



July 12, 2016

Mr. George Pearson  
5805 County Road 320  
Rifle, CO 81650

Dear Mr. Pearson,

The Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) received your complaint regarding chemical spraying at Mustang Resources LLC (Mustang) Pearson #26-12-6S-94W (API 05-045-06559) and Location ID 323784. Your complaint is documented in COGCC document number 200439545.

The COGCC investigated this complaint and documented the results in COGCC document number 200439545, which can be found on the "Complaints" page, off of our main website <http://cogcc.state.co.us/>.

The following actions were taken by COGCC staff Carlos Lujan, Environmental Protection Specialist (EPS):

- Discussed the issue with Mustang, the Operator of the Pearson #26-12-6S-94W (API 05-045-06559) and Location ID 323784 on May 17, 2016.
- Discussed with Mustang, COGCCs Operator Guidance, Rule 603.f: Equipment, Weeds, Waste, Trash, in particular Section II. A.
- Discussed with Mustang, notification to the surface owner prior to application of herbicides and/or other methods of weed control and mitigation.
- Met with you on Location May 19, 2016.
- Inspected the location on May 20, 2016 (Inspection attached).
- A timeline is included as an attachment.

The complaint stated that an area of about 100 feet by 100 feet of grass in the pasture is dead. The COGCC observed an area of approximately 60 feet by 80 feet of distressed vegetation as a result of the herbicide chemical application at the Location. The COGCC has determined that no violations occurred related to your complaint. Accordingly, the COGCC



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has closed the complaint and will not issue a notice of alleged violation (NOAV) related to this complaint.

As a complainant, you have the right to file an application requesting an Order Finding Violation (OFV) before the full Commission, per Rules 522.a.(4) and 503.b.(4). You also have the right to make a public comment at a Commission hearing. A schedule of Commission hearings is located at <http://cogcc.state.co.us/Hearings/Hearings.html>.

If you have questions related to the investigation, please contact me. If you have any questions related to filing an application or making a public comment at a Commission hearing, please contact the Hearings Manager at 303-894-2100.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alex Fischer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alex Fischer. P.G.  
Environmental Supervisor-Western Colorado

303-894-2100 Ext 5138

Attachment: Inspection Document Number 671000423

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