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

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**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**

Loc ID 322331 Inspector Name: LUJAN, CARLOS 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: 53255  
Name of Operator: MARALEX RESOURCES, INC  
Address: P O BOX 338  
City: IGNACIO State: CO Zip: 81137

**Findings:**

- 10 Number of Comments
- 1 Number of Corrective Actions
- Corrective Action Response Requested

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**General Comment:**

On Site with Scott Stewart, from The High Lonesome Ranch, Bob hartman, James Byers, Greg Rios, and Stephen Garcia, from the BLM. Warm, sunny and dry. Environmental inspection conducted on November 09, 2016 in response to a spill reported by Maralex (Form 19 doc #401142675, received 11/03/2016). According to the information provided by Greg Rios (BLM), who responded initially to the notification made by neighboring landowner, gas and fluid was coming out of the ground near the well head. In a subsequent visit, Bob Hartman from BLM and Jim Graves from Maralex observed that the flow stopped when a loose valve was closed. Apparently, the leak occurred underground, near the surface, due to a failing flow line. Te leak was observed on the flowline that goes from the wellhead to the separator, very close to the wellhead. The bubbling and flow of fluid stopped immediately when Jim Graves closed the valve to the flowline.

At the time of the visit, mud (dry at the surface) with a hydrocarbon odor was observed around the well head. Vegetation in area of approximately 15 by 15 feet looked dry (or drying) due most likely to fluid that covered that area. A surface area approximately 20 by 20 feet appeared to have been impacted by the Spill/Release as noted by dry mud around the well head and drying vegetation. No liquid was observed at the time of the visit; no gas or fluid leaking was observed either.

A creek runs about 240 feet north of the pad. Surface flow from the Spill/Release did not appear to have reached the creek.

Vegetation has grown all over the pad. A fenced but not lined vegetated blow down pit was observed on the premises.

**Environmental**

**Spills/Releases:**

Type of Spill: PRODUCED WATER

Estimated Spill Volume: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: Produced water and condensate spill. Corrective Actions: 1) Submit a Form 27 Site Assessment and Remediation Work Plan to investigate and remediate the impact within 14 days of inspection submittal. Groundwater investigation will be required if the results of the investigation (depth of impact, type of soil, etc.) indicate a potential groundwater impact. 2) Per Rule 1003.b. close Pit Facility 111193 with an approved Form 27 Site Assessment and Remediation Work Plan. CA date will be 6 months from submitting the INSP report.

Corrective Action: 1) Submit a Form 27 Site Assessment and Remediation Work Plan to investigate and remediate the impact within 15 days of inspection submittal. Groundwater investigation will be required if the results of the investigation (depth of impact, type of soil, etc.) indicate a potential groundwater impact. 2) Per Rule 1003.b. close Pit Facility 111193 with an approved Form 27 Site Assessment and Remediation Work Plan. CA date will be 6 months from submitting the INSP report.

Date: 11/30/2016

Reportable: YES

GPS: Lat \_\_\_\_\_ Long \_\_\_\_\_

Proximity to Surface Water: 240

Depth to Ground Water: \_\_\_\_\_

**Water Well:**

Lat \_\_\_\_\_ Long \_\_\_\_\_

DWR Receipt Num: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_ GPS : \_\_\_\_\_

**Field Parameters:**

Sample Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
Corrective Action #1: Form 27 due November 30, 2016	lujanc	11/15/2016
Corrective Action #2: Close pit by May 15, 2017		

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
671000486	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003402">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003402</a>
671000487	Wellhead and impacted soil	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003366">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003366</a>
671000488	Blow Down Pit	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003367">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003367</a>
671000489	Pit, Separator and Meter House	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003368">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=4003368</a>