

Inspection Photos and Issue Report

3/12/2024

Operator: ANSCHUTZ EXPLORATION CORP

#3104

Location ID: 430926

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Photo 1: Photos 1-2 taken from the east end of the working pad surface. Photos provide an overview of the Location from south, southwest, northwest to north. Photos also show areas of the Location not needed for production have not been reclaimed pursuant to 1003 Requirements; work including, but not limited to, compaction alleviation, recontouring, regrading and revegetation activities have not been performed.



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Photo 2: See comments under photo 1.



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Photo 3: Photos taken from the northeast end of the Location, facing south and west. Photos show areas of the Location not needed for production have not been reclaimed pursuant to 1003 Requirements; work including, but not limited to, compaction alleviation, recontouring, regrading and revegetation activities have not been performed.



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Photo 4: Photos taken from the wet ends of the Location. Photos show slopes are bare and not progressing towards 1003 standards; additional reclamation work required. Photos also show stormwater and erosion control measures to minimize erosion, degradation and sediment transport are missing or insufficient on the slopes. Temporary stormwater and erosion control measures required until long-term stabilization has been achieved.



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Photo 5: See comments under photo 4.



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Photo 6: See comments under photo 4.



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Photo 7: Photos 7-11 taken throughout the working pad surface. Photos examples showing that stormwater and erosion control BMPs to stabilize the working pad surface, as well as to minimize erosion, degradation, tracking and sediment transport are missing or insufficient; pad lacks stabilization. Stormwater ponding on the pad evident and is not being properly discharged, and is contributing to further destabilization of the pad/Location.



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Photo 8: See comments under photo 7.



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Photo 9: See comments under photo 7.



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Photo 10: See comments under photo 7.



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Photo 11: See comments under photo 7.



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Photo 12: Photo taken from the slopes on the east end of the Location. Photo examples of areas on the fill slope that are bare; stormwater and erosion control BMPs missing or insufficient on slopes of Location. These areas are subject to interim reclamation requirements (recontouring, regrading and revegetation activities). Temporary BMPs required until reclamation work is completed.



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Photo 13: Photo taken from the slopes on the east end of the Location. Photo example showing areas of erosion degradation due to stormwater runoff. Gully evident; stormwater cutting beneath areas of the slopes. These areas are subject to interim reclamation requirements (recontouring, regrading and revegetation activities). Temporary BMPs required until reclamation work is completed.



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Photo 14: Photos 14-31 taken throughout the working pad surface, interim areas, and around production equipment/facilities of the Location. Photos show various trash/debris/unused equipment/etc... remain improperly stored throughout the entire Location.



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Photo 15: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 16: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 18: See comments under photo 14.



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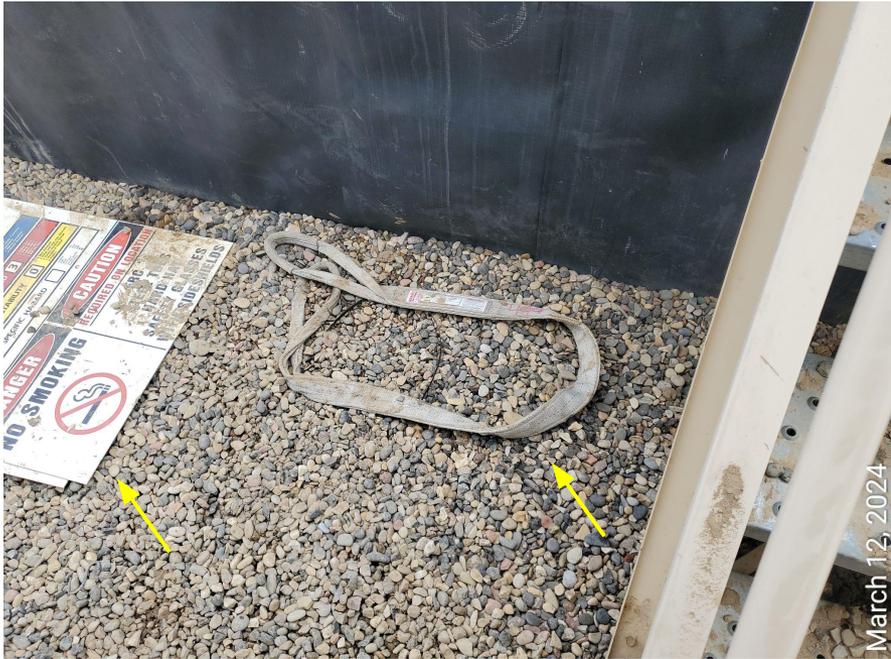


Photo 19: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 20: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 24: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 26: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 29: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 31: See comments under photo 14.



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Photo 32: Photos taken from the tank battery facility. Photos show lines at tanks have not been capped/plugged, and produced fluids have not been removed and properly disposed from the honeypots.



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Photo 33: Photos taken from the production equipment on the west end of the Location. Photo shows fluids within containment have not been removed and properly disposed.



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Photo 34: Photos taken from the production equipment on the west end of the Location. Photo shows fluids within containment have not been removed and properly disposed.



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Photo 35: Continued from photo 34. Photo shows containment measure is inadequate to contain a spill or release from the production equipment, resulting in fluids spilled onto the pad surface. BMP will be required to be re-installed. Impacted soils will require cleaning.



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Photo 36: Photos 36-39 examples showing spills/releases and impacted soils/materials observed throughout the entire Location. Operator is being required to Securely fasten all valves, pipes, fittings, and Production Facilities to ensure good mechanical condition to comply with Rule 608.e, to clean up spills and releases per Rule 912.a, and to clean/remediate impacts to Table 915-1



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Photo 37: See comments under photo 36.



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