

Final Reclamation Inspection

July 30, 2018

Operator: TOP OPERATING COMPANY - 39560

API: 05-123-07899

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Google Earth aerial imagery taken October 6, 2014. Photo illustrates equipment had not been removed per Rule 1004.a. and remained 15 months after plugging and abandonment.

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Google Earth aerial imagery taken June 9, 2017. Aerial imagery shows disturbance areas do not meet vegetative standards, even though the Operator submitted a Final Reclamation Complete Notice on January 28, 2016.

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Photo 1. Photo taken from the eastern location, facing West. Vegetative growth does not meet Rule 1004 standards. Disturbance areas are evident with the lack of perennial vegetative growth and bare soil. Vegetative cover is not uniform or reflective of reference area vegetative growth.

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Photo 2. Photo taken from the western location, facing West. Operator has not contoured a portion of the location to match the surrounding landscape. Also, the photo illustrates vegetative standards do not meet Rule 1004 standards.

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Photo 3. Photo taken from the western location, facing West. See comments under Photo 1.



Photo 4. Photo taken from the eastern location, facing Northeast. Operator has failed to remove all equipment. It is the responsibility of the Operator to coordinate with the responsible parties to remove all equipment that was associated with oil and gas operations.

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Photo 5. Reference photo taken east location, facing Northeast. Photo illustrates uniform vegetative cover which is not reflective of the Knox disturbance areas.