

Inspection Photos

July 23rd, 2025

Operator: Elm Ridge Exploration Company

Location ID: 325440

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La Plata County, CO

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60° NE



Photo 1. View of the project area taken from the southern edge facing center.

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Photo 2. Cardinal photos taken from the center point of the project area. Left photo facing north, right photo facing south. Note: central portion of disturbance has met final reclamation vegetation standards, other portions of the project area need additional reclamation/weed treatment.



Photo 3. Large patches of Russian Thistle, Musk Thistle and smaller patches of Jointed Goatgrass were observed throughout the disturbance.

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174° S



Photo 4. Northwest corner of project area (approximately $\frac{1}{3}$ acre) remains with dense patches of weedy Kochia debris which is interfering with the establishment of desirable species. Additional reclamation work is needed in this area.



Photo 5. Vegetation transects recorded at the center point of the project area (left) and reference area (right).