INTRODUCTION

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

The project was administered by Mr. Ray Cox, representative for Amoco Production Company, and Dr. J. Loring Haskell, Operations Director and Principal Investigator, Agency of Conservation Archaeology, Eastern New Mexico University, Portales.

The reconnaissance was completed by Thomas F. Zale on 2 September 1977. SURVEY TECHNIQUE

The archaeologist accomplished the reconnaissance by walking the length and breadth of the proposed access road right-of-way in a zigzag pattern. The drill pad location was walked in a series of 20 feet parallel corridors. These techniques permitted optimal conditions for the examination of areas of primary and secondary impact.

Myers "B" Well #3

LOCATION

The proposed access road right-of-way is 12 feet in width and extends 450 feet in length, and the drill pad location is 300 feet in width and extends 300 feet in length. These pass through:

 $NW_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{1}{2}}NE_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$, Section 26, T24S, R36E, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Map Reference: None Available.

TERRAIN

Local topography is characterized by a slightly undulating plain consisting of deep loamy sands. Small depressions have been formed by water and wind erosian.