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X/20**State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203
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Inspection Date:

07/14/2023

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FIELD INSPECTION FORMLoc ID 456651 Inspector Name: ALLISON, RICK On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: _____**Operator Information:**

OGCC Operator Number: 10701

Name of Operator: UPLAND EXPLORATION LLC

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Status Summary:

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

Findings:

2 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****Contact Information:**

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Inspected Facilities:

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
456655	WELL	PR	11/01/2022	OW	123-47599	Salt Ranch Fee 207-2029H	EI
456656	WELL	PR	11/01/2022	OW	123-47600	Salt Ranch Fee 201-1830H	EI

General Comment:

COGCC Environmental Staff Inspection response to concerns about waste disposal only and not considered a followup inspection to any previous Field Inspection Report, Warning Letter, or NOAV.

Inspected Facilities

Facility ID: 456655	Type: WELL	API Number: 123-47599	Status: PR	Insp. Status: EI
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Facility ID: 456656	Type: WELL	API Number: 123-47600	Status: PR	Insp. Status: EI
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Complaint

Comment: ECMC Environmental Staff received a phone call from the Surface Owner on the morning of July 14, 2023. The Surface Owner stated that they witnessed a contractor (LS Pumping) removing material from the southwest corner of the pad and placing it in black plastic bags, and those bags were placed into the site dumpster/trash cage on Thursday afternoon or evening. The Surface Owner retrieved the bags and kept them in their possession and requested ECMC to sample the material believing it to have a strong odor.

ECMC Environmental Staff instructed the Surface Owner to return the bags of waste to the location and notified the Operator of the allegations regarding waste disposal and ECMC's plans to inspect the location. ECMC made a site inspection the afternoon of July 14, and met Upland personnel, their contractor (LS Pumping) personnel, and the Surface Owner on the location.

Upland personnel stated to ECMC Environmental Staff that the bags contained material collected from the pad surface after the cleanup of a compressor, and the material in the bags contained antifreeze. Upland personnel also stated that some of the bags contained material from the cleanup of de minimis amounts of soil from a pump that had leaked oil inside the secondary containment berm around the above ground storage tanks. Upland personnel stated that the contractor had mistakenly placed the bags in a dumpster, as opposed to adjacent to the dumpster for later disposal.

ECMC Environmental Staff inspected the contents of the bags and had no reason to refute that the contents appeared to be contaminated with either antifreeze or oily waste. Upland's contractor, LS Pumping, transferred the bags from the Surface Owner possession to an LS truck for disposal. LS Pumping personnel showed ECMC Environmental Staff a waste manifest indicating the bags of material would be disposed of solid waste/E&P Waste at the Eastern Laramie County Landfill.

Corrective Action: **Submit copy of waste manifest documenting disposal upon receipt from disposal facility.**

Date: 09/15/2023

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
403466650	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	http://ogccweblink.state.co.us/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6183736