

INTRODUCTION

An archaeological reconnaissance was recently completed by the Agency for Conservation Archaeology, Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, for Amoco Production Company in Chaves County, New Mexico. The surveyed area will be impacted by the construction of a drill pad location and access road. The project was completed under Federal Antiquities Permit No. 77-NM-021.

The project was administered by Mr. Bob Couch of Amoco, and Dr. J. Loring Haskell, Director - Principal Investigator, Agency for Conservation Archaeology, Eastern New Mexico University, Portales.

The reconnaissance was completed by Clay Kilmer on 19 December 1977.

SURVEY TECHNIQUE

The archaeologist walked the drill site in a series of 20 ft transects. The proposed access road was reconnoitered in a mild zigzag pattern. Areas lying immediately outside the proposed drill location and access road were also investigated for evidence of man's past activities. These techniques permitted optimal conditions for examination of areas of primary and secondary impact.

Midwest "A" Federal Well No. 2

Location

The proposed drill pad location measures 300 X 300 ft and is located in the:

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 9, T14S, R28E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico (BLM)

The access road measures 12 X 1980 ft and passes through the:

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 9, T14S, R28E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico (BLM)

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 9, T14S R28E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico (BLM)

NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 9, T14S, R28E, NMPM, Chaves County, New Mexico (BLM)

Map Reference: USGS Nilemile Quadrangle, 7.5 Minute Series, 1951.

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