


**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> Valdez Gravel Mine	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1991-133	<b>MINERAL:</b> Gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Conejos
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Dustin M. Czapla	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> May 16, 2017	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 08:00
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Robins Construction, LLLP	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Randy Robins, Scott Johnson	<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> \$24,407.62
<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> May 22, 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:** Problem: During the inspection it was noted that the existing mining plan and reclamation plan maps did not match the maps that have been used by the operator for annual reports, and did not match the marked permit boundary on site.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** Update the legal description, mining plan and reclamation plan map with an amendment application.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 6/23/17

## **OBSERVATIONS**

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

The Valdez Gravel Mine is located on the south side of Antonito and accessed from CR 13. The site is a 112c operation that includes a total of thirty permitted acres. The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$24,407.62 for this site. During a file review prior to the inspection it was noted that the permit boundary shown on the map submitted by the operator with the annual report does not match the approved permit area. Additionally, during the inspection it was noted that the approved permit area was not clearly marked on site. This has been noted as a problem on page one of this report. The operator will need to submit an amendment application in order to update the legal description, mining and reclamation plan maps for the site. The financial warranty will be reviewed and updated as necessary during review of the amendment application.

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

Mining activities were active during the inspection. Excavation was occurring at the highwall on the north side of the pit. The pit is approximately twenty feet deep at this time. Asphalt and concrete production at the site was approved through TR-2. The batch plant is located in the south part of the pit floor. Materials stockpiles are located at various locations throughout the pit. The operator is continuing efforts to clean up trash, old tires and debris located in the northeast part of the permit area.

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.

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