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west virginia department of environmental protection

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Office of Oil and Gas  
601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, S.E.  
Charleston, WV 25304  
(304) 926-0450  
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Harold D. Ward, Cabinet Secretary  
[www.dep.wv.gov](http://www.dep.wv.gov)

Wednesday, January 21, 2026  
PERMIT MODIFICATION APPROVAL  
Vertical / New Drill

MOUNTAINEER WELL SERVICES LLC  
63899 WINTERGREEN RD.

LORE CITY, OH 43755

Re: Permit Modification Approval for Norma Smith 1R  
47-085-10580-00-00

Modifying the freshwater casing

MOUNTAINEER WELL SERVICES LLC

The Office of Oil and Gas has reviewed the attached permit modification for the above referenced permit. The attached modification has been approved and well work may begin. Please be reminded that the oil and gas inspector is to be notified twenty-four (24) hours before permitted well work is commenced.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at (304) 926- 0450.

H. Jason Harmon  
Acting Chief

Operator's Well Number: Norma Smith 1R  
Farm Name: ROGER SMITH WAYNE SMITH ROGER SMITH A+  
U.S. WELL NUMBER: 47-085-10580-00-00  
Vertical New Drill  
Date Modification Issued: 1/21/2026

Promoting a healthy environment.

01/23/2026



1) Date: 01/21/2026  
2) Operator's Well No. Norma Smith #1R  
3) API Well No.: 47 - Ritchie - Permit  
State County  
4) UIC Permit No.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
NOTICE OF LIQUID INJECTION OR WASTE DISPOSAL WELL WORK PERMIT APPLICATION  
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS

- 5) WELL TYPE: Liquid Injection ☐ / Gas Injection (not storage) ☐ / Waste Disposal ☒  
6) LOCATION: Elevation: 837 Watershed: Nutter Fork Goose Creek  
District: Grant County Ritchie Quadrangle Cairo  
7) WELL OPERATOR: Mountaineer Well Services, LLC 8) DESIGNATED AGENT Patrick Brake  
Address 579 Campus Drive Suite 220 Address PO Box 2722  
Westerville, Ohio 43082 Buckhannon, WV 26201  
9) OIL & GAS INSPECTOR TO BE NOTIFIED 10) DRILLING CONTRACTOR  
Name Jeremy Newlon Name Highland Drilling  
Address 8402 Staunton Turnpike Address 130 Meadow Ridge Road  
MacFarlan, WV 26148 Mt Morris, PA 15349  
11) PROPOSED WELL WORK Drill ☒ / Drill deeper ☐ / Redrill ☐ / Stimulate ☒  
Plug off old formation ☐ / Perforate new formation ☒ Convert ☐  
Other physical change in well (specify)  
12) GEOLOGIC TARGET FORMATION Oriskany/Bass Island Depth 5730 Feet (top) to 6240 Feet (bottom)  
13) Estimated Depth of Completed Well, (or actual depth of existing well): 6300 Feet  
14) Approximate water strata depths: Fresh 250 Feet Salt 1030 Feet  
15) Approximate coal seam depths:  
16) Is coal being mined in the area? Yes No  
17) Virgin reservoir pressure in target formation 1400 psig Source 85-10142  
18) Estimated reservoir fracture pressure 2940 psig (BHFP)  
19) MAXIMUM PROPOSED INJECTION OPERATIONS: Volume per hour 200 Bottom hole pressure 4655  
20) DETAILED IDENTIFICATION OF MATERIALS TO BE INJECTED, INCLUDING ADDITIVES Produced fluids, flowback and  
other class 2 fluids  
21) FILTERS (IF ANY) 5-10 micron  
22) SPECIFICATIONS FOR CATHODIC PROTECTION AND OTHER CORROSION CONTROL Corrosion inhibitor added at a rate  
of .25 gal per 1000.  
23) CASING AND TUBING PROGRAM

CASING OR TUBING TYPE	SPECIFICATIONS					FOOTAGE INTERVALS		CEMENT FILL-UP OR SACKS (CU. FT.)	PACKERS
	Size	Grade	Weight per ft.	New	Used	For Drilling	Left In Well		
Conductor	24	B	94	X		40	40		Kinds
Fresh Water	18 5/8	J55BTC	87.5	X		400	400	CTS	Baker Hornet
Coal	13 3/8	H40	48	X		1250	1250	CTS	Sizes
Intermediate	9.625	J55	36	X		2400	2400	CTS	4.5 X 7
Production	7	N80	23	X		6300	6300	CTS	Depths set
Tubing	4.5	WT80	11.6	X		5700	5700		5680
Liners									Perforations
									Top Bottom
									5730 6240

- 24) APPLICANT'S OPERATING RIGHTS were acquired from See attached assignment  
by deed / lease / other contract dated of record in the  
County Clerk's office in Book Page

Kelly Kue 1/21/26  
for Jeremy Newlon

01/23/2026



SURFACE OWNER WAIVER

County Ritchie

Operator  
Operator well number

Maintain Well Services  
Norma Smith #1R

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Department of Environmental Protection  
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FOR EXECUTION BY A NATURAL PERSON

FOR EXECUTION BY A CORPORATION, ETC.

A. Wayne Smith  
Signature

Date 1/21/26

Company  
Name  
By  
Its

A. WAYNE SMITH

Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Signature

Date

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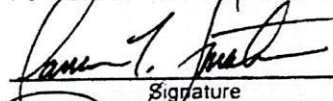
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Signature  
DARREN T. SMITH  
Print Name

Date 1-21-2026 Company Name  
By  
Its

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

01/23/2026



WW-2A Surface Waiver  
(4/16)

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Roger A. Smith  
Signature

Date

1/21/26

Company  
Name  
By  
Its

Date

Print Name

Signature

Date

01/23/2026

GCS Consulting, LLC  
628 Amma Road, Clendenin West Virginia 25045  
304-444-0085 [gene smith17@gmail.com](mailto:gene smith17@gmail.com)

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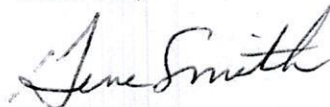
Mr. Charles Brewer  
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
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601 57th Street  
Charleston, WV 25304

Re: Mountaineer Well Services Casing mod 47-085-10580 Norma Smith #1R

Mr. Brewer,

Per our recent conversation, Mountaineer Well Services, LLC is requesting to modify their casing program by changing the 18 5/8" from 600 feet to 400 feet. Please find the change on the attached WW-3B. Inspector Jeremy Newlon has been notified and the surface waivers are also attached.

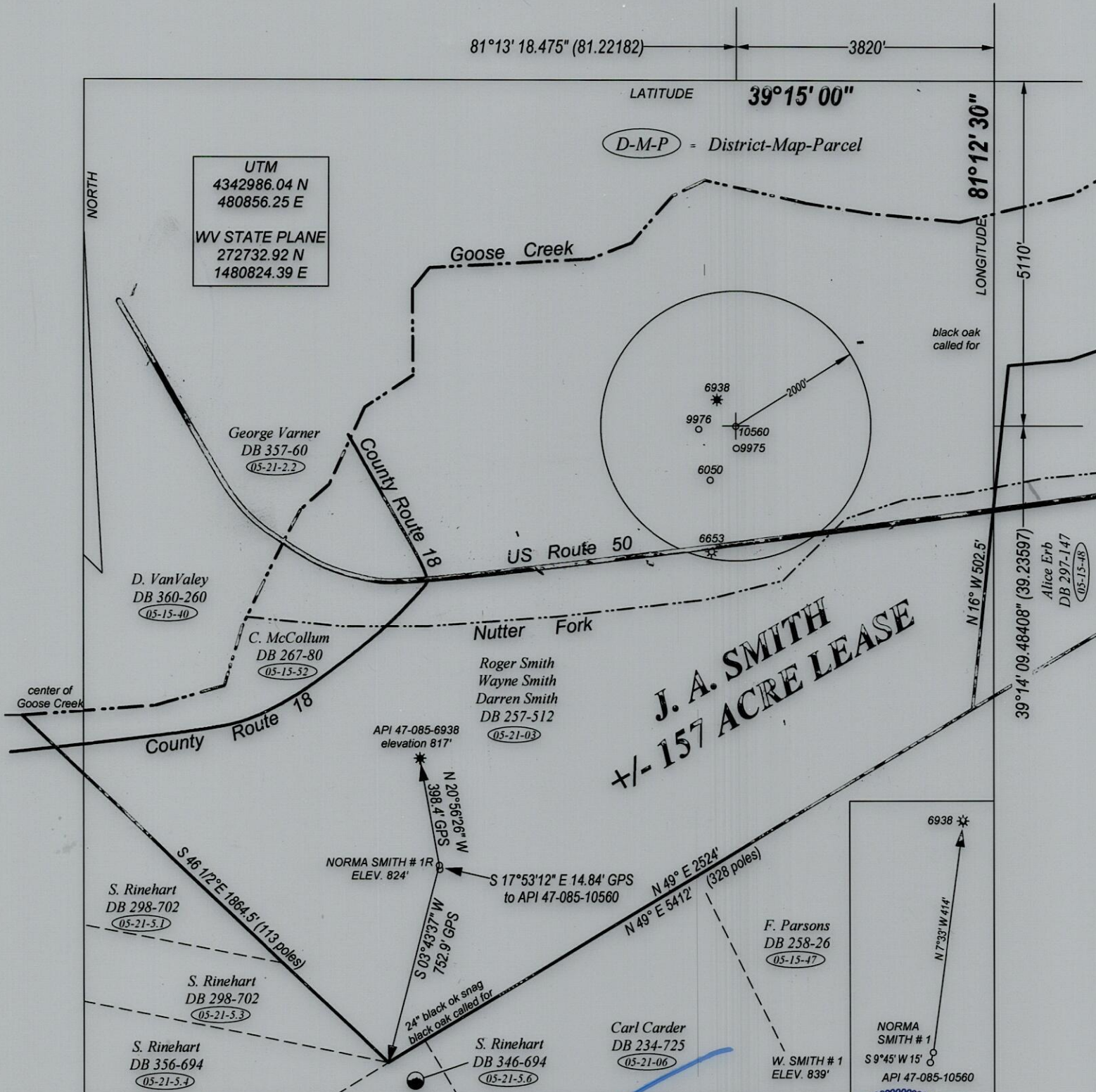
Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gene Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Gene Smith  
GCS Consulting, LLC

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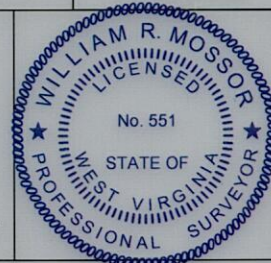




FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
DRAWING NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
SCALE 1" = 500'  
MINIMUM DEGREE  
OF ACCURACY 1:200  
PROVEN SOURCE  
OF ELEVATION GPS  
OBSERVATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS  
PLAT IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
AND BELIEF AND SHOWS ALL THE INFORMATION  
REQUIRED BY LAW AND THE REGULATIONS ISSUED  
AND PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.

(SIGNED) \_\_\_\_\_  
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR: 551



**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**  
**DIVISION OF OIL AND GAS**

DATE JANUARY 14TH, 2026  
OPERATORS WELL NO. NORMA SMITH #1R

API 47 - 085 -  
STATE COUNTY PERMIT

WELL TYPE: OIL \_\_\_ GAS \_\_\_ LIQUID INJECTION \_\_\_ WASTE DISPOSAL XX  
(IF GAS) PRODUCTION \_\_\_ STORAGE \_\_\_ DEEP XX SHALLOW \_\_\_

LOATION: ELEVATION 824' WATER SHED NUTTER FORK OF GOOSE CREEK  
DISTRICT GRANT COUNTY RITCHIE QUADRANGLE CAIRO

SURFACE OWNER ROGER SMITH 1/3, WAYNE SMITH 1/3, ROGER SMITH & DARREN SMITH 1/3 ACREAGE +/- 157.63  
OIL & GAS ROYALTY NORMA SMITH, ET AL LEASE AC +/- 157

PROPOSED WORK: DRILL XX CONVERT \_\_\_ DRILL DEEPER \_\_\_ REDRILL \_\_\_  
FRACTURE OR STIMULATE XX PLUG OFF OLD FORMATION \_\_\_  
PERFORATE NEW FORMATION XX  
OTHER PHYSICAL CHANGE IN WELL \_\_\_  
PLUG AND ABANDON \_\_\_ CLEAN OUT AND REPLUG \_\_\_

TARGET FORMATION ORISKANY - BASS ISLAND ESTIMATED DEPTH 5700' TO 6300'

WELL OPERATOR MOUNTAINEER WELL SERVICES, LLC DESIGNATED AGENT PAT BRAKE  
ADDRESS 579 CAMPUS DRIVE, SUITE 220 ADDRESS P. O. BOX 2722  
WESTERVILLE, OH 43087 BUCKHANNON, WV 26201

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