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

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10/31/2022

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FIELD INSPECTION FORM

Loc ID 313030 Inspector Name: O'Malley, Anna 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: 3975
Name of Operator: ARGALI EXPLORATION COMPANY
Address: PO BOX 416
City: RANGELY State: CO Zip: 81648

Findings:

- 8 Number of Comments
- 3 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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,		argaliexplorationcompany@gmail.com	General Contact

Inspected Facilities:

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
223391	WELL	SI	02/01/2022	GW	081-06755	STATE 9-36	RI
313030	LOCATION	AC			-	STATE-69N91W 36SWSE	RI

General Comment:

On 10/31/2022, Reclamation Specialist O'Malley conducted a reclamation and stormwater inspection at Argali Exploration Company's STATE-69N91W/36SWSE Location #313030 in Moffat County, Colorado.

The following compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

- Signage in disrepair
- Interim Reclamation: Vertical cuts have not been contoured to match surrounding landscape
- Stormwater: erosion of cut and fill slopes

Refer to the "Location," "Reclamation" 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 inspection on this site will be conducted to ensure the compliance issues have been corrected to comply with COGCC rules.

Location

Overall Good:

Signs/Marker:

Type	WELLHEAD		
Comment:	Previous inspection #689806400 observed signs on location still have previous operator information on them. Wellhead sign only sign on location and it has been knocked over. Inspector required Operator to install sign to comply with Rule 605.d. It was observed in this inspection that the wellhead sign has been updated with current Operator information. Wellhead sign complies with Rule 605.d. The sign remains on the ground/has not been properly installed.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 605.d. Install sign.	Date:	12/02/2022

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:	(970) 629-1906 Corrective action from previous inspection(s) #689806400 regarding current Operator contact information has been addressed. Wellhead sign shows updated Operator contact.
Corrective Action:	
	Date:

Overall Good:

Spills:

Type	Area	Volume		

In Containment: No

Comment:

Multiple Spills and Releases?

Venting:

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Flaring:

Type		
Comment:		
Corrective Action:		Date:

Inspected Facilities

Facility ID: 223391 Type: WELL API Number: 081-06755 Status: SI Insp. Status: RI

Facility ID: 313030 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: _____

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? Pass

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Unused or unneeded equipment onsite? Pass

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Pit, cellars, rat holes and other bores closed? Pass

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Guy line anchors marked? _____

Comment T-post marking one anchor. No other anchors observed. If present, they are unmarked.

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? In
 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 Fail 80% Revegetation In

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? P

Comment It was observed in this inspection that vertical cut slopes are present at the northwest and southwest of the Location. Vertical cuts must be recontoured to match the surrounding landscape.

The Location is predominantly vegetated with native perennial grasses and sagebrush. No noxious weeds were observed.

Corrective Action Comply with 1003 Rules. Conduct interim reclamation on vertical cut slopes at the northwest and southwest of the Location, including, but not limited to recontouring/regrading and revegetation; use a seed mixture provided by the surface owner, or a mixture prescribed by the local soil conservation district. Implement control measures to stabilize the seeded soil in accordance with Rule 1002.f. Revegetation activities shall be completed no later than 05/01/2023.

Date 05/01/2023

Overall Interim Reclamation Fail

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:

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

Comment: **Insufficient stormwater and sediment control BMPs in place; cut and fill slopes are eroding.**
Vertical cut slopes are undercutting and eroding into native rangeland above, causing onsite and offsite degradation. The erosion of the cut slope may be addressed during the recontouring/interim reclamation process with a corrective action date of 5/1/2023.
Fill slopes at the east of the Location are eroding downward causing the formation of a hole which presents a hazard to personnel, wildlife and livestock. Hole is approximately 8 by 9 feet wide and 3 feet deep. It is approximately 10 feet deep at the deepest point. Erosion of the fill slope and dangerous hole must be addressed by the stormwater corrective action date of 12/2/2022.

Corrective Action: **Install or repair required BMPs per Rule 1002.f. Implement control measures to eliminate dangerous hole and prevent continued erosion. Continue to monitor and manage stormwater on the Location. Ongoing stormwater management is required until the site receives a passing final inspection.**

Date: 12/02/2022

Pits: NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
702800874	Inspection Photos	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5904138