




**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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Tepee Park Ranch Shale Borrow Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2008-027	<b>MINERAL:</b> Shale	<b>COUNTY:</b> Garfield
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Amy C. Yeldell	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> June 20, 2018	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 08:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> CPX Piceance Holdings, LLC	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Nick Kurtenbach	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Complete Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$23,500.00	
<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> June 21, 2018	

**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>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</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>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>N</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</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>N</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>NA</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 normal monitoring program. Tepee Park Ranch Shale Barrow Pit, is a 110c permitted site that includes a total of 1.5 permitted acres. It is located approximately 10 miles southwest of Rifle. Nick Kurtenbach and Bryan Clark represented CPX Piceance Holdings, LLC and accompanied Amy Yeldell of the Division on the inspection.

The mine identification sign and boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The private property has a locked gate to separate it from the Forest Service access road. The pit access road branches from this main private road. The mine sign was posted at the excavation portion of the pit. The mine sign should be moved to the permit boundary entrance.

This site is approved for intermittent operations. Material is pulled from the hillside on an as needed bases and used for road base to support the operator's natural gas production operations. Very little material has been needed recently but operations are expected to ramp up with the summer pipeline project underway.

The site remains relatively unchanged from the last inspection. The overall disturbance footprint has not been increased. No fuel or other hazardous materials are stored on site. No equipment or structures of any kind are present. The site is clean, no trash or other debris.

It appears that the small rock check dams in the ditch of the access road have been recently cleaned. This area falls under CPX's larger SWMP and is inspected and maintained every 14 days. These BMPs are properly installed and well maintained.

The Division currently requires a financial warranty amount of \$23,500 for this site. In an effort to ensure the Financial Warranty adequately, reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the approved reclamation plan the Division will be updating the reclamation cost estimate. If the current bond is found to be insufficient the Division will send a Notice of Surety Increase under a separate cover.

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











Parking and loading area from main bench cut



Access road from main bench cut

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