


**COLORADO**Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

**MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT****PHONE: (303) 866-3567**

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> Newett Quarry	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1978-093	<b>MINERAL:</b> Limestone (general)	<b>COUNTY:</b> Chaffee
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Dustin M. Czapla	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> April 19, 2017	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 12:00
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Colorado Lien Company	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Rob Kisner	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Complete Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$132,228.00
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None
<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> April 27, 2017

**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:** Availability Of Records

**PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION:** Problem: Rule 1.13.5 states, if an Operator temporarily ceases production of the mining operation for one hundred eighty (180) days or more, the Operator must file a Notice of Temporary Cessation in writing to the Office.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The Division recommends the Operator file for Temporary Cessation. The start date of the initial 5 year Temporary Cessation period is retroactive to the last date the pit was active. If that date is more than 5 years ago, the operator is required to ask the Board for a 5 year extension to the Temporary Cessation period (per rule 1.13.5 (3) and 1.13.8 (b) or begin reclamation.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 5/29/17

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program. Rob Kisner, representing the Operator, was present during this inspection. Photographs are included with this report in order to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Newett Quarry is located approximately eight miles east of Buena Vista and accessed from CR 309. The site is a 112c operation that includes a total of 26 permitted acres. The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$132,228.00 for this site. The Division has reviewed the reclamation costs, in order to ensure the financial warranty reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the Reclamation Plan, and determined that the current financial warranty amount is adequate.

Adequate mine identification signage was noted at the entrance to the site.

The affected area was marked by posts that were clearly visible and adequate to delineate the affected area boundary.

There has been no mining activity at this site since the Division's last inspection. Pursuant to Rule 1.13.5, if a mine is inactive for more than 180 days the operator must file a notice of Temporary Cessation with the Division. The operator has not submitted the notice. This has been noted as a problem. Since there has been no mining activity at this site since at least 2010, the operator will need request an extension to the 5 year period allowed by Temporary Cessation. Alternatively, the operator could commence final reclamation of the site.

Several stockpiles of crushed limestone are still located in the stockpile area. No other equipment or materials are located at the site.

Some reclamation grading in mining area B took place years ago. There has been no change since the 2013 when the Division last inspected the site. A vertical highwall still exists in this area.

Although there has been no mining activity, the stormwater controls have been maintained at the site. Straw wattles and newer silt fences were noted in several areas.

No other problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Dustin Czapla at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone number (970) 243-6299.



## PHOTOGRAPHS



### **GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS**

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

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

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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