Form 3160 (June 1990	DEPARTME BUREAU OF	TED STATES NT OF THE INTERIOR LAND MANAGEMENT AND REPORTS ON WEL	1625 N. French I Hobbs, NM 8824	Ivision FORM APPROVED Budget Bureau No. 1004-0135 Dr. Expires: March 31, 1993 Io Lease Designation and Serial No. NM 98192 6. If Indian, Allottee or Tribe Name				
	Use "APPLICATION FO							
	SUBMIT	7. If Unit or CA, Agreement Designation						
1. Type of W 2. Name of	il Gas /ell Well Other	8. Well Name and No. Tomcat '9' Federal #4						
CONCI 3. Address	HO RESOURCES INC. anc Telephone No. LC/UISIANA STE 410; MIDLAND, TX 7	 9. API Well No. 3002535316 10. Field and Pool, or Exploratory Area Wildcat Bone Spring 11. County or Parish, State 						
4. Location	of \Vell (Footage, Sec., T., R., M., or Survey De SL & 1980' FEL, SEC. 9, 23S, 32E.							
		Lea, NM						
12.	CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(s) TO INDICATE NATURE OF NOTICE, REPORT, OR OTHER DATA							
	TYPE OF SUBMISSION							
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	Subsequent Report	Plugging Bac	:k	Non-Routine Fracturing				
	Final Abandonment Notice	Altering Casi		Conversion to Injection Dispose Water (Note: Report results of multiple completion on Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log form.)				

13. Describe P oposed 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 1175' of surface pipe stipulated on the approved APD for the above federal well. The original proposed 650' of 13-3/8" surface pipe was changed to 1175' due to fresh water concerns. 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 Ruster formation is reached.

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14. Lhereby ce tify the the foregoins is true and correct Signed	Title	Production Analyst	Date	03/02/01
(This space to Federal or State office use) ORIG. SGD.) GARY GOURLEY Approved by Conditions of approval, if any:	Title	TETROLEUM ENGINEER	Date	

Title 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

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Conditions of Approval

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

Casing and Cementing

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 cemented to the ground surface. In the case where intermediate casing is not required the operator shall case and cement the production hole to the ground surface.

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

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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.

If wo to five percent desired or crude oil may be used in the redbed section in order to control beaving 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 alkalinity or ph control while drilling the redbeds above the Rustler fm.

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

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