

Inspection Photos

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Operator: SWN PRODUCTION COMPANY LLC -
10396

Location ID: 311776

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Moffat County, CO

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Photo 1: Photos taken from the southeast end of the Location, facing northwest and north. Location has been reclaimed half cropland, half noncropland. Species planted are predominantly introduced species not reflective of perennial species in the reference. Areas of the Location remain bare, and access road has not been reclaimed.



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Photo 2: Photo example showing access road to the Location has not been reclaimed



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Photo 3: Photos 3-4 example of Undesirable and Noxious Plant species established on the Location. Weeds including Noxious species such as Common Mullein, Scotch thistle, Knapweed, Canada thistle. Areas of the Location also have not achieved uniform desirable vegetative establishment. Biennial species such as Sweet clover is dominant within northern areas of the reclamation (Photo right).



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Photo 4: See comments under photo 3. Photo left Canada thistle. Photo right also shows Location has been reclaimed half cropland, half noncropland



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Photo 5: Photos taken from the western half of the Location. Crop at time of inspection Safflower. Crop vegetative establishment on the well location/disturbance area is not reflective of the reference area. There are areas within the cropland areas of the Location where issues appear to exist that are hindering the reclamation of the location; crop establishment is thin, growth is stunted, and not reflective of crop established within adjacent undisturbed areas; compaction, remediation, or other issues may still exist within these areas.



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Photo 6: See comments under photo 5.



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Photo 7: Photo taken from the reference cropland areas west of the Location. Photo to compare crop establishment between reference and disturbance areas



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