

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:	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL:	COUNTY:
Latham - Burkett Pit	M-1983-013	Sand and gravel	Mesa
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Monitoring	Stephanie J. Mitchell	October 28, 2015	09:30
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Compar	Jason Burkey	112c - Construction Regular Operation	
County	,		0 1

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$41,884.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S, SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE: November 23, 2015

The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.

INSPECTION TOPIC: Signs & Markers

PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION: Problem: The mine identification sign was not posted at the entrance of the mine site. This is a problem for failure to post a mine identification sign as required by Section 3.1.12(1) of the rule.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator shall, at the entrance of the mine site, post a sign which shall be clearly visible from the access road with the following: the name of the operator, a statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board; and the permit number. The operator shall submit photo documentation that a proper sign has been posted by the corrective action date.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 12/21/15

OBSERVATIONS

This was a normal monitoring inspection of the Latham-Burkett Pit; DRMS File No. M-1983-013 operated by Old Castle SW Group, Inc., dba United Companies of Mesa County. This site is located approximately 1 mile west of DeBeque, Colorado in Mesa County. I, Stephanie Mitchell of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) conducted the inspection. Mr. Jason Burkey of United Companies accompanied me on the inspection.

This is a 112c mining operation with a 75.72 permit acres. Mining is complete at the site and the area is in the process of reclamation. The operator created a pit excavation with a series of 4 inpoundments of exposed groundwater. These ponds have been adequately reclaimed with 3:1 slopes. Excellent vegetation has established around the banks of these ponds.

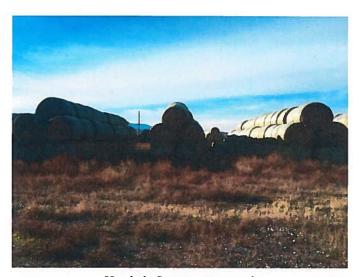
The mine identification sign was missing at the entrance to the site. This is noted as a problem at the beginning of the inspection report.

Overall, the grading around the pit excavation appears to comply with the approved reclamation plan. The southeast portion of the permit area was used as a processing site and for product and agricultural storage. This area has been graded, but the soil appears very gravely likely due to the stockpiling and processing activities. Vegetation is sparse in this portion of the affected land some native grasses have established in this area, but it is primarily vegetated with annual weeds. The Operator will need to take steps to revegetate this site in accordance with the approved plan. The Operator also needs to initiate final reclamation, for mining has been completed for a number of years now.

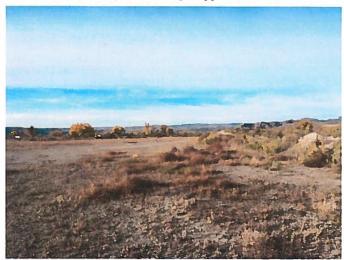
There was no equipment or fuel on site.

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 number (970) 242-5025.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Hay bale Storage- approved





4 acre area still needs to be reclaimed with 6" topsoil in red



Road going north



Looking North



Agricultural storage area ~20 acres



Scale house foundation needs to be removed



Asphalt need to be removed



Looking North

GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

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

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