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

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697502771

**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**

Loc ID 330924 Inspector Name: Binschus, Chris 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: 69175  
Name of Operator: PDC ENERGY INC  
Address: 1775 SHERMAN STREET - STE 3000  
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80203

**Findings:**

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

**ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION(S) FROM PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED ARE STILL APPLICABLE**

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**Inspected Facilities:**

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
256592	WELL	PA	12/20/2018	GW	123-19881	WYSCAVER 5-14	RI

**General Comment:**

This inspection is in response to a reclamation complaint. Refer to the complaint and final reclamation sections for more detail.

This inspection is for the well location, access road and the associated offsite tank battery.

Well API#123-19881 was plugged and abandoned 12/20/2018.

**Inspected Facilities**

Facility ID: 256592 Type: WELL API Number: 123-19881 Status: PA Insp. Status: RI

**Complaint**

Comment: [Complaint #: 200449628](#)  
[Field Inspector Assigned: Chris Binschus](#)  
[Location ID#: 330924](#)  
[Inspection Document #: 697502771](#)  
Nature of complaint: Complainant has concerns about the lack of reclamation efforts regarding four well locations, the associated access roads and two tank batteries.

Corrective Action:

Date:

**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 SEGREGATION \_\_\_\_\_

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? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

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 Pass 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 **Fail** Locations, facilities, roads, recontoured \_\_\_\_\_

Compaction alleviation \_\_\_\_\_ Dust and erosion control \_\_\_\_\_

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% **Fail** 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:

	<p>Well location, access road and associated offsite tank battery have little to no establishment of desirable plant species. Refer to the attached inspection photos.</p> <p>Reference area vegetation is comprised mostly of warm season grasses like Blue grama. Surface owner has planted other cool season and warm season species throughout his property.</p> <p>See COGCC Comments section regarding fencing.</p>	
Corrective Action:	<p>Comply with Rule 1002.a.(3) and 1004. At the request of the surface owner, PDC shall fence off the well location, access road and associated offsite tank battery and maintain fence to prevent livestock entry until passing final reclamation. PDC shall collaborate with the surface owner on fencing requirements but it will likely be similar to Noble's fence at the shared tank battery.</p> <p>PDC shall use an approved surface owner seed mix.</p> <p>PDC shall perform final reclamation activities immediately.</p> <p>This location may be referred to Enforcement and therefore no corrective action date will be issued.</p>	Date _____
Overall Final Reclamation	<b>Fail</b>	Well Release on Active Location <input type="checkbox"/>
		Multi-Well Location <input type="checkbox"/>

COGCC Comments		
Comment	User	Date
Fencing- Operator had previously installed fencing to prevent livestock entry while final reclamation was in process. Surface owner stated that fencing was not sufficient and was not maintained to prevent livestock entry; therefore, fencing was taken down.	binschusc	04/15/2021
COGCC staff, Chris Binschus, contacted Operator representatives, Phillip Porter and Ray Meisner, on April 14, 2021 to discuss observations and required corrective actions.	binschusc	04/15/2021

**Attached Documents**

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

Document Num	Description	URL
402660058	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5404430">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5404430</a>
697502772	Inspection Photos	<a href="http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5404426">http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5404426</a>