



2009/10 Site Restoration Report Released

Fort St. John - The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) released its annual Site Restoration Report today, providing a current look at the restoration process for abandoned oil and gas sites in the province.

The report details British Columbia's Certificate of Restoration (CoR) program, which ensures that the land used for oil and gas development is restored to a safe and productive state following the cessation of activity. The program is overseen by the Commission and is designed to ensure compliance with British Columbia's strict environmental standards and promote the timely restoration of oil and gas sites.

The report provides details on CoR application activity statistics and current restoration work leading to a CoR. Also included is information on the Province's Orphan Site Reclamation Fund, created for situations where remedial work is required but no operator can be identified.

The Commission continues to proactively address all oil and gas sites in British Columbia that have been abandoned. This second annual Site Restoration Report provides a comparison to improve the Commission's reporting procedures and increase efficiency in the oil and gas site restoration process.

Read the report at www.ogc.gov.bc.ca.

The BC Oil and Gas Commission is the independent regulator of oil and gas activities in British Columbia. The Commission has regulatory responsibility for industry activity from the exploration and development phases, through to facilities operation and decommissioning. The Commission fosters environmental, economic and social outcomes through legislation, regulation and numerous delegated authorities.

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