



west virginia department of environmental protection

Office of Oil and Gas
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Charleston, WV 25304
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Harold D. Ward, Cabinet Secretary
www.dep.wv.gov

Friday, April 10, 2026
WELL WORK PLUGGING PERMIT
Vertical Plugging

MOUNTAINEER WELL SERVICES LLC
63899 WINTERGREEN RD.

LORE CITY, OH 43755

Re: Permit approval for norma Smith #1
47-085-10560-00-00

This well work permit 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 any additional specific 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.

Upon completion of the plugging well work, the above named operator will reclaim the site according to the provisions of WV Code 22-6-30. Please be advised that form WR-38, Affidavit of Plugging and Filling Well, is to be submitted to this office within 90 days of 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.

Per 35 CSR 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- 0450.

H. Jason Harmon
Acting Chief

Operator's Well Number:
Farm Name: ROGER SMITH WAYNE SMITH DARREN SMITH
U.S. WELL NUMBER: 47-085-10560-00-00
Vertical Plugging
Date Issued: 4/10/2026

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. All pits must be lined with a minimum of 20 mil thickness synthetic liner.
2. 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.
3. Well work activities shall not constitute a hazard to the safety of persons.
4. 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.

1) Date 12-30, 2025
2) Operator's
Well No. Norma Smith #1
3) API Well No. 47-085 - 10560

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

APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO PLUG AND ABANDON

- 4) Well Type: Oil ____/ Gas ____/ Liquid injection ____/ Waste disposal x ____/
(If "Gas, Production ____ or Underground storage ____) Deep ____/ Shallow ____
- 5) Location: Elevation 837 Watershed Nutter Fork Goose Creek
District Grant County Ritchie Quadrangle Cairo
- 6) Well Operator Mountaineer Well Services, LLC 7) Designated Agent Pat Brake
Address 579 Campus Drive, Suite 220 Address PO Box 2722
Westerville, Ohio 43082 Buckhannon, WV 26201
- 8) Oil and Gas Inspector to be notified 9) Plugging Contractor
Name Jeremy Newlon Name _____
Address 8402 Staunton Turnpike Address _____
MacFarlan, WV 26148

10) Work Order: The work order for the manner of plugging this well is as follows:

Verbal Plugging

- Ran 309 ft 13 3/8" and cemented to surface
- Were drilling 12 1/4" hole for the intermediate casing and got hung in the hole due to red rock cave in. Unable to free up. Bit at 1307' and Nine Energy freepoint at 1110'
- Shot drill pipe off at 1110' and cemented to surface in 3 stages
- Welded plate on 13 3/8" and will install monument after skid hole 85-10580 drilled

Monument installed with date and API #.

Notification must be given to the district oil and gas inspector 24 hours before permitted work can commence.

Work order approved by inspector



Date 1-16-2026

04/10/2026

WW-4A
Revised 6-07

1) Date: 12-30-2025
2) Operator's Well Number
Norma Smith #1

3) API Well No.: 47 - 085 - 10560

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS
NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO PLUG AND ABANDON A WELL

4) Surface Owner(s) to be served:

(a) Name Wayne Smith
Address 60 Nutter Fork Road
Cairo, WV 26337

(b) Name Roger Smith
Address 14513 Cinnamon Field
Charlotte, NC 28273

(c) Name Darren Smith
Address 88 Stoops Road
Mineral Wells, WV 26150

6) Inspector Jeremy Newlon
Address 6402 Staunton Turnpike
Mac Farlan, WV 26148
Telephone 304-851-2482

5) (a) Coal Operator

Name _____
Address _____

(b) Coal Owner(s) with Declaration

Name _____
Address _____

Name _____
Address _____

(c) Coal Lessee with Declaration

Name _____
Address _____

TO THE PERSONS NAMED ABOVE: You should have received this Form and the following documents:

- (1) The application to Plug and Abandon a Well on Form WW-4B, which sets out the parties involved in the work and describes the well its and the plugging work order; and
- (2) The plat (surveyor's map) showing the well location on Form WW-6.

The reason you received these documents is that you have rights regarding the application which are summarized in the instructions on the reverses side. However, you are not required to take any action at all.

Take notice that under Chapter 22-6 of the West Virginia Code, the undersigned well operator proposes to file or has filed this Notice and Application and accompanying documents for a permit to plug and abandon a well with the Chief of the Office of Oil and Gas, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, with respect to the well at the location described on the attached Application and depicted on the attached Form WW-6. Copies of this Notice, the Application, and the plat have been mailed by registered or certified mail or delivered by hand to the person(s) named above (or by publication in certain circumstances) on or before the day of mailing or delivery to the Chief.

Well Operator Mountain Top Well Services, LLC

By: [Signature]

Its: [Signature]

Address 579 Campus Drive, Suite 220
Westerville, Ohio 43087

Telephone _____

Subscribed and sworn before me this 24 day of January 2026

My Commission Expires 3-11-2030

Notary Public



MICHELLE L. BENNETT
Notary Public
State of Ohio
My Comm. Expires
March 11, 2030

Oil and Gas Privacy Notice

The Office of Oil and Gas processes your personal information, such as name, address and phone number, as 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 your personal information. If you have any questions about our use of your personal information, please contact DEP's Chief Privacy Officer at depprivacyofficer@wv.gov.

04/10/2026

SURFACE OWNER WAIVER

Operator's Well
Number

Norma Smith #1

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**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 **FIVE (5) 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 adequate 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.

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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;
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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.

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 Permit To Plug And Abandon on Forms WW-4A and WW-4B, and a survey plat.

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.

FOR EXECUTION BY A NATURAL PERSON
ETC.

FOR EXECUTION BY A CORPORATION,


Signature

Date 1/13/26 Name _____
By _____
Its _____

Signature

Date

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Date

1/16/26

Name

By

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Signature

Date 1-16-2025 Name _____
By _____
Its _____

Signature Date
04/10/2026

WW-9
(2/15)

API Number 47 - 085 - 10560

Operator's Well No. Norma Smith #1

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

FLUIDS/CUTTINGS DISPOSAL & RECLAMATION PLAN

Operator Name Mountaineer Well Services, LLC OP Code 494526888

Watershed (HUC 10) Nutter Fork Goose Creek Quadrangle Cairo

Do you anticipate using more than 5,000 bbls of water to complete the proposed well work? Yes ☐ No ☒

Will a pit be used? Yes ☒ No ☐

If so, please describe anticipated pit waste: Drilling fluids

Will a synthetic liner be used in the pit? Yes ☒ No ☐ If so, what ml.? 20

Proposed Disposal Method For Treated Pit Wastes:

- ☐ Land Application
- ☒ Underground Injection (UIC Permit Number 10142)
- ☐ Reuse (at API Number _____)
- ☐ Off Site Disposal (Supply form WW-9 for disposal location)
- ☐ Other (Explain _____)

Will closed loop system be used? If so, describe: Yes maybe if needed

Drilling medium anticipated for this well (vertical and horizontal)? Air, freshwater, oil based, etc. air, freshwater, brine

-If oil based, what type? Synthetic, petroleum, etc. Synthetic

Additives to be used in drilling medium? bio soap, clay inhibitors

Drill cuttings disposal method? Leave in pit, landfill, removed offsite, etc. Leave in pit or landfill if use Synthetic

-If left in pit and plan to solidify what medium will be used? (cement, lime, sawdust) cement, lime

-Landfill or offsite name/permit number? Wetzel

Permittee shall provide written notice to the Office of Oil and Gas of any load of drill cuttings or associated waste rejected at any West Virginia solid waste facility. The notice shall be provided within 24 hours of rejection and the permittee shall also disclose where it was properly disposed.

I certify that I understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the GENERAL WATER POLLUTION PERMIT issued on August 1, 2005, by the Office of Oil and Gas of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. I understand that the provisions of the permit are enforceable by law. Violations of any term or condition of the general permit and/or other applicable law or regulation can lead to enforcement action.

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted on this application form and all attachments thereto and that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the information is true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment.

Company Official Signature [Signature]

Company Official (Typed Name) DARSHAN VYAS

Company Official Title Owner

Subscribed and sworn before me this 29 day of January, 20 26

[Signature] Notary Public

My commission expires 3/11/2030



MICHELLE L. BENNETT
Notary Public
State of Ohio
My Comm. Expires
March 11, 2030

[Signature] 1-16-2026

04/10/2026

Mountaineer Well Services, LLCProposed Revegetation Treatment: Acres Disturbed 5 Prevegetation pH 5.5Lime 2 Tons/acre or to correct to pH 6.5Fertilizer type 10-20-20 or equivalentFertilizer amount 500 lbs/acreMulch Hay or Straw Tons/acreSeed Mixtures**Temporary****Permanent**

Seed Type	lbs/acre
Contractors Mix	100

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Attach:

Drawing(s) of road, location, pit and proposed area for land application (unless engineered plans including this info have been provided)

Photocopied section of involved 7.5' topographic sheet.

Plan Approved by: 

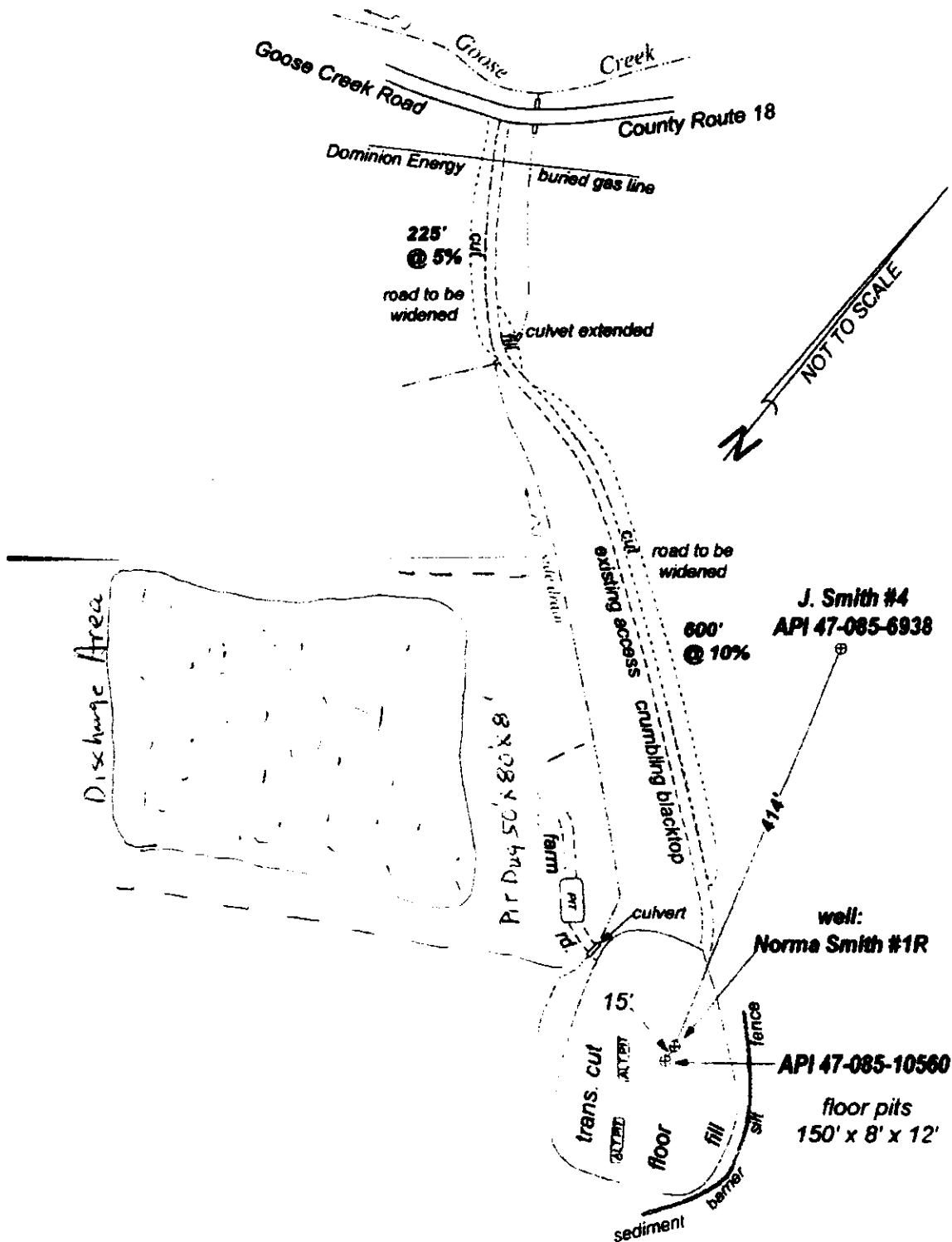
Comments: _____

Title: DDG InspectorDate: 1-16-2026Field Reviewed? ☒ Yes ☐ No

04/10/2026

For GPP

MOUNTAINEER WELL SERVICES, LLC
Well: Norma Smith # 1R
Norma Smith, et al +/- 157 Acre Lease
Grant District Ritchie County West Virginia



04/10/2026

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

Operator Name: Mountaineer Well Services, LLC

Watershed (HUC 10): Goose Creek Hughes River 0503020311

Quad: Cairo

Farm Name: Wayne, Roger and Darren Smith

1. List the procedures used for the treatment and discharge of fluids. Include a list of all operations that could contaminate the groundwater.

Attached is the procedure being used to treat and discharge fluids. List of possible contamination operations.....Breach in liner, Land applying fluids too quickly, Improper treatment of fluids. Ponding and runoff.

2. Describe procedures and equipment used to protect groundwater quality from the list of potential contaminant sources above.

Be careful not to puncture/rip liner and properly treat pit. Maintain steady flowing discharge and allow no run off or ponding.

3. List the closest water body, distance to closest water body, and distance from closest Well Head Protection Area to the discharge area.

Goose Creek is approximately 1000 feet and the closest WHPA is 9.5 miles Northwest to Belmont.

4. Summarize all activities at your facility that are already regulated for groundwater protection.

DEP-OOG regulates casing ran across freshwater producing zones and cemented to surface. Also have BMPs in place for surface water and secondary tank containment requirements Injection operations including facility per Underground Injection Control Program guidelines observed as Class II.

5. Discuss any existing groundwater quality data for your facility or an adjacent property.

James Paul 1-16-26
04/10/2026

Four (4) water wells within 2000' have been sampled and the analyses are available with the drilling application through the WVDEP-OOG.

6. Provide a statement that no waste material will be used for deicing or fill material on the property.

No material will be used for deicing or fill material on the property.

7. Describe the groundwater protection instruction and training to be provided to the employees. Job procedures shall provide direction on how to prevent groundwater contamination.

Contractors and employees will be instructed on preventing spillage and the proper maintenance/operation of the treatment process. Direction will be provided on the prevention of contamination and the quick response methods to be utilized for handling possible contamination issues.

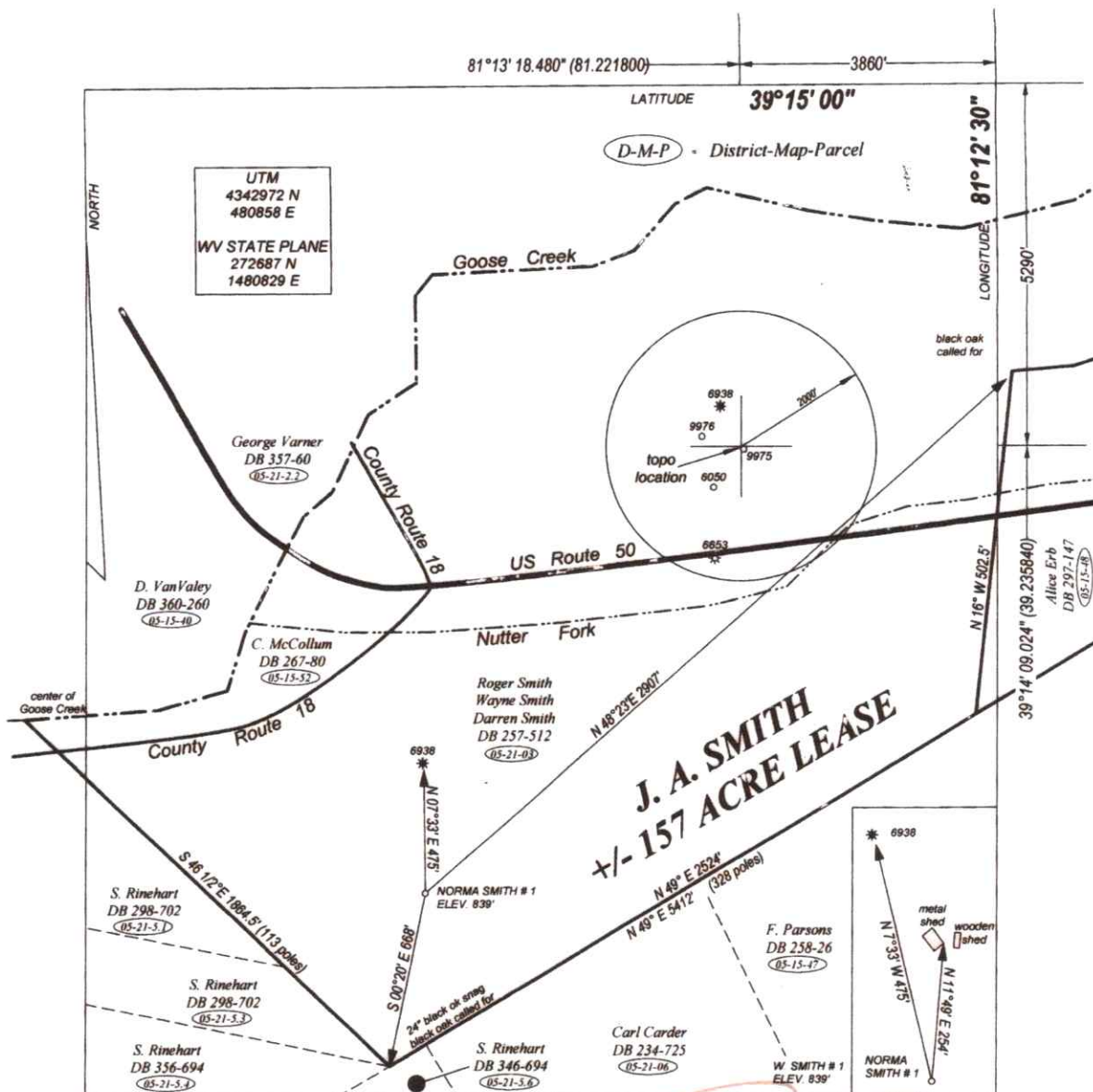
8. Provide provisions and frequency for inspections of all GPP elements and equipment.

Inspections will be made continually during the treatment and discharge operations. Notes will be taken hourly and be available upon request.

Signature: 

Date: 1-16-26

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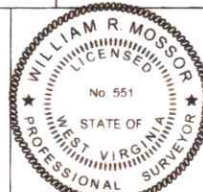


FILE NO. _____
 DRAWING NO. _____
 SCALE 1" = 500'
 MINIMUM DEGREE
 OF ACCURACY 1:200
 PROVEN SOURCE
 OF ELEVATION GPS
 OBSERVATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS
 PLAT IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
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 AND PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.

(SIGNED)

PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR: 551



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

DATE FEBRUARY 12TH, 2023
 OPERATORS WELL NO. NORMA SMITH #1

API 47 - 085 -
 STATE COUNTY PERMIT

WELL TYPE: OIL ☐ GAS ☐ LIQUID INJECTION ☐ WASTE DISPOSAL ☒
 (IF GAS) PRODUCTION ☐ STORAGE ☐ DEEP ☒ SHALLOW ☐

LOCATION: ELEVATION 839' 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 ☒ CONVERT ☐ DRILL DEEPER ☐ REDRILL ☐
 FRACTURE OR STIMULATE ☒ PLUG OFF OLD FORMATION ☐
 PERFORATE NEW FORMATION ☒
 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
 ADDRESS 114 SOUTHGATE PARKWAY
CAMBRIDGE, OH 43725

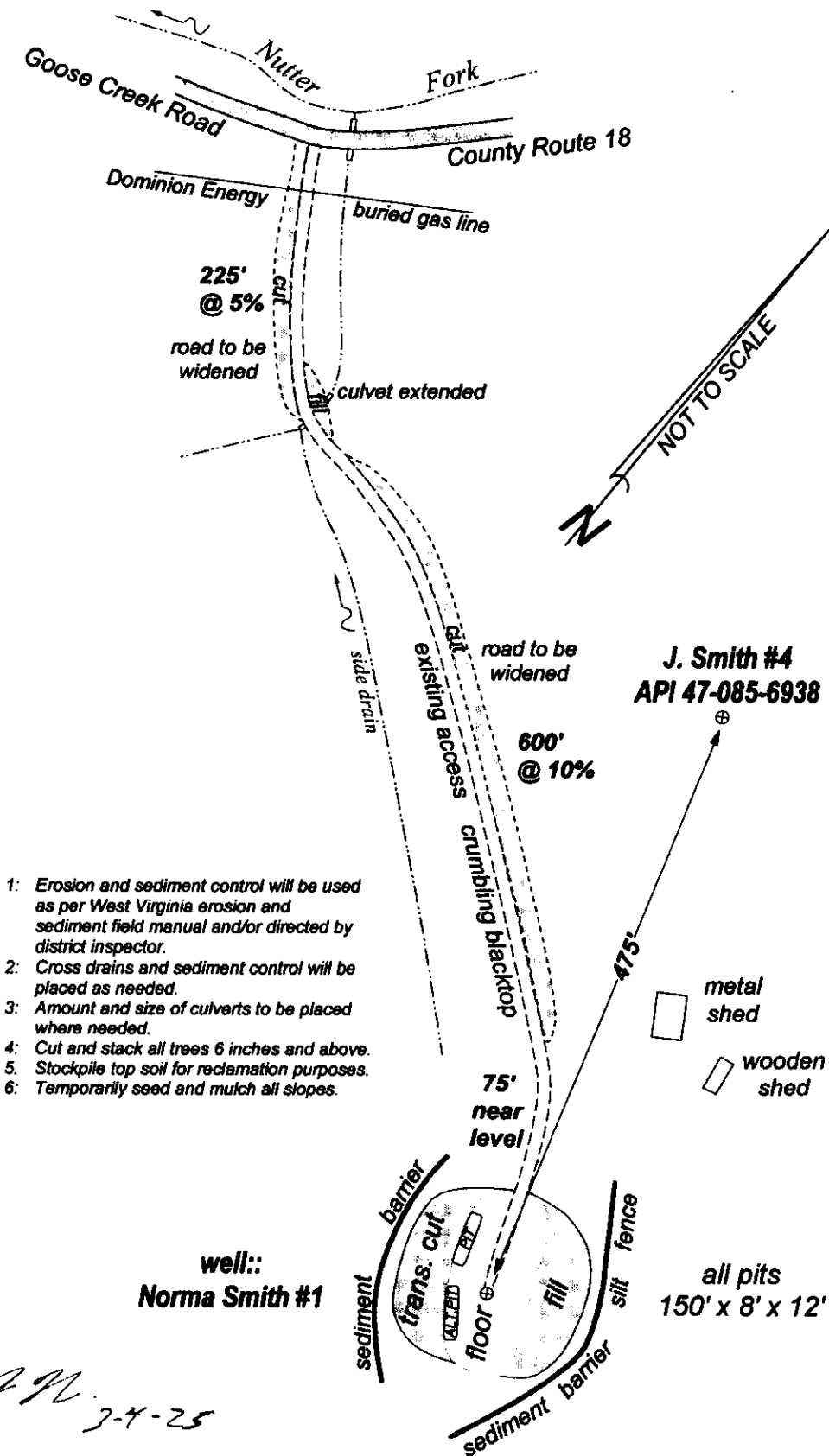
DESIGNATED AGENT PAT BRAKE
 ADDRESS P. O. BOX 2722
BUCKHANNON, WV 26201

FORM WW - 6

COUNTY NAME PERMIT

04/10/2026

MOUNTAINEER WELL SERVICES, LLC
Well: Norma Smith # 1
Norma Smith, et al +/- 157 Acre Lease
Grant District Ritchie County West Virginia



GN 3-4-25

04/10/2026

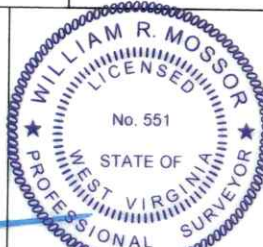


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API 47 - 085 - 10560
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ADDRESS 114 SOUTHGATE PARKWAY
CAMBRIDGE, OH 43725

DESIGNATED AGENT PAT BPAKE
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BUCKHANNON, WV 26201

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COUNTY NAME
PERMIT

11/10/2016

PLUGGING PERMIT CHECKLIST

47-085-10560P

Plugging Permit

- ☒ WW-4B
- ☒ WW-4B signed by inspector
- ☒ WW-4A
- ☒ SURFACE OWNER WAIVER or PROOF THAT APPLICATION WAS SENT BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL
- ☐ COAL OWNER/COAL OPERATOR/COAL LESSEE WAIVERS or PROOF THAT APPLICATION WAS SENT BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL
- ☒ WW-9 PAGE 1 (NOTARIZED)
- ☒ WW-9 PAGE 2 with attached drawing of road, location, pit and proposed area for land application
- ☒ WW-9 GPP PAGE 1 and 2 if well effluent will be land applied
- ☒ RECENT MYLAR PLAT OR WW-7
- ☒ WELL RECORDS/COMPLETION REPORT
- ☒ TOPOGRAPHIC MAP OF WELL, SHOWING PIT IF PIT IS USED
- ☒ MUST HAVE VALID BOND IN OPERATOR'S NAME
- ☒ CHECK FOR \$100 IF PIT IS USED *Pd the \$100 with drilling permit*

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To whom it may concern, a plugging permit has been issued for 4708510560.

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