




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: Hertzog Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1981-276	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Moffat
INSPECTION TYPE: Surety-Related Inspection	INSPECTOR(S): Amy C. Yeldell	INSP. DATE: October 19, 2017	INSP. TIME: 12:00
OPERATOR: R N P Enterprises, Inc.	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Rusty Taylor	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Priority	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$36,650.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: November 8, 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.

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>N</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>Y</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>N</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>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <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

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) in response to the Succession of Operator (SO-3) application submitted on October 19, 2017. The current operator is RNP Enterprises, Inc. and the prospective operator is Bower Brothers Construction. Both the current operator Rusty Taylor and the prospective operator Bud Bower were present and accompanied Amy Yeldell of the Division on the inspection. The Hertzog Pit is a 112c permitted site that includes a total of 77.4 permitted acres. This site is located approximately four miles southeast of Maybell, Colorado. It is accessed from Moffat County Road 74.

The mine identification sign and affected area boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The sign is located at the entrance to the permit boundary.

The site remains largely inactive. However ongoing reclamation efforts were observed. Currently the site is only permitted for a maximum disturbance of 15 acres. The south west corner, approximately 10 acres, has been topsoiled and reseeded. The northwest corner, approximately 3 acres, still has additional grading remaining. The prospective operator agreed to complete the previous commitment to reclamation the western portion as soon as he takes over the pit. The Division will allow additional time for these tasks to be completed. The remaining reclamation of the western portion must be completely reclaimed by May 1, 2018.

The eastern half of the pit remains unchanged. This is the area that will remain active and count towards the 15 acres of total maximum disturbance.

A small plant remains in place on the northwest corner of the pit. This will be removed upon approval of SO-3. It was not indicated if a new plant would be mobilized. The office and scale house will remain in place.

Currently the Division holds a financial warranty amount of \$36,650 for this site. Based on previous letters it was stated that the bond would be calculated after the fall 2017 reclamation inspection. The bond was anticipated to be approximately \$66k with the 15 acres of remaining disturbance. Due to the SO not all of the reclamation commitments have been met and approximately \$8k of additional work remains. A formal reclamation cost estimate update will be done in the May of 2018 based on the current conditions. This will allow the new permittee an opportunity to complete the reclamation commitments and reduce liabilities that may affect a potential increase.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to: Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-254-8511 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

PHOTOGRAPHS



Overview of eastern pit







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