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

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Inspection Date:

01/05/2024

Submitted Date:

01/09/2024

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FIELD INSPECTION FORM

Loc ID 334592 Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron 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: 10456
 Name of Operator: CAERUS PICEANCE LLC
 Address: 1001 17TH STREET #1600
 City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Findings:

- 4 Number of Comments
- 2 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
,		COGCC.inspections@caerusoilandgas.com	All Inspections

General Comment:

On 1/5/2024, Reclamation Specialist Trujillo conducted a final reclamation and stormwater inspection at Caerus Piceance LLC's ROSE RANCH-67S93W 14NWSE location in Garfield County, Colorado.

The following compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

- Final Reclamation
- Undesirable and Noxious Plant Species

Refer to the "Reclamation" section of this inspection report for additional details.

Refer to the photo-documentation of the observed compliance issues attached to this report.

Corrective Action date(s) provided will either be back-dated to when Operator should have been in compliance, or when Operator was initially observed to be out of compliance; the "Date of Discovery" is being provided as the corrective action date for all new observed compliance issues. Location will remain out of compliance until corrective action(s) has(have) been resolved; a follow up inspection will be conducted to ensure the compliance issues have been corrected to comply with ECMC rules.

Location

Overall Good:

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:

Corrective Action:

Date: _____

Good Housekeeping:

Type	WEEDS		
Comment:	<p>Inspection #702801521 observed Noxious weeds (Scotch thistle) established on the Location. Inspection required Operator to conduct ongoing weed management to prevent the further spread and establishment of weeds. Operator submitted Resolution #403413114 stating "All thistles were manually removed. Weed contractor has been notified to hit new rosettes this summer/fall".</p> <p>It was observed in this inspection that ongoing weed management has been inadequate; Noxious weeds (Scotch thistle) established during the 2023 growing season were observed on the Location, and along the former access road. New growth (rosettes) also observed.</p> <p>Ongoing weed management has not been performed, or has been inadequate.</p>		
Corrective Action:	<p>Comply with Rule 1004.e and 606.c: Conduct weed management to prevent further establishment and spread of noxious weeds; ongoing weed management required until location passes final reclamation.</p>		Date: <u>01/05/2024</u>

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:

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 _____ Locations, facilities, roads, recontoured _____

Compaction alleviation _____ Dust and erosion control _____

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:

Records show the last wells on the Location were P&Ad in 2020; at least 3 growing seasons have passed since abandonment.

Though desirable perennial plant establishment towards the perimeter of the Location is largely uniform, it was observed in this inspection that large areas towards the center of the Location are not progressing towards ECMC 1004 Reclamation requirements. Though some desirable plant establishment was observed along the access road, vegetation within these areas are also predominantly undesirable plant species.

Additional reclamation efforts during the 2024 growing season will be required in these areas.

Corrective Action: Comply with 1004 Rules.

Date **01/05/2024**

Overall Final Reclamation Fail Well Release on Active Location Multi-Well Location

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
403649268	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6386706
696205506	Inspection Photos	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6386691