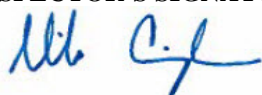




**MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT**  
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The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has conducted an inspection of the mining operation noted below. This report documents observations concerning compliance with the terms of the permit and applicable rules and regulations of the Mined Land Reclamation Board.

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| <b>MINE NAME:</b><br>Digging the Blues Lode         | <b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b><br>M-2015-009   | <b>MINERAL:</b><br>Gemstones,quartz                            | <b>COUNTY:</b><br>Chaffee   |
| <b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b><br>Monitoring               | <b>INSPECTOR(S):</b><br>Michael A. Cunningham  | <b>INSP. DATE:</b><br>September 5, 2017                        | <b>INSP. TIME:</b><br>15:30 |
| <b>OPERATOR:</b><br>Way Up High Mining Company, LLC | <b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b><br>None  | <b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b><br>110(2) - Hard Rock Limited Impact |                             |
| <b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b><br>Normal I&E Program | <b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b><br>Partial Bond  | <b>BOND AMOUNT:</b><br>\$3,500.00                              |                             |
| <b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b><br>NA                     | <b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b><br>None  | <b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b><br>None                             |                             |
| <b>WEATHER:</b><br>Clear                            | <b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b><br> | <b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b><br>September 21, 2017                   |                             |

**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.

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

Y = Inspected and found in compliance / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

### **OBSERVATIONS**

The inspection was conducted by Michael Cunningham and Dustin Czapla of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). The Operator was not present for the inspection. The Digging the Blues Lode is located approximately 9.5 miles southwest of Nathrop, on the east flank of Mount White at an elevation of approximately 13,000 feet. The site is accessed by foot from Little Browns Creek.

The mining operation is located on a steep talus slope and mining at the site consists of small scale blasting and excavation with hand tools. There were no signs of recent mining activity and the Division did not observe any tools or equipment. The operation is located above the tree-line and there is little vegetation or topsoil present. The Operator has committed to performing concurrent reclamation of the site. Any disturbance which may have occurred during this mining season has been reclaimed by the Operator.

The Division holds a financial warranty in the amount of \$3,500.00, which remains adequate to complete reclamation.

This concluded the inspection.

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## PHOTOGRAPHS



1. Overview of site.



2. Overview of site.