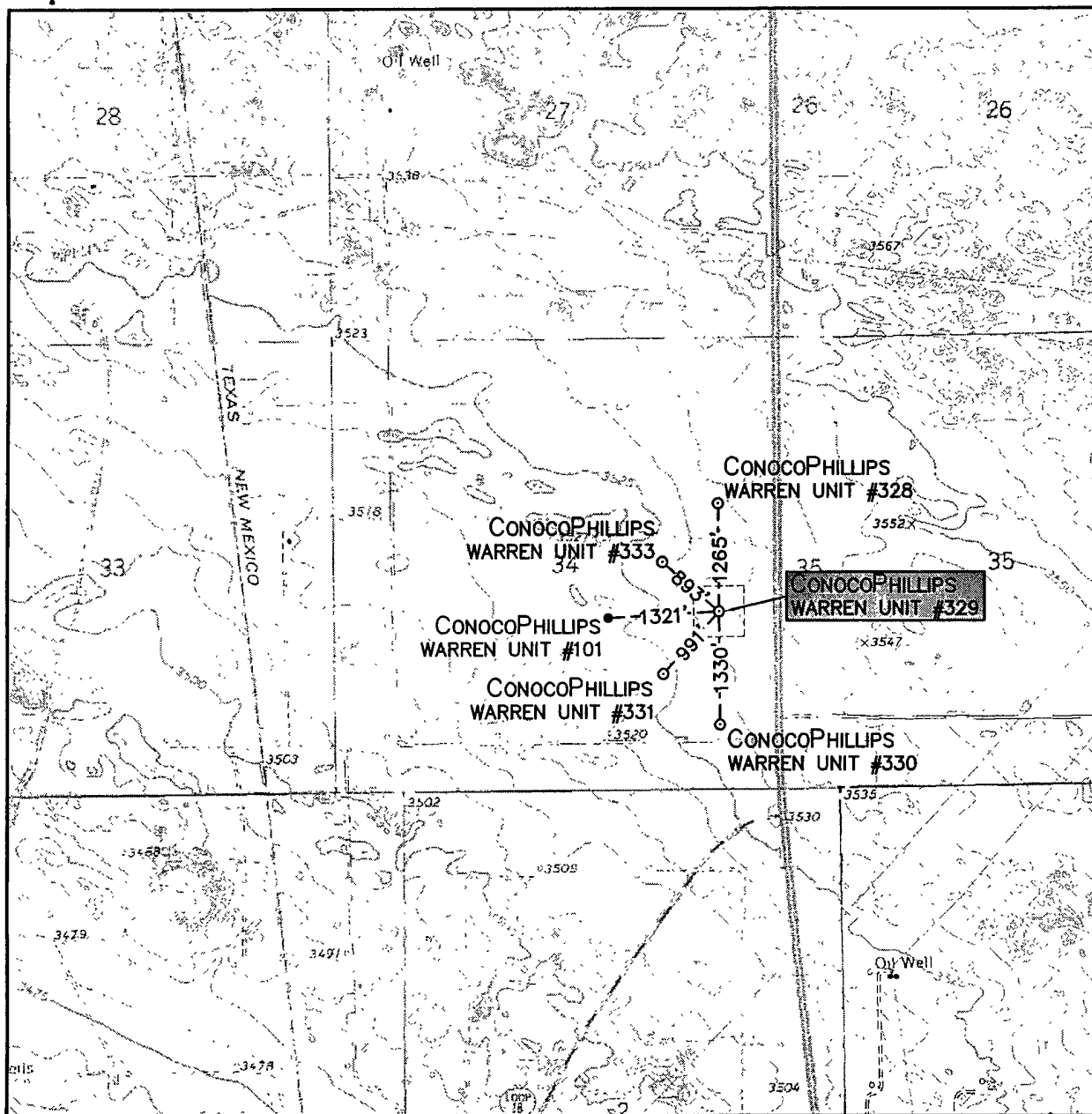
Located 2040' FSL & 660' FEL, Section 34  
Township 20 South, Range 38 East, N.M.P.M.  
Lea County, New Mexico



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Drawn By: LVA	Date: November 5, 2008
Scale: 1"=100'	Field Book: 422 / 41-51
Revision Date:	Quadrangle: Hobbs SW
W.O. No: 2008-1229	Dwg. No.: L-2008-1229-A

# LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:  
HOBBS SW - 5'

SEC. 34 TWP. 20-S RGE. 38-E

SURVEY \_\_\_\_\_ N.M.P.M.

COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ LEA

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OPERATOR CONOCOPhillips

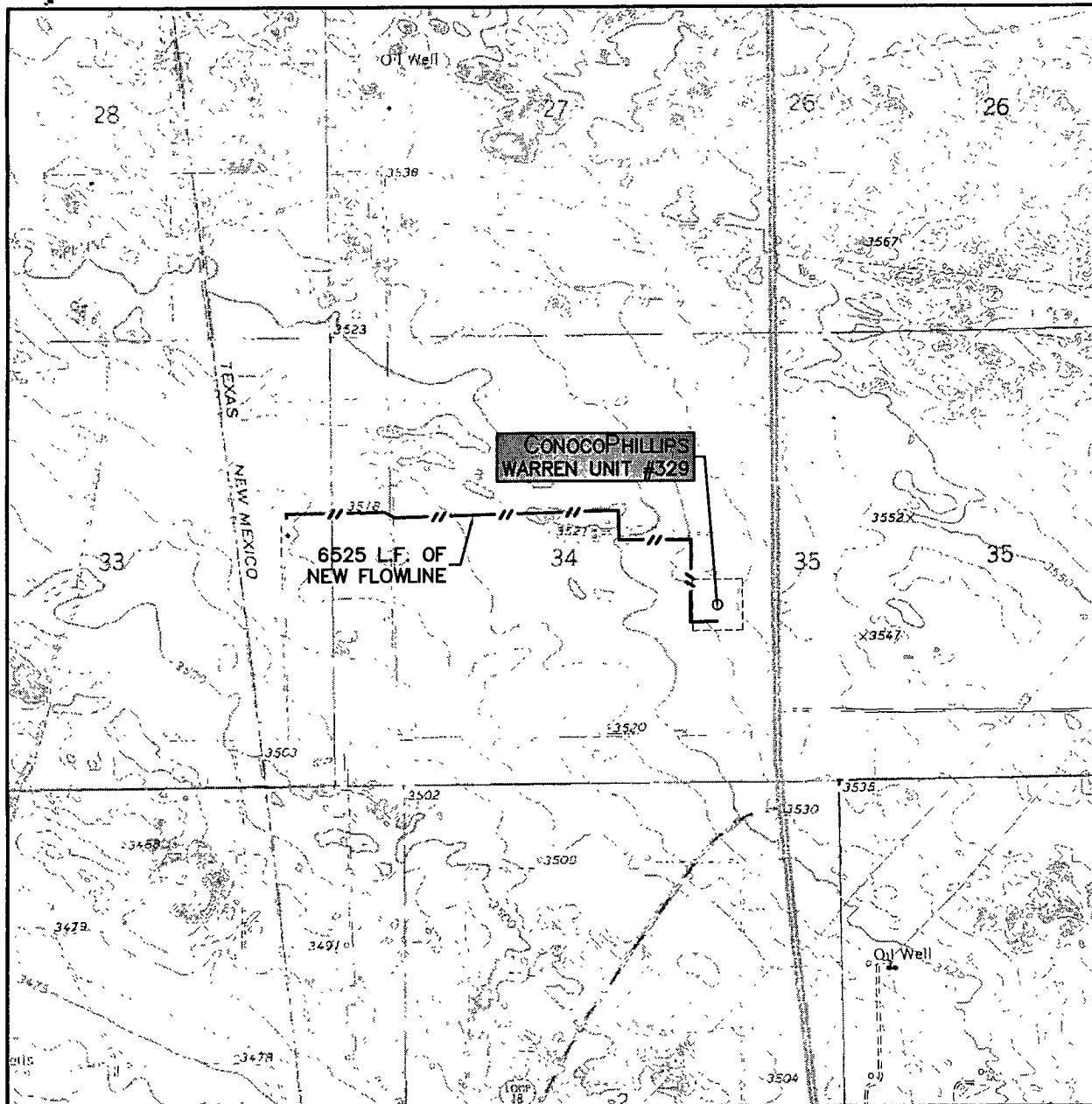
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HOBBS SW



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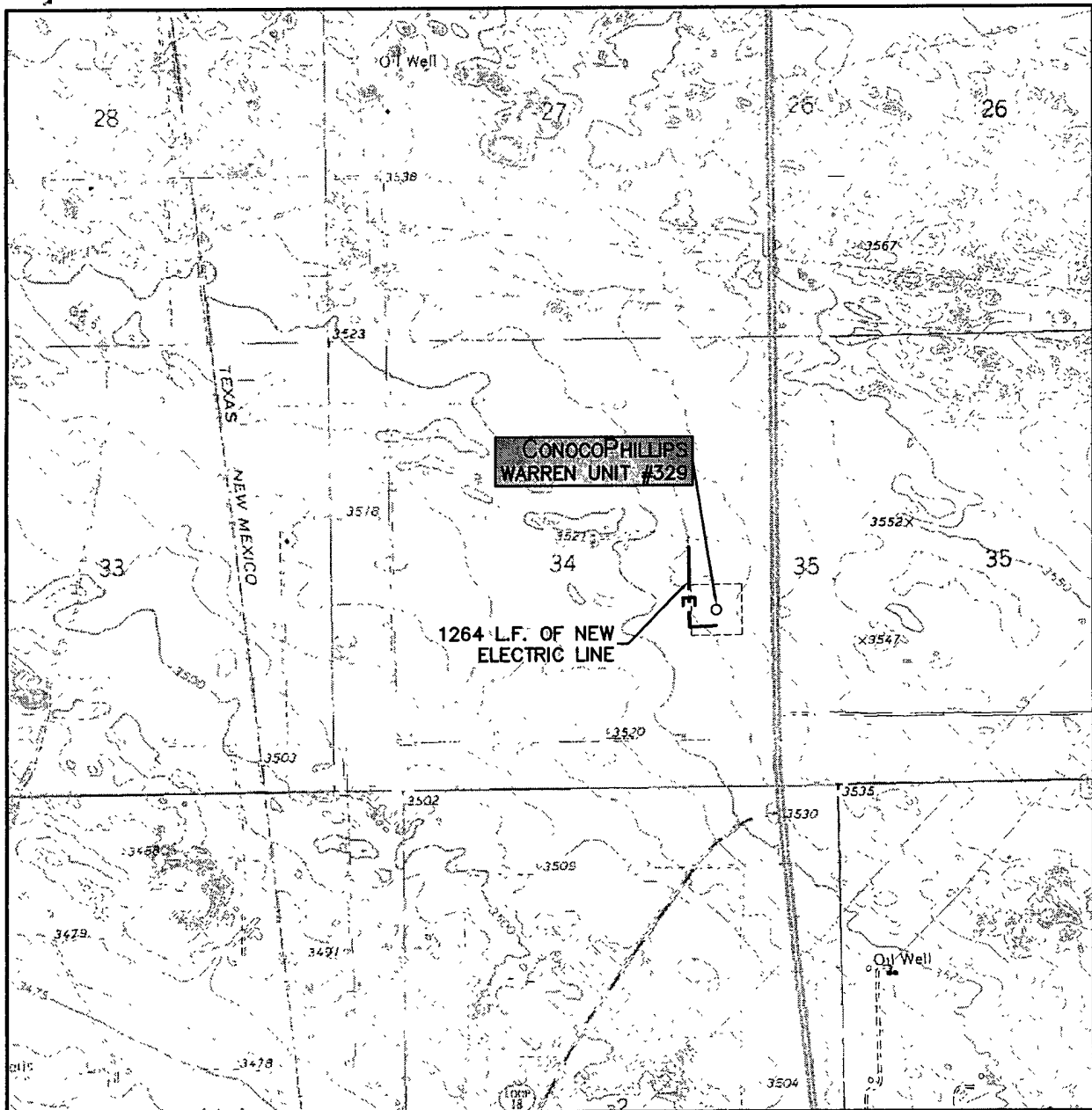
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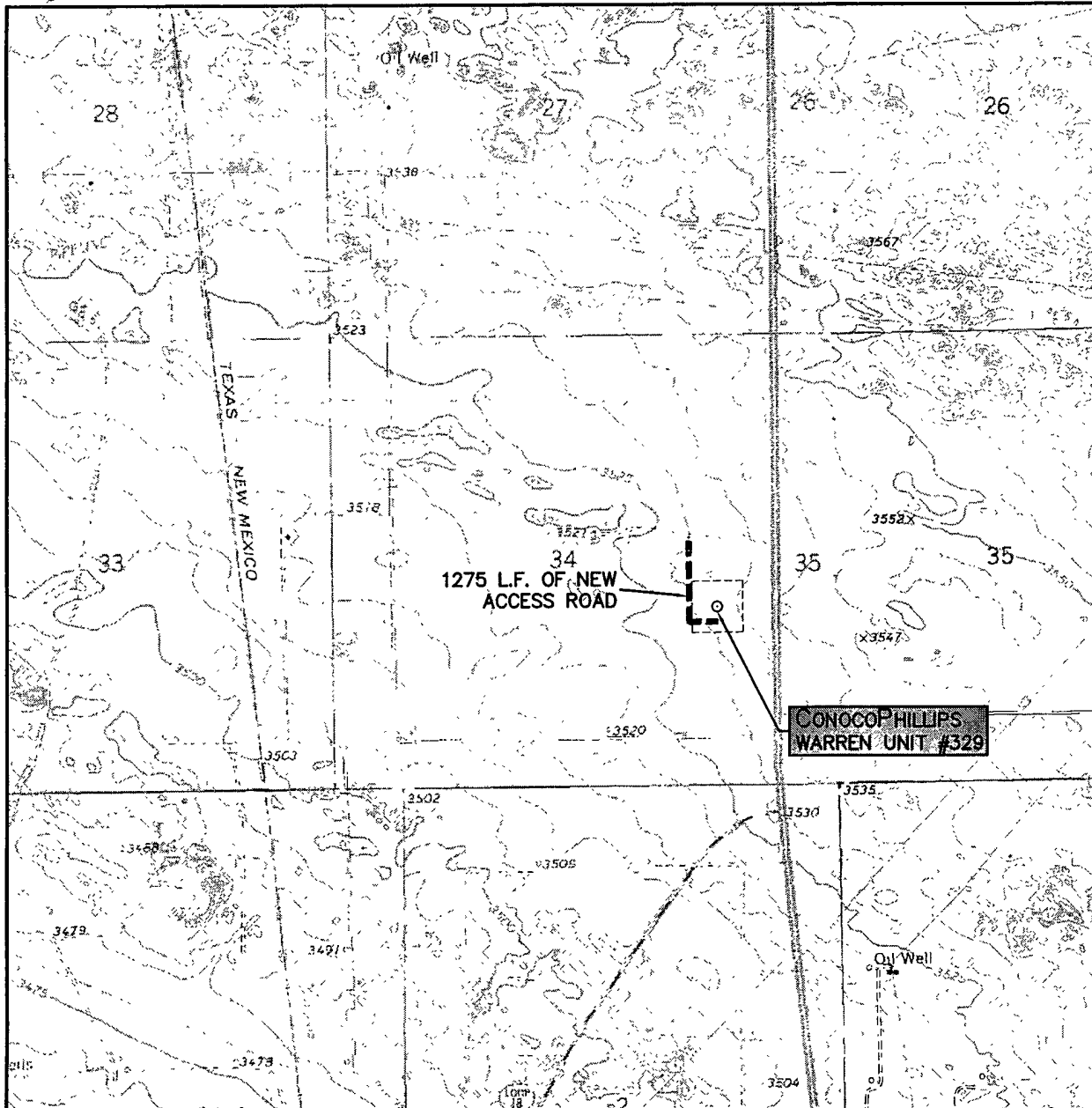


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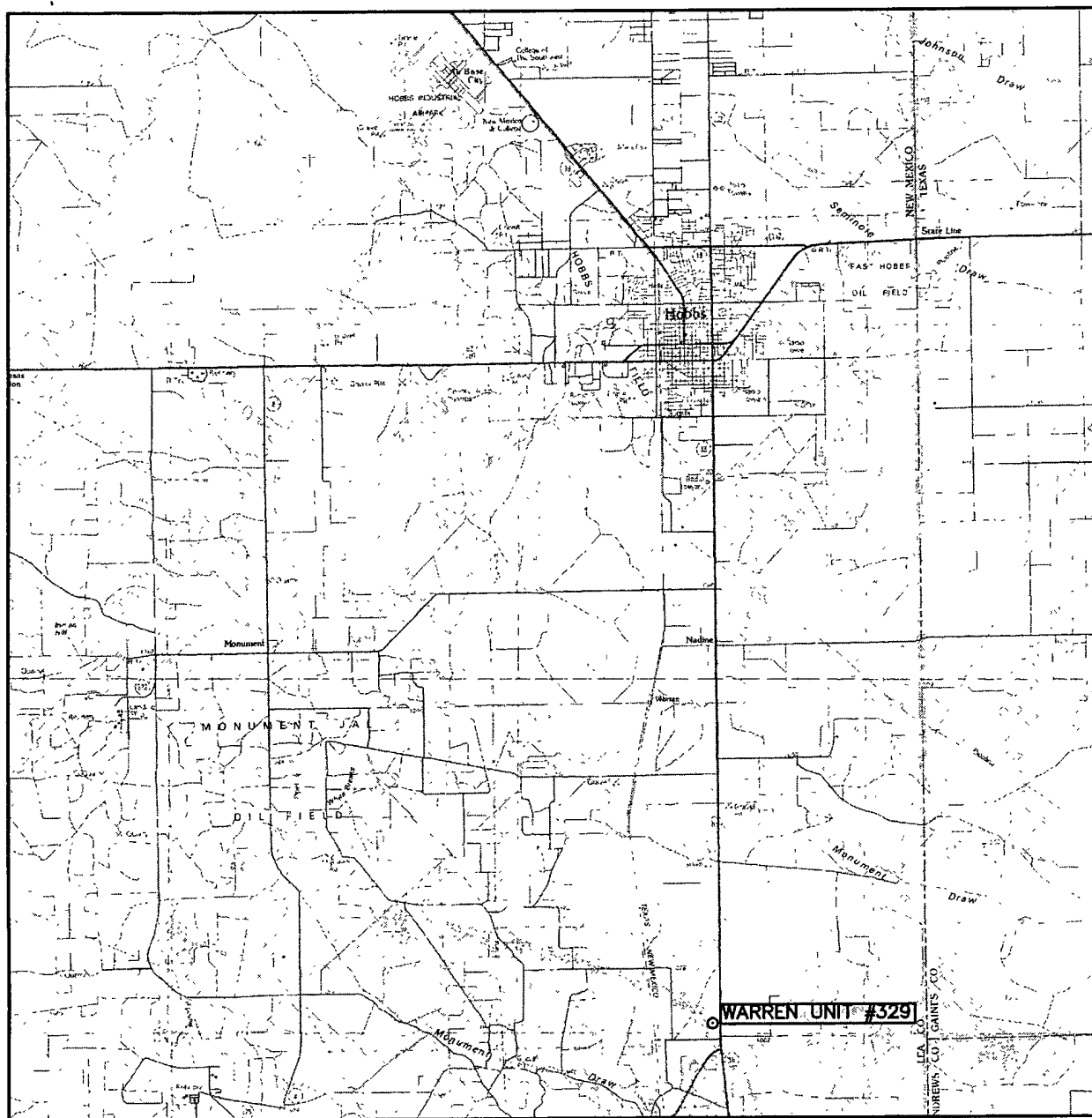
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# VICINITY MAP



SCALE: 1" = 3 MILES

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COUNTY LEA

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## Warren 329

Formation Tops and Planned Total Depth	
Formation Call Points	Top (ft MD)
Rustler	1572
Salado	1658
Yates	2870
Blinberry	5797
Tubb	6498
Abo	7038
Total Depth (minimum)	7193
Total Depth (maximum)	7238

Casing Depths		
String	Minimum Depth	Maximum Depth
Surface Casing	1597	1642
Production Casing	7183	7228

Note: The Surface Casing and the Production Casing programs reflect an uncertainty of 45' in the setting depth for the shoe because that is the approximate length of a full joint of Range 3 casing. This range for the setting depth will allow us to drill the hole to fit the casing string based on how the tally comes out and will provide for the cementing head to be positioned at the rig floor for safety and efficiency in cementing operations. The casing will be set approximately 10 ft off bottom.

Master Drilling Plan  
ConocoPhillips Company  
SEMU and Warren Unit  
July 17, 2008

Lea County, New Mexico  
Pool: Blinebry, Tubb, Drinkard

**UNIT AREA:** Leases in the following Sections, Townships and Ranges that ConocoPhillips Company operates. Lease numbers as follows, but not limited to:

**Southeast Monument Unit**

Lease	Suffix	Lessor	Township	Range	Section	QQ
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	13	S2SW
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	13	SE
265155	000	NMNM 90161	20	37	13	NWSW
265155	000	NMNM 90161	20	37	13	SWNE
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	14	NWNE
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	14	S2NE
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	14	SE
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	14	W2
017994	000	LC 031621B	20	37	15	E2E2
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	22	E2NE
271248	000	NM 557686	20	37	22	E2SE
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	23	All
155692	000	NM 557686	20	37	24	N2N2
020643	000	LC 031620A	20	37	24	S2
020643	000	LC 031620A	20	37	24	S2N2
018625	000	LC 031696A	20	37	25	N2S2
018625	000	LC 031696A	20	37	25	S2NE
018625	000	LC 031696A	20	37	25	S2NW
020643	000	LC 031620A	20	37	25	N2N2
018625	000	LC 031696A	20	37	26	NE
018625	000	LC 031696A	20	37	26	N2SE
018625	000	LC 031696A	20	37	26	SESE
155818	000	NMNM 002511	20	37	26	SWSE
155818	000	NMNM 002511	20	37	26	W2
155818	000	NMNM 002511	20	37	27	E2E2

**Warren Unit**

Lease	Suffix	Lessor	Township	Range	Section	QQ
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	20	SE
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	21	SW
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	21	W2SE

032310	000	LC 061983	20	38	21	E2SE
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	22	S2S2
006710	000	LC 063458	20	38	25	W2
006710	000	LC 063458	20	38	26	ALL
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	27	N2N2
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	27	S2
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	27	S2N2
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	28	N2N2
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	28	S2
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	28	S2N2
018642	000	LC 031670B	20	38	29	N2NE
019405	000	LC 031695A	20	38	29	W2SW
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	29	E2SW
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	29	S2NE
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	29	SE
019406	000	LC 031695B	20	38	33	ALL
006710	000	LC 063458	20	38	34	ALL
006710	000	LC 063458	20	38	35	ALL

If drilling is proposed on additional leases, the BLM will be advised when they are proposed.

1. **Geologic Name of Surface Formation:**

- Quaternary

2. **Estimated tops of geological markers and estimated depths to water, oil, or gas formations:**

In SEMU and Warren Unit, the estimated tops of the geological markers and proposed Total Depth (TD) vary within a range of as much as 590'. The range of minimum to maximum depth for these markers and proposed TD range is presented in the table below. The datum for these depths is RKB (which is 10' - 12' above Ground Level).

Formation Call	Formation Top FT MD		Thickness		Contents
	Minimum	Maximum	Min	Max	
Above top of Rustler					Fresh Water
Rustler	1210	1620	84	140	
Salado	1295	1740	1115	1350	
Artesia Group	2530	2745	1400	1500	Gas and Oil
Yeso Group	5275	5690	1300	1700	Oil and Salt Water
Proposed TD	6910	7500			

Note: For each individual well we will include with the APD package our correlation pick depths for the formation tops and proposed TD for that individual well.

Protection of fresh water will be accomplished by setting the surface casing 25' - 70' into the Rustler Anhydrite formation and **cementing** the surface casing from the casing shoe **to the surface of ground** in accordance with the provisions of Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2 and New Mexico Oil Conservation Division Title 19.

3. **Proposed casing program:**

Type	Hole Size (in)	Interval MD RKB (ft)		OD (inches)	Wt (lb/ft)	Gr	Conn	Condition	Safety Factors Calculated per BLM Load Formulas		
		From	To						Burst	Collapse	Tension Dry/Buoyant
Cond	17-1/2"	0	40' - 85' (30' - 75' BGL)	13-3/8"	48#	H-40	STC	New	NA	NA	NA
Surf	12-1/4"	0	<del>1235</del> - 1690'	8-5/8"	24#	J-55	STC	New	4.03	1.83	6.02 / 6.91
Prod	7-7/8"	0	6910' - 7500'	5-1/2"	17#	L-80	LTC	New	1.98	1.61	2.65 / 3.13

We propose to set the surface and production casing approximately 10' off bottom and to drill the hole to fit the casing string so that the cementing head is positioned at the floor for the cement job.

### **Casing Design (Safety) Factors – BLM Criteria:**

Joint Strength Design (Safety) Factor: SFt

$$SFt = F_j / Wt;$$

Where

- $F_j$  is the rated pipe Joint Strength in pounds (lbs)
- $Wt$  is the weight of the casing string in pounds (lbs)

The Minimum Acceptable Joint Strength Design (Safety) Factor  $SFt = 1.6$  dry or 1.8 bouyant

Collapse Design (Safety) Factor: SFc

$$SFc = P_c / (MW \times .052 \times L_s)$$

Where

- $P_c$  is the rated pipe Collapse Pressure in pounds per square inch (psi)
- $MW$  is mud weight in pounds per gallon (ppg)
- $L_s$  is the length of the string in feet (ft)

The Minimum Acceptable Collapse Design (Safety) Factor  $SFc = 1.125$

Burst Design (Safety) Factor: SFb

$$SFb = P_i / BHP$$

Where

- $P_i$  is the rated pipe Burst (Minimum Internal Yield) Pressure in pounds per square inch (psi)
- $BHP$  is bottom hole pressure in pounds per square inch (psi)

The Minimum Acceptable Burst Design (Safety) Factor  $SFb = 1.0$

### **Joint Strength Design (Safety) Factors – BLM Criteria**

Surface Casing:

- $SF_j \text{ Dry} = 244,000 \text{ lbs} / (1690 \text{ ft} \times 24 \text{ lb/ft}) = 244,000 \text{ lbs} / 40,560 \text{ lbs} = 6.02 \text{ Dry}$
- $SF_j \text{ Bouyant} = 244,000 \text{ lbs} / (1690 \text{ ft} \times 24 \text{ lb/ft}) [1 - (8.5/65.5)] = 244,000 \text{ lbs} / 35,296 \text{ lbs} = 6.91 \text{ Bouyant}$

Production Casing:

- $SF_j \text{ Dry} = 338,000 \text{ lbs} / (7500 \text{ ft} \times 17 \text{ lb/ft}) = 338,000 \text{ lbs} / 127,500 \text{ lbs} = 2.65 \text{ Dry}$
- $SF_j \text{ Bouyant} = 338,000 \text{ lbs} / (7500 \text{ ft} \times 17 \text{ lb/ft}) [1 - (10.0/65.5)] = 338,000 \text{ lbs} / 108,034 \text{ lbs} = 3.13 \text{ Bouyant}$

### **Collapse Design (Safety) Factors – BLM Criteria**

Surface Casing:

$$SFc = 1370 \text{ psi} / (8.5 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 1690 \text{ ft}) = 1370 \text{ psi} / 747 \text{ psi} = 1.83$$

Production Casing:

$$SFc = 6290 \text{ psi} / (10 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 7500 \text{ ft}) = 6290 \text{ psi} / 3900 \text{ psi} = 1.61$$

### **Burst Design (Safety) Factors – BLM Criteria**

Surface Casing:

$$SFb = 2950 \text{ psi} / (8.33 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 1690 \text{ ft}) = 2950 \text{ psi} / 732 \text{ psi} = 4.03$$

Production Casing:

$$SFb = 7740 \text{ psi} / (5.13 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 7500 \text{ ft}) = 7740 \text{ psi} / 2400 \text{ psi} = 3.23 \text{ based on reservoir pressure data}$$

$$SFb = 7740 \text{ psi} / (10 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 7500 \text{ ft}) = 7740 \text{ psi} / 3900 \text{ psi} = 1.98 \text{ based on brine density used to drill to TD}$$

### Casing Design (Safety) Factors – Additional ConocoPhillips Criteria:

ConocoPhillips casing design policy establishes Corporate Minimum Design Factors (see table below) and requires that service life load cases be considered and provided for in the casing design.

ConocoPhillips Corporate Criteria for Minimum Design Factors

	Burst	Collapse	Axial
Casing Design Factors	1.15	1.05	1.4

#### Surface Casing:

The maximum internal (burst) load on the Surface Casing occurs when the surface casing is tested to 1500 psi. We will pressure up to 1600 psi and let the pressure settle for 1 minute after shutting down the pump. Then we will begin the 30 minute test period. Therefore the maximum pressure that the surface casing will be exposed to will be 1600 psi.

#### Surface Casing Burst Design Factor

$$DF \text{ Burst} = \text{Burst Rating} / \text{Maximum Pressure During Casing Pressure Test} = 2950 \text{ psi} / 1600 \text{ psi} = 1.84$$

The maximum collapse load on the Surface Casing occurs when we release the pressure after bumping the plug on the surface casing cement job.

#### Surface Casing Collapse Design Factor

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = \text{Collapse Rating} / (\text{Cement Column Hydrostatic Pressure} - \text{Displacement Fluid Hydrostatic Pressure})$$

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = 1370 \text{ psi} / \{[(300 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 14.8 \text{ ppg}) + (1390 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 13.5 \text{ ppg})] - (1690 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 8.33 \text{ ppg})\}$$

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = 1370 \text{ psi} / 475 \text{ psi}$$

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = 2.88$$

The maximum axial load on the Surface Casing would be the buoyant weight of the full string of casing plus an allowance for potential overpull in the amount of 100,000 lbs.

#### Surface Casing Axial (Tension) Design Factor

$$DF \text{ Tension} = \text{Joint Strength Rating} / (\text{Buoyant Weight} + \text{Overpull Margin})$$

$$\text{Buoyancy Factor for fresh water (8.34 ppg fluid)} = 1 - (8.34 / 65.5) = .873$$

Overpull Margin is selected to be 100,000 lbs

$$DF \text{ Tension} = 244,000 \text{ lbs} / [(1690 \text{ ft} \times 24 \text{ lb/ft} \times .873) + 100,000 \text{ lbs}]$$

$$DF \text{ Tension} = 244,000 \text{ lbs} / 135,408 \text{ lbs}$$

$$DF \text{ Tension} = 1.80$$



### Production Casing:

The maximum internal (burst) load would occur either during fracture initiation or screen out. Fracture initiation occurs with 2% KCL water in the hole and a maximum of 5000 psi surface pressure. Screen out might occur with up to 12 ppg frac fluid in the hole.

For the fracture initiation load case, the design factor calculated at surface is:

DF Burst @ Surface for Fracture Initiation = Burst Rating / Maximum Applied Surface Pressure

DF Burst @ Surface for Fracture Initiation = 7740 psi / 5000 psi

DF Burst @ Surface for Fracture Initiation = 1.54

For the fracture initiation load case, the design factor calculated at TD is:

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = Burst Rating / (Internal Pressure – Pore Pressure)

Internal Pressure at TD = Surface Pressure + Hydrostatic Pressure at TD of 2% KCL Water Column

Hydrostatic Pressure at TD of 2% KCL Water Column = 7500 ft x .052 x 8.6 ppg = 3354 psi

Surface Pressure at the time of Fracture Initiation = 5000 psi maximum

Internal Pressure at TD = 5000 psi + 3354 psi = 8354 psi

Pore Pressure in the Reservoir = 2000 psi approximately

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 7740 psi / (8354 psi - 2000 psi)

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 7740 psi / 6354 psi

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 1.22

For the screen out load case, the maximum burst loading occurs at TD and is calculated as follows:

DF Burst @ TD for Screen Out = Burst Rating / (Internal Pressure – Pore Pressure)

Internal Pressure at TD = Surface Pressure + Hydrostatic Pressure at TD of 12 ppg frac fluid

Hydrostatic Pressure at TD of 12 ppg frac fluid = 7500 ft x .052 x 12.0 ppg = 4680 psi

Maximum Allowable Surface Pressure at the time of Screen Out = 4050 psi maximum

Internal Pressure at TD at time of Screen Out = 4050 psi + 4680 psi = 8730 psi

Pore Pressure in the Reservoir = 2400 psi approximately

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 7740 psi / (8730 psi - 2400 psi)

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 7740 psi / 6730 psi

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 1.15

The maximum collapse load on the production casing occurs with the well pumped off on production. The maximum potential pore pressure in the well would be equal to or less 10 ppg which is the density of the brine drilling fluid used in drilling production hole interval from the Surface Casing Shoe to TD.

DF Collapse = Collapse Rating / Maximum Possible Pore Pressure

DF Collapse = 6290 / (10 ppg x .052 x 7500 ft) = 6290 psi / 3900 psi = 1.61

### Production Casing Axial (Tension) Design Factor

DF Tension = Joint Strength Rating / (Bouyant Weight + Overpull Margin)

Bouyancy Factor for 10 ppg brine = 1 – (10.0 / 65.5) = .847

Overpull Margin is selected to be 100,000 lbs

DF Tension = 338,000 lbs / [(7500 ft x 17 lb/ft x .847) + 100,000 lbs]

DF Tension = 338,000 lbs / (107,993 lbs + 100,000 lbs)

DF Tension = 338,000 lbs / 207,993 lbs

DF Tension = 1.63

#### 4. Proposed cementing program:

##### 13-3/8" Conductor:

Cement to surface with rat hole mix, ready mix or Class C Neat cement.

(Note: The gravel used in the cement is not to exceed 3/8" dia)

TOC at surface.

##### 8-5/8" Surface Casing:

The intention for the cementing program for the Surface Casing is to:

- Place the Tail Slurry from the casing shoe to 300' above the casing shoe,
- Bring the Lead Slurry to surface.

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water

Lead Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Top (ft MD)	Bottom (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 95 deg F by UCA Method	
433 sx - 644 sx Class C + 4% bentonite + 2% CaCl <sub>2</sub> + 0.125% Polyflake	Surface	935' to 1390'	935' to 1390'	13.5	1.96	10.69	Time 6 hrs 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs	Strength 320 psi 514 psi 589 psi 601 psi
Excess = 120%								

Tail Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Top (ft MD)	Bottom (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 91 deg F by UCA Method	
200 sx Class C + 2% CaCl <sub>2</sub> + 0.125% Polyflake	935' to 1390'	1235' to 1690'	300' 350'	14.8	1.35	6.36	Time 3 hrs 9 hrs 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs	Strength 50 psi 500 psi 793 psi 1266 psi 2183 psi
Excess = 100%								

Displacement: Fresh Water

**Note:** In accordance with the Pecos District Conditions of Approval, we will Wait on Cement (WOC) for a period of not less than 18 hrs after placement or until at least 500 psi compressive strength has been reached in both the Lead Slurry and Tail Slurry cements on the Surface Casing, whichever is greater.

### 5-1/2" Production Casing Cementing Program:

The intention for the cementing program for the Production Casing is to:

- Place the Tail Slurry from the casing shoe to a point approximately 200' above the top of the Yeso group,
- Bring the Lead Slurry to surface.

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water.

Lead Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Top (ft MD)	Bottom (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
683 – 1065 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ + 10% bentonite + 8 lb/sx Salt + 0.4% Fluid Loss Additive + 0.125%LCM if needed	Surface	5075' to 5490'	5075' to 5490'	11.8	2.51	14.64	Time 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs 116 hrs	Strength 93psi 234 psi 382 psi 468 psi 584 psi
Excess = 86% - 166% (based on caliper if available) (estimated average hole size = 9.40" – 10.75")								

Tail Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Top (ft MD)	Bottom (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
304 – 520 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ + 2% Bentonite + 5% Salt + 0.4% Fluid Loss Additive + 0.4% Dispersant + LCM if needed	5075' to 5490'	6910' to 7500'	1835' to 2010'	14.2	1.32	6.20	Time 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs	Strength 800 psi 1100 psi 1410 psi 1720 psi
Excess = 27% - 108% (based on caliper if available) (estimated average hole size = 8" – 9.26")								

Displacement: 2% KCL water with approximately 250 ppm gluteraldehyde biocide.

### Proposal for Option to Adjust Production Casing Cement Volumes:

The production casing cement volumes presented above are estimates based on data from previous wells. We propose an option to adjust these volumes based on the caliper log data for each well if available. Also, if no caliper log is available for any particular well, we would propose an option to possibly increase the production casing cement volumes to account for any uncertainty in regard to the hole volume.

## **5. Pressure Control Equipment:**

The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) will consist of 11", 2M equipment to conform to the requirements for a 2M System as described in Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 2, III.A.2.a.ii. The blowout preventer equipment will be installed after running and cementing the surface casing and installing the wellhead and will be tested by a third party using a test plug. Ram type preventers and associated equipment will be tested to approved stack working pressure of 2000 psi. Annular type preventers, if used, will be tested to 50 percent of rated working pressure, and therefore will be tested to 1000 psi. The above tests will be performed:

- When initially installed
- / Whenever any seal subject to test pressure is broken
- Following related repairs, and
- At 30 day intervals

Annular preventers, if used, will be functionally operated at least weekly.

Pipe and Blind rams shall be activated each trip, but not more than once per day.

All of the above described tests will be recorded in the drilling log.

A diagram of the proposed BOPs and choke manifold is attached.

## **6. Proposed Wellhead Program:**

Casing Head: 8-5/8" Slip on and Weld x 11" 5M Casing Head installed on 8-5/8" surface casing

Tubing Head: 11" 5M x 7-1/6" 5M Tubing Head installed after setting 5-1/2" production casing

## 7. Proposed Mud System

The mud systems that are proposed for use are as follows:

DEPTH	TYPE	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	WATERLOSS
0 – Surface Casing Point	Fresh Water Native Mud	8.5 – 9.0 ppg	28 – 40 sec	N.C.
Surface Casing Point to TD	Brine	10 ppg	29 sec	N.C.
Conversion to Mud at TD	Brine Based Mud	10 ppg	34 – 45 sec	5 – 10 cc/30 min

12-1/4" hole from surface of ground to surface casing point: The circulating media will be either a native mud or fresh water with high viscosity sweeps. The mud components will be:

- Fresh Water
- Bentonite (if needed)
- Lime
- Soda Ash
- Starch (if needed)
- Drilling Paper
- Other loss of circulation material if needed (nut plug or fibrous material)
- Soap sticks (if needed)

7-7/8" hole from the surface casing shoe to TD: The circulating media will be 10 ppg brine and will be converted to a mud with starch, attapulgite, and lime upon reaching Total Depth (TD). The mud components will be:

- Brine (approximately 10 lb/gal density)
- Attapulgite
- Lime
- Starch
- Drilling Paper
- Other loss of circulation material if needed (nut plug, fibrous material, gilsonite, or asphalt)
- Soap Sticks if needed
- Lease crude oil as a spotting fluid if needed in the event of differential sticking

#### 8. Logging, Coring, and Testing Program:

- a. No drill stem tests will be done
- b. No mud logging is planned, but might possibly be done if it is determined that this data is needed;
- c. No whole cores are planned
- d. The open hole electrical logging program is planned to be as follows:
  - Total Depth to 2500': Resistivity, Density, and Gamma Ray.
  - Total Depth to Surface Casing Shoe: Caliper
  - Total Depth to 200' MD, Gamma Ray and Neutron
  - Formation pressure data (XPT) on electric line if needed (optional)
  - Rotary Sidewall Cores on electric line if needed (optional)
  - BHC Sonic if needed (optional)
  - Spectral Gamma Ray if needed (optional)

#### 9. Abnormal Pressures and Temperatures:

- No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected to be encountered.
  - Note: We do not anticipate water flows or CO<sub>2</sub> flows.
- The expected bottom hole temperature is 113 degrees F.
- The expected bottom hole pressure is 2400 psi. Maximum anticipated surface pressure (MASP) is:

$$\text{MASP} = \text{BHP} - (.22 \times \text{TVD}) \quad \text{so} \quad \text{MASP} = 2403 - (.22 \times 6467') = 980 \text{ psi}$$

- The estimated H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations in the Warren Unit and SEMU are presented in the table below for the various producing horizons in this area:

FORMATION / ZONE	H <sub>2</sub> S (PPM)	Gas Rate (MCFD)	ROE 100 PPM	ROE 500 PPM
Artesia Group	28000	20	70	32
Yeso Group	1559	210	50	22

ConocoPhillips will comply with the provisions of Oil and Gas Order # 6, Hydrogen Sulfide Operations and will provide H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring equipment which will be rigged up, tested, and operational prior to drilling out from surface casing. All persons arriving on location will have H<sub>2</sub>S certification & training that occurred within the last year. Each occurrence of H<sub>2</sub>S gas at surface is to be noted on the daily reports and any occurrence of H<sub>2</sub>S in excess of 100 ppm will be reported to the authorized officer as soon as possible but no later than the next business day per the provisions of Oil and Gas Order # 6, Hydrogen Sulfide Operations. Also, ConocoPhillips will provide an H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan (please see copy attached) and will keep this plan updated and posted at the wellsite during drilling operations.

#### **10. Anticipated starting date and duration of operations:**

Road and location construction will begin after the BLM and NMOC have approved the APD and will take into account any closure stipulations that may be attached or specified in order to avoid operations in any closure period. Also, rig availability may impact our schedule. With consideration of these limiting factors, we would intend / plan to drill the wells in our proposed program SEMU and Warren Unit within two years after receiving approval of the APD.

#### **Attachments:**

- Attachment # 1..... Proposed Casing and Cementing Program
- Attachment # 2..... Diagram of Choke Manifold Equipment (Excerpted 54 FR 39528, Sept 27, 1989)
- Attachment # 3..... BOP and Choke Manifold Schematic – 2M System (Figure 3-1, Appendix G, from BLM)
- Attachment # 4..... BOP and Choke Manifold Schematic – 2M System (Figure 3-1A, Appendix G, from BLM)

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**SEMU and Warren Unit  
Proposed Casing & Cementing Program**

Datum: RKB (12' above ground level)

Conductor: 13-3/8" 48# H-40 ST&C  
set at 30' to 75' below ground level  
(42' to 87' MD RKB) and cemented  
to surface.

Surface Casing: 8-5/8" 24# J-55 ST&C  
set in the Rustler formation and  
cemented to surface.

Cement Wiper Plug

Float Shoe, one joint of casing, and Float Collar

Schematic prepared by:  
Steven O. Moore, Drilling Engineer  
26 - March- 2008

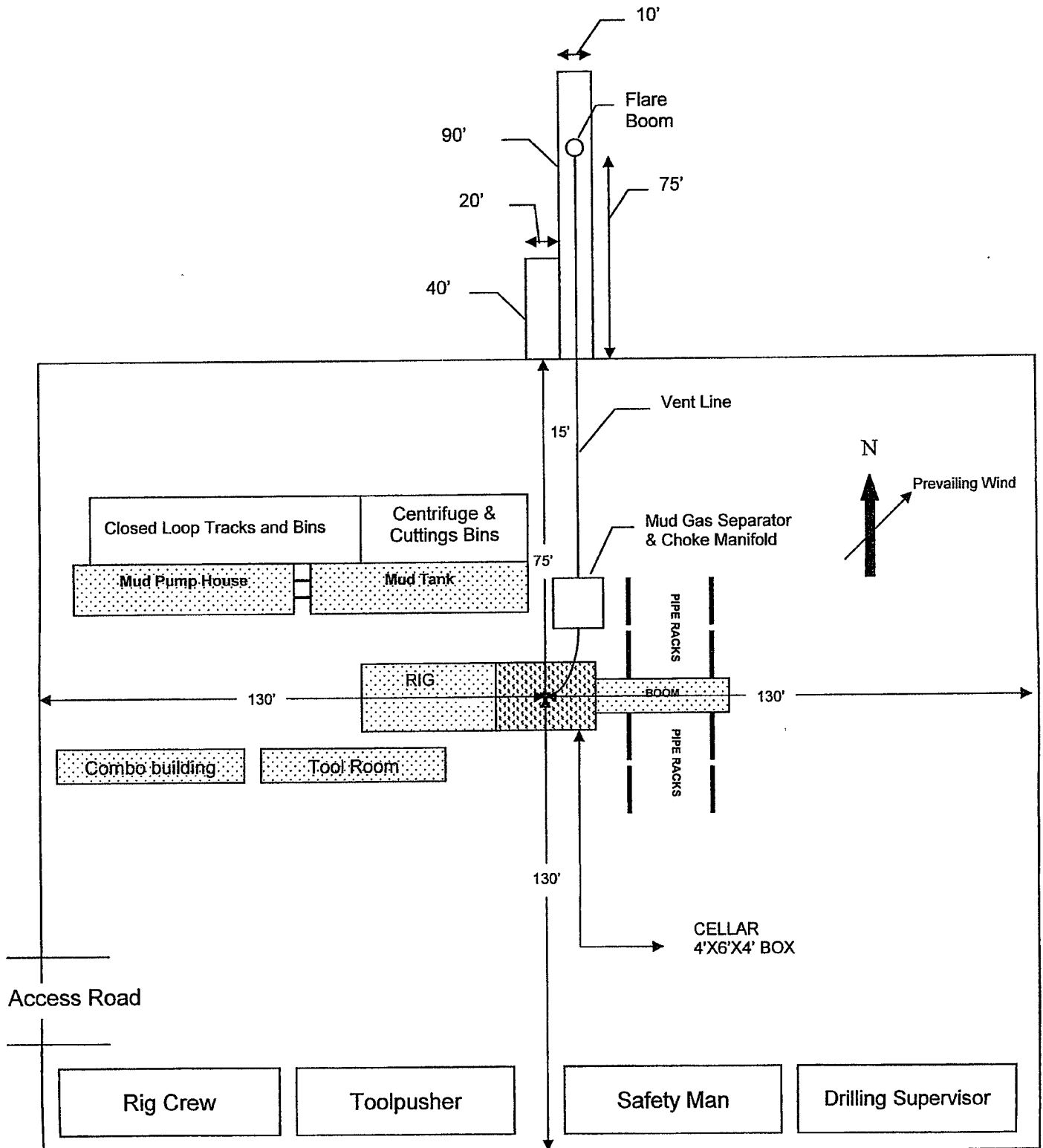
A Single-Stage cement job is pumped  
placing cement from the Production  
Casing shoe to surface.

Production casing: 5-1/2" 17# L-80 LT&C  
set 10' above TD and cemented to  
surface with single-stage cementing  
method.

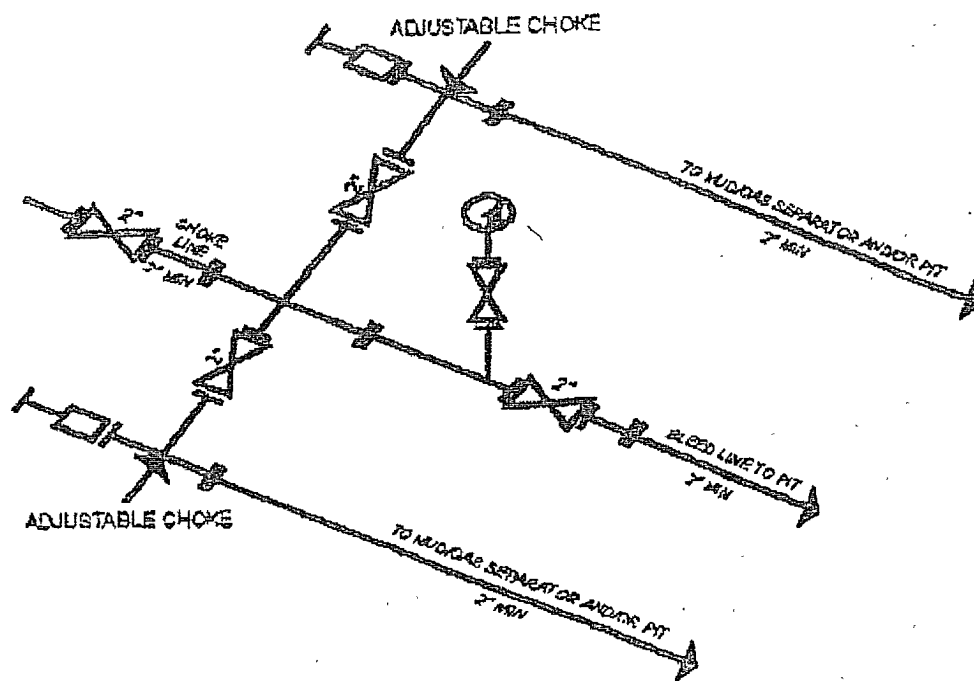


**ConocoPhillips**  
**Location Schematic and Rig Layout**  
**for Closed Loop System**  
**H&P #306**  
(PICTURE NOT TO SCALE)

WARREN UNIT 329



Attachment I. Diagrams of Choke Manifold Equipment



2M CHOKE MANIFOLD EQUIPMENT - CONFIGURATION OF CHOKES MAY VARY

2000 psi System

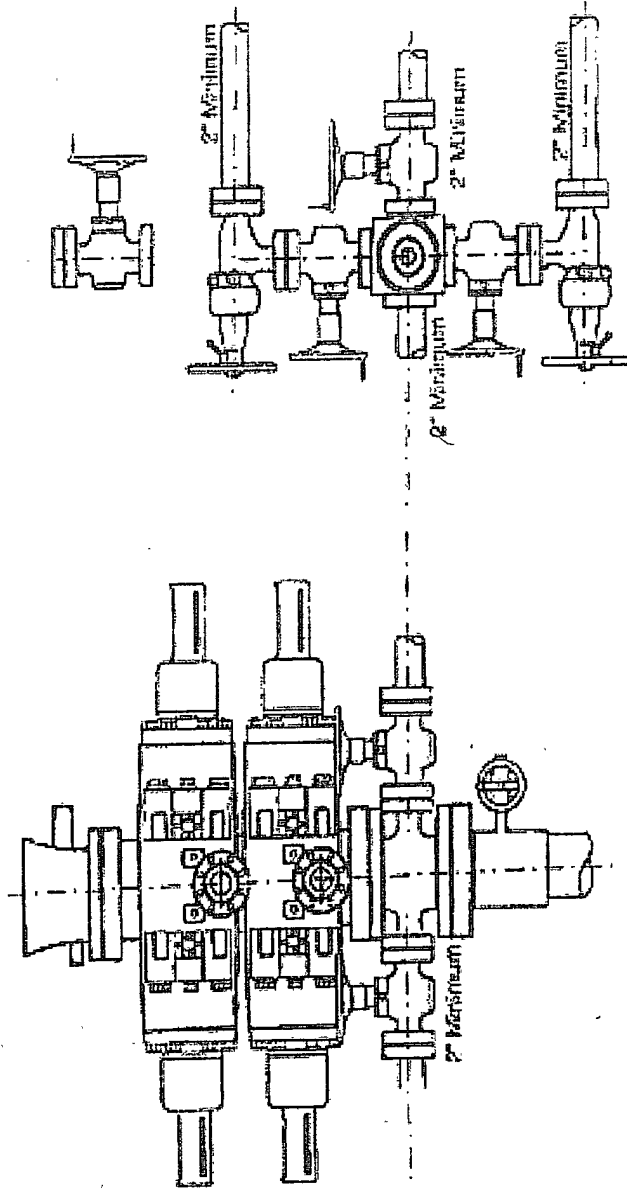


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2000 psi System

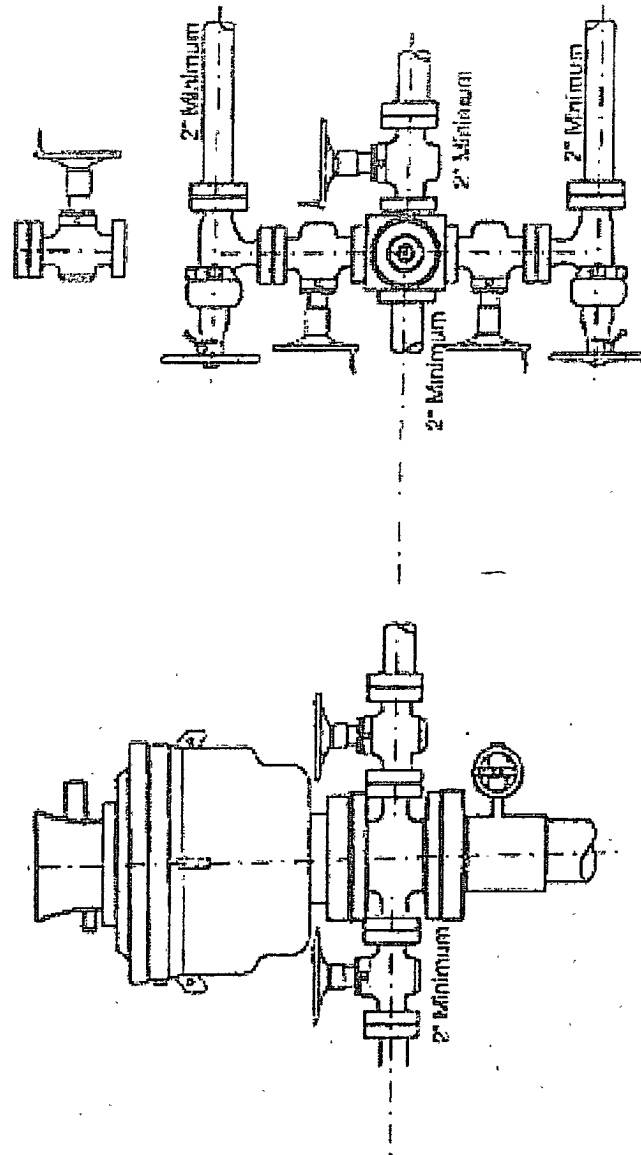


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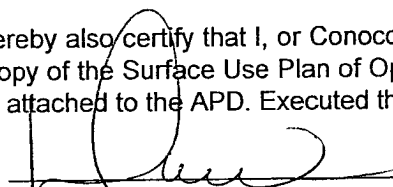
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## Operator Certification

### CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the drill site and access route proposed herein; that I am familiar with the conditions which currently exist; that I have full knowledge of State and Federal laws applicable to this operation; that the statements made in this APD package are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed in conformity with this APD package and the terms and conditions under which it is approved. I also certify that I, or ConocoPhillips Company, am responsible for the operations conducted under this application. These statements are subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of false statements.

I hereby also certify that I, or ConocoPhillips Company, have provided the surface owner with a copy of the Surface Use Plan of Operations and will provide any Conditions of Approval that are attached to the APD. Executed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of **December, 2008**.



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## PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	ConocoPhillips Company
LEASE NO.:	LC-063458
WELL NAME & NO.:	Warren Unit #329
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	2040' FSL & 660' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	
LOCATION:	Section 34, T. 20 S., R 38 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)**

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 1 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.



## **VI. CONSTRUCTION**

### **A. NOTIFICATION**

The BLM shall administer compliance and monitor construction of the access road and well pad. Notify the Hobbs Field Station at (575) 393-3612 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**

There is no measurable soil on this well pad to stockpile. No topsoil stockpile is required.

### **C. RESERVE PITS**

The operator has applied for a closed-loop system. The operator shall properly dispose of drilling contents at an authorized disposal site.

### **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 (575) 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**

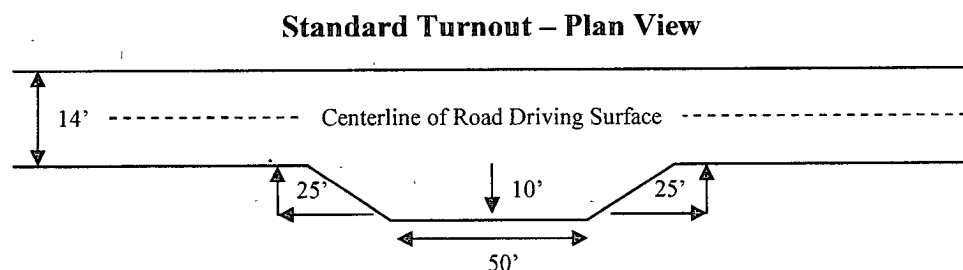
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### **Ditching**

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

### **Turnouts**

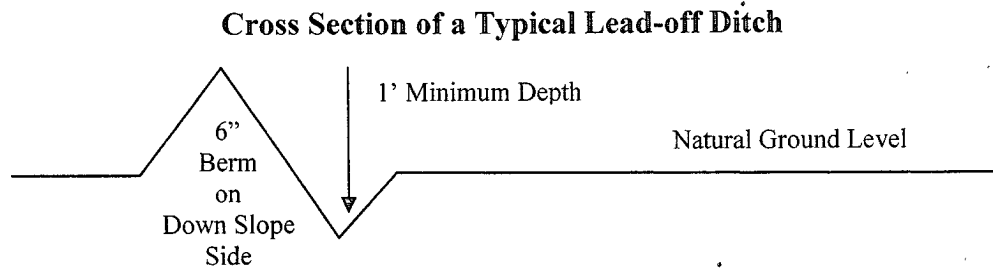
Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:



### **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.



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:

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

#### **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**

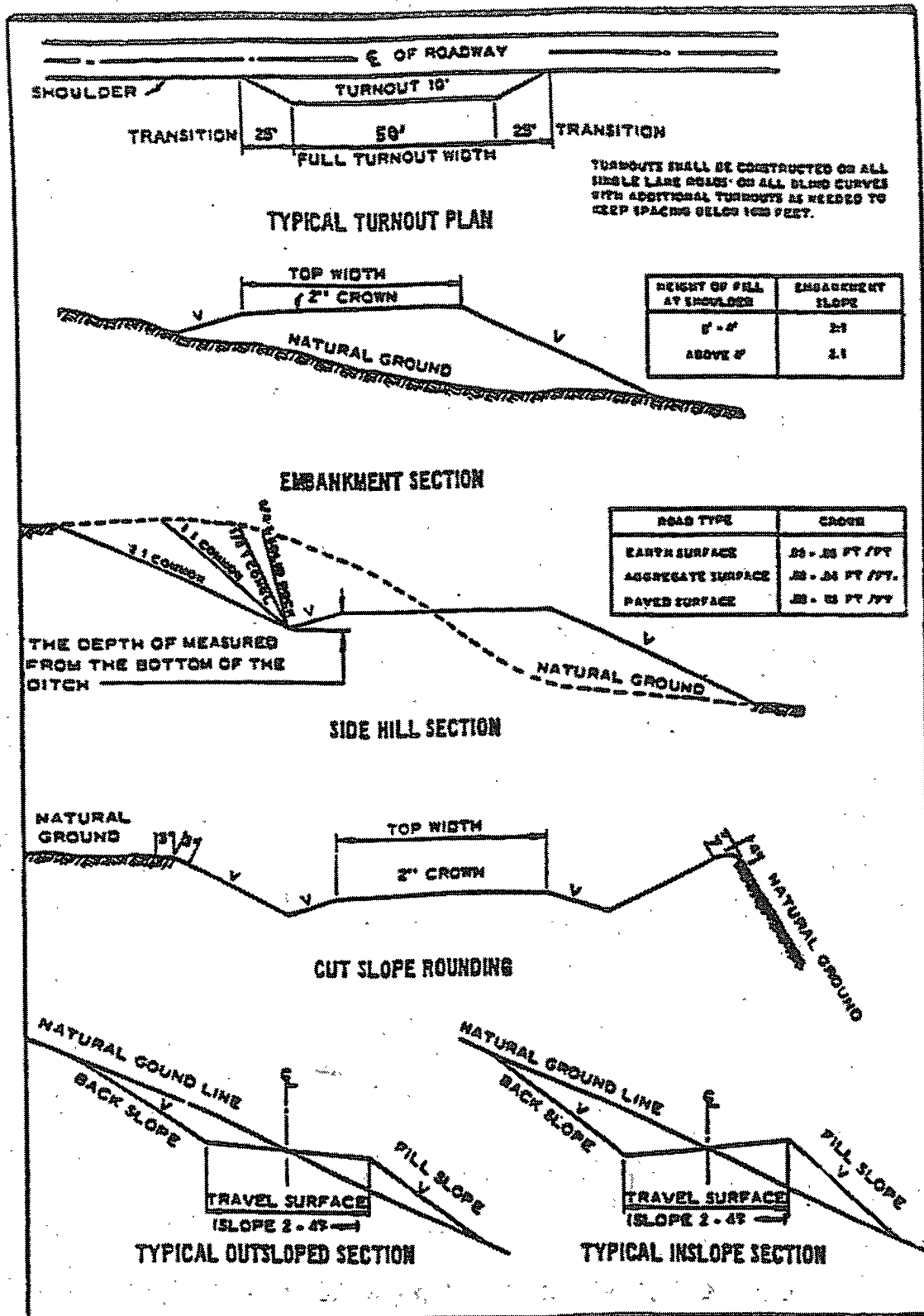
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

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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1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the **Yates** formation. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered please report measured amounts and formations to the BLM.
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.

### **B. CASING**

**Changes to the approved APD casing and cement program require submitting a sundry and receiving approval prior to work. Failure to obtain approval prior to work will result in an Incident of Non-Compliance being issued.**

**Centralizers required on surface casing per Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.f.**

**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 for all casing strings. Provide compressive strengths including hours to reach required 500 pounds compressive strength prior to cementing each casing string. See individual casing strings for details regarding lead cement slurry requirements.**

**No pea gravel permitted for remedial or fall back remedial without prior authorization from the BLM engineer.**

**Possible lost circulation in the Glorietta formation.**

1. The 8-5/8 inch surface casing shall be set **between 1597 – 1642 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt)** and cemented to the surface.
  - 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 is to include the lead cement slurry.**
  - 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 cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.
2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5-1/2 inch production casing is:
  - ☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office.
3. 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.

**D. DRILL STEM TEST**

If drill stem tests are performed, Onshore Order 2.III.D shall be followed.

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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

### **B. PIPELINES**

#### **STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR SURFACE INSTALLED PIPELINES**

**A copy of the APD and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.**

Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.

2. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.

3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq. or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, et seq.) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to activity of the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.

4. The holder shall be liable for damage or injury to the United States to the extent provided by 43 CFR Sec. 2883.1-4. The holder shall be held to a standard of strict liability for damage or injury to the United States resulting from pipe rupture, fire, or spills caused or substantially aggravated by any of the following within the right-of-way or permit area:

- a. Activities of the holder including, but not limited to construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the facility.
- b. Activities of other parties including, but not limited to:
  - (1) Land clearing.
  - (2) Earth-disturbing and earth-moving work.
  - (3) Blasting.
  - (4) Vandalism and sabotage.
- c. Acts of God.

The maximum limitation for such strict liability damages shall not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for any one event, and any liability in excess of such amount shall be determined by the ordinary rules of negligence of the jurisdiction in which the damage or injury occurred.

This section shall not impose strict liability for damage or injury resulting primarily from an act of war or from the negligent acts or omissions of the United States.

5. If, during any phase of the construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the pipeline, any oil, salt water, or other pollutant should be discharged from the pipeline system, impacting Federal lands, the control and total removal, disposal, and cleaning up of such oil, salt water, or other pollutant, wherever found, shall be the responsibility of the holder, regardless of fault. Upon failure of the holder to control, dispose of, or clean up such discharge on or affecting Federal lands, or to repair all damages resulting therefrom, on the Federal lands, the Authorized Officer may take such measures as he deems necessary to control and clean up the discharge and restore the area, including, where appropriate, the aquatic environment and fish and wildlife habitats, at the full expense of the holder. Such action by the Authorized Officer shall not relieve the holder of any responsibility as provided herein.

6. All construction and maintenance activity will be confined to the authorized right-of-way width of 25 feet.
7. No blading or clearing of any vegetation will be allowed unless approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.
8. The holder shall install the pipeline on the surface in such a manner that will minimize suspension of the pipeline across low areas in the terrain. In hummocky or dune areas, the pipeline will be "snaked" around hummocks and dunes rather than suspended across these features.
9. The pipeline shall be buried with a minimum of 24 inches under all roads, "two-tracks," and trails. Burial of the pipe will continue for 20 feet on each side of each crossing. The condition of the road, upon completion of construction, shall be returned to at least its former state with no bumps or dips remaining in the road surface.
10. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting of the fence. No permanent gates will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.
11. In those areas where erosion control structures are required to stabilize soil conditions, the holder will install such structures as are suitable for the specific soil conditions being encountered and which are in accordance with sound resource management practices.
12. Excluding the pipe, all above-ground structures not subject to safety requirement shall be painted by the holder to blend with the natural color of the landscape. The paint used shall be a color which simulates "Standard Environmental Colors" – **Shale Green**, Munsell Soil Color No. 5Y 4/2; designated by the Rocky Mountain Five State Interagency Committee.
13. The pipeline will be identified by signs at the point of origin and completion of the right-of-way and at all road crossings. At a minimum, signs will state the holder's name, BLM serial number, and the product being transported. Signs will be maintained in a legible condition for the life of the pipeline.
14. The holder shall not use the pipeline route as a road for purposes other than routine maintenance as determined necessary by the Authorized Officer in consultation with the holder. The holder will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that the pipeline route is not used as a roadway.
15. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object)

discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the authorized officer. Holder 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 will be made by the authorized officer to determine appropriate cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the authorized officer after consulting with the holder.

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### **C. ELECTRIC LINES**

#### **STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION LINES**

**A copy of the grant and attachments, including stipulations, survey plat and/or map, will be on location during construction. BLM personnel may request to you a copy of your permit during construction to ensure compliance with all stipulations.**

Holder agrees to comply with the following stipulations to the satisfaction of the Authorized Officer:

1. The holder shall indemnify the United States against any liability for damage to life or property arising from the occupancy or use of public lands under this grant.
2. The holder shall comply with all applicable Federal laws and regulations existing or hereafter enacted or promulgated. In any event, the holder shall comply with the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976 as amended, 15 USC 2601 et seq. (1982) with regards to any toxic substances that are used, generated by or stored on the right-of-way or on facilities authorized under this right-of-way grant. (See 40 CFR, Part 702-799 and especially, provisions on polychlorinated biphenyls, 40 CFR 761.1-761.193.) Additionally, any release of toxic substances (leaks, spills, etc.) in excess of the reportable quantity established by 40 CFR, Part 117 shall be reported as required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, section 102b. A copy of any report required or requested by any Federal agency or State government as a result of a reportable release or spill of any toxic substances shall be furnished to the authorized officer concurrent with the filing of the reports to the involved Federal agency or State government.
3. The holder agrees to indemnify the United States against any liability arising from the release of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste (as these terms are defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601, et seq. or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901, et seq.) on the Right-of-Way (unless the release or threatened release is wholly unrelated to the Right-of-Way holder's activity on the Right-of-Way), or resulting from the activity of the Right-of-Way holder on the Right-of-Way. This agreement applies without regard to whether a release is caused by the holder, its agent, or unrelated third parties.
4. There will be no clearing or blading of the right-of-way unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Authorized Officer.
5. Powerlines shall be constructed in accordance to standards outlined in "Suggested Practices for Raptor Protection on Powerlines," Raptor Research Foundation, Inc., 1981. The holder shall assume the burden and expense of proving that pole designs not shown in the above publication are "raptor safe." Such proof shall be provided by a raptor expert approved by the Authorized Officer. The BLM reserves the right to require modification or additions to all powerline structures placed on this right-of-way, should they be necessary to ensure the safety of large perching birds. Such modifications and/or

additions shall be made by the holder without liability or expense to the United States.

6. The holder shall minimize disturbance to existing fences and other improvements on public lands. The holder is required to promptly repair improvements to at least their former state. Functional use of these improvements will be maintained at all times. The holder will contact the owner of any improvements prior to disturbing them. When necessary to pass through a fence line, the fence shall be braced on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting the fence. No permanent gates will be allowed unless approved by the Authorized Officer.

7. The BLM serial number assigned to this authorization shall be posted in a permanent, conspicuous manner where the power line crosses roads and at all serviced facilities. Numbers will be at least two inches high and will be affixed to the pole nearest the road crossing and at the facilities served.

8. Upon cancellation, relinquishment, or expiration of this grant, the holder shall comply with those abandonment procedures as prescribed by the Authorized Officer.

9. All surface structures (poles, lines, transformers, etc.) shall be removed within 180 days of abandonment, relinquishment, or termination of use of the serviced facility or facilities or within 180 days of abandonment, relinquishment, cancellation, or expiration of this grant, whichever comes first. This will not apply where the power line extends service to an active, adjoining facility or facilities.

10. Any cultural and/or paleontological resource (historic or prehistoric site or object) discovered by the holder, or any person working on his behalf, on public or Federal land shall be immediately reported to the Authorized Officer. Holder 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 will be made by the Authorized Officer to determine appropriate actions to prevent the loss of significant cultural or scientific values. The holder will be responsible for the cost of evaluation and any decision as to proper mitigation measures will be made by the Authorized Officer after consulting with the holder.

11. Special Stipulations:

- For reclamation remove poles, lines, transformer, etc. and dispose of properly.
- Fill in any holes from the poles removed.
- See attached reclamation plans.

## **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.

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.

## Seed Mixture for LPC Sand/Shinnery 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 no 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 seed 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>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains Bristlegrass	5lbs/A
Sand Bluestem	5lbs/A
Little Bluestem	3lbs/A
Big Bluestem	6lbs/A
Plains Coreopsis	2lbs/A
Sand Dropseed	1lbs/A

\*\*Four-winged Saltbush 5lbs/A

\* This can be used around well pads and other areas where caliche cannot be removed.

\*Pounds of pure live seed:

Pounds of seed x percent purity x percent germination = pounds pure live seed



## **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.