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FORM APPROVED  
OMB No. 1004-0137  
Expires March 31, 2007UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a. Type of work: ☒ DRILL ☐ REENTER1b. Type of Well: ☒ Oil Well ☐ Gas Well ☐ Other ☐ Single Zone ☐ Multiple Zone

2. Name of Operator

ConocoPhillips Company

3a. Address 3300 N. "A" St., Bldg. 6 Midland, TX 79705

3b. Phone No (include area code)  
(432)688-6813

4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.)\*

At surface 1980' FNL &amp; 160' FWL

At proposed prod. zone 1980' FNL &amp; 160' FWL

14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office\*

Approx. 5.5 miles SE from Maljamar, NM

15. Distance from proposed\* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig. unit line, if any) 5940' FSL &amp; 16000' FWL

18. Distance from proposed location\* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 299' from MCA 384

16. No. of acres in lease 13,786.66

19. Proposed Depth 4183'

17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40

20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file ES0085

21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 4004' GR

2.2. Approximate date work will start\* 10/03/2009

2.3. Estimated duration 8 days

12. County or Parish LEA

13. State NM

## 24. Attachments

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

1. Well plat certified by a registered surveyor

2. A Drilling Plan.

3. A Surface Use Plan (if the location is on National Forest System Lands, the SUPO shall be filed with the appropriate Forest Service Office).

4. Bond to cover the operations unless covered by an existing bond on file (see Item 20 above).

5. Operator certification

6. Such other site specific information and/or plans as may be required by the authorized officer.

25. Signature

Title

Regulatory Specialist

Approved by (Signature)

/S/ DAVID D. EVANS

Title

FIELD MANAGER

Name (Printed/Typed)

Jalyn N. Fiske

Date

02/06/2009

Name (Printed/Typed)

Office

CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE

Date

MAY 19 2009

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)

Lea County Controlled Water Basin

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations AttachedSEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

DISTRICT I  
1825 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240

DISTRICT II  
1301 W. Grand Avenue, Artesia, NM 88210

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

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

# State of New Mexico

Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department

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OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

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1220 South St. Frances Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Form C-102  
Revised October 12, 2005  
Submit to Appropriate District Office  
State Lease - 4 Copies  
Fee Lease - 3 Copies

☐ AMENDED REPORT

## WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT

API Number 30-025- <b>39409</b>	Pool Code 43229	Pool Name Maljamar; Grayburg-San Andres
Property Code 31422	Property Name MCA UNIT	Well Number 472
OGRID No. 217817	Operator Name CONOCOPHILLIPS	Elevation 4004'

### Surface Location

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
E	27	17 S	32 E		1980	NORTH	160	WEST	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

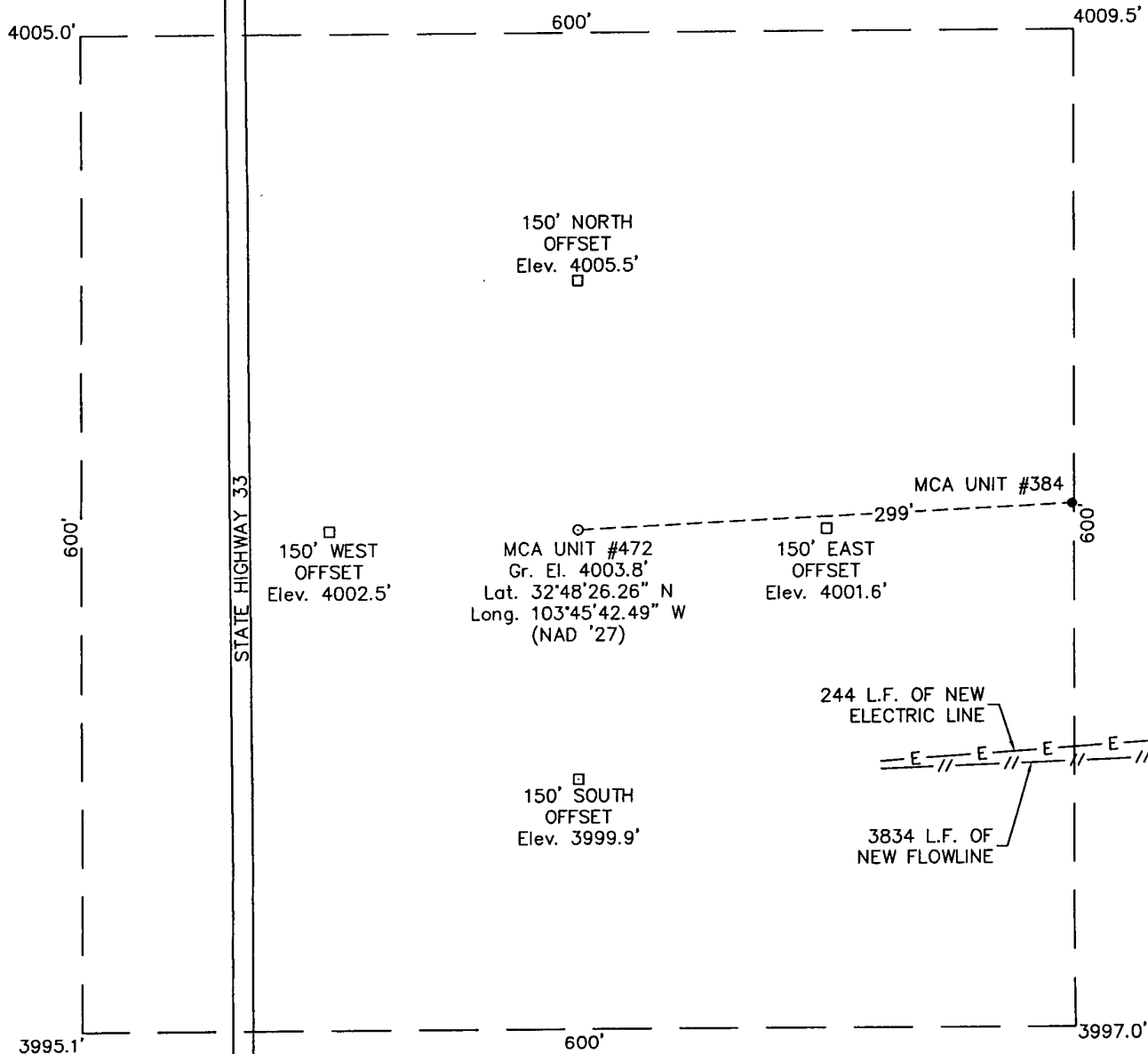
<p>NOTE:</p> <p>1) Plane Coordinates shown hereon are Transverse Mercator Grid and Conform to the "New Mexico Coordinate System", New Mexico East Zone, North American Datum of 1927. Distances shown hereon are mean horizontal surface values.</p>	28	27	<p>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p>I hereby certify 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.</p> <p><i>Jalyn N. Fiske</i> Signature Date Jalyn N. Fiske Printed Name</p> <p>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</p> <p>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.</p> <p>October 8, 2008</p> <p>Date of Survey LVA Signature &amp; Seal of Surveyor</p> <p>W.O. Nunez 2008-1120 Certificate No. 12185</p>
	<p>4005.0' 4009.5'</p> <p>3995.1' 3997.0'</p> <p>160'</p> <p>Plane Coordinate X = 675,602.5 Y = 657,879.5</p>		

# SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 17 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, N.M.P.M.

LEA COUNTY

NEW MEXICO

L-2008-1120-A



## DRIVING DIRECTIONS

FROM THE INTERSECTION OF STATE HIGHWAY 82 AND STATE HIGHWAY 33 IN MALJAMAR, NM GO SOUTH ON SAID STATE HIGHWAY 33 3.4 MILES TO A POINT BEING APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET WEST OF THE PROPOSED LOCATION.

## CONOCOPHILLIPS

### MCA UNIT #472

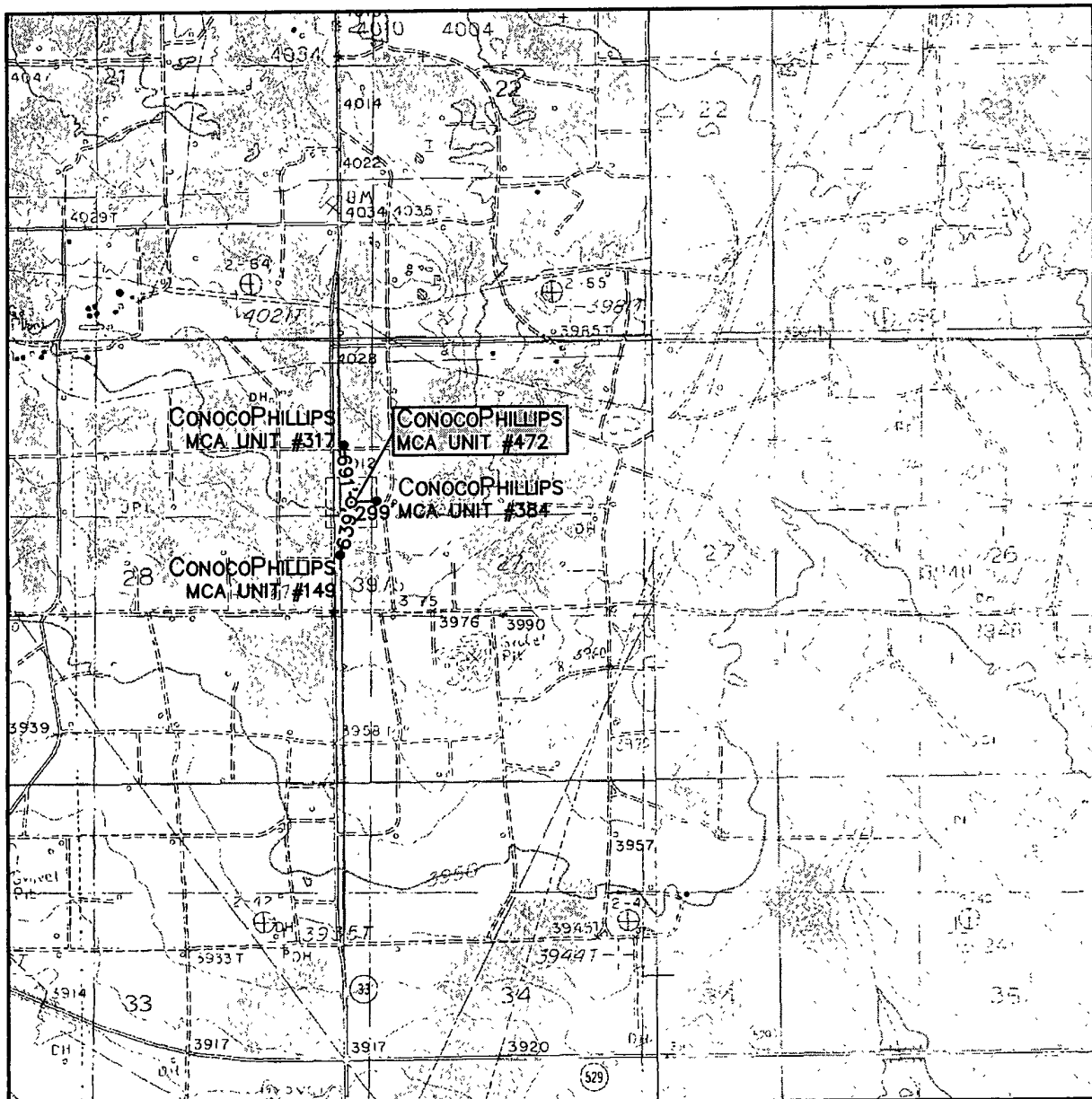
Located 1980' FNL & 160' FWL, Section 27  
Township 17 South, Range 32 East, N.M.P.M.  
Lea County, New Mexico

Drawn By: LVA	Date: November 14, 2008
Scale: 1"=100'	Field Book: 422 / 12-38
Revision Date:	Quadrangle: Maljamar
W.O. No: 2008-1120	Dwg. No.: L-2008-1120-A



110 W. LOUISIANA, STE. 110  
MIDLAND TEXAS, 79701  
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# LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:  
MALJAMAR - 5'

SEC. 27 TWP. 17-S RGE. 32-E

SURVEY N.M.P.M.

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ELEVATION 4004'

OPERATOR CONOCOPHILLIPS

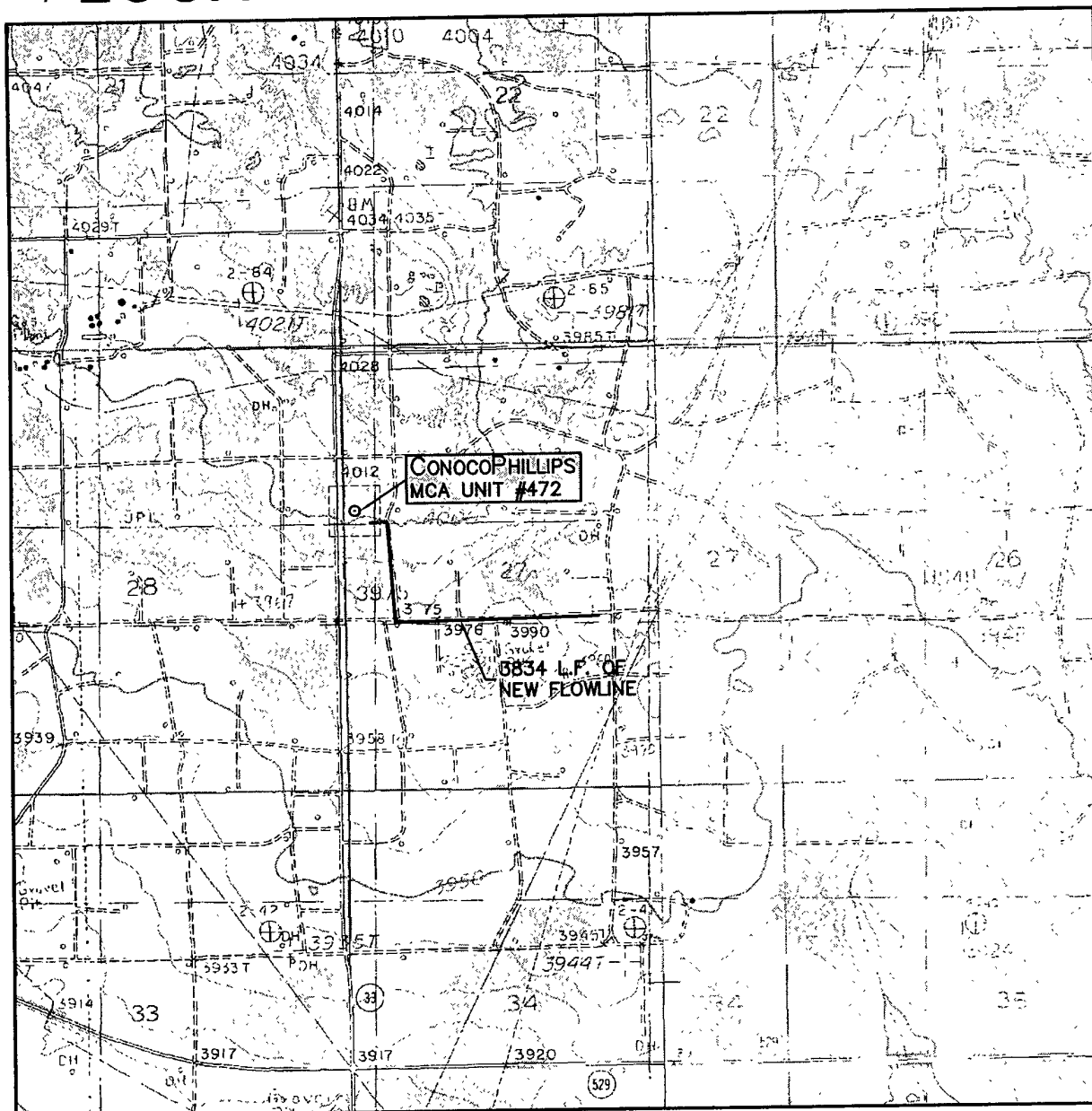
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U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP  
MALJAMAR



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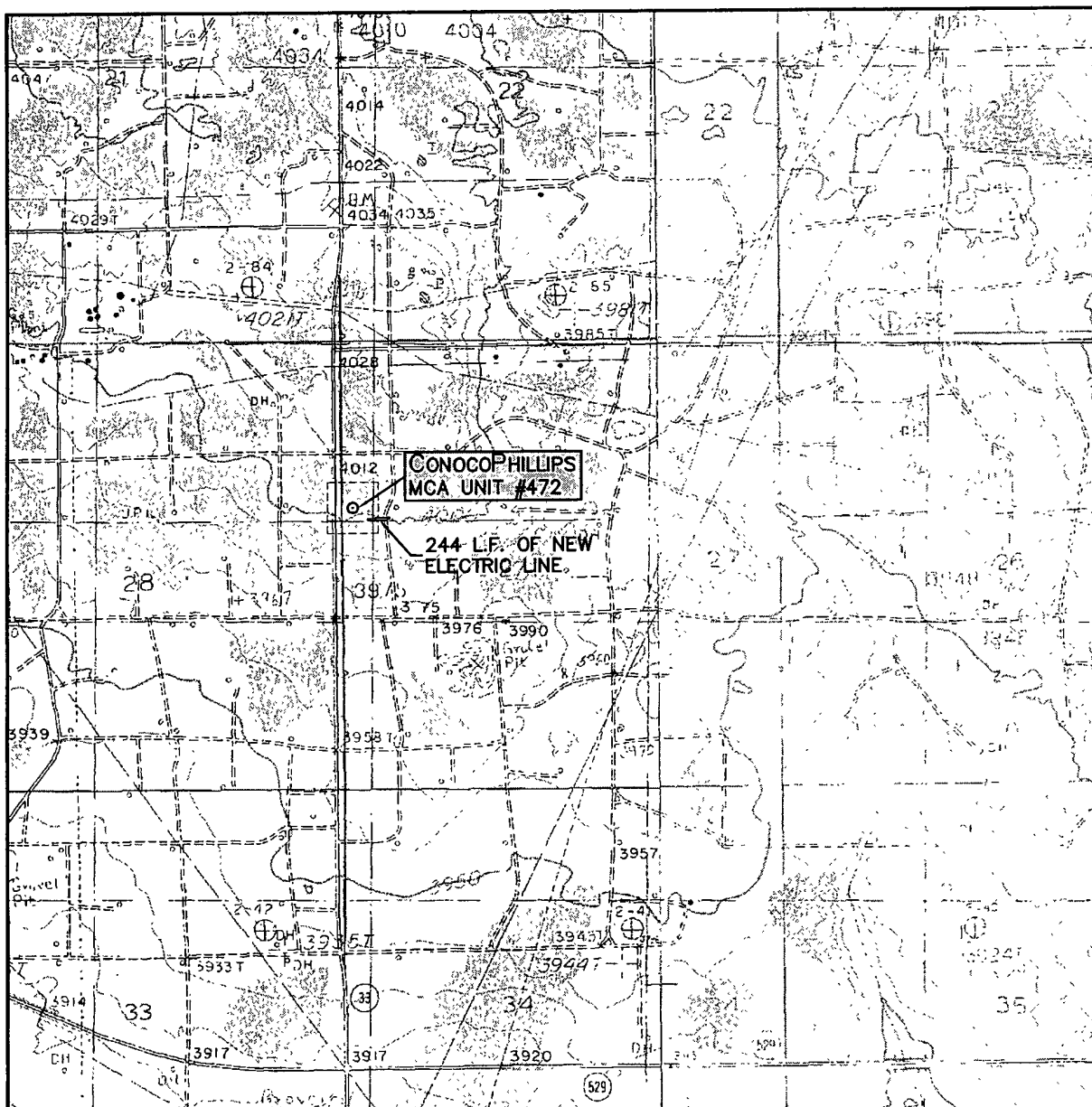
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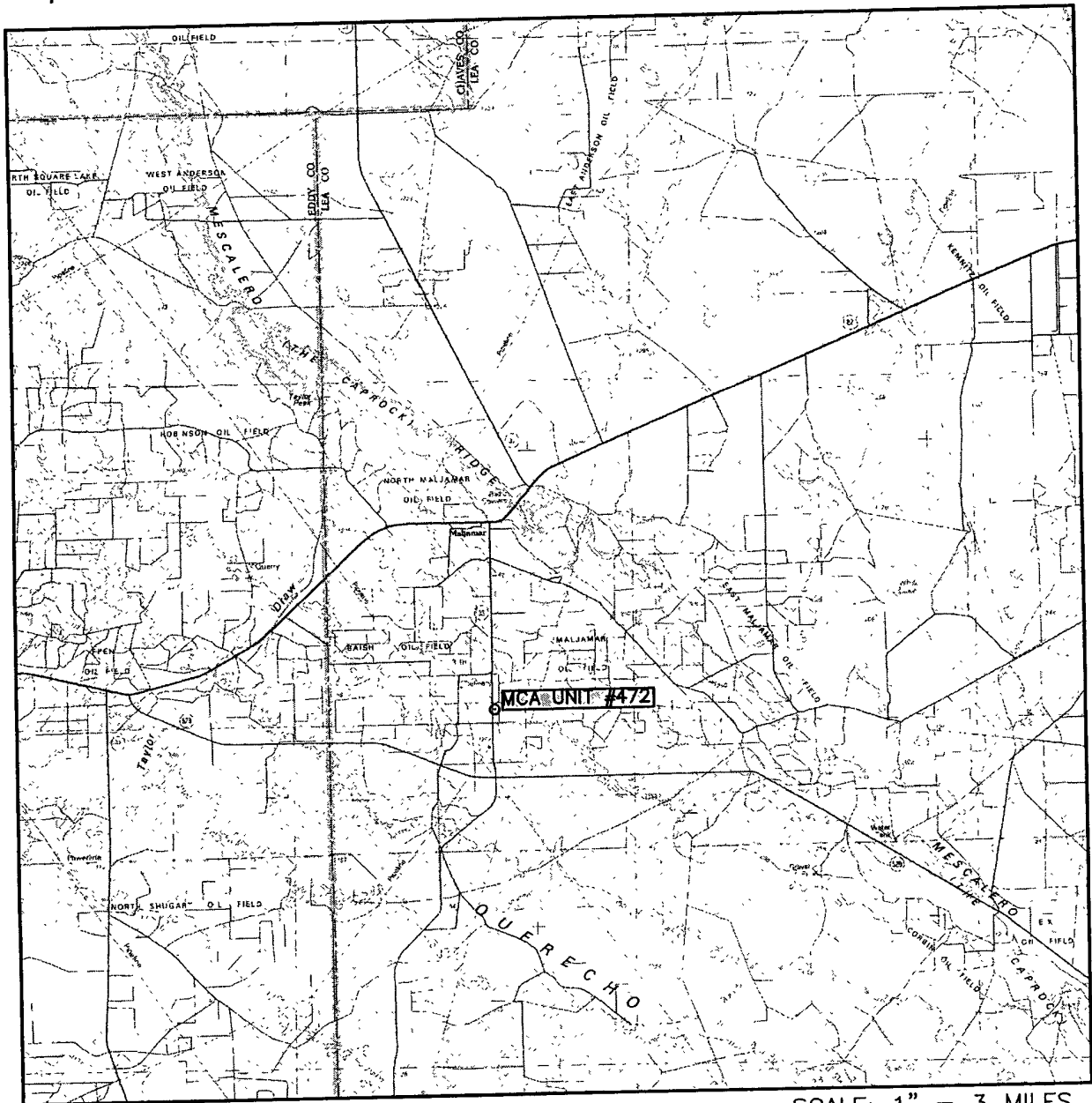
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# VICINITY MAP



SCALE: 1" = 3 MILES

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

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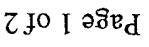
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Master Drilling Plan  
ConocoPhillips Company  
MCA Unit  
February 28, 2008  
(Revised July 23, 2008)

Lea County, NM  
Pool: Maljamar, Grayburg-San Andres

**MCA UNIT AREA**

Lease	Sfx	Lessor	Tw n	Rng	Sec	QQ
N/A		USA LC 061842	17	32	14	E2
N/A		Fee	17	32	14	W2
N/A		USA LC 059576	17	32	15	NE
088907	000	USA LC 054687	17	32	15	N2, SW, W2SE
269411	000	USA NM-080258	17	32	15	E2SE
N/A		State of New Mexico B-2366-16	17	32	16	NE, N2SE
N/A		State of New Mexico VO-3555	17	32	16	N2SW
109063	000	State of New Mexico B 155-5	17	32	16	S2SW
109063	000	State of New Mexico B 155-5	17	32	16	NW
088913	000	State of New Mexico B 2366-11	17	32	16	SWSE
088908	000	State of New Mexico B 4062-3	17	32	16	SESE
088912	000	USA LC 029405-B	17	32	17	W2
088912	000	USA LC 029405-B	17	32	17	W2E2
109069	000	USA NM LC 060329	17	32	17	E2E2
088912	000	USA LC 029405-B	17	32	18	E2
088912	000	USA LC 029405-B	17	32	18	E2W2
109069	000	USA NM LC 060329	17	32	18	NWNW
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088912	000	USA LC 029405-B	17	32	19	S2
088911	000	USA LC 029405-A	17	32	20	N2
088912	000	USA LC 029405-B	17	32	20	S2
088909	000	USA LC 029509-A	17	32	21	N2, SW, N2SE
088910	000	USA LC 029509-B	17	32	21	S2SE
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088910	000	USA LC 029509-B	17	32	22	NE
088910	000	USA LC 029509-B	17	32	22	E2NW
088910	000	USA LC 029509-B	17	32	22	NWSE
088910	000	USA LC 029509-B	17	32	22	SW
253943	000	USA LC 058395	17	32	22	E2SE
253943	000	USA LC 058395	17	32	22	SWSE
101798	000	USA LC 029400-A	17	32	23	NWSW
109067	000	USA LC 058697-A	17	32	23	S2SE
109066	000	USA LC 058698-A	17	32	23	N2SE
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109066	000	USA LC 058698-A	17	32	23	S2SW
109068	000	USA LC 058698-B	17	32	23	N2
N/A		USA LC 058697-B	17	32	25	All
262724	000	USA LC 058408-A	17	32	26	W2NE NESE, NWSE,
262723	000	USA LC 058408-B	17	32	26	S2SE
109066	000	USA LC 058698-A	17	32	26	S2NW
253944	000	USA LC 058699	17	32	26	SW
109062	000	USA LC 061841	17	32	26	N2NW
256034	000	USA NM 94188	17	32	26	E2NE
109065	000	USA LC 057210	17	32	27	NENE, SE, SWNE,

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Carlsbad, NM

								W2
253947	000	USA LC 058396	17	32	27	NWNE, SENE		
109065	000	USA LC 057210	17	32	28	All		
256050	000	USA LC 029410-A	17	32	29	All		
N/A		USA LC 029410-B	17	32	30	W2, SE, W2NE		
253946	000	USA LC 060199-B	17	32	30	E2NE		
N/A		USA LC 029410-B	17	32	31	E2SE, N2		
N/A		USA LC 069105	17	32	31	E2SE		
		USA NM 03428	17	32	31	SW		
N/A		State of NM B-4109	17	32	32	NE, N2NW,		
N/A		State of NM B-6768	17	32	32	SE, NESW		
						S2SW, NWSW,		
N/A		State of NM OG-5119	17	32	32	S2NW		
109072	000	USA LC 029409-A	17	32	33	SW		
109071	000	USA LC 059001-A	17	32	33	E2, N2NW, S2NW		
109060	000	USA LC 058514	17	32	34	NE		
109059	000	USA LC 058728	17	32	34	E2NW		
109061	000	USA LC 059002	17	32	34	W2NW		
N/A		USA LC 068140	17	32	34	SW		
N/A		USA LC 060503	17	32	34	N2SE		
N/A		USA NM 036852	17	32	34	S2SE		
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109068	000	USA LC 058407-B	17	32	35	NE		
109068	000	USA LC 058409-B	17	32	35	SE		
109070	000	USA LC 058697-B	17	33	30	W2		

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

- Quaternary Alluvium and Dunes

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

In the MCA Unit, the estimated tops of the geological markers and proposed Total Depth (TD) vary within a range of approximately 550' to 775'. 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 or Rig Floor (which is 10' - 12' above Ground Level).

Formation Call	Top (MD)		Contents
	Minimum	Maximum	
Above top of Rustler			Fresh Water
Rustler	600'	1,170'	
Salado	775'	1,380'	
Grayburg	3,270'	3,940'	Oil, Gas, Salt Water and possible CO2 from old injection Program
Grayburg 6	3,480'	4,170'	Oil, Gas, Salt Water and possible CO2 from old injection Program
San Andres 7	3,610'	4,345'	Oil, Gas, Salt Water and possible CO2 from old injection Program
San Andres 9	3,810'	4,585'	Oil, Gas, Salt Water and possible CO2 from old injection Program
Proposed TD	4,155'	4,705'	Oil, Gas, Salt Water and possible CO2 from old injection Program

Note: For each individual well we will include with our Application for Permit to Drill (APD) 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	Interval MD RKB (ft)		OD	Wt	Gr	Conn	Condition	Safety Factors Calculated per BLM Load Formulas		
	(in)	From	To	(inches)	(lb/ft)				Burst	Collapse	Tension Dry/Buoyant
Cond	17-1/2"	0	40' - 87' (30' - 75' BGL)	13-3/8"	48#	H-40	STC	New	NA	NA	NA
Surf	12-1/4"	0	625' - 1,240'	8-5/8"	24#	J-55	STC	New	5.49	2.5	8.2 / 9.42
Prod	7-7/8"	0	4,155' - 4,705'	5-1/2"	17#	J-55	LTC	New	2.17	2.01	3.09 / 3.64

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:

BLM Criteria for Minimum Design Factors

	Burst	Collapse	Tension
Casing Design Safety Factors	1.0	1.125	1.6 dry / 1.8 Buoyant

Joint Strength Design (Safety) Factor: SFt

$$SFt = Fj / Wt;$$

Where

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

The criteria for Minimum Acceptable Joint Strength Design (Safety) Factor SFT = 1.6 dry or 1.8 buoyant

Collapse Design (Safety) Factor: SFc

$$SFc = Pc / (MW \times .052 \times Ls)$$

Where

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

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

Burst Design (Safety) Factor: SFb

$$SFb = Pi / BHP$$

Where

- Pi 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 criteria for Minimum Acceptable Burst Design (Safety) Factor SFb = 1.0

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

Surface Casing:

- SFj Dry = 244,000 lbs / (1240 ft x 24 lb/ft) = 244,000 lbs / 29,760 lbs = 8.20 Dry
- SFj Buoyant = 244,000 lbs / (1240 ft x 24 lb/ft) [1-(8.5/65.5)] = 244,000 lbs / 25,898 lbs = 9.42 buoyant

Production Casing:

- SFj Dry = 247,000 lbs / (4705 ft x 17 lb/ft) = 247,000 lbs / 79,985 lbs = 3.09 Dry
- SFj Buoyant = 247,000 lbs / (4705 ft x 17 lb/ft) [1-(10.0/65.5)] = 247,000 lbs / 67,773 lbs = 3.64 Buoyant

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

Surface Casing:

$$SF_c = 1370 \text{ psi} / (8.5 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 1240 \text{ ft}) = 1370 \text{ psi} / 548 \text{ psi} = 2.50$$

Production Casing:

$$SF_c = 4910 \text{ psi} / (10 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 4705 \text{ ft}) = 4910 \text{ psi} / 2447 \text{ psi} = 2.01$$

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

Surface Casing:

$$SF_b = 2950 \text{ psi} / (8.33 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 1240 \text{ ft}) = 2950 \text{ psi} / 537 \text{ psi} = 5.49$$

Production Casing:

$$SF_b = 5320 \text{ psi} / (7.15 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 4705 \text{ ft}) = 5320 \text{ psi} / 1750 \text{ psi} = 3.04 \text{ based on reservoir pressure data}$$

$$SF_b = 5320 \text{ psi} / (10 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 4705 \text{ ft}) = 5320 \text{ psi} / 2447 \text{ psi} = 2.17 \text{ based on brine density used to drill to TD}$$

### 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. 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

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

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = 1370 \text{ psi} / \{[(300 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 14.8 \text{ ppg}) + (940 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 13.5 \text{ ppg})] - (1240 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 8.33 \text{ ppg})\}$$

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = 1370 \text{ psi} / 354 \text{ psi}$$

$$DF \text{ Collapse} = 3.87$$

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 30,000 lbs.

Surface Casing Axial (Tension) Design Factor

DF Tension = Joint Strength Rating / Buoyant Weight + Overpull Margin

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

Overpull Margin is selected to be 30,000 lbs

DF Tension =  $244,000 \text{ lbs} / [(1240 \text{ ft} \times 24 \text{ lb/ft} \times .873) + 30,000 \text{ lbs}]$

DF Tension =  $244,000 \text{ lbs} / 55980 \text{ lbs}$

DF Tension = 4.36

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. 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 =  $5320 \text{ psi} / 4260 \text{ psi}$

DF Burst @ Surface for Fracture Initiation = 1.25

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 =  $4705 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 8.6 \text{ ppg} = 2104 \text{ psi}$

Surface Pressure at the time of Fracture Initiation = 4260 psi maximum

Internal Pressure at TD =  $4260 \text{ psi} + 2104 \text{ psi} = 6364 \text{ psi}$

Pore Pressure in the Reservoir = 1750 psi approximately

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation =  $5320 \text{ psi} / (6364 \text{ psi} - 1750 \text{ psi})$

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation =  $5320 \text{ psi} / 4614 \text{ psi}$

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation = 1.15

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 =  $4705 \text{ ft} \times .052 \times 12.0 \text{ ppg} = 2936 \text{ psi}$

Maximum Allowable Surface Pressure at the time of Screen Out = 3450 psi maximum

Internal Pressure at TD at time of Screen Out =  $3450 \text{ psi} + 2936 \text{ psi} = 6386 \text{ psi}$

Pore Pressure in the Reservoir = 1750 psi approximately

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation =  $5320 \text{ psi} / (6386 \text{ psi} - 1750 \text{ psi})$

DF Burst @ TD for Fracture Initiation =  $5320 \text{ psi} / 4636 \text{ psi}$

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 =  $4910 / (10 \text{ ppg} \times .052 \times 4705 \text{ ft}) = 4910 \text{ psi} / 2447 \text{ psi} = 2.01$

Production Casing Axial (Tension) Design Factor

DF Tension = Joint Strength Rating / Buoyant Weight + Overpull Margin

Buoyancy Factor for 10 ppg brine =  $1 - (10.0 / 65.5) = .847$

Overpull Margin is selected to be 30,000 lbs

DF Tension =  $247,000 \text{ lbs} / [(4705 \text{ ft} \times 17 \text{ lb/ft} \times .847) + 30,000 \text{ lbs}]$

DF Tension =  $247,000 \text{ lbs} / 97,747 \text{ bs}$

DF Tension = 2.53

We propose options to our casing program as follows:

- **Single Stage Cementing:** We propose an option to perform a Single Stage cement job on the 5-1/2" production casing.
- **Two Stage Cementing:** We propose an option to run a Stage Tool in the 5-1/2" production casing and perform a two-stage cement job if losses are observed to occur while drilling the 7-7/8" production hole. The stage tool would be positioned near the top of the Grayburg formation. In any event in which we would propose to implement this contingency, a call would be made to the authorized officers at BLM and NMOCD to confirm permission prior to proceeding. **Also, if we do not circulate out any cement from the top of the Stage Tool, we must and will contact BLM and NMOCD to report this and obtain permission prior to proceeding with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage. A Cement Bond Log or other cement evaluation log will be run after moving off the drilling rig and prior to perforating to determine the top of cement on the Stage 1 cement job and this information will be communicated to BLM and NMOCD and permission will be obtained prior to continuing with the completion.**
- **Two Stage Cementing with External Casing Packers:** In the event that a waterflow is experienced while drilling the 7-7/8" production hole, we propose an option / contingency plan to run a Stage Tool with two each External Casing Packers (ECP's) in the 5-1/2" production casing and to perform a two stage cement job.

The placement of the Stage Tool and External Casing Packers would be as follows:

- The Lower External Casing Packer would be placed approximately 200' to 270' below the top of the Grayburg formation and would be above the shallowest planned perforation depth.
- The Upper External Casing Packer would be placed approximately 500' to 1600' above the top of the Grayburg formation and would be above the waterflow.
- The Stage Tool would be placed immediately above the Upper External Casing Packer.

The execution of the Two Stage cement job with External Casing Packers would be as follows

- a. The Stage 1 cement would be pumped, placing cement from the casing shoe to the Stage Tool.
- b. The two ECP's would be simultaneously set by hydraulic pressure after bumping the Stage 1 cement Wiper Dart on the baffle on the float collar. The setting of the ECP's should shut off the water flow – isolating it between the ECP's.
- c. After setting the ECP's the Stage Tool would be opened by hydraulic pressure (or with the free fall opening cone if necessary) and the excess cement above the top of the Stage Tool would be circulated out.  
**Note: If we do not circulate out any cement from the top of the Stage Tool, we must and will contact BLM and NMOCD to report this and obtain permission prior to proceeding with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage. A Cement Bond Log or other cement evaluation log will be run after moving off the drilling rig and prior to perforating to determine the top of cement on the Stage 1 cement job and this information will be communicated to BLM and NMOCD and permission will be obtained prior to continuing with the completion.**
- d. The Stage 2 cement would be pumped placing cement from the Stage Tool to Surface. The closing wiper plug would be bumped on the stage tool and the Stage Tool would be closed with hydraulic pressure.

In any event in which we would propose to implement this contingency, a call would be made to the authorized officers at BLM and NMOCD to confirm permission prior to proceeding.

Diagrams / schematics of the proposed casing program alternatives are attached.

#### 4. Proposed cementing program:

For the cementing program a range is presented for the number of sacks of cement and for the bottom, top, and length of the lead slurries and tail slurries due to the variation in formation tops and planned TD for the planned / contemplated wells for which this Master Drilling Plan is intended.

##### 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 %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 80 deg F by UCA Method	
207 - 599 sx Class C + 4% bentonite + 2% CaCl <sub>2</sub> + 0.125% LCM if needed  Excess = 170%	325' to 940'	Surface	325' to 940'	13.5	1.75	9.18	Time 12 hrs 15 hrs 24 hrs	Strength 402 psi 500 psi 713 psi

Tail Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 91 deg F by UCA Method	
220 sx Class C + 2% CaCl <sub>2</sub> + 0.125% LCM if needed  Excess = 100%	625' to 1,240'	325' to 940'	300'	14.8	1.35	6.36	Time 3 hrs 9 hrs 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs	Strength 50 psi 500 psi 793 psi 1,266 psi 2,183 psi

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 of the cement on the Surface Casing in order to achieve at least 500 psi compressive strength in both the Lead Slurry and Tail Slurry cements prior to drilling out of the Surface Casing.

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

The intention for the cementing program for the Production Casing – Single Stage Cementing Option is to:

- Place the Tail Slurry from the casing shoe to the top of the Grayburg formation,
- Bring the Lead Slurry to surface.

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water with an option to follow this with 1,000 gallons SuperFlush 102 and 20 additional bbls Fresh Water.

Lead Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
440 – 654 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ + 10% bentonite + 8 lb/sx Salt + 0.4% Fluid Loss Additive + 0.125% LCM if needed	3,270' to 3,940'	Surface	3,270' to 3,940'	11.8	2.51	14.64	Time 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs 116 hrs	Strength 93 psi 234 psi 382 psi 468 psi 584 psi
Excess = 88% - 135% (based on caliper if available)								

Tail Slurry (this is a CO <sub>2</sub> resistant cement)								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by UCA Method	
118 – 223 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ +1 lb/sx LAP-1 +0.5% CFR-3 + 0.25% D-AIR 3000 CO <sub>2</sub> Resistant CMT	4,155' to 4,705'	3,270' to 3,940'	636' to 885'	14.5	1.25	5.57	Time 8 hrs 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs	Strength 549 psi 928 psi 1,642 psi 2,184 psi 2,379 psi
Excess = 26% - 83% (based on caliper if available)								

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



### 5-1/2" Production Casing Cementing Program - Two-Stage Cementing Option (for Loss of Circulation Events):

We propose an option to use the two-stage cementing method for cementing the production casing if any loss of circulation events or heavy seepage is experienced while drilling the 7-7/8" hole. (see discussion in Item 3 above). The proposed two-stage cementing program would be as follows:

- Stage 1: Would place cement from the casing shoe to the stage tool.
- Stage 2: Would place cement from the stage tool to Surface.

#### Stage 1:

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water with an option to follow this with 1,000 gallons SuperFlush 102 and 20 additional bbls Fresh Water

Stage 1 – Lead Slurry: None

#### Stage 1 – Tail Slurry (this is a CO<sub>2</sub> resistant cement)

Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by UCA Method	
							Time	Strength
118 – 223 sx	4,155'	3,270'	636'	14.5	1.25	5.57	8 hrs	549 psi
50% Class C	to	to	to				12 hrs	928 psi
50% POZ	4,705'	3,940'	885'				24 hrs	1,642 psi
+1 lb/sx LAP-1							48 hrs	2,184 psi
+0.5% CFR-3							72 hrs	2,379 psi
+ 0.25% D-AIR 3000								
CO <sub>2</sub> Resistant CMT								

Excess = 26% - 83% (based on caliper if available)

Displacement: A volume of Fresh Water equal to the capacity volume from the stage tool to the float collar, followed by brine based mud.

**Stage 2:**

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water with an option to follow this with 1000 gallons SuperFlush 102 and 20 additional bbls Fresh Water

Stage 2 – Lead Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
386 – 602 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ + 10% bentonite + 8 lb/sx Salt + 0.4% Fluid Loss Additive + 0.125% LCM if needed	3,000' to 3,670'	Surface	3,000' to 3,670'	11.8	2.51	14.64	Time 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs 116 hrs	Strength 93 psi 234 psi 382 psi 468 psi 584 psi
Excess = 81% - 130% based on caliper if available								

Stage 2 – Tail Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
100 sx Class C + 0.1% Retarder (if needed)	3,270' to 3,940'	3,000' to 3,670'	270'	14.8	1.33	6.34	Time 1 hrs 05 min 2 hrs 38 min 24 hrs 72 hrs	Strength 50 psi 500 psi 2,800 psi 3,182 psi
Excess = 184%								

Displacement: Fresh Water

**5-1/2" Production Casing Cementing Program – Two-Stage Cementing Option with Stage Tool and External Casing Packers (for Water Flow Events):**

We propose an option to use the two-stage cementing method with a Stage Tool and two each External Casing Packers if any waterflow event is experienced while drilling the 7-7/8" hole as discussed above in Item 3. The proposed two-stage cementing program would be as follows:

- Stage 1: Would place cement from the casing shoe to the stage tool
- Stage 2: Would place cement from the stage tool to Surface.

**Stage 1:**

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water with an option to follow this with 1000 gallons SuperFlush 102 and 20 additional bbls Fresh Water

Stage 1 – Lead Slurry							
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method
78 – 369 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ + 10% bentonite + 8 lb/sx Salt + 0.4% Fluid Loss Additive + 0.125% LCM if needed	3,270' to 3,940'	1,670' to 3,440'	500' to 1,600'	11.8	2.51	14.64	Time 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs 116 hrs Strength 93 psi 234 psi 382 psi 468 psi 584 psi
Excess = 126% - 234% based on caliper if available							

Stage 1 – Tail Slurry							
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method
118 – 202 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ +1 lb/sx LAP-1 +0.5% CFR-3 + 0.25% D-AIR 3000 CO <sub>2</sub> Resistant CMT	4,155' to 4,705'	3,270' to 3,940'	636' to 885'	14.5	1.25	5.57	Time 8 hrs 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs Strength 549 psi 928 psi 1,642 psi 2,184 psi 2,379 psi
Excess = 26% - 83% based on caliper if available							

Displacement: A volume of Fresh Water equal to the capacity volume from the stage tool to the float collar, followed by brine based mud.

**Stage 2:**

Spacer: 20 bbls Fresh Water with an option to follow this with 1000 gallons SuperFlush 102 and 20 additional bbls Fresh Water

Stage 2 – Lead Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
145 – 584 sx 50% Class C 50% POZ + 10% bentonite + 8 lb/sx Salt + 0.2% Fluid Loss Additive + 0.125% Polyflake	1,400' to 3,170'	Surface	1,400' to 3,170'	11.8	2.55	14.88	Time 12 hrs 24 hrs 48 hrs 72 hrs	Strength 100 psi 200 psi 245 psi 310 psi
Excess = 42% - 162% based on caliper if available								

Stage 2 – Tail Slurry								
Volume (sx) & Recipe & Excess %	Bottom (ft MD)	Top (ft MD)	Length (ft)	Density (ppg)	Yield (cuft/sx)	Mix Wtr gal/sx	Compressive Strengths @ 113 deg F by Crush Method	
100 sx Class C + 0.1% Retarder (if needed)	1,670' to 3,440'	1,400' to 3,170'	270'	14.8	1.33	6.359	Time 1 hrs 05 min 2 hrs 38 min 24 hrs 72 hrs	Strength 50 psi 500 psi 2,800 psi 3,182 psi
Excess = 184%								

Displacement: Fresh Water

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

The production casing cement volumes for the proposed single stage and two-stage options 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 this proposed well if available. Also, if no caliper log is available for this proposed 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

Or, alternatively:

Casing Head: 8-5/8" Slip on and Weld x 11" 3M Casing Head installed on 8-5/8" surface casing  
Tubing Head: 11" 3M 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 and VOLUME	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	WATERLOSS
0 – Surface Casing Point	Fresh Water Native Mud 320 bbls in lined earth pit	8.5 – 9.0 ppg	28 – 40 sec	N.C.
Surface Casing Point to TD	Brine 640 bbls in lined earth pit	10 ppg	29 sec	N.C.
Conversion to Mud at TD	Brine Based Mud 300 bbls in steel mud pits	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, attapulgate, and lime upon reaching Total Depth (TD). The mud components will be:

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

We do not plan to keep any weighting material at the wellsite.

The circulating system we plan to use while drilling would be a "U" shaped brine reserve pit. We plan to monitor the pit level visually, not with float type pit level monitoring system.

After reaching TD, if the well is not flowing from a waterflow, then we would bring circulation into the steel mud pits and circulate the hole and convert to a brine based mud circulating through the steel mud pits. In such event we would propose to monitor the pit level visually, not with a float type pit level monitoring system.

Gas detecting equipment will be installed in the mud return system and will be monitored.

A mud gas separator will be installed and operable before drilling out from the Surface Casing.

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

- a. No drill stem tests will be done
- b. No mud logging is planned
- c. No whole cores are planned
- d. The open hole electrical logging program is planned to be as follows:
  - Total Depth to top of Grayburg or possibly to the surface casing shoe: Resistivity, Density, Spectral Gamma Ray and possibly BHC Sonic.
  - 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)

## 9. Abnormal Pressures and Temperatures:

- It is possible that abnormal pressures may be encountered while drilling in the 7-7/8" hole interval from the surface casing shoe to TD. If encountered, it is expected that a water flow would occur with some gas, oil, and/or CO<sub>2</sub> associated with it. The source of any such abnormal pressure would be from CO<sub>2</sub> injection (from our previous CO<sub>2</sub> injection program) and water injection that got out of zone and charged up in natural fractures above the reservoir. On three of the six wells drilled by ConocoPhillips in MCA Unit in 2006, such waterflows with associated gas, oil, or CO<sub>2</sub> were encountered. In these wells, the waterflow was encountered in the upper Queen or Grayburg interval above the reservoir. However there have also been cases in the history of this field in which occurrences of water flow, or in some cases CO<sub>2</sub> flow, have occurred at shallower depths. But in all such cases that we are aware of, the flow has been somewhere below the surface casing shoe. We are not aware of any such flows occurring above the surface casing shoe. Other than these occasional charged up zones, no abnormal pressures are expected. We plan to shut in and bleed off our injectors in the area before drilling each well in order to relieve the injection pressure in reservoir in the area. Our experience is that this is very helpful in regard to reducing the pressure in the reservoir, but may not relieve all pressure from charged up zones above the reservoir.

If a waterflow is encountered, our proposed plan is to let it flow while drilling to TD, and then run and cement the production casing using the two-stage method and employing a Stage Tool and two each External Casing Packers as described and discussed above. Our proposed plan in this regard is to shut off any such waterflow by the action of setting the External Casing Packers – containing any such waterflow zone between the two External Casing Packers.

We will ensure that we have sufficient storage capacity at surface to provide for the possibility that the well may flow water. The estimated maximum rate of water flow (based on observations on past wells) is 120 bbl/hr flow rate.

- The expected maximum bottom hole pressure in the reservoir is approximately 1750 psi. However with our injectors operating we have some wells that exhibit higher pressure up to approximately 2750 psi in the reservoir. In this regard we judge that these wells have a highly permeable avenue of communication to the injectors thus causing them to exhibit this higher pressure in the reservoir. We anticipate that when we shut down and bleed off the injectors in the respective areas in preparation for the drilling program the pressure in the reservoir on these wells will be reduced to the normal reservoir pressure in the field which is approximately 1750 psi.
- Above the reservoir, it is possible that there may be charged up zones (charged up from water injection and/ or CO<sub>2</sub> injection that got out of zone). Such charged up zones are not found on each well drilled in this field, but are found occasionally. We do not have any measurement of the pressure of such charged up zones – but we feel it is not practical to attempt to control such zones with hydrostatic mud weight. The typical practices in this field have been to let these zones flow while drilling to TD, and our observation is that these zones will typically deplete and stop flowing water after several days or can be isolated between external casing packers as is proposed in this Master Drilling Plan.
- The expected bottom hole temperature is 110 degrees F during logging or 115 degrees F bottom hole static temperature.
- The estimated H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations in the MCA Field is 11,000 – 14,000 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S with a gas rate of zero to 38 MCFPD. The 100 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S ROE is 0 - 59'. The 500 ppm ROE is 0 - 27'. 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 NMOCD 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 MCA Unit within two years after receiving approval of the APD.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment # 1 ..... Proposed Casing and Cementing Program with Single Stage Cementing of Production Casing
- Attachment # 2 ..... Proposed Casing and Cementing Program with Two-Stage Cementing of Production Casing
- Attachment # 3 ..... Proposed Casing and Cementing Program with External Casing Packers and Two-Stage Cementing of Production Casing
- Attachment # 4 ..... Diagram of Choke Manifold Equipment (Excerpted 54 FR 39528, Sept 27, 1989)
- Attachment # 5 ..... BOP and Choke Manifold Schematic – 2M System (Figure 3-1, Appendix G, from BLM)
- Attachment # 6 ..... BOP and Choke Manifold Schematic – 2M System (Figure 3-1A, Appendix G; from BLM)

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**MCA Unit**  
**Proposed Casing & Cementing Program**  
**with Single-Stage Cementing of Production Casing**  
**(Alternative # 1)**

Datum: RKB (10' -12' above ground level)

The intent of this alternative casing program is to provide a contingency plan for using Single-Stage Cementing for the production casing cement job if hole conditions are favorable (with no severe loss of circulation, heavy seepage, or waterflow events occurring during the drilling operations).

Conductor: 13-3/8" 48# H-40 ST&C set at 30' to 75' below ground level (40' 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.

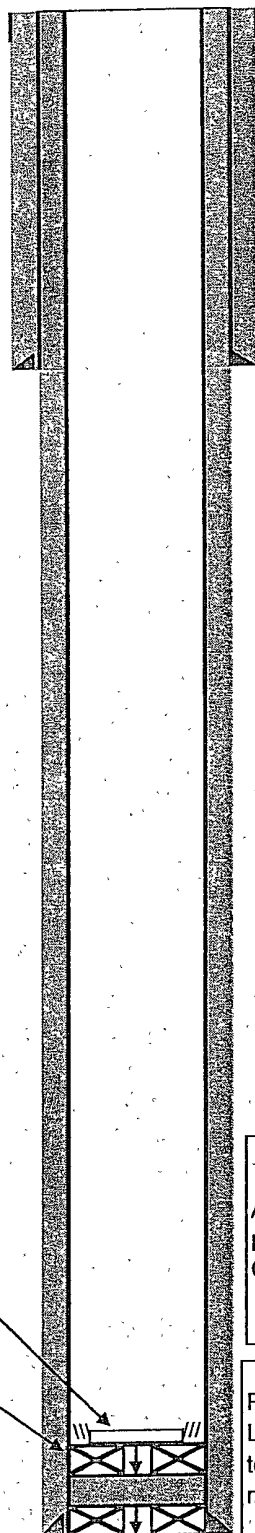
A Single-Stage cement job is pumped placing cement from the Production Casing shoe to surface.

Production casing: 5-1/2" 17# J-55 LT&C set 10' above TD and cemented to surface with single-stage cementing method.

Cement Wiper Plug

Float Shoe, one joint of casing, and Float Collar

Schematic prepared by:  
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**MCA Unit**  
**Proposed Casing & Cementing Program**  
**with Two-Stage Cementing of Production Casing**  
**(Alternative # 2)**

Datum: RKB (10' - 12' above ground level)

The intent of this alternative casing program is to provide a contingency plan for using Two-Stage Cementing for the production casing cement job if loss of circulation occurs during the drilling operations. See comments in "Step 1" to "Step 3" of this schematic.

Stage 2 Wiper Plug / Closing Plug

Stage Tool at top of Grayburg

Stage 1 Wiper Dart

Float Shoe, one joint of casing, and Float Collar

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

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

**Step 3:**  
 Stage 2 Cement is pumped placing cement from the Stage Tool to surface.

**Step 2:**  
 The Stage Tool is opened by hydraulic pressure and the excess cement is circulated out from above the stage-tool. Circulation is continued for approximately 4 to 6 hrs until the Stage 1 cement has set and thus isolated the potential loss of circulation zone(s).

**Step 1:**  
 Stage 1 Cement is pumped placing cement from Production Casing shoe to the Stage Tool.

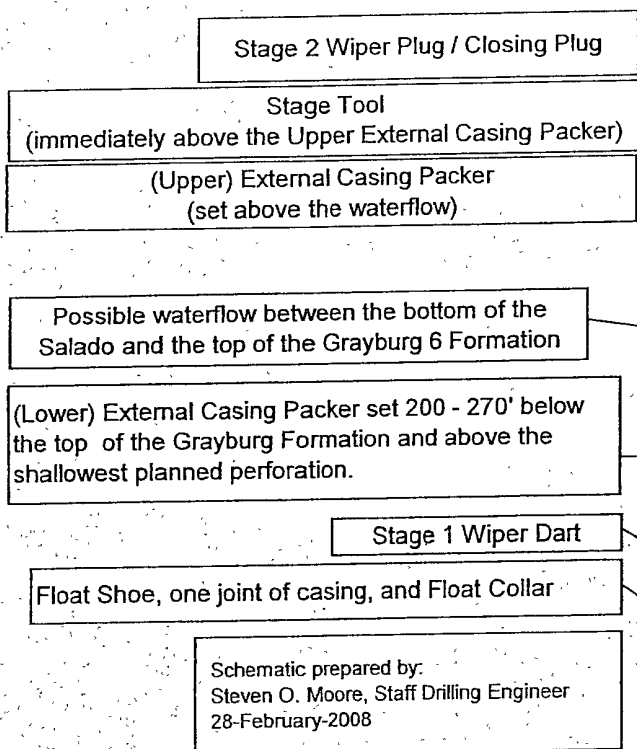
Production casing: 5-1/2" 17# J-55 LT&C set 10' above TD and cemented to surface with two-stage cementing method.



**MCA Unit**  
**Proposed Casing & Cementing Program**  
**with ECP's and Two-Stage Cementing of Production Casing**  
**(Alternative # 3)**

Datum: RKB (10' - 12' above ground level)

The intent of this alternative casing program is to provide a contingency plan for using External Casing Packers (ECP's) and Two-Stage Cementing to shut off a waterflow if such waterflow occurs while drilling the well. See comments in "Step 1" to "Step 4" of this schematic.



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

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

**Step 4:**  
 Stage 2 Cement is pumped placing cement from the Stage Tool to surface.

**Step 3:**  
 After setting the External Casing Packers, the Stage Tool is opened by hydraulic pressure and the excess cement is circulated out from above the stage-tool.

**Step 2:**  
 The two External Casing Packers (ECP's) are simultaneously set by hydraulic pressure after bumping the Stage 1 Cement Wiper Dart on the baffle on the float collar. The setting of the ECP's should shut off the waterflow - isolating it between the two ECP's.

**Step 1:**  
 Stage 1 Cement is pumped placing cement from Production Casing shoe to the Stage Tool.

Production casing: 5-1/2" 17# J-55 LT&C set 10' above TD and cemented to surface with two-stage cementing method.



2000 psi System

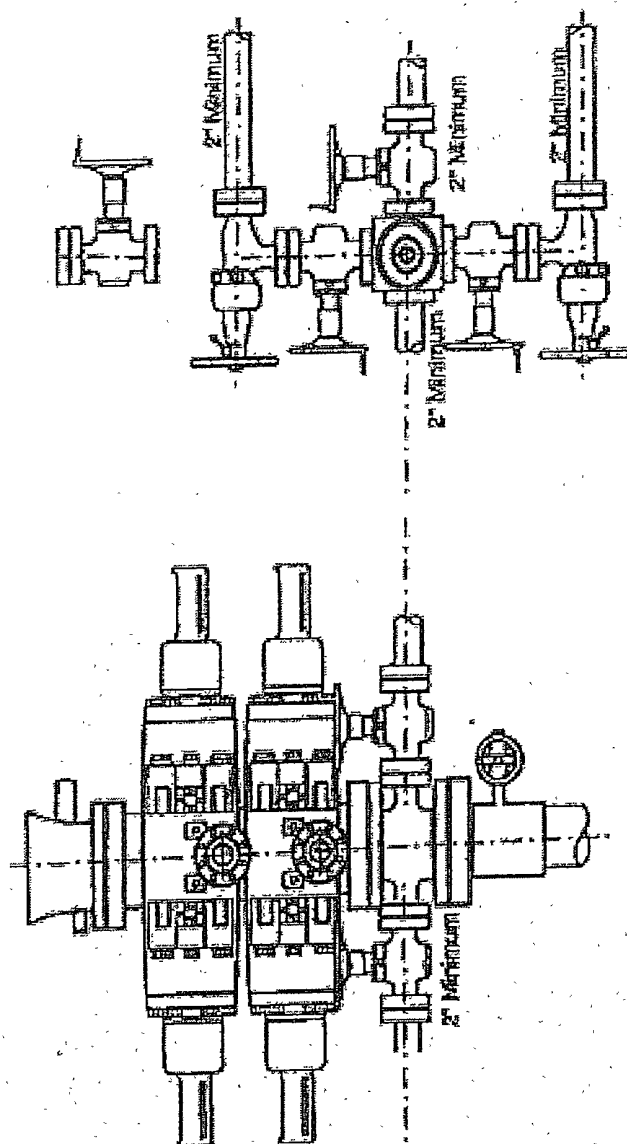


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Appendix G

2000 psi System

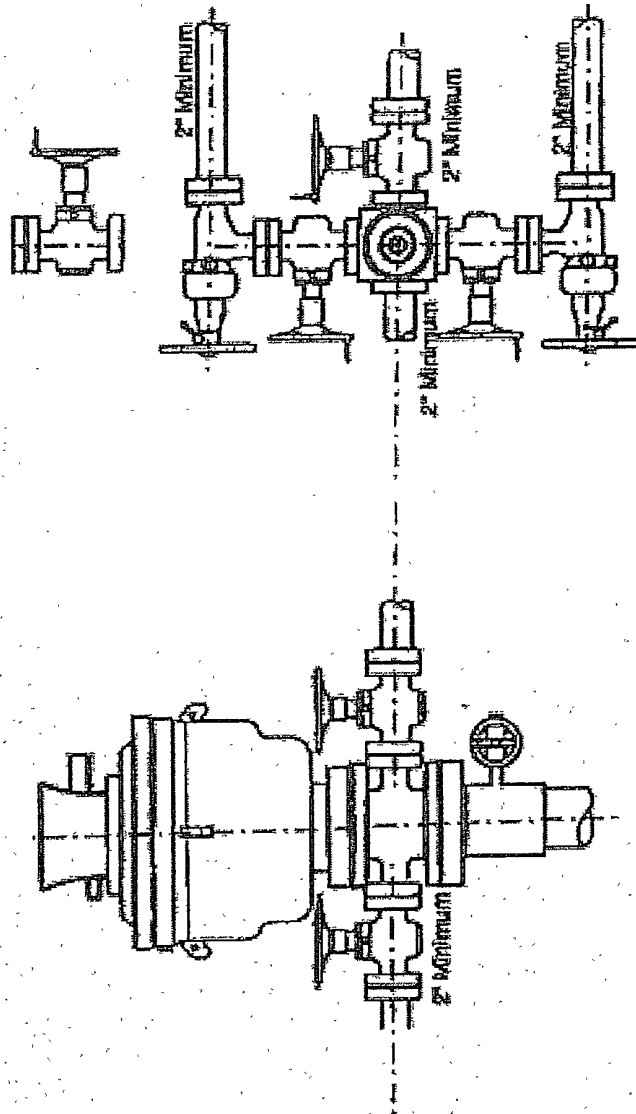


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Formation Tops and Planned Total Depth	
Formation Call Points	Top (ft MD)
Rustler	873
Salado	1053
Grayburg	3505
Grayburg - 6	3764
San Andres	3897
San Andres - 7	3897
San Andres - 9	4077
Total Depth (minimum)	4232
Total Depth (maximum)	4277

Casing Depths		
String	Minimum Depth	Maximum Depth
Surface Casing	898	943
Production Casing	4222	4267

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.

# ConocoPhillips

## Drilling Operations

### H<sub>2</sub>S Plan

ConocoPhillips, Inc. will comply with Onshore Order No. 2 and No. 6 for working in an H<sub>2</sub>S environment or a potential H<sub>2</sub>S environment.

#### I. Hydrogen Sulfide Training

All contractors and subcontractors employed by ConocoPhillips will receive or have received training from a qualified instructor within the last twelve months in the following areas prior to commencing drilling operations on this well.

1. The hazards and characteristics of hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S).
2. Safety precautions.
3. Operations of safety equipment and life support systems.

In addition, contractor supervisory personnel will be trained or prepared in the following areas:

1. The effect of H<sub>2</sub>S on metal components in the system, especially where high tensile strength tubulars are to be used.
2. Corrective action and shutdown procedures when drilling or reworking a well, blowout prevention and well control procedures, if the nature of the work involves these items.
3. The contents and requirements of the contingency plan when such plan is required.

#### II. H<sub>2</sub>S Equipment and Systems

##### 1. Safety Equipment

The following minimum safety equipment will be on location:

- a. Wind direction indicators placed near rig floor/mud return lines and at points along the perimeter of the location to allow visibility of at least one indicator from any point on location.
- b. Automatic H<sub>2</sub>S detection alarm equipment (both audio and visual).
- c. Clearly visible warning signs. Signs will use the words "POISON GAS" and "CAUTION" with a strong color contrast.
- d. Protective breathing equipment will be located in the doghouse and at briefing areas on location.

##### 2. Well Control Systems

###### a. Blowout Prevention Equipment

- Flare lines will be 6" flanged steel lines with electronic ignition, boom will be at least 150' from the wellbore.
- Choke is to be remotely controlled.
- Flare gun and flares will not be used.
- Mud gas separator will be used and a rotating head (if well is exploratory).

###### b. Communication

The rig contractor will be required to have two-way communication capability. ConocoPhillips will have either; land-line, satellite phone, microwave phone, or mobile (cellular) telephone capabilities.



c. Mud Program

The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of  $H_2S$  circulated to surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices and the use of  $H_2S$  scavengers when appropriate will minimize hazards when penetrating  $H_2S$  bearing zones.

d. Drill stem tests

Any planned drill stem test will be cancelled if  $H_2S$  is detected prior to such test. In the event that  $H_2S$  is detected during testing, the test will be terminated immediately.



## **H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan**

H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan Holders:

Attached is an H<sub>2</sub>S Contingency Plan for COPC Permian Drilling working in the West Texas and Southeastern New Mexico areas operated by ConocoPhillips Company.

If you have any questions regarding this plan, please call Tom Samarripa at ConocoPhillips Company, 432.368.1210.

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# **HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H<sub>2</sub>S) OPERATIONS**

Contingency Plan  
For  
Permian Drilling Operations

ConocoPhillips Company  
Mid-Continent Business Unit  
Permian Asset Area

## **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Contingency Plan is to provide an organized plan of action for alerting and protecting the public following the release of a potentially hazardous volume of hydrogen sulfide. This plan prescribes mandatory safety procedures to be followed in the event of a release of H<sub>2</sub>S into the atmosphere from exploration and production operations included in the scope of this plan. The extent of action taken will be determined by the supervisor and will depend on the severity and extent of H<sub>2</sub>S release. Release of H<sub>2</sub>S must be reported to the Drilling Superintendent and documented on the IADC and in Wellview.

## **II. SCOPE**

This Contingency plan shall cover the West Texas and Southeastern New Mexico areas, which contain H<sub>2</sub>S gas and could result in a release where the R.O.E. is greater than 100 ppm at 50' and less than 3000' and does not include a public area and 500 ppm R.O.E. does not include a public road. Radius of exposure is defined as the maximum distance from the source of release that a specified calculated average concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S could exist under specific weather conditions.

### III. PROCEDURES

#### First Employee on Scene

\_\_\_\_\_ Assess the incident and ensure your own safety.

    Note the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Location of the incident.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Nature of the incident.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wind direction and weather conditions.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other assistance that may be needed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Call local supervisory personnel (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List) until personal contact is made with a person on the list.

\_\_\_\_\_ Perform emergency assessment and response as needed. The response may include rescue and/or evacuation of personnel, shutting in a system and/or notification of nearby residents/public (refer to Section VII: Public Notification/Evacuation).

\_\_\_\_\_ Secure the site.

\_\_\_\_\_ Follow the direction of the On-scene Incident Commander (first ConocoPhillips supervisor arriving on-scene).

#### First Supervisor on Scene (ConocoPhillips On-scene Incident Commander)

\_\_\_\_\_ Becomes ConocoPhillips' On-scene Incident Commander upon arrival to location.

\_\_\_\_\_ Follow the principles of the **D.E.C.I.D.E.** process below to assess the incident. (Note wind direction and weather conditions and ensure everyone's safety).

**DETECT** the problem  
**ESTIMATE** likely harm without intervention  
**CHOOSE** response objectives  
**IDENTIFY** action options  
**DO** the best option  
**EVALUATE** the progress

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete the Preliminary Emergency Information Sheet (refer to Section VIII: Forms/Reports).

\_\_\_\_\_ Call your supervisor (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List).

- Perform emergency response as necessary. (This may include notification & evacuation of all personnel and/or nearby residents/public (refer to Section VII: Public Notification/Evacuation), requesting assistance from ConocoPhillips personnel or outside agencies (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List) and obtaining any safety equipment that may be required (refer to Section IV: Emergency Equipment and Maintenance).
- Notify appropriate local emergency response agencies of the incident as needed. Also notify the appropriate regulatory agencies. (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List).
- Ensure site security.
  - Set barricades and /or warning signs at or beyond the calculated 100 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S radius of exposure (ROE). All manned barricades must be equipped with an H<sub>2</sub>S monitor and a 2-way radio.
  - Set roadblocks and staging area as determined.
- Establish the Incident Command Structure by designating appropriate on-scene response personnel as follows:
 

Recording Secretary	_____
Public Information Officer	_____
Safety/Medical Officer	_____
Decontamination Officer	_____
- Have the “Recording Secretary” begin documenting the incident on the “Incident Log” (refer to Section VIII: Forms/Reports).
- If needed, request radio silence on all channels that use your radio tower stating that, until further notice, the channels should be used for emergency communications only.
- Perform a Site Characterization and designate the following:
 

Hot Zone	--	Hazardous Area
Warm Zone	--	Preparation & Decontamination Area
Cold Zone	--	Safe Area



AND

On-Scene Incident Command Post	(Cold Zone)
Public Relations Briefing Area	(Cold Zone)
Staging Area	(Cold Zone)
Triage Area	(Cold Zone)
Decontamination Area	(Warm Zone)

\_\_\_\_\_ Refer all media personnel to ConocoPhillips' On-Scene Public Information Officer (refer to Section VI: Public Media Relations).

\_\_\_\_\_ Coordinate the attempt to stop the release of H<sub>2</sub>S. You should consider closing upstream and downstream valves to shut-off gas supply sources, and/or plugging or clamping leaks. Igniting escaping gas to reduce the toxicity hazard should be used **ONLY AS A LAST RESORT**. (It must first be determined if the gas can be safely ignited, taking into consideration if there is a possibility of a widespread flammable atmosphere.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Once the emergency is over, return the situation to normal by:

Confirming the absence of H<sub>2</sub>S and combustible gas throughout the area,

Discontinuing the radio silence on all channels, stating that the emergency incident is over,

Removing all barricades and warning signs,

Allowing evacuees to return to the area, and

Advising all parties previously notified that the emergency has ended.

\_\_\_\_\_ Ensure the proper regulatory authorities/agencies are notified of the incident (refer to Section V: Emergency Call List).

\_\_\_\_\_ Clean up the site. (Be sure all contractor crews have had appropriate HAZWOPER training.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Report completion of the cleanup to the Asset Environmentalist.  
(Environmentalism will report this to the proper State and/or Federal agencies.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Fill out all required incident reports and send originals to the Safety Department. (Keep a copy for your records.)

- Company employee receiving occupational injury or illnesses.
- Company employee involved in a vehicle accident while driving a company vehicle.
- Company property that is damaged or lost.
- Accident involving the public or a contractor; includes personal injuries, vehicle accidents, and property damage. Also includes any situation, which could result in a claim against the Company.
- Hazardous Material Spill/Release Report Form
- Emergency Drill Report

\_\_\_\_\_ Assist the Safety Department in the investigation of the incident. Review the factors that caused or allowed the incident to occur, and modify operating, maintenance, and/or surveillance procedures as needed. Make appropriate repairs and train or retrain employees in the use and operation of the system.

\_\_\_\_\_ If this incident was simulated for practice in emergency response, complete the Emergency Drill Report found in Section VIII: Forms/Reports and submit a copy to the Drilling Manager. (Keep one copy in area files to document exercising of the plan.)

## **Emergency Procedures**

### **Responsibility**

In the event of a release of potentially hazardous amounts of H<sub>2</sub>S, all personnel will immediately proceed upwind/ crosswind to the nearest designated briefing area. The COPC Drilling Rep. will immediately, upon assessing the situation, set this into action by taking the proper procedures to contain the gas and notify appropriate people and agencies.

1. In an emergency situation, the Drilling Rep. on duty will have complete responsibility and will take whatever action is deemed necessary in an emergency situation to insure the personnel's safety, to protect the well and to prevent property damage.
2. The Toolpusher will assume all responsibilities of the Drilling Rep. in an emergency situation in the event the Drilling Rep. becomes incapacitated.
3. Advise each contractor, service company, and all others entering the site that H<sub>2</sub>S may be encountered and the potential hazards that may exist.
4. Authorize the evacuation of local residents if H<sub>2</sub>S threatens their safety.
5. Keep the number of persons on location to a minimum during hazardous operations.
6. Direct corrective actions to control the flow of gas.
7. Has full responsibility for igniting escaping gas to reduce the toxicity hazard.  
This should be used **ONLY AS A LAST RESORT**.

## **IV. EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT and MAINTENANCE**

### **Emergency Equipment Suppliers**

#### **Total Safety US Odessa, Tx/ Hobs, NM**

432.561.5049 Odessa, Tx.

575.392.2973 Hobbs, NM

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors

Breathing air includes cascade systems

Fire fighting equipment

First aid and medical supplies

Safety equipment

#### **Safety International – Odessa, Tx.**

432.580.3770

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors

Breathing air includes cascade systems

First aid and medical supplies

Safety equipment

H<sub>2</sub>S Specialist

#### **Indian Fire & Safety – Hobbs, NM**

575.393.3093

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors

Breathing air including cascade systems trailer mounted

30 minute air packs

Safety Equipment

#### **Leek Fire & Equipment Company – Odessa, Tx.**

432.332.1693

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors

Fire fighting equipment

First aid and medical supplies

Safety equipment

## **Emergency Equipment and Maintenance (continued)**

### **General Information**

Materials used for repair should be suitable for use where H<sub>2</sub>S concentrations exceed 100 ppm. In general, carbon steels having low-yield strengths and a hardness below RC-22 are suitable. The engineering staff should be consulted if any doubt exists on material specifications.

Appropriate signs should be maintained in good condition at location entrance and other locations as specified in Texas Rule 36 and NMOCD Rule 118.

All notification lists should be kept current with changes in names, telephone numbers, etc.

All shutdown devices, alarms, monitors, breathing air systems, etc., should be maintained in accordance with applicable regulations.

All personnel working in H<sub>2</sub>S areas shall have received training on the hazards, characteristics, and properties of H<sub>2</sub>S, and on procedures and safety equipment applicable for use in H<sub>2</sub>S areas.

## **H2S Safety Equipment and Monitoring Systems**

An H2S emergency response package will be maintained at locations requiring H2S monitoring. The package will contain at a minimum the following:

3 – Fixed H2S sensors located as follows:

- 1 – on the rig floor
- 1 – at the Bell Nipple
- 1 – at the Shale Shaker or Flowline

1 – Entrance Warning Sign located at the main entrance to the location, with warning signs and colored flags to determine the current status for entry into the location.

2 – Windssocks that are clearly visible.

1 – Audible warning system located on rig floor

2 – Visual warning systems (Beacon Lights)

- 1 – located at the rig floor
- 1 – located in the mud mixing room

**Note: All alarms (audible and visual) should be set to alarm at 10 ppm.**

2 - Briefing areas clearly marked

- 2 - SCBA's at each briefing area
- 1 - SCBA located at the Drilling Reps office

**Note:**

- 1. All SCBA's must be positive pressure type only!!!**
- 2. All SCBA's must either be Scott or Drager brand.**
- 3. All SCBA's face pieces should be size large, unless otherwise specified by the Drilling Supervisor.**

5 – Emergency Escape Paks located at Top Doghouse.

Note: Ensure provisions are included for any personnel working above rig floor in derrick.

1 – Tri or Quad gas monitor located at the Drilling Reps office. This will be used to determine if the work area is safe to re-enter prior to returning to work following any alarm.

## **V. EMERGENCY CALL LIST:**

The following is a priority list of personnel to contact in an emergency situation:

<b>Supervisory Personnel</b>	<b>Office No.</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Cellular</b>
<b>R.W. "Cotton" Hair</b> Permian Drilling Supt.	432.368.1302	432.563.9467	432.556.9116
<b>Tom Samarripa</b> WSER	423.368.1263	432.367.4961	432.556.9113
<b>David Cook</b> Permian Asset Operations Manager	432.368.1100		432.978.9804
<b>Leo Gatson</b> Safety and Environmental Coordinator	432.368.1248		432.631.066
<b>Lynn Dooley</b> Drilling Coordinator	832.486.2567	281.225.8063	281.435.3517

### **EMERGENCY CALL LIST: State Officials**

#### **Regulatory Agencies**

**Texas Railroad Commission (District 8)**  
Midland, Texas

Office: 432.684.5581

**New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission**  
P. O. Box 1980  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240-1980

Office: 575.393.6161

**Bureau of Land Mngt.**  
Carlsbad Field Office  
620 E. Greene St.  
Carlsbad, NM 88220

Office: 575.234.5972

Fax: 575.885.9264

### **EMERGENCY CALL LIST: Local Officials**

#### **Refer to the Location Information Sheet**

**Note: The LIS should include any area residents (i.e. rancher's house, etc)**

## **VI. Public Media Relations**

The **Public Information Officer** becomes the ConocoPhillips on-scene contact (once designated by the Phillips On-Scene Incident Commander).

Confers with Houston Office's Human Relations Representative, who is responsible for assisting in the coordination of local public relations duties.

Answer media questions honestly and **only with facts**, do not speculate about the cause, amount of damage, or the potential impact of the incident on the community, company, employees, or environment. (This information will be formally determined in the incident investigation.)

If you are comfortable answering a question or if you are unsure of the answer, use terms such as the following:

- "I do not know. I will try to find out."
- "I am not qualified to answer that question, but I will try to find someone who can."
- "It is under investigation."

**Note:**

**Do Not Say "No Comment."** (This implies a cover-up.)

**Do Not Disclose Names of Injured or Dead!** Confer with the Houston Office's Human Relations Representative, who is responsible for providing that information.



## **VII. Public Notification/Evacuation**

### **Alert and/or Evacuate People within the Exposure Area**

1. **Public Notification** – If the escape of gas could result in a hazard to area residents, the general public, or employees, the person **first** observing the leak should take **immediate** steps to cause notification of any nearby residents. The avoidance of injury or loss of life should be of prime consideration and given top priority in all cases. If the incident is of such magnitude, or at such location as to create a hazardous situation, local authorities will be requested to assist in the evacuation and roadblocks of the designated area until the situation can be returned to normal.

Note: Bilingual employees may be needed to assist in notification of residents.

2. **Evacuation Procedures** – Evacuation will proceed upwind from the source of the release of H<sub>2</sub>S. Extreme caution should be exercised in order to avoid any depressions or low-lying areas in the terrain. The public area within the radius of exposure should be evacuated in a southwesterly and southeasterly direction so as to avoid the prevailing southern wind direction.

Roadblocks and the staging area should be established as necessary for current wind conditions.

**Note:** In all situations, consideration should be given to wind direction and weather conditions. H<sub>2</sub>S is heavier than air and can settle in low spots. Shifts in wind direction can also change the location of possible hazardous areas.

## **VIII. FORMS & REPORTS**

- I. Incident Log
- II. Preliminary Emergency Information Sheet
- III. Emergency Drill Report
- IV. Onshore Hazardous Material Spill/Release Report Form
- V. Immediate Report of Occupational Injury or Illness
  - Report of Accident-Public Contractor
  - Report of Loss or Damage to Company Property
  - Report of Automotive Incident

# PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	Conoco Phillips Co.
LEASE NO.:	LC057210
WELL NAME & NO.:	MCA Unit 472
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	1980' FNL & 160' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	Same
LOCATION:	Section 27, T. 17 S., R 32 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 Pecos District Conditions of Approval, the standard stipulation for the Lesser Prairie Chicken Timing Stipulations, a special condition of approval for low profile abandoned well markers, the standard stipulation for surface flowlines, the standard stipulation for overhead electrical lines, the standard stipulations for permanent resource roads.

**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 1st through June 15th 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.

**Ground-level Abandoned Well Marker to avoid raptor perching:** Upon the plugging and subsequent abandonment of the well, the well marker will be installed at ground level on a plate containing the pertinent information for the plugged well. For more installation details, contact the Carlsbad Field Office at 575-234-5972.

### MCA Unit # 472: Closed Loop V-Door East

#### Cultural Resources



**Bureau of Land Management, Carlsbad Field Office**  
620 E. Greene Street Carlsbad, NM 88220

Cultural and Archaeological Resources

Date of Issue:  
04/10/09

BLM Report No.  
multiple

## NOTICE OF STIPULATIONS

**Historic properties in the vicinity of this project are protected by federal law. In order to ensure that they are not damaged or destroyed by construction activities, the project proponent and**

**construction supervisors shall ensure that the following stipulations are implemented.**

**Project**

**CONOCO Phillips Co.**

**Name:**

**MCA Unit # 448, 449, 466, 468, 472, 473, 477, 481, 485, 489, and 492**

**1. Professional archaeological monitoring.** Contact your project archaeologist, or BLM's Cultural Resources Section at (575) 234-2228, 5917, 2236, or 5967, for assistance:

- A. ☐ These stipulations must be given to your monitor at least **5 days** prior to the start of construction.
- B. ☐ No construction, including vegetation removal or other site prep may begin prior to the arrival of the monitor.

**2. The archaeological monitor shall:**

- A. ☐ Observe all ground-disturbing activities within 100 feet of cultural site no. (s)
- B. ☐ Ensure that all reroutes are adhered to avoid cultural site no.(s) LA
- C. ☐ Submit a brief monitoring report within 30 days of completion of monitoring.

Surface flowlines for the MCA Unit #466 and MCA Unit #468 must be placed on the east side of the existing north-south road.

**Other:**

Surface flowlines for the MCA Unit #472, MCA Unit #473, MCA Unit #477 must be placed on the north side of the existing east-west road.

**Site Protection and Employee Education:** It is the responsibility of the project proponent and his construction supervisor to inform all employees and subcontractors that cultural and archaeological sites are to be avoided by all personnel, vehicles, and equipment; and that it is illegal to collect, damage, or disturb cultural resources on Public Lands.

For assistance, contact  
BLM Cultural Resources:

Martin Stein  
(575) 234-5967

George MacDonell  
(575) 234-2228

Bruce Boeke  
(575) 234-5917

Lynn Robinson  
(575) 234-2236

## **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 (575) 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. Closed Loop System**

#### **MCA Unit # 472: Closed Loop V-Door East**

Tanks are required for drilling operations: No Pits.

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**

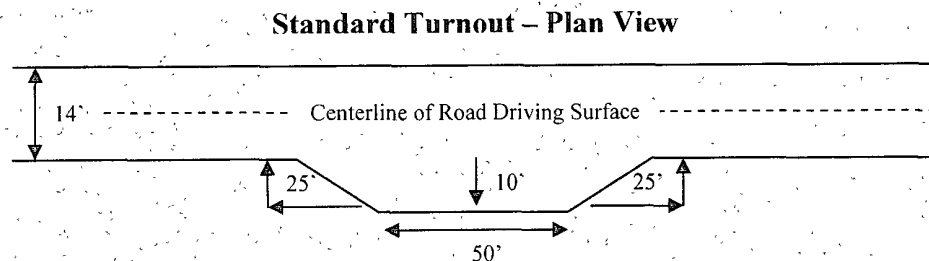
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### **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:



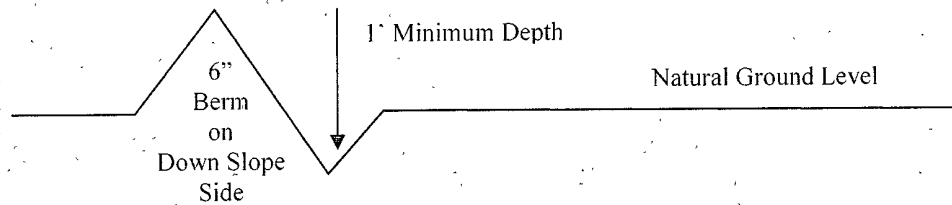
### **Drainage**

Drainage control systems shall be constructed on the entire length of road (e.g. ditches, sidehill outslowing and inslaping, 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:

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

#### **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**

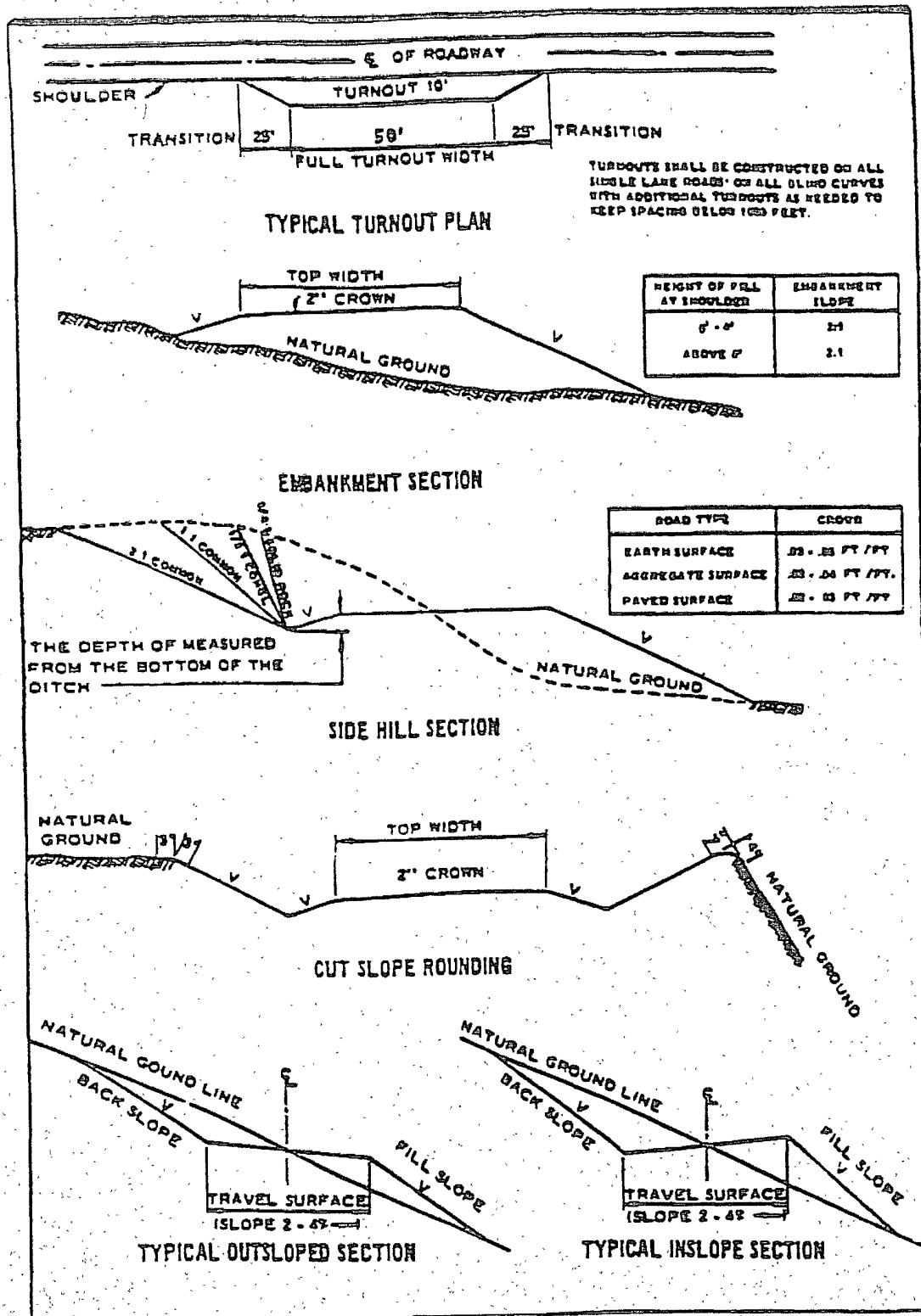
Where entry is required across a fence line, the fence shall be braced and tied off on both sides of the passageway prior to cutting.

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. BOP/BOPE tests

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(575) 393-3612

1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the Yates Formation. **As a result, the Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6 requirements, which includes equipment and personnel/public protection items. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values 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 high pressure air pockets in the Artesia Group, Rustler and Salado formations.**

**Possible water and brine flows in the Salado and Artesia Group.**

**Possible lost circulation in the Grayburg and San Andres formations.**

1. The 8-5/8 inch surface casing shall be set **at approximately 900 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt)** and cemented to the surface.

**Note: The BLM Geologist has indicated that the Top of the Rustler Anhydrite may be deeper.**

- 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:
    - a. **Single Stage Cement Job**  
☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate, see B.1. a-d above.
    - b. **Two Stage Cement Job: Contact BLM for permission as per Master Drilling Plan prior to running. Follow Master Drilling Plan with notification to BLM and perform job as approved in Master Drilling Plan.**
    - c. **Two Stage Cement Job with External Casing Packers: Contact BLM for permission as per Master Drilling Plan prior to running. Follow Master Drilling Plan with notification to BLM and perform job as approved in Master Drilling Plan.**
  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**

BLM LEASE NUMBER:

COMPANY NAME:

WELL NO. & NAME:

#### **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

BLM Serial Number:  
Company Reference:  
Well No. & Name:

#### STANDARD STIPULATIONS FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION LINES

**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 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.

The 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.

BLM Serial #:  
Company Reference:  
Well Name and Number:

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  
(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.