

**FORM  
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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203  
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696205053**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 322479 Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: \_\_\_\_\_**Operator Information:**OGCC Operator Number: 10539Name of Operator: UTAH GAS OP LTD DBA UTAH GAS CORPAddress: 760 HORIZON DRIVE STE 400City: 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 Comments4 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.

**Location**Overall Good: ☒

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:

Corrective Action:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Good Housekeeping:**

|                    |  |  |                         |
|--------------------|--|--|-------------------------|
| 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: <u>06/21/2023</u> |
| 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: <u>06/21/2023</u> |

Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

|      |      |        |  |  |
|------|------|--------|--|--|
| Type | Area | Volume |  |  |
|------|------|--------|--|--|

In Containment: No

Comment:

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

|                    |   |  |                 |
|--------------------|---|--|-----------------|
| Type: Other        | #   |  | corrective date |
| Comment:           | <p><b>WELLHEAD</b></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.

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.

Date: 05/01/2021

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 REVEGETATION**Cropland

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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.

-Flowlines/Risers and other equipment, including a meter shed and anchor equipment was observed remaining at the surface of the Location.

-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.

Corrective Action:

Form 27 requirements are being addressed under the Environmental section of this report.

Comply with 1105 Rules for flowline abandonment requirements.

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.

Location will remain out of compliance until corrective action has been resolved.

Date **08/01/2021**

Overall Final Reclamation

**Fail**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: [See "COGCC Comments".](#)

Corrective Action:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pits:** ☐ NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT**COGCC Comments**

| Comment  | User       | Date       |
|--|------------|------------|
| 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. | trujilloam | 06/26/2023 |
| 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.  |            |            |

**STORMWATER/ACCESS ROAD**

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06/26/2023

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.

Operator submitted Resolution #403409528 stating CA Completed "Access Road Repaired".

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.

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.

**Attached Documents**

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

| Document Num | Description          | URL   |
|--------------|----------------------|---|
| 403445911    | INSPECTION SUBMITTED | <a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6161231">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6161231</a> |
| 696205054    | Inspection Photos    | <a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6161203">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6161203</a> |