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Dear Director and Deputy Director,

This letter and attachments serve as the Semi-Annual and Annual Report for the Uranerz Energy Corporation Nichols Ranch ISR Project that is required by License Conditions 9.4E, 10.11, 11.1, 11.2, 11.7, and 12.10 in SUA-1597.

Revised pages to the license application are enclosed in accordance with SUA-1597 License Condition 9.4E. An index of change has been included to guide insertion into the license application.

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**Semi-Annual Report**

**July - December 2013**

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## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Uranerz received Source Material License SUA-1597 on July 19, 2011. In accordance with 10CFR40.65 and Source Material License SUA-1597 Uranerz Energy Corporation submits the 2013 Semi-Annual Effluent and Monitoring Report and Annual report summarizing the operational and environmental activities monitored for the Nichols Ranch and Hank Units. Semi-Annual reporting is performed according to SUA-1597 License Condition 11.1 and 12.10 and includes information for the period of July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. Annual Reporting is submitted per License Conditions 9.4E, 10.11, 11.2, 11.7, and 12.10 accounting for January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

## **2.0 OPERATIONAL MONITORING**

### **2.1 Activities Summary**

Uranerz continued construction of the Nichols Ranch Unit Central Processing Plant (CPP) and Production Area #1 (PA#1) during the report period as summarized in Quarterly Reports submitted to the NRC on October 10, 2013 for third quarter and January 9, 2014 for fourth quarter.

The NRC approved the PA#1 Wellfield Package on September 12, 2013. Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division (WDEQ/LQD) approved the PA#1 wellfield package on June 4, 2013.

Production start-up pends approval from the NRC. The NRC performed the pre-operational inspection, for production approval, on November 18, 2013 through November 21, 2013.

Two deep disposal wells, NICH DW 1 (completed August, 2013) and NICH DW 4 (completed October 2013) were approved to operate during the report period (December 5 and 20, 2013 respectively). Deep disposal wells are permitted through the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Water Quality Division with water aquifer exemption granted by the EPA.

No operational activities occurred at the Hank Unit during the report period. The Environmental Assessment (EA) is pending with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for the 280 acres that the BLM manages.

### **2.2 Excursion Well Status**

No wells were on excursion status during the reporting process. Excursion monitoring will commence following lixiviant circulation.

### **2.3 Disposal Well Volumes**

Along with flow rates, License Condition 10.11 requires the volume disposed in each disposal well to be reported annually. During the reporting period no production activities occurred and did not dispose into the disposal wells during the period.

During the reporting period no production areas were operational. As stated above, construction of the facilities and PA#1 continued at the Nichols Ranch Unit.

## **2.4 Flow Rates and Manifold Pressures**

Per License Condition 11.1C Uranerz is required to record flow rates and manifold pressures daily. These records are compiled and available to inspectors on site upon their request.

## **2.5 Summary of Mechanical Integrity Testing (MIT) Data**

The number of wells installed and mechanical integrity test (MIT) status (License Condition 11.1B) is reported in Quarterly Reports to the NRC to reduce reporting redundancy between agencies requiring the same information.

## **2.6 Restoration**

No production areas are in restoration for the reporting period.

# **3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING**

## **3.1 Ground Water Monitoring**

As no production took place during the period no groundwater monitoring, as described in License Condition 11.7 was performed. Ground water monitoring was done preoperatively, in accordance with License Condition 12.10

Pursuant to License Condition 12.10 pre-operational water samples were collected from domestic and livestock wells located within 2 kilometers of the proposed production area. The samples were analyzed at an offsite laboratory for natural uranium, radium-226, and those constituents, chloride, conductivity, and alkalinity, as listed in Section 5.7.8.9 of the license application. The analysis results are provided in Appendix A.

A review of groundwater wells, per License Condition 12.4, within 2 kilometers of any production area identified two new groundwater wells. One is a groundwater well for Samson Resources and the second is the Uranerz domestic well. Water samples were collected and analyzed for each well. A report detailing the specifics was submitted to the NRC on October 16, 2013 and December 27, 2013 respectively.

A surficial aquifer well, URNZG-15, was identified in Production Area #1 during the report period. In accordance with License Condition 11.3C the surficial well will be analyzed for parameters listed in Table D6-6a of the license application. Sampling was attempted; however, no water was available to sample during the report period. The sampling dates for the surficial wells are as follows.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Waterlevel Results</b>
9/17/2013	dry
10/1/2013	dry
11/19/2013	dry
12/17/2013	dry

### **3.2 Surface Water Monitoring**

In accordance with Section 5.7.7.3.1 of the license application surface water will be collected and analyzed for total uranium, Th-230, Ra-226, and Pb-210. Given the prevailing dry conditions; grab samples from locations of surface water were not able to be collected. There are three surface water self-samplers on site with two located at the Nichols Ranch Unit and one at the Hank Unit. Uranerz collected no samples during the period, as there was no water present to sample. Results are provided in Appendix B.

### **3.3 Summary of Spills**

There were no spills as the result of production fluid during the reporting period.

### **3.4 Sediments and Soil Sampling**

In accordance with Section 5.7.7.5 of the license application sediment samples will be collected annually and analyzed for uranium, radium-226, lead-210 and thorium. Samples were collected in areas where surface water is sampled. Results are provided in Appendix C.

Soils are also collected annually in the vicinity of where radon is monitored. There are six radon sampling locations and soil was sampled at each of the locations. Soil samples were analyzed for uranium, radium-226, lead-210 and thorium. Results are provided in Appendix D

### **3.5 Air Particulate, Radon, and Gamma Radiation Monitoring**

Uranerz maintains an air monitoring program at six locations around the licensed Nichols Ranch facility. These stations are used to monitor air particulates, radon, and passive gamma measurements and are averaged and compared to background for use in calculating annual dose to the public.

The air station locations are as follow:

- NA-1 monitors the nearest full time resident at Dry Fork Ranch
- NA-2 is the southern boundary and monitors the down wind conditions of the north west winds for the control processing facility
- NA-3 is at the northern boundary and monitors the downwind conditions of south west winds for the wellfield and the CPP
- NA-4 is at our easterly boundary and is considered our background being upwind from the wellfield and the central processing plant.

- NA-5 is located west of the plant and monitors the down wind conditions of our easterly winds at night.
- NA-6 is located north east of the plant and monitors the man camp our maximally exposed member of the public.

Air Particulate samples are collected weekly and then composited quarterly for analysis by an outside laboratory. Review of the data shows that the concentration of the parameters are less than the 10CFR 20 Appendix B, Effluent Concentration Limits. Table 1 of Appendix E shows the air particulate data collected for the third and fourth quarter.

Radon gas is monitored continuously at the six air particulate stations and at seven other locations. The added locations are additional data points and are intended for internal use. These additional points are available upon inspection, but will not be included in the semi-annual report. Passive outdoor radon detectors are exchanged quarterly and sent to Landauer for analysis. The data is shown in Table 2 of Appendix E. Data is given as raw data without subtracting the background location. Since the site is not in operations the data collected is assumed to be from background sources of radon. Once operations commence these values will be compared to radon daughter effluent releases found in 10CFR 20 Appendix B values to assess dose to the public.

Passive gamma radiation is monitored continuously at the six air particulate stations and at the other seven radon stations. The added locations are additional data points and are intended for internal use. These additional points are available upon inspection, but will not be included in the semi-annual report. The monitoring is performed using Optically Stimulated Luminescence (OSL) dosimeters that are exchanged and analyzed by Landauer quarterly. The passive gamma radiation monitoring data is shown in Table 3 of Appendix E.

#### **4.0 SUMMARY OF EMPLOYEE URINALYSIS RESULTS**

No bio-assays exceeded the action level of 15 µg/L uranium during the report period. Samples are collected on all employees at initial hiring. Monthly samples are collected from plant operators. Analysis is performed by an outside laboratory.

#### **5.0 PUBLIC DOSE**

10 CFR 20.1301 requires that each NRC licensee conduct their operations in a manner that the total effective dose equivalent (TEDE) to members of the public does not exceed 100 mrem in a year, and that the dose from external sources in any unrestricted area does not exceed 2 mrem in any hour.

Additionally, 10CFR 20.1302 requires licensees to show compliance to these dose limits by demonstrating one of the following:

1. Show by actual measurement or calculation that the TEDE to the public does not exceed 100 mrem; or
2. Show that the annual average concentration of radioactive effluent released at the restricted boundary do not exceed the values in Table 2 of Appendix B in 10 CFR 20. Also that the external dose to an individual continuously present in an unrestricted area would not exceed 2 mrem in an hour.

Since Uranerz is awaiting permission to process licensed material, compliance these dose limits are not required.

## **6.0 SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PANEL (SERP) EVALUATIONS**

Per License Condition 9.4E, Uranerz shall furnish, in an annual report to the NRC, a description of such changes, tests, or experiments, including a summary of the evaluations made by the safety and environmental evaluation panel (SERP). Uranerz completed a total of eleven (11) SERPs during the year. A summary of the SERPs findings for each evaluation can be found in Appendix G Table 1. In addition the licensee shall annually submit changed pages, which shall include both a change indicator and a page change identification. Page changes to the operation and reclamation plan are being submitted separate of this report.

## **7.0 ALARA REVIEW**

As required by License condition 11.2, the licensee shall submit the results of the annual review of the radiation protection program content and implementation performed in accordance with 10CFR20.1101(c). These results shall include doses to individual members of the public. This submittal will occur once the Nichols Ranch facility is allowed to process licensed material and has done so for a calendar year. After the year, an ALARA audit will occur and will be submitted with the semi-annual effluent report in July. This allows all data from the fourth quarter to arrive before issuing doses to the public.

## **8.0 SURETY**

All activities that have been conducted to date at the Nichols Ranch ISR Project are covered in the original surety estimate that was submitted when SUA-1597 was issued. No revisions are necessary at this time.

The WDEQ-LQD also requires an annual surety review and therefore Uranerz will review the surety annually in December (during the NRC second half semi-annual report period) thus aligning the NRC and LQD surety reviews for consistency, standardization and reduced redundancy. Uranerz submitted the update to the NRC under cover letter dated December 9, 2013.

Appendix A  
Livestock and Domestic Wells Within 2 Kilometers  
Water Quality Analysis  
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Sample Location	Sample Date	Uranium-Natural (Total)		Radium 226			Alkalinity (mg/L)	Conductivity (umhos/cm)	Chloride (mg/L)
		Concentration (mg/L)	Reporting Limit (mg/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)			
Hank Unit									
North Dry Willow	23 Oct 13	0.0763	0.0003	3.1	0.35	0.14	132	2250	9
Dry Willow #1	9 Sep 13	0.0028	0.0003	43	1.2	0.14	125	1170	3
Brown - F	9 Sep 13	0.0003	0.0003	0.77	0.18	0.13	145	464	3
Brown - WS	23 Oct 13	0.0084	0.0003	0.48	0.015	0.14	81	1210	5
Means #1	23 Oct 13	0.0260	0.0003	1.3	0.23	0.14	105	1690	4
Paden #1	19 Jun 13	0.606	0.0003	4.9	0.045	0.17	119	2070	8
Doble Hill Well #1	Not Sampled, Well Disconnected								
Connie #2	Not Sampled, Inoperable								
Nichols Ranch Unit									
DW-4L	23 Jul 13	ND	0.0003	0.04	0.11	0.18	112	611	9
DW-4M	26 Sep 13	ND	0.0003	0.33	0.17	0.19	162	1330	25
DW-4U	4 Sep 13	0.0855	0.0003	0.61	0.20	0.19	132	1440	6
Nichols #1	22 Jul 13	0.0274	0.0003	0.04	0.11	0.199	133	494	5
Pats #1	23 Jul 13	0.0452	0.0003	0.24	0.17	0.22	132	613	6
Pug #2	23 Jul 13	ND	0.0003	0.30	0.17	0.22	250	494	3
Brown 21-6	23 Jul 13	ND	0.0003	-0.03	0.11	0.21	153	416	5
Red Springs Artesian	Not Sampled, Dry Well (Checked September 9, 2013)								
Dry Fork #3	Not Sampled, Dry Well (Checked September 9, 2013)								
Pug #1	Not Sampled, Dry Well (Checked September 9, 2013)								

**Notes:**

ND =Not Detected at the Reporting Limit

MDC = Minimum Detectable Concentration

RL = Reporting Limit

**Appendix B**  
**Uranerz Surface Water Quality Analysis**  
**July - December 2013 Semi-Annual Report**

Sample Location	Sample Date	Uranium-Natural (Total)		Radium 226			Lead 210			Thorium 230		
		Concentration (mg/L)	Reporting Limit (mg/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/L)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/L)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/L)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)
NRSSW (Cottonwood D Nichols)	NA	No water present to sample										
NRSSE (Cottonwood U Nichols)	N/A	No water present to sample										
Dry Willow Reservoir	N/A	No water present to sample										
Brown Water Pond	N/A	No water present to sample										
HSS (Dry Willow Creek)	NA	No water present to sample										

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Appendix C  
 Uranerz Sediment Analysis  
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Sample Location	Sample Date	Uranium-Natural (Total)		Radium 226			Lead 210			Thorium 230		
		Concentration (mg/L)	Reporting Limit (mg/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)
NRSSW (Cottonwood D Nichols)	6 Jun 13	3.9	0.1*	3.0	0.1	0.02	2.3	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2
NRSSE (Cottonwood U Nichols)	6 Jun 13	6.7	0.1*	1.9	0.09	0.02	1.7	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2
Dry Willow Reservoir	23 Jul 13	1.5	1.0	1.4	0.05	0.01	1.8	0.1	0.2	1.1	0.3	0.2
Brown Water Pond	23 Jul 13	1.7	1.0	1.2	0.05	0.01	2.8	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.1
Cottonwood Creek @ Brown Ranch	22 Jul 13	1.4	1.0	1.0	0.04	0.01	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.1
HSS (Dry Willow Creek)	12 Jun 13	1.9	1.0	0.7	0.05	0.02	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.1

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\* Per laboratory the Reporting Limit was increased due to sample matrix and represents the need for a dilution factor.

**Appendix D**  
**Uranerz Soil Analysis**  
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Sample Location	Sample Date	Uranium-Natural (Dissolved)		Radium 226			Lead 210			Thorium 230		
		Concentration (mg/L)	Reporting Limit (mg/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)	Concentration (pCi/L)	Precision (±) (pCi/l)	MDC or RL (pCi/L)
NA-1	10 Jun 13	1.4	1.0	1.2	0.07	0.02	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1
NA-2	10 Jun 13	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.07	0.02	1.5	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
NA-3	10 Jun 13	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.06	0.02	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.1
NA-4	10 Jun 13	ND	1.0	0.9	0.07	0.02	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.1
NA-5	10 Jun 13	ND	1.0	1.2	0.07	0.02	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2
NA-6	10 Jun 13	ND	1.0	1.2	0.07	0.02	1.4	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.3	0.2

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**Appendix E**  
**Table 1 Air Particulate Locations**  
**July-December 2013**

Sample Location	Sample Period	Radionuclide	Concentration (μCi/ml)	Error ±(μCi/ml)	LLD (μCi/ml)	10CFR 20 APP B Table 2 Values (μCi/ml)	Percent Concentration %
NA-1							
Air Station							
Nearest Resident	3rd Quarter	U-Nat	5.E-17	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	8.E-17	4E-17	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	-8.E-18	6E-17	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb210	1.E-15	1E-15	2E-15	6E-13	0.2
	4th Quarter	U-Nat	1.40E-16	N/A	1E-16	9E-14	0.2
		Th-230	1E-16	N/A	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	1E-16	N/A	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb-210	1.4E-14	1.7E-15	2E-15	6E-13	2.3
NA-2							
Air Station							
Downwind							
Southern							
Boundary	3rd Quarter	U-Nat	6.E-17	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	1.E-16	5E-17	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	6.E-17	9E-17	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb210	1.E-14	3E-15	2E-15	6E-13	1.8
	4th Quarter	U-Nat	1.20E-16	N/A	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	1E-16	N/A	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	1.1E-16	3.7E-17	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb-210	2.3E-14	2E-15	2E-15	6E-13	3.8
NA-3							
Air Station							
Downwind							
North Boundary	3rd Quarter	U-Nat	1.E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	1.E-16	8E-17	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	-1.E-18	1E-16	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb210	5.E-15	6E-15	2E-15	6E-13	0.8
	4th Quarter	U-Nat	1.30E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	1E-16	NA	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	1E-16	3.8E-17	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb-210	2.6E-14	2.3E-15	2E-15	6E-13	4.3
NA-4							
Air Station							
Background Site	3rd Quarter	U-Nat	5.E-17	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	7.E-17	4E-17	1E-16	3E-14	0.2
		Ra-226	-9.E-18	7E-17	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb210	2.E-15	1E-15	2E-15	6E-13	0.3
	4th Quarter	U-Nat	1.4E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.2
		Th-230	1E-16	NA	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	1E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb-210	2.4E-14	2E-15	2E-15	6E-13	4.0

Appendix E  
Table 1 Air Particulate Locations  
July-December 2013

Sample Location	Sample Period	Radionuclide	Concentration (μCi/ml)	Error ±(μCi/ml)	LLD (μCi/ml)	10CFR 20 APP B Table 2 Values (μCi/ml)	Percent Concentration %
NA-5 Air Station Downwind West of CPP							
	3rd Quarter	U-Nat	6.E-17	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	9.E-17	5E-17	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	8.E-17	1E-16	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb210	1.E-14	3E-15	2E-15	6E-13	2.2
	4th Quarter	U-Nat	1E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	1E-16	NA	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	1E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb-210	2.6E-14	2.E-15	2E-15	6E-13	4.3
NA-6 Air Station Downwind North East of CPP							
	3rd Quarter	U-Nat	6.E-17	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	8.E-17	4.E-17	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	9.E-17	1.E-16	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb210	5.E-15	1.E-15	2E-15	6E-13	0.8
	4th Quarter	U-Nat	1.E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-14	0.1
		Th-230	1E-16	NA	1E-16	3E-14	0.3
		Ra-226	1E-16	NA	1E-16	9E-13	0.0
		Pb-210	2.E-14	2.E-15	2E-15	6E-13	3.7

**Appendix E**  
**Table 2 Radon Monitoring**  
**January - December 2013**

Location	1st Quarter ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Uncertainty ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Uncertainty ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Uncertainty ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	4th Quarter ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Uncertainty ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	Location Average ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )	10CFR 20 APP B Table 2 Values ( $\mu\text{Ci/ml}$ )
Nichols Ranch Project										
NR-1 (Nearest Resident)	5.00E-10	4.00E-11	1.60E-09	1.00E-10	9.00E-10	7.00E-11	1.10E-09	9.00E-11	1.03E-09	1.00E-10
NR-2 (Southern Boundary Downwind)	NA	NA	7.00E-10	5.00E-11	1.30E-09	8.00E-11	6.00E-10	6.00E-11	6.50E-10	1.00E-10
NR-3 (North Boundary Downwind)	3.00E-10	3.00E-11	3.00E-10	3.00E-11	9.00E-10	8.00E-11	5.00E-10	6.00E-11	5.00E-10	1.00E-10
NR-5 (Background)	NA	NA	6.00E-10	5.00E-11	1.10E-09	8.00E-11	7.00E-10	6.00E-11	8.00E-10	1.00E-10
NR-6 (West of CPP downwind)	NA	NA	6.00E-10	5.00E-11	1.10E-09	8.00E-11	7.00E-10	6.00E-11	6.00E-10	1.00E-10
NR-7 (North East of CPP Downwind Maximally Exposed Member of the Public)	NA	NA	6.00E-10	5.00E-11	1.20E-09	8.00E-11	8.00E-10	7.00E-11	6.50E-10	1.00E-10

**Appendix E**  
**Table 3 Passive Gamma Radiation Monitoring**  
**January-December 2013**

Location	1st Quarter (mrem/quarter)	2nd Quarter (mrem/quarter)	3rd Quarter (mrem/quarter)	4th Quarter (mrem/quarter)	Location Average ( $\mu$ Ci/ml)
Nichols Ranch Project					
NR-1(Nearest Resident)	4.9	6.1	10	5.9	6.7
NR-2 (Southern Boundary Downwind)	7.7	5.9	8.4	5.3	6.8
NR-3 (North Boundary Downwind)	3.3	7.3	6.6	4.6	5.5
NR-5 (Background Upwind)	4.5	10.2	10.1	8.3	8.3
NR-6 (West of CPP downwind)	NA	7.4	12.4	1.6	7.1
NR-7 (North East of CPP Downwind, maximally exposed member of the public)	NA	9.1	13.4	6.1	9.5
Quarterly Average	5.1	7.7	10.2	5.3	7.1

**Appendix F**  
**Annual SERP Summary**  
**January-December 2013**

SERP No.	Date	SERP Topic	Evaluation Summary
SERP-7-2012	8/29/2013	Steel Header House Basements	The license application describes the use of concrete for headerhouse foundations. The SERP evaluated the use of other materials, such as steel, for the foundation basements. The use of other materials may reduce disposal cost as they may be re-used in future wellfield header houses. Other ISR facilities use different materials in this application. Leak Detection was evaluated as a potential concern and the SERP concluded that there would be no changes to leak detection as Uranerz would still be required to provide the same level as evaluated in the license application. The SERP concluded that using alternative materials would be acceptable.
SERP-1-2013	10/22/2013	Management Title Position Changes in License Application	The SERP evaluated title changes described in Chapter 5.0 of the TR. Changes were made to the President, Executive Vice President, Vice President, Production and Vice President, Environment, Safety and Health and Manager ESH. The President was updated to CEO, the Executive Vice President was removed, the Vice President Production was revised to Vice President Operations, the Vice President ESH was revised to Vice President Regulatory Affairs, and the Manager ESH was reinstated. Responsibilities of each position were evaluated by the SERP to ensure that appropriate management remains in place as described in Regulatory Guide 8.31 and NUREG 1569. The SERP concluded that the revisions are acceptable and does not change the license application as it was previously evaluated in the NRC SER.
SERP-2-2013	7/30/2013	Revise Volume I, Section 2.4.2 Project Effect on Cultural Resource Sites within the Nichols Rand Unit and Hank Unit	The license application describes that green snow fence will be used to fence cultural site within the license boundary. However, the snow fence is not a conducive material in harsh local weather conditions, specifically winds. Additionally, surface landowners do not care for the use of the snow fence and have requested it not be used. Therefore it was proposed to remove the specification of using green snow fence from the license application. The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the NRC dictates that those areas stated in the MOA will be 'delineated and fenced'. The MOA however does not specify fencing types which allows Uranerz the availability to use a fencing type on a by case basis. The license application was revised to align with the MOA and ensure compliance as required in License Condition 9.8. The SERP concluded that these changes were acceptable and ensures commitments are met.
SERP-3-2013	7/30/2013	Revise TR Section 7.5.4 for use of gas heaters	The license application provides for the use of electric heaters only. However, the flexibility to use either electric or gas was proposed and evaluated by the SERP. A review of the NRC SER indicates that the NRC staff evaluated the electric heaters based on dispersion potential in the instance of an explosion. Based on that, the use of gas heaters would only be changing the heater type, not the nature of the material form as evaluated in the SER. Therefore, the SERP concluded to accept the change and revised the license application to include the use of gas heaters.

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SERP No.	Date	SERP Topic	Evaluation Summary
SERP-4-2013	7/29/2013	Revise Well Diagrams Figures 3-13 and 3-14 in Volume I	Figures 3-13 and 3-14 which are well diagrams, were revised with regard to casing stick up. Well construction is permitted through the WDEQ-LQD regulations which requires that casing sticks up above ground and no height is specified. The intent of well stickup is to prevent entry of foreign materials into the well. These two figures were revised in the DEQ permit and to maintain consistency and therefore compliance the NRC figures were revised. The SERP agreed and concluded that the minor revision to the figures would not change the license application as evaluated as the revisions were in alignment with regulatory requirements.
SERP-5-2013	8/27/2013	11e2 Disposal Site & Methods	The SERP evaluated proposed changes to Section 3.2.6 of Volume I of the license application. The proposal was to change how 11e(2) byproduct material was stored and packaged at Nichols Ranch in order to economically and safely dispose of the material. The changes allow for the use of super sack and lined containers as well as the use of both concrete and or gravel pads in the 11 e 2 disposal areas. The SERP concluded that the changes will not result in increased safety or radiological hazards and will ultimately result in less byproduct material which is in agreement with the ALARA principle. Based on the conclusions the SERP agreed to accept the changes.
SERP-6-2013	10/8/2013	Spill Clean up requirements	The license application required excessively more stringent cleanup criteria than regulatorily required in 10CFR40 Criterion 6(6) Appendix A. It was proposed that the radium benchmark be used instead, because to remediate soil below regulation imposes undue expense and is not scientifically based. The codified regulations outline the radium benchmark standard and the obligations of the licensees to follow this standard. The NRC's criteria is 5 pCi/g (surface) and 15 pCi/g (subsurface) above background. Therefore clarification of remediation efforts for spills was necessary to be included in the license application. The SERP concluded that this change allows for more practical remediation plans while maintaining safety and environmental commitments.
SERP-7-2013	10/15/2013	RST Qualifications	The SERP was presented with employee qualifications for Radiation Safety Technicians. The qualifications were reviewed with Regulatory Guide 8.31. Both employees were found to be well qualified and the SERP concluded that they met requirements to be radiation safety technicians.
SERP-8-2013	11/12/2013	Plant Design Figure Changes	The SERP evaluated various changes to Figure 3-3 of Section 3 Volume I of the license application. There are six changes that would impact Figure 3-3. These changes evolved during construction and involved revising locations of various rooms and equipment. Two changes involved new equipment not shown on Figure 3-3. Based on the evaluation of the items the SERP concluded that Figure 3-3 of the license application requires revision and will be submitted in the second semi-annual report.



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SERP No.	Date	SERP Topic	Evaluation Summary
SERP-9-2013	12/10/2013	Removal Water Sampling SOP Addendum 5a	The license application contains a Uranerz standard operating procedure for well sampling. This procedure is the only procedure incorporated into the license application and requires a formal Safety and Environmental Review Panel (SERP) to update or change. The NRC was consulted on the need to have the procedure in the application and per discussion concluded that it was not a requirement to have standard operating procedures in the application but to ensure that discussion was provided that they are on site for review. It was therefore proposed to remove the procedure from the application so that it may be maintained as other site procedures are. All procedures may be reviewed by the NRC during site inspections. The SERP agreed that the procedure should be removed.
SERP-10-2013	12/10/2013	RSO Qualifications	The SERP was presented with two employee's qualifications for Radiation Safety Officers. The qualifications were reviewed with Regulatory Guide 8.31. The SERP agreed that both employees qualification meet the requirements of RSO.

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Volume Number	Page, Map or other Permit Entry to be REMOVED	Page, Map or other Permit Entry to be ADDED	Description of Change
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 2.4.2, Pgs. TR-21 and TR-21a (Revised January 2010)	Mine Plan Section 2.4.2, Pgs. TR-21 and TR-21a (Revised July 2013)	Pages are being replaced for revisions to subsections 'Project Effects of Cultural Resource Sites within the Nichols Ranch Unit' and Project Effects to Cultural Resources within the Hank Unit.
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 2.0, Figure 2-1 (date 10/15/2007)	Mine Plan Section 2.0, Figure 2-1 (Rev Date: 11/13/2013)	Figure 2-1 Access Roads and Resin Transfer Routes is being replaced with a revised figure showing the routes available to truck to Smith Ranch Highland ISR Project
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 3.2.6, Pg. TR-175 (Revised July 2010), Figure 3-1 (date: 10/17/2007)	Mine Plan Section 3.2.6, Pg. TR-175 (Revised August 2013), Figure 3-1 (Revised July 22, 2013)	Page and figure replace those for section 3.2.6 Sources of Plant Liquid Effluents and Disposal Methods
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 3.4.3, Pgs. TR-180 (Revised July 2010)	Mine Plan Section 3.4.3, Pgs. TR-180 and TR-180a (Revised August 2013)	Pages revised for section 3.4.3 Wellfield Injection Patterns to describe organizational structure changes. Figure was revised and is being replaced to illustrate the narrative changes.
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 5.1.1, Pgs. TR-201 (November 2008), TR-202 through TR-206 (Revised July 2012) and Figure 5-1 (12-5-2008)	Mine Plan Section 5.1.1, Pgs. TR-201 through TR-206 and Figure 5-1 (Revised October 2013)	Pages revised for Section 5.1.1 Management, Figure 5-1 revised to reflect narrative changes
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 5.7.8.5.1 Pg. TR-241, Pg. TR-5A-I and Operational Groundwater Sampling Procedure (Revised July 2010)	Mine Plan Section 5.7.8.5.1 Pg. TR-241, Pg. TR-5A-I (Revised December 2013)	Page revised for Section 5.7.8.5.1 Data Collection. The Standard Operating Procedure in Addendum 5A was removed; however a place holder remains for any future needs for an Addendum 5A.
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 5.7.8.10.2, Pg. TR-247 (Rev. Feb. 2009)	Mine Plan Section 5.7.8.10.2, Pg. TR-247 (Revised December 2013)	Page revised for Section 5.7.8.10.2 Water Quality Sampling and Analysis Procedures.
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 7.5.1.2, Pg. TR-313 (Rev.Feb.2009)	Mine Plan Section 7.5.1.2, Pg. TR-313 (Revision August 2013)	Page revised for Section 7.5.1.2 Shipments of Loaded Resin
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Volume I	Mine Plan Section 7.5.4, Pg. TR-320 (November 2007)	Mine Plan Section 7.5.4, Pg. TR-320 (Revised July 2013)	Page revised for Section 7.5.4 Fires and Explosions
Volume I	Mine Plan Section 3.0 , Figure 3-3 (Date: October 18, 2007), Figure 3-3a (2/23/2008), Figure 3-13 ( Sept. 25,2007), Figure 3-14 (Sept.25,2007),	Mine Plan Section 3.0 , Figure 3-3 (11/13/2013), Figure 3-13 (7/11/13), Figure 3-14 (7/11/13)	Figures 3-3, 3-13, and 3-14 have been updated and require replacement. Figure 3-3a is being removed as the contents were incorporated into Figure 3-3.

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#### Impact Assessment/Project Effect to Cultural Resources

Of the 54 sites previously identified within and near the Nichols Ranch and Hank Units, 37 of these sites are located within the permit boundary of the Nichols Ranch project area (13 sites are in the Nichols Ranch Unit and 24 sites are in the Hank Unit (see Table 2-6 and Exhibit 2-1). Of these 37 sites within the Nichols Ranch permit area, 11 sites are eligible for the NRHP: three within the Nichols Ranch Unit and 8 within the Hank Unit (see Table 2-6). They include multicomponent Site 48CA268 (Pumpkin Buttes TCP), which occurs within and adjacent to the east side of the Hank Unit (Exhibit 2-1).

#### Project Effects to Cultural Resource Sites within the Nichols Ranch Unit

There are three NRHP-eligible cultural resource sites within the Nichols Ranch Unit and there will be no adverse effects to any of the three NRHP-eligible cultural resources (Sites 48JO2946, 48CA5390, and 48CA5391). Uranerz will avoid these sites during ground disturbing activities and there will be no adverse effects to any of these sites. To provide further protection to the two eligible sites that are located within or near the projected wellfield (specifically sites 48JO2944 and 48CA5391), Uranerz will delineate ~~these sites and will mark them with green-colored plastic snow-fence material around these sites.~~ The fencing ~~material will not be highly visible and no signs will be installed but the fencing material will protect these sites from inadvertent disturbance while allowing.~~ Uranerz will also provide small openings (6 to 8 ft) in the fencing ~~to allow~~ livestock and wildlife to move freely in, out, and through the site.

In addition, the Nichols Unit will not adversely affect the setting, feeling, and association of Site 48CA268 because it occurs almost 5.0 mi west of the Pumpkin Buttes TCP (see

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There are eight NRHP-eligible cultural resource sites within the Nichols Ranch Unit and there will be no adverse effects to any of the eight NRHP-eligible cultural resources (Sites 48CA268, 48CA6475, 48CA6490, 48CA6748, 48CA6751, 48CA6753, 48CA6754, and 48CA6927). Uranerz will avoid these sites during ground disturbing activities and there will be no adverse effects to any of these sites. To provide further protection to the two eligible sites that are located within the projected wellfield (specifically sites 48CA6754 and 48CA6727), Uranerz will delineate and fence around these sites in consultation with the Secretary of Interior's Standard for Archaeology and History.. ~~The fencing will protect these sites from inadvertent disturbance while allowing these sites and will mark them with green colored plastic snow fence material. The fencing material will not be highly visible and no signs will be installed but the fencing material will protect these sites from inadvertent disturbance. Uranerz will also provide small openings (6 to 8 ft) in the fencing to allow livestock and wildlife to move freely in, out, and through the site.~~

Additionally, Uranerz will comply with the mitigation measures stipulated in the 2009 Programmatic Agreement for in-situ uranium operations for the Pumpkin Butte TCP. Detailed information concerning specific mitigation measures is presented in Section MP 3.16. Therefore, there will be no adverse effect to the Pumpkin Butte TCP (Site 48CA268) from project-related activities in the Hank Unit. Table 2-6a summarizes the NRHP eligibility and project effect to the eight NRHP-eligible sites.

#### **2.4.3 Paleontological Resources**

A paleontological survey was conducted for the Nichols Ranch ISR Project. From the survey performed, the Nichols Ranch ISR Project was concluded to have no major impact to significant

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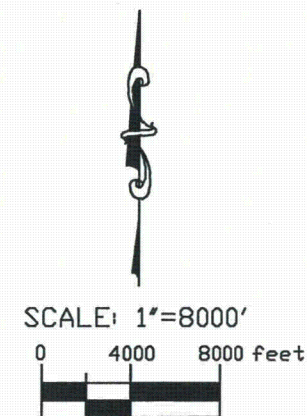
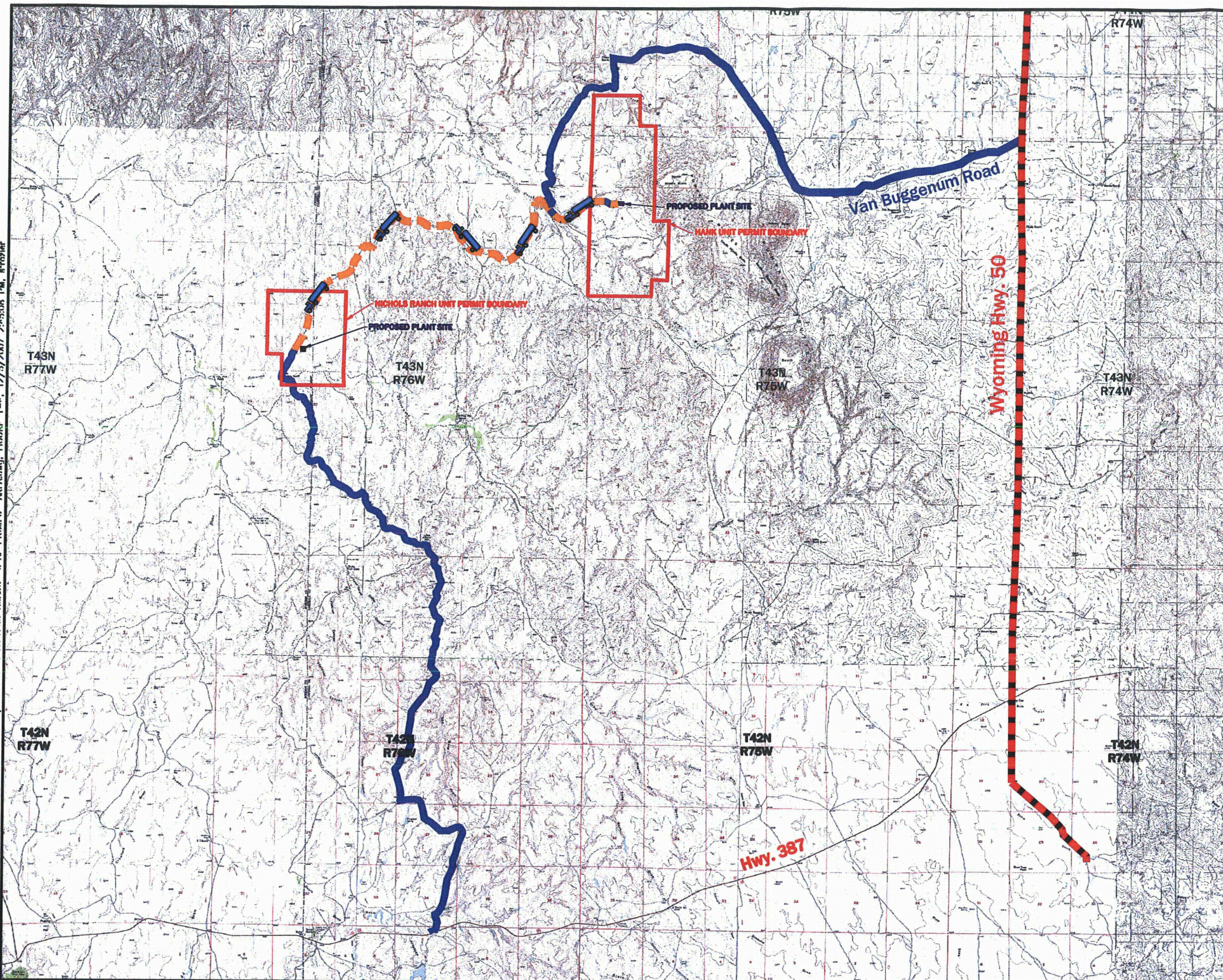
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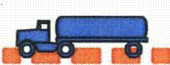
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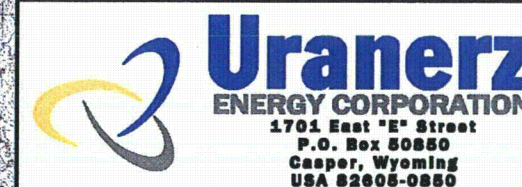


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### FIGURE 2-1 ACCESS ROADS AND RESIN TRANSFER ROUTE

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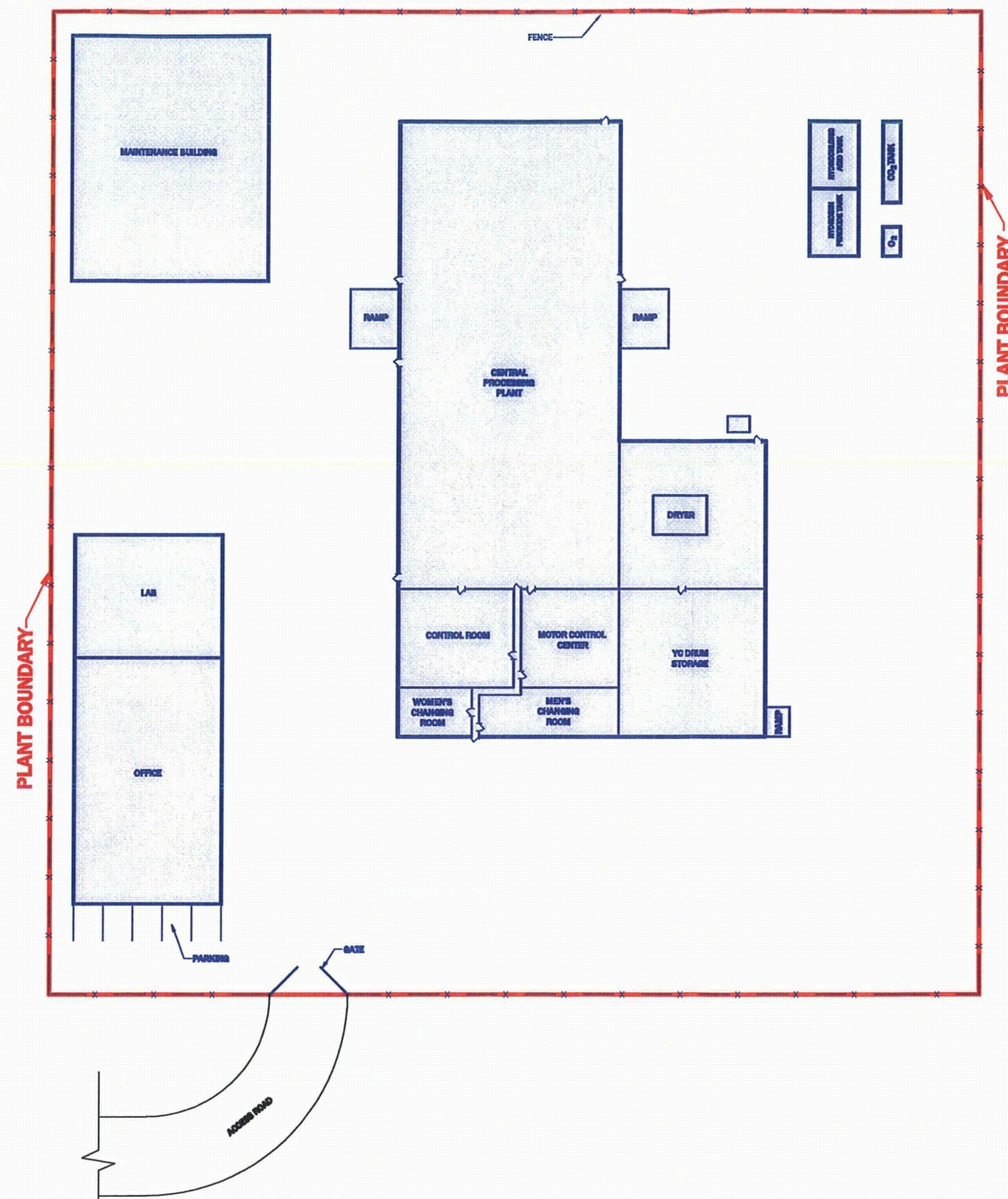
from the plants will be placed into drums such as 55-gallon drums with drum liners, or placed in watertight packages such as super sacks. The ~~drums-packages~~ will be located in ~~designated signed-restricted areas until placed inside an 11e(2) disposal container.~~the plants. After a ~~drum package~~ is full it will be moved to the plant's 11e(2) byproduct storage area, and the contents placed in a strong tight ~~roll-off container~~ such as a roll-off container. If material such as pipe is too large to fit in the ~~drum package~~, the large material will be placed in ~~the specific plant's byproduct storage area~~ a lined container inside the 11e(2) disposal area. The storage areas are shown on the revised diagrams: Figure 3-1 Site Facility Diagram Nichols Ranch Unit and Figure 3-2 Site Facility Diagram Hank Unit. The areas will have concrete and or gravel pads and appropriate signage. The strong tight containers will follow DOT regulations, and typically be covered ~~roll-off~~ containers with an estimated capacity of 20 cubic yards. After a ~~roll-off~~ container is filled, it will be transported to an approved 11e(2) byproduct storage facility.

In the wellfields outside the plant areas there will be some temporary storage of equipment and supplies that are needed for wellfield construction. Equipment and materials that are not releasable for unrestricted use and are not amenable to placement in a container will be stored to prevent dispersion and migration of contamination; e.g. decontamination of removable or covering to prevent weathering. The wellfield sites will be minimized, have appropriate signage, and will be within the wellfield fenced boundary.

### 3.3 CHEMICAL STORAGE FACILITIES

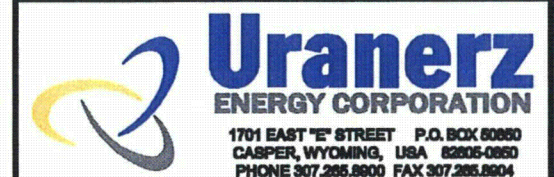
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### NICHOLS RANCH ISR PROJECT FIGURE 3-1 NICHOLS RANCH UNIT SITE FACILITY DIAGRAM

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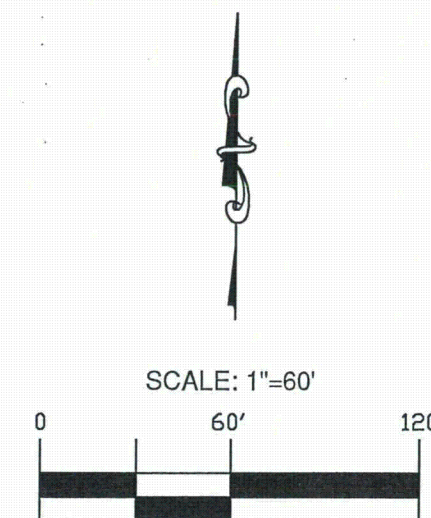
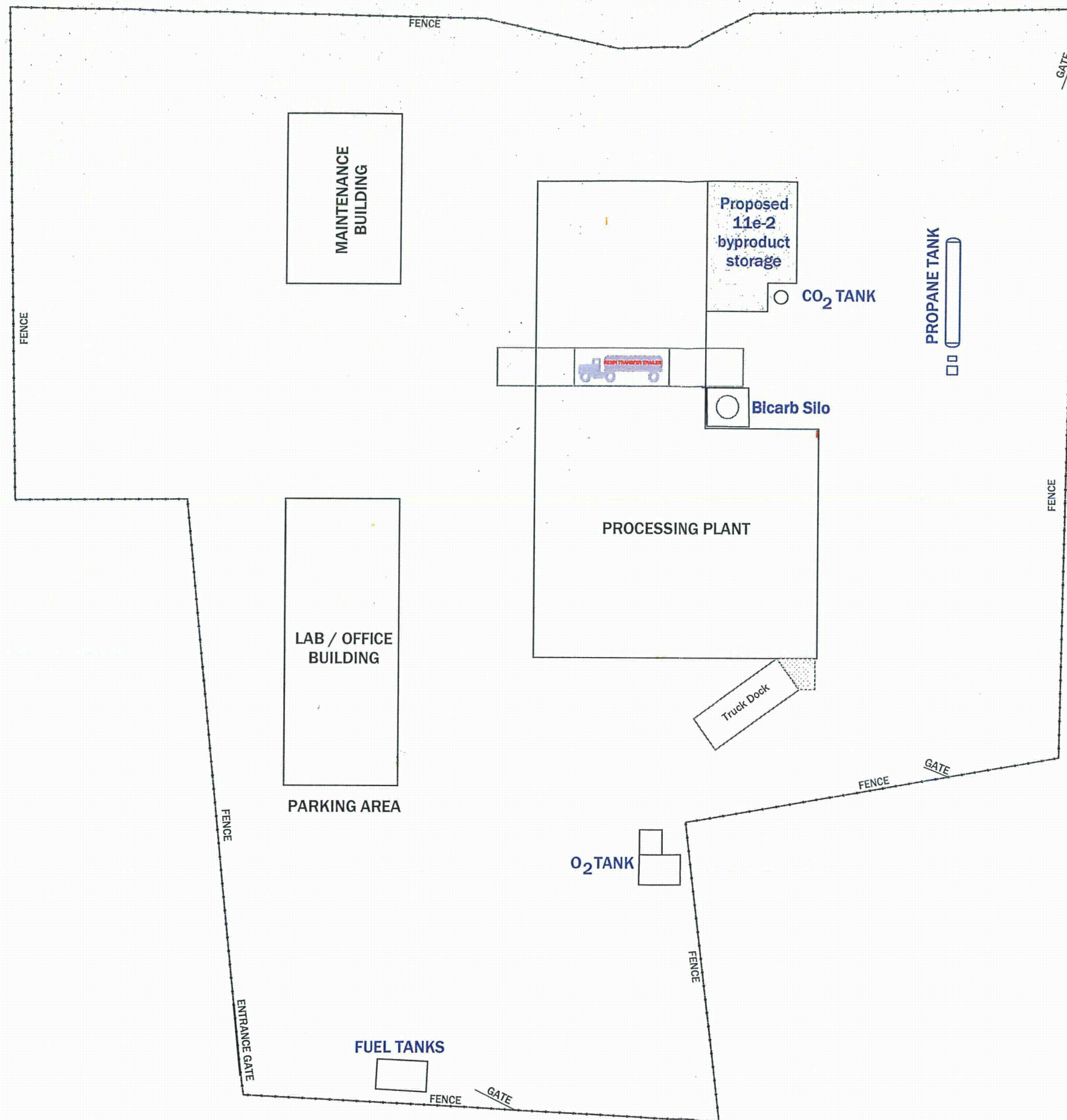
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### **3.3 CHEMICAL STORAGE FACILITIES**

Uranerz plans to use chemicals to extract uranium, process waste water, and restore groundwater. The Nichols Ranch Unit and the Hank Unit will store chemicals that are both hazardous and non hazardous. The different types of chemicals will be stored in separate locations. Any bulk hazardous materials that could impact the radiological safety of the facility will be isolated and stored in accordance with regulatory agency requirements. Chemicals that are considered nonhazardous and will not affect radiological safety can be stored inside the main buildings. A list of possible chemicals to be used at the facilities include: hydrochloric acid, hydrogen peroxide, sodium chloride, sodium hydroxide, sodium hypochlorite, ammonia, oxygen, carbon dioxide, sodium carbonate, and sodium bicarbonate. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for each of the chemicals will be reviewed for facility safety and for radiological effects and the sheets will be located at the Nichols Ranch Unit and the Hank Unit.





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**FIGURE 3-1**  
**NICHOLS RANCH UNIT**  
**SITE FACILITY DIAGRAM**

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bleed will be disposed of in a Class I deep disposal well. With the cone of depression being created, the natural groundwater movement from the surrounding areas is toward the wellfield providing an additional control of the leaching solution.

Wellfield bleed is defined as the difference between the amount of solution injected and produced. The bleed rate is anticipated to average 1% of the total production rate for the Nichols Ranch Unit and up to 3% for the Hank Unit. Over- production can be adjusted to guarantee the horizontal ore zone monitor wells are influenced by the cone of depression from the wellfield bleed.

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metal building set on a pad. The inside of the building will be designed so that the main connection valves and hose runs are behind one of two walls that run the length of the header house. The walls will be three to four feet from the building edges, and thus allow for maintenance and operators to conduct their inspections and work on the ground level, and not in the sub floor area.

There are two separate solution trunk lines connecting the header houses. One of the trunk lines will take the recovery solutions from the header houses back to the processing plants, and the other trunk line will take injection fluid from the plants out to the header houses for injection into the wellfields. The actual number of header houses will depend on field placement of wells.

At each header house the individual injection and recovery flow and pressure readings can be monitored. Individual well flow readings will be recorded on a shift basis, and the overall wellfield flowrates will be balanced at least once per day. Alternately, flow and totallizer data will be transferred to the main or satellite plant and checked automatically. The recovery and injection trunk lines will have electronic pressure gauges and the information will be monitored from the Unit's control room. The control system will have high and low alarms for pressure and flow. If the pressure and/or flow is out of range the alarms will alert personnel to make adjustments, and certain ranges will signal automatic shutoffs or shutdowns.

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#### Mine Superintendent Manager

The Mine ~~Superintendent~~Manager reports directly to the Senior Vice President, Production Operations. All site operations, maintenance, construction, environmental health and safety, and support groups report to the Mine ~~Superintendent~~Manager. The Mine ~~Superintendent~~Manager is authorized to implement immediately any action to correct or prevent hazards. The Mine ~~Superintendent~~Manager has the responsibility and the authority to suspend, postpone, or modify, immediately if necessary, any activity that is determined to be a threat to employee or public health, the environment, or potentially a violation of state or federal regulations.

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Vice President, ~~Environment, Safety, and Health~~Regulatory Affairs

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#### Manager Environment, Safety, and Health

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#### Radiation Safety Officer

The Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) reports directly to the ~~Vice President, ESH~~ Manager ESH. The RSO is responsible for conducting the radiation safety program and for providing assistance in ensuring compliance with NRC regulations and license conditions applicable to worker health protection. The RSO is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operation of the radiation safety program and for ensuring that records required by NRC are maintained. The RSO has the responsibility and the authority to suspend, postpone, or modify, immediately if necessary, any activity that is determined to be a threat to employee or public health, the environment, or potentially a violation of state or federal regulations, including the ALARA program. The RSO has no production-related responsibilities. As such, the RSO has an indirect line to the Vice President, Regulatory Affairs. The RSO supervises the Radiation Safety Technician(s).

#### Environmental Supervisor and Environmental and Radiation Safety Technicians

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#### **5.1.2 ALARA**

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#### 5.1.2.1 Philosophy

The considered purpose of the radiation safety and environmental protection programs at the Nichols Ranch ISR Project site are to maintain exposure to radiation and radioactive materials ALARA for all employees, contractors, visitors, and the environment. The implementation and effectiveness of a successful ALARA program is the responsibility of everyone involved in conducting operations at the site.

#### 5.1.2.2 Responsibilities

Responsibilities for implementation of the ALARA philosophy are shared by management, the RSO, and all workers at the Nichols Ranch ISR Project site.

#### Management

Management is responsible for developing, implementing, and enforcing the policies and procedures necessary for effective radiation safety, environmental protection, and ALARA programs to ensure the health and safety of workers and visitors, and protection of the environment.

Management will provide the following:

1. A strong commitment to and continuing support for the development and implementation of the radiation safety, environmental protection, and ALARA programs;
2. Information and policy statements to employees, contractors, and visitors.
3. Periodic management review of operational and procedural efforts to maintain ALARA;
4. Continuing management evaluation of the radiation safety and environmental protection programs including staffing, and allocations of space and funding; and
5. Appropriate briefings and training in radiation safety, environmental protection, and ALARA concepts for all employees, and, when appropriate, for contractors and visitors.

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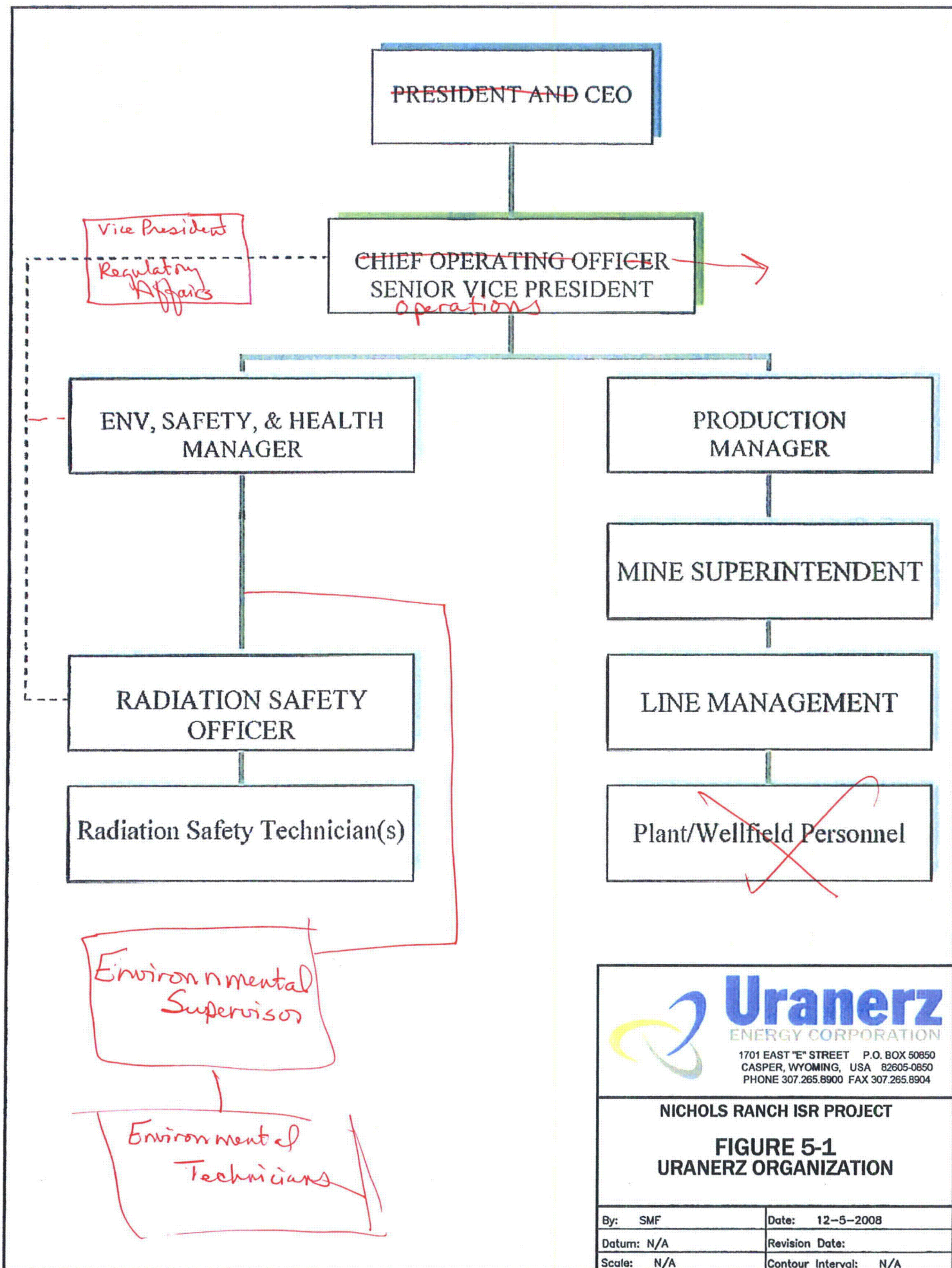
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1. Major responsibility for the development and administration of the environmental protection, radiation safety, and ALARA programs;
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3. Responsibility to review and approve plans for new equipment, process changes, or changes in operating procedures to ensure that the plans do not adversely affect the environmental protection and radiation safety programs; and
4. Adequate equipment and facilities to monitor relative attainment of the ALARA objective.

#### Workers

Environmental protection, radiation safety, and ALARA programs are only as effective as the workers' adherence to the program. All workers at the Nichols Ranch ISR Project site will be responsible for the following:

1. Adhering to all policies, operating procedures, and instruction for environmental protection and radiation safety as established by management;
2. Reporting promptly to management equipment malfunctions or violations of standard practices or procedures that could result in increased radiological hazard;
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## 5.0 OPERATIONS

Operations at the Nichols Ranch ISR Project site and facilities are conducted in conformance with applicable laws, regulations and requirements of the various Federal and State regulatory agencies. The organization and management controls described below are established to ensure compliance and further implement the company's policy for providing a safe working environment including the philosophy of maintaining radiation exposures as low as is reasonably achievable (ALARA).

### 5.1 ORGANIZATION

The management structure and responsibilities of the Uranerz Energy Corporation (Uranerz) organization are described in the following section. The organization function is to provide for development, review, approval, implementation, and adherence to operating procedures, radiation safety programs, environmental and groundwater monitoring programs, quality assurance programs, routine and non-routine maintenance activities, and changes to any of these programs or activities.

#### **5.1.1 Management**

The Uranerz organization management structure is shown in Figure 5-1 (see map pocket). The structure is applicable to site construction and site management. The structure is applicable to the central processing facility and the satellite facility. The responsibilities and authorities are described below for these management positions.

A Safety and Environmental Review Panel (SERP) will be established, in whole or part, from these management positions. The SERP is described in Section 5.2.

#### **Chief Executive Officer**

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### Senior Vice President, Operations

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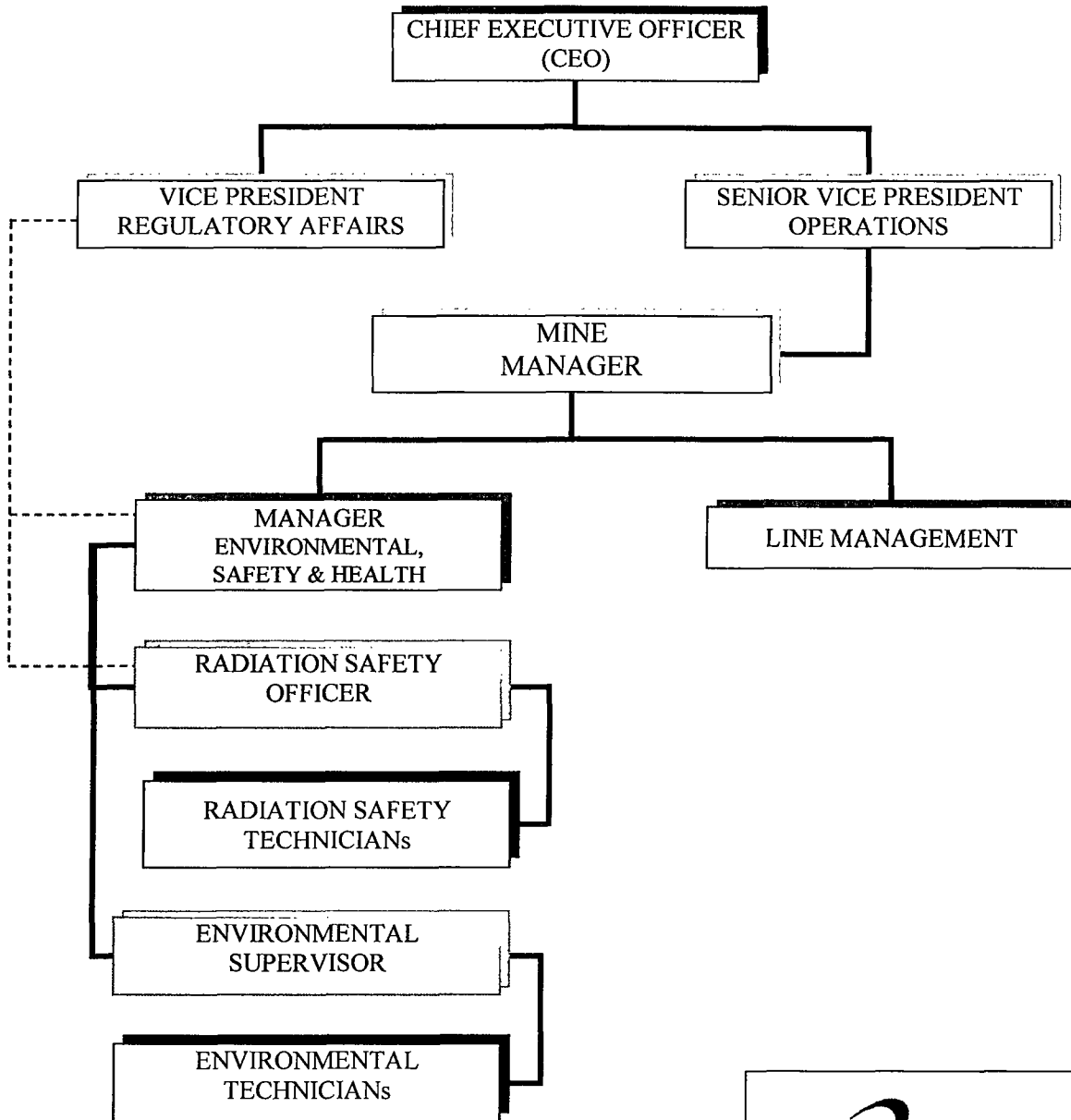
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All water quality samples from the monitor wells will be analyzed at the Nichols Ranch Unit laboratory for chlorides, total alkalinity, and conductivity within 48 hours of the sample being collected. All samples will be analyzed in accordance with accepted methods based on WDEQ-LQD Guideline 4 guidance. Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) will be developed that will detail all water sampling and laboratory analysis procedures. The detailed SOP that Uranerz will utilize for sampling of monitor wells can be found in Addendum 5A for water sampling and laboratory analysis is available onsite for employee's use.

#### 5.7.8.10.3 Excursions

If any two of the three UCL excursion parameters (chloride, total alkalinity, or conductivity) are exceeded, an excursion is suspected to have occurred. Within 24 hours of the first analysis, a second verification sample will be taken and analyzed to determine that two of the three excursion parameters have been exceeded. The verification sample is then split and analyzed in duplicate to assess any analytical error. If two of the three UCL's are exceeded, an excursion is then verified. During an excursion event, all monitoring wells that are placed on excursion status will be sampled at least every seven days for the UCL parameters.

If an excursion is verified, the WDEQ-LQD and NRC Project Manager will be verbally notified within 24 hours. The WDEQ-LQD and NRC Project Manager will also be notified in writing within seven days of a verified excursion. Corrective actions such as changes in the injection and recovery flow rates in the affected area will be implemented as soon as practical. The corrective actions will continue until the excursion is mitigated. A written report describing the excursion event, corrective actions, and the corrective action results must also be submitted to the NRC Project Manager within 60 days of the excursion confirmation.

In the event that the concentration of the UCL parameters that were detected in the monitor well(s) do not begin to decline within 60 days after the verification of an excursion, all injection into the ore zone (production zone) adjacent to the excursion will be suspended to further increase the amount of net water withdrawal from the excursion area. Injection will be

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All water quality samples from the monitor wells will be analyzed at the Nichols Ranch Unit laboratory for chlorides, total alkalinity, and conductivity within 48 hours of the sample being collected. All samples will be analyzed in accordance with accepted methods based on WDEQ-LQD Guideline 4 guidance. Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) will be developed that will detail all water sampling and laboratory analysis procedures. The detailed SOP for water sampling and laboratory analysis is available onsite for employee's use.

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At the startup of operations the Nichols Ranch ISR Project will operate as a satellite IX facility. This IX satellite operation will require the shipping of resin loaded with uranium to a licensed processing facility. Verification of license will be obtained before shipments will be allowed. In the case a licensed processing facility is used the transportation routes will be pre-determined and conveyed to the truck driver(s) prior to departure. These routes can take place over public roads and Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations will apply.

The uranium that is loaded onto the resin will remain attached to the resin until it is removed by a strong brine solution. When the loaded resin is transferred to a truck, it is moved using barren lixiviant. The barren lixiviant can have uranium concentrations of approximately 1-3 mg/L  $U_3O_8$ . The loaded resin is transferred to specially designed tanker trailers that will hold approximately 500 ft<sup>3</sup> of loaded resin. Most of the barren lixiviant is removed prior to shipping to minimize that amount of water weight in the tanker trailer. Because of the size of the trucks hauling the resin being consistent with a standard tractor-trailer combination, the trucks hauling the loaded resin should withstand the impact of most collisions.

If an accident were to occur with a loaded resin truck, a rupture to the tanker trailer carrying the loaded resin could happen. The ruptured tank could result in a portion of the loaded resin to be spilled on the ground. The uranium that is attached to the loaded resin would remain attached to the resin, but any residual barren lixiviant contained in the tank could spill to the ground carrying the resin a short distance from the accident scene. The environmental impact that would result would be minimal. The uranium on the resin would stay attached to the resin as would the uranium contained in any barren lixiviant that might spill. No airborne release of uranium would result from the spill. The spilled resin and lixiviant will typically collect in the low areas

surrounding the accident scene trapping the resin for cleanup. The loaded resin and contaminated soil from the barren lixiviant would be removed and processed at a uranium mill or disposed of in a NRC licensed facility. The disturbed areas would then be reclaimed in accordance with all applicable NRC and State regulations.



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### **7.5.3 Pipeline Failure**

#### **7.5.3.1 Process Pipelines**

The failure of a process pipeline could result in the discharge of pregnant or barren lixiviant to the surface if the failure were to occur in the pipelines located in the wellfield. Measures such as high and low pressure alarms/shutdowns and flowmeters will be utilized on the piping leading to and from the wellfield to the CPP and satellite plant to minimize the amount of process fluid that is lost if a failure were to occur. ~~If the amount and/or concentration of the process fluid lost in a pipeline failure constitute an environmental concern, the~~ In the event of a spill, the spill area will be surveyed with a gamma meter and soil samples will ~~may~~ be collected throughout the wetted area. A spill-record of spills will be made documenting the volume of the spill, the area affected and the corrective action taken (sampling and results of analysis). Areas exceeding twice background gamma will receive additional soil sampling to determine whether radiological concentrations (radium 226, thorium 230, lead 210) have increased significantly above background. Soils will also be analyzed for uranium. If soil sampling results show an increase from baseline, 2.5–3 pCi/g, for example, the soil will be removed and placed in approved by-product storage containers prior to shipping to a licensed site. Spills that occur at the Nichols Ranch will be evaluated to determine prudence of reclamation at the time of the spill or at decommissioning. Spills will be assessed to the radium benchmark dose using the unity rule at the time of decommissioning. Spills that result in a total effective dose greater than 100 mrem per year analyzed through sampling and RESRAD modeling software will be cleaned prior to decommissioning (Decommissioning File).

The probability of a failure to a process pipeline located in the wellfield is considered small since most pipelines will be buried approximately two to five feet below the surface and made out of corrosion free high density polyethylene. The pipelines will also be inspected and tested prior to burial to ensure that the pipelines are sound. Pressure test results will be documented.

The worst case scenario for a pipeline failure would involve a major pipeline rupture releasing barren or pregnant lixiviant for an hour at full operating capacity. If this were to occur,

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The worst case scenario for a methane pipeline would involve a major pipeline rupture as a result of a drilling rig drilling into the pipeline. This event could potentially result in an explosion of the methane gas, which could result in significant property loss and fatalities. The probability of this happening is low given that coal bed methane pipelines located in the Hank and Nichols Ranch Units will be clearly identified with signage. In addition to the signage, procedures will be developed on steps to be taken when drilling near methane pipelines. Measures such as verifying the location of the pipeline, flagging off the pipeline corridor, and maintaining a set distance from the methane pipeline when drilling wells will be implemented. Most of the methane pipelines will be in place before the Nichols Ranch ISR Project begins. Communication with the coal bed methane producers and Uranerz Energy Corporation has taken place and will continue so that any potential incidents involving methane pipelines are minimized.

#### **7.5.4 Fires and Explosions**

Fire and explosion hazards for the Nichols Ranch CPP and Hank satellite will be low since neither of the two plants uses flammable liquids or products in the yellowcake process. Propane will be utilized for the heating of oil for the vacuum dryer located at the Nichols Ranch CPP. The propane would be the primary source for a potential fire at the CPP. Building heat at Hank and Nichols Ranch Units will be supplied by ~~electric~~ heaters such as electric and/or gas. If an



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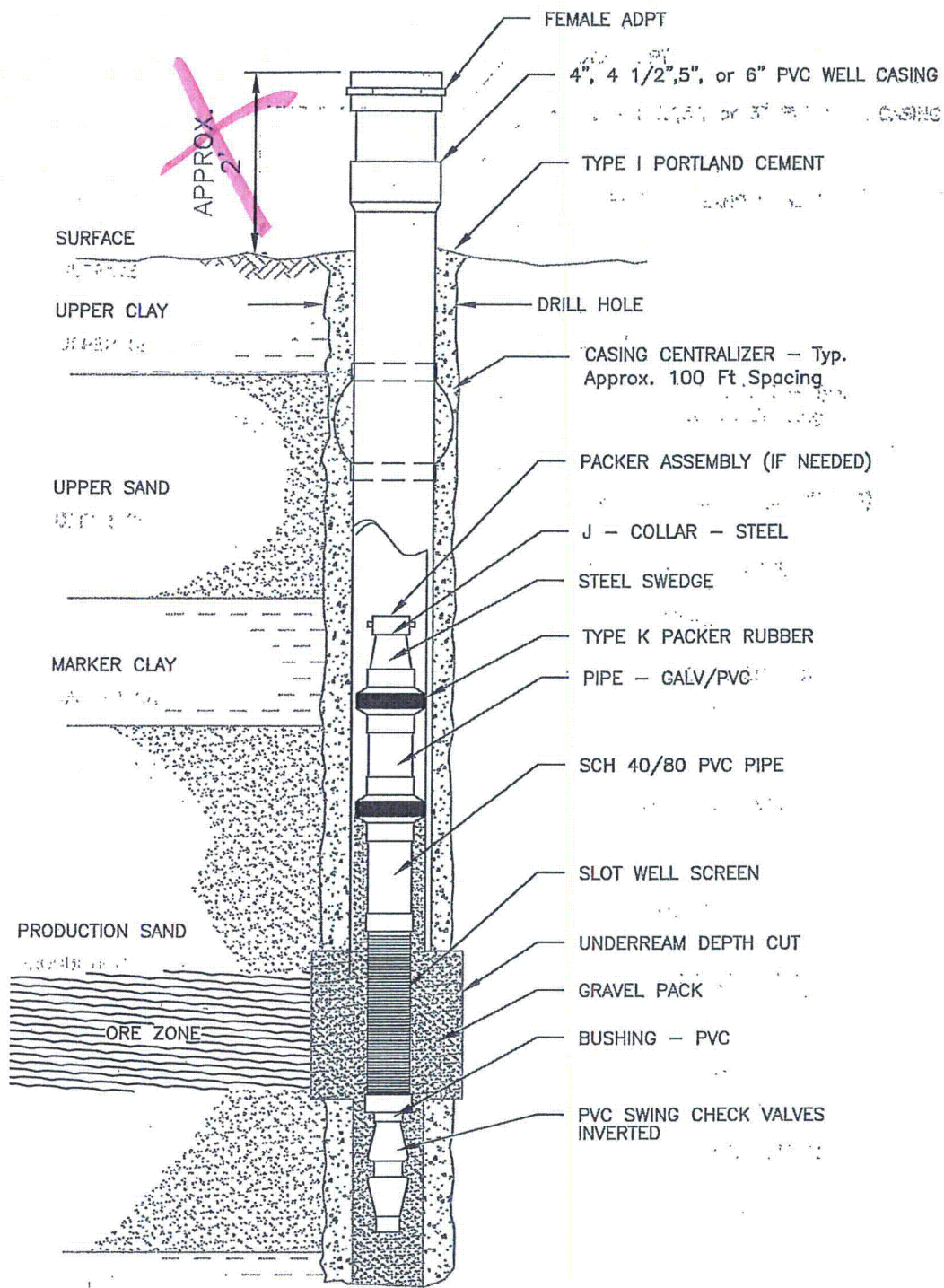
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FIG. 3-13 - NICHOLS RANCH ISR PROJECT

TYPICAL INJECTION / RECOVERY WELL  
CONSTRUCTION DIAGRAM

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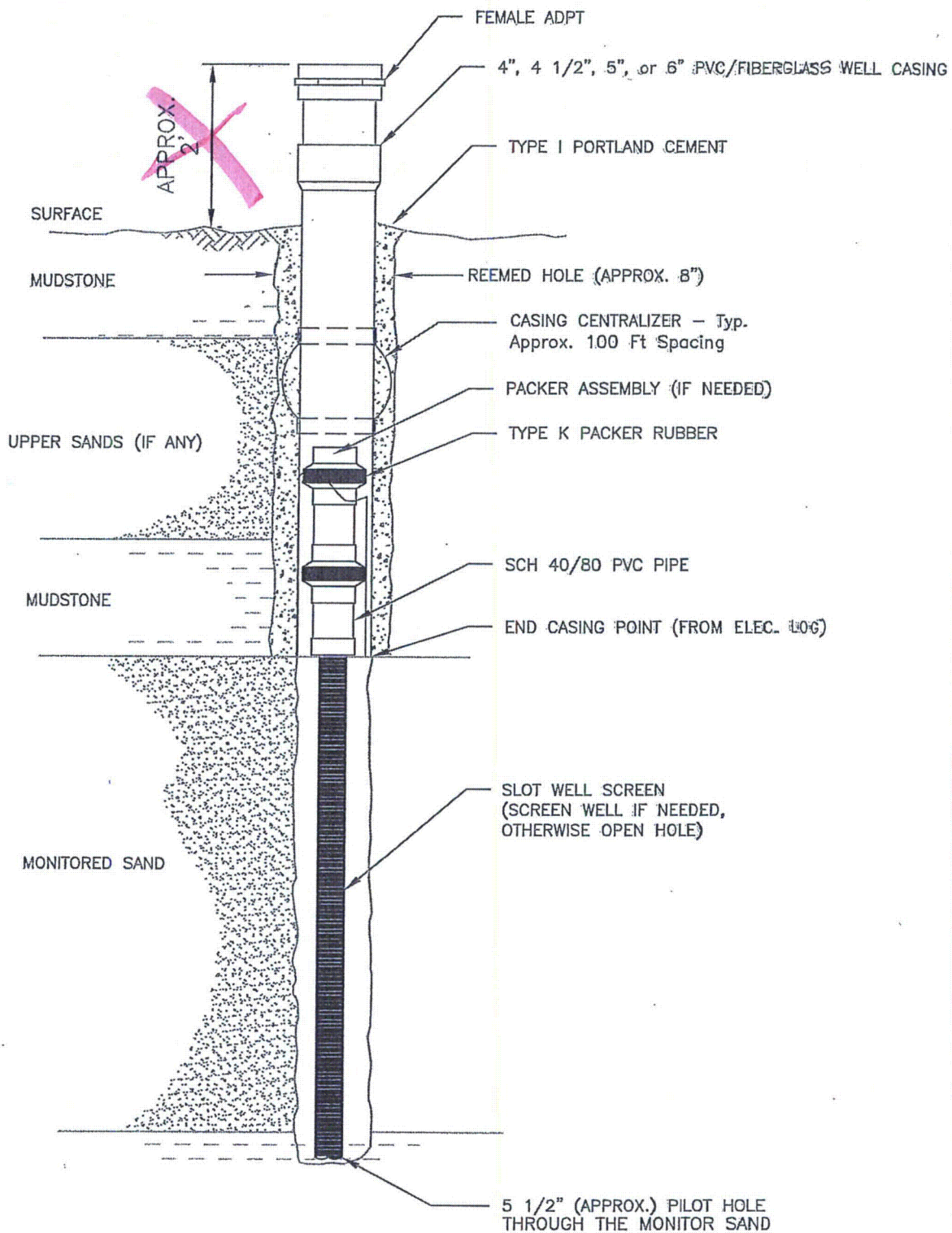
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FIG. 3-14 - NICHOLS RANCH ISR PROJECT

## TYPICAL MONITOR WELL CONSTRUCTION DIAGRAM

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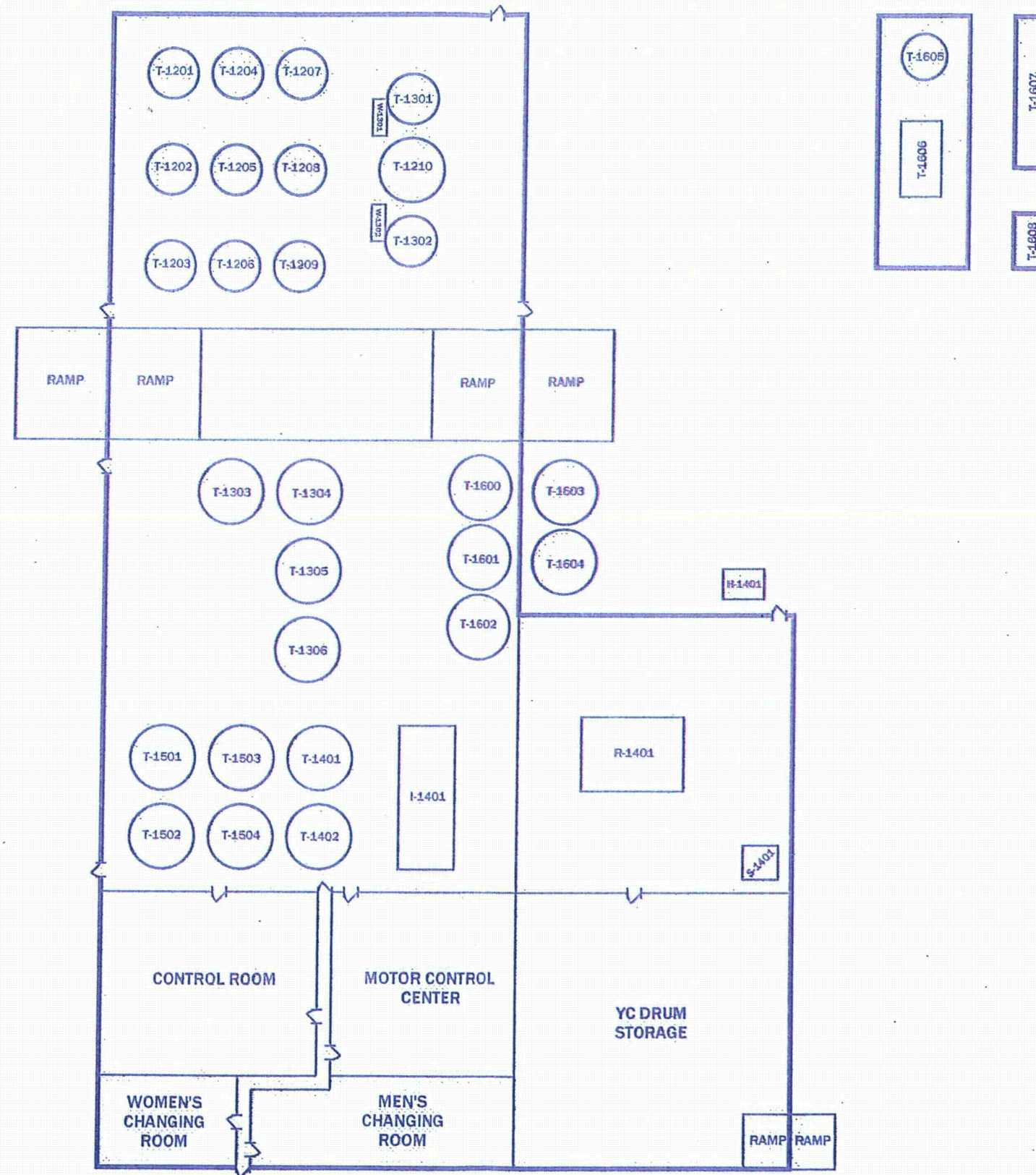
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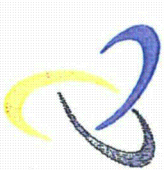
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- LEGEND**
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  - YELLOWCAKE = 1400'S
  - WASTE = 1500'S
  - CHEMICALS = 1600'S
  - TANKS = T
  - SCREENS = W
  - FILTERS = I
  - DRYERS = R
  - HEATERS = H
  - COOLING TOWERS = C
  - PUMPS = P



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**FIGURE 3-3**

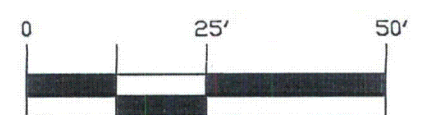
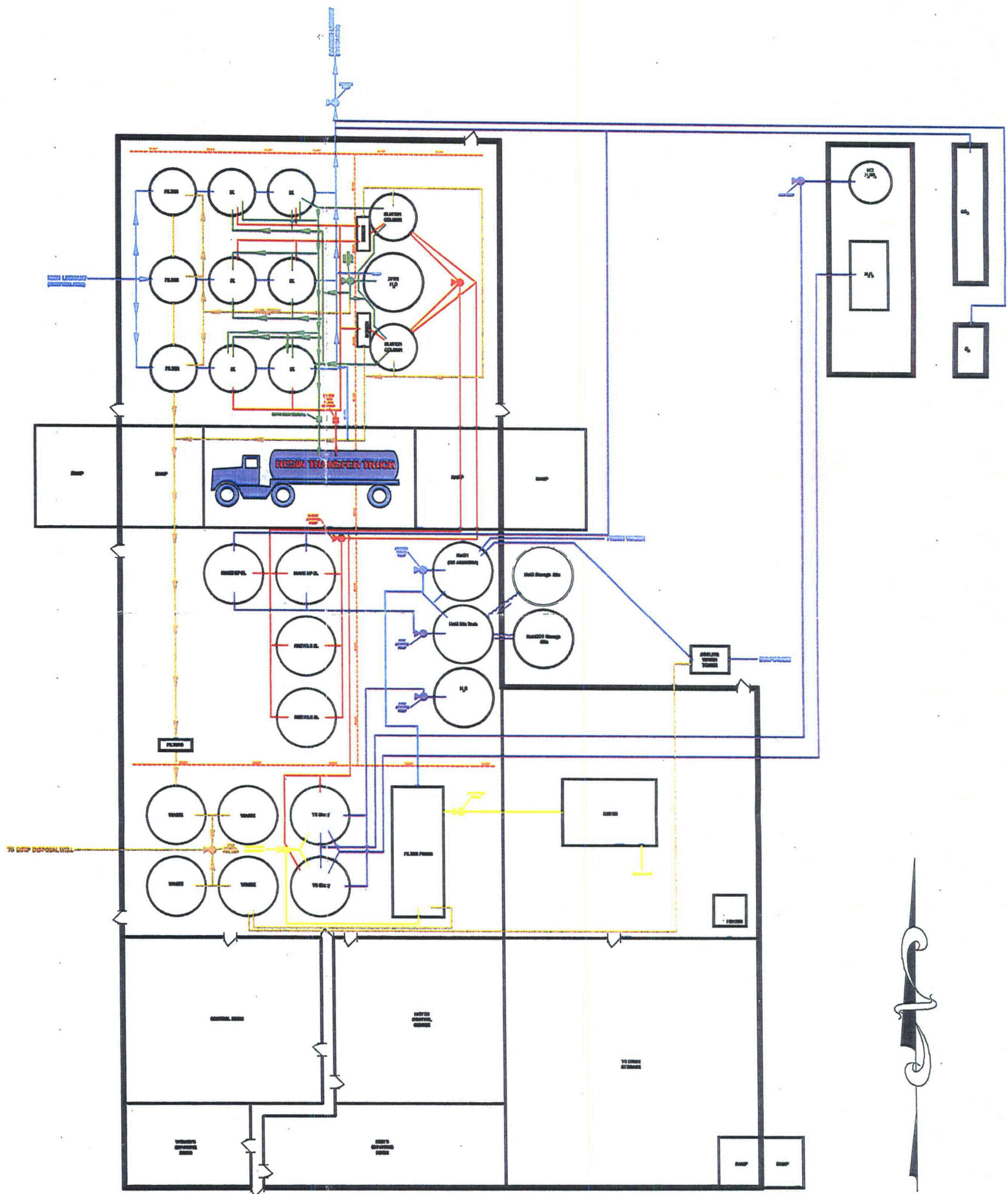
**NICHOLS RANCH UNIT**

**PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM**

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### LEGEND

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| <span style="color: red;">—</span> LOADED RESIN     | <span style="color: blue;">—</span> CHEMICAL        |
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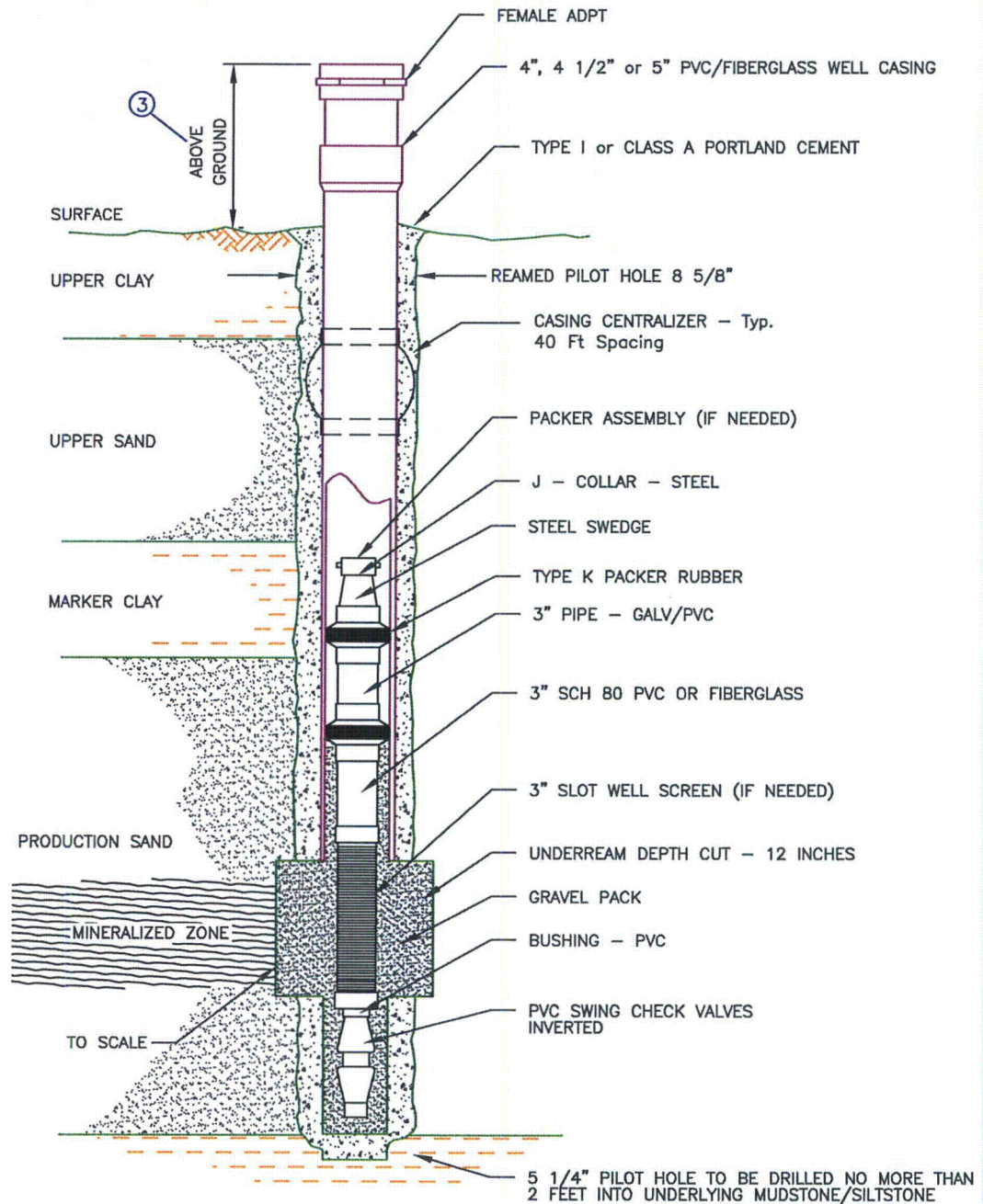


### NICHOLS RANCH ISR PROJECT

### FIGURE 3-3A PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM NICHOLS RANCH UNIT

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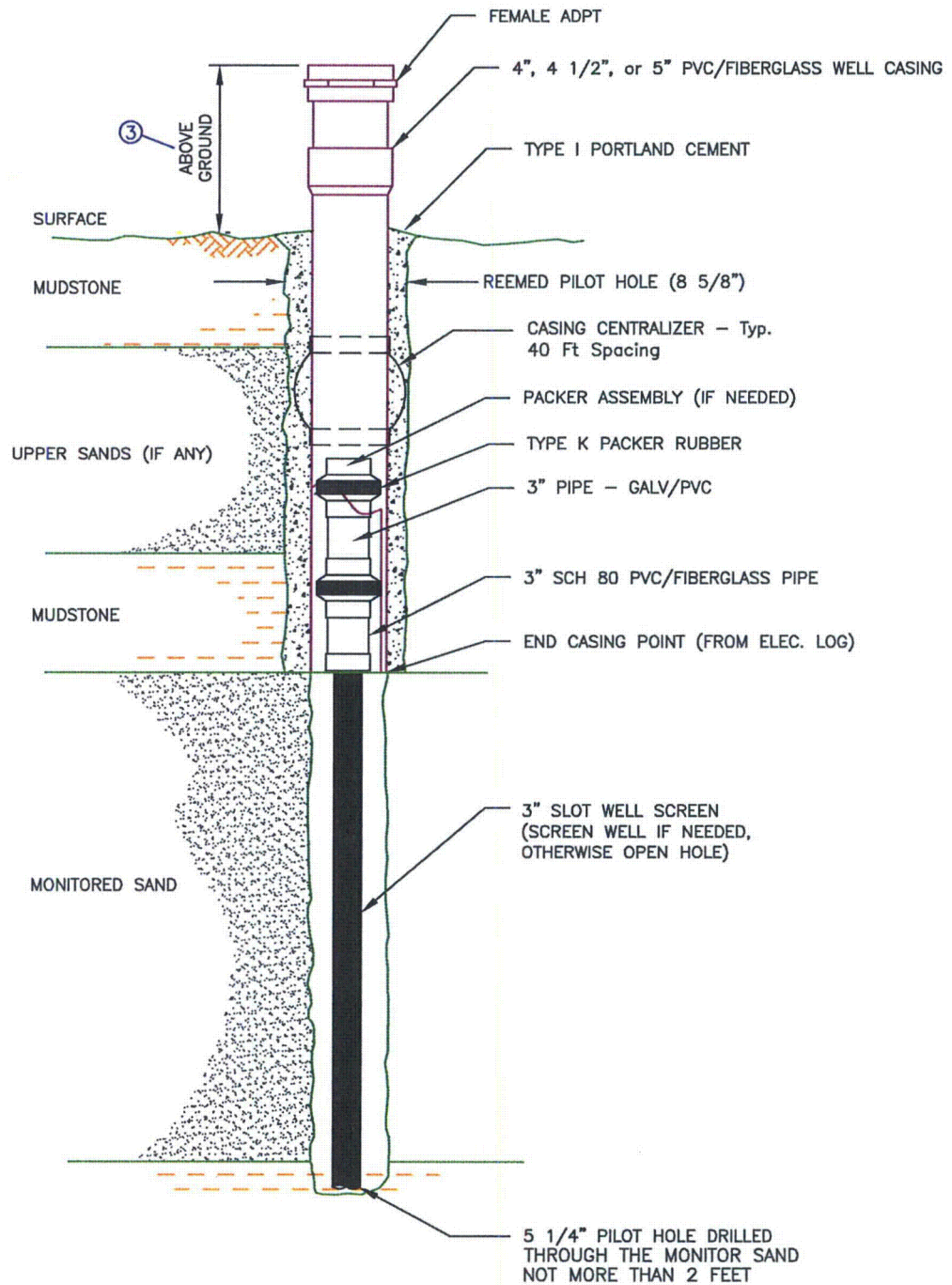


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FIGURE 3-13 NICHOLS RANCH & HANK ISR PROJECTS

TYPICAL PRODUCTION (INJECTION/RECOVERY)  
WELL DIAGRAM

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### TYPICAL MONITOR WELL CONSTRUCTION DIAGRAM

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T-1608

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T-1614

T-1620

T-1621A/B

T-1622

T-1703

DESCRIPTION

SAND FILTERS

REVERSE OSMOSIS UNIT

REVERSE OSMOSIS BRINE CONCENTRATION UNIT

IX VESSELS

TRANSFER WATER TANK

LAMELLA CLEARIFIER

WASTE WATER DECANT TANK

WASTE WATER TANKS

FRESH WATER TANK

SODIUM BICARBONATE SILO

PRESSURE TANK PLANT WATER

CO2 TANK

O2 TANK

PROPANE TANK

BICARBONATE MIX TANK

BICARBONATE TANK

DOMESTIC WATER TANK

PRESSURE TANK DOMESTIC WATER

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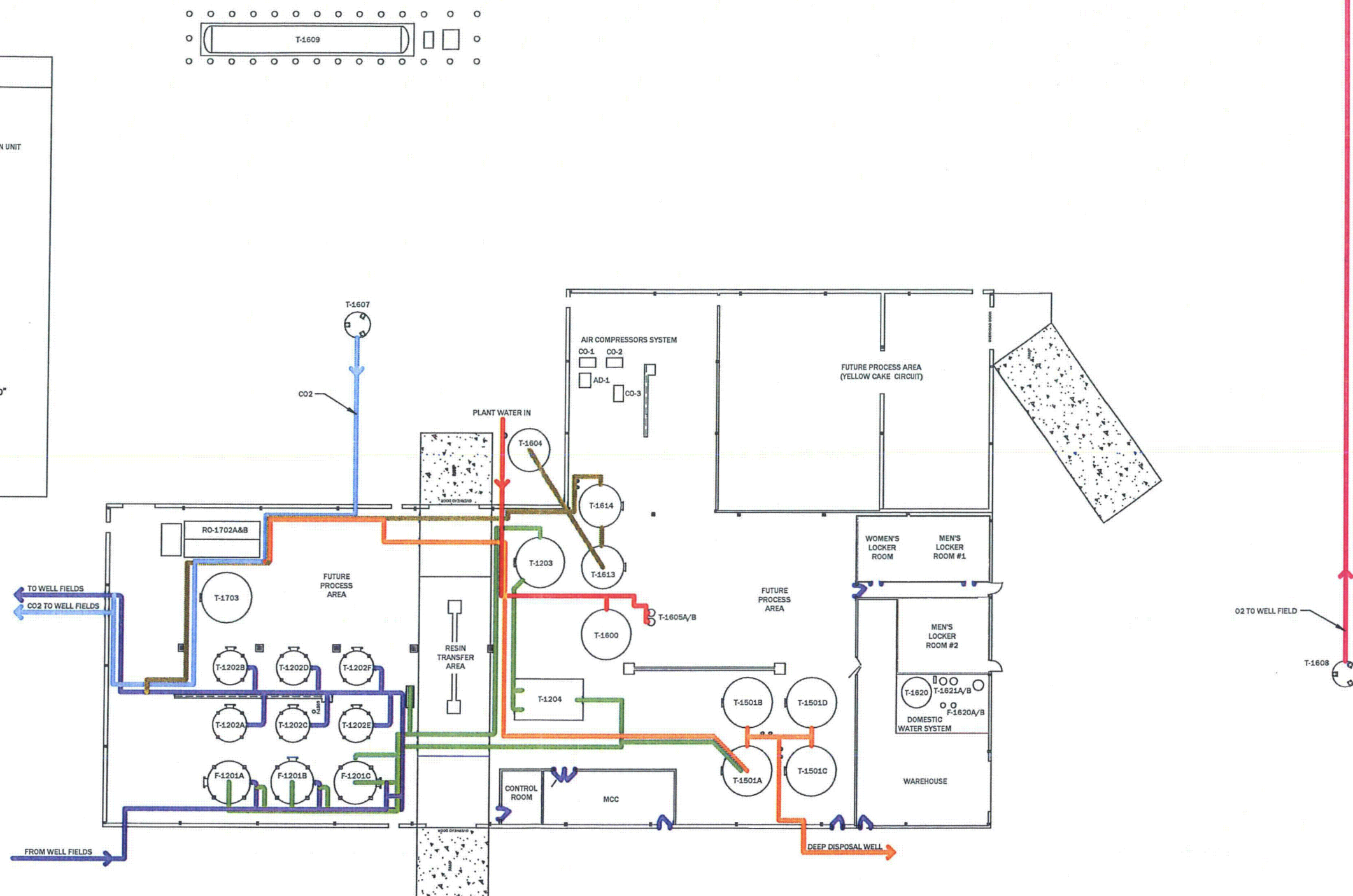
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NICHOLS RANCH PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM					

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