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X/15**State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203
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Inspection Date:

07/30/2018

Submitted Date:

08/15/2018

Document Number:

682403857**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 317876 Inspector Name: Binschus, Chris On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: _____**Operator Information:**OGCC Operator Number: 39560Name of Operator: TOP OPERATING COMPANYAddress: 3609 S WADSWORTH BLVD STE 340City: LAKEWOOD State: CO Zip: 80235**Status Summary:**

- ☒
- THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION
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- ☒
- FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED
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- ☐
- NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED

Findings:3 Number of Comments1 Number of Corrective Actions

- ☒
- Corrective Action Response Requested

Contact Information:

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Inspected Facilities:

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
240111	WELL	PA	07/11/2013	OW	123-07899	KNOX 1-23	RI

General Comment:

This is a follow-up Final Reclamation Inspection to Document #681900497 for PA Well API #123-07899. Well was plugged and abandoned on 7/11/2013. Any corrective actions from previous inspections that have not been addressed are still applicable. Where corrective actions from the previous inspection report remain unresolved, corrective action dates remain unchanged.

This inspection is being entered for compliance notification and documentation purposes only. This inspection is not intended to provide the operator the opportunity to resolve the alleged violations; documented below, without the possible imposition of a penalty, pursuant to Rule 522.c.(1). Instead, Staff will be following up on this inspection with COGCC enforcement staff.

LocationOverall Good: ☐

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment: Corrective Action: Date: Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

Type	Area	Volume		

In Containment: No

Comment: ☐ Multiple Spills and Releases?**Equipment:**

Type:	#		corrective date
Comment:	Comply with the reclamation rules to remove (regardless of ownership) all equipment within three months of plugging (7/11/2013) the associated facility. All work should have been conducted by 10/11/2013. See Reclamation Section for corrective actions and corrective action dates.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Venting:

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Flaring:

Type		
Comment:		
Corrective Action:		Date:

Reclamation - Storm Water - Pit**Interim Reclamation:**

Date Interim Reclamation Started: _____ Date Interim Reclamation Completed: _____

Land Use: _____

Comment: _____

1002 SITE PREPARATION AND STABILIZATION

1002a. FENCING _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

1002b. SOIL REMOVAL AND
SEGREGATION _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

1002c. PROTECTION OF SOILS _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

1002E. SURFACE DISTURBANCE MINIMIZATION _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

1003a. Waste and Debris removed? _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Unused or unneeded equipment onsite? _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Pit, cellars, rat holes and other bores closed? _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Guy line anchors marked? _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

1003b. Area no longer in use? _____ Production areas stabilized ? _____

1003c. Compacted areas have been cross ripped? _____

1003d. Drilling pit closed? _____ Subsidence over on drill pit? _____

Cuttings management: _____

1003e. Areas no longer needed for drilling or subsequent operations for have been re-vegetated to 80% of pre-existing? _____

Production areas have been stabilized? _____ Segregated soils have been replaced? _____

RESTORATION AND REVEGETATIONCropland

Top soil replaced _____ Recontoured _____ Perennial forage re-established _____

Non-Cropland

Top soil replaced _____ Recontoured _____ 80% Revegetation _____

1003e. INTERIM VEGETATION TRANSECT

TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% _____

TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% _____

TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER _____

VEGETATIVE COVER _____

1003 f. Weeds Noxious weeds? _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____ Date _____

Overall Interim Reclamation

Final Reclamation/ Abandoned Location:

Date Final Reclamation Started: _____ Date Final Reclamation Completed: _____

Final Land Use: _____

Reminder: _____

Comment: _____

Well plugged Pass Pit mouse/rat holes, cellars backfilled _____

Debris removed Fail No disturbance /Location never built _____

Access Roads Regraded _____ Contoured _____ Culverts removed _____

Gravel removed _____

Location and associated production facilities reclaimed Fail Locations, facilities, roads, recontoured Fail

Compaction alleviation _____ Dust and erosion control _____

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% Fail Cropland: perennial forage _____

Weeds present _____ Subsidence _____

1004.d. FINAL VEGETATION TRANSECT

TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% _____

TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% _____

TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER _____

VEGETATIVE COVER _____

Comment:

This location is over 4 years out of compliance with Rule 1004. Operator falsely submitted a Final Reclamation Complete Notice on 1/28/2016 (Doc. # 400979886), prior to a failing Final Reclamation Inspection on 1/29/2016 (Doc. # 681900497). 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.

Operator has failed to perform the previous corrective actions to re-contour disturbance areas to match the surrounding landscape and to remove all equipment. Please refer to the attached inspection photos for more detail.

Corrective Action:

Comply with Rule 1004. Previous corrective actions remain unresolved; therefore, corrective action dates remain unchanged.

Date **04/29/2016**

Overall Final Reclamation

FailWell Release on Active Location ☐Multi-Well Location ☐**Attached Documents**

You can go to COGCC Images (<https://cogcc.state.co.us/weblink/>) and search by document number:

Document Num	Description	URL
682403859	Inspection Photos	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4552382