

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

## STATE ENGINEER OFFICE

ROSWELL

S. E. REYNOLDS STATE ENGINEER

March 7, 1962

ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO: P. O. BOX 1717 ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

Mr. Joe Ramey Supervisor New Mexico State Oil Conservation Comm. Hobbs, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Ramey:

We have received a complaint in this office that an oil well drilled by the Cabot Drilling Company of Artesia, New Mexico, and located in Section 32, Township 11 South, Range 35 East, NMPM, is flowing water of a very high saline content from around the outside of the casing, and is a hazard to the cattle in the area. I understand that this well has been abandoned for production purposes but apparently was not drilled in such a manner that the water stratas were cut off or separated. As you probably know, there have been isolated cases of small artesian flows in this area.

The particular well is located immediately north of the declared boundaries of the Lea County Ground Water Basin and I presume the drilling and construction of same would come under your jurisdiction.

If we can be of any assistance in this matter, please let me know. I would appreciate knowing what you may find concerning this well.

Very truly yours,

Fred H. Hennighausen Supervisor, District II

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