

**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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Inspection Date:

06/21/2023

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FIELD INSPECTION FORMLoc ID 322479 Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: _____**Operator Information:**

OGCC Operator Number: 10539

Name of Operator: UTAH GAS OP LTD DBA UTAH GAS CORP

Address: 760 HORIZON DRIVE STE 400

City: GRAND JUNCTION State: CO Zip: 81506

Status Summary:

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

Findings:

9 Number of Comments

4 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:**

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Inspected Facilities:

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
210590	WELL	TA	08/01/2020	GW	045-06346	YOUNG CATTLE CO. 24-12	RI
322479	LOCATION	AC			-	YOUNG CATTLE CO.-66S104W 24NWSW	RI

General Comment:

On 6/21/2023, Reclamation Specialist Trujillo inspected Utah Gas Corp's Young Cattle Co #24-12 Location in Garfield County, Colorado.

This inspection is a follow-up to Inspection Nos. 696204014, 696204449, and 696204923 to document compliance with the following corrective action:

-Stormwater / Access

This inspection is also in response to Resolution #403409528 stating Corrective Actions have been completed; it was observed in this inspection that the corrective action has been resolved.

The following new compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

- Plugging/Abandonment of Wells
- Closure of O&G Facilities
- Flowline abandonment
- Final Reclamation; removal of surface equipment
- Storage of unused equipment
- Undesirable Plant Species

Refer to the "Location", "Environmental", "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: ☒

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:

Corrective Action:

Date: _____

Good Housekeeping:

Type	WEEDS		
Comment:	Undesirable and Noxious Plant Species observed establishing (Bindweed, Knotweed, Russian thistle) on the Location.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606.c and keep Location free of Undesirable Plant Species. Corrective Action date is the "Date of Discovery"; Location will remain out of compliance until corrective action has been resolved.		Date: 06/21/2023
Type	STORAGE OF SUPL		
Comment:	Equipment that appears to have been used to harrow the road observed improperly stored on the access road.		
Corrective Action:	Remove and properly store unused equipment. Corrective Action date is the "Date of Discovery"; Location will remain out of compliance until corrective action has been resolved.		Date: 06/21/2023

Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

Type	Area	Volume		
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In Containment: No

Comment:

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

Type: Other	#		corrective date
Comment:	<p>WELLHEAD</p> <p>Operator submitted Form 6(s) #402694701 stating that the surface plug setting date was 5/1/2021, and that the well was Cut and Capped 5/1/2021. Pursuant to Rule 434.a. (5), and COA #6 within Form 6(N) 402562148, Operators will not cap or seal Well until 5 days after placing the last plug. Operator appears to have plugged, and cut/capped on the same day.</p> <p>Form 6(s) remains "in process" at time of inspection.</p> <p>This issue is being forwarded to Engineering.</p>		
Corrective Action:			Date:

Venting:

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:			Date:

Flaring:

Type		
Comment:		
Corrective Action:		Date:

Inspected Facilities									
Facility ID:	210590	Type:	WELL	API Number:	045-06346	Status:	TA	Insp. Status:	RI
Facility ID:	322479	Type:	LOCATION	API Number:	-	Status:	AC	Insp. Status:	RI

Environmental**Spill/Remediation:**

Comment: Pursuant to COA #4 within Form 6(N) #402562148: "Closure of Oil and Gas Facilities, Operator will submit Site Investigation and Remediation Workplans via Form 27 for COGCC prior approval before cutting and capping the plugged well, conducting flowline abandonment, and removing production equipment. Pursuant to Rule 1105.f. Abandonment Verification, within 90 days of an operator completing abandonment requirements for a flowline or crude oil transfer line, an operator must submit a Field Operations Notice, Form 42-Abandonment of Flowlines for on-location flowlines, and a Flowline Report, Form 44, for off-location flowlines or crude oil transfer lines".

Operator submitted Form 6(s) #402694701 stating that the well was Cut and Capped 5/1/2021.

It was observed in this inspection that the Well appears to have been removed from the surface and P&Ad.

Unable to find records of flowline abandonment; risers remain apparent at surface.

Unable to find record that Operator has submitted a Form 27 for facility closure in accordance with Rule 911.a, and for COGCC prior approval before cutting and capping the plugged well as required by Form 6(N) Conditions.

Corrective Action:

Contact COGCC Environmental group for Facility Closure requirements.

Date: 05/01/2021

Comply with 911 Rules for closure of Oil and Gas Facilities.

The Cut and Cap date is being provided as the CA date, as the Site Investigation and Remediation Workplans via Form 27 was required prior to this date, per Form 6 Conditions.

Emission Control Burner (ECB): _____

Comment:

Pilot: _____

Wildlife Protection Devices (fired vessels): _____

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 **Fail** Locations, facilities, roads, recontoured **Fail**

Compaction alleviation **Fail** Dust and erosion control **Fail**

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% **Fail** Cropland: perennial forage _____

Weeds present **Fail** Subsidence _____

1004.d. FINAL VEGETATION TRANSECT

TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% _____

TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% _____

TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER _____

VEGETATIVE COVER _____

Comment: _____

	<p>Operator submitted Form 6(s) #402694701 stating that the well was Cut and Capped 5/1/2021.</p> <p>Pursuant to Rule 1004.a, upon the plugging and abandonment of a well, all abandoned gathering line risers and flowline risers, and surface equipment shall be removed within three (3) months of plugging a well.</p> <p>-Flowlines/Risers and other equipment, including a meter shed and anchor equipment was observed remaining at the surface of the Location.</p> <p>-Unable to find record that Operator has submitted a Form 27 for facility closure; Flowlines have not been abandoned pursuant to 1105 Rules, and removed per 1004.a.</p>	
Corrective Action:	<p>Form 27 requirements are being addressed under the Environmental section of this report.</p> <p>Comply with 1105 Rules for flowline abandonment requirements.</p> <p>Comply with 1004 rules and remove all surface equipment remaining on the Location; Well P&A 5/1/2021, surface equipment was required to have been removed by 8/1/2021; facility closure, abandonment requirements and removal of all surface equipment should have been performed by this time therefore a CA date of 8/1/2021 is being provided.</p> <p>Location will remain out of compliance until corrective action has been resolved.</p>	Date 08/01/2021
<p>Overall Final Reclamation Fail Well Release on Active Location <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Well Location <input type="checkbox"/></p>		

Storm Water:

Loc Erosion BMPs	BMP Maintenance	Lease Road Erosion BMPs	Lease BMP Maintenance	Chemical BMPs	Chemical BMP Maintenance	Comment
<p>Comment: <u>See "COGCC Comments".</u></p> <p>Corrective Action: <u> </u></p> <p>Date: <u> </u></p>						
<p>Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT</p>						

COGCC Comments

Comment	User	Date
<p>STORMWATER/ACCESS ROAD</p> <p>Previous inspections observed that stormwater has degraded the access road, preventing safe access to the Location. Inspection required Operator to comply with Rules 1002.e.(1), 1002.e.(2), 1002.e.(4) and 1002.f.(2); maintain access road; implement and maintain BMPs to stabilize access road, manage runoff and minimize further degradation.</p> <p>Operator submitted Resolution #403409528 stating CA Completed "Access Road Repaired".</p> <p>It was observed in this inspection that work to maintain the access road and the stream crossing has been performed. This Corrective Action has been addressed.</p> <p>It was also observed runoff from the northern fork of the access road appears to be discharging at the same point where erosion degradation at the road was observed. A corrective action is not being provided at this time, however, this area of the access road remains at risk to further degradation and maintenance/additional BMPs are advised-continue to monitor and manage stormwater on this Location and access road. Ensure BMPs remain in proper functioning condition to ensure runoff is being controlled in such a manner as to minimize erosion, degradation and sediment transport.</p>	trujilloam	06/26/2023

All reclamation work pursuant to Rule 1004.a required within 12 months after plugging a well or final closure of associated production facilities, however Operator shall make every reasonable effort to complete reclamation work (compaction alleviation, recontouring/regrading, reclaiming) before the next local growing season.

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If access is to be left unreclaimed, Operator shall provide documentation of the road existing prior to O&G disturbance attached to a Form 4, or a Variance to waive 1004 reclamation requirements of the access road will be required to be submitted.

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
696205054	Inspection Photos	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6161203