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X/15**State of Colorado  
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697500656**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 323189 Inspector Name: Binschus, Chris On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: \_\_\_\_\_**Operator Information:**OGCC Operator Number: 10071Name of Operator: HIGHPOINT OPERATING CORPORATIONAddress: 555 17TH ST STE 3700City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202**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

**ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION(S) FROM  
PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT  
BEEN ADDRESSED ARE STILL APPLICABLE****Contact Information:**

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**Inspected Facilities:**

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
323189	LOCATION	CL			-	LOVELY-66N66W 9SESW	RI

**General Comment:**

This is a follow up Final Reclamation Inspection at the associated tank battery location for PA Well API#123-12684. Well was plugged 11/2013.

Note: This location is currently under review with Enforcement; therefore, this inspection is being entered for notification and documentation only and is not intended to provide the Operator the opportunity to resolve the alleged violations without the imposition of a penalty, pursuant to Rule 522.c.



**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 REVEGETATION**Cropland

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Pit mouse/rat holes, cellars backfilled \_\_\_\_\_

Debris removed \_\_\_\_\_ No disturbance /Location never built \_\_\_\_\_

Access Roads Regraded \_\_\_\_\_ Contoured \_\_\_\_\_ Culverts removed **Fail**

Gravel removed \_\_\_\_\_

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

Compaction alleviation \_\_\_\_\_ Dust and erosion control \_\_\_\_\_

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% \_\_\_\_\_ 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: [Operator performed insufficient Final Reclamation work around May 2018 which was in response to the previous corrective action inspection submitted 6/28/2017. See COGCC Inspection Report Summary and refer to the attached inspection photos for more details.](#)

Corrective Action: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Comply with Rule 1004.a. to remove the culvert, put the bar ditch back in place along the eastern location, properly recontour the tank battery location to allow for successful flood irrigation, and reseed. Ensure erosion controls are implemented to stabilize the seeded soil.

There is no corrective action date because this is under review with Enforcement; however, COGCC staff would recommend conducting the corrective actions during the Fall seeding window before the winter.

Overall Final Reclamation

Fail

Well Release on Active Location ☐Multi-Well Location ☐**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
<p>COGCC Inspection Report Summary:</p> <p>On Monday 10/07/2019 at approximately 9:00 hrs. I, Chris Binschus, conducted a follow up Final Reclamation inspection.</p> <p>Operator Name: HIGHPOINT OPERATING CORPORATION  Location Name: LOVELY-66N66W /9SESW  Location ID: 323189  Location County: Weld County, Colorado</p> <p>Inspection Report Summary:</p> <p>1) Operator failed to remove a culvert along the eastern location and put the bar ditch back in place. The bar ditch plays an important role as this area is flood irrigated.</p> <p>2) Operator failed to properly contour the location to match the surrounding landscape to allow for successful flood irrigation. The tank battery location itself is elevated compared to the surrounding landscape; in addition, a remnant perimeter ditch was observed along the western location which would impede flood irrigation.</p> <p>3) Even though the Operator claims to use a seed mix approved by the Surface Owner, it is not reflective of reference area vegetation.</p> <p>End of summary inspection report.</p>	binschusc	10/08/2019

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
402202989	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4957957">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4957957</a>
697500657	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4957949">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4957949</a>