

30-025-39818

SURFACE USE PLAN OF OPERATIONS

1. Existing Access Roads

- A. The well site survey and elevation plat for the proposed well is shown in Exhibit 4. It was staked by John West Surveying Company, Hobbs, NM.
- B. All existing roads to the location are shown in the topographic map (Exhibit 2) and Plan of Development plat (Exhibit 6). The existing lease roads are illustrated and are adequate for travel during drilling and production operations. Upgrading existing roads prior to drilling the well will be done where necessary.
- C. Directions to Location:

From the intersection of State Highway 128 and County Road 789 (Red Road), go north on Red Road approximately 5.0 miles. Turn right and go east approximately 1.9 miles. Turn right and go south approximately 0.8 mile. Turn right and go west approximately 0.5 mile. Location is on the right, approximately 150 feet north.

D. Routine grading and maintenance of existing roads will be conducted as necessary to maintain their condition as long as any operations continue on this lease.

2. Proposed Access Road:

The elevation plat (Exhibit 4) shows that no new road will be required for this location, as an existing lease road extends in an east-west direction, approximately 150' south of the well location, as shown on Exhibits 2 and 6. However, should any new road be required, it would be constructed as follows:

- A. The maximum width of the running surface will be 14'. The road will be crowned, ditched and constructed of 6" rolled and compacted caliche. Ditches will be at 3:1 slope and 4 feet wide. Water will be diverted where necessary to avoid ponding, prevent erosion, maintain good drainage, and be consistent with local drainage patterns.
- B. The average grade will be less than 1%.
- C. No turnouts are planned.
- D. No culverts, cattleguard, gates, low water crossings or fence cuts are necessary.
- E. Surfacing material will consist of native caliche. Caliche will be obtained from the nearest BLM approved caliche pit or from a private source.

EXHIBIT 12



3. Locations of Existing Wells:

Exhibit 5 shows all existing wells within a one-mile radius of this well.

4. Location of Existing and/or Proposed Facilities:

- A. EnerVest Operating LLC ("EnerVest") will use its existing production facility located on the surface of Section 7, as shown in Exhibit 6.
- B. If the well is productive, contemplated facilities will be as follows:
 - 1) Production will be sent to the existing production facility described in "A" above.
 - 2) Additions, if needed, to the existing tank battery and facilities including any piping will be installed according to API specifications.
 - Any additional caliche will be obtained from a BLM-approved caliche pit or from a private source. Any additional construction materials will be purchased from contractors.
 - 4) 2,475 feet of flow line will be constructed to this well and laid alongside the access road from the well to the existing tank battery. The flow line will be constructed of a 4" SDRIL poly line which will be laid on the surface. The proposed flow line route is highlighted in red on Exhibit 6. Flow lines will be kept at least 3' apart.
 - 5) Electric service will be provided from a power line that extends alongside the existing lease road, as described above and shown on Exhibits 2 and 6.
 - 6) Location and Type of Water Supply:

The well will be drilled with a combination brine and fresh water mud system as outlined in the drilling program. The water will be obtained from commercial water stations in the area and hauled to location by transport truck over the existing and proposed access roads shown on Exhibits 2 and 6. If a commercial fresh water source is nearby, temporary "fast line" may be laid alongside access roads existing at the time the line is laid and fresh water pumped to the well. No water well will be drilled on the location.



6. Source of Construction Materials:

All caliche required for construction of the drill pad and proposed new access road (approximately 1833 cubic yards) will be obtained from a BLM-approved caliche pit or from a private source.

7. Methods of Handling Waste:

- A. The well will be drilled utilizing a closed loop mud system. Drill cuttings will be held in rolloff style mud boxes and taken to an NMOCD-approved disposal site.
- B. Drilling fluids will be contained in steel mud pits.
- C. Water produced from the well during completion will be held temporarily in steel tanks and then taken to an NMOCD-approved commercial disposal facility.
- D. Garbage and trash produced during drilling or completion operations will be collected in a trash bin and hauled to an approved landfill. No toxic waste or hazardous chemicals will be produced by this operation.
- E. After the rig is moved out and the well is either completed or abandoned, all waste materials will be cleaned up within 30 days. In the event of a dry hole, only a dry hole marker will remain.

8. Ancillary Facilities:

No airstrip, campsite or other facilities will be built as a result of the operation on this well.

9. Well Site Layout:

- A. The drill pad layout, with elevations staked by John West Surveying Company, is shown in Exhibit 4. Dimensions of the pad, including the closed loop mud system, are shown on Exhibit 8. Topsoil, if available, will be stockpiled per BLM specifications. Because the pad is almost level, no major cuts will be required.
- B. Exhibit 8 also shows the proposed orientation of the closed loop mud system, and access road. No permanent living facilities are planned; however, a temporary foreman/toolpusher trailer and crew quarters trailers will be on location during the drilling operations.



10. Plans for Restoration of the Surface:

- A. If the well is found to be non-commercial upon completion of the drilling and/or completion operations, the caliche will be removed from the pad and transported to the original caliche pit or used for other drilling locations in the area. The road will be reclaimed as directed by the BLM. The original top soil will be returned to the pad and contoured, as close as possible to the original topography, and reseeded as per BLM specifications.
- B. Upon completion of drilling and completion operations, the well pad will be reduced to a size suitable for continued operations, including workovers and other well servicing activities. The pad will be scraped such that the only portion of the pad remaining will be: (i) the area inside the anchors; and (ii) an area outside the anchors 50 feet in width. The caliche removed during the scraping operation will be stockpiled and either saved for use on future roads or pads, or returned to the pit from which it was originally removed.

11. Surface Ownership:

- A. The surface at this location is owned by the Federal government. The minerals are owned by the Federal government and are administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The surface has multiple uses, which are primarily grazing of livestock and the production of oil and gas.
- B. The surface tenant for this site is:

Brininstool XL Ranch LLC P.O. Box 940 Jal, NM 88252

C. The proposed road routes and surface location will be restored as directed by the BLM.

12. Other Information:

A. The area around the well site is grassland and the topsoil is sandy. The vegetation is moderately sparse with native prairie grasses, some mesquite and shinnery oak. No wildlife was observed but it is likely that mule deer, rabbits, coyotes and rodents traverse the area.

A request for exemption was submitted from the Lesser Prairie Chicken (LPC) operations stipulation when the APD for the Sharbro Federal #3 well in this same section was originally filed in 2000, based on an Auburn University *Field Survey to Determine the Status of the Lesser Prairie*



Chicken, a copy of which is attached. Similarly, EnerVest requests an exemption from the LPC operations stipulation for this well. In the event that the BLM rejects this request for exemption, EnerVest will comply with the standard LPC protection stipulations relating to operations between 3:00 AM and 9:00 AM, from March 1 through June 15, as may be set out in the permit to drill.

- B. There is no permanent or live water in the immediate area.
- C. There are no dwellings within two (2) miles of this location.
- D. This project is being administered by a MOA with the Carlsbad, New Mexico Bureau of Land Management office.

13. Bond Coverage:

Bond Coverage is Nationwide Bond # NMB000503.

14. Lessee's and Operator's Representative:

The EnerVest representative responsible for assuring compliance with the surface use plan is as follows:

Harvey Barney Drilling Manager 1001 Fannin, Suite 800 Houston, Texas 77002 (713) 493-6522 (office) (713) 203-9322 (cell)



CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the 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 EnerVest Operating LLC 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.

Executed this <u>10 day of May</u>, 2010. Signed: <u>Many Barry</u>

Printed Name: Harvey Barney Position: Drilling Manager Address: 1001 Fannin, Suite 800, Houston, Texas 77002 Telephone: (713) 495-6522 Field Representative (if not above signatory): William Pilkington E-mail: hbarney@enervest.net

AUBURN UNIVERSITY (LPC-001)

14 April 2000

Field Survey to Determine the Status of the Lesser Prairie Chicken

(Tympanuchus pallidicinctus) in Southeastern New Mexico:

Sharbro Federal #1 (T23S R32E Sec. 7) and ANM # 7 #8 # 6 #9 1/12/00 Sharbro Federal #2 (T23S R32E Sec. 17), Lea County

Submitted to: Ernest L. Carroll, Law Offices of Losee, Carson, Haas, and Carroll, 311 West Quay Avenue, P.O. Box 1720, Artesia, NM 88211-1720, 505/746-3505, FAX 505/746-6316

Submitted by: Troy L. Best, Dept. of Biological Sciences, 331 Funchess Hall, Auburn University, Alabama 36849-5414, 334/844-9260, FAX 334/844-9234, besttro@mail.auburn.edu

Purpose:

To determine if breeding sites (leks) of the lesser prairie chicken (*Tympanuchus pallidicinctus*) are present within the vicinity of the following oil and gas operations sites (please see "A" and "B" on the attached map):

A.-MYCO Industries, Inc., Sharbro Federal #1, 660' FSL and 660' FEL, Sec. 7-T23S-R32E, Lea Co., NM;

B.--MYCO Industries, Inc., Sharbro Federal #2, 1980' FSL and 660' FEL, Sec. 17-T23S-R32E, Lea Co., NM.

Methods:

Census transects were evaluated using standard scientific techniques. Beginning 0.5-1 hour before sunrise, an experienced field biologist began the census transect at Site 1 (see below), listened for 3-5 minutes for the calls made by lesser prairie chickens on leks, recorded GPS coordinates, date, time of observation, and weather conditions, the observer proceeded to the next monitoring site, repeated this protocol, and continued this process until no later than 3 hours after sunrise. Census transects were not conducted under adverse weather conditions.

Survey Sites: Please see circled numbers 1-11on the attached map.

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GPS Coordinates and Legal Description	Date	<u>Time (MST)</u>	<u>Weather Conditions</u>
Site 132°18.341N, 103°41.698W T23S R32E, Sec. 17, NE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0530-0535 0455-0500	high clouds, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 232°17.922'N, 103°41.377'W T23S R32E, Sec. 16, SW 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0538-0543 0503-0508	high clouds, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 332°18.351N, 103°42.539W T23S R32E, Sec. 18, NE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0611-0616 0536-0541	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 432°18.768N. 103°43.699W T23S R31E, Sec. 12, SE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0620-0625 0546-0551	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 532°19.016'N, 103°43.482'W T23S R31E, Sec. 12, SE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0627-06 32 0553-0558	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 632°19.692N, 103°43.012W T23S R32E, Sec. 6, SW 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0638-0643 0604-0609	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 732°19.449'N, 103°42.452'W T23S R32E, Sec. 7, NE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0645-0650 0612-0617	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 832°18.816N, 103°42.460W T23S R32E, Sec. 7, SE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0652-0657 0619-0624	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm
Site 932°18.804N, 103°42.705W T23S R32E, Sec. 7, SE 1/4	27Mar00 12Apr00	0658-0703 0627-0632	clear, calm high thick overcast, nearly calm

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Site 1032°19.472N, 103°41.707W T23S R32E, Sec. 5, SE 1/4	12Apr00	0640-0645	high thick overcast, nearly calm
	14Apr00	0515-0520	clear, wind 5-10SE
Site 1132°19.444N, 103°41.440W T23S R32E, Sec. 5, SE 1/4	12Apr00	0650-0655	high thick overcast, nearly calm clear, wind 5-10SE
	14Apr00	0505-0510	

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Results:

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Please see the attached map. No evidence of lesser prairie chickens was heard or observed within the 0.5-mile radius encircling each of the 11 survey sites.

Conclusions:

There are no breeding leks within at least 0.5 mile of Sharbro Federal #1 or Sharbro Federal #2, Lea Co., NM.

May 10, 2010

Bureau of Land Management Carlsbad Field Office 620 East Greene Street Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220

Re: Designation of Agent

Gentlemen:

Please be informed that James C. Hunnicutt and Gary Miller, both employed by Tetra Tech, Inc., are each authorized to prepare and execute Applications to Drill, Right of Way applications and other BLM-required forms on behalf of EnerVest Operating, Ltd.

The mailing address and office telephone number for these two agents are as follows: Tetra Tech, Inc., 1910 North Big Spring, Midland, Texas 79705, office number - (432) 682-4559. The email addresses and cell phone numbers for these two agents are as follows:

James C. Hunnicutt Cell – (432) 557-4679 Email – james.hunnicutt@tetratech.com

Gary Miller Cell – (432) 557-4681 Email – gary.miller@tetratech.com

Please feel free to call the undersigned if you have any questions about this matter.

Very truly yours,

EnerVest Operating, Ltd.

By: Bridget Hells

Bridget Helfrich, Regulatory Technician

EXHIBIT 2

. . LOCATION VERIFICATION MAP



U.S.G.S. TOPOGRAPHIC MAP BOOTLEG RIDGE, N.M.

EXHIBIT 3

VICINITY MAP



SEC. 7 TWP. 23–S RGE. 32–E SURVEY N.M.P.M. COUNTY LEA STATE NEW MEXICO DESCRIPTION 660' FSL & 1980' FWL ELEVATION 3548' ENERVEST OPERATOR OPERATING, LLC LEASE BLUE QUAIL FEDERAL

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EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS

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Exhibit 1	Plat Page (Form C-102)
Exhibit 2	Topographic Map
Exhibit 3	Vicinity Map and Area Roads
Exhibit 4	Elevation Plat
Exhibit 4A	Proposed Power Line Plat
Exhibit 5	Ownership Map with Well Location and Wells in 1-mile Radius
Exhibit 6	Plan of Development (Roads, Flow Lines, Power Lines and Tank Battery)
Exhibit 7	Drilling Plan
Exhibit 8	Rig Layout
Exhibit 9	BOP and Choke Manifold Diagram
Exhibit 10	C-144 CLEZ, Closed Loop System Permit Application with Closed Loop Schematic (Orig filed with NMOCD)
Exhibit 11	H2S Plan
Exhibit 12	Surface Use Plan of Operations and Operator Certification