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Dear Interested Party:

In August 2012, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Las Cruces District Office, completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluating an Application for Permit to Drill (APD) submitted by the Harvey E. Yates Company (HEYCO). The proposed project is located in an area of south-central New Mexico known as Otero Mesa.

The EA analyzed the potential environmental impacts that could result from the Proposed Action. After a thorough analysis of the potential environmental impacts and consideration of comments from the public and State and Federal agencies, the BLM has decided to approve the HEYCO APD for the Bennett Ranch Unit #6 exploratory natural gas well.

A copy of the Finding of No Significant Impact and the EA are available on the BLM Las Cruces District website at: <http://www.blm.gov/nm/lascruces>

If you need additional information, or if you have questions concerning the project, please contact Edward Seum at the above address, or at (575) 525-4313.

Sincerely,

Bill Childress
District Manager