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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Split Estate

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

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL OR REENTER

1a Type of work- <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRILL <input type="checkbox"/> REENTER		5 Lease Serial No NMLC-029406B
1b Type of Well <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6 If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name
2 Name of Operator Mack Energy Corporation 13837		7 If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No
3a Address P.O. Box 960 Artesia, NM 88211-0960	3b Phone No (include area code) (575)748-1288	8, Lease Name and Well No Mallard Federal #1 (37827)
4 Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements*) At surface 330 FNL & 330 FEL Unit A, Lots At proposed prod zone		9 API Well No 30-025-39522
14 Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* 12 miles north/northwest of Loco Hills, NM		10 Field and Pool, or Exploratory Maljamar; <del>Yes, West</del> Blinberry
15 Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft (Also to nearest drlg unit line, if any) 330		11 Sec, T R M or Blk and Survey or Area Sec. 5 T17S R32
16 No. of acres in lease 1,806.80		12 County or Parish Lea
17 Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40.03		13 State NM
18 Distance from proposed* location to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft 1320		
19 Proposed Depth 6000'		
20 BLM/BIA Bond No. on file NMB000286		
21 Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc) 4152' GR		22 Approximate date work will start* 8/20/09
		23 Estimated duration 10 days

24. Attachments

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

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

25. Signature <i>Jerry W. Sherrell</i>	Name (Printed/Typed) Jerry W. Sherrell	Date 7/20/2009
Title Production Clerk		
Approved by (Signature) /s/ Don Peterson	Name (Printed/Typed) /s/ Don Peterson	Date SEP - 5 2009
Title FOR FIELD MANAGER	Office CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE	

Application approval does not warrant or certify that the applicant holds a legally obtainable 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)

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached

Roswell Controlled Water Basin

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SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

**DISTRICT I**

1625 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**

11650 S. ST. FRANCIS DR., SANTA FE, NM 871650

**State of New Mexico**  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

**OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

11650 SOUTH ST. FRANCIS DR.  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 871650

**Form C-102**

Revised October 12, 2001

Submit to Appropriate District Office

State Lease - 4 Copies

For Lease - 3 Copies

**WELL LOCATION AND ACREAGE DEDICATION PLAT**☐ AMENDED REPORT

API Number <b>30-025-39522</b>	Pool Code <b>97598</b> ✓	Pool Name <b>Maljamar; Blinebry</b>
Property Code <b>37827</b>	Property Name <b>MALLARD FEDERAL</b> ✓	Well Number <b>1</b> ✓
OGRID No. <b>013837</b> ✓	Operator Name <b>MACK ENERGY CORPORATION</b> ✓	Elevation <b>4152'</b>

**Surface Location**

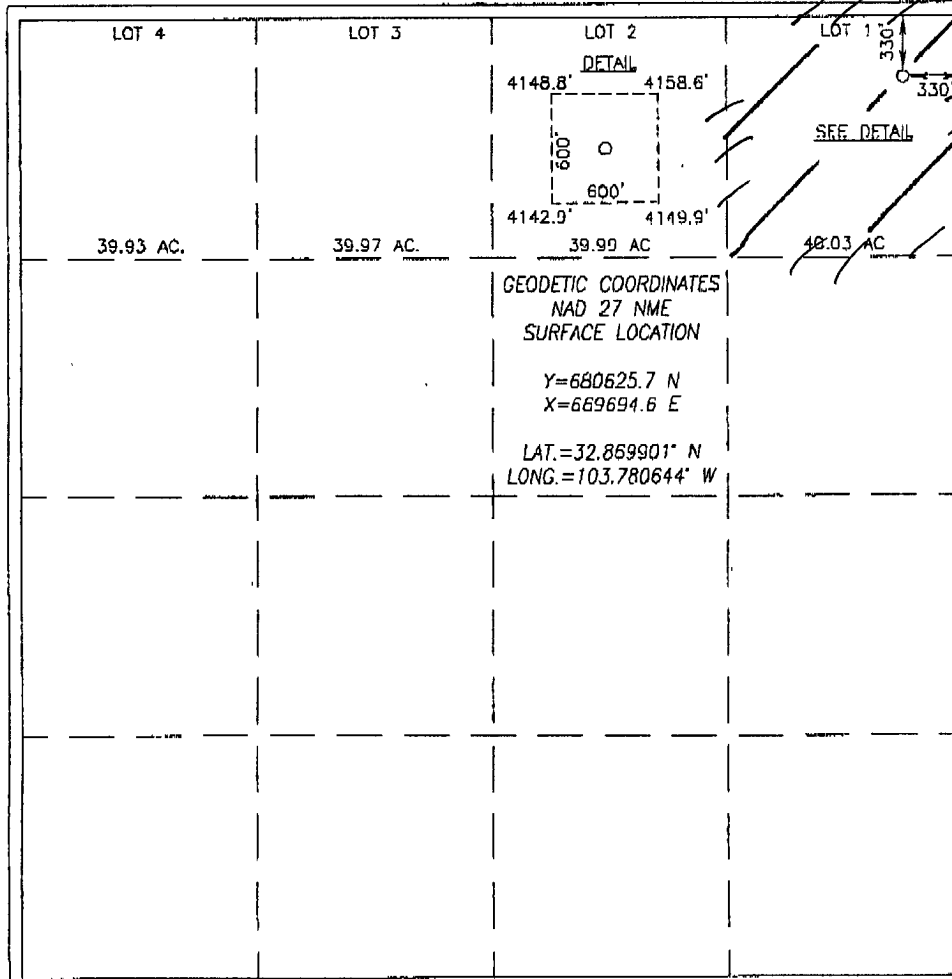
UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County
1	5	17-S	32-E		330	NORTH	330	EAST	LEA ✓

**Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface**

UL or lot No.	Section	Township	Range	Lot Idn	Feet from the	North/South line	Feet from the	East/West line	County

Dedicated Acres	Joint or Infill	Consolidation Code	Order No.
40.03			

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

**OPERATOR CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the information 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 mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.

*Jerry W. Sherrell*      9/24/09  
Signature      Date  
Jerry W. Sherrell  
Printed Name

**SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the well location shown on this plat was plotted from field notes of actual surveys made by me or under my supervision, and that the same is true and correct to the best of my belief.

JUL 24 6 55 PM '09

Date Surveyed      LA

Signature of Surveyor      12641

Professional Surveyor      09.11.0514

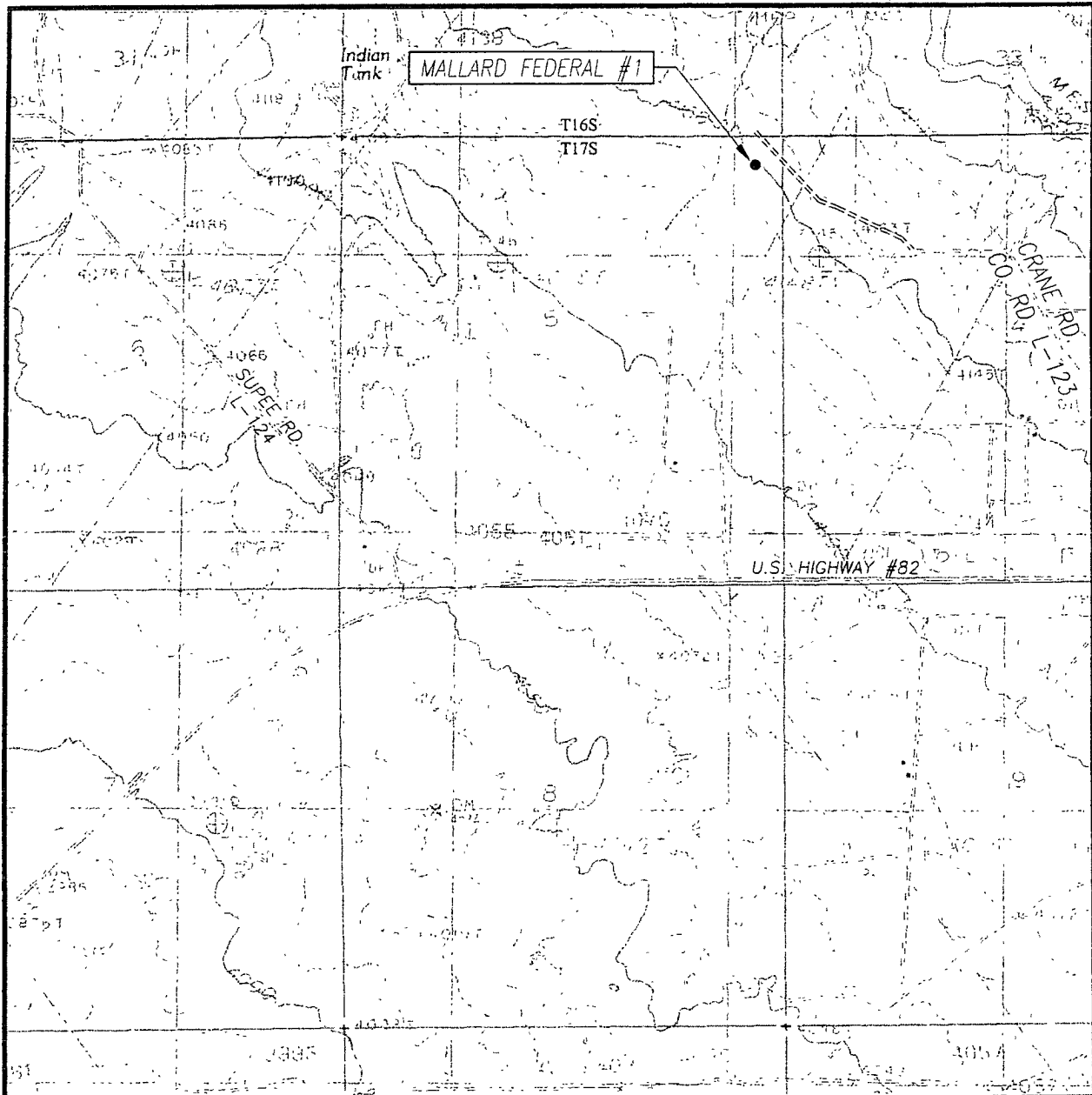
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Certificate No.      12641      3238

RONALD J. EIDSON



# LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2000'

CONTOUR INTERVAL:  
MALJAMAR, N.M. - 10'

SEC 5 TWP. 17-S RGE 32-E

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

COUNTY LEA STATE NEW MEXICO

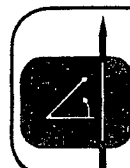
DESCRIPTION 330' FNL & 330' FEL

ELEVATION 4152'

OPERATOR MACK ENERGY CORPORATION

LEASE MALLARD FEDERAL

U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP  
MALJAMAR, N.M.

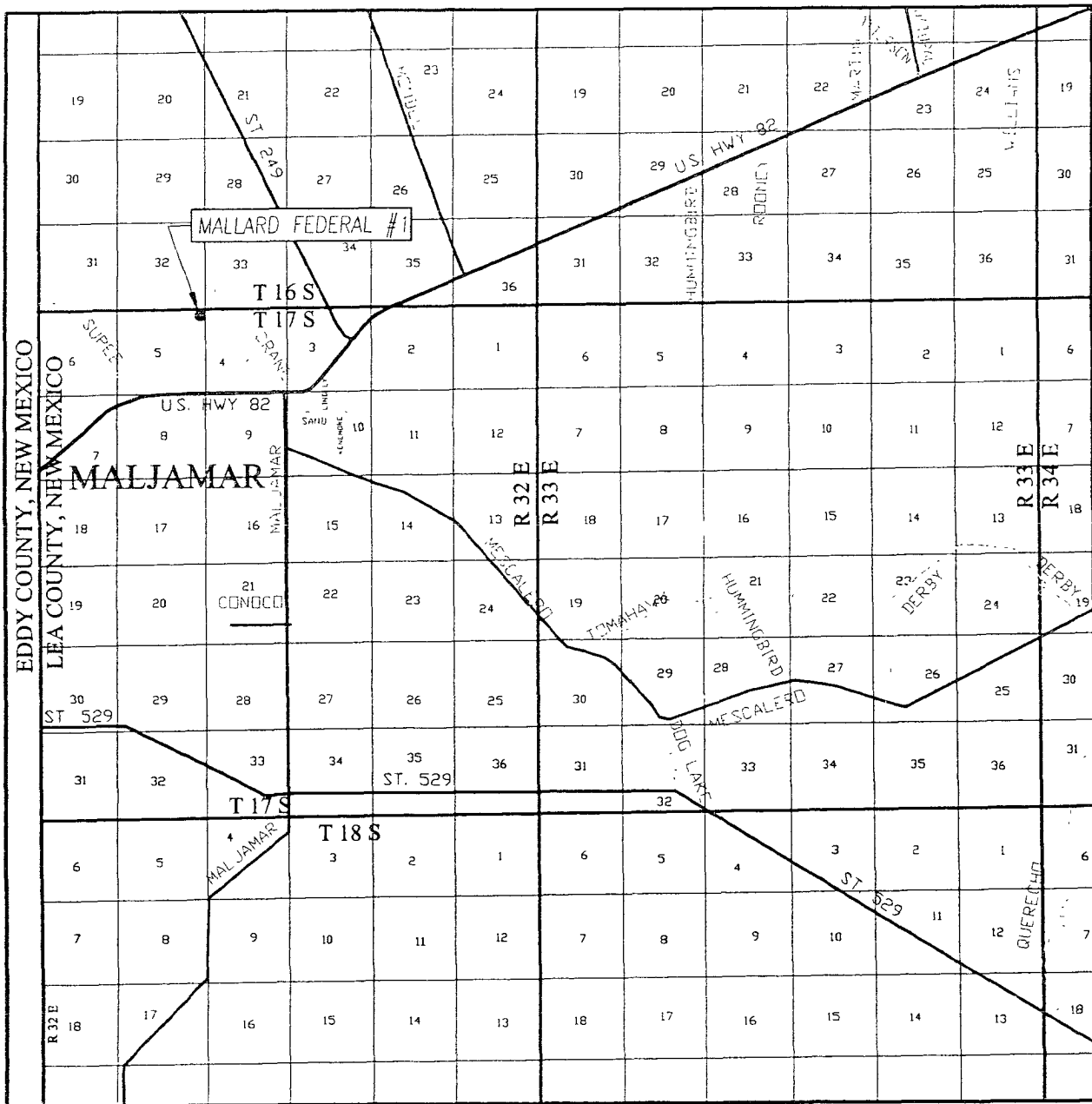


PROVIDING SURVEYING SERVICES  
SINCE 1946

**JOHN WEST SURVEYING COMPANY**

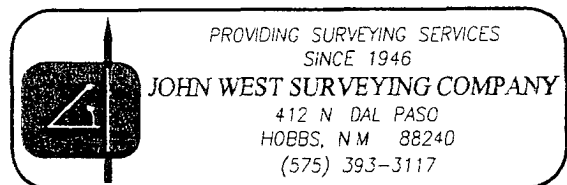
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HOBBS, N.M. 88240  
(575) 393-3117

# VICINITY MAP



SCALE: 1" = 2 MILES

SEC. 5 TWP. 17-S RGE. 32-E  
 SURVEY N.M.P.M.  
 COUNTY LEA STATE NEW MEXICO  
 DESCRIPTION 330' FNL & 330' FEL  
 ELEVATION 4152'  
 OPERATOR MACK ENERGY CORPORATION  
 LEASE MALLARD FEDERAL



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## DRILLING PROGRAM

### 1. Geologic Name of Surface Formation

Quaternary

### 2. Estimated Tops of Important Geologic Markers:

Quaternary	Surface
Queen	3160'
Grayburg	3612'
San Andres	3896'
Glorieta	5374'

### 3. Estimated Depths of Anticipated Fresh Water, Oil and Gas:

Water Sand	150'	Fresh Water
Grayburg	3612'	Oil/Gas
San Andres	3896'	Oil/Gas
Glorieta	5374'	Oil/Gas
Yeso	??	??

No other formations are expected to give up oil, gas or fresh water in measurable quantities. Setting 8 5/8" casing to ~~950'~~ and circulating cement back to surface will protect the surface fresh water sand. Any shallower zones above TD, which contain commercial quantities of oil and/or gas, will have cement circulated across them by cementing 5 1/2" production casing, sufficient cement will be pumped back to surface.

### 4. Casing Program:

	Hole Size	Interval	OD Casing	Wt, Grade, Jt, cond, collapse/burst/tension
See COA	12 1/4"	0- <del>950'</del>	8 5/8"	24#, J-55, ST&C, New, 2.950/5.570/5.900
	7 7/8"	0-6000'	5 1/2"	17#, L-80, LT&C, New, 2.372/2.722/2.580

### 5. Cement Program:

8 5/8" Surface Casing: Class C, 850sx yield 1.32  
5 1/2" Production Casing: Class C, 1000sx, yield 1.32.

### 6. Minimum Specifications for Pressure Control:

The blowout preventer equipment (BOP) shown in Exhibit #9 will consist of a double ram-type (3000 psi WP) minimum preventer. This unit will be hydraulically operated and the ram type preventer will be equipped with blind rams on top of 4 1/2" drill pipe rams on bottom. ~~The BOP will be nipped up on the 8 5/8" surface casing and tested to 1000 psi using the rig pump and used continuously until TD is reached.~~ All BOP's and accessory equipment will be tested to 2000 psi before drilling out of <sup>surface</sup> intermediate casing. Pipe rams will be operationally checked each 24-hour period. Blind rams will be operationally checked on each trip out of the hole. These checks will be noted on the daily tour sheets. Other accessories to the BOP equipment (Exhibit #10) will include a Kelly cock and floor safety valve and choke lines and choke manifold (Exhibit #11) with a minimum 3000 psi WP rating.

no  
intermediate  
casing  
w/I  
8/23/09

#### 7. Types and Characteristics of the Proposed Mud System:

The well will be drilled to TD with a combination of brine, cut brine and polymer mud system. The applicable depths and properties of this system are as follows:

DEPTH	TYPE	WEIGHT	VISCOSITY	WATERLOSS
0-950'	Fresh Water	8.5	28	N.C.
1150-TD	Cut Brine	9.1 10	29	N.C.

Sufficient mud materials to maintain mud properties and meet minimum lost circulation and weight increase requirements will be kept at the well site at all times.

#### 8. Auxiliary Well Control and Monitoring Equipment:

- A. Kelly cock will be kept in the drill string at all times.
- B. A full opening drill pipe-stabbing valve with proper drill pipe connections will be on the rig floor at all times.

#### 9. Logging, Testing and Coring Program: ← See COA

- A. The electric logging program will consist of GR-Dual Laterolog, Spectral Density, Dual Spaced Neutron, CSNG Log from T.D. to 8 5/8 casing shoe.
- B. Drill Stem test is not anticipated.
- C. No conventional coring is anticipated.
- D. Further testing procedures will be determined at TD.

#### 10. Abnormal Conditions, Pressures, Temperatures and Potential Hazards:

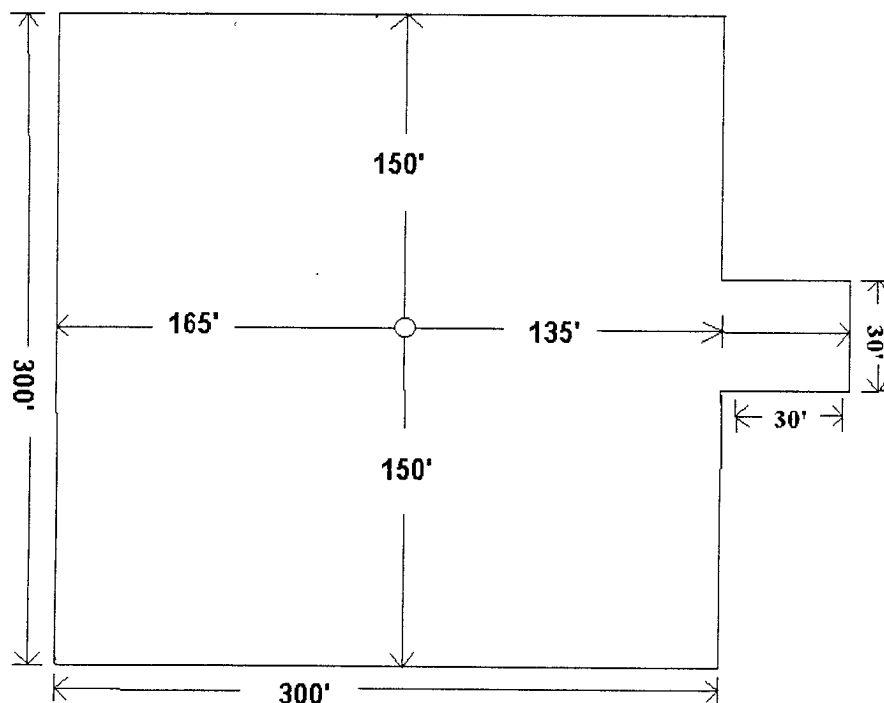
No abnormal pressures or temperatures are anticipated. The estimated bottom hole at TD is 120 degrees and estimated maximum bottom hole pressure is 2250 psig. Low levels of Hydrogen sulfide have been monitors in producing wells in the area, so H2S may be present while drilling of the well; a plan is attached to the Drilling program. No major loss of circulation zones has been reported in offsetting wells.

#### 11. Anticipated Starting Date and Duration of Operations:

Road and location work will not begin until approval has been received from the BLM. The anticipated spud date is August 20, 2009. Once commenced, the drilling operation should be finished in approximately 12 days. If the well is productive, an additional 30 days will be required for completion and testing before a decision is made to install permanent facilities.

**1. Well Site Layout:**

- A. The drill pad layout, with elevations staked by John West Engineering, is shown in Exhibit #6. Dimensions of the pad are shown. Topsoil, if available, will be stockpiled per BLM specifications. Because the pad is almost level no major cuts will be required.
- B. Diagram below shows the proposed orientation of the location. No permanent living facilities are planned, but a temporary foreman/toolpusher's trailer will be on location during the drilling operations.



*Exhibit #6*



Attached to Form 3160-3  
Mack Energy Corporation  
Mallard Federal #1  
330 FNL & 330 FEL  
Lot 1, Sec. 5 T17S R32E  
Lea County, NM

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**NOTES REGARDING THE BLOWOUT PREVENTERS**

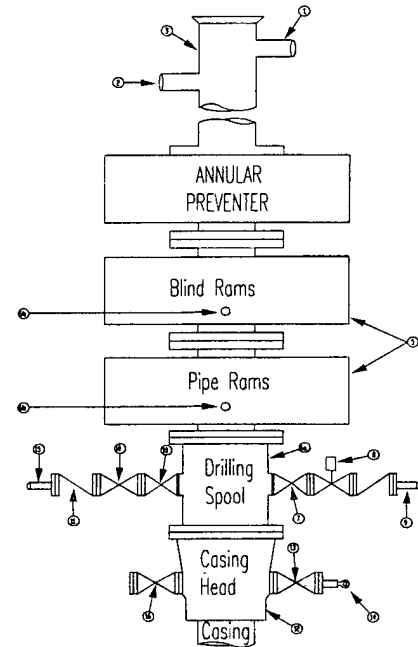
**Mallard Federal #1  
Lea County, New Mexico**

1. Drilling nipple to be so constructed that it can be removed without use of a welder through rotary table opening, with minimum I.D. equal to preventer bore.
2. Wear ring to be properly installed in head.
3. Blow out preventer and all fittings must be in good condition, 2000 psi WP minimum.
4. All fittings to be flanged.
5. Safety valve must be available on rig floor at all times with proper connections, valve to be full 2000 psi WP minimum.
6. All choke and fill lines to be securely anchored especially ends of choke lines.
7. Equipment through which bit must pass shall be at least as large as the diameter of the casing being drilled through.
8. Kelly cock on Kelly.
9. Extension wrenches and hands wheels to be properly installed.
10. Blow out preventer control to be located as close to driller's position as feasible.
11. Blow out preventer closing equipment to include minimum 40-gallon accumulator, two independent sources of pump power on each closing unit installation all API specifications.

**Mack Energy Corporation**  
**Minimum Blowout Preventer Requirements**  
3000 psi Working Pressure  
3 MWP  
**EXHIBIT #10**

**Stack Requirements**

NO	Items	Min I D	Min Nominal
1	Flowline		2"
2	Fill up line		2"
3	Drilling nipple		
4	Annular preventer		
5	Two single or one dual hydraulically operated rams		
6a	Drilling spool with 2" min. kill line and 3" min choke line outlets		2" Choke
6b	2" min kill line and 3" min. choke line outlets in ram. (Alternate to 6a above)		
7	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8	
8	Gate valve-power operated	3 1/8	
9	Line to choke manifold		3"
10	Valve Gate Plug	2 1/16	
11	Check valve	2 1/16	
12	Casing head		
13	Valve Gate Plug	1 13/16	
14	Pressure gauge with needle valve		
15	Kill line to rig mud pump manifold		2"



**OPTIONAL**

16	Flanged Valve	1 13/16	
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**CONTRACTOR'S OPTION TO FURNISH.**

- 1 All equipment and connections above bradenhead or casinghead. Working pressure of preventers to be 2000 psi minimum.
2. Automatic accumulator (80 gallons. minimum) capable of closing BOP in 30 seconds or less and, holding them closed against full rated working pressure.
3. BOP controls, to be located near drillers' position.
- 4 Kelly equipped with Kelly cock.
- 5 Inside blowout preventer or its equivalent on derrick floor at all times with proper threads to fit pipe being used
- 6 Kelly saver-sub equipped with rubber casing protector at all times.
- 7 Plug type blowout preventer tester.
- 8 Extra set pipe rams to fit drill pipe in use on location at all times.
- 9 Type RX ring gaskets in place of Type R.

**MEC TO FURNISH**

- 1 Bradenhead or casing head and side valves.
- 2 Wear bushing If required.

10.

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**GENERAL NOTES.**

1. Deviations from this drawing may be made only with the express permission of MEC's Drilling Manager.
- 2 All connections, valves, fittings, piping, etc , subject to well or pump pressure must be flanged (suitable clamp connections acceptable) and have minimum working pressure equal to rated working pressure of preventers up through choke valves must be full opening and suitable for high pressure mud service.
- 3 Controls to be of standard design and each marked, showing opening and closing position
4. Chokes will be positioned so as not to hamper or delay changing of choke beans.

**Replaceable parts for**

adjustable choke, or bean sizes, retainers, and choke wrenches to be conveniently located for immediate use

5. All valves to be equipped with hand-wheels or handles ready for immediate use
6. Choke lines must be suitably anchored.
7. Handwheels and extensions to be connected and ready for use.
- 8 Valves adjacent to drilling spool to be kept open Use outside valves except for emergency
- 9 All seamless steel control piping (2000 psi working pressure) to have flexible joints to avoid stress Hoses will be permitted
10. Casinghead connections shall not be used except in case of emergency.
- 11 Does not use kill line for routine fill up operations

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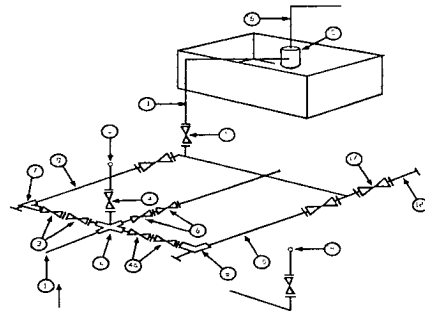
Exhibit #11

## MINIMUM CHOKE MANIFOLD

3,000, 5,000, and 10,000 PSI Working Pressure

3M will be used

3 MWP - 5 MWP - 10 MWP



Mud Pit

Reserve Pit

\* Location of separator optional

Below Substructure

### Minimum requirements

No.		3,000 MWP			5,000 MWP			10,000 MWP		
		I.D.	Nominal	Rating	I.D.	Nominal	Rating	I.D.	Nominal	Rating
1	Line from drilling Spool		3"	3,000		3"	5,000		3"	10,000
2	Cross 3" x 3" x 3" x 2"			3,000			5,000			
2	Cross 3" x 3" x 3" x 2"									10,000
3	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000
4	Valve Gate Plug	1 13/16		3,000	1 13/16		5,000	1 13/16		10,000
4a	Valves (1)	2 1/16		3,000	2 1/16		5,000	2 1/16		10,000
5	Pressure Gauge			3,000			5,000			10,000
6	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000
7	Adjustable Choke (3)	2"		3,000	2"		5,000	2"		10,000
8	Adjustable Choke	1"		3,000	1"		5,000	2"		10,000
9	Line		3"	3,000		3"	5,000		3"	10,000
10	Line		2"	3,000		2"	5,000		2"	10,000
11	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000
12	Line		3"	1,000		3"	1,000		3"	2,000
13	Line		3"	1,000		3"	1,000		3"	2,000
14	Remote reading compound Standpipe pressure gauge			3,000			5,000			10,000
15	Gas Separator		2' x 5'			2' x 5'			2' x 5'	
16	Line		4"	1,000		4"	1,000		4"	2,000
17	Valve Gate Plug	3 1/8		3,000	3 1/8		5,000	3 1/8		10,000

(1) Only one required in Class 3M

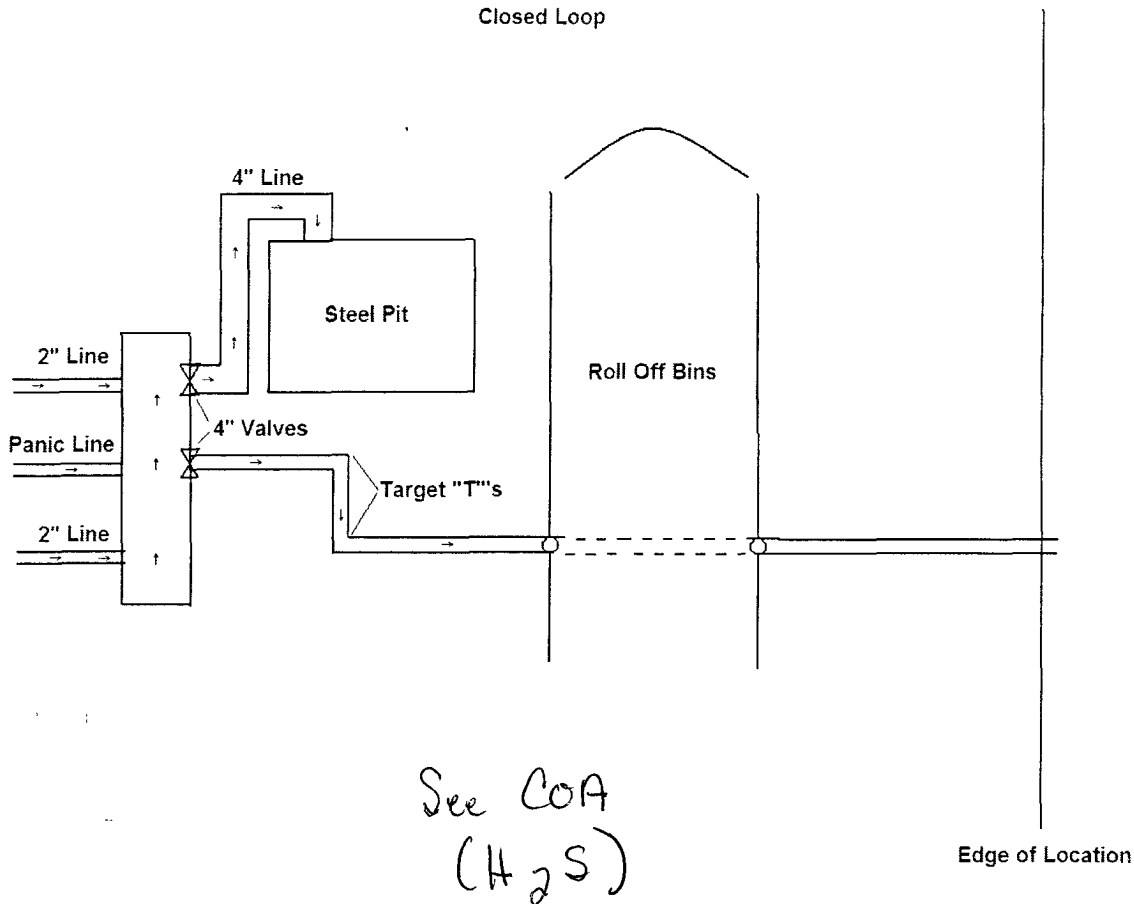
(2) Gate valves only shall be used for Class 10 M

(3) Remote operated hydraulic choke required on 5,000 psi and 10,000 psi for drilling.

### EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

- All connections in choke manifold shall be welded, studded, flanged or Cameron clamp of comparable rating.
- All flanges shall be API 6B or 6BX and ring gaskets shall be API RX or BX. Use only BX for 10 MWP
- All lines shall be securely anchored.
- Chokes shall be equipped with tungsten carbide seats and needles, and replacements shall be available
- alternate with automatic chokes, a choke manifold pressure gauge shall be located on the rig floor in conjunction with the standpipe pressure gauge
- Line from drilling spool to choke manifold should be as straight as possible. Lines downstream from chokes shall make turns by large bends or 90 degree bends using bull plugged tees

**Mack Energy Corporation**  
MANIFOLD SCHEMATIC



**Mack Energy Corporation**  
**Onshore Order #6**  
**Hydrogen Sulfide Drilling Operation Plan**

**I. HYDROGEN SULFIDE TRAINING**

All personnel, whether regularly assigned, contracted, or employed on an unscheduled basis, will receive training from a qualified instructor 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. The proper use and maintenance of personal protective equipment and life support systems.
3. The proper use of H<sub>2</sub>S detectors, alarms, warning systems, briefing areas, evacuation procedures, and prevailing winds.
4. The proper techniques for first aid and rescue procedures.

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

1. The effects of H<sub>2</sub>S on metal components. If high tensile tubular are to be used, personnel will be trained in their special maintenance requirements.
2. Corrective action and shut-in procedures when drilling or reworking a well and blowout prevention and well control procedures.
3. The contents and requirements of the H<sub>2</sub>S Drilling Operations Plan and Public Protection Plan.

There will be an initial training session just prior to encountering a known or probable H<sub>2</sub>S zone (within 3 days or 500 feet) and weekly H<sub>2</sub>S and well control drills for all personnel in each crew. The initial training session shall include a review of the site specific H<sub>2</sub>S Drilling Operations Plan and the Public Protection Plan. The concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S of wells in this area from surface to TD are low enough that a contingency plan is not required.

## **II. H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS**

Note: All H2S safety equipment and systems will be installed, tested, and operational when drilling reaches a depth of 500 feet above, or three days prior to penetrating the first zone containing or reasonable expected to contain H2S.

### **1. Well Control Equipment:**

- A. Flare line.
- B. Choke manifold.
- C. Blind rams and pipe rams to accommodate all pipe sizes with properly sized closing unit.
- D. Auxiliary equipment may include if applicable: annular preventer & rotating head.

### **2. Protective equipment for essential personnel:**

- A. Mark II Survive air 30-minute units located in the doghouse and at briefing areas, as indicated on well site diagram.

### **3. H2S detection and monitoring equipment:**

- A. 1 portable H2S monitors positioned on location for best coverage and response. These units have warning lights and audible sirens when H2S levels of 20 PPM are reached.

### **4. Visual warning systems:**

- A. Wind direction indicators as shown on well site diagram (Exhibit #8).
- B. Caution/Danger signs (Exhibit #7) shall be posted on roads providing direct access to location. Signs will be painted a high visibility yellow with black lettering of sufficient size to be readable at a reasonable distance from the immediate location. Bilingual signs will be used, when appropriate. See example attached.

### **5. Mud program:**

- A. The mud program has been designed to minimize the volume of H2S circulated to surface. Proper mud weight, safe drilling practices and the use of H2S scavengers will minimize hazards when penetrating H2S bearing zones.

**6. Metallurgy:**

- A. All drill strings, casings, tubing, wellhead, blowout preventer, drilling spool, kill lines, choke manifold and lines, and valves shall be suitable for H<sub>2</sub>S service.
- B. All elastomers used for packing and seals shall be H<sub>2</sub>S trim.

**7. Communication:**

- A. Radio communications in company vehicles including cellular telephone and 2-way radio.
- B. Land line (telephone) communication at Office.

**8. Well testing:**

- A. Drill stem testing will be performed with a minimum number of personnel in the immediate vicinity, which are necessary to safely and adequately conduct the test. The drill stem testing will be conducted during daylight hours and formation fluids will not be flowed to the surface. All drill-stem-testing operations conducted in an H<sub>2</sub>S environment will use the closed chamber method of testing.
- B. There will be no drill stem testing.

**EXHIBIT #7**

**WARNING**

**YOU ARE ENTERING AN H<sub>2</sub>S  
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY**

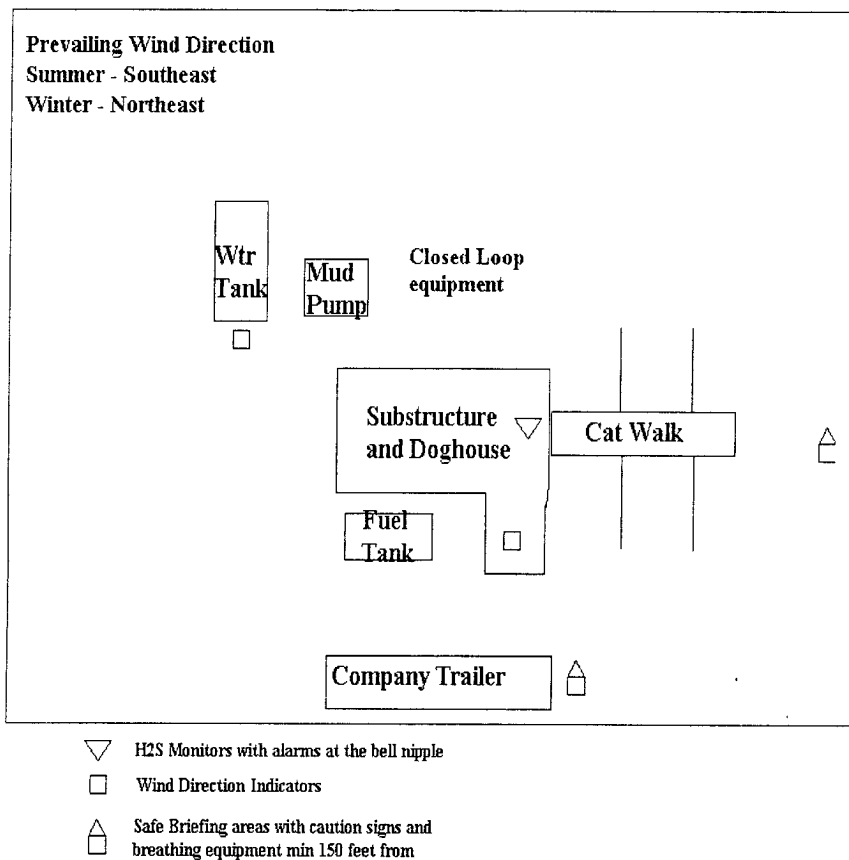
- 1. BEARDS OR CONTACT LENSES NOT ALLOWED**
- 2. HARD HATS REQUIRED**
- 3. SMOKING IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY**
- 4. BE WIND CONSCIOUS AT ALL TIMES**
- 5. CHECK WITH MACK ENERGY FOREMAN AT  
OFFICE**

**MACK ENERGY CORPORATION**

**1-575-748-1288**

**DRILLING LOCATION H2S SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

Exhibit # 8





## **Mack Energy Corporation Call List, Eddy County**

<b>Artesia (575)</b>	<b>Cellular</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Home</b>
Jim Krogman.....	746-5515.....	748-1288.....	746-2674
Lonnie Archer.....	746-7889.....	748-1288.....	365-2998
Donald Archer.....	748-7875.....	748-1288.....	748-2287
Chris Davis.....	746-7132.....	748-1288.....	
Kevin Garrett.....	746-7423.....	748-1288.....	

### **Agency Call List (575)**

#### **Artesia**

State Police.....	746-2703
City Police.....	746-2703
Sheriff's Office.....	746-9888
Ambulance.....	911
Fire Department.....	746-2701
LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee.....	746-2122
NMOCD.....	748-1283

#### **Carlsbad**

State Police.....	885-3137
City Police.....	885-2111
Sheriff's Office.....	887-7551
Ambulance.....	911
Fire Department.....	885-2111
LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee.....	887-3798
Bureau of Land Management.....	887-6544
New Mexico Emergency Response Commission.....	(505)476-9690
24 Hour.....	(505)827-9126
Natonal Emergency Response Center (Washington).....	(800)424-8802

#### **Emergency Services**

Boots & Coots IWC.....	1-800-256-9688 or (281)931-8884
Cudd pressure Control.....	(915)699-0139 or (915)563-3356
Halliburton.....	746-2757
B. J. Services.....	746-3569
Flight For Life-Lubbock, TX.....	(806)743-9911
Aerocare-Lubbock, TX.....	(806)747-8923
Med Flight Air Amb-Albuquerque, NM.....	(505)842-4433
Lifeguard Air Med Svc. Albuquerque, NM.....	(505)272-3115

## APD CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or person under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drill site and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which currently exist; that the statements made in this APD, are to the best of my knowledge, true and correct; and the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Mack Energy Corporation and its contractors and subcontractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions which it is approved. This statement is subject to the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1001 for the filing of a false statement.

Date: 7-21-09

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Jerry W. Sherrell  
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# PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	Mack Energy Corporation
LEASE NO.:	NMLC029406B
WELL NAME & NO.:	Mallard Federal # 1
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	330' FNL & 330' FEL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE	Same
LOCATION:	Section 5, 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)**

The wellpad will be constructed with the v-door to the northeast and limited to 150 feet to the northwest in order to avoid the buried water pipeline approximately 150 feet northwest of the well center hole.

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**

The operator shall stockpile the topsoil of the well pad. The topsoil to be stripped is approximately 6 inches in depth. The topsoil shall not be used to backfill the reserve pit and will be used for interim and final reclamation.

### **C. CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM**

Closed Loop System: v-door northeast

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**

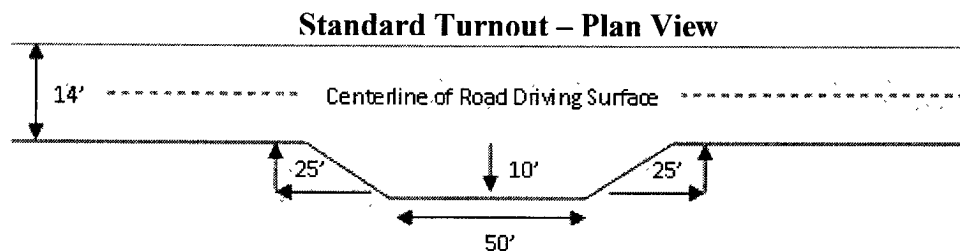
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### **Ditching**

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

### **Turnouts**

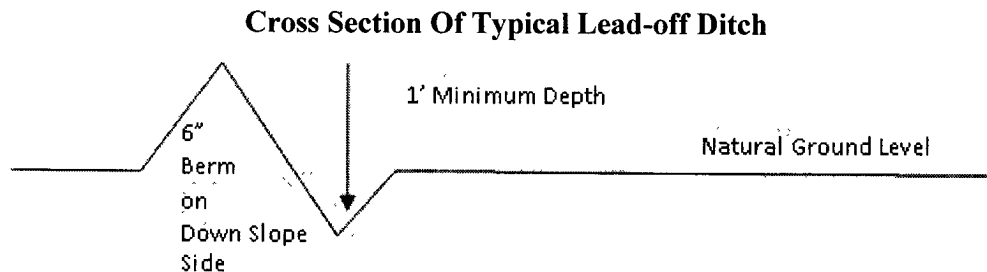
Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:



## **Drainage**

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

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



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

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

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

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

## **Culvert Installations**

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

## **Cattleguards**

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

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

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

## **Fence Requirement**

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

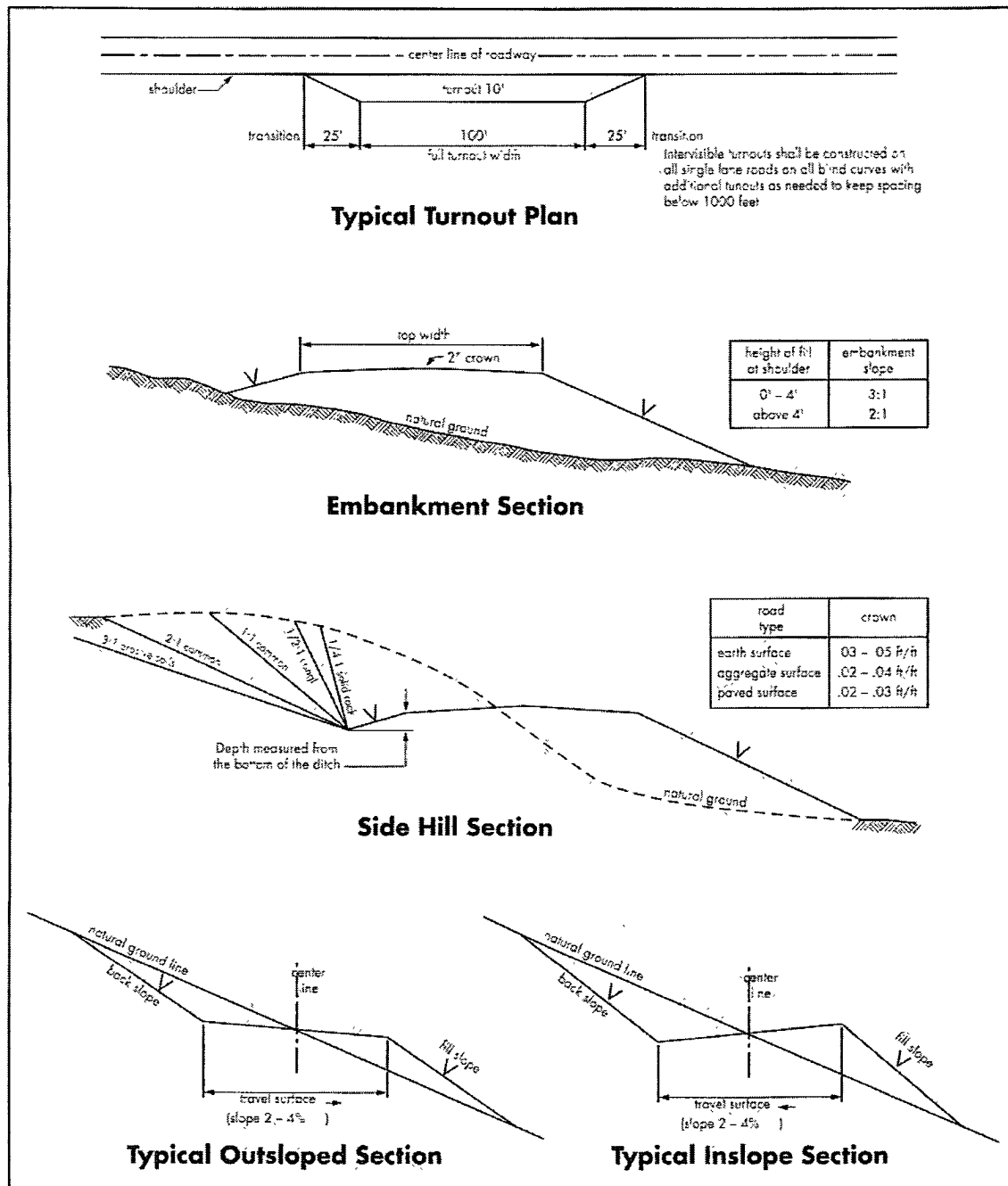


The operator shall notify the private surface landowner or the grazing allotment holder prior to crossing any fence(s).

**Public Access**

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

**Figure 1 – Cross Sections and Plans For Typical Road Sections**



## VII. DRILLING

### A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

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

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

☒ **Lea County**

Call the Hobbs Field Station, 414 West Taylor, Hobbs NM 88240,  
(575) 393-3612

1. A Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Drilling Plan should be activated 500 feet prior to drilling into the **Grayburg** 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.
3. **The record of the drilling rate along with the CAL/GR/N well log run from TD to surface will be submitted to the BLM office as well as all other logs run on the borehole 30 days from completion. The Rustler top and top and bottom of Salt are to be recorded on the Completion Report.**

### 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 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 1000 feet (a minimum of 25 feet into the Rustler Anhydrite and above the salt)** and cemented to the surface.
  - a. If cement does not circulate to the surface, the appropriate BLM office shall be notified and a temperature survey utilizing an electronic type temperature survey with a surface log readout will be used or a cement bond log shall be run to verify the top of the cement.
  - b. **Wait on cement (WOC) time for a primary cement job is to include the lead cement slurry.**
  - c. Wait on cement (WOC) time for a remedial job will be a minimum of 4 hours after bringing cement to surface or 500 pounds compressive strength, whichever is greater.
  - d. If cement falls back, remedial cementing will be done prior to drilling out that string.

**Saturated brine water mud to be used to drill the production hole.**

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5 1/2 inch production casing is:
  - ☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate, contact the appropriate BLM office. **Additional cement may be needed as excess calculates to less than 25%.**
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. Minimum working pressure of the blowout preventer (BOP) and related equipment (BOPE) required for drilling below the surface casing shoe shall be **3000 (3M) psi. Operator is installing a 3M system, but testing as a 2M.**
3. 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. **Effective November 1, 2008, no variances will be granted on reduced pressure tests on the surface casing and BOP/BOPE. Onshore Order 2 requirements will be in effect.**

#### **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**

### **C. ELECTRIC LINES**

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

### **A. INTERIM RECLAMATION**

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

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

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 2, for Sandy Sites

The holder shall seed all disturbed areas with the seed mixture listed below. The seed mixture shall be planted in the amounts specified in pounds of pure live seed (PLS)\* per acre. There shall be 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>
Sand dropseed ( <i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i> )	1.0
Sand love grass ( <i>Eragrostis trichodes</i> )	1.0
Plains bristlegrass ( <i>Setaria macrostachya</i> )	2.0

\*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.

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

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.