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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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Inspection Date:

10/31/2022

Submitted Date:

11/02/2022

Document Number:

702800867**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID: 312987 Inspector Name: O'Malley, Anna On-Site Inspection: ☐ 2A Doc Num: _____**Operator Information:**

OGCC Operator Number: 3975

Name of Operator: ARGALI EXPLORATION COMPANY

Address: PO BOX 416

City: RANGELY State: CO Zip: 81648

Status Summary:

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

Findings:

13 Number of Comments

6 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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Jeffrey, Carl		jbrduco@yahoo.com	All Inspections

Inspected Facilities:

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
223186	WELL	PR	12/01/2017	GW	081-06548	SPETTER 5-8	RI
312987	LOCATION	AC			-	SPETTER-68N90W 8SWNW	RI

General Comment:

On 10/31/2022, Reclamation Specialist O'Malley conducted a reclamation and stormwater inspection at Argali Exploration Company's SPETTER-68N90W/8SWNW Location #312987 in Moffat County, Colorado.

This Location has outstanding corrective actions dating back to 5/2/2013 (inspection document #669300543).

The following compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

- Trash/debris
- Noxious weeds
- Wellhead sign lacks number for local emergency services (911)
- Unused tank (no label, no secondary containment, no tank battery sign)
- Interim Reclamation: pits unreclaimed
- Stormwater: erosion of bare 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.

LocationOverall Good: ☐**Signs/Marker:**

Type	WELLHEAD		
Comment:	When no associated tank battery is present at the Oil and Gas Location the well sign must comply with Rule 605.d(2). Telephone number for local emergency services (911 where available) was not observed on the wellhead sign.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 605.d	Date:	12/31/2022

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:	(970) 629-1906		
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Good Housekeeping:

Type	TRASH		
Comment:	Multiple piles of fence wire observed on Location. Metal cable and pipe observed in the fill slope at the south of the Location.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606	Date:	11/08/2022
Type	WEEDS		
Comment:	Canada thistle and houndstongue (List B Noxious) observed on the fill slope and pad surface. Weed management required in the 2023 growing season. Ongoing weed management required.		
Corrective Action:	Conduct weed management to prevent further establishment and spread of noxious weeds; ongoing weed management required until location passes final reclamation.	Date:	05/01/2023
Type	UNUSED EQUIPMENT		
Comment:	Previous inspection #689801158 observed unlabeled tank from previous inspection has been labeled "out of service" identifying it as unused equipment stored on location. Inspector required Operator to comply with Rule 603.f (now Rule 606) by 8/30/2018. It was observed in this inspection that the unused tank remains. Original corrective action and date remain applicable. Previous Operator communication and inspection reports indicate this tank not in use since 2013. Tank lacks labeling, tank battery signage and secondary containment. Unused tank must be removed.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606. Remove tank.	Date:	08/30/2018

Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

Type	Area	Volume		
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In Containment: No

Comment:

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

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Flaring:

Type		
Comment:		

Corrective Action:		Date:	
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Inspected Facilities									
Facility ID:	<u>223186</u>	Type:	<u>WELL</u>	API Number:	<u>081-06548</u>	Status:	<u>PR</u>	Insp. Status:	<u>RI</u>
Facility ID:	<u>312987</u>	Type:	<u>LOCATION</u>	API Number:	<u>-</u>	Status:	<u>AC</u>	Insp. Status:	<u>RI</u>

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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 _____

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 _____

Fence wire on Location.

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Unused or unneeded equipment onsite? _____

Comment _____

Unused tank observed on Location.

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

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

Comment _____

Pit overflow areas remain at the southwest of the Location.

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Guy line anchors marked? Pass

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

1003b. Area no longer in use? Fail 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 REVEGETATIONCropland

Top soil replaced _____ Recontoured _____ Perennial forage re-established _____

Non-Cropland

Top soil replaced _____ Recontoured Fail 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 Refer to the "Location" section of this inspection report for weed control corrective action.

There are two pits at the southwest of the Location. Inspection #200023076 indicated they are "pit overflow areas". The pits have not been properly reclaimed; recontouring is required. Pits must be reclaimed per 1003 Interim Reclamation requirements.

The Location is predominantly vegetated with native and introduced perennial grasses (Indian ricegrass, prairie junegrass, squirreltail, crested wheatgrass) and forbs (hairy false goldenaster).

Corrective Action Comply with 1003 Rules. Conduct interim reclamation on the pit areas at the 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; Portions of the cut and fill slopes are bare and unprotected. Rill erosion observed throughout unprotected slopes of the Location.

Corrective Action: Install or repair required BMPs per Rule 1002.f. Continue to monitor and manage stormwater on the Location. Ongoing stormwater management is required until the site receives a passing final inspection.

Date: 12/01/2022

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
403217233	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5904065
702800871	Inspection Photos	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5904063