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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203
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FIELD INSPECTION FORMLoc ID 461838 Inspector Name: Binschus, Chris On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: _____**Operator Information:**

OGCC Operator Number: 10177

Name of Operator: ENERPLUS RESOURCES (USA) CORPORATION

Address: 950 17TH STREET #2200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Status Summary:

- ☐ THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION
- ☒ FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED
- ☐ NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED

Findings:

5 Number of Comments

2 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
450736	WELL	PR	11/18/2020	OW	123-44903	ARKANSAS 8-67-33-4N	RI
461837	WELL	PR	11/18/2020	OW	123-49663	Avignon 8-67-32-31	RI

General Comment:

This is an Interim Reclamation and Stormwater Inspection.

Inspected Facilities									
Facility ID:	450736	Type:	WELL	API Number:	123-44903	Status:	PR	Insp. Status:	RI
Facility ID:	461837	Type:	WELL	API Number:	123-49663	Status:	PR	Insp. Status:	RI

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

Date Interim Reclamation Started: _____ Date Interim Reclamation Completed: _____

Land Use: IMPROVED PASTURE

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 _____

This location does not comply with Reclamation rules. Rule 1002.c. states all stockpiled soils shall be protected from degradation due to contamination, compaction and, to the extent practicable, from wind and water erosion during drilling and production operations. Best management practices to prevent weed establishment and to maintain soil microbial activity shall be implemented.

Some desirable vegetation was observed on the topsoil stockpile but bare soil and weedy vegetation was observed.

Corrective Action _____

Best management practices to prevent weed establishment shall be implemented. Control, manage, and prevent weedy, annual vegetation on all topsoil stockpiles. If reseeding is an option for long-term protection and stabilization of topsoil, then the next favorable seeding opportunity shall be conducted.

The corrective date is the date the location was observed out of compliance.

Date **01/17/2023**

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 REVEGETATIONCropland

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 **Operator was working through the Interim Reclamation Procedures for Delayed Operations with COGCC Staff. It does not appear the variance was ever approved and is left in process. The variance was requesting for a five year extension that would have expired June 5, 2025. Operator has refiled for 7 wells and has APD's that expire 6/29/2025. COGCC Staff will plan to have future discussions regarding the Delayed Interim Reclamation variance.**

The southeastern, southern, southwestern perimeter of location are predominantly weedy vegetation which is not reflective of reference area vegetative levels. Refer to Photos 2-4.

Corrective Action **Comply with Rule 1003. Reseed disturbance areas using a seed mixture requested by the surface owner, or a mixture prescribed by the local county NRCS. The corrective date is the date the location was observed out of compliance. Operator shall complete the corrective action as soon as environmental conditions will permit.**

Date **01/17/2023**

Overall Interim Reclamation **Fail**

Final Reclamation/ Abandoned Location:

Date Final Reclamation Started: _____ Date Final Reclamation Completed: _____

Final Land Use: IMPROVED PASTURE

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: [At the time of this inspection, a vehicle tracking device was observed and in proper functioning condition and the location appeared to be stabilized with road base.](#)

Corrective Action: _____

Date: _____

Pits: ☐ NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT**COGCC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
COGCC staff, Chris Binschus, met with an Operator representative, Seth Gibbs, to inspect all of the Enerplus locations, as a follow up to previous inspections.	binschusc	01/23/2023

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

Document Num	Description	URL
697504489	Inspection Photos	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=5993985