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SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS Do not use this form for proposals to drill or to re-enter an abandoned well. Use form 3160-3 (APD) for such proposals.				76 dian, Allottee or Tribe Name nit or CA/Agreement, Name and/or No.	
SUBMIT IN TRI	PLICATE - Other instruction	ns on reverse side		-	
1. Type of Well Other Oil Well X Gas Well 2. Name of Operator				Mescaler	ll Name and No. o 30 Federal No. 5
Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado 3a. Address 5215 N. O'Connor Blvd., Ste. 1500; Irving, TX 75039 972-401-3111			30-025-38		
4. Location of Well (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey Description) 820' FNL & 1280' FWL 30-19S-34E				ge; Morrow (Gas) unty or Parish, State ty, NM	
	ROPRIATE BOX(ES) T	O INDICATE NAT	URE OF NOTIO	CE, REPC	ORT, OR OTHER DATA
TYPE OF SUBMISSION		T\	PE OF ACTION		
X Notice of Intent	Acidize	Deepen Fracture Treat	Production (Star	·	Water Shut-Off Well Integrity X Other Request permit
Final Abandonment Notice	Change Plans Convert to injection Convert to injection	Plug and Abandon Plug Back included estimated starting	Temporarily Aba		extension

3. Describe Proposed or Completed Operation (clearly state all pertinent details, included estimated starting date of any proposed work and approximate duration thereof. If the proposal is to deepen directionally or recomplete horizontally, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths of all pertinent markers and zones. Attach the bond under which the work will be performed or provide the Bond No. on file with BLM/BIA. Required subsequent reports shall be filed within 30 days following completion of the involved operations. If the operation results in a multiple completion or recompletion in a new interval, a Form 3160-4 shall be filed once testing has been completed. Final Abandonment Notices shall be filed only after all requirements, including reclamation, have been completed, and the operator has determined that the site is ready for final inspection.)

The permit for the Mescalero 30 Fed #5 is due to expire on 05-17-09. Cimarex respectfully requests an extension due to rig scheduling.

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SEE ATTACHED FOR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

APPROVED FOR 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDING 5-17-10

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	D1, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfu presentations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.	lly to make to any depa	artment or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or

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Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado Mescalero 30 Federal No. 5 Unit D Section 30 T19S-R34E Lea County, NM

Casing program:

Hole Size	Interval	Casing OD	Weight	Thread	Collar	Grade
17-1/2"	0-1400'	13-3/8"	48	8-R	ST&C	H-40
12-1/4"	Ò-4800'	9-5/8"	40	8-R	LT&C	J-55
8-3/4"	0-14025'	5-1/2"	17	8-R	LT&C	P-110

2 Cementing & Setting Depth:

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13-3/8"	Surface	Set 1400' of 13-3/8" H-40 48 # ST&C casing. Cement with <u>Lead:</u> 930 sx Halliburton Lite Premium Plus + 1% CaCl ₂ + 0.125# Poly-e-flake (wt 12.5, yld 1.98); <u>Tail:</u> 220 sx Premium Plus + 2% CaCl ₂ (wt 14.8, yld 1.34)
9-5/8"	Intermediate	Set 4800' of 9-5/8" N-80 40# LT&C casing. Cement with <u>Lead:</u> 2000 sx Interfill C SBM + 0.125# Poly-e-flake (wt 11.9, yld 2.45); <u>Tail:</u> 250 sx Premium Plus (wt 14.8, yld 1.32)
5-1/2"	Production	Set 14025' of 5-1/2" P-110 17# LT&C casing. Cement with <u>Lead:</u> 750 sx Interfill H SBM + 0.125# Poly-e-flake + 0.1% HR-7 (wt 11.9, yld 2.45); <u>Tail:</u> 1100 sx Permian Basin Super H + 0.5% Halad-344 + 0.25% D-AIR 3000 + 0.4% CFR-3 + 1# Salt + 5# Gilsonite + 0.25# Flocele + 0.35% HR-7 (wt 13.0, yld 1.68); TOC 4600'

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

LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

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

5 SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL:

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

6 METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE MATERIAL:

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

ANCILLÁRY FACILITIES:

No camps or airstrips to be constructed.

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8 WELL SITE LAYOUT

- A. Exhibit "D" shows location and rig layout.
- B. Mud pits in the closed circulating system will be steel pits and the cuttings will be stored in steel containment pits.
- C. Cuttings will be stored in steel pits until they are hauled to a state-approved disposal
- D. If the well is a producer, those areas of the location not essential to production

9 PLANS FOR RESTORATION OF SURFACE

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

Drainage systems, if any, will be reshaped to the original configuration with provisions made to alleviate erosion. These may need to be modified in certain circumstances to prevent inundation of the location's pad and surface facilities. After the area has been shaped and contoured, topsoil from the spoil pile will be placed over the disturbed area to the extent possible. Revegetation procedures will comply with BLM standards.

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

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

Key Rig 298



Flare Lines

- O Briefing Areas
- O Remote BOP Closing Unit

Revised Rig Diagram Mescalero 30 Federal No. 5 Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado 30-19S-34E 820 FNL & 1280 FWL Lea County, NM

PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL



OPERATOR'S NAME:	Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
LEASE NO.:	NM-056376
WELL NAME & NO.:	Mescalero 30 Federal #5
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	820' FNL & 1280' FWL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	Same
LOCATION:	Section 30, T. 19 S., R 34 E., NMPM
COUNTY:	Lea County, New Mexico

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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

II. PERMIT EXPIRATION

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

III. ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGY & HISTORICAL SITES

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

IV. NOXIOUS WEEDS

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

V. SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)

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.

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

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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.

CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM

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 outsloping and insloping, lead-off ditches, culvert installation, and low water crossings).

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



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

Formula for Spacing Interval of Lead-off Ditches

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

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

Culvert Installations

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

Cattleguards

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

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

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

Fence Requirement

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

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

Public Access

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



Figure 1 - Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections

VII. DRILLING

A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

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

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

Chaves and Roosevelt Counties`

Call the Roswell Field Office, 2909 West Second St., Roswell NM 88201. During office hours call (575) 627-0272. After office hours call (575) 200-7902.

Eddy County

Call the Carlsbad Field Office, 620 East Greene St., Carlsbad, NM 88220, (505) 361-2822

Lea County

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

- 1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the formation.
- 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.
- 8. When floor controls are required, (3M or Greater) controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
- 4. Gamma-Ray/Neutron logs shall be run from the base of the Salado formation to the surface. The logs shall be run at a speed which allows the logs to be legible and no faster than manufactures of the logging tools recommended speed. (R-111-P area only)

B. CASING

1. The inch surface casing shall be set at feet and cemented to the surface.

	a.'	If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with a surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement.
	b.	Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job will be a minimum 18 hours for a water basin, 24 hours in the potash area, or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater. (This is to include the lead cement).
	c.	Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
	d.	If cement falls back, remedial action will be done prior to drilling out that string.
2. T	he m	inimum required fill of cement behind the inch intermediate casing is:
		Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a-d above.
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		ever a casing string is cemented in the R-111-P potash area, the NMOCD ements shall be followed.
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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. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be 2000 (2M) psi.
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- 4. 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.
 - e. BOP/BOPE must be tested by an independent service company within 500 feet of the top of the formation. This test does not exclude the test prior to drilling out the casing shoe as per Onshore Order No. 2.
 - f. A variance to test the surface casing and BOP/BOPE to the reduced pressure of psi with the rig pumps is approved.

D. DRILLING MUD

Mud system monitoring equipment, with derrick floor indicators and visual and audio alarms, shall be operating before drilling into the formation, and shall be used until production casing is run and cemented.

E. DRILL STEM TEST

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

ACS/ (date)

VIII. DRILLING

F.

DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

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

- d. Spudding well
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- 5. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the formation.
- 6. Hydrogen Sulfide area must meet Onshore Order 6.
- 7. Although there are no measured amounts of Hydrogen Sulfide reported, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please provide measured values and formations to the BLM.
- 8. Although Hydrogen Sulfide has not been reported in this section, it is always a possible hazard. It has been reported in the Township to the north. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measured amounts and formations to the BLM.
- 9. Although Hydrogen Sulfide has not been reported in this section, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measured amounts and formations to the BLM.
- 10. Although Hydrogen Sulfide has not been reported in the area, it is always a potential hazard. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measured amounts and formations to the BLM.

- 11. Hydrogen Sulfide has been reported as a hazard, but no measurements have been recorded. It is recommended that monitoring equipment be onsite for potential Hydrogen Sulfide. If Hydrogen Sulfide is encountered, please report measurements and formations to the BLM.
- 12. 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.

13. Floor controls are required for 3M or Greater systems. These controls will be on the rig floor, unobstructed, readily accessible to the driller and will be operational at all times during drilling and/or completion activities. Rig floor is defined as the area immediately around the rotary table; the area immediately above the substructure on which the draw works are located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.

14. Gamma-Ray/Neutron logs shall be run from the base of the Salado formation to the surface. The logs shall be run at a speed which allows the logs to be legible and no faster than manufacturer of the logging tools recommended speed. (R-111-P area only)

G. 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.

A CIT is to be performed on this casing per Onshore Oil and Gas Order 2.III.B.1.h prior to drilling the shoe plug.

4. The inch surface casing shall be set at approximately ______ feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt) and cemented to the surface.

Onshore Order II requires casing to be set across a competent bed and the Rustler Anhydrite is the first formation that meets that criteria.

- 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.
- e. For the surface casing: If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a tag with 1" will be performed at four positions 90 degrees apart to verify cement depth. BLM Petroleum Engineer Technician to witness tags. If depth is greater than 100' or water is standing in the annulus, remedial cementing will be done. If no water and TOC tag is less than 100', when 100% excess cement of the annulus volume was run on the primary job, ready-mix can be used to bring cement to surface.
- 5. The minimum required fill of cement behind the inch intermediate casing is:
 - Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.
 - Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry due to cave/karst concerns or the tail cement can be increased to tie-back to the surface casing.

a. First stage to DV tool, cement shall:

- Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office, before proceeding with second stage cement job.
- b. Second stage above DV tool, cement shall:

Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

If 75% or greater lost circulation occurs while drilling the intermediate casing hole, the cement on the production casing must come to surface.

Formation below the 9-5/8" shoe to be tested according to Onshore Order 2.III.B.1.i. Test to be done as a mud equivalency test using the mud weight necessary for the pore pressure of the formation below the shoe (not the mud weight required to prevent dissolving the salt formation) and the mud weight for the bottom of the hole. Report results to BLM office.

Centralizers required on horizontal leg, must be type for horizontal service and minimum of one every other joint.

6. The minimum required fill of cement behind the inch production casing is:

a. First stage to DV tool, cement shall:

Cement to circulate. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office, before proceeding with second stage cement job.

b. Second stage above DV tool, cement shall:

Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office.

Cement should tie-back at least 200 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.

Top of cement to reach at least 500 feet above the top of the uppermost hydrocarbon productive interval.

Seal on Peak Systems Iso-Pack liner is to be tested per Onshore Oil and Gas Order 2.III.B.1.b. Please call BLM for witness of seal test.

6. 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.

7. Whenever a casing string is cemented in the R-111-P potash area, the NMOCD requirements shall be followed.

H. PRESSURE CONTROL

- 5. 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.
- 6. Variance approved to use flex line from BOP to choke manifold. Check condition of 4 11/16" flexible line from BOP to choke manifold, replace if exterior is damaged or if line fails test. Line to be as straight as possible with no hard bends.
- 7. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be 2000 (2M) psi.
- 8. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the intermediate casing shoe shall be 2000 (2M) psi.
- 9. The appropriate BLM office shall be notified a minimum of 4 hours in advance for a representative to witness the tests.
 - g. The tests shall be done by an independent service company.
 - h. The results of the test shall be reported to the appropriate BLM office.
 - i. 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.
 - j. 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.
 - k. BOP/BOPE must be tested by an independent service company within 500 feet of the top of the formation if the time between the setting of the intermediate casing and reaching this depth exceeds 20 days. This test does not exclude the test prior to drilling out the casing shoe as per Onshore Order No. 2.

- 1. A variance to test the surface casing and BOP/BOPE (entire system) to the reduced pressure of psi with the rig pumps is approved.
- m. A variance to test only the surface casing to the reduced pressure of **1000** psi with the rig pumps is approved. The BOP will be tested to 5000 psi by an independent service company.

n. No variance granted on BOP/BOPE test when running only two casing strings.

0. The variance for testing of the BOP/BOPE on the surface casing is not approved due to the inaccuracy of rig pump pressure readings and safety concerns when exceeding 1000 psi.

p. The variance for testing of the BOP/BOPE on the surface casing is not approved since MASP for the next hole is approximately 1300 psi.

q. Surface casing test to be done according to Onshore Order 2.III.A.i.ii since MASP for the next hole is approximately 1300 psi using 0.44/ft gradient. This test is not to be done with the rig pumps due to the inaccuracy of rig pump pressure readings and safety concerns when exceeding 1000 psi.

I. DRILLING MUD

Mud system monitoring equipment, with derrick floor indicators and visual and audio alarms, shall be operating before drilling into the formation, and shall be used until production casing is run and cemented.

Proposed mud weight may not be adequate for drilling through Wolfcamp.

Approved for aerated mud, but not air drilling.

DRILL STEM TEST

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

K. WIPP Requirements

The proposed well is located within 330' of the WIPP Land Withdrawal Area boundary. As a result, Yates Petroleum Corporation is required to submit daily logs and deviation survey information to the Department of Energy per requirements of the Joint Powers Agreement. Information from this well will be included in the Quarterly Drilling Report. Information will also be provided to the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division after drilling activities have been completed. Any future entry into the well for purposes of completing additional drilling will require supplemental information.

Yates Petroleum Corporation can email the required information to Mr. Gene Valett at <u>gene.valett@wipp.ws</u> or fax to his attention at 575-234-6062.

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IX. 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

None proposed in the APD.

C. ELECTRIC LINES

None proposed in the APD.

X. 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.

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 <u>no</u> primary or secondary noxious weeds in the seed mixture. Seed will be tested and the viability testing of seed will be done in accordance with State law(s) and within nine (9) months prior to purchase. Commercial seed will be either certified or registered seed. The seed container will be tagged in accordance with State law(s) and available for inspection by the authorized officer.

Seed will be planted using a drill equipped with a depth regulator to ensure proper depth of planting where drilling is possible. The 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:

lb/acre

Species

Plains Bristlegrass	5lbs/A
Sand Bluestem	5lbs/A
Little Bluestem	3lbs/A -
Big Bluestem	6lbs/A
Plains Coreopsis	2lbs/A
Sand Dropseed	11bs/A

**Four-winged Saltbush

5lbs/A

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

*Pounds of pure live seed:

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

X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & REHABILITATION REQUIREMENTS

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

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