

**FORM  
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X/15**State of Colorado  
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690200430**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 430382 Inspector Name: COSTA, RYAN On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: \_\_\_\_\_**Operator Information:**OGCC Operator Number: 10460Name of Operator: HIGH PLAINS ENERGY LLCAddress: 4545 S MONACO STREET #116City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80237**Status Summary:**☐ THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION☒ FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED☐ NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED**Findings:**7 Number of Comments6 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
431414	WELL	SI	01/01/2015	OW	017-07727	PRONGHORN STATE 16-15-48 1-H	RI

**General Comment:**

This is an Interim Reclamation and Location inspection of the PRONGHORN STATE 16-15-48 #1-H.  
There are multiple compliance issues observed at the location.  
Operator is directed to perform corrective actions outlined on this inspection report immediately.  
See attached photos and additional details within this report.

Previous corrective actions have not been performed.  
**ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION(S) FROM PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED ARE STILL APPLICABLE.**

**Location**Overall Good: ☐

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment: Corrective Action: Date: **Good Housekeeping:**

Type	UNUSED EQUIPMENT		
Comment:	There are unused pipe risers with no Lock out Tag out. Unused pipe risers need to be removed.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 603.f .	Date:	03/30/2020
Type	UNUSED EQUIPMENT		
Comment:	There is exposed electrical wires extending out of the ground near the well and at east side of the location. This is a safety concern and needs to be corrected immediately per Rule 201. The unused wiring should be removed per rule 603.f.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 603.f .	Date:	03/30/2020
Type	UNUSED EQUIPMENT		
Comment:	There is various unused equipment and supplies laying on the ground throughout the location. There is a metal shed in disrepair with pipes and other unused supplies inside. Previous corrective action has not been performed.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 603.f . Remove unused equipment, supplies, and debris. Clean up pipe, fittings, valves, concrete posts from location.	Date:	03/30/2020

Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

Type	Area	Volume		
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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: 431414 Type: WELL API Number: 017-07727 Status: SI Insp. Status: RI**Idle Well**Purpose: ☐ Shut In ☒ Temporarily Abandoned

Reminder: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: Well was found in state of Temporary Abandonment.

Well is overdue for Mechanical Integrity Test (MIT) MIT require 10 day notification via Form 42. Well plugging requires an approved Form 6 Intent to Abandon to plug well. Well can only be returned to SI status if it has produced (without mechanic intervention) within 2 years per Rule 319.b.

Previous corrective action has not been performed.

Corrective Action: Perform successful mechanical integrity test. If a successful MIT can not be performed within 30 day CA time the well must be plugged within 3 months per Rule 326 and 208.

Date: 01/09/2020

**Reclamation - Storm Water - Pit****Interim Reclamation:**

Date Interim Reclamation Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Interim Reclamation Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Land Use: RANGELAND

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 **Fail** \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

There are undesirable weeds throughout the soil piles. The soil piles are not maintained and protected from degradation. Corrective action needs to be performed Immediately.

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Comply with 1002.c

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1002E. SURFACE DISTURBANCE MINIMIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1003a. Waste and Debris removed? **Fail** \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Unused or unneeded equipment onsite? **Fail** \_\_\_\_\_

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? Fail Production areas stabilized ? \_\_\_\_\_

1003c. Compacted areas have been cross ripped? Fail

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? Fail

Production areas have been stabilized? \_\_\_\_\_ Segregated soils have been replaced? Fail

## RESTORATION AND REVEGETATION

Cropland

Top soil replaced \_\_\_\_\_ Recontoured \_\_\_\_\_ Perennial forage re-established \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Cropland

Top soil replaced Fail Recontoured Fail 80% Revegetation Fail

## 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? F

Comment

Interim Reclamation has not been performed at the location. The soil piles have not been replaced and recontoured and unused areas of the location have not been reclaimed. There are undesirable weeds and debris throughout the soil stock piles which are not protected and maintained. The disturbance area of the location is approximately 5.5 acres which should have been reduced in size through interim reclamation. Interim Reclamation should have been completed within 6 months of drilling operations. Interim Reclamation needs to be performed immediately.

Corrective Action

Comply with the 1003 interim reclamation rules.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Interim Reclamation Fail

**Final Reclamation/ Abandoned Location:**

Date Final Reclamation Started: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Final Reclamation Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Final Land Use: RANGELAND

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector Name: COSTA, RYAN

Comment:			
Corrective Action:			Date _____
Overall Final Reclamation	Well Release on Active Location <input type="checkbox"/>	Multi-Well Location <input type="checkbox"/>	

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
690200431	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5199228">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5199228</a>