




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: Mid-Continent LST	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1982-121	MINERAL: Limestone (general)	COUNTY: Garfield
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Amy C. Yeldell	INSP. DATE: November 9, 2017	INSP. TIME: 10:00
OPERATOR: RMR Aggregates, Inc.	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Bobby Wagner	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$196,181.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: November 22, 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>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>N</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>Y</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>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>N</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>Y</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 as part of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) normal monitoring program. The Mid-Continent LST is a 112c permitted site that includes a total of 32.78 permitted acres. This site is located approximately 1.2 miles north of Glenwood Springs, Colorado and is accessed via the Transfer Trail Road. Currently the Division holds a Financial Warranty in the amount of \$196,181 for this site. Amy Yeldell of the Division conducted the inspection and was accompanied by Bobby Wagner.

This is the first inspection since RMR Aggregates, Inc. acquired the quarry. The majority of the inspection was spent discussing an overview of DRMS jurisdiction, revision types, laserfiche, inspections and bonding.

The mine identification sign and some of the affected area boundary markers are in place. A new mine sign has been posted since the succession of operator approval. Markers on the southern permit boundary are in place. Markers along the north and east side remain inadequate. The operator has yet to comply with the commitment letter from the Division dated January 17, 2017. A final extension was granted, giving RMR until October 2, 2017. If the permit boundary is not delineated or the updated maps are not **received by January 5, 2018**, then the Division will move forward with enforcement actions.

The remnants of the old scale and scale house have been removed. Likewise much of the scrap metal and other debris has been consolidated to the west side of the mill bench. The current scale being used is located adjacent to the office trailer on the mill bench. One fuel tank is located on the mill bench the other is on the production bench. Both of which are properly located within secondary containment. West of the mill building remains used as a laydown yard. Several pallets, a trailer, propane tanks and other debris are stored. This area should be kept orderly and all debris that will not be used for mining should be removed.

There is excessive riling on the cut slopes adjacent to the laydown yard. It appears that all the sediment stays on the pad however this should be monitored. The slope would benefit from establishing desirable vegetation.

Currently RMR is working with the BLM to submit a new plan of operations. The Division has instructed RMR to wait until both their BLM and county permits are in the final stages of approval before they submit an amendment to DRMS.

Since the last inspection a large amount of material has been removed. All material has been removed from the existing benches and the site footprint remains the same. Mining will not progress further west at this time and no further work has been done on the third bench. The last blasting for the season has occurred and it was indicated that an exemption will not be requested this winter. During the inspection trucks were actively hauling material off site. The crusher was down as the belt was being replaced.

Following the site inspection the Division met with the operator in town to go over their proposed expansion plan. Several options for transporting material were mentioned. If any significant improvements are necessary to transport material off-site all affected lands to support the operation shall be permitted. The Division was able to see the proposed mining phases and disturbed areas using Google Earth. There was discussions of how to operate as efficiently as possible in order to reduce the bonding liability without restricting production. A general overview of the reclamation guidelines and how DRMS evaluates final

reclamation was explained. The operator gave the Division a brief update of where they were at with regards to securing other permits. Please notify the Division when RMR submits their Plan of Operations to the BLM.

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PHOTOGRAPHS





Material stored on mill bench, Eroded slope with sparse vegetation



Material stored on mill bench





Mill bench overview



Fuel stored on production
bench



Overview of production bench.
Potential out of bounds area



Overview of production
bench, blasted highwalls



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