

**FORM  
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X/20**State of Colorado  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203  
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**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**

Loc ID 316408	Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron	On-Site Inspection <input type="checkbox"/>	2A Doc Num: _____	<b>Status Summary:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED <input type="checkbox"/> NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED  <b>Findings:</b> 8 Number of Comments 3 Number of Corrective Actions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corrective Action Response Requested
<b>Operator Information:</b> OGCC Operator Number: 96850 Name of Operator: TEP ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC Address: 1058 COUNTY ROAD 215 City: PARACHUTE State: CO Zip: 81635				<b>ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION(S) FROM PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED ARE STILL APPLICABLE</b>

**Contact Information:**

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**Inspected Facilities:**

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
272887	WELL	PR	03/01/2023	GW	103-10454	FEDERAL RGU 23-7-297	RI
316408	LOCATION	AC			-	FEDERAL RGU 23-7-297	RI
478941	WELL	DG	08/26/2022	LO	103-12476	FEDERAL RG 412-7-297	RI
478942	WELL	DG	08/15/2022	LO	103-12477	FEDERAL RG 12-18-297	RI
478943	WELL	DG	08/17/2022	LO	103-12478	FEDERAL RG 411-18-297	RI
478944	WELL	DG	08/23/2022	LO	103-12479	FEDERAL RG 313-7-297	RI
478945	WELL	DG	08/28/2022	LO	103-12480	FEDERAL RG 12-7-297	RI
478946	WELL	DG	08/24/2022	LO	103-12481	FEDERAL RG 13-7-297	RI
478947	WELL	DG	08/16/2022	LO	103-12482	FEDERAL RG 511-18-297	RI
478948	WELL	DG	08/20/2022	LO	103-12483	FEDERAL RG 514-7-297	RI
478949	WELL	DG	08/25/2022	LO	103-12484	FEDERAL RG 512-7-297	RI
478950	WELL	DG	08/22/2022	LO	103-12485	FEDERAL RG 314-7-297	RI
478951	WELL	DG	08/19/2022	LO	103-12486	FEDERAL RG 11-18-297	RI
478952	WELL	DG	08/27/2022	LO	103-12487	FEDERAL RG 312-7-297	RI
478953	WELL	DG	08/21/2022	LO	103-12488	FEDERAL RG 414-7-297	RI
478954	WELL	DG	08/18/2022	LO	103-12489	FEDERAL RG 311-18-297	RI

**General Comment:**

On 9/6/2023, Reclamation Specialist Trujillo inspected TEP Rocky Mountain's Federal RGU 23-7-297 Location in Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

The following compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

- Signage
- Good Housekeeping
- Reclamation/NTD Requirements

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

Any corrective action(s) from previous inspections that have not been addressed are still applicable; The "Date of Discovery" is being provided as the corrective action date for all new observed compliance issues. Location will remain out of compliance until corrective action(s) has(have) been resolved and a follow up inspection will be conducted to ensure the compliance issues have been corrected to comply with ECMC rules.

**Location**Overall Good: ☐

<b>Signs/Marker:</b>			
Type	WELLHEAD		
Comment:	Signage required within 60 days of completion.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	
Type	TANK LABELS/PLACARDS		
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	
Type	WELLHEAD		
Comment:	Signage not posted at the Federal RGU 23-7-297 well (API 103-10454)		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 605.d	Date:	09/11/2023
Type	BATTERY		
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment: 970-285-9377 / 911

Corrective Action:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Good Housekeeping:**

Type	DEBRIS		
Comment:	Metal debris observed improperly stored within the cuttings trench; only dried cuttings are permitted within the cuttings trench.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with 606 Rules.	Date:	09/06/2023

Overall Good: ☐

<b>Spills:</b>			
Type	Area	Volume	

In Containment: No

Comment:

☐ Multiple Spills and Releases?**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: RANGELAND

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: Cuttings Trench

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 See "COGCC Comments" at the end of this report.

Corrective Action Comply with 1003 Rules, or the January 5 2017 "Notice to Operators: Interim Reclamation Procedures for Delayed Operations".

Date 09/06/2023

Overall Interim Reclamation Fail

**Final Reclamation/ Abandoned Location:**

Date Final Reclamation Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Final Reclamation Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Final Land Use: RANGELAND

Reminder: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Final Reclamation		Well Release on Active Location		Multi-Well Location		
<b>Storm Water:</b>						
Loc Erosion BMPs	BMP Maintenance	Lease Road Erosion BMPs	Lease BMP Maintenance	Chemical BMPs	Chemical BMP Maintenance	Comment
Comment: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> Corrective Action: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						Date: _____
<b>Pits:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT						
Type:	Lined:	Pit ID:	Lat:	Long:		
Reference Point: _____	Other: _____	Length: _____	Width: _____			
<u>Lining:</u>						
Liner Type:		Liner Condition:				
Comment: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						Date: _____
Corrective Action <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						
<u>Fencing:</u>						
Fencing Type:		Fencing Condition:				
Comment: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						Date: _____
Corrective Action <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						
<u>Netting:</u>						
Netting Type:		Netting Condition:				
Comment: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						Date: _____
Corrective Action <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						
Anchor Trench Present:		Oil Accumulation:		2+ feet Freeboard:		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Per the Form 2A and WMP, cuttings will be disposed of onsite within a cuttings trench. Trench has been constructed and Form 15 #402867227 to permit the pit was submitted 11/10/2021, stating cuttings trench was constructed 12/29/2020. Waste material observed within the cuttings trench.</p> <p>Pursuant to the Form 15, Operator states pit is fenced- It was observed in this inspection that the pit is not fenced.</p> <p>Pursuant to 909 Rules, if the cuttings trench facility remains upon for more than 3 years, it will require re-permitting as a Centralized E&amp;P Waste Facility; permitting would be required by 12/29/2023.</p> </div>						
Corrective Action <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>						Date: _____

**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
<p><b>RECLAMATION COMMENTS</b></p> <p>Operator received an approved Form 2A (#402402785) to expand the pre-existing Location. Form 42 #402533084 shows construction commenced 11/18/2020. Conductors for the wells appear to have been set 11 months later (10/2021), and the first well was SPUD 8/15/2022.</p> <p>Per the Preliminary Completion Form 5s on file for wells on the Location, drilling Operations were suspended and the rig was released 9/2/2022; Operator anticipated resuming operations May 2023 (Document no. 403232366).</p> <p>Pursuant to Rule 1003.b, all disturbed areas affected by drilling or subsequent operations, except areas reasonably needed for production operations or for subsequent drilling operations to be commenced within twelve (12) months, shall be reclaimed as early and as nearly as practicable to their original condition.</p> <p>It was observed in this inspection that subsequent drilling operations have not commenced within 12 months of drilling operations and rig release, and interim reclamation has not occurred.</p> <p>This Location is out of compliance with 1003 Rules, and the January 5 2017 "Notice to Operators: Interim Reclamation Procedures for Delayed Operations".</p>	trujilloam	09/08/2023

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
696205225	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6245598">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6245598</a>