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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203
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Inspection Date:

03/07/2024

Submitted Date:

03/14/2024

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709100235**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 327535 Inspector Name: Heibel, Krystal On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: **Operator Information:**OGCC Operator Number: 95620Name of Operator: WESTERN OPERATING COMPANYAddress: 1165 DELAWARE STREET #200City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80204**Status Summary:**

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

Findings:6 Number of Comments2 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:**

Contact Name	Phone	Email	Comment
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General Comment:

On March 7, 2024, ECMC Environmental Unit Staff Kyle Waggoner inspected the Foster 14-2 pit (Facility ID: 110690).
Well was plugged and abandoned 12/10/2014.

This is an environmental inspection. Any corrective actions from previous inspections that have not been addressed are still applicable.

LocationOverall Good: ☐

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:

Corrective Action:

Date: _____

Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

Type

Area

Volume

In Containment: No

Comment:

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

corrective date

Type:

#

Comment: [Metershed remains on location. \(Also stated in FIR #693700352 from 1/8/2020\)](#)

Corrective Action:

Date:

Type: Other

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Comment: [Active pit on location.](#)Corrective Action: [Operator shall submit a Site Investigation and Remediation Workplan \(Form 27\), which will include a sampling plan, decommissioning plan, and a plan to remove unused equipment, reclaim the location, and remove undesirable vegetation.](#)Date: [04/15/2024](#)[Operator shall comply with Rule 1004.a.. "Upon the plugging and abandonment of a well, all pits, mouse and rat holes and cellars shall be backfilled. All debris, abandoned gathering line risers and flowline risers, and surface equipment shall be removed within three \(3\) months of plugging a well."](#)**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 _____ 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: This location does not comply with Rule 1004. Operator has failed to remove all equipment from the associated offsite tank battery. This failure to remove equipment also appears to be inhibiting the surface owner from putting an area into crop production. Refer to the attached inspection photos. Winter wheat is currently planted but COGCC staff will have to make a future assessment to ensure compliance with Rule 1004 vegetative standards.

Inspector Name: Heibel, Krystal

Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 1004.a. to remove (regardless of ownership) all equipment. All work should have been conducted by 3/10/2015. Previous corrective action date: 01/25/2021					Date
Overall Final Reclamation		Well Release on Active Location <input type="checkbox"/>		Multi-Well Location <input type="checkbox"/>		
Storm Water:						
Loc Erosion BMPs	BMP Maintenance	Lease Road Erosion BMPs	Lease BMP Maintenance	Chemical BMPs	Chemical BMP Maintenance	Comment
Comment:						Date:
Corrective Action:						
Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT						

COGCC Comments		
Comment	User	Date
6/20/19 Inspection Doc # 693700202 is not resolved regarding sampling produced water pit	heibelk	03/14/2024
1/16/20 Inspection Doc # 693700352 is not resolved regarding sampling produced water pit		
10/30/20 Inspection Doc #697502143 is not resolved regarding removing equipment		

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
709100236	Photo Log	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6467550