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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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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. NM-68084	
1b. Type of Well: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil Well <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Well <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Zone <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Zone		6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name	
2. Name of Operator Devon Energy Production Company, LP		7. If Unit or CA Agreement, Name and No.	
3a. Address 20 North Broadway Oklahoma City, Oklahoma City 73102-8260		8. Lease Name and Well No. <b>&lt;30873&gt;</b> Mesa Verde 7 Federal 4	
3b. Phone No. (include area code) 405-552-8198		9. API Well No. 30-025-39586	
4. Location of Well (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements *) At surface 2150 FNL & 1980 FWL, Unit F At proposed prod zone 2150 FNL & 1980 FWL, Unit F		10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Mesa Verde Bone Spring <b>&lt;96229&gt;</b>	
11. Sec., T. R. M. or Blk. and Survey or Area Sec 7, T24S R32E		12. County or Parish Lea County	
13. State NM		14. Distance in miles and direction from nearest town or post office* Approximately 22 miles east of Loving, NM	
15. Distance from proposed* location to nearest property or lease line, ft. (Also to nearest drig unit line, if any) 490'	16. No. of acres in lease 421.56	17. Spacing Unit dedicated to this well 40	
18. Distance from proposed location* to nearest well, drilling, completed, applied for, on this lease, ft. 1524'	19. Proposed Depth 9,900'	20. BLM/BIA Bond No. on file CO-1104	
21. Elevations (Show whether DF, KDB, RT, GL, etc.) 3550' GL	22. Approximate date work will start* 01/01/2010	23. Estimated duration 30 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:

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

25. Signature 	Name (Printed/Typed) Norvella Adams	Date 09/28/2009
Title Sr. Staff Eng. Tech		

Approved by (Signature) /s/ James Stovall	Name (Printed/Typed) James Stovall	Date NOV 19 2009
Title FIELD MANAGER		
Office CARLSBAD FIELD OFFICE		

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)

Carlsbad Controlled Water Basin

Approval Subject to General Requirements  
& Special Stipulations Attached

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SEE ATTACHED FOR  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

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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**

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

State of New Mexico

Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

Form C-102

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Fee Lease - 3 Copies

**HOBBS****CONSERVATION DIVISION**

1220 South St. Francis Dr.

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505

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

API Number <b>30-025-39586</b>	Pool Code <b>96229</b>	Pool Name Mesa Verde Bone Springs
Property Code <b>30873</b>	Property Name MESA VERDE "7" FEDERAL	Well Number 4
GRID No. 6137	Operator Name DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.	Elevation 3550'

**Surface Location**

UL or lot No. F	Section 7	Township 24 S	Range 32 E	Lot Idn	Feet from the 2150	North/South line NORTH	Feet from the 1980	East/West line WEST	County LEA
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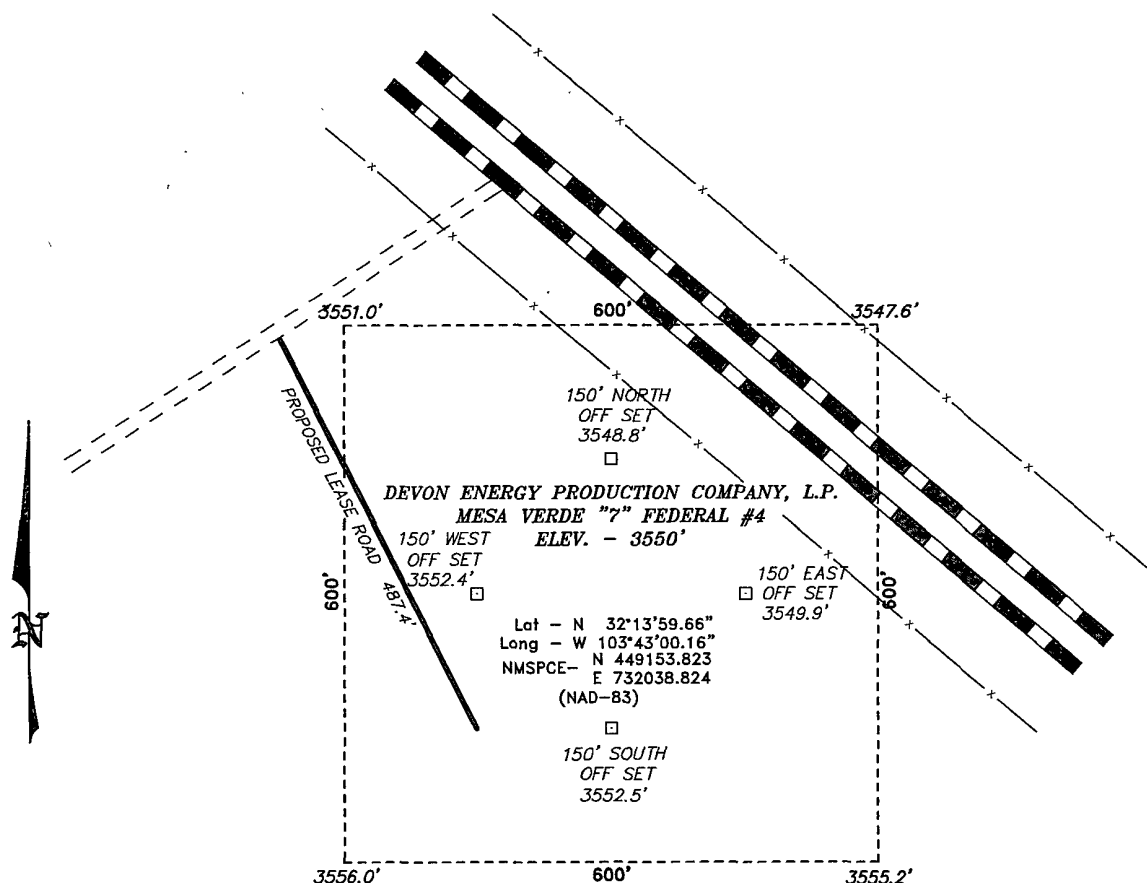
**Bottom Hole Location If Different From Surface**

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

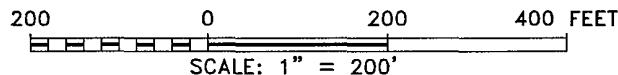
	<b>OPERATOR CERTIFICATION</b>  I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this organization either owns a working interest or unleased mineral interest in the land including the proposed bottom hole location pursuant to a contract with an owner of such a mineral or working interest, or to a voluntary pooling agreement or a compulsory pooling order heretofore entered by the division.  Signature _____ Date <u>9/28/09</u>  Norvella Adams Printed Name
	<b>SURVEYOR CERTIFICATION</b>  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.  Date Surveyed _____ Signature & Seal of Professional Surveyor 
	Certificate No. Gary L. Jones 7977
	<b>Basin Surveys</b>

SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, N.M.P.M.,  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.



Directions to Location:

FROM THE JUNCTION OF BUCK JACKSON AND STATE  
HWY 128; GO 0.6 MILES SOUTHWEST ON BUCK  
JACKSON FOR 175' TO PROPOSED LEASE ROAD.



**DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.**

REF: MESA VERDE "7" FEDERAL #4 / WELL PAD TOPO

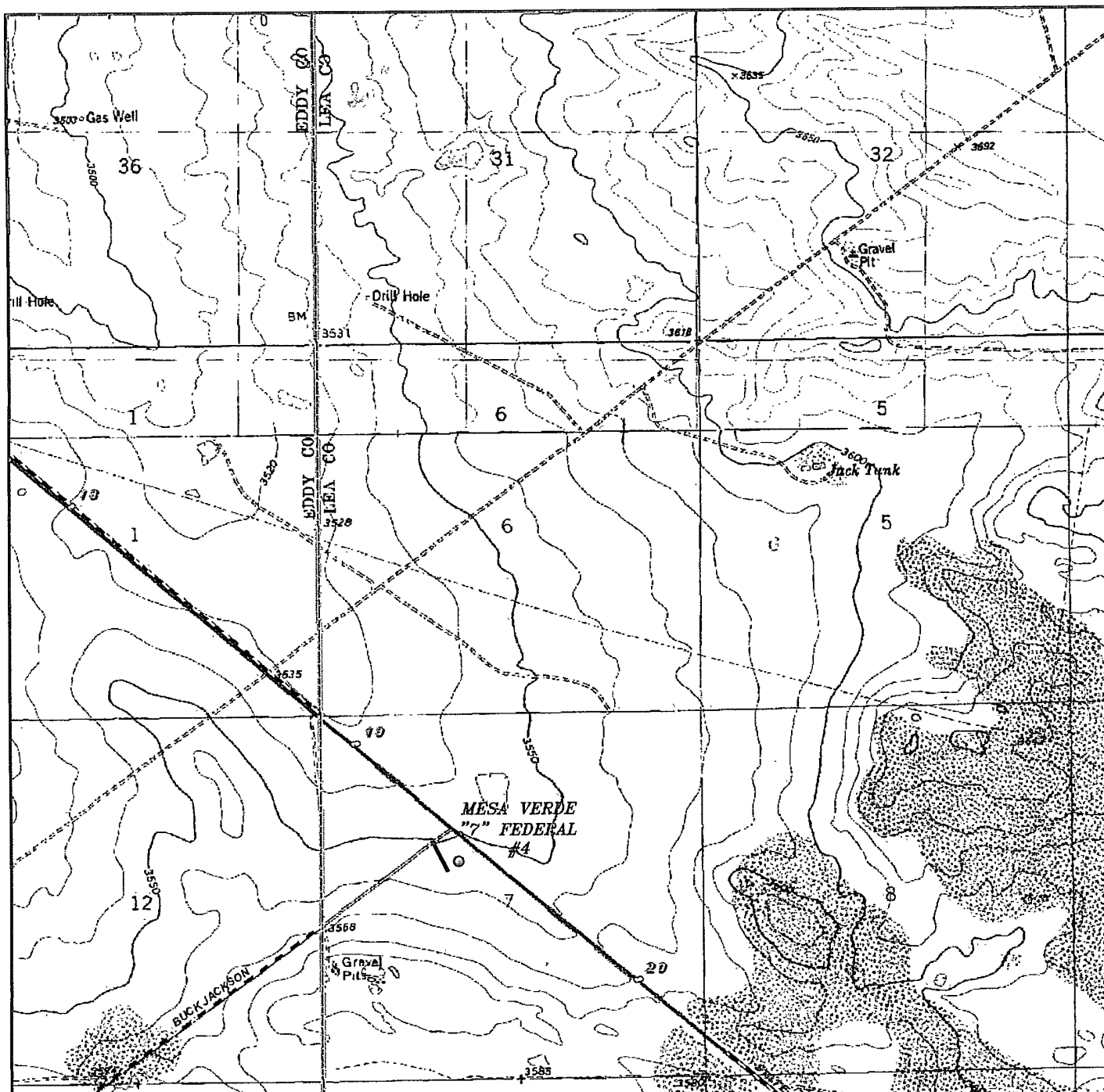
THE MESA VERDE "7" FEDERAL #4 LOCATED 2150'  
FROM THE NORTH LINE AND 1980' FROM THE WEST LINE OF  
SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST,  
N.M.P.M., LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

**BASIN SURVEYS** P.O. BOX 1786-HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

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**MESA VERDE "7" FEDERAL #4**  
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 Section 7, Township 24 South, Range 32 East,  
 N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico.

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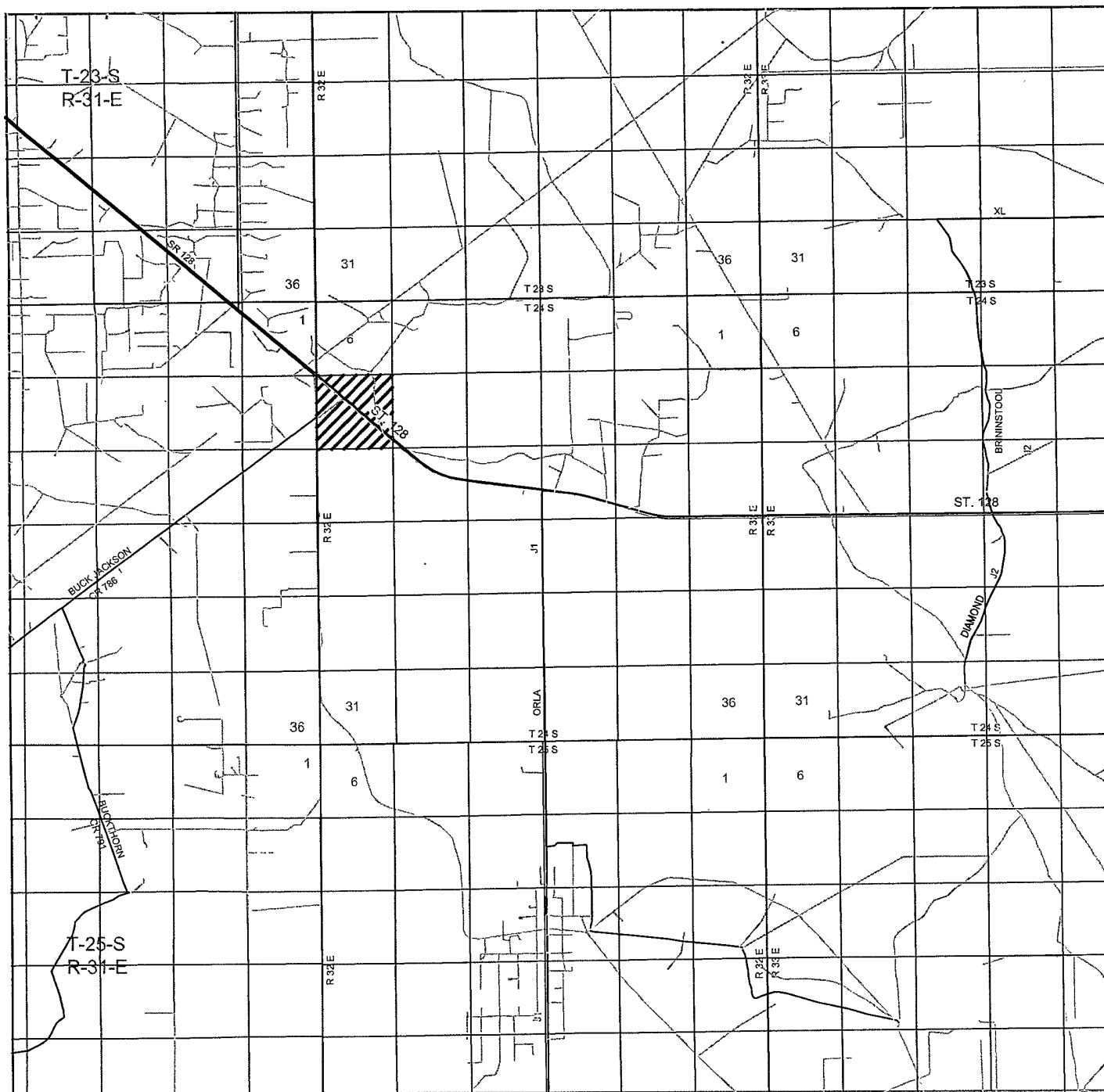
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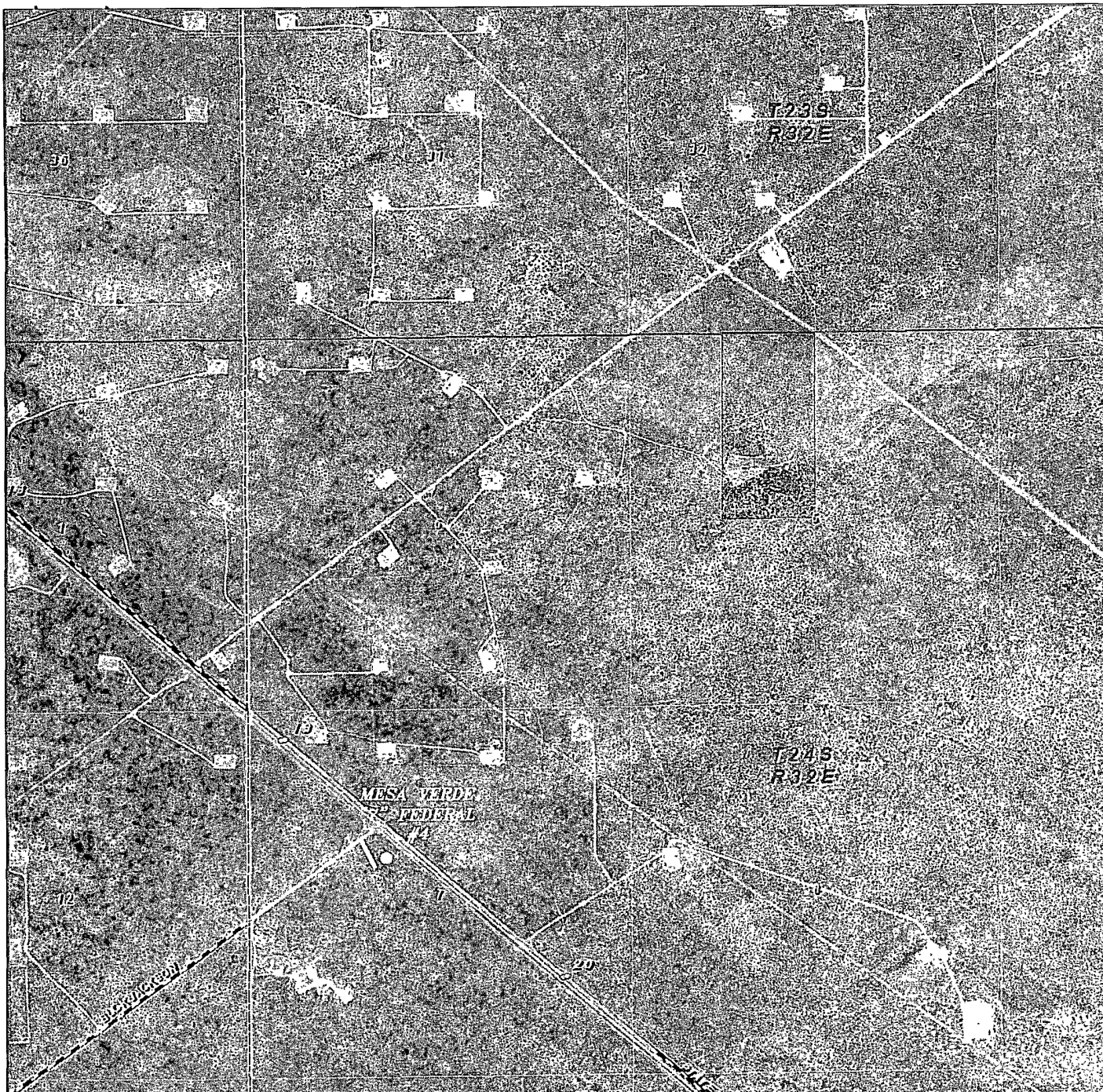
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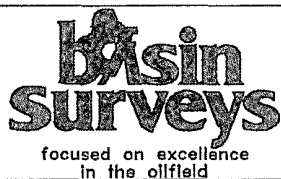
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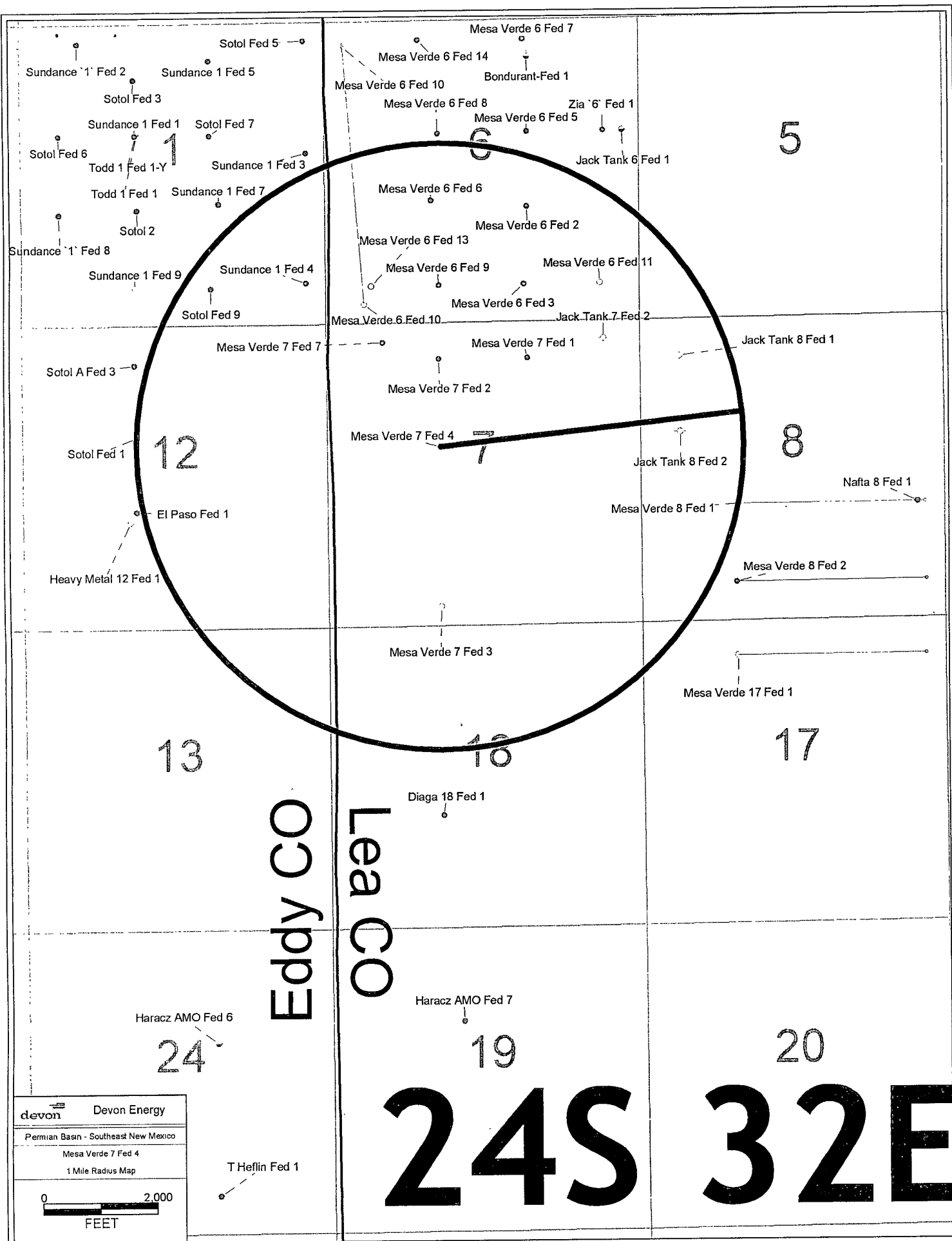
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## DRILLING PROGRAM

Devon Energy Production Company, LP

### **Mesa Verde 7 Federal 4**

Surface Location: 2150' FNL & 1980' FWL, Unit F, Sec 7 T24S R32E, Lea, NM

Bottom Hole Location: 2150' FNL & 1980' FWL, Unit F, Sec 7 T24S R32E, Lea, NM

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

a. Quaternary Alluvium

#### **2. Estimated Tops of Geological Markers & Depths of Anticipated Fresh Water, Oil or Gas:**

a. Quaternary	20'	Fresh Water
b. Rustler	853'	Fresh Water
c. Salado	1185'	
d. Delaware/Lamar	4587'	
e. Bell Canyon	4628'	Oil
f. Cherry Canyon	5528'	Oil
g. Brushy Canyon	6779'	Oil
h. Bone Spring	8457'	Oil

No other formations are expected to yield oil, gas or fresh water in measurable volumes. The surface fresh water sands will be protected by setting 8 5/8" casing at 4500' and circulating cement back to surface. The Bone Spring intervals will be isolated by setting 5 1/2" casing to total depth and circulating cement 4000'.

#### **3. Casing Program:**

<u>Hole Size</u>	<u>Hole Interval</u>	<u>OD Csg</u>	<u>Casing Interval</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Collar</u>	<u>Grade</u>
14 3/4"	0' - 900'	11 3/4"	0' - 900'	42#	ST&C	H-40
11"	900' - 4500'	8 5/8"	0' - 4500'	24# & 32#	LT&C	K-55
7 7/8"	4500' - 9,900'	5 1/2"	0-9,900'	17#	LT&C	N-80
→ Per Operator 0-2000' 8 5/8" 24# J-55 ST+C						
2000-4500' 8 5/8" 32# J-55 LT+C						

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#### **Design Parameter Factors:**

<u>Casing Size</u>	<u>Collapse Design Factor</u>	<u>Burst Design Factor</u>	<u>Tension Design Factor</u>
11 3/4"	2.54	4.7	2.42
8 5/8"	1.25	1.95	2.89
5 1/2"	1.34	1.65	2.04



4. **Cement Program:** - See COA

- a. 11 3/4" Surface Lead with 285 sx (35:65) Poz Class C + 5% NaCl + 1/4 lbs/sx Celloflake, and 4% Bentonite + 1% Sodium Metasilicate + 5% MPA-5; 12.8 ppg, 1.96 cf/sx, 10.56 gps. Tail with 300 sx Class C + 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 1/4 lbs/sx Celloflake; 14.8 ppg, 1.35 cf/sx, 6.35 gps. TOC = 0.
- b. 8 5/8" Intermediate Lead with 955 sx (35:65) Poz Class C + 2% CaCl<sub>2</sub> + 1/4 lbs/sx Cello Flake + 6% Bentonite + 5% NaCl; 12.5 ppg, 2.04 cf/sx, 11.24 gps. Tail with 300 sx Class C + 1/4 lbs/sx Cello Flake; 14.8 ppg, 1.35 cf/sx, 6.35 gps. TOC = 0.
- c. 5 1/2" Production Stage 1: 435 sx (15:61:11) Class C + 1% KCl + 0.75% EC-1 + 0.4% CD-32 + 3 #/sx LCM-1 + 0.6% FL-25 + 0.6% FL-52A; 13.30 ppg, 1.56 cf/sx, 7.55 gps.. Stage 2: Lead with 375 sx (35:65) Poz Class C + 1/4 #/sx Cello Flake + 6% Bentonite; 12.50 ppg, 1.94 cf/sx, 10.65 pgs. Tail with 150 sx (60:40) Poz Class C + 2% NaCl + 0.1% Sodium Metasilicate + 4% MPA-5; 13.8 ppg, 1.35 cf/sx, 6.29 gps. TOC = 4,000. DV tool set at 6,950'.

The above cement volumes could be revised pending the caliper measurement from the open hole logs. All casing is new and API approved.

5. **Pressure Control Equipment:**

See COA { The blowout prevention system will consist of a bag type (hydril) preventer, a double ram preventer stack, and a rotating head. Both the hydril and ram stack will be hydraulically operated. Both BOP systems will be rated at 5000 psi. Prior to drilling out the the 11 3/4" surface shoe the ram stack will be nipped up with 4.5" pipe rams installed. **The hydril will be tested to 1000 psi (high) and 250 psi (low). Tests on the 5000 psi BOP will be conducted per the BLM Drilling Operations Order #2.**

The ram system will be operated and checked each 24-hour period and each time the drill pipe is out of the hole. These tests will be logged in the daily driller's log. A 2" kill line and 3" choke line will be incorporated into the drilling spool below the ram BOP. In addition to the rams and hydril, other BOP accessories include a kelly cock, floor safety valve, choke lines and choke manifold rated at 5000 psi WP.

6. **Proposed Mud Circulation System**

<u>Depth</u>	<u>Mud Wt.</u>	<u>Visc</u>	<u>Fluid Loss</u>	<u>Type System</u>
0' - 900'	8.4 - 9.0	32-34	NC	Fresh Water
900' - 4500'	8.6 - 9.0	28-30	NC	Brine
4500' - 9,900'	8.6 - 9.0	28	NC-20 cc	Fresh Water

The necessary mud products for weight addition and fluid loss control will be on location at all times.

**7. Auxiliary Well Control and Monitoring Equipment:**

- a. A Kelly cock will be in the drill string at all times.
- b. A full opening drill pipe stabbing valve having the appropriate connections will be on the rig floor at all times.
- c. Hydrogen Sulfide detection equipment will be in operation after drilling out the 8 5/8" casing shoe until the 5 1/2" casing is cemented. Breathing equipment will be on location upon drilling the 8 5/8" shoe until total depth is reached.

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

- a. Drill stem tests will be based on geological sample shows.
- b. If a drill stem test is anticipated; a procedure, equipment to be used and safety measures will be provided via sundry notice to the BLM.
- c. The open hole electrical logging program will be:
  - i. Total Depth to Intermediate Casing and Gamma Ray. Compensated Neutron – Z Density log with Gamma Ray and Caliper. Dual Laterolog-Micro Laterolog with SP
  - ii. Total Depth to Surface Compensated Neutron with Gamma Ray
  - iii. No coring program is planned
  - iv. Additional testing will be initiated subsequent to setting the 5 1/2" production casing. Specific intervals will be targeted based on log evaluation, geological sample shows and drill stem tests.

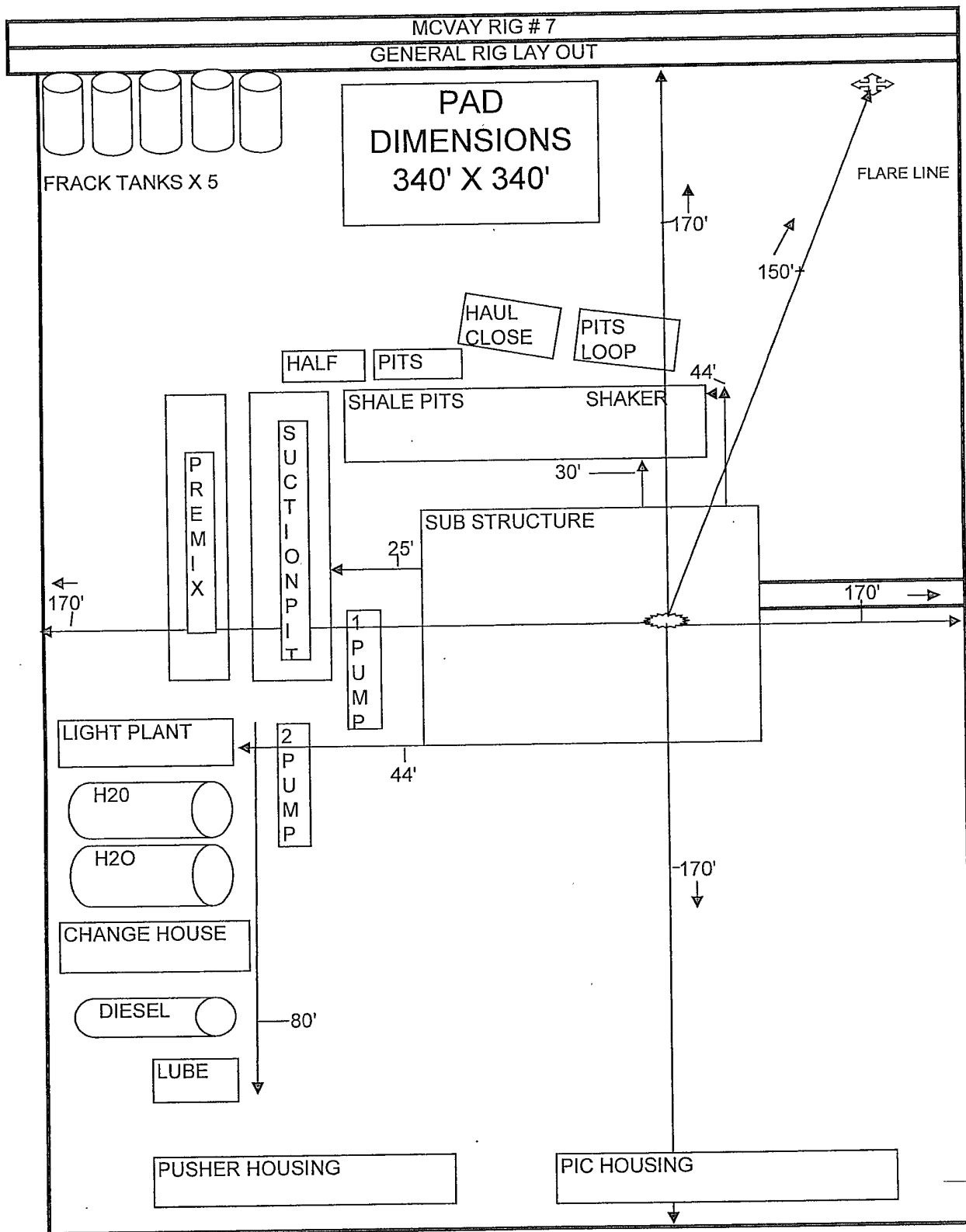
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**9. Potential Hazards:**

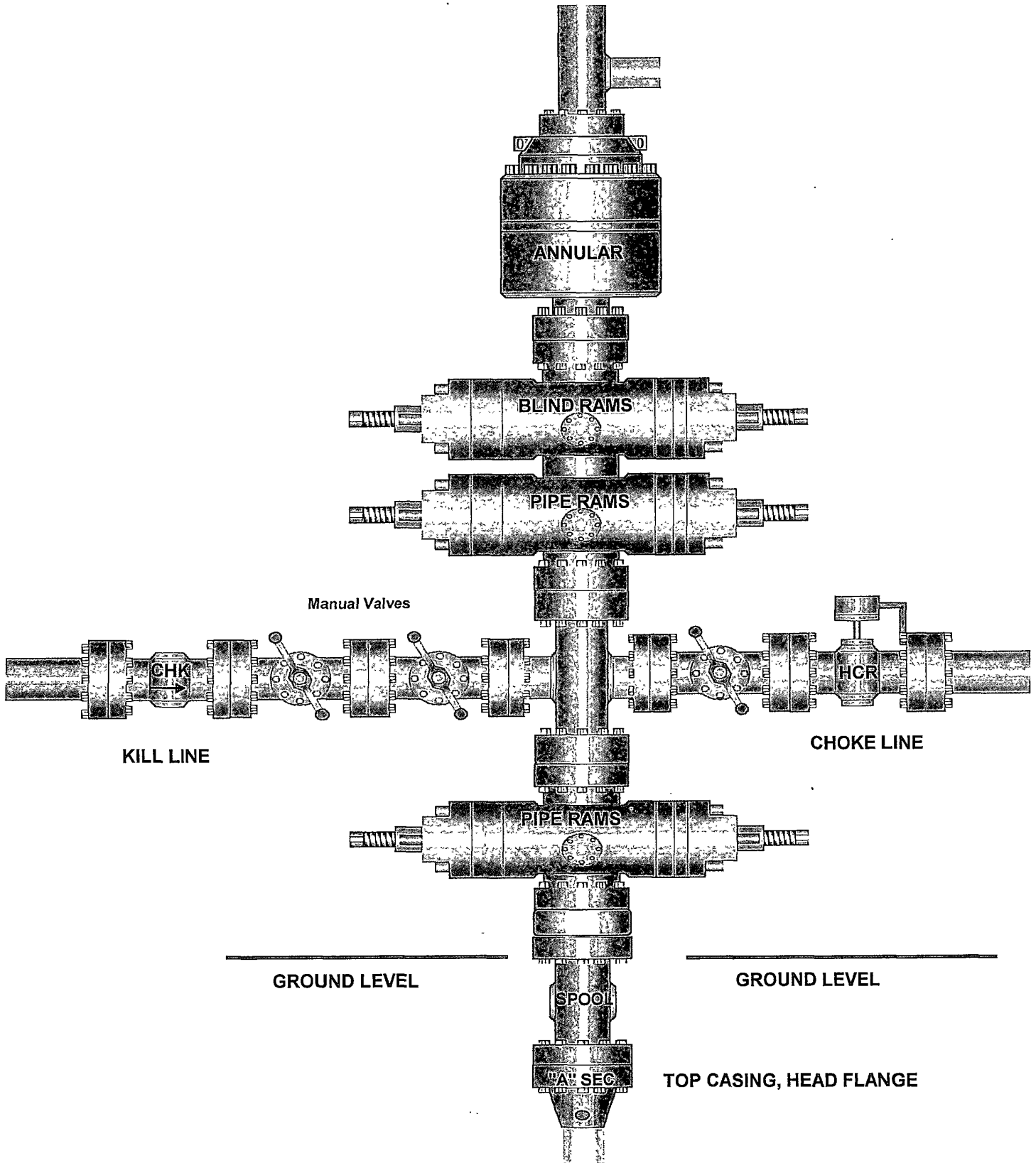
- a. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected. A H2S contingency plan will be provided. All personnel will be familiar with all aspects of safe operation of equipment being used to drill this well. Estimated BHP 800 psi and Estimated BHT 130°.

**10. Anticipated Starting Date and Duration of Operations:**

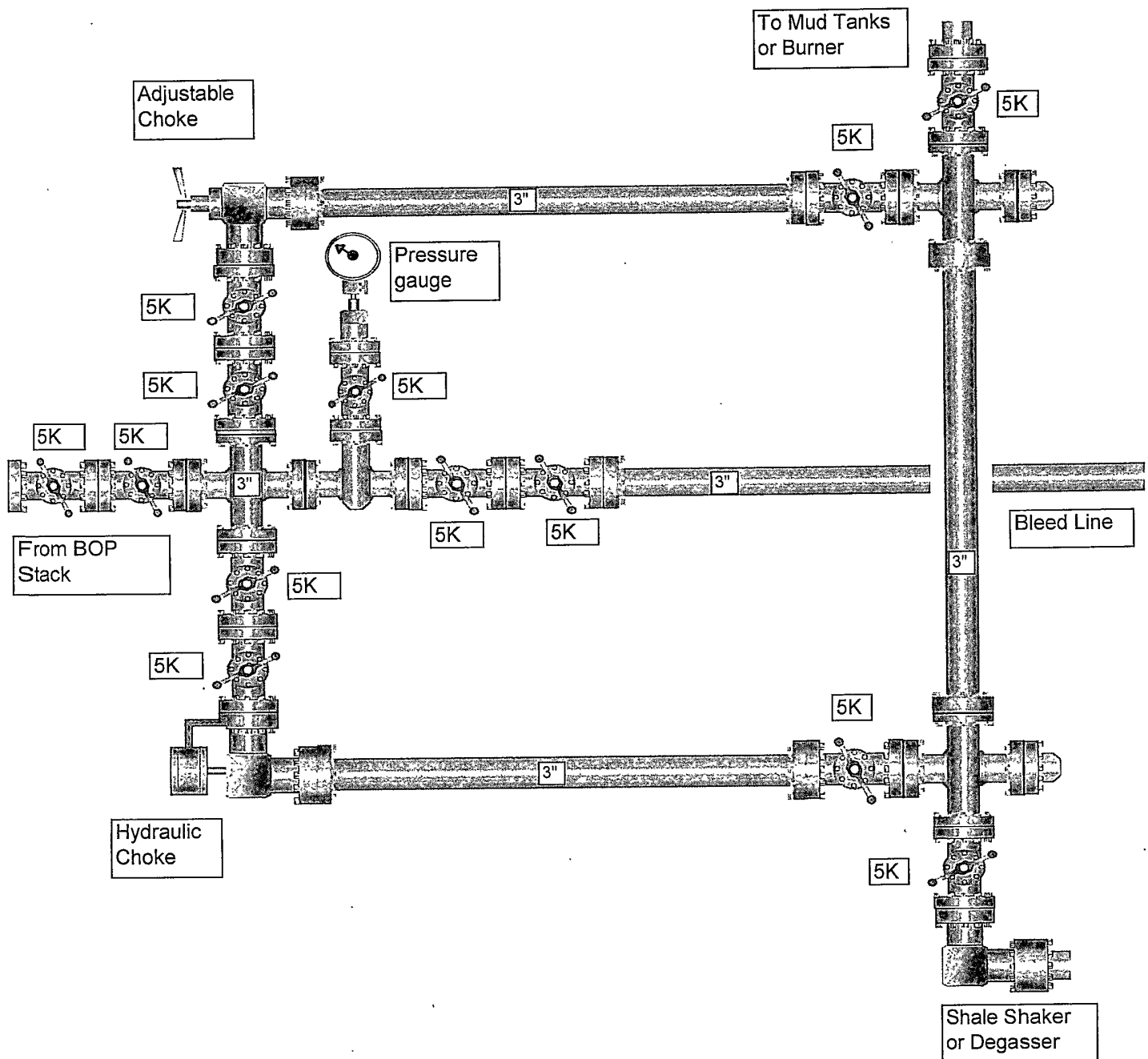
- a. Road and location construction will begin after the BLM has approved the APD. Anticipated spud date will be as soon after BLM approval and as soon as a rig will be available. Move in operations and drilling is expected to take 30 days. If production casing is run then an additional 30 days will be needed to complete well and construct surface facilities and/or lay flow lines in order to place well on production.



# 13-5/8" x 5,000 psi BOP Stack



# 5,000 PSI CHOKE MANIFOLD





**Devon Energy Corporation  
20 North Broadway  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102-8260**

# **Hydrogen Sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) Contingency Plan**

**For**

**Mesa Verde "7" Federal # 4**

**2150'FNL & 1980' FWL,  
Sec-7, T-24S R-32E**

**Lea County NM**

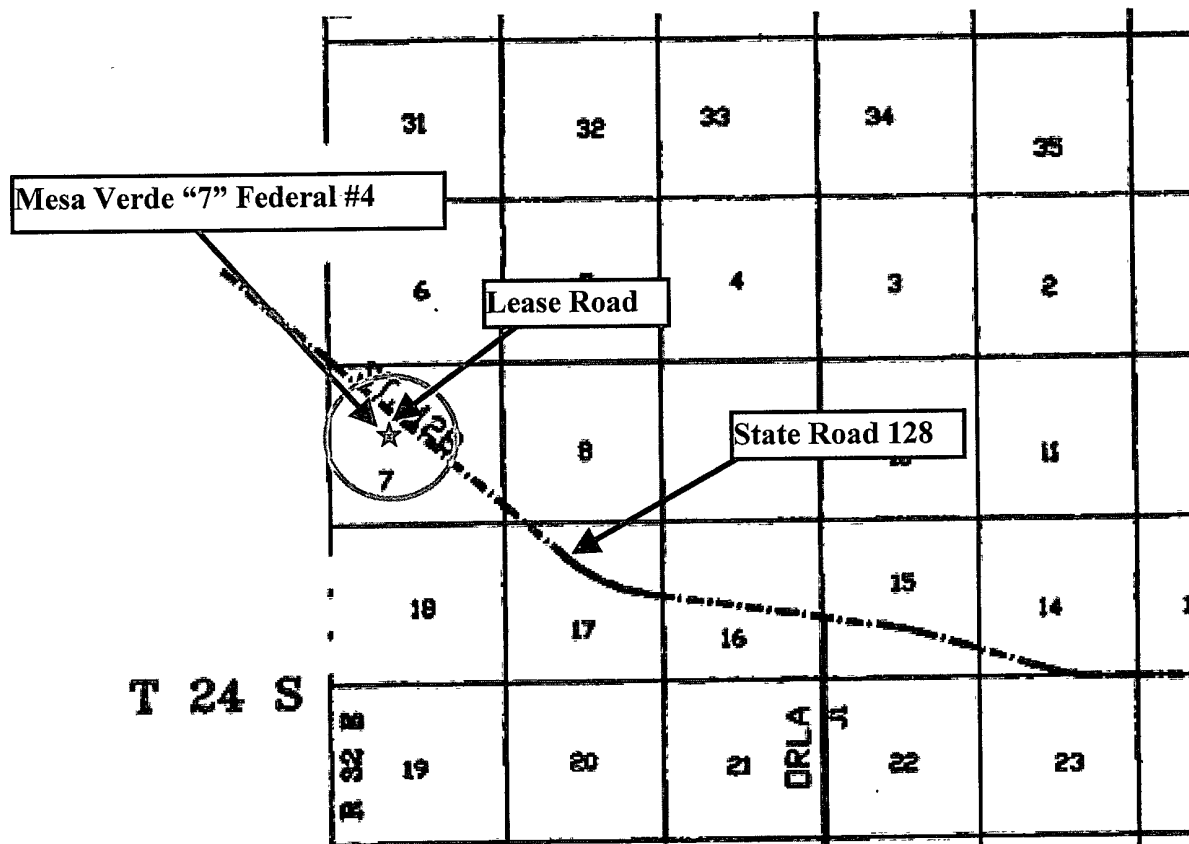
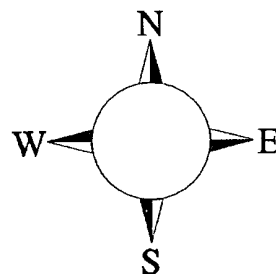
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Carlsbad, N.M.

## Mesa Verde "7" Federal # 4

This is an open drilling site. H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring equipment and emergency response equipment will be used within 500' of zones known to contain H<sub>2</sub>S, including warning signs, wind indicators and H<sub>2</sub>S monitor.



**Assumed 100 ppm ROE = 3000' (Radius of Exposure)**  
**100 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.**

### Escape

Crews shall escape upwind of escaping gas in the event of an emergency release of gas. Escape can be facilitated North East CR 786 the West on State Road 128. Crews should then block entrance to the location from the county road and both ends of the State Road so as not to allow anyone traversing into a hazardous area. The blockade should be at a safe distance outside of the ROE There are no homes or buildings in or near the ROE.

**Assumed 100 ppm ROE = 3000'**

**100 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S concentration shall trigger activation of this plan.**

### **Emergency Procedures**

**In the event of a release of gas containing H<sub>2</sub>S, the first responder(s) must**

- **Isolate the area and prevent entry by other persons into the 100 ppm ROE.**
- **Evacuate any public places encompassed by the 100 ppm ROE.**
- **Be equipped with H<sub>2</sub>S monitors and air packs in order to control the release.**
- **Use the "buddy system" to ensure no injuries occur during the response**
- **Take precautions to avoid personal injury during this operation.**
- **Contact operator and/or local officials to aid in operation. See list of phone numbers attached.**
- **Have received training in the**
  - **Detection of H<sub>2</sub>S, and**
  - **Measures for protection against the gas,**
  - **Equipment used for protection and emergency response.**

### **Ignition of Gas Source**

Should control of the well be considered lost and ignition considered, take care to protect against exposure to Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>). Intentional ignition must be coordinated with the NMOCD and local officials. Additionally the NM State Police may become involved. NM State Police shall be the Incident Command on scene of any major release. Take care to protect downwind whenever there is an ignition of the gas

### **Characteristics of H<sub>2</sub>S and SO<sub>2</sub>**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Chemical Formula</b>	<b>Specific Gravity</b>	<b>Threshold Limit</b>	<b>Hazardous Limit</b>	<b>Lethal Concentration</b>
<b>Hydrogen Sulfide</b>	<b>H<sub>2</sub>S</b>	<b>1.189 Air = 1</b>	<b>10 ppm</b>	<b>100 ppm/hr</b>	<b>600 ppm</b>
<b>Sulfur Dioxide</b>	<b>SO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>2.21 Air = 1</b>	<b>2 ppm</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1000 ppm</b>

### **Contacting Authorities**

Devon Energy Corp. personnel must liaison with local and state agencies to ensure a proper response to a major release. Additionally, the OCD must be notified of the release as soon as possible but no later than 4 hours. Agencies will ask for information such as type and volume of release, wind direction, location of release, etc. Be prepared with all information available. The following call list of essential and potential responders has been prepared for use during a release. Devon Energy Corp. Company response must be in coordination with the State of New Mexico's 'Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan' (HMER)



## Devon Energy Corp. Company Call List

<u>Artesia (575)</u>	<u>Cellular</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Home</u>
Foreman–Roger Hernandez. ....	748-5238 .....	748-0169 .....	396-7169
Asst. Foreman – Ernie Duran... ..	513-1768 .....	748-0191 .....	746-4589
Don Mayberry.....	748-5235 .....	748-0164 .....	746-4945
Montral Walker.....	390-5182 .....	748-0193 .....	936-414-6246
Engineer – Ron Hays.....	(405) 464-4214....	(405) 552-8150....	(405) 359-7015

## Agency Call List

<u>Lea</u>	<u>Hobbs</u>	
<u>County</u>	State Police .....	392-5588
<u>(575)</u>	City Police .....	397-9265
	Sheriff's Office.....	393-2515
	Ambulance.....	911
	Fire Department.....	397-9308
	LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee) .....	393-2870
	NMOCD .....	393-6161
	US Bureau of Land Management .....	393-3612
<u>Eddy</u>	<u>Carlsbad</u>	
<u>County</u>	State Police .....	885-3137
<u>(575)</u>	City Police .....	885-2111
	Sheriff's Office.....	887-7551
	Ambulance.....	911
	Fire Department.....	885-2111
	LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Committee).....	887-3798
	US Bureau of Land Management .....	887-6544
	New Mexico Emergency Response Commission (Santa Fe) ...	(505)476-9600
	24 HR .....	(505) 827-9126
	National Emergency Response Center (Washington, DC) ..	(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 .....	(575) 746-2757
	B. J. Services.....	(575) 746-3569
<i>Give</i>	Flight For Life - Lubbock, TX .....	(806) 743-9911
<i>GPS</i>	Aerocare - Lubbock, TX .....	(806) 747-8923
<i>position:</i>	Med Flight Air Amb - Albuquerque, NM .....	(575) 842-4433
	Lifeguard Air Med Svc. Albuquerque, NM ....	(575) 272-3115

Prepared in conjunction with  
Wade Rohloff of;



**Operators Representative:**

The Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. representatives responsible for ensuring compliance of the surface use plan are listed below.

James Cromer  
Operations Engineer

Don Mayberry  
Superintendent

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
20 North Broadway  
Oklahoma City, OK 73102-8260

Devon Energy Production Company, L.P.  
Post Office Box 250  
Artesia, NM 88211-0250

(405) 228-4464 (office)  
(405) 694-7718 (Cellular)

(505) 748-3371 (office)  
(505) 746-4945 (home)

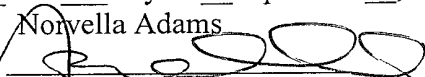
**Certification**

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

I hereby also certify that I, or Devon Energy Production Company, L.P. have made a good faith effort to provide the surface owner with a copy of the Surface Use Plan of Operations and any Conditions of Approval that are attached to the APD.

Executed this 28th day of September, 2009.

Printed Name: Norvella Adams

Signed Name: 

Position Title: Sr. Staff Engineering Technician

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## PECOS DISTRICT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

OPERATOR'S NAME:	Devon Energy Production Company, L. P.
LEASE NO.:	NM-68084
WELL NAME & NO.:	Mesa Verde 7 Federal 4
SURFACE HOLE FOOTAGE:	2150' FNL & 1980' FWL
BOTTOM HOLE FOOTAGE:	Same
LOCATION:	Section 7, T. 24 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)

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.

If the well is productive, a surface flow line will be installed to deliver product to the Mesa Verde 6 Federal #2 tank battery located in NW ¼ NW ¼ of Section 36, T. 24 S., R. 31 E. A survey notice with a map detailing the flowline route should be submitted prior to installation.

## **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**

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**

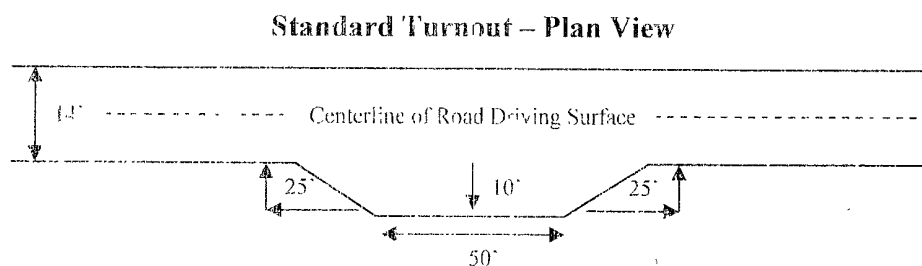
Crowning shall be done on the access road driving surface. The road crown shall have a grade of approximately 2% (i.e., a 1" crown on a 14' wide road). The road shall conform to Figure 1; cross section and plans for typical road construction.

### **Ditching**

Ditching shall be required on both sides of the road.

### **Turnouts**

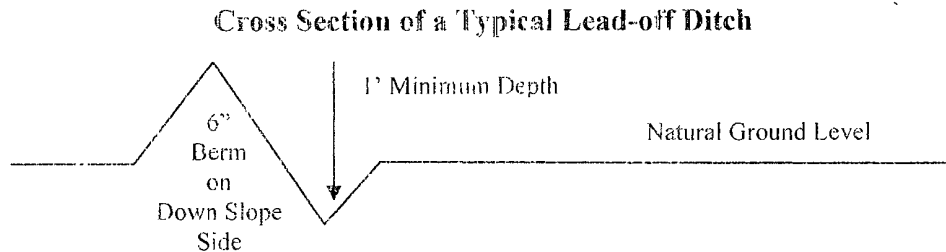
Vehicle turnouts shall be constructed on the road. Turnouts shall be intervisible with interval spacing distance less than 1000 feet. Turnouts shall be constructed on all blind curves. Turnouts shall conform to the following diagram:



### **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:

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

#### **Culvert Installations**

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

#### **Cattleguards**

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

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



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

**Fence Requirement**

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

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

**Public Access**

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

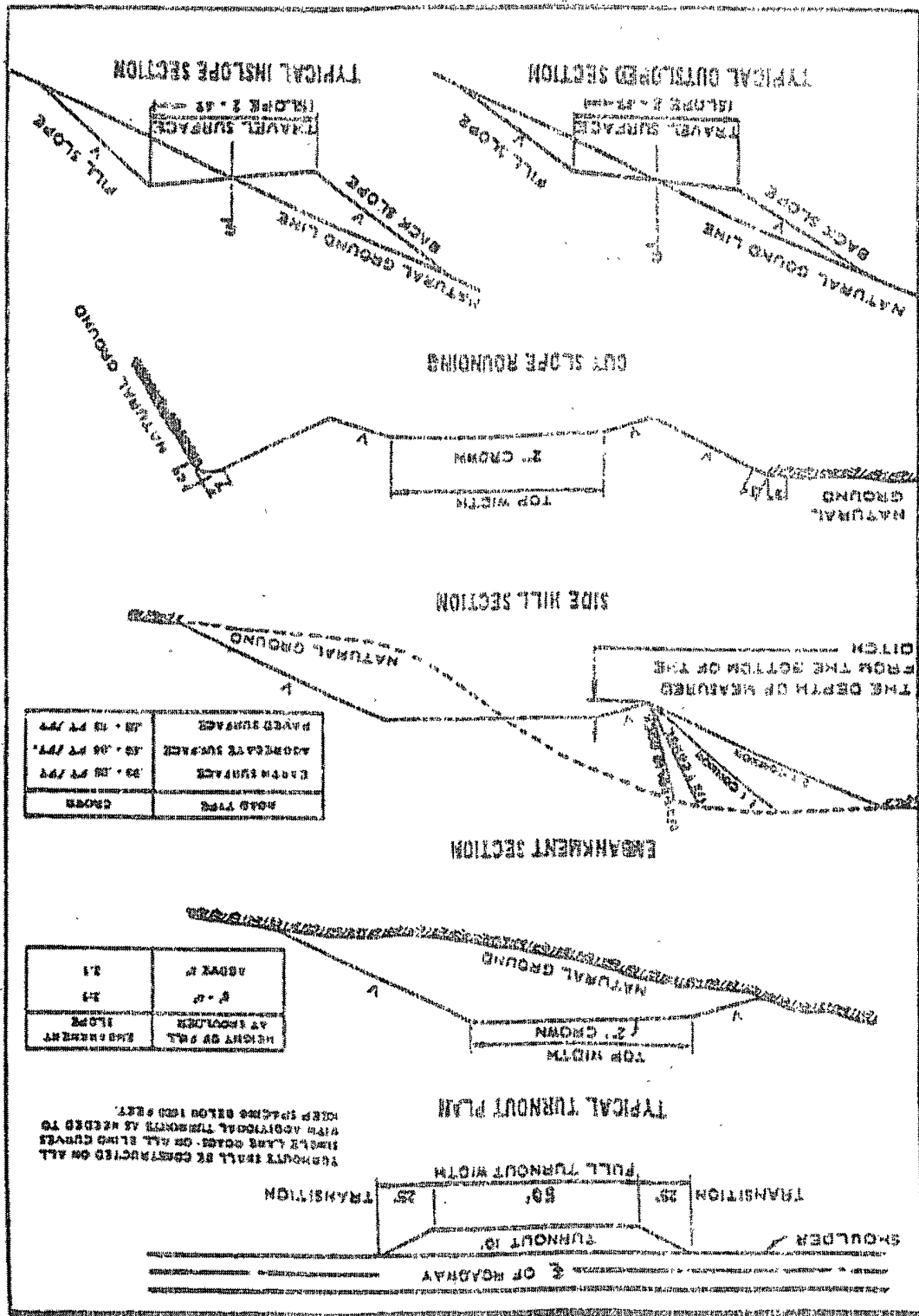


Figure 1 - Cross Sections and Plans for Typical Road Sections

## VII. DRILLING

### A. DRILLING OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS

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

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

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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 Delaware 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. 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 is located, this does not include the dog house or stairway area.
4. **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. If available, a digital copy of the logs is to be submitted in addition to the paper copies. 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.HLB.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, Castile, Delaware and Bone Spring.  
Possible lost circulation in the Delaware and Bone Spring.**

1. The 11 3/4 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.
  - 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 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.

The Formation below the 11-3/4" shoe is 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 and the mud weight for the bottom of the hole. Report results to BLM office.

2. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 8-5/8 inch intermediate casing is:  
The casing is to be set in the Lamar Limestone.

☒ Cement to surface. If cement does not circulate see B.1.a, c-d above.

The Formation below the 8-5/8" shoe is 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.

3. The minimum required fill of cement behind the 5 1/2 inch production casing is:
  - a. First stage to DV tool, cement shall:
    - ☒ Cement is 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 500 feet into previous casing string. Operator shall provide method of verification.
4. If hardhand 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 **5000 (5M) psi. 5M system requires an HCR valve, remote kill line and annular to match. The remote kill line is to be installed prior to testing the system and tested to stack pressure.**
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 & RESEEDING PROCEDURE**

### **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.

### **B. RESEEDING PROCEDURE**

Once the well is drilled, all completion procedures accomplished, and all trash removed, reseed the location and all surrounding areas as follows:



## Seed Mixture for LPC Sand/Shinnery Sites

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

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

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

<u>Species</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>
Plains Bristlegrass	5lbs/A
Sand Bluestem	5lbs/A
Little Bluestem	3lbs/A
Big Bluestem	6lbs/A
Plains Coreopsis	2lbs/A
Sand Dropseed	1lbs/A

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

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

\*Pounds of pure live seed:

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

## **X. FINAL ABANDONMENT & REHABILITATION REQUIREMENTS**

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

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.