

Project Summary

December 2019 update

Site Name: Westfork Unit #17

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Remediation Project: 9126

Site History:

The work on the Westfork concerns a produced water pit that the surface owner was using to water his livestock. Water from the pit historically flowed to a stock pond. The Commission requested an assessment of potential impacts.

A Form 27 was submitted in June 2015 and approved by the Commission.

Fritzler immediately stopped water flow from the pit. The pit was rebuilt and all piping which had been in use by the rancher was removed. All current use of the water is under the control of the rancher.

Sampling and analysis of the impacted areas along with analysis of the water was performed. Water was sampled in May 2015 and soils were sampled in October 2015. Two Piezometric wells were drilled to approximately 22 ft. below ground surface in October and November 2015. No ground water was detected.

A land use agreement was executed with the rancher addressing the use of the water in August 2015. A water use permit to allow the rancher to use the water was issued by the Colorado Division of Water Resources in August 2015. In addition, a Form 4 was submitted to the Commission requesting a beneficial use designation for the water from the Westfork in June 2015.

The soil analysis and the associated discussions and status reports were sent to the Commission. The analytical work indicates that the impacts are surface impacts estimated to be approximately 0.5 acres.

The rancher has agreed to reseed the area. Fritzler Resources has offered to rip, disk, and harrow the area prior to re-seeding. The rancher has agreed to complete the work.

New Work Completed:

The rancher continued to run his cattle into the fall. We have broadcast seed, while continuing to work with the rancher.

Samples have been collected. Analysis will be available in the third week of January.

Remaining Work:

It is possible that the area may need to be re-seeded in subsequent years