

Region 6 - Enforcement & Compliance Assurance Division
INSPECTION REPORT

Inspection Date(s):	05/10/2024	
Media Program:	Water (CWA)	
Regulatory Program(s)	Water (CWA) Brine Program (Oil & Gas inspection)	
Company Name:	LaRay Oil, LLC	
Facility Name:	Morgan #1 Tank Battery	
Facility Physical Location:	From Hwy 167 South, off East Calhoun County Road 244 at 33.335034, - 92.508819	
(city, state, zip code)	Calion	
Mailing address:	5028 Hwy 7 South	
(city, state, zip code)	Louann, AR 71751	
County/Parish:	Calhoun County	
Facility Phone Number	870-918-9859	
Facility Contact:	Jimmy R. Newton	Owner / Operator
	larayoilco@sat-co.net	
FRS Number:	N/A	
Identification/Permit Number:	ARU002233	
Media Identifier Number:	N/A	
NAICS:	211111	
SIC:	1311	
Personnel participating in inspection:		
Kerri McCabe (lead)	EPA / Region 6 ECDW	Inspector / Enforcement Officer
Michael Blaha	EPA / Region 6 ECDW	Inspector / Enforcement Officer
Jimmy R. Newton	LaRay Oil, LLC	Owner / Operator
EPA Lead Inspector Signature/Date		
	Kerri McCabe	Date
Supervisor Signature/Date		
	Jeanne Eckhart	Date

Section I – INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE OF THE INSPECTION

EPA Region 6 inspectors Kerri McCabe (lead) and Michael Blaha arrived at the LaRay Oil, LLC / Morgan #1 Tank Battery, located from Hwy 167 South, off East Calhoun County Road 244 at 33.335034, -92.508819; at 0915 on 05/10/2024 for an announced inspection. Mr. Jimmy Newton with LaRay Oil, LLC was present at the time of the inspection. The inspection was conducted by the authority of the Clean Water Act (CWA) to determine compliance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. There were no other federal, state, or local agency representatives present at the time of the inspection.

FACILITY DESCRIPTION

EPA conducted a follow-up inspection on the LaRay Oil, LLC / Morgan #1 Tank Battery, which has fourteen (14) tanks for crude oil and saltwater treatment and storage.

Section II - OBSERVATIONS

I collected a Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) reading of 436.1 mg/l from the pooled area observed during the 03/11/2024 inspection, see Appendix 1 (Photograph Log), Photo No. 1. For additional GPS location and photo metadata, see Appendix 1.

I observed the gap under one of the tanks had been filled with gravel substrate, see Photo No. 2.

I observed the road through the secondary containment had been built up, see Photo No. 3.

Section III – AREAS OF CONCERN

A closing conference was held with Mr. Jimmy Newton with LaRay Oil, LLC during the inspection. Areas of concern noted during the 03/11/2024 inspection conducted by Inspector Uma Lad had been addressed.

Section IV – FOLLOW UP

There were no areas of concern noted during the inspection, and no additional follow-up inspection is required at this time.

Section V – LIST OF APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Photograph Log – 3 photos taken 05/10/2024.

Appendix 1

Photograph Log 3 Photos



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Photograph Log

Photo No. 1

Location: LaRay Oil, LLC – Morgan #1 Tank Battery from State Hwy 167 S off E Calhoun Co Road 244 at 33.335049, -92.508865.

City: Calion

County/Parish: Calhoun

State: Arkansas



Photo File Name: IMG_0048

Orientation: NW

Date of Photo: 05/10/2024

Time of Photo: 0916

Latitude: 33.334883

Longitude: -92.509378

Photographer: Kerri McCabe

Description: Looking NW, this photo showed the TDS reading (436.1 mg/L) at the disturbed area at the toe of the earthen berm for the secondary containment.



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Photograph Log

Photo No. 2

Location: LaRay Oil, LLC – Morgan #1 Tank Battery from State Hwy 167 S off E Calhoun Co Road 244 at 33.335049, -92.508865.

City: Calion

County/Parish: Calhoun

State: Arkansas



Photo File Name: IMG_0049

Orientation: NE

Date of Photo: 05/10/2024

Time of Photo: 0918

Latitude: 33.334877

Longitude: -92.509483

Photographer: Kerri McCabe

Description: Looking NE, this photo showed the gap under the storage tank filled in with gravel.



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Photograph Log

Photo No. 3

Location: LaRay Oil, LLC – Morgan #1 Tank Battery from State Hwy 167 S off E Calhoun Co Road 244 at 33.335049, -92.508865.

City: Calion

County/Parish: Calhoun

State: Arkansas



Photo File Name: IMG_0050

Orientation: NE

Date of Photo: 05/10/2024

Time of Photo: 0920

Latitude: 33.334898

Longitude: -92.509630

Photographer: Kerri McCabe

Description: Looking NE, this photo showed the road built up within the secondary containment.