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**State of Colorado  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**

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**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**

Loc ID: 398846  
Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron  
On-Site Inspection:   
2A Doc Num: \_\_\_\_\_

**Status Summary:**

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

**Operator Information:**

OGCC Operator Number: 74740  
Name of Operator: RIO MESA RESOURCES INC  
Address: P.O. BOX 984  
City: RANGELY State: CO Zip: 81648

**Findings:**

- 6 Number of Comments
- 2 Number of Corrective Actions
- Corrective Action Response Requested

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

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**Inspected Facilities:**

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
266058	WELL	PA	01/06/2001	OW	103-40021	LUBAUER 33A	RI
398846	LOCATION	CL			-	LUBAUER-61N102W 11NWNW	RI

**General Comment:**

On 4/27/2021, Reclamation Specialist Trujillo conducted a final reclamation and stormwater inspection at Rio Mesa Resources' Lubauer 33A location in Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

This inspection is also a follow up to inspection:

- #692401209 dated 7/31/2019;
- #696201097 dated 3/10/2020;
- #696201355 dated 6/3/2020;
- #696202054 dated 12/1/2020;

to document compliance for the following corrective actions from inspection #692400853 dated 3/28/2019:

- 1004.a: Final Reclamation
- 1002.f: Stormwater

It was observed in this inspection that the Location remains out of compliance with COGCC Rules and corrective actions. The following alleged compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

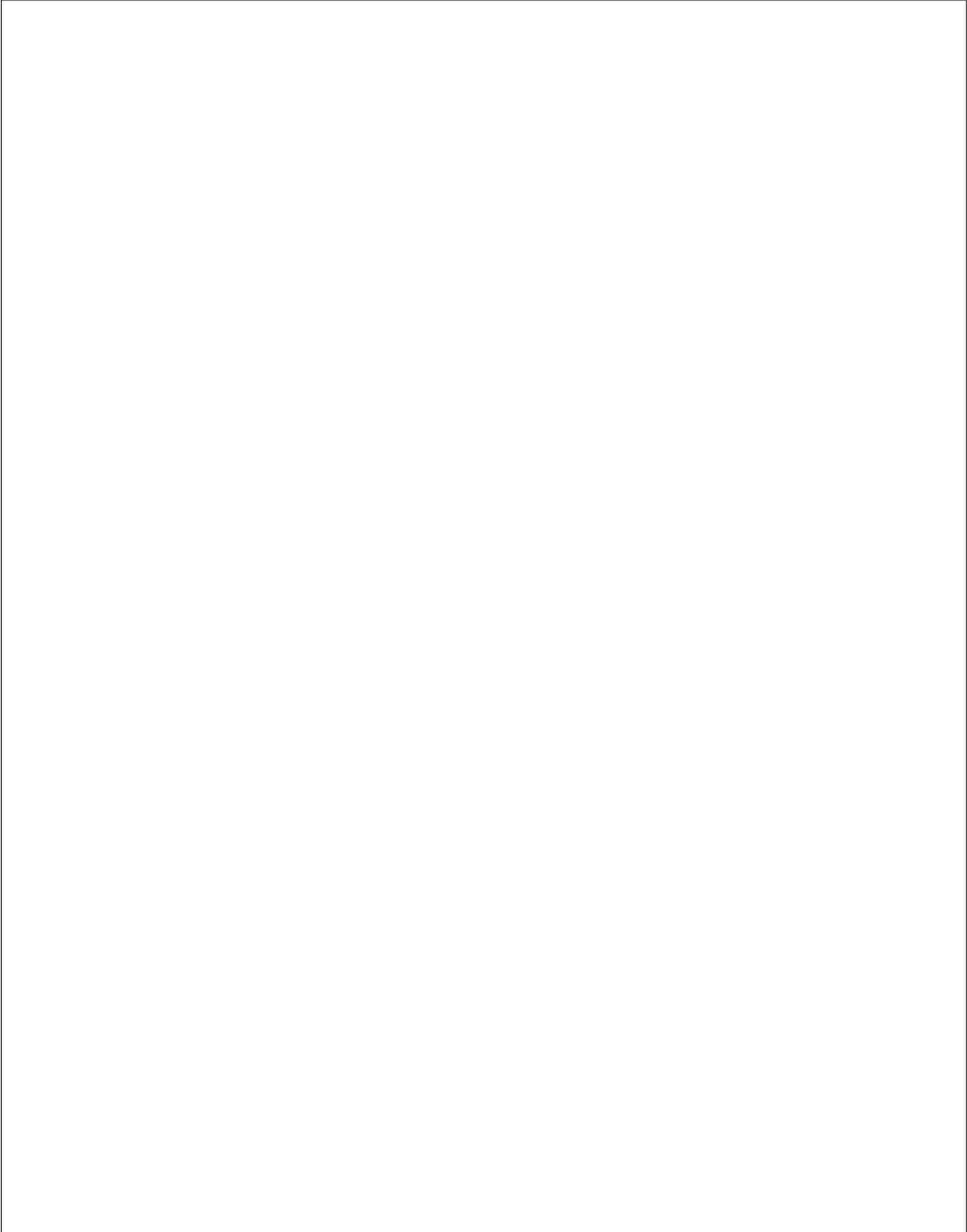
- 1004.a: Final Reclamation
- 1002.f: Stormwater
- 1004.e: Weed management.

Refer to the "Location" and "Stormwater" sections of this inspection report for additional details.

Refer to the photo-documentation of the observed compliance issues attached to this report.

Any corrective action(s) from previous inspections that have not been addressed are still applicable.

A follow up on this site inspection will be conducted to ensure the compliance issues have been corrected to comply with COGCC rules.



**Inspected Facilities**

Facility ID: 266058 Type: WELL API Number: 103-40021 Status: PA Insp. Status: RI

Facility ID: 398846 Type: LOCATION API Number: - Status: CL Insp. Status: RI

**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? \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

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 **Fail** \_\_\_\_\_ No disturbance /Location never built \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% **Fail** \_\_\_\_\_ Cropland: perennial forage \_\_\_\_\_

Weeds present **Fail** \_\_\_\_\_ Subsidence \_\_\_\_\_

1004.d. FINAL VEGETATION TRANSECT  
 TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% \_\_\_\_\_  
 TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% \_\_\_\_\_  
 TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER \_\_\_\_\_  
 VEGETATIVE COVER \_\_\_\_\_

Comment:

Corrective Action:

Date **11/15/2019**

Original corrective action and corrective action date remains applicable.  
 Perform Final Reclamation per COGCC 1004 Rules including: compaction alleviation, recontouring, seeding of site, reclamation of access road, and required weed management. Install appropriate BMPs to stabilize location until vegetation establishes; all Reclamation Activities to be complete by November 15, 2019.

Overall Final Reclamation **Fail** Well Release on Active Location  Multi-Well Location

**Storm Water:**

Loc Erosion BMPs	BMP Maintenance	Lease Road Erosion BMPs	Lease BMP Maintenance	Chemical BMPs	Chemical BMP Maintenance	Comment

**Comment:** Previous inspections observed that stormwater and erosion control measures to properly protect/stabilize the Location, and prevent offsite sediment transport was missing or insufficient; erosion degradation evident on Location.  
 It was observed in this inspection that BMPs remain missing or insufficient to properly protect/stabilize the Location, and prevent offsite sediment transport. Corrective action has not been addressed and remains applicable.

**Corrective Action:** Install or repair required BMPs per Rule 1002.f.(2)C. Ensure control measures are adequate for the site's conditions, implemented in accordance with good engineering practices, and maintained in proper functioning condition until site receives a passing final reclamation inspection.  
 Previous inspection did not provide a CA date as it was the COGCC's expectation that stormwater management would be performed immediately, therefore the date of "initial inspection" is being provided.

Date: 03/10/2020

**Pits:**  NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT

**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
<p><b>FINAL RECLAMATION COMMENTS</b></p> <p>Previous inspections documented that the Location does not meet reclamation requirements. Inspection required Operator to perform the following corrective actions: Perform Final Reclamation per COGCC 1004 Rules including, but not limited to, recontouring, seeding of site and reclamation of access road, install appropriate BMPs to stabilize location until vegetation establishes; all Reclamation Activities to be complete by November 15, 2019.</p> <p>It was observed in this inspection that Location does not meet 1004.a final reclamation requirements; Pipe/Trash debris not removed, access road leading to the Location from the north, and from the west has not been reclaimed per 1004 requirements and corrective actions, control measures to stabilize seeded soils have not been implemented (see "stormwater"). Additionally, no desirable vegetative germination or establishment is observed, and the Location is progressing towards a Halogeton monoculture; Operator is also out of compliance with Rule 1004.e "Weed Control". Weed management and additional seeding required.</p>	trujilloam	04/28/2021

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
402674529	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5415772">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5415772</a>
696202610	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5415763">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5415763</a>