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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203  
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**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 314813 Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: \_\_\_\_\_**Operator Information:**

OGCC Operator Number: 74740

Name of Operator: RIO MESA RESOURCES INC

Address: P.O. BOX 984

City: RANGELY State: CO Zip: 81648

**Status Summary:**☐ THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION☒ FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED☐ NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED**Findings:**

7 Number of Comments

3 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
229646	WELL	PR	02/01/2019	OW	103-07303	GETTY-PAN AM 19-A	RI
314813	LOCATION	AC			-	GETTY-PAN AM-61N102W 3NWSW	RI

**General Comment:**

On 3/17/2020, Reclamation Specialist Trujillo conducted an interim reclamation and stormwater inspection at Rio Mesa Resources Inc's Getty-Pan AM 19-A location in Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

It was documented that active venting appears to be occurring at well; Concern is being forwarded to Engineering.

The following alleged compliance issues were observed during this inspection:

210.b.(2): Emergency phone number to reach Operator at all times.

907.e: Stained soils

1002.f: Chemicals within containment

Refer to the "Location", "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 on this site inspection will be conducted to ensure the compliance issues have been corrected to comply with COGCC rules.

**Location**Overall Good: ☐

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment: Operator has 2 emergency contact numbers listed on Location. Inspector called the Operator via the emergency numbers posted at 11:38/11:39 hours, and at 12:22/12:24 hours to test the emergency contact. Inspector was unable to reach the Operator and messages were left. Operator returned Reclamation Specialist's call at 12:29 hours; Operator was notified of the requirement, pursuant to Rule 210.b.(2), for an emergency contact phone number at which Operator can be reached at all times.

Corrective Action: Comply with 210.b.(2) and ensure signage has an emergency contact phone number at which operator can be reached at all times.

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

Overall Good: ☐

<b>Spills:</b>					
Type	Area	Volume			
	WELLHEAD				
Comment:	Stained soils were observed along areas adjacent to the wellhead.				
Corrective Action:	Properly dispose of oily waste in accordance with 907.e.			Date:	04/01/2020

In Containment: No

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

**Flaring:**

Type		
Comment:		
Corrective Action:		Date:

**Inspected Facilities**Facility ID: 229646 Type: WELL API Number: 103-07303 Status: PR Insp. Status: RI**Producing Well**Comment: [Active well, IR/SW inspection.](#)

[It was observed in this inspection that the well appears to be venting from an open valve on equipment attached to the bradenhead. Operator has an approved Form 4 to vent/flare \(Doc. No. 2303395, submitted 3/29/2017, approved 12/20/2018\). Operator does not appear to be complying with COAs; This issue is being forwarded to Engineering and FIU. See "COGCC Comments" for COAs attached to sundry.](#)

Corrective Action:

Date:

Facility ID: 314813 Type: LOCATION API Number: - Status: AC Insp. Status: RI

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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? PassComment [Anchors marked in accordance with 1003.a](#)

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% \_\_\_\_\_ Cropland: perennial forage \_\_\_\_\_

Weeds present \_\_\_\_\_ Subsidence \_\_\_\_\_

## 1004.d. FINAL VEGETATION TRANSECT

TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER \_\_\_\_\_

VEGETATIVE COVER \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Final Reclamation \_\_\_\_\_ 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: Various fluids/chemicals were observed within the containment cellar at the wellhead, as well as on wellhead/casing and grate.

Corrective Action: Comply with Rule 1002.f and remove fluids/chemicals within containment, and ensure equipment is maintained in good mechanical condition per Rule 605.d.

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

Pits: ☐ NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT

**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
<p>COAs below copied from Sundry Form 4 #2303395:</p> <p>1) Venting to maintain the bradenhead pressure below 0.25 times the surface casing setting depth (TVD) in psi is approved. Perform annual Bradenhead tests reported on a Form 17 and an annual update sundry with the duration of venting or number of times the annulus was vented.</p> <p>2) COGCC staff encourages the use of a combustor for vented bradenhead gas when feasible without the use of supplemental fuel for the combustor. An enclosed flare shall be used, unless an open flare is specifically allowed by Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Regulation 7.</p> <p>3) Comply with any CDPHE, Air Pollution Control Division rules or requirements for all atmospheric discharges.</p> <p>4) Any liquids blown down are to be collected, stored, handled, and treated or disposed as E&amp;P waste per COGCC's 900 series rules.</p> <p>5) Annular spaces may be tied to low pressure sales lines with COGCC engineering approval on a Sundry Notice, Form 4, describing equipment configuration, proper pressure regulation and check valves. At least one check valve is required for annular spaces that are tied to sales. Maintain equipment for pressure regulation and check valves in good working order.</p> <p>6) Submit a Form 4 Sundry within 60 days providing the COGCC a measured rate of vented bradenhead gas.</p> <p>Unable to find records that an "annual Bradenhead tests reported on a Form 17, and an annual update sundry with the duration of venting or number of times the annulus was vented" have been conducted/submitted per COA. Unable to find records that a Form 4 Sundry has been submitted providing a measured rate of vented bradenhead gas per COA. An enclosed flare does not appear to be being used; well appears to be venting, not flaring.</p>	trujilloam	03/18/2020

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
696201102	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5099646">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5099646</a>