

west virginia department of environmental protection

Office of Oil and Gas 601 57th Street SE Charleston, WV 25304 (304) 926-0450 (304) 926-0452 fax Earl Ray Tomblin, Governor Randy C. Huffman. Cabinet Secretary www.dep.wv.gov

September 26, 2014

WELL WORK PERMIT Horizontal Well

This permit, API Well Number: 47-8704741, issued to HARD ROCK EXPLORATION, INC., is evidence of permission granted to perform the specified well work at the location described on the attached pages and located on the attached plat, subject to the provisions of Chapter 22 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended, and all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and to all conditions and provisions outlined in the pages attached hereto. Notification shall be given by the operator to the Oil and Gas Inspector at least 24 hours prior to the construction of roads, locations, and/or pits for any permitted work. In addition, the well operator shall notify the same inspector 24 hours before any actual well work is commenced and prior to running and cementing casing. Spills or emergency discharges must be promptly reported by the operator to 1-800-642-3074 and to the Oil and Gas inspector.

Please be advised that form WR-35, Well Operators Report of Well Work is to be submitted to this office within 90 days completion of permitted well work, as should form WR-34 Discharge Monitoring Report within 30 days of discharge of pits, if applicable. Failure to abide by all statutory and regulatory provisions governing all duties and operations hereunder may result in suspension or revocation of this permit and, in addition, may result in civil and/or criminal penalties being imposed upon the operators.

In addition to the applicable requirements of this permit, and the statutes and rules governing oil and gas activity in WV, this permit may contain specific conditions which must be followed. Permit conditions are attached to this cover letter.

Per 35CSR-4-5.2.g this permit will expire in two (2) years from the issue date unless permitted well work is commenced. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at (304) 926-0499 ext. 1654.

Chief

James Martin

Operator's Well No: HR-505A

Farm Name: FLINT, ANNA E. BATES, ET AL

API Well Number: 47-8704741

Permit Type: Horizontal Well Date Issued: 09/26/2014

Bate 133ded. 07/20/2014

PERMIT CONDITIONS

West Virginia Code §22-6-11 allows the Office of Oil and Gas to place specific conditions upon this permit. Permit conditions have the same effect as law. Failure to adhere to the specified permit conditions may result in enforcement action.

CONDITIONS

- 1. If the operator encounters an unanticipated void, or an anticipated void at an unanticipated depth, the operator shall notify the inspector within 24 hours. Modifications to the casing program may be necessary to comply with W. Va. Code §22-6-20, which requires drilling to a minimum depth of thirty feet below the bottom of the void, and installing a minimum of twenty (20) feet of casing. Under no circumstance should the operator drill more than fifty (50) feet below the bottom of the void or install less than twenty (20) feet of casing below the bottom of the void.
- 2. Pursuant to 35 CSR 4-19.1.a, at the request of the surface owner all water wells or springs within 1000 feet of the proposed well that are actually utilized for human consumption, domestic animals or other general use shall be sampled and analyzed.
- 3. Pursuant to 35 CSR 4-19.1.c, if the operator is unable to sample and analyze any water well or spring with one thousand (1,000) feet of the permitted well location, the Office of Oil and Gas requires the operator to sample, at a minimum, one water well or spring located between one thousand (1,000) feet and two thousand (2,000) feet of the permitted well location.
- 4. All pits must be lined with a minimum of 20 mil thickness synthetic liner.
- 5. In the event of an accident or explosion causing loss of life or serious personal injury in or about the well or while working on the well, the well operator or its contractor shall give notice, stating the particulars of the accident or explosion, to the oil and gas inspector and the Chief within twenty-four (24) hours.
- 6. During the surface casing and cementing process, in the event cement does not return to the surface, or any other casing string that is permitted to circulate cement to the surface and does not return to the surface, the oil and gas inspector shall be notified within twenty-four (24) hours
- 7. Well work activities shall not constitute a hazard to the safety of persons.
- 8. Operator shall provide the Office of Oil & Gas notification of the date that drilling commenced on this well. Such notice shall be provided by sending an email to DEPOOGNotify@wv.gov within 30 days of commencement of drilling.

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS WELL WORK PERMIT APPLICATION

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1) Well Operate	or: Hard	Rock Exp	oloration, Inc.	494464205	Roane	Reedy	Reedy, WV 7.5'
				Operator ID	County	District	Quadrangle
2) Operator's V	Vell Numb	oer: HR-5	05		3) Elevation:	712'	-
4) Well Type: (a) Oil	or Ga	as X				
(b) If Gas:	Produ	iction X / Un	derground Sto	rage	_	
		Deep	/ 5	Shallow X	200		
6) Proposed To	otal Depth	1: 8090'	: Lower Huron Feet a depths: Pittsburg	Formation at F			
			: Anticipated salt water			Pane	ivad
			s: None noted in al, Karst, other):	40.00		AUG 2	2014
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12) Describe pro	posed we	ell work ar	nd fracturing meth	nods in detail (a	ttach additiona	al sheets if ne	eded)
		-	m; Drill 8 3/4" hole		er foam/Fluid; Dr	ill Bottom hole	on Air.
			0'TVD , 4000'VS,	7,000			
13)	SPECIFIC	olit CA	ation (Depths noted a			140345	
	Size	Grade	Weight per ft	For Drilling	Left in Well	Fill -up (Cu	ı. Ft.)
Conductor	13 3/8"	LS	37	30'	30'	na	
Fresh Water	9 5/8"	LS	26	600'	600'	300cf	cts
Coal						3.337.5	
Intermediate	7"	moEO	10	2400'	3400'	520of	oto

Packers: Kind: Hydraulic Set open hole packer

4 1/2"

Production

Tubing

Liners

Sizes: 4.5" X 6 5/8" 10k diff Seal

mc50

N-80

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11.6

Depths Set Place 16 stg open hole packer system from 4190'MD-8090' (243' spacing per stg) , 17th packer at 2700' Dump 09/26/2014

2400'

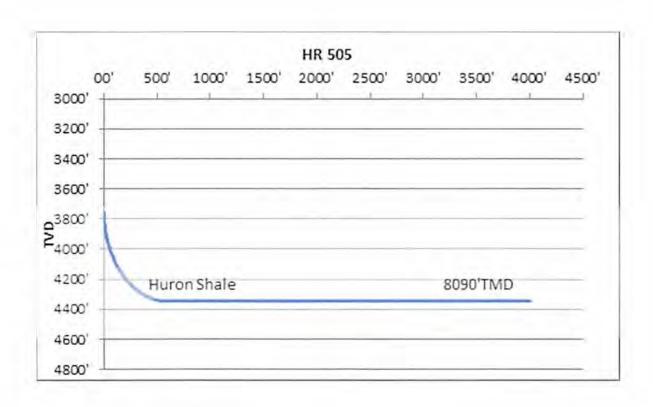
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2400'

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NOTICE

WELLBORE GRAPH HARD ROCK EXPLORATION WELL NO. HR-505



HARD ROCK EXPLORATION, INC. 1244 MARTINS BRANCH ROAD CHARLESTON, WV 25312

8-14-14

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Office of Oil and Gas
WV Dept. of Environmental Protection

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1). Date: August 12, 2014

2.) Operator's Well Number

County

HR-505

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3.) API Well No.:

State 47-

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS NOTICE AND APPLICATION FOR A WELL WORK PERMIT

	NOTICE AND APPLICATION	ON FOR A V	VELL WORK PERMIT
1) Surface Ou	vner(s) to be served: 5) (a) Coal Op	Received
(a) Name	Anna E. Bates Flint	Name	None
Address	1649 Charleston Road	Address	AUG 2 7 2014
Addiess	Spencer, WV 25276	Address	2014 × 7 2014
(b) Name	Richard R. Perrin	(b) Coal O	wner(s) with Declaration Office of Oll and Gas
Address	126 Providence Ave SE	Name	Anna E. Bates Miffeet of Environmental Protection
Addiess	New Philadelphia, OH 44663	Address	1649 Charleston Road W
	New Filladelpilla. Off 44003	Addiess	Spencer, WV 25276
(c) Name	Margaret Ellen Bates Platt	Name	Richard R. Perrin
Address	513 Follev Run	Address	Margaret Ellen Bates Platt
Addiess	Reedy, WV 25270	Addiess	[Addresses under 4) (a) and (b)]
6) Inspector	Ed Gainer	(c) Coal L	essee with Declaration
Address	PO Box 821	Name	None
, iddi coo	Spencer, WV 25276	Address	None
Telephone	304-389-7582	71001000	
relephone	TO THE PERSONS NAME	ED ABOVE T	AKE NOTICE THAT:
Included is t			acts by which I hold the right to extract oil and gas
I certify this application to obtaining the info	s application. under penalty of law that I have person form and all attachments, and that base ormation, I believe that the information is	receipt attache attached) 5 CSR 4, and ally examined d on my inquis true, accurate	I agree to the terms and conditions of any permit and am familiar with the information submitted on ry of those individuals immediately responsible for
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1744 MARTINS	BRANCH RD. CHARLESTON, WV 25312	Charleston, V	
		304-984-900	
		nonica@har	drockexploration.com
Subscribed and	sworn before me this 14th day of	augus	t 2014
	Joan L. Bear	ue (Notary Public
My Commission			
Oil and Gas Privacy	Notice		
The Office of Oil an	d Gas processes your personal information, su	ch as name, addi	ress and phone number, as a part of our regulatory duties.

The Office of Oil and Gas processes your personal information, such as name, address and phone number, as a part of our regulatory duties. Your personal information may be disclosed to other State agencies or third parties in the normal course of business or as needed to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements, including Freedom of Information Act requests. Our office will appropriately secure of your personal information, please contact DEP's Chief Privacy Officer at depprivacyofficer@wv.qov

ANNA E. (BATES) FLINT

Print Name

SURFACE OWNER WAIVER

County	Roane	Opera	itor	Hard Rock Exploration, Inc.
		Opera	itor well number	HR-505
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Department	of Environmental Protecti	on		
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Charleston, \((304)) 926-04				
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FOR EXECU	JTION BY A NATURAL P	ERSON	FOR EXEC	CUTION BY A CORPORATION, ETC.
anna	E. BATES) Flu	ut Date 8/21/14	Company Name By	Received

Its

AUG 2 7 2014

Date

SURFACE OWNER WAIVER

County	Roane	Operator	Hard Rock Exploration, Inc.	
1		Operator well number	HR-505	

INSTRUCTIONS TO SURFACE OWNERS NAMED ON PAGE WW2-A

The well operator named on page WW2A is applying for a permit from the State to do oil or gas well work. (Note: If the surface tract is owned by more than three persons, then these materials were served on you because your name appeared on the Sheriff's tax ticket on the land or because you actually occupy the surface tract. In either case, you may be the only owner who will actually receive these materials.) See Chapter 22 of the West Virginia Code. Well work permits are valid for 24 months. If you do not own any interest in the surface tract, please forward these materials to the true owner immediately if you know who it is. Also, please notify the well operator and the Office of Oil and Gas.

NOTE: YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE ANY COMMENT.
WHERE TO FILE COMMENTS AND OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Chief, Office of Oil and Gas Department of Environmental Protection 601 57th St. SE Charleston, WV 25304 (304) 926-0450

Time Limits and methods for filing comments. The law requires these materials to be served on or before the date the operator files his Application. You have FIFTEN (15) DAYS after the filing date to file your comments. Comments must be filed in person or received in the mail by the Chief's office by the time stated above. You may call the Chief's office to be sure of the date. Check with your postmaster to ensure a dequate delivery time or to arrange special expedited handling. If you have been contacted by the well operator and you have signed a "voluntary statement of no objection" to the planned work described in these materials, then the permit may be issued at any time.

<u>Comments must be in writing.</u> Your comments must include your name, address and telephone number, the well operator's name and well number and the approximate location of the proposed well site including district and county from the application. You may add other documents, such as sketches, maps or photographs to support your comments.

The Chief has the power to deny or condition a well work permit based on comments on the following grounds:

- 1) The proposed well work will constitute a hazard to the safety of persons.
- 2) The soil erosion and sediment control plan is not adequate or effective;
- 3) Damage would occur to publicly owned lands or resources;
- 4) The proposed well work fails to protect fresh water sources or supplies;
- 5) The applicant has committed a substantial violation of a previous permit or a substantial violation of one or more of the rules promulgated under Chapter 22, and has failed to abate or seek review of the violation...".

If you want a copy of the permit as it is issued or a copy of the order denying the permit, you should request a copy from the Chief.

<u>List of Water Testing Laboratories</u>. The Office maintains a list of water testing laboratories which you can hire to test your water to establish water quality prior to and after drilling. Contact the Chief to obtain a copy.

VOLUNTARY STATEMENT OF NO OBJECTION

I hereby state that I have read the instructions to surface owners and that I have received copies of a Notice and Application for a Well Work Permit on Form WW2-A, and attachments consisting of pages 1 through ____ including a work order on F orm WW2-B, a s urvey plat, and a s oil and erosion plan, all for proposed well work on my surface land as described therein.

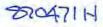
I further state that I have no objection to the planned work described in these materials, and I have no objection to a permit being issued on those materials.

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ROBERT FLINT I		By	AUG 2 7 2014 Date
Print Name			Office of Oil and Gas WV Dept. of Environmental Protection Signature Date

COAL OPERATOR, OWNER, OR LESSEE WAIVER

County Roane		UD FOE
Operator Hard Rock Exploration, Inc.	Operator's Well Number	HR-505
INSTRUCTIONS TO	COAL OPERATOR, OWNER,	OR LESSEE
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INFORMATION SUPPLIED UNDER WEST VIRGINIA CODE Chapter 22, Article 6, Section 8(d) IN LIEU OF FILING LEASE(S) AND OTHER CONTINUING CONTRACT(S)

Under the oath required to make the verification on page 1 of this Notice and Application, I depose and say that I am the person who signed the Notice and Application for the Applicant, and that –

- (1) the tract of land is the same tract described in this Application, partly or wholly depicted in the accompanying plat, and described in the Construction and Reclamation Plan;
- (2) the parties and recordation data (if recorded) for lease(s) or other continuing contract(s) by which the Applicant claims the right to extract, produce or market the oil or gas are as follows:

Grantor, Lessor, etc.	Grantee, Lessee, etc.	Royalty	Book/Page
Richard R. Perrin	Reserve Oil and Gas, Inc.	% of 1/8	247/692
Margaret Ellen Bates Platt	Reserve Oil and Gas, Inc.	% of 1/8	247/699
Robert II and Anna E Bates Flint	Reserve Oil and Gas, Inc.	% of 1/8	247/702
Reserve Oil and Gas, Inc.	J & M Resources	Assignment	504/459
J & M Resources	Hard Rock Exploration, Inc.	Assignment	252/85

Acknowledgement of Possible Permitting/Approval In Addition to the Office of Oil and Gas

The permit applicant for the proposed well work addressed in this application he reby a cknowledges the possibility of the need for permits and/or approvals from local, state, or federal entities in addition to the DEP, Office of Oil and Gas, including but not limited to the following:

- WV Division of Water and Waste Management
- WV Division of Natural Resources
- WV Division of Highways
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- County Floodplain Coordinator

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The applicant further acknowledges that any Office of Oil and Gas permit in no way overrides, replaces, or nullifies the need for other permits/approvals that may be nec essary and further affirms that all needed permits/approvals should be ac quired from the appr opriate aut hority before the affected activity is initiated.

Hard Rock Exploration, Inc.

Well Operator: By:Its:

Executive Vice President

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Well No.	HR-505	

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Office of Oil and Gas

NOTICE TO SURFACE OWNERS

The well operator named below is preparing to file for a permit from the state to drill a new well. Before a well work permit can be filed with the Chief of the Office of Oil and Gas, the well operator is required to have given notice of the right to request water well or spring analytical testing. This notice shall be given to the owners or occupants of land which have a water well or spring being utilized for human consumption, domestic animals, or other general use and which is located within 1000 feet of the proposed well site.

With this form, the operator is giving you notice of your right to request analytical testing. The operator is required to sample and analyze the water wells or springs of all owners or occupants who request it. Therefore, if you wish to have your water well or spring tested, contact the operator named below.

All sampling shall be completed prior to drilling. Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of such sample analyses the operator shall submit the results to the Chief of the Office of Oil and Gas and to the owners or occupants who may have requested them.

Be advised, you have the right to sample and analyze any water supply at your own expense.

Listed below is the laboratory chosen by operator to perform analysis, and contactor chosen to collect sample.

Certified Laboratory Name

Standard Labs or Sturm Lab

Sampling Contractor

Standard Labs or Sturm Lab

Well Operator

Hard Rock Exploration, Inc.

Address

1244 Martins Branch Road

Charleston, WV 25312

Telephone

304-984-9004

FOR OPERATOR'S USE ONLY: Below, or on an attached page, list those persons which were given this notice. Place an asterisk beside the one(s) that contacted you and requested sampling and analyses. If there were no requests made, indicate by underling which one you have selected to sample and analyze. If there are no water wells or springs within 1000 feet of the proposed site, the Chief may require the operator to test wells up to 2000 feet from the proposed site.

SEE ATTACHED

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FOR HARD ROCK EXPLORATION, INC. WELL HR-505A

Anna E. Bates Flint, et. al. 1649 Charleston Rd. Spencer, WV 25276

Katherine Platt Short 1422 Peniel Rd. Gay, WV 25244

James Slingerland 141 Folly Run Reedy, WV 25270

Margaret Bates Platt 513 Folly Run Reedy, WV 25270

Patrick McFadden PO Box 801 Clendenin, WV 25045

Dorothy Townsend 278 Folly Run Reedy, WV 25270

Vanderbuilt Mortgage and Finance Attn: Mark Lazenby PO Box 5129 Princeton, WV 24740

MUST TEST ONE OF THE ADJACENT WELLS BEFORE SPUDGING IF IT IS WITHIN 2000' OF THE WELLBORE.

In my

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True Line Surveying, Inc. 8/11/14

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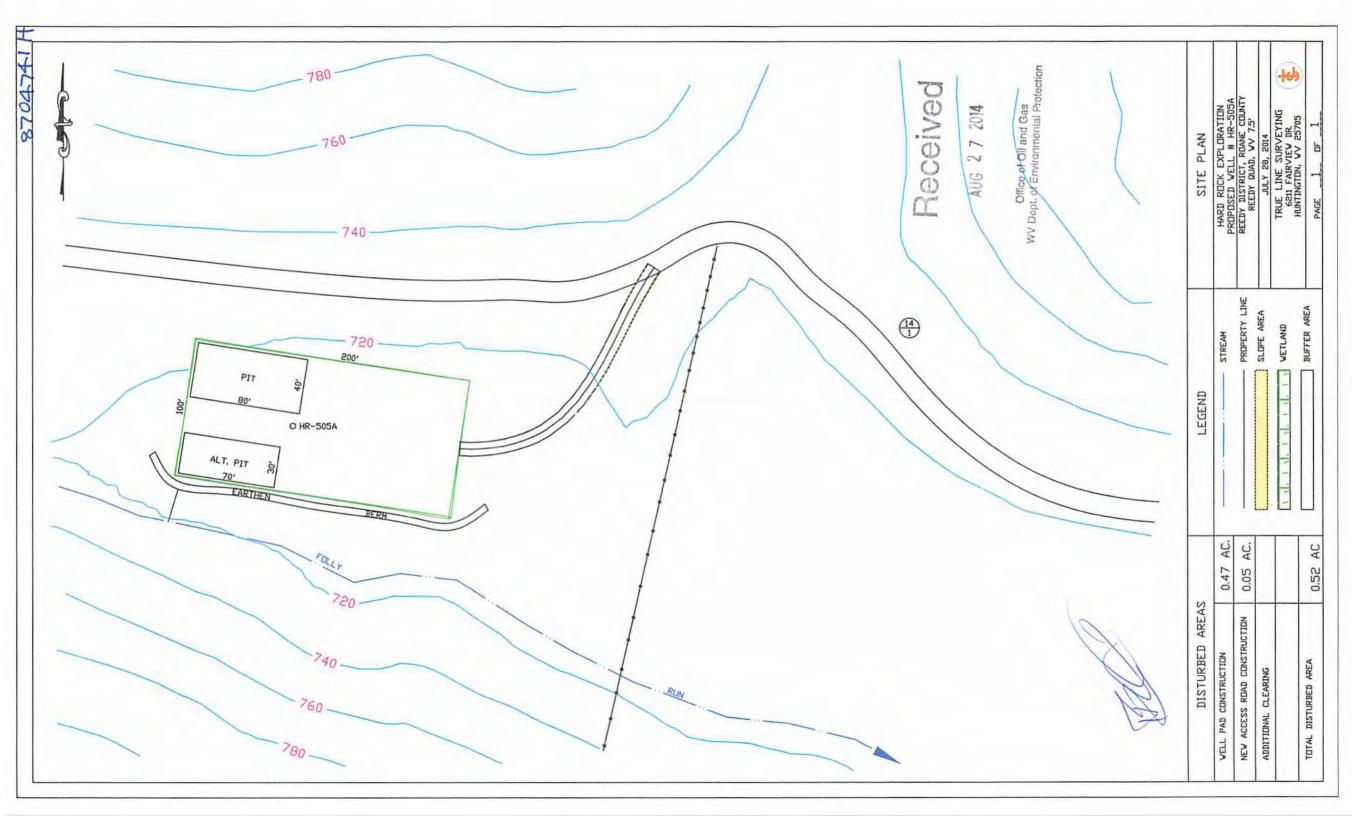
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS

FLUIDS/ CUTTINGS DISPOSAL & RECLAMATION PLAN

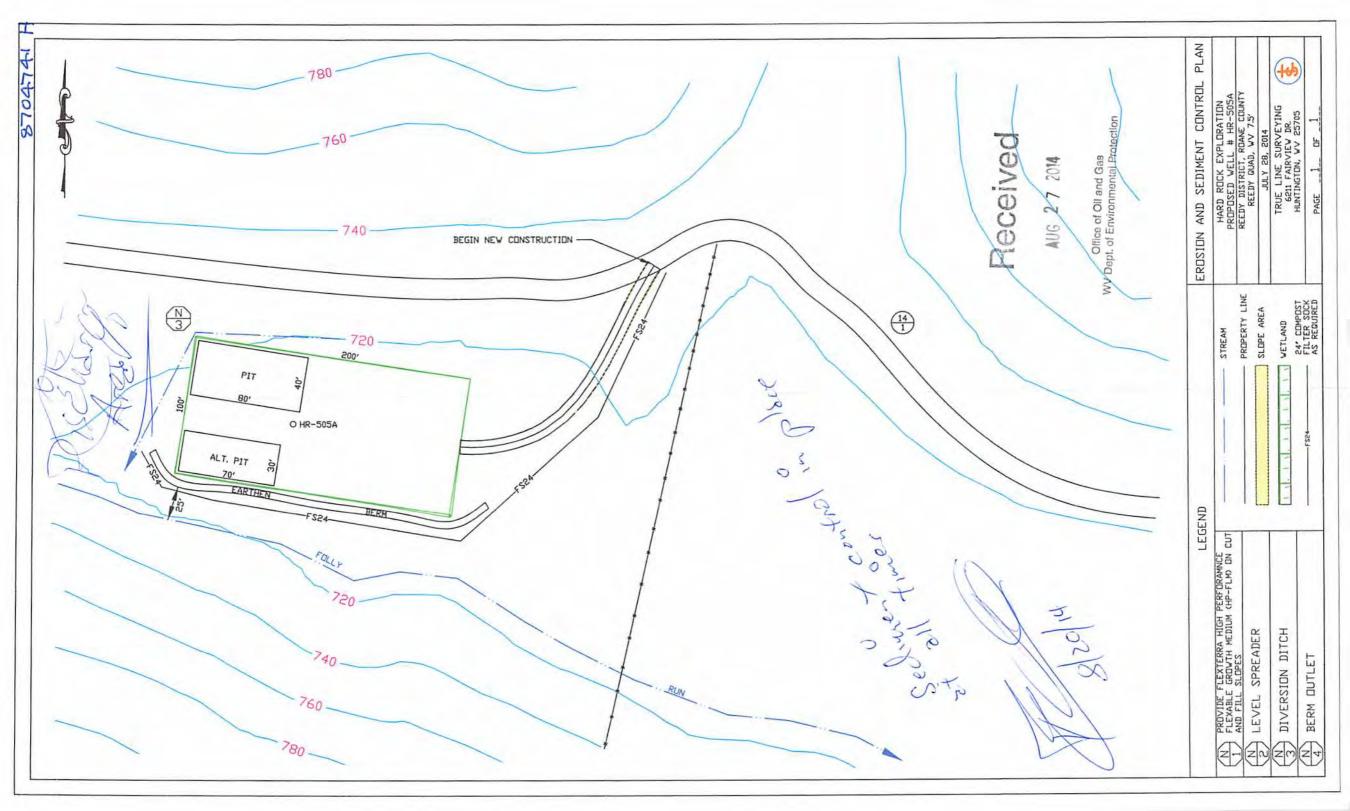
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Elevation 712'	County_	Distr	ict Reedy	_
Do you anticipate using more	than 5,000 bbls of water to com	plete the proposed well work'	? Yes No_X	
Will a pit be used for drill cutt	ings? Yes X No			
If so, please describe	anticipated pit waste: Drill Cu	ttings		
Will a synthetic liner	be used in the pit? Yes X	No If so, what r	nl.? 10 or greater ZOMIL	
Proposed Disposal M	ethod For Treated Pit Wastes:			
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Will closed loop system be us	ed? No		Receive	ed
Drilling medium anticipated for	or this well? Air, freshwater, oi	based, etc. Air		
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on August 1, 2005, by the Off provisions of the permit are e law or regulation can lead to e I certify under penal application form and all atta obtaining the information, I	Ity of law that I have personal achments thereto and that, bas believe that the information is information, including the possible of the poss	Virginia Department of Environ of any term or condition of the second and am familial ed on my inquiry of those the, accurate, and complete	nmental Protection. I understate the general permit and/or other with the information submitted individuals immediately response. I am aware that there are	Mgind that applicated application of the septification of the septification of the septification of the septiment of the sept
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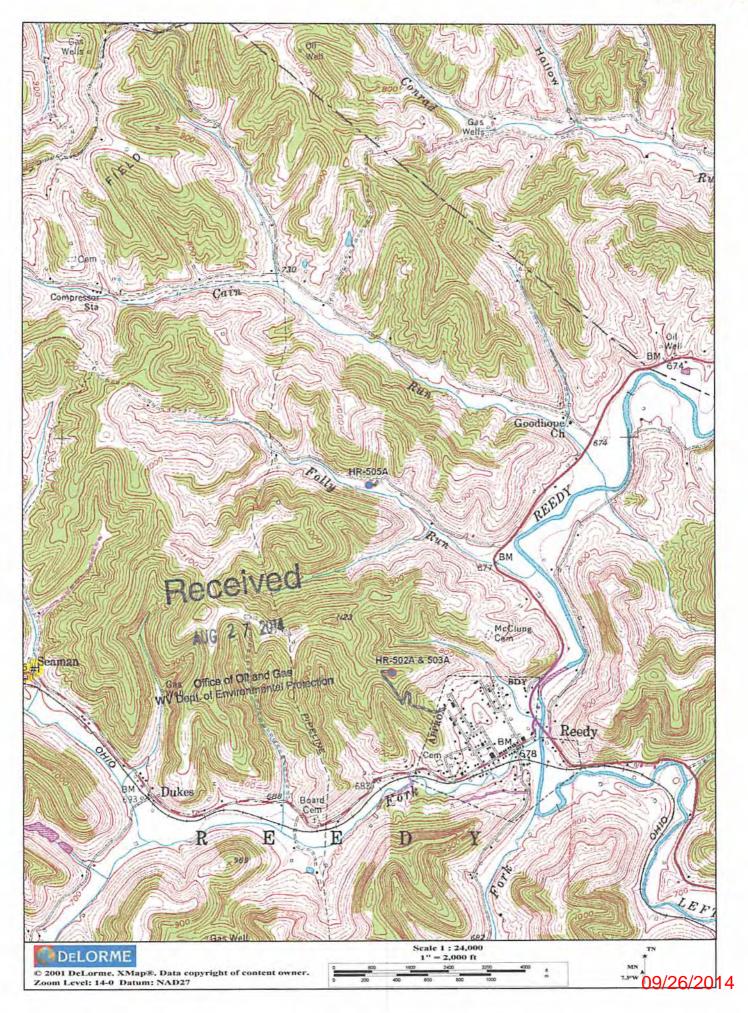
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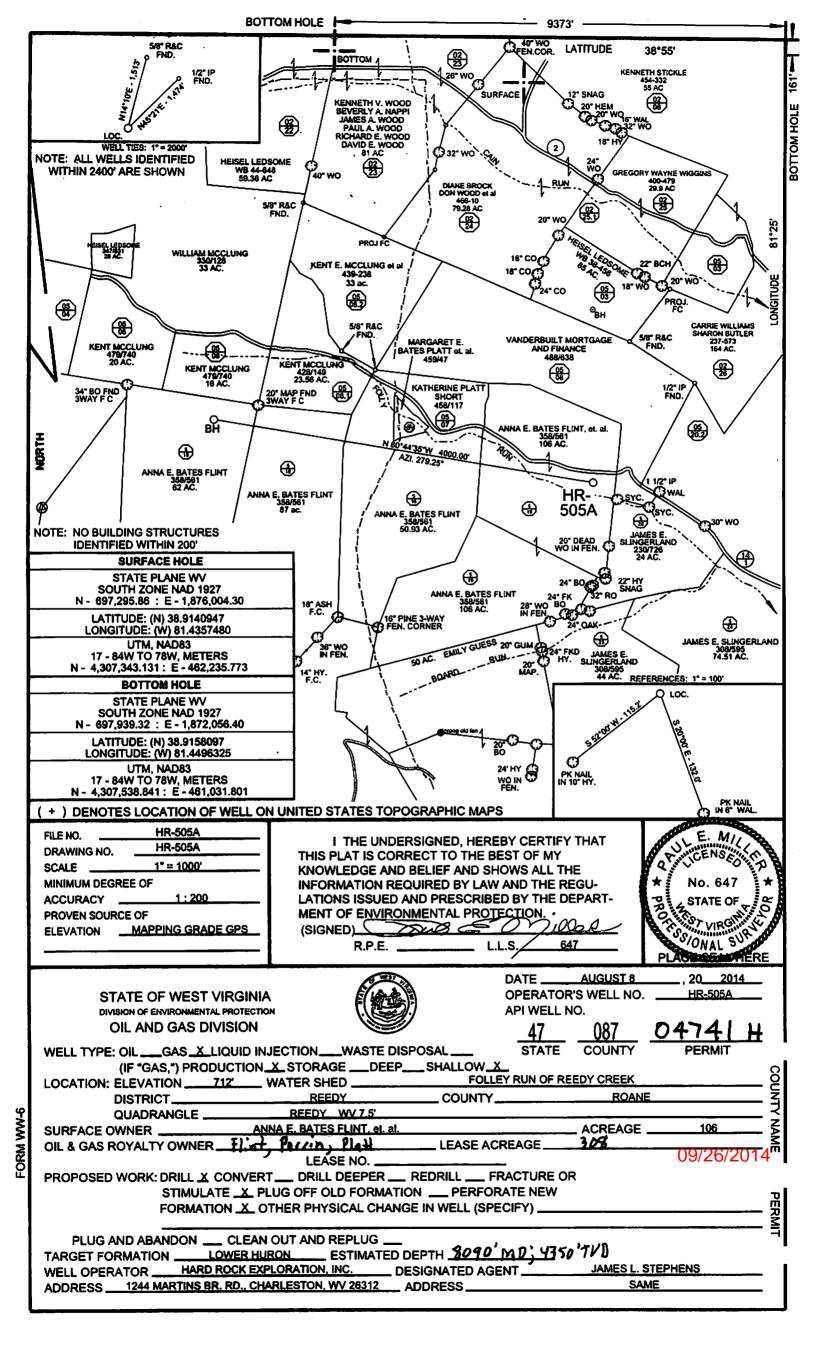
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Mulch_Hay/Straw/F	Paper (Paper at 1600 lbs/acre)	s/acre		
	Se	eed Mixtures		
	area I		Area II	
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Hard Rock Consulting, LLC

Hard Rock Land Services, LLC

CK# 000019

August 14, 2014

Mr. Gene Smith
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection
601 57th Street SE
Charleston, West Virginia 25304
Received

RE: Permit for well HR-505

AUG 2 7 2016

Office of Oil and Gas

Dear Gene:

I am writing regarding fresh water casing protection for the above referenced well.

Hard Rock Exploration respectively request this permit be issued allowing a deeper string of fresh water protection.

The new emergency rules act as a blanket policy and does not take several factors into consideration. The primary issue is that a lot of wells in the state of West Virginia are drilled on air, and the majority of operators with air drilling operations work diligently to reduce the amount of water in their operations. The new guidelines appear to be focused on fluid drilling and do not take into account wells being drilled on air. Our request is based on what we consider to be better engineering practices for air drilling operations.

The proper placement of the casing shoe must be considered; Hard Rock wants the ability to place the casing shoe in a rock, which has the mechanical integrity to ensure a proper seal at the casing shoe. If we follow the "new guidelines" most of the wells in our operational area would have the casing shoe placed in a red rock section and we would run casing 100 feet below the Pittsburgh Sand. Red rock has been proven to be a formation that is not stable with drilling operations; the rock is sensitive to time and the fluids that are produced from the intermediate hole. When the red rock is not covered we have seen sloughing and wash-outs during drilling operations.

Our proposed fresh water protection string set just above elevation does three things to ensure protection of fresh water and the minimization of pit fluids:

- (1) It limits the time exposure on the fresh water aquifer and adds only a few hours of air drilling to the well.
- (2) With the minimal time exposed and a casing shoe located in a mechanically sound rock it will ensure the cement will seal and form a good compressive barrier to future drilling operations.

(3) The last item, which is overlooked by the new standards, is pit volumes. The proposed fresh water casing placement will allow the majority of the 8 ¾ hole to be drilled on air. Using this method will permit Hard Rock to reduce fluids for drilling and decrease pit water volumes.

We also request that a cement record log from a cement service company be filed with our WR-35. We think that failure of either the cement quality or circulation should be a good measure of when to require additional logging and most fresh water protection strings are witnessed by the State Oil and Gas inspector for verification of a good cement job. Running a bond log under pressure should only be done if a known problem exists; the pressuring up of the casing string is detrimental to the newly established cement and could cause a micro-annulus problem. In addition, bond logs ran at the shallow depths with large internal diameter casings are very inaccurate if not ran under pressure. I think that the cement record log and the circulation of cement at surface will satisfy the "new guidelines'.

I hope this request is considered and permits are issued in the very near future.

Sincerely,

James L. Stephens

President

Cc: Monica Stephens

Ron Crites

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