



**COLORADO DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY**  
**MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT**  
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The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has conducted an inspection of the mining operation noted below. This report documents observations concerning compliance with the terms of the permit and applicable rules and regulations of the Mined Land Reclamation Board.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> SR-13A	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> P-2009-020	<b>MINERAL:</b> Uranium	<b>COUNTY:</b> San Miguel
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Mineral Prospect Inspection	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Bob Oswald	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> September 15, 2014	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 15:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Cotter Corporation	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> None	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> MP - Mineral Prospecting	

<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Surety Release Requested	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> None	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$100.00
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> U.S. Dept of Energy	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> U.S. BLM
<b>WEATHER:</b> Cloudy	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> <i>Bob Oswald</i>	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> September 26, 2014

**GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS**

This list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each. No problems or possible violations were noted during the inspection. The mine operation was found to be in full compliance with Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials and/or for Hard Rock, Metal and Designated Mining Operations. Any person engaged in any mining operation shall notify the office of any failure or imminent failure, as soon as reasonably practicable after such person has knowledge of such condition or of any impoundment, embankment, or slope that poses a reasonable potential for danger to any persons or property or to the environment; or any environmental protection facility designed to contain or control chemicals or waste which are acid or toxic-forming, as identified in the permit.

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>NA</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>NA</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>NA</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>NA</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>NA</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>NA</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>NA</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(SB) COMPLETE INSP---- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>NA</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>NA</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>NA</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</u>

Y = Inspected and found in compliance / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

### **OBSERVATIONS**

This was an inspection conducted by the Division in response to a request for release of this NOI, submitted by the operator. The operator was not present during the inspection, and the site was not active on the day of the inspection. James Blair of the Dolores Office of BLM was present throughout the inspection.

This NOI was approved for drilling a single drill hole up on the mesa above the SR-13A permitted mine. The operator drilled and then closed the drill hole in 2009. The operator submitted the permanent abandonment report in 2013. All surface earthwork was completed, and the site has had several years for the reclamation to become established.

The drill site was located on the ground, and all reclamation appeared to be satisfactory. BLM has stated its support of the operator's request for release. Written confirmation from US DOE has been received, also stating its support for the release.

The anniversary date of this NOI is September 19, which is when the annual fee and annual report are due. Records reflect that the operator has provided those items, so the Division may therefore approve the release request.

A formal release approval letter will be sent to the operator under separate cover, accompanied by the financial warranty which will be released.

For questions related to this report, please contact this inspector at the Division's Durango Field Office: telephone 970-247-5193, or 303-866-3567 ext 8175.

All written correspondence should be sent directly to the Division's Denver Office:  
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Inspection photographs are on the following page.

**PHOTOGRAPHS**

