O2 Housing Porting

Not much to say here. I did a home porting job during my engine rebuild, worked on the stock TD05/14B, 95 exhaust manifold, and 95 O2 housing. Later I ported the turbine side of my new 20G, and gasket-matched the 95 exhaust manifold runners and the head's exhaust ports. Porting seemed to help the spoolup a LOT on the stock TD05 turbo. **NOTE:** do NOT try this at home unless you have a heavy-duty air or electric die grinder and carbide bits. It will take HOURS as is. If you try this with a Dremel, you'll be lucky to finish it in days or weeks.

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This is a look at the stock 1G O2 housing. I ground down the divider you see in it, and enlarged the outlet a good bit to match it to the stock gasket.

This is a look at the divider after grinding.

This is a look at the O2 housing outlet. I enlarged it a good bit, and ground it down about an inch.

Here is the start of porting a 2G O2 housing. I heard they flowed better, and after seeing one, I can believe it. They seem to be better designed. Here I am clamping the gasket down to it, to scribe the housing for grinding. An interesting note - the 95 housing has a less "flat-bottomed egg" shape - the bottom curls around the turbine exit chamber. It curved so much that I had to grind the *gasket* down some.



Here I am grinding away after using the carbide burr to shape it. That extra curvature around the turbine chamber should help control boost creep, as the flow out of the wastegate hole will be obstructed less. Do I have proof? Sorta.



PROOF: See that light tan line? The wastegate opens *very little* and that is the line where the hot exhaust gases hit the side of the wastegate chamber. Grinding the wastegate chamber on the turbine housing and the gasket to match the O2 housing meant in my case that the exhaust gasses would hit a CURVED wall, instead of head on, and be aimed towards the exit in the process. The red lines are an exaggeration of the grinding involved, to give you a better idea of what is going on. The dotted lines are roughly how far down it was taken - into the "blast line".



More grinding of the lower curves.



Sanding the job smooth with a Dremel.



Drilling and tapping a hole for an EGT sensor. The 2G O2 housing places the O2 sensor down near the bottom flange where it bolts to the downpipe, so I mounted the EGT sensor where the O2 sensor used to be to take advantage of the hole in the heatshield.



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