

**FORM
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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:

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FIELD INSPECTION FORMLoc ID: 312292 Inspector Name: Heibel, Krystal On-Site Inspection: ☐ 2A Doc Num: ☐**Operator Information:**

ECMC Operator Number: 95620

Name of Operator: WESTERN OPERATING COMPANY

Address: 1165 DELAWARE STREET #200

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80204

Status Summary:

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

Findings:

11 Number of Comments

8 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
221086	WELL	PR	03/27/2006	OW	075-09212	PROPST 2	EI
312292	LOCATION	AC	05/09/2024		-	PROPST-611N53W 27NESE	EI
486557	SPILL OR RELEASE	CL	05/09/2024		-	Propst B-2 Production Facility	EI

General Comment:

On June 13, 2024, ECMC Environmental Staff Krystal Heibel, Alex Fischer, Dylan Edwardson, Abdul Elnajdi, and Kyle Waggoner conducted an environmental field inspection of Western Operating Company (Western) Probst B #2 (Location ID: 312292).

ECMC Staff met with surface owner Ted Probst and pumper John and Mark Brown of Brown Oilfield Services.

This location has an associated AOC with Order No. (1V-870). Weather was cloudy, windy, and temperature about 80 degrees Fahrenheit. For the most recent field inspection report of this facility, please refer to Document #709100276.

The following is a summary: Pit Facility ID 100311 is not in use and the Propst 2 well (API 075-09212) was temporarily shut-in. The pit's berms were pushed into a stockpile south of the location and excavation to the west of the pit resulted in an additional stockpile on location. It appears that the excavation has increased the footprint of the oil and gas facility's location.

Refer to the photo-documentation of the observed compliance issues attached to this report. Any corrective action(s) and corrective action due dates from previous inspections that have not been addressed are still applicable.

LocationOverall Good: ☐

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment: Emergency contact number removed from tank batteries

Corrective Action: Install sign to comply with Rule 605.h.

Date: 07/13/2024

Good Housekeeping:

Type	UNUSED EQUIPMENT		
Comment:	Unused equipment (metal fence, barbed wire, and wooden pole) on site.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606	Date:	12/15/2023
Type	TRASH		
Comment:	Trash and debris throughout the location.		
Corrective Action:	Comply with Rule 606	Date:	07/13/2024
Type	OTHER		
Comment:	An approx. 3600 cubic-yard stockpile has been added to the south of the location and a 2700 cubic-yard stockpile has also been added to the west of the location, which increased the footprint by approx. 2.25 acres.		
Corrective Action:	Operator shall submit an updated Form 2A (Oil and Gas Location Assessment) to the ECMC to increase the existing Oil and Gas Location, as required by Rule 304.	Date:	01/29/2024

Overall Good: ☐**Spills:**

Type	Area	Volume		
Crude Oil	Truck Loadout	<= 1 bbl		
Comment:	Hydrocarbon soil staining on ground next to loadout container, at base of tanks, and within the excavation area of the tank battery.			
Corrective Action:	Properly dispose of oily waste in accordance with 905.e..			Date: 08/24/2023

In Containment: No

Comment:

☒ Multiple Spills and Releases?**Fencing/:**

Type			
Comment:	It appears that the excavation is properly fenced off to exclude wildlife, livestock and/or personnel; excavation was not attended by the operator at the time of this inspection.		
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Equipment:

Type:	#		corrective date
Comment:	A 3" valve near the wellhead and within the shed were not plugged		
Corrective Action:	Securely fasten all valves, pipes, fittings, and Production Facilities to ensure good mechanical condition, inspect at regular intervals and maintain in good mechanical condition per Rule 608.e.		Date: 08/24/2023

Tanks and Berms:

Contents	#	Capacity	Type	Tank ID	SE GPS	
Comment:	Unmarked flowline risers.					

Corrective Action:	Securely fasten all valves, pipes, fittings, and Production Facilities to ensure good mechanical condition, inspect at regular intervals and maintain in good mechanical condition per Rule 608.e.	Date:	12/13/2022
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Paint

Condition		
Other (Content)		
Other (Capacity)		
Other (Type)		

Berms

Type	Capacity	Permeability (Wall)	Permeability (Base)	Maintenance
Comment:				
Corrective Action:				Date:

Venting:

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Flaring:

Type		
Comment:		
Corrective Action:		Date:

Inspected Facilities									
Facility ID:	221086	Type:	WELL	API Number:	075-09212	Status:	PR	Insp. Status:	EI
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Facility ID:	312292	Type:	LOCATION	API Number:	-	Status:	AC	Insp. Status:	EI
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Facility ID:	486557	Type:	SPILL OR	API Number:	-	Status:	CL	Insp. Status:	EI
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Environmental			
Spills/Releases:			
Type of Spill: OIL		Estimated Spill Volume:	
Comment:	On June 13, 2024, at approximately 12:12 PM, ECMC Staff were conducting a routine field inspection of the Propst 2 (Location ID 312292). While on location, Staff observed an active spill/release originating from the Propst 2 wellhead (API 075-09212). Staff observed contaminated soil surrounding the wellhead. ECMC Staff contacted the pumper John Brown of Brown Oilfield Services (no emergency contact number visible) at approximately 12:37PM to inform the Operator of the active spill/release. John Brown explained they would send crews to the location ASAP. At approx. 12:42PM John Brown called EPS Krystal Heibel to inform her that crews will be on location in about 20 minutes. At approximately 1:07 PM, crew arrived on location to begin containing the hydrocarbon spill/release. ECMC Staff left the Location at approximately 1:56 PM and the active spill/release was stopped and contained at that time. Refer to photo documentation for reference.		
Corrective Action:	Control and contain spills/releases and clean up per Rule 912.a.		Date: 06/21/2024
Reportable:	GPS: Lat	Long	
Proximity to Surface Water:	Depth to Ground Water:		
Water Well Complaint:			
DWR Receipt Num:		Owner Name:	GPS : Lat Long
Field Parameters:			
Sample Location:		Comment:	

Reclamation - Storm Water - Pit

Storm Water:

Loc Erosion BMPs	BMP Maintenance	Lease Road Erosion BMPs	Lease BMP Maintenance	Chemical BMPs	Chemical BMP Maintenance	Comment

Comment: Refer to FIR, Doc# 708201331 for additional Interim Reclamation and Stormwater Inspection information.

Corrective Action:

Date:

Pits: ☐ NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
403833921	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6599209
709100323	photos	https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6599202
709100324	pictures	https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6599203
709100325	Video of Active Spill/Release	https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=6599204