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Mr. Loren Avis  
Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
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RE: NOAV Status

Dear Loren:

This is status of progress made to NOAV satisfaction for my company as of 10-10-95

Gay Lease

10-10 inadequate pit cover removed and skim pit vacuumed, new pit cover sat in place waiting on backhoe to finish the pit cover installation.

Colo St. 60-4818

Berm rebuilt. Oil vacuumed off first large pit. Shoring up around cover to close holes. Installing brown water tank between treater and skim pit. Cutting up abandoned vessels left by some other operator.

Colo St. 58-630

Oil Vacuumed off pit. Waiting on backhoe to move screens around and plug holes around sides.

Discussed with Loren at Akron about NPDES ceriodaphnia problem.

Sharp #1

Form 4 has been filed for plugging and abandonment. This will negate everything Ed wrote up.

Jones Lse.

Form 4s have been submitted for plugging and abandonment. Oil burned on pit and dozer service will be there soon to backfill.

Kincheloe

Fixing holes in screen. I have not personally inspected.

Travis

Pit oil vacuumed on 9-22.

Pieper

Oil vacuumed on 9-16. Banks shored up on first open pit. Will burn small amounts of sludge on bank sides on appropriate day. Still need to fill around skim covers to plug lower sections. Waiting on backhoe crew. Well shut in until work is done.

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Screen cover sat in place 10-10. Will need to have backhoe finish off and to repair berms etc.

Colo B.

Waiting on equip to build berms. Will burn "small clumps of" whatever. Low priority.

Blomenkamp

Waiting on backhoe.

Johnson

Vacuumed up abandoned pit. 10-9 Started backfilling abandoned pit. 10-10 sat pit cover on skim pit at injection facility. Needs some dirt work to make fit properly. Waiting on backhoe crew.

Most major problems have been taken care of as soon as equipment could get there. Held up at Johnson because of the last storm or would have been done.

Loren, Gary M. was there today and found two birds where we just put the screen on the pit at the injection facility. I had contacted him by mail on Sept 26 telling him that we had talked and that I was taking care of the problem. Weather delayed the dozer and that is presently about to be completed. The screen was set two days ago and I have no idea about these bird. I did not see them on the 10th when I was there. The pumper was there and told him that the cover was just sat in place two days before hand and that there was some additional work to do.

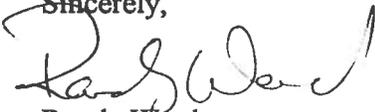


I do not want to borrow trouble, but I believe that if he issues a citation for those two birds with work on going then, well you know what I think. Everything he said at the meeting will be questioned. He said no one had called, but I have a copy of the letter he was sent by me because it confirmed this meeting also.

Several have had trouble getting vacuum trucks, I have a good relationship with one so was able to get a lot done quickly. Getting a backhoe for several days work is a tough problem at the moment and it is required to finish the pit cover installs etc.

If any questions call.

Sincerely,



Randy Ward