




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.

MINE NAME: Tri County Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1977-205	MINERAL: Sand and Gravel	COUNTY: Delta
INSPECTION TYPE: Surety Release Inspection	INSPECTOR(S): Stephanie J. Mitchell	INSP. DATE: September 28, 2015	INSP. TIME: 13:00
OPERATOR: United/Old Castle	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Jason Burkey	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Surety Release Requested	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$303,108.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: October 14, 2015

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>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>N</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>N</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>N</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>N</u>	(SW) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(CI) COMPLETE INSP---- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</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 inspection was conducted as part of the normal program established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. The Tri County Pit is located approximately 1 mile northeast of Hotchkiss Colorado in Delta County. The site can be accessed from the Back River Road.

The purpose of the inspection was to observe the reclamation success and determine if the July 23, 2015 request for partial release of the reclamation permit was approvable. Based on the conditions observed during the inspection the 5.50 Acres requested to be released has been granted. The site was graded exceptionally well and the reclaimed slopes tie into the adjacent undisturbed slopes in a very natural looking way. All reclaimed slopes appear to be no steeper than the required 3H:1V.

Noxious weeds appeared to be under control and visibly dead. There were some kochia present, but is considered a pioneer species and is not out of control.

Photos that show the conditions observed during the inspection are included at the end of this report.

No problems or violations were noted or observed during the September 28, 2015 inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Stephanie Mitchell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 South 3rd Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone no. 970-242-5025.

PHOTOGRAPHS





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