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**State of Colorado
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**

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05/20/2025

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FIELD INSPECTION FORM

Loc ID: 312407 Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron On-Site Inspection: 2A Doc Num: _____

Status Summary:

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

Operator Information:

ECMC Operator Number: 10150
Name of Operator: BLACK HILLS PLATEAU PRODUCTION LLC
Address: 1515 WYNKOOP ST STE 500
City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

Findings:

- 6 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

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Inspected Facilities:

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
221510	WELL	PA	08/21/2013	GW	077-08111	KATHLYN YOUNG 4-15	PA
312407	LOCATION	CL			-	KATHLYN YOUNG-610S95W 15NWSE	RI

General Comment:

On 5/20/2025, Western Reclamation Work Lead Trujillo and Northwest Reclamation Specialist Gaasche conducted a Final Reclamation inspection at BLACK HILLS PLATEAU PRODUCTION LLC's KATHLYN YOUNG #4-15 location in Mesa County, Colorado.

Location is within the following High Priority Habitats: Elk Winter Concentration Area.

This inspection is a follow-up to #696204939 dated 5/15/2023 and #696205299 dated 9/27/2023 to document compliance with the following corrective actions:

- Final Reclamation
- Stormwater

It was observed in this inspection that the Location remains out of compliance with ECMC Rules and Corrective Actions

Refer to the Reclamation and Stormwater section of this inspection report for additional details.

Refer to the photo-documentation attached to this report.

Any corrective action(s) from previous inspection that have not been addressed are still applicable.

Inspected Facilities

Facility ID: 221510 Type: WELL API Number: 077-08111 Status: PA Insp. Status: PA

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Facility ID: 312407 Type: LOCATION API Number: - Status: CL Insp. Status: RI

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Reclamation - Storm Water - Pit

Interim Reclamation:

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

Land Use: _____

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 _____

Comment _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

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 REVEGETATION

Cropland

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 _____

Corrective Action _____

Date _____

Overall Interim Reclamation

Final Reclamation/ Abandoned Location:

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

Final Land Use: _____

Reminder: _____

Comment: _____

Well plugged Pass Pit mouse/rat holes, cellars backfilled _____

Debris removed _____ No disturbance /Location never built _____

Access Roads Regraded **Fail** Contoured **Fail** Culverts removed _____

Gravel removed **Fail**

Location and associated production facilities reclaimed **Fail** Locations, facilities, roads, recontoured **Fail**

Compaction alleviation **Fail** Dust and erosion control **Fail**

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% **Fail** 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: [See "COGCC Comments" at the end of this report.](#)

Corrective Action: _____

Date _____

Overall Final Reclamation In Process 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: See "COGCC Comments" at the end of this report.						Date: _____
Corrective Action: CA Per inspection #696204939 Comply with Rule 1002.f and install and maintain stormwater and erosion control BMPs to minimize erosion, degradation and off-site sediment transport. Ensure BMPs are implemented to stabilize the seeded soils; stormwater management required until Location receives a passing final reclamation inspection.						
Pits: <input type="checkbox"/> NO SURFACE INDICATION OF PIT						

ECMC Comments		
Comment	User	Date
<p>RECLAMATION AND STORMWATER COMMENT</p> <p>Previous inspections observed that Final Reclamation of the Location was not complete in accordance with 1004 Rules; Location has not been recontoured/regraded and reclaimed. Cut and fill slopes evident; Cut slopes lack stabilization and erosion degradation was observed. A soil stockpile was observed on the southern areas of the Location; segregated soils have not been replaced to their original relative positions and contoured. Gravel and road base material remains apparent on Location; access road has not been decompacted, recontoured/regraded and reclaimed; unused pipe equipment remained stored on the Location.</p> <p>Inspections required Operator to comply with Rules 1004 and 1002.f by 7/17/2023.</p> <p>It was observed in this inspection that the Location has not been reclaimed, pipe equipment has not been removed, and stormwater and erosion control BMPs have not been installed or maintained; slopes on the Location remain bare and unstabilized- erosion degradation has persisted on the Location and access road.</p> <p>Operator filed a hearings application (docket #240100018) with a 502.b surface owner variance request from ECMC Rules 1004.c. (2-3), 1004.d. and 1004.e; for the Location and access road to be left in its current state.</p> <p>The overall status of the Reclamation is being considered "in process" pending the Commission's decision, and resolution of the Variance Hearing Application.</p> <p>The corrective actions related to stormwater management remains applicable.</p>	trujilloam	05/29/2025
<p>Several wildlife caracases were observed throughout the Location; within the southern end of the flat areas of the well pad, as well as the fill slopes.</p>	trujilloam	05/29/2025

Attached Documents

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

Document Num	Description	URL
718100536	Inspection Photos and Drone Report	https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=7073570