

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
ROYAL GORGE FIELD OFFICE
3600 INSPECTION REPORT**

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has conducted an inspection of the mining operation noted below. This report documents observations concerning compliance of the mining operation with the permit and regulations (43 CFR 3600 – Mineral Materials Disposal) of the Department of Interior. The report notes: 1) Areas of successful compliance; 2) Problems and suggested corrective actions and/ or 3) Potential violations to be considered enforcement action by the BLM. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THIS REPORT CAREFULLY BECAUSE IT MAY REQUIRE CORRECTIVE ACTION AND/ OR RESPONSES TO THE BLM IN ORDER TO AVOID CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

GENERAL

INFORMATION

MINE NAME:	Midland Pit
OPERATOR:	City of Cripple Creek
MAIN COMMODITY:	Road base
TYPE OF OPERATION:	3600 Sand and Gravel FUP
COUNTY:	Teller
LOCATION:	T14S, R69W, section 32
INSPECTOR(S)/ OP. REP PRESENT:	William Jenkins (BLM), Stephanie Frint (City of Cripple Creek), and Steve Pickmello (Operator)
INSPECTION DATE:	4/14/2016
DATE OF COMPLAINT, if applicable:	N/A

BLM COC#:	077694
CDRMS PERMIT#:	M-1993-039
MSHA ID #:	Click here to enter text.
CONTRACT ACRES/ AM'T/ LENGTH:	21.89 acres
TIME OF DAY:	Late Morning
INSPECTION TYPE:	Standard Inspection
REASON FOR INSPECTION:	General
WEATHER CONDITION:	Clear

1. INSPECTION TYPES: Land Status, Mineral Testing, Potential Trespass, Pre-Operation, Post-Operation, Reclamation Status, Standard Inspection, Standard Production Verification, Other
2. REASONS FOR INSPECTION: Bond Release, Citizen Complaint, General, Other Agency Request, Regulatory Requirement, Other
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS: Clear, Cloudy, Inclement – prevented inspection, Raining, Snowing, Windy

INTERNAL

Inspection Status: _____ Y _____

Y = Inspected and Found in Compliance, N = Inspected and Violations/ Problems Noted, NA = Not Applicable

Inspector's Initials: _____ WTJ _____

BLM Supervisor's Initials: _____

Date: _____



Date sent to Operator: _____

The inspection report will be sent to the operator and to the Colorado Division of Reclamation and Mining Safety

DETAILED SITE INSPECTION OBSERVATIONS

MINE & RECLAMATION PLAN STATUS	GENERAL COMPLIANCE	The site was in compliance
	SITE DEVELOPMENT	The site is an active gravel pit with interim stages of reclamation
	OPERATIONAL PHASE	Active
	RECLAMATION STATUS (TOPSOIL, ROADS, ETC.)	Interim reclamation where gravel has been removed. The area has been seeded with grass
	EROSION/ SEDIMENTATION	The site's topography indicates that there is minimal to no issues with sedimentation onsite. Additionally, there does not seem to be any erosion onsite, and the roads are well compacted.
	EXPLOSIVES	Explosives are not used in the operations.
	SAFETY	There did not appear to be any safety issues during the inspection.
ENGINEERING/ GEOLOGIC & STABILITY CONDITIONS		There were no signs of instability during the inspection.
OTHER LOCAL/ STATE/ FEDERAL REQ. & COMPLIANCE		The DRMS sign was posted at the site's entrance.
OTHER OBSERVATIONS/NOTES		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good housekeeping overall.• The operator has depleted some of their material stockpiles since the previous inspection.• The knocked over port-a-potty has been removed.• The operator intends to reclaim their current working face, and will begin working in another area within their permitted boundary.• The topsoil is stored near the site's entrance gate.• There was evidence of cattle grazing observed during the inspection.• A GPS survey of the pit's active face, and fence line was conducted during the inspection.

PHOTOS



Photo 1: The sign (With DRMS #)
posted at the entrance to the site.



Photo 2: The current pit floor, where
the operator stockpiles their material.



Photo 3: Photos taken along the pit's current highwall (~10 ft high), which the operator intends to reclaim.

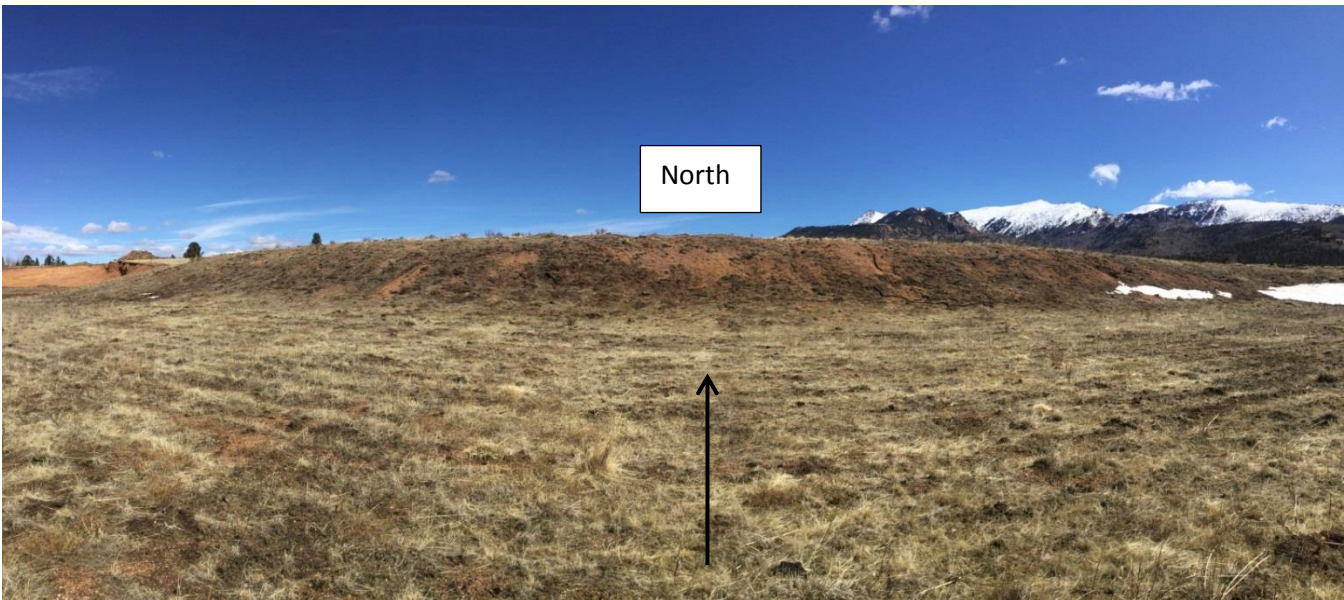


Photo 4: The proposed working face, which the operator intends to push 200 feet to the north.



Photo 5: The pit's check dam with culvert (circled) located on the eastern side of their permitted boundary, it should be noted that the water is from recent rains and snow melt.



Photo 6: The operator's topsoil stockpile, located north/northeast of the access road.



Photo 7: The barbed wire gate at the southeastern corner post of the boundary fence.



Photo 8: The 10 acres of reclaimed land to the south of the operator's working area.



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Fwd: BLM Inspection for Midland Pit

1 message

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Thu, May 4, 2017 at 3:50 PM

Hi Elliot,
please find attached a copy of the inspection of the Midland Pit on 04/14/2016. All proprietary information has been removed and it is OK for upload to your website. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Kelsey Zabrusky
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