

**Bureau of Land Management, Roswell Field Office**  
**Categorical Exclusion Checklist**  
**NEPA # DOI-BLM-P010-2009-43-CX**  
**McMaster Trust 3 Fed Com #1**

Resources	Not Present on Site	No Impacts	May Be Impacts	Mitigation Included	BLM Reviewer	Date
Watershed			X	X	/s/ Mike McGee	12/1/08
Water Quality - Surface			X	X		
Water Quality - Ground			X	X		
Cultural	X				/s/Rebecca L. Hill 09-R-028A 08-r-091A	26Jan2009
Rights-of-Way		X			/s/Sanderford	1/23/09
Invasive, Non-native Species			X	X	/s/ Joseph Navarro	1/23/09
Threatened or Endangered Species	X				/s/ D Baggao	12/3/08
Special Status Species	X					
Wastes, Hazardous or Solid	X				EPS/NRS /s/ Brian Novosak	1/23/2009
Public Health and Safety		X				



**Categorical Exclusion Documentation**  
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**A. Background**

Roswell Field Office;

Applicant: Chesapeake Operating Inc  
PO Box 18496  
Oklahoma City, OK 73154

Lease No.: NM-111408

Action Type: APD

Well Name: McMaster Trust 3 Fed Com #1

Location of Proposed Action: 2310' FNL & 810' FEL, Sec. 3, T. 12 S., R. 26 E., NMPM,  
Chaves County, New Mexico

Description of Proposed Action: According to the APD, received November 3, 2008, Chesapeake Energy Corporation is proposing to drill a gas well on private surface aggregating 4.03 acres of surface disturbance.

1. ACCESS ROAD: The entire access road system is 2119 feet in length by 30 feet wide with a 14-foot travelway from Wichita County Road, Chaves County New Mexico to the well pad. The entire access road is on lease new-road construction on private surface and does not require a right-of-way. A gate and cattleguard will be constructed and installed at the fence crossing along Wichita Co. Road.
2. PIPELINE: An associated pipeline is mentioned in the APD, but will be submitted by Agave Energy if the well is found to be a producer.
3. WELL PAD: The construction of the proposed well pad would be 295 feet long by 380 feet wide. There will be no reserve pit as the proponent has proposed using the closed-loop drilling system. Standard oilfield construction equipment consisting of; track-type tractors, motor graders, dump trucks, and water trucks would be used to construct the access road and well pad. A rotary drilling rig would be used to drill the well to a total measured depth (MD) of 5150 feet. Associated production facilities (e.g., pipeline, separator, storage tanks, etc.) would be installed during the production phase of this well.

**B. Land Use Plan Conformance**

Land Use Plan Name: 1997 Roswell Resource Management Plan Amended by the 2008 Special Status Species RMPA



# GENERAL LOCATION MAP

