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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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BUREAU OF	LAND MANAGEMENT HODDS,	5. Lease Designation and Serial No.	
Do not use this form for proposals to dr	AND REPORTS ON WELLS ill or to deepen or reentry to a different reservoir. OR PERMIT-" for such proposals	NM 86153 6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name	
SUBMIT	7. If Unit or CA, Agreement Designation		
1. Type of Well    Gas   Well   Other   Other   Other   Other		8. Well Name and No.  Tomcat '20' Federal #6  9. API Well No.  10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area  Sand Dunes Bone Springs  11. County or Parish, State  Lea, NM	
12. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(s	) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, C	R OTHER DATA	
TYPE OF SUBMISSION	TYPE OF ACTION		
Notice of Intent	Abandonment Recompletion	Change of Plans  New Construction	
Subsequent Report	Plugging Back Casing Repair	Non-Routine Fracturing Water Shut-Off	
Final Abandonment Notice	☐ Altering Casing ☐ Other	Conversion to Injection  Dispose Water (Note: Report results of multiple completion on Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log form.)	

13. Describe Proposed or Completed Operations (Clearly state all pertinet details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work. If well is directionally drilled, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths for all markders and zones pertinent to this work.)\*

Concho Resources Inc. respectfully requests an exception to the 1235' of surface pipe stipulation on the above federal well. We are proposing to set the 13-3/8" casing @ 650'. Subsequent discussion with BLM personnel indicate that the 650' proposed is acceptable with certain "Conditions of Approval" (attached) that Concho agrees to abide by. Fresh water spud mud will be utilized to drill down to the proposed surface pipe point of 650' and be maintained down to the first salt in the Rustler Formation before changing to a brine system. Drilling paper will be utilized to minimize seepage into the red beds and no caustics or lime will be utilized until the Rustler formation is reached.

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PETROLEUM ENGINEER	_ Date	APR 24 2001
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### Conditions of Approval

## Drilling Fluids, Casing and Cementing Requirements for Most of Lea County:

### Casing and Comenting

Surface casing is to be set at a sufficient depth to protect useable water zones and cement circulated to surface. In areas where the salt section (Salado) is present, surface casing should be set at least 25 feet into the top of the Rustler Anhydrite and cement circulated to the surface.

As an alternative, surface casing may be set through the Santa Rosa Formation or other potable water bearing zones and circulate cement to surface. For wells requiring an intermediate casing string, such string shall be comented to the ground surface. In the case where intermediate casing is not required the operator shall case and sement the production hole to the ground surface.

While drilling from the surface casing to the Rustler fm it is recommended that operators periodically sweep the hole with viscous low water loss pills to help build a filter cake across uscable water zones in the redbeds.

#### Drilling Fluid

Fresh water or fresh water spud mud shall be used to drill to surface casing depth. If surface casing is set at a lesser depth than the top of the Rustler fin., fresh water spud mud may be used to drill down to the first salt in the Rustler Fm. after which brine or fresh water may be used.

Non-toxic or biodegradable water based polymers, drilling paper, starch and gels may be used in the mud system in order to retard seepage into the redbeds.

Two to five percent desiel or crude oil may be used in the redbed section in order to control heaving shales and mudstones.

Caustics and Lime shall not be used in the red beds but may be added when the Rustler formation is reached. However, sodium carbonate maybe used for alkalimity or ph control while drilling the redbeds above the Rustler fin.

Additionally, questions of whether an additive may be used should be referred to the Roswell Field office.