

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, DEEPEN, OR PLUG BACK

## 1a. TYPE OF WORK

DRILL ☒DEEPEN ☐PLUG BACK ☐

## b. TYPE OF WELL

OIL  
WELL ☒GAS  
WELL ☐

OTHER

SINGLE  
ZONE ☒MULTIPLE  
ZONE ☐

## 2. NAME OF OPERATOR

Highland Production Company

## 3. ADDRESS OF OPERATOR

810 N. Dixie Blvd., Suite 202, Odessa, Texas 79761

## 4. LOCATION OF WELL (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.\*)

At surface

330' FNL and 2080' FWL

At proposed prod. zone

330' FNL and 2080' FWL

## 14. DISTANCE IN MILES AND DIRECTION FROM NEAREST TOWN OR POST OFFICE\*

2 1/2 Miles SW of Jal, New Mexico

## 15. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED\*

LOCATION TO NEAREST  
PROPERTY OR LEASE LINE, FT. 330'

(Also to nearest drlg. unit line, if any)

## 18. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED LOCATION\*

TO NEAREST WELL, DRILLING, COMPLETED,  
OR APPLIED FOR, ON THIS LEASE, FT. 4120'

## 16. NO. OF ACRES IN LEASE

160

## 19. PROPOSED DEPTH

4550'

17. NO. OF ACRES ASSIGNED  
TO THIS WELL

40

## 20. ROTARY OR CABLE TOOLS

Rotary to 4350' and cable tool  
to TD.

## 21. ELEVATIONS (Show whether DF, RT, GR, etc.)

3207.7 GR.

## 22. APPROX. DATE WORK WILL START\*

February 20, 1989

## PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM

SIZE OF HOLE	SIZE OF CASING	WEIGHT PER FOOT	SETTING DEPTH	QUANTITY OF CEMENT
12 1/2"	8 5/8"	24 #	1100'	125 Sks. Class C - Circulate
7 7/8"	5 1/2"	15.5#	4550'	1200 Sks. HLC w/Class C - Circulate

## Additional Information:

1. Surface formation is Tertiary with some Triassic Exposed. Top
2. Estimated geological tops: Rustler - 950'; Anhydrite - 1,050'; Base Salt 1,300'; Castile - 3,000'; Lamar Lime - 4,100'; Top of Delaware - 4,300'.
3. Pressure control equipment: Double hydraulic pressure tested to 3,000 PSI, full casing hydril on top tested to 3,000 PSI. Pressure control diagram is attached. Testing will be on installation, daily and on trips.
4. Proposed circulating medium: 0 - 1,100' Spud Mud; 1,100 - 4,500' Brine Water;
5. Estimate will encounter water from 890' to 950'.
6. Estimate will encounter oil at 4,370'.
7. Logging Program: Acoustic velocity gamma ray caliper log: FoRoxo guard log.
8. No coring or drill stem testing.
9. No abnormal pressures or temperatures are expected to be encountered.
10. Anticipated starting date is February 20, 1989.

IN ABOVE SPACE DESCRIBE PROPOSED PROGRAM. If proposal is to deepen or plug back, give data on present productive zone and proposed new productive zone. If proposal is to drill or deepen directionally, give pertinent data on subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths. Give blowout preventer program, if any.

24. SIGNED Margaret L. Smith TITLE President DATE Jan. 17, 1989  
(This space for Federal or State office use)

PERMIT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE 2-16-89  
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, IF ANY: \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDED  
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND  
SPECIAL STIPULATIONS  
ATTACHED

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*Marvin L. Smith*

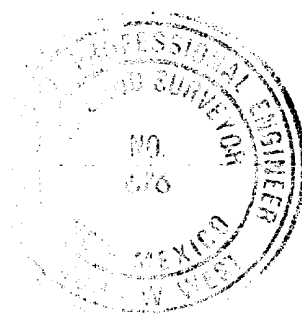
Marvin L. Smith

President

Highland Production Company

January 16, 1989

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 knowledge and belief.



*John W. West*  
John W. West  
Ronald J. Eason

MULTI-POINT SURFACE USE AND OPERATIONS PLAN

HIGHLAND PRODUCTION COMPANY  
Conoco "A" Federal Well No. 3  
Unit Letter H, 330' FEL and 2310' FNL  
Section 19, T-26-S, R-32-E  
Lea County, New Mexico

This plan is submitted with the Application for Permit to Drill the above described well. The purpose of the plan is to describe the location of the proposed well, the proposed construction activities and operations plan, the magnitude of necessary surface disturbance involved, and the procedures to be followed in rehabilitating the surface after completion of the operation so that a complete appraisal can be made of the environmental effects associated with the operation.

1. EXISTING ROADS:

Exhibit A is a portion of a United States Geological Survey Topographic Map covering a part of T-26-S, R-32-E, Lea County, New Mexico which shows the location of the proposed well as staked. Also included on Exhibit A is nearby New Mexico State Highways, 652 as well as all existing roads within a one mile radius of the proposed well site and the planned access road.

To reach the proposed well site: Drive North on Highway 652, turn left ten (10) miles North of the Texas/New Mexico State Line, go approximately 3960', turn right on existing lease road, go 1320' to existing lease road, turn left, go 330' on existing road, turn right, go 990' on existing lease road to existing location, then 990' due north on proposed new lease road.

2. PLANNED ACCESS ROADS:

- A. Length and Width: The required new access road from existing lease road will be approximately 990ft. long. The new road is labeled and color coded red on Exhibit B. The center line of the proposed new road from the edge of the well site to the existing access road has been staked and flagged with the stakes being visible from one stake to the next.
- B. SURFACING MATERIAL: Six inches of caliche, water, compacted and graded.
- C. MAXIMUM GRADE: Three (3) percent.

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- D. TURNOUTS: No new turnouts required.
  - E. DRAINAGE SIGN: New road will have a drop of six (5) inches from the center
  - F. CULVERTS: None required.
  - G. CUTS AND FILLS: None required.
  - H. CATTLEGUARDS: None required.
3. LOCATION OF EXISTING WELLS:

All existing wells within a one-mile radius of the proposed drill site are shown on Exhibit C.

4. LOCATION OF EXISTING AND PROPOSED PRODUCTION FACILITIES:

- A. EXISTING FACILITIES: Existing production facilities are shown on Exhibit D.
- B. PROPOSED FACILITIES: None required. Flowline from well to tank battery is shown Exhibit D.

5. LOCATION AND TYPE OF WATER SUPPLY:

Water for drilling the proposed well will be trucked in and provided by water station in Jal, NM,

6. SOURCE OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:

Caliche for surfacing the road and well pad will be obtained from the contractors pit.

7. METHODS OF HANDLING WASTE DISPOSAL:

- A. DRILL CUTTINGS: Drill cuttings will be disposed of in drilling pits.
- B. DRILLING FLUIDS: Drilling fluids will be allowed to evaporate in drilling pits until the pits are dry. While the drilling pits are in the evaporation stage, they will be adequately fenced so as not to be a hazard to people or livestock.
- C. FORMATION WATER AND OIL: Although not anticipated, any produced formation water will be disposed of in the drilling pits. Oil produced from the well during tests will be stored in test tanks until sold.
- D. HUMAN WASTE: All current laws and regulation pertaining to the disposal of human waste will be complied with.

- E. TRASH, WASTE PAPER, GARBAGE, AND JUNK: All trash, waste paper, garbage, and junk will be buried in a trash pit located adjacent to the reserve pit and will be covered with a minimum of 24 inches of dirt. Before burial, the waste material will be contained to prevent scattering by the wind. The location of the trash pit is shown in Exhibit E.
- F. TRASH BURIAL: All trash and debris will be buried or removed from the well site within thirty (30) days after finishing well completion operations.
8. ANCILLARY FACILITIES:
- None required.
9. WELLSITE LAYOUT:
- A. WELLSITE BOUNDARIES: The boundaries of the wellsite have been staked and flagged.
- B. RIG COMPONENTS: Exhibits E and F show the relative location and dimensions of the well pad, mud pits, reserve pit, trash pit, and location of major rig components.
- C. WELLSITE LEVELLING: Only minor levelling of the wellsite will be required. No cuts or fills will be necessary.
- D. PIT LINING: The reserve pit will be plastic lined.
10. PLANS FOR RESTORATION OF THE SURFACE:
- A. EQUIPMENT REMOVAL: After the finishing of drilling and/or completion operations, all drilling equipment and other material not needed for routine operations will be removed from the wellsite. Pits will be filled and the location cleaned of all trash and junk thus leaving the wellsite in an aesthetically pleasing condition.
- B. UNGUARDED PITS: Any unguarded pits containing fluid will be fenced until they are back-filled.
- C. WELL ABANDONMENT: Upon abandoning the proposed well, the surface restoration will be in accordance with the agreement with the surface owner. As stated above, the pits will be filled and the location will be cleaned. The pit area, well pad, and all unneeded access roads will be ripped to promote vegetation. Rehabilitation will be accomplished within 90 days after abandonment.
11. OTHER INFORMATION:
- A. TOPOGRAPHY: The wellsite is located on a plain which slopes to the southeast at the rate of 40 feet/mile.
- B. SOIL: The surface consists of sandy soil.
- C. FLORA AND FAUNA: The vegetation cover is generally sparse and consists of mesquite and perennial native range grasses.

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Wildlife in the area is typical and semi-arid desert land and includes coyotes, rabbits, rodents, reptiles, doves, and quail.

- D. PONDS AND STREAMS: There are no rivers, streams, ponds, or lakes in the area.
- E. RESIDENCES AND OTHER STRUCTURES: The nearest occupied dwellings are on a ranch three miles SE of wellsite. The closest water well is located at the above dwelling.
- F. ARCHEOLOGICAL, HISTORICAL, AND CULTURAL SITES: None observed in the area.
- G. LAND USE: Grazing.
- H. SURFACE OWNERSHIP: Well is on surface owned by Malcom Madera of Les County, New Mexico.

12. OPERATOR'S REPRESENTATIVES:

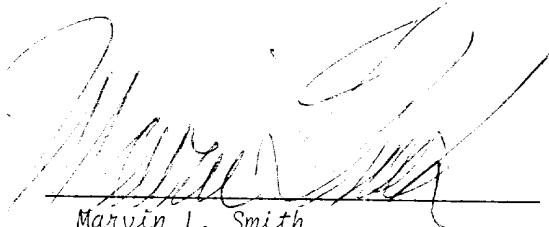
The field representatives responsible for assuring compliance with the approved Surface Use and Operations Plan are as follows:

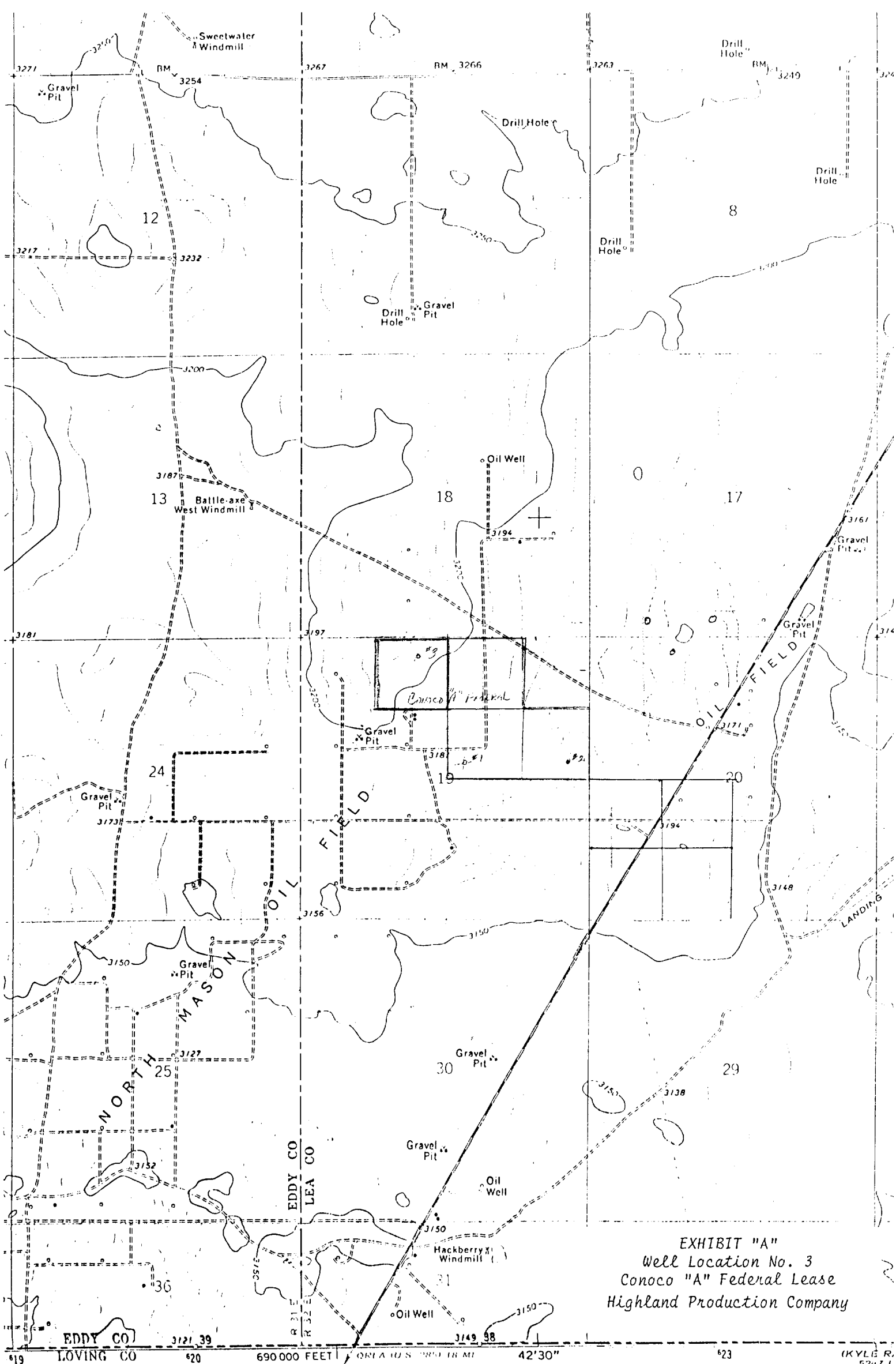
Marvin L. Smith  
810 N. Dixie Blvd., Suite 202  
Odessa, Tx 79761  
Office: 915-332-0275  
Home: 915-535-2204

13. CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that I, or persons under my direct supervision, have inspected the proposed drillsite and access route; that I am familiar with the conditions which presently exist; that the statements made in this plan are, to the best of my knowledge true and correct; and, that the work associated with the operations proposed herein will be performed by Doyle Hartman and its contractors and sub-contractors in conformity with this plan and the terms and conditions under which it is approved.

January 16, 1989  
Date

  
Marvin L. Smith  
Drilling Supervisor  
Highland Production Company



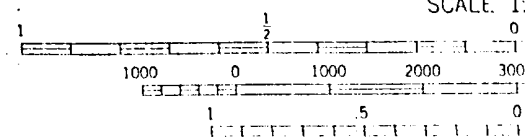
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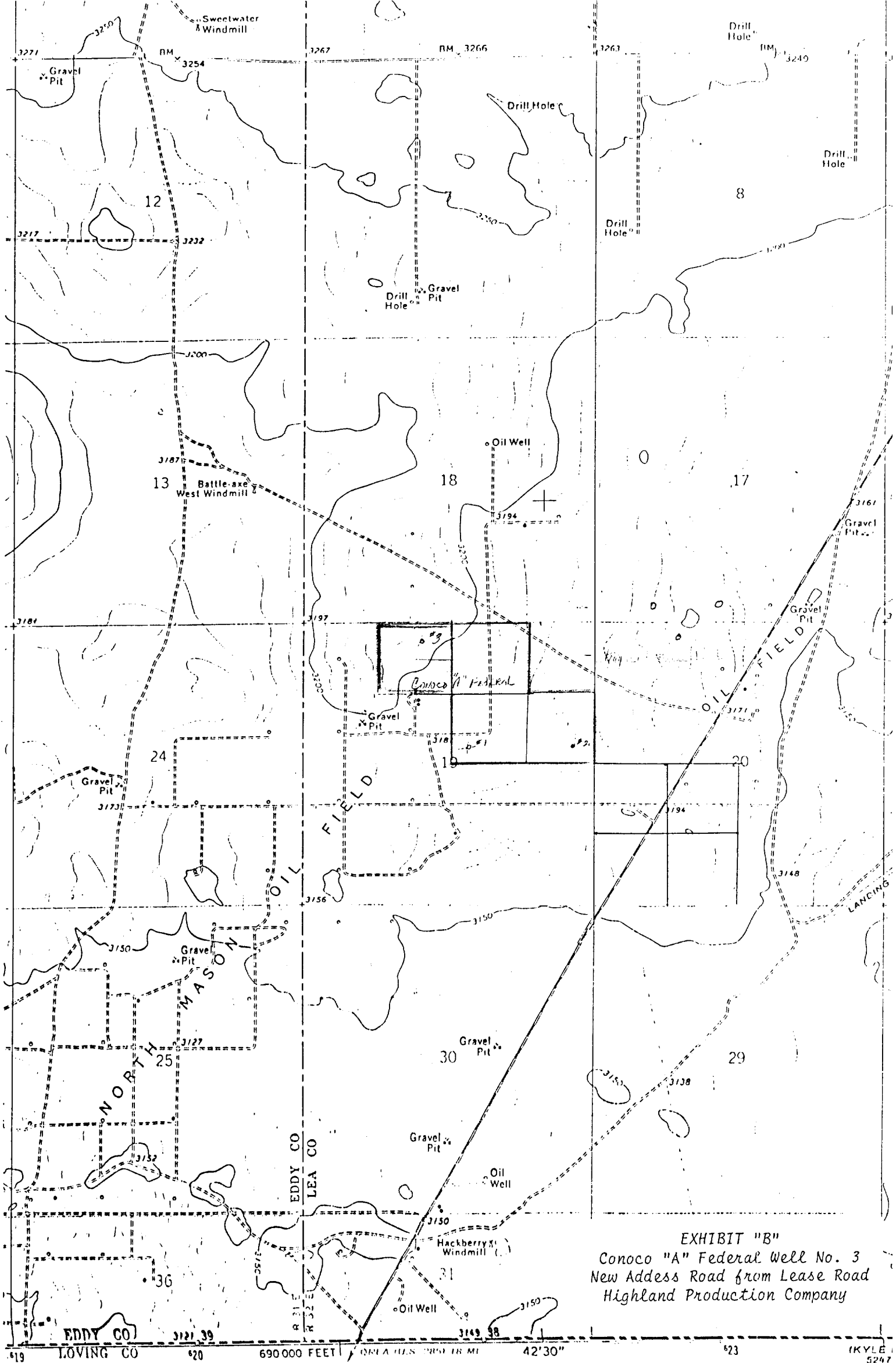
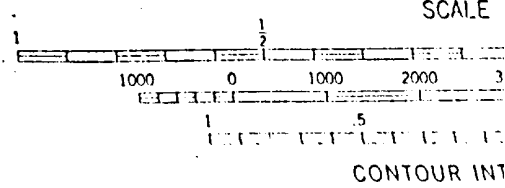
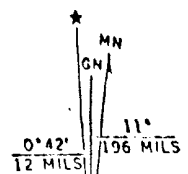


EXHIBIT "B"  
 Conoco "A" Federal Well No. 3  
 New Address Road from Lease Road  
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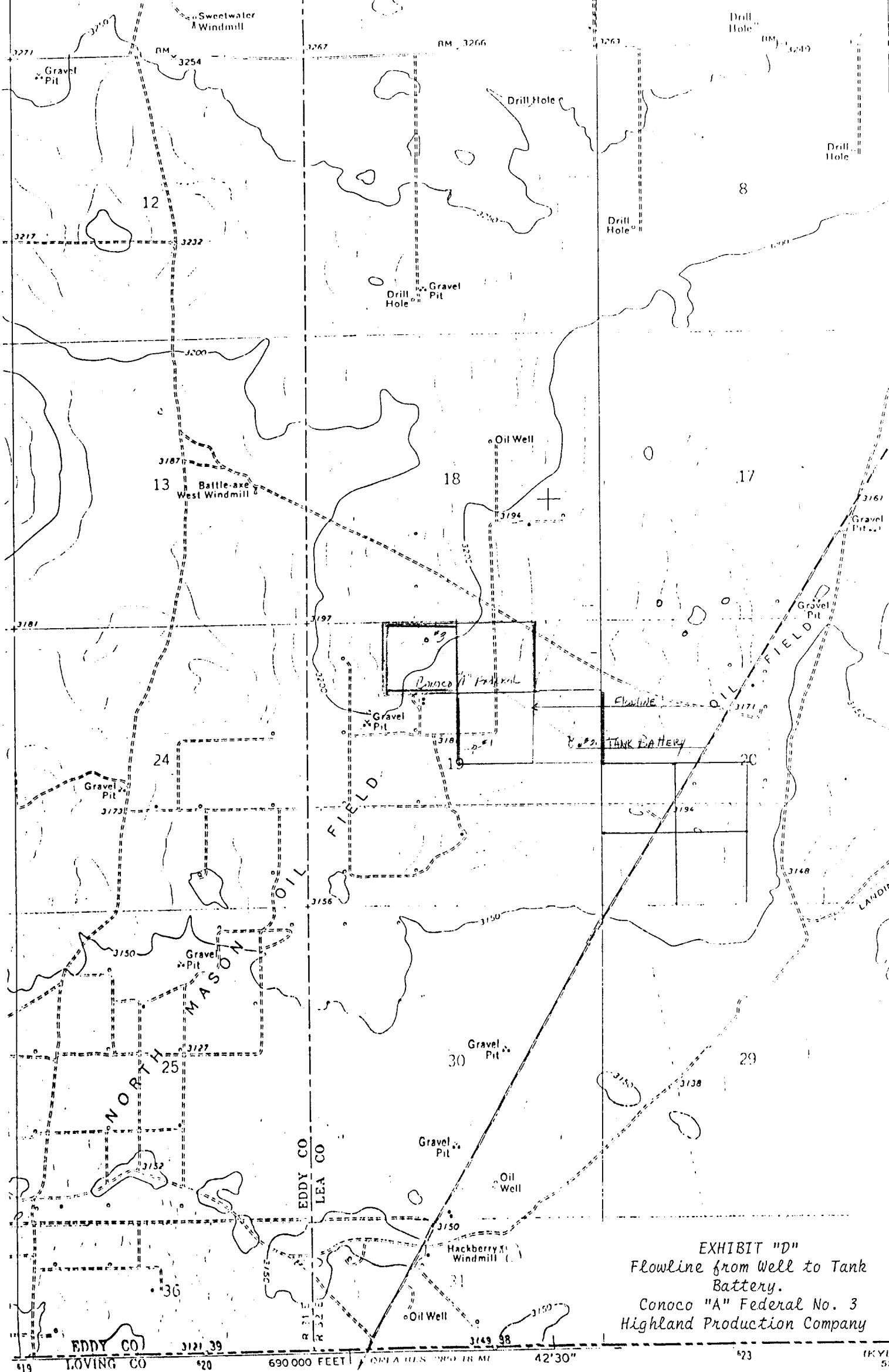


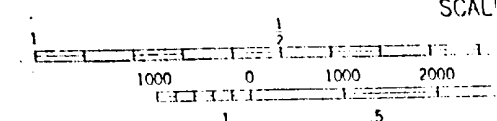
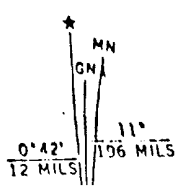
EXHIBIT "D"  
Flowline from Well to Tank  
Battery.  
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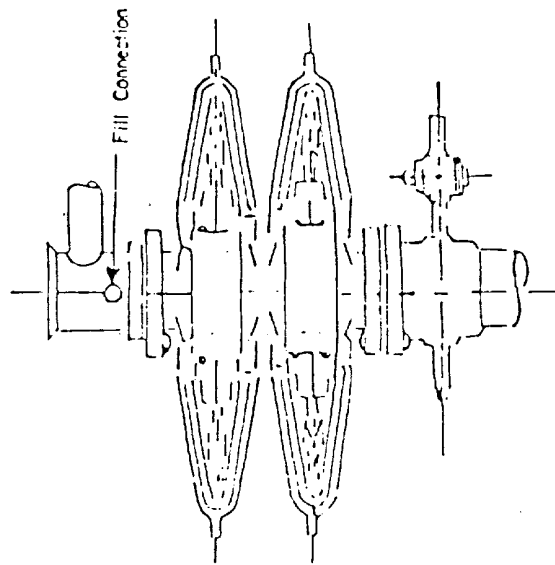
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Shaffer Type E Series 900 Hydraulic B.O.P.

# 3000 PSI WORKING PRESSURE BLOWOUT PREVENTER HOOK-UP

Series 900 Flanges, or Better.

Note: B.O.P. system will meet the conditions of drilling approval required by the USGS District Office in Hobbs, New Mexico.

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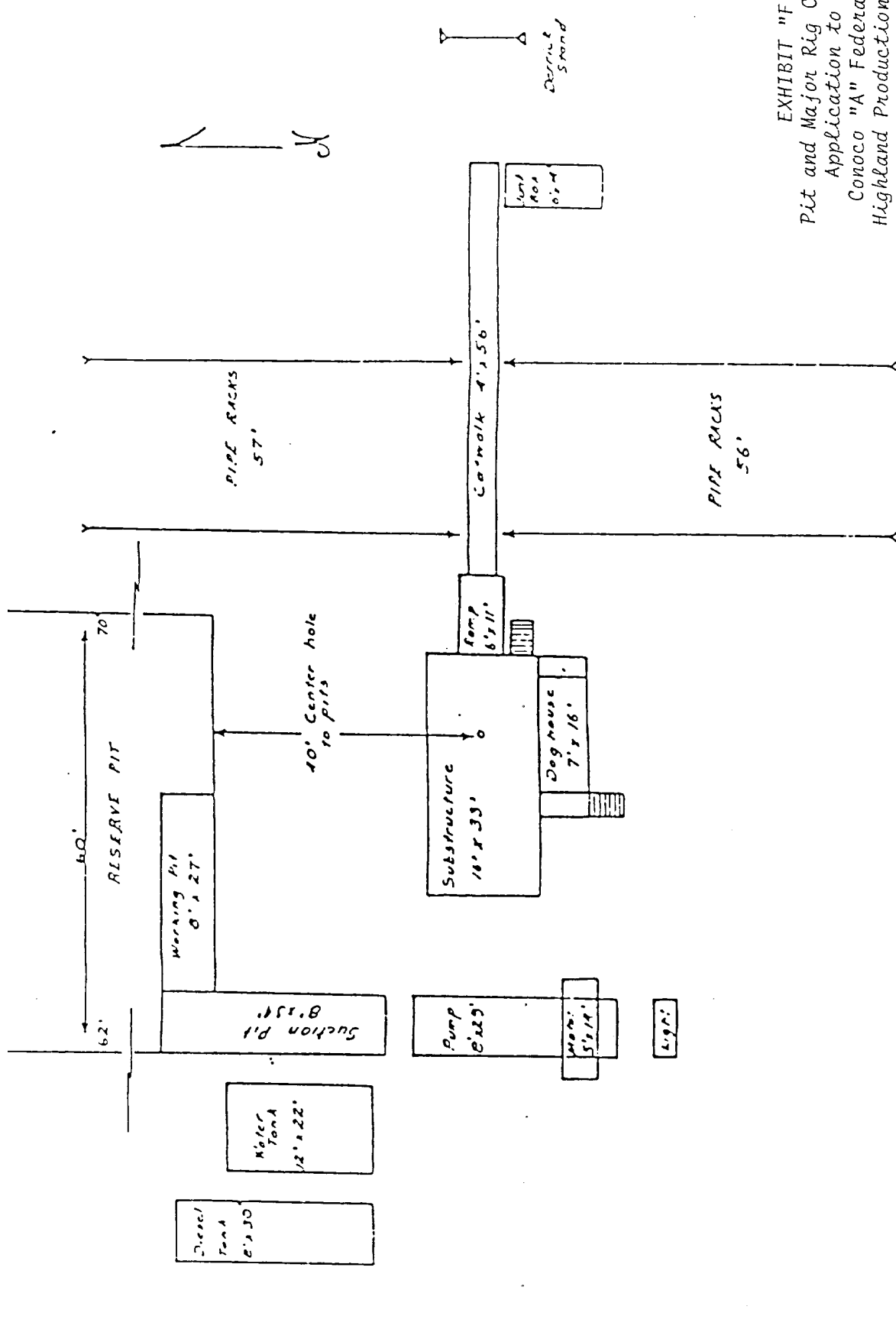


EXHIBIT "F"

Pit and Major Rig Components  
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1" = 50'

Mobil Fuel  
 8' x 15'



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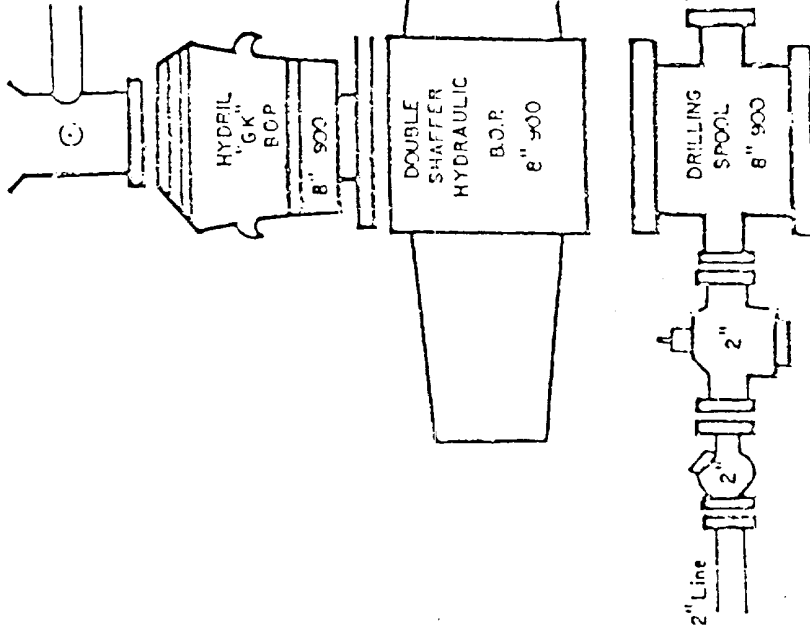
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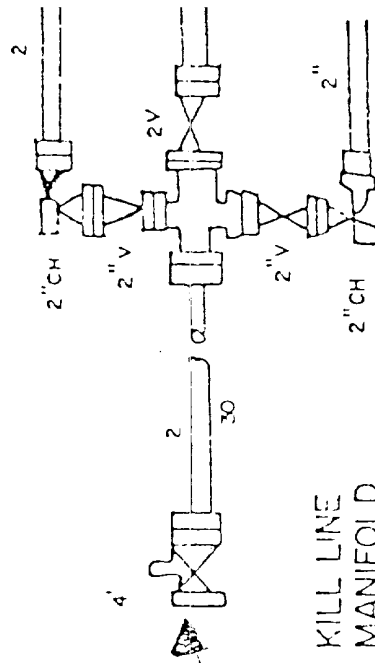
Flow line will have to be made  
to fit UNDER Rotary.

2" 1500  
4" 900

*Optional*



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