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OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION Meeting: August 13, 1969
Mr. John Bannister, Exec Sec



# Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA ROOM 202 1624 WEST ADAMS

Phoenix, Arizana 85007 PHONE: 271-5161

AGENDA

Meeting August 13, 1969 Room 204, Arizona State Office Bldg.

Hearing, Case 37 A.A.A. Fishing Tool, Inc. 10:00 a.m.

Hearing, Case 38 ≥ Humble Oil Company 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. Call to order

> Approval of minutes of meeting of July 16, 1969

Executive Secretary report

23. Geologist report

New business - Bushadi (Schools - dev. Frogram)

Adjourn 6.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THIS OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



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## Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA

1624 WEST ADAMS

PHONE: 271-5161

August 6, 1969

Memo: Commissioners From: John Bannister

Re: Report of Activity

As you are aware, we will have two hearings prior to the Commission meeting. The first hearing is the application of A.A.A. Fishing Tool, Inc., for an unorthodox location in the East Boundary Buttes field. Humble Oil Company will oppose A.A.A. Fishing Tool's proposal. At 11:00 a.m. we will hear Humble's request for spacing regulation within the East Boundary Buttes field. It is urged that no decision be reached until after both hearings have been completed and we can consider both cases in the light of all evidence. Of course, evidence entered in one case cannot technically be used in the other case.

I would mention that I talked with the Attorney General's Office (John McGowan) about the possibility of combining the cases into one hearing inasmuch as they are concerning themselves with the same problem, however he advised that they be kept separate and I have acted upon his instructions.

The regular meeting of the Commission will follow the two above hearings, probably after lunch. At that time it will be necessary to discuss in some detail the budget which we must submit for the Year 1970-71, particularly in view of the fact that there is some consideration being given to what role this Commission should play in encouraging exploration and development of this State. I am submitting herewith the proposed budget of this Commission, which does not take into consideration any additional personnel or additional activities.

I recently visited the Sedona area inasmuch as there has been some discontent in that the rig from the Hopkins-Jordan location (residential area of Sedona) has not as yet been removed. It is my understanding that there is a dispute between Hopkins and O'Donnell-Ewing Drilling Company as to whose responsibility

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it is to remove this rig and I further understand that Hopkins is experiencing some financial difficulties. He has indicated his desire to drill additional wells in the area but has not as yet apparently secured adequate financing for further work.

I spoke at length with Mr. Walter Jordan, owner of the land upon which the rig is now located and found him most discontent with the operation in its present state, however, when I explained to him the Commission's bond and purpose therefor, his feeling was greatly alleviated and I believe this problem will be amicably worked out.

I further visited the Harris well in Mohave County. We have had some difficulty in securing reports of this operation. When I visited the well I found it is a three-man operation with drilling actually conducted twelve hours per day by the same workmen. As the site is quite remote, Glade Stubbs (the driller) has some difficulty reaching a telephone, however prior to my arrival at the well reports had been forwarded to the Commission concerning the operation. I expressed in detail the Commission's requirements and authority and I feel that our trouble will be minimal from now on.

### New Permits:

Globe Minerals #E-4 Navajo, NE/4 NW/4, 9-41N-28E, Apache County.

Gulf #1 Navajo 2310, SE/4 NW/4, 21-29N-24E, Apache County.

# TENTATIVE PROPOSED BUDGET 1970-71 OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

SALARIES	\$56,550
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	2,500
TRAVEL - STATE	6,500
TRAVEL - OUT OF STATE	5,000
CURRENT FIXED CHARGES	750
CURRENT EXPENDITURES	6,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY	3,600 - Car 3 types
MUSEUM NORTHERN ARIZONA	2,500
BUREAU OF MINES	2,500
TOTAL	\$85,900



#### OFFICE OF

# Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

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August 6, 1969

#### GEOLOGIST'S REPORT

FROM: JAMES SCURLOCK TO: COMMISSIONERS

## APACHE COUNTY

Consolidated Oil & Gas #1 Navajo

T41N, R28E, G & SRM

Sec. 2: SW/4 SW/4

East Boundary Butte Field

Permit #481

Total depth 5900'. Well completed 7-6-69. Pumped 16 barrels of oil plus 83 barrels of water plus 27.5 MCF of gas on 24-hour test. Gravity 39.0°. Gas-Oil Ratio 1,720 cubic feet of gas per barrel of oil. Producing horizon in the lower Paradox formation of the Pennsylvanian System. Producing interval 5224 - 5228'. Water is being disposed of by injection into the Akah formation: perforations 4897 - 4909'.

Consolidated Oil & Gas #2 Navajo

T41N, R28E, G & SRM

Sec. 3: NE/4 SE/4

East Boundary Butte Field

Permit #488

Still a waiting location.

Globe Minerals #1 Navajo 10022

T41N, R28E, G & SRM Sec.5: SE/4 SE/4

Permit #508

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Well has been drilled to a total depth of 5700'. Plugged and abandoned 7-21-69.

Formation tops:

Bluff Surface
Summerville 10'
Entrada 157'
Carmel 224'
Navajo 318'
Kayenta 518'
Wingate 532'

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#### APACHE COUNTY (Cont.)

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Formation tops: (Cont.)
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          Hermosa
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          Desert Creek
                                   5302'
          Akah
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          Total depth
                                   5700'
Globe Minerals #E-4 Navajo
T41N, R28E, G & SRM
Sec. 9: NE/4 NW/4
Permit #509
     Contractor is Mesa Driller. Spud date 7-22-69. Cur-
     rently drilling at 5050'. Set 8-5/8" casing at 339 KB
     with 175 sacks of Class A cement. (Cement circulated.)
     Now drilling a size 7-7/8" hole with 9.1 weight mud;
     viscosity 34 - 36.
     Geologist on well is Don Mitchell.
          Sample tops:
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Organ Rock 2554' 4125' Hermosa 4100' Ismay Desert Creek 4870' Proposed depth is 5600'.

Shinarump

De Chelly

Globe Minerals #1 Navajo 10022 (Cont.)

Monsanto #1 Navajo 717 T39N, R29E, G & SRM Sec. 1: SE/4 SE/4

Permit #503

Contractor is Cactus Drilling Corporation. Spud date 7-11-69. Currently drilling at 1610'. Mud weight 8.7; viscosity 32. The well location offers singular scenic beauty in that one can see the whole Four Corners area FROM or the western flank of the Carrizo Mountains. Elevation is 8900'.

They have had a lot of hard drilling through the volcanics; in fact, already drilling on bit number 23. Monsanto is

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### APACHE COUNTY (Cont.)

Monsanto #1 Navajo 717 (Cont.)
displaying a lot of "guts" to drill this well; but, they
have been a company who in the past have been wont to
think of themselves as scientifically minded and willing
to drill risky and expensive prospects. I personally
take my hat off to them for trying this one.

Gulf #1 Navajo 2310 (CZ) T29N, R24E, G & SRM Sec. 21: SE/4 NW/4

"TIGHT HOLE"

Permit #510

Spud date 8-3-69. Contactor is Circle A Drilling Company. They have drilled a 12-1/2" hole to a depth of 346' and are preparing to run surface casing. Proposed depth is 4000'. Well is located 22 miles southwest of Chinle.

Kerr-McGee #11 Navajo 8832 T36N, R30E, G & SRM Sec. 32: NW/4 SE/4

Permit #506
Drilled by Loffland Brothers. Spud date 7-8-69. Set 7"
casing at 2931' and drilled in with cable tools. Fracked
with 40,000 pounds of sand and 1,700 gallons of oil. Have
been swabbing for a number of days now but have recovered
a very disappointing amount of oil; in fact, they have yet
to recover frack oil. Currently installing a large beam
pump.

Kerr-McGee has stubbed their toe here. A bad piece of luck when we consider that the #2, 3, and 4 wells have produced well over a million barrels of oil and the #1 well has produced almost one-half million barrels of oil. The thinking now is that Kerr-McGee will be lucky to make a small producer out of this well on which they had staked such high hopes.

Gulf #1 Navajo 2290 T37N, R30E, G & SRM Sec. 34: NE/4 NE/4

"TIGHT HOLE"

Permit #507
Spud date 7-1-69. Contractor is Circle A Drilling. Located 3 miles southwest of Red Rock. Set 8-5/8" casing

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# APACHE COUNTY (Cont.)

Gulf #1 Navajo 2290 (Cont.) at 341' with 200 sacks. Total depth is 4600'. No indication of commercial production. Plugged and abandoned 7-29-69.

Formation tops:

Surface Chinle 1083 De Chelly 1680' Organ Rock Cutler 2150' Hermosa 2907' 3615' Barker Creek 38331 Molas 39301 Mississippian Limestone 4120' Elbert McCracken 4322' Anneth 44221 45331 Tapeats 4582' Granite Wash Total Depth 4600'

Thoureen #1 Santa Fe T21N, R26E, G & SRM Sec. 27: NE/4 SW/4

"TIGHT HOLE"

Permit #504

Total depth 1217' in Coconino. We have been unable to reach these people. No one was at the location yesterday when I came by. Understand from the grapevine that they have set casing and will try for a completion. Presumably this means that they have found a show of helium. This may be a winner.

The geologist on this well is Mr. Bob Lauth of Durango. Currently staying at the motel in Navajo. We are trying to reach him.

Odessa #1 Navajo 8898 T35N, R30E, G & SRM Sec. 10: SW/4 NW/4 Permit #501

Spud date 6-27-69. Contractor is Loffland Brothers. Total depth is 4978'. Plugged and abandoned 7-18-69. No shows of oil, gas or helium encountered.

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#### APACHE COUNTY (Cont.)

Odessa #1 Navajo 8898 (Cont.)

Formation tops:

Chuska Surface Chinle 1531' DeChelly 1956' Cutler 2720' Hermosa 38451 Molas 4466 Mississippian 4576 Elbert. 47601 McCracken 4912'

# MOHAVE COUNTY

Harris #1 Federal 2758A T38N, R7W, G & SRM Sec. 29: NW/4 NE/4 Permit #502

Contractors are Ed Burdge and Glade Stubbs, Virgin, Utah. Spud date 7-5-69. Set 14" casing at 65' with 50 sacks. Drilling with cable tool rig. Currently drilling at 182' in the Toroweap formation. Proposed depth 3000'.

### YAVAPAI COUNTY

Hopkins #34-1Y Federal T18N, R5E, G & SRM Sec. 34: SW/4 NW/4

"TIGHT HOLE"

**Permit #482** 

Well continues to pump approximately 50 barrels of freshwater per day.

Riddle #3-A Federal T17N, R4E, G & SRM Sec. 3: NE/4 NE/4 Permit #485

No new developments on this old hole. Presumably the operator is still planning to move in rotary rig to work over the well when he has raised the sufficient capital.

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### SCUTTLEBUIT:

According to the grapevine we are about to have our first wildcat venture in Gila County. Mr. E. K. Kerber, Phoenix, Arizona, is reported to be preparing to drill a 3500' Devonian test in Section 5, T4N, R13E. Contractor will be Tanner Drilling Company of Miami. This well to be located 5 miles northeast of Tonto National Monument and about 3 miles north of Roosevelt Lake.

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