OROGO Activity Update







OROGO's Mandate and Role

- OROGO was established to support the Regulator of oil and gas operations
- The Regulator regulates oil and gas activities in order to:
 - Ensure human safety
 - Protect the environment
 - Conserve oil and gas resources
- We are governed by:
 - The Oil and Gas Operations Act (OGOA)
 - The Petroleum Resources Act (PRA)

OROGO's Mission

We regulate oil and gas activities to keep people safe and protect the environment where we live

Significant Activity 2016

- MGP operations authorization approval (June 2016)
 - Extended to December 2022
 - Revised reporting conditions
- ConocoPhillips Significant Discovery Declaration (September 2016)
 - SDD encompasses approximately 3,700 km²
- Well Abandonments
 - 13 suspended wells were safely abandoned 7 in the Sahtu and 6 in the Dehcho
- Amendments to existing authorizations

Anticipated Activity 2017

- Authorizations to abandon 5 wells in the Dehcho and to decommission associated surface infrastructure
- Other applications we are required to address from time to time
- Development of new programs and Guidelines that help support our Strategic Plan

Well Watch Program



Encouraging local land users to report concerns with historic well sites to OROGO so they can be assessed and any identified risks can be addressed.

Guidelines and Interpretation Notes

- Information Disclosure Guidelines
 - Support transparent and open regulation
 - Applicant must indicate what, if any, information can be publicly disclosed
- Well Suspension and Abandonment Guidelines and Interpretation Notes
 - Incorporate best regulatory practices from other jurisdictions
 - Tailored to reflect our operating environment

Information Office

- Building an Information Office
 - Ongoing records transfer from the National Energy Board
 - Historical files being scanned
- Contact us
 - Available well and seismic files
 - Scanned files can be delivered electronically

Information Office

- New website to launch this year
 - Establish unique OROGO online presence
- Better access to more information
- Incremental launch
 - New structure to launch first
 - New functionality to be added

Capacity

- Building Northern Capacity
 - Safety and operational training
 - Field experience
 - Sharing knowledge

Compliance / Inspection

- Regulatory "Expectation Management"
 - Safety and Environmental Protection
- Strong field presence: on site for all activities

Strategic Plan

Strategic Objective

To enhance certainty and predictability in our actions and in regulatory decisions

Mission

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Strategic Objective

To promote accessibility and transparency in our work

Strategic Objective

To build and maintain resilient working relationships

Strategic Objective

To grow oil and gas regulatory capacity in the Northwest Territories

Vision

The Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations is a respected and effective regulator grounded in the values of Northemers



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