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

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**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**

Loc ID 430927 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: 3104  
Name of Operator: ANSCHUTZ EXPLORATION CORP  
Address: 555 17TH ST STE 2400  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

**Findings:**

- 28 Number of Comments
- 13 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
<u>430924</u>	<u>WELL</u>	<u>PR</u>	<u>03/01/2023</u>	<u>OW</u>	<u>103-11953</u>	<u>BHR Fed J22-15-397-2RH</u>	<u>RI</u>
<u>430927</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>AC</u>			<u>-</u>	<u>BHR J22-397</u>	<u>RI</u>

**General Comment:**

On 12/18/2023, Reclamation Specialist Trujillo conducted an interim reclamation and stormwater inspection at Anschutz Exploration Corp's BHR J22-397 location in Moffat County, Colorado.

Location is Fee Surface, Fee Minerals

Location is within High Priority Habitat

The following compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

- Interim Reclamation of areas not needed for production
- Active leak/spill occurring at a recycling line at the tank battery, and at the "water pump" on the southwest end of the Location. Anschutz representative on site was provided notice of the issue and the requirement to immediately address the issues.
- Good Housekeeping (Trash, debris, unused equipment).
- Poor Mechanical conditions
- Loadlines lack cap/plug
- Wildlife Protections
- Spill prevention and containment measures
- Signage
- Protection of topsoil / Weeds

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

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

It is ECMC's expectation that Operators are in compliance with ECMC rules at all times; any corrective action(s) from previous inspections that have not been addressed are still applicable.

Consequently, dates for any corrective actions provided will either 1) be back-dated to when the Operator should have been in compliance, or 2) be the date of the inspection for which the Location was observed out of compliance (the "Date of Discovery"). Unless specifically directed within this Inspection Report, the CA date is not the date ECMC expects the Operator to have taken corrective actions.

The 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 at wellhead posted with incorrect Operator information.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 605.d	Date:	12/18/2023
Type	BATTERY		
Comment:	Signage at the tank battery facility posted with incorrect Operator information.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 605.e	Date:	12/18/2023
Type	OTHER		
Comment:	Location		
Corrective Action:		Date:	
Type	TANK LABELS/PLACARDS		
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Emergency Contact Number:			
Comment:	1-888-696-1300 / 911		Date:
Corrective Action:			Date: _____

<b>Good Housekeeping:</b>			
Type	UNUSED EQUIPMENT		
Comment:	Various unused equipment, containers, etc... were observed throughout the entire working pad surface of the Location.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606.a	Date:	12/18/2023
Type	TRASH		
Comment:	Various trash/debris/rubbish/etc.. was observed throughout the entire working pad surface of the Location.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606.d	Date:	12/18/2023

Overall Good:

<b>Spills:</b>			
Type	Area	Volume	
	Truck Loadout		
Comment:	Spills at loadouts observed; Honey Pots filled with production fluids.		
Corrective Action:	Remove and properly dispose fluids.	Date:	12/18/2023
	Tank		
Comment:	Crack observed at a "recycling line" at the tank battery is resulting in an active leak/spill within containment. Anschutz representative on site was provided notice of the issue and the requirement to immediately address the issues.		
Corrective Action:	Stop leak. Securely fasten all valves, pipes, fittings, and Production Facilities. Ensure good mechanical condition, inspect at regular intervals and maintain in good mechanical condition per Rule 608.e.	Date:	12/18/2023
Comment:	Spill observed at the "water pump" riser on the southwest end of the Location.		

Corrective Action:	Stop leak. Securely fasten all valves, pipes, fittings, and Production Facilities. Ensure good mechanical condition, inspect at regular intervals and maintain in good mechanical condition per Rule 608.e.  Clean/remediate impacts/stained soils to Table 915-1 cleanup concentrations.	Date:	12/18/2023
	Tank		
Comment:	Stained soils observed at the tank battery.		
Corrective Action:	Clean/remediate impacts/stained soils to Table 915-1 cleanup concentrations.	Date:	12/18/2023

In Containment: No

Comment:

Multiple Spills and Releases?

<b>Fencing/:</b>			
Type	WELLHEAD		
Comment:	Livestock panels.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	
Type	SEPARATOR		
Comment:	Livestock panels.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	
Type	IGNITOR/COMBUSTOR		
Comment:	Livestock panels.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	
Type	TANK BATTERY		
Comment:	Livestock panels.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	

<b>Equipment:</b>			corrective date
Type: Other	#		
Comment:	BMPs to prevent wildlife access to, or allow wildlife egress from containment measures for multiple methanol and glycol tanks were observed to be missing.		
Corrective Action:	Install or repair wildlife protection equipment.	Date:	12/18/2023
Type: Other	#		
Comment:	Loadlines at tank battery facility not plugged or capped.		
Corrective Action:	All loadlines will be bullplugged or capped.	Date:	12/18/2023

**Tanks and Berms:**

Contents	#	Capacity	Type	Tank ID	SE GPS
PRODUCED WATER	2	500 BBLs	STEEL AST		,
Comment:					
Corrective Action:					Date:

**Paint**

Condition	<input type="text"/>
Other (Content)	<input type="text"/>
Other (Capacity)	<input type="text"/>
Other (Type)	<input type="text"/>

<b>Berms</b>						
Type	Capacity	Permeability (Wall)	Permeability (Base)	Maintenance		
Metal	Adequate	Walls Sufficent	Base Sufficient	Adequate		
Comment:				Shares containment with 6 crude out tanks.		
Corrective Action:						Date:
Contents	#	Capacity	Type	Tank ID	SE GPS	
CRUDE OIL	6	500 BBLs	STEEL AST			
Comment:				Crude oil tank on the west end of the battery, adjacent to the produced water tank currently not in service; tank has been LOTO due to integrity issues.		
Corrective Action:						Date:

<b>Paint</b>						
Condition						
Other (Content)						
Other (Capacity)						
Other (Type)						

<b>Berms</b>						
Type	Capacity	Permeability (Wall)	Permeability (Base)	Maintenance		
Metal	Adequate	Walls Sufficent	Base Sufficient	Adequate		
Comment:				Containment BMP appeared to be in proper functioning condition at time of inspection.		
Corrective Action:						Date:

<b>Venting:</b>						
Yes/No						
Comment:						
Corrective Action:						Date:

<b>Flaring:</b>						
Type						
Comment:						
Corrective Action:						Date:

**Inspected Facilities**

Facility ID: 430924 Type: WELL API Number: 103-11953 Status: PR Insp. Status: RI

**Producing Well**

Comment: [PR Well, Interim reclamation inspection.](#)

Corrective Action:

Date:

Facility ID: 430927 Type: LOCATION API Number: - Status: AC Insp. Status: RI

**Reclamation - Storm Water - Pit**

**Interim Reclamation:**

Date Interim Reclamation Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Interim Reclamation Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Land Use: OTHER, 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Fail \_\_\_\_\_

Comment **BMPs to prevent weed establishment inadequate at the topsoil stockpile. Undesirable Plant Species, including various weedy mustard species (such as Chorispora tenella) observed established over much of the topsoil stockpile. Very little desirable plant establishment observed within areas dominated by weeds.**

Corrective Action **Comply with Rules 1002.c, 1003.f and 606.c. Ongoing weed management required until site receives a passing final reclamation inspection.**

Date **12/18/2023**

1002E. SURFACE DISTURBANCE MINIMIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1003a. Waste and Debris removed? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Unused or unneeded equipment onsite? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment **See "Good Housekeeping".**

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pit, cellars, rat holes and other bores closed? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guy line anchors marked? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment **Limited inspection due to snowcover. Only one marker was observed on the Location. Unclear if anchors on the Location have been marked per rules, or removed. A followup inspection will be performed to determine compliance with ECMC requirements.**

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1003b. Area no longer in use? Fail Production areas stabilized? \_\_\_\_\_  
 1003c. Compacted areas have been cross ripped? Fail  
 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? Fail  
 Production areas have been stabilized? \_\_\_\_\_ Segregated soils have been replaced? Fail

RESTORATION AND REVEGETATION

Cropland

Top soil replaced \_\_\_\_\_ Recontoured \_\_\_\_\_ Perennial forage re-established \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Cropland

Top soil replaced Fail Recontoured Fail 80% Revegetation Fail

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 It was observed in this inspection that interim reclamation pursuant to 1003 Rules has not been performed on the Location; areas on the west end of the Location are not reasonably needed for production operations on the Location, and require reclamation. A 2nd access road exists on the east end of the Location; access road is unnecessary and also requires reclamation.

Corrective Action Comply with Rule 1003.b- conduct interim reclamation on the Location including, but not limited to, compaction alleviation, recontouring/regrading, replacement of topsoil and revegetation activities on areas not needed for production. Ensure the seed mixture used is provided by the Surface Owner, or Location Soil Conservation Service. BMPs to stabilize the seeded soils will be required upon completion of revegetation activities. Continue to monitor and manage interim areas until Location receives a passing final reclamation inspection.

Date 12/18/2023

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

**Storm Water:**

Loc Erosion BMPs	BMP Maintenance	Lease Road Erosion BMPs	Lease BMP Maintenance	Chemical BMPs	Chemical BMP Maintenance	Comment
				Material Handling And Spill Prevention		containment BMP @ glycol tank

Comment: The containment BMP at the glycol tank was observed to be cracked and no longer in proper functioning condition.

Corrective Action: Install or repair spill prevention and containment BMPs.

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**Pits:**  NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT

**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
<span style="color: blue;">Form 2 Permit to Drill #401417486 for well API 103-12995 expired 12/28/2019; Form 2 #401861425 deleted 3/8/2021.</span>  <span style="color: blue;">Submit Form 4 to abandon permit.</span>	trujilloam	12/19/2023

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
403630996	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6362604">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6362604</a>
696205474	Leak	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6362569">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6362569</a>
696205475	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6362570">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6362570</a>