

Town of Erie - Oil & Gas Update

Erie Town Council

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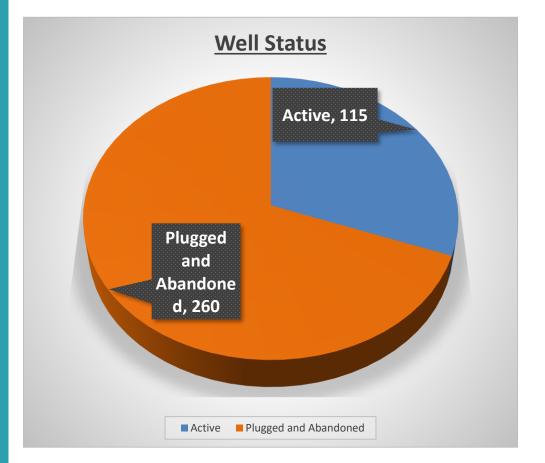


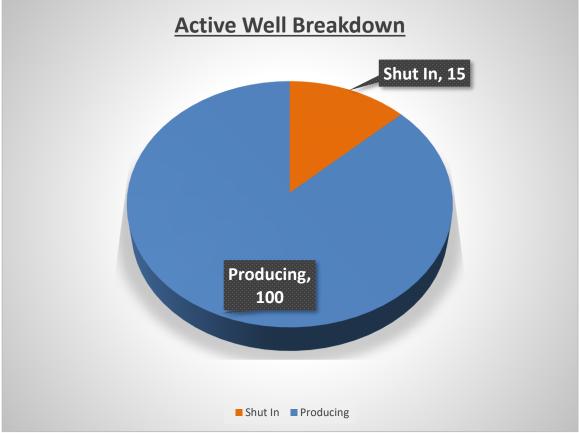
Agenda

- 1. General Overview of Erie Oil & Gas
- 2. Resident Communication Channels
- 3. Draco OGDP
- 4. Cumulative Impact Rulemaking
- 5. Data Falsification
- 6. Spill Report
- 7. Fines and Enforcement



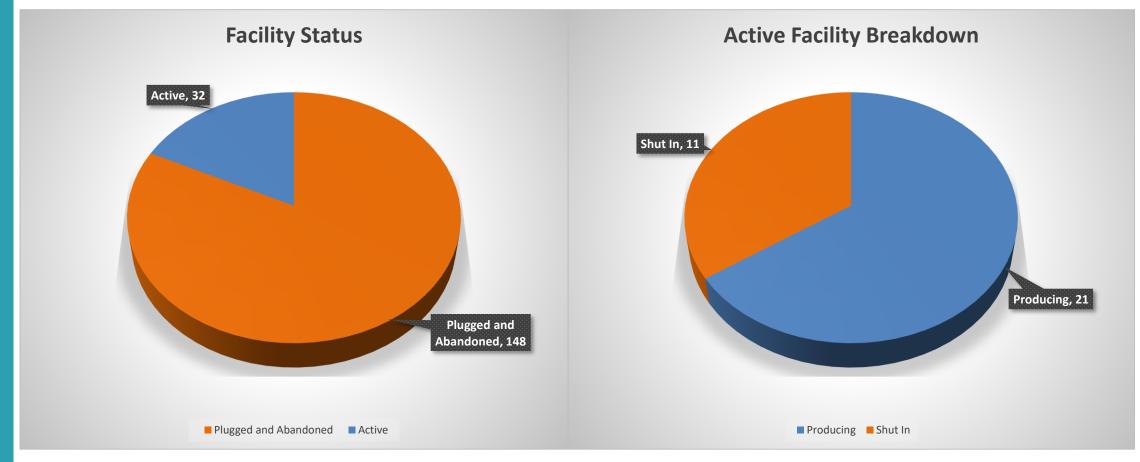
Total Wells: 375



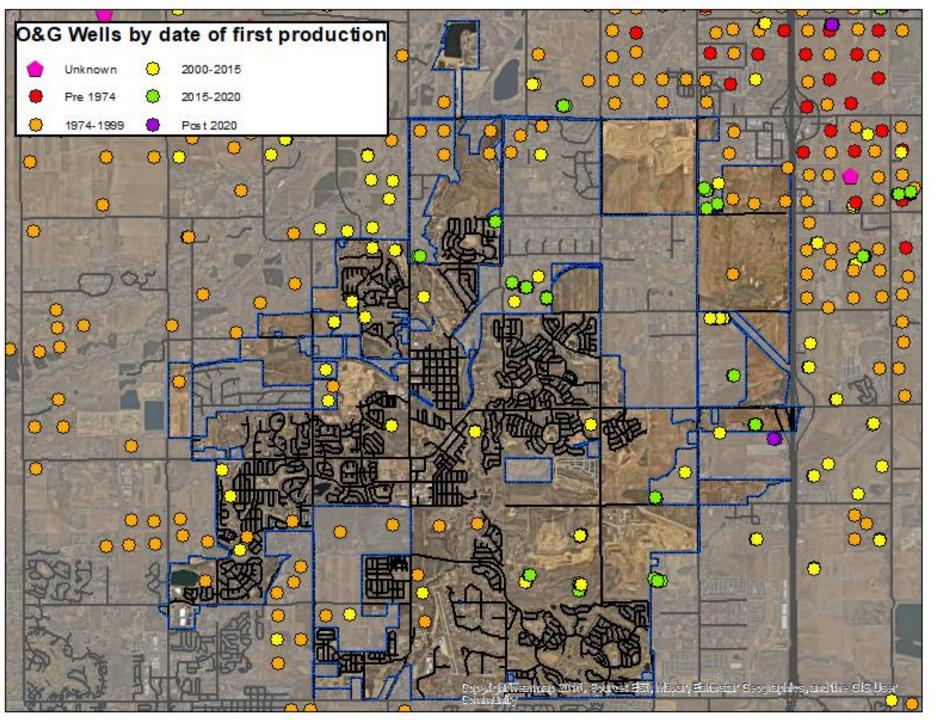




Total Facilities: 180









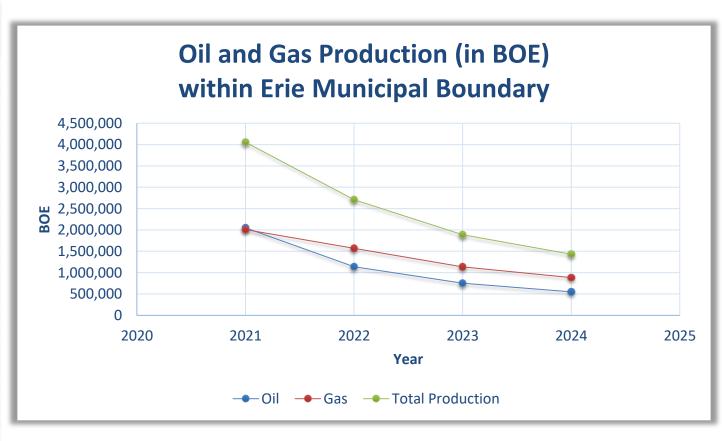
Operators:





Production

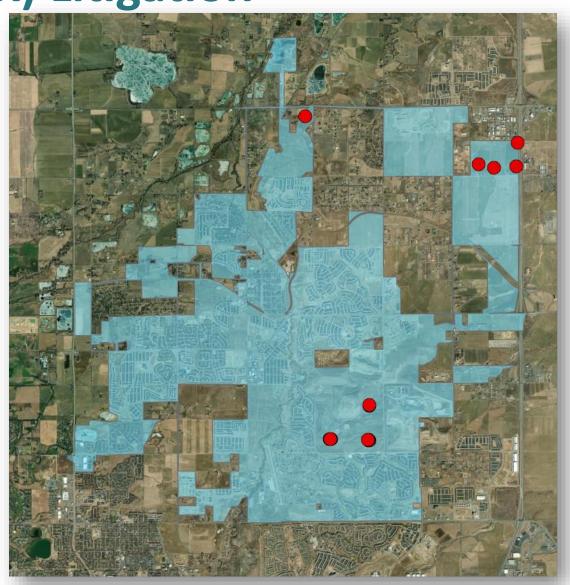
Rank	Jurisdiction	2024 Oil Production	% Change from 2023
1	UIC Weld	115,547,545	4.2%
2	Greeley	10,061,205	36.9%
3	Aurora	7,715,453	-0.6%
4	UIC Adams	7,074,756	-28.9%
5	UIC Arapahoe	6,326,610	275.6%
6	Rio Blanco County	2,970,596	-6.9%
7	Ft. Lupton	2,192,019	418.6%
8	Broomfield	2,006,722	-54.0%
9	Keensburg	1,832,096	-7.6%
10	Windsor	1,229,729	-37.8%
11	Johnstown	1,164,195	-25.2%
12	Garfield County	965,969	-8.5%
13	Northglenn	919,195	
14	Lochbuie	813,446	-61.9%
15	UIC Larimer	796,293	-31.9%
16	Jackson County	784,205	-12.7%
17	Brighton	778,884	-45.0%
18	Frederick	637,098	-35.6%
19	Cheyenne County	592,318	-15.1%
20	Erie	547,910	-27.0%
21	Dacono	505,886	-29.0%





KP Kauffman (KPK) Litigation

- Ongoing court proceedings since NOAV in 2021
- 148 total violations since 2020
- Assets have potential to enter
 Orphan Well Program
- Within Erie
 - 21 Active Wells
 - 8 Active Facilities
- Rule 211 Hearing





Resident Communication - Current



Notify Me

- Plugging and Abandonment
- Spills and Leaks
- Move-In, Rig-Up
- Ongoing Remediation



Email Hotlines

- erieoilandgas@erieco.gov
- airquality@erieco.gov



Publicly Available Data & Information

- Air quality monitoring alerts
- Erie O&G Website
- O&G presentations to Council



Resident Communication - Future

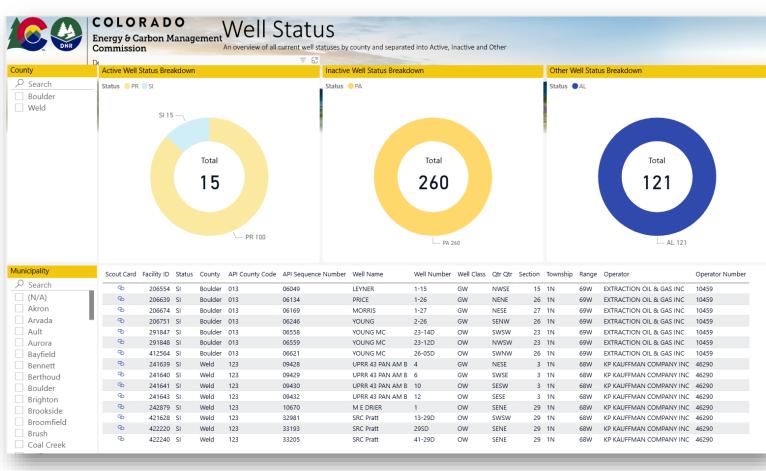
Future Communication

- Quarterly O&G Report via Notify Me
- Inspection Program
 - Individual Facility Reports
 - Monthly Reports
- Website Updates Ongoing

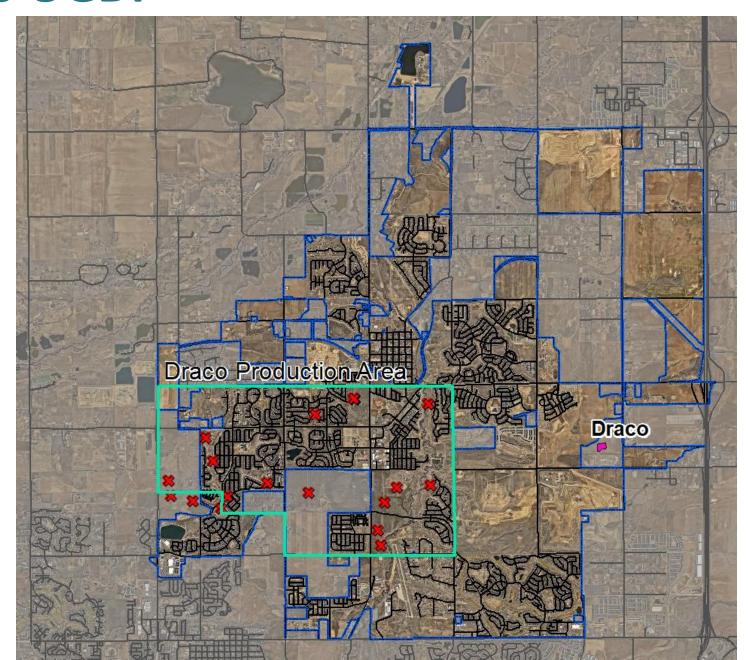


Resident Communication – Website Updates

- Erie O&G Live
- Interactive O&G Facility Map
- Inspection Program Hub
- Regulation Resources
- Air Quality Monitoring







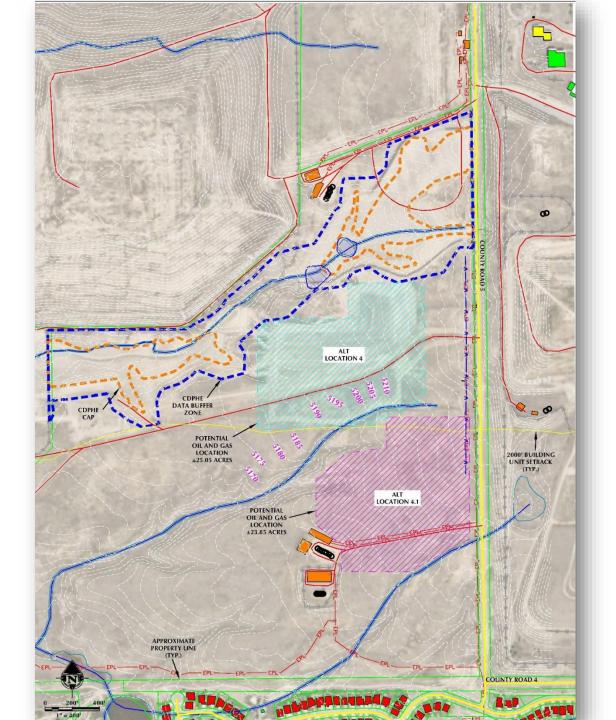






Alternate Location Four (AL4)

- Located at old Redtail Ranch development (North of the Vista Ridge neighborhood and West of WCR 5)
- Requires rezoning to Heavy Industrial





Conditions of Approval

- ☐ Condensed Occupation
- ☐ Air Quality Monitoring
- ☐ Monitoring of Plugged and Abandoned Wells within DSU
- ☐ Landscaping and Visual Mitigation
- ☐ Traffic Studies
- □ Paving of County Road 6
- □ Plugging and Abandonment of Existing Wells



Next Steps

"Civitas permits were reviewed during the first & forth quarter of 2024. Upon approval of all the necessary permits, construction of the pad would begin during 3rd quarter of 2025 and is expected to take roughly 2 months. Drilling would commence shortly after and may take up to 8 months depending on the number of electric drilling rigs utilized. Once drilling is completed, crews will fracture the wells, another approximate 5-month process that is expected to be completed by summer 2026.

 Wells will be completed and prepped for production through 2026, and after a short period of well



Cumulative Impacts Rulemaking

The Good

- Application of NOx and GHG intensity targets
- Expanded Community Liaison role
- Form 2D (Collaboration between ECMC and CDPHE)
- New requirements for Pre-App hearings for OGDP
- Additional notices and access to application process for local government

The Bad

• CI Communities – EnviroScreen score above 80th percentile

The Ugly

Large shift in purpose and scope during rulemaking process



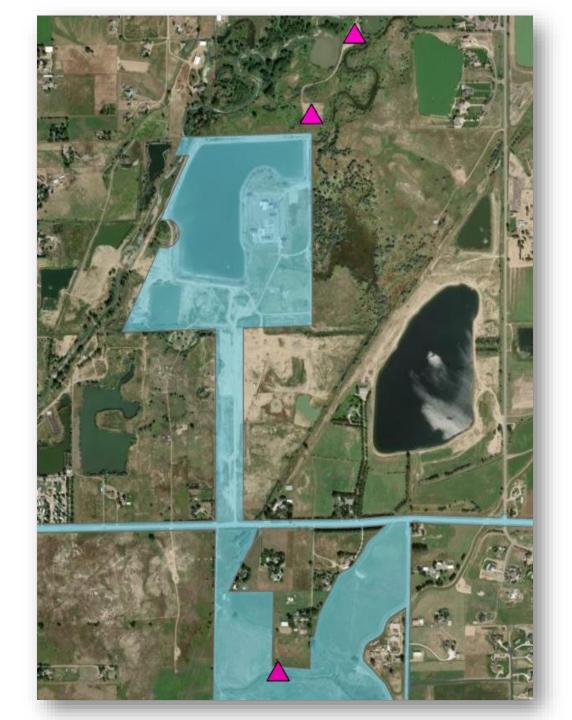
What We Know

- ECMC has now identified <u>404 sites</u> where falsified data was submitted
- ECMC has reviewed a total of 3,275 individual instances of falsified data
- ECMC has issued 7 Notice of Alleged Violations (NOAVs)
- Operators
 - Civitas
 - Chevron
 - Occidental (Oxy)

- Consulting Firms
 - Tasman Geosciences
 - Eagle Environmental



- Two (2) locations proximal to Erie
 - Bryant 16, 23, 36-30
 Wellheads and Flowlines
 - Bryant 9 & 34-30A Tank
 Battery
- One (1) location within Erie
 - I & J 7-6 and Bulthaup 21-6
 Wellheads
- All locations are **closed** sites





Spring Hill - I & J 7-6 and Bulthaup 21-6





What ECMC Is Doing

- ECMC Environmental Unit
- ECMC Quality Assurance Control Unit
- Department of Natural Resources Executive Directors Office
- Prosecutors and Law Enforcement



November 26, 2024

Director Murphy announces falsified data has been brought ECMC's attention.

December 12, 2024

Representatives from Town of Erie meet directly with Director Murphy.

April 2, 2025

Director Murphy issues update on additional Civitas sites and progress of ongoing investigations.

TBD

Director Murphy will now issue updates on an as needed basis.















December 9, 2024

ECMC releases initial data set and maps for all known affected locations.

January 8, 2025

Director Murphy issues follow up statement detailing all ongoing investigations.

July 23, 2025

Director Murphy issues detailed update on scope and scale of falsification as well as NOAVs.



ECMC Statement

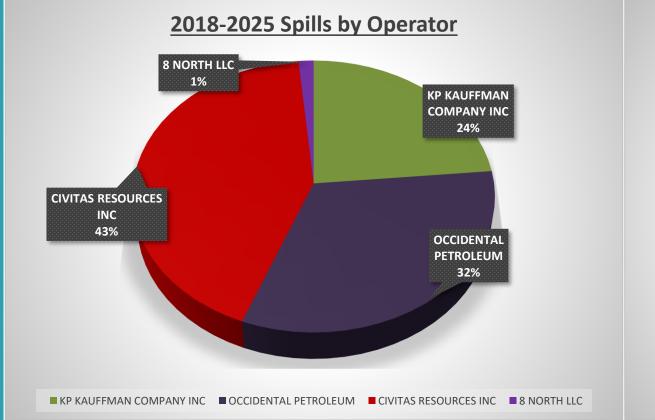
 "ECMC remains confident that the falsified data created no new risk to public health because the scope of the impacted data is limited to Site Investigation and Remediation Workplans for sites that had already been disturbed by oil and gas development. In other words, the disturbances from oil and gas operations at these sites is unchanged; the falsified data affects the degree of remediation work needed to remediate those disturbances."

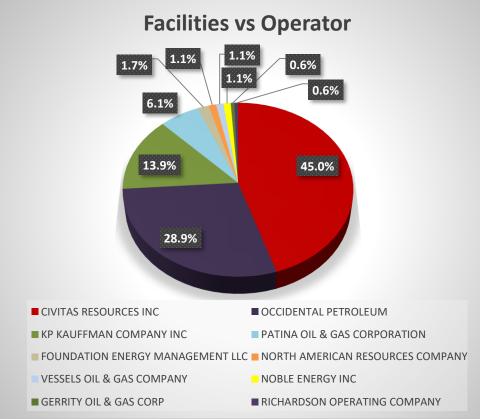


Spill Report (2018 – 2025)

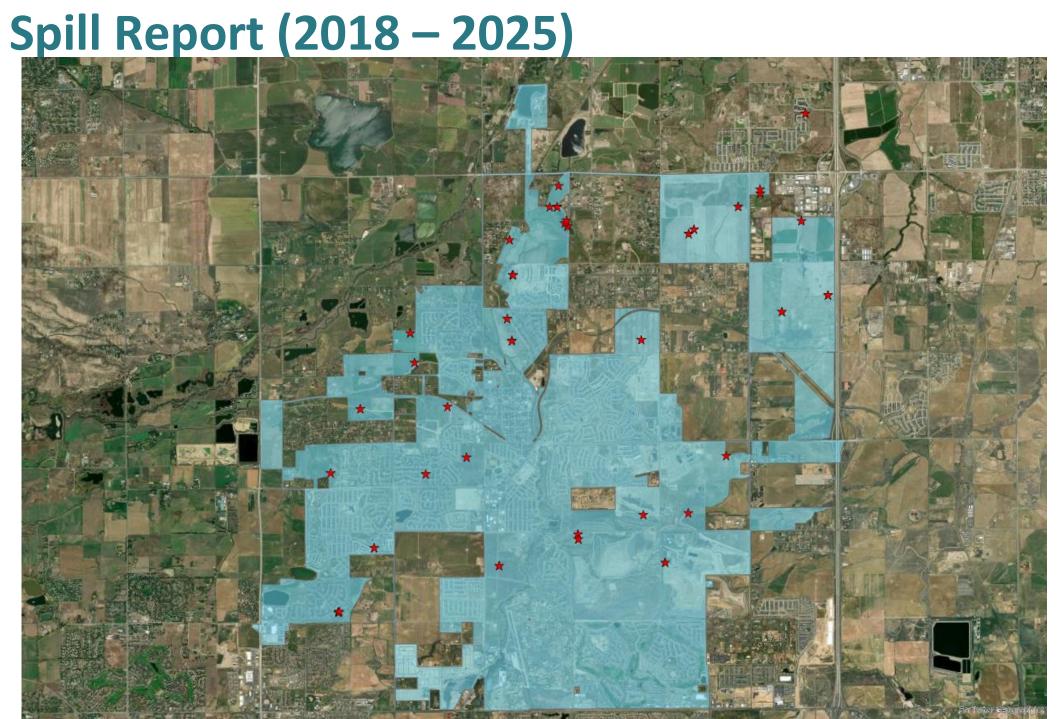
- Civitas Resources Inc 29 spills
- Occidental Petroleum (Kerr McGee)

 22 spills
- KP Kauffman Company Inc 16 spills
- 8 North LLC 1 Spill



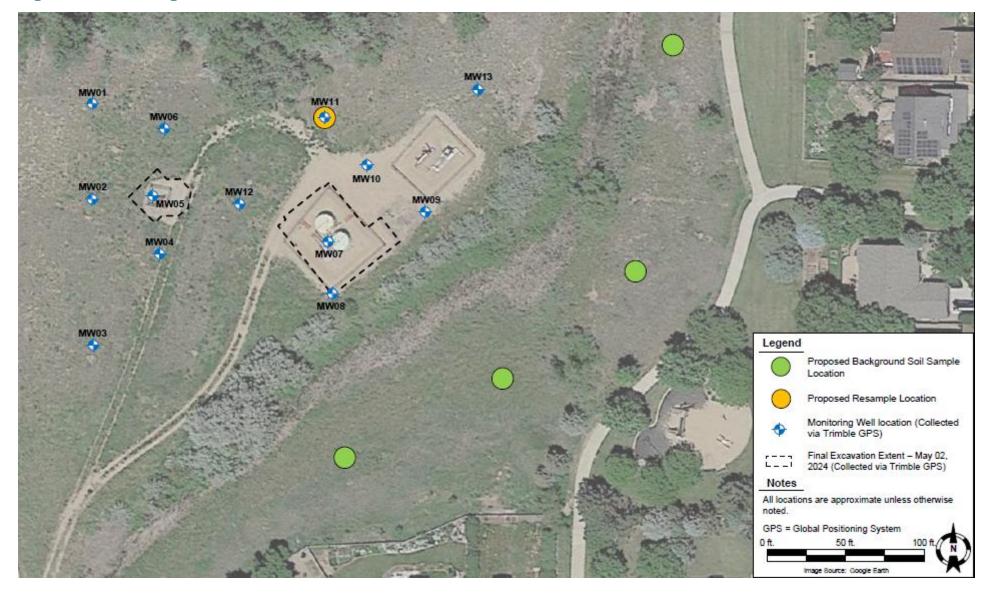






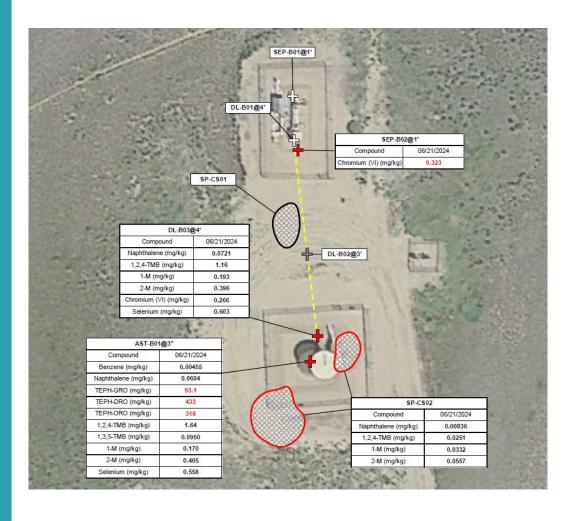


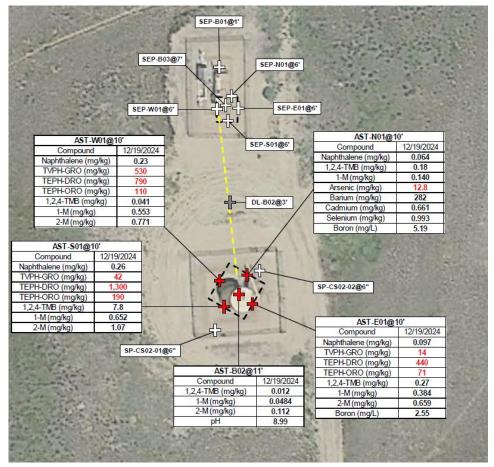
Spill Report – Erie 1-24





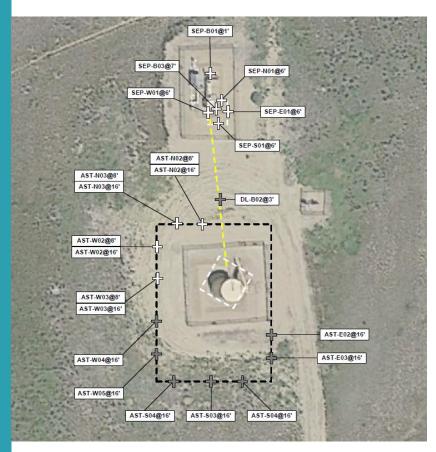
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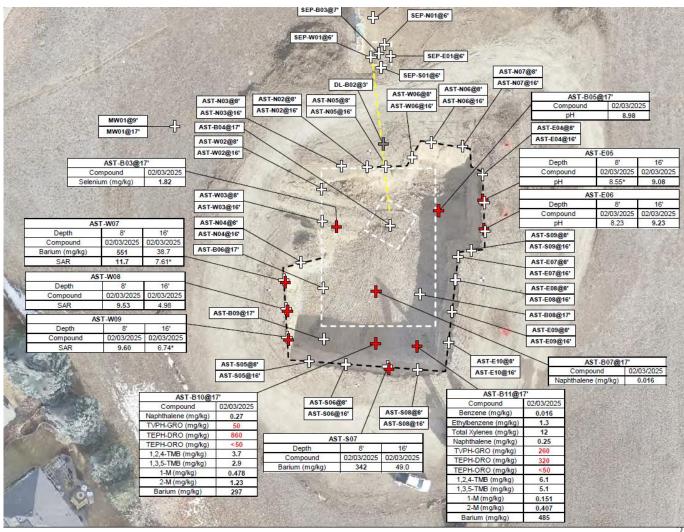






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Fines, Enforcement & Inspections



Current Enforcement Capabilities

No specific language detailing ability to levy fines

Now a possibility under home rule



Outlook and Future Direction

Field Inspection Program

- Late 2025
- Goal to inspect all facilities and wells annually
- OGI Surveys



Future Updates to Municipal Code

- Right to Access and Inspect Facilities
- Annual Inspection or Registration Fee
- Fines and Penalties
 - Potentially Assessed Daily
- Protecting Municipal Water Supply
- Cumulative Impacts
- Deep Geothermal & Carbon Sequestration



