

Annual Report-Attachment
Currier Gravel Pit
M-1980-203
June 29, 2018

Mesa County, Colorado

Permitted acreage is less than 10 acres.

Transportation operations and stockpile removal did occur during the report year.

No extraction or processing occurred during the report year.

Reclamation activity has been performed on approximately 3 acres of land so far.

Stockpile removal is expected for the next report year.

Pit has bottomed out (further extraction uneconomic).

This gravel pit is on intermittent status. Mining activity was less than 180 days during the report year. At the time the operation entered IS there was occasional extraction, crushing and stockpile removal. Historically, gravel demand for this remote location comes from Forest Service or Mesa County governments. Also, oil and gas companies need gravel for their well pads and access roads to their drill sites. The last crushing occurred in September 2008 in anticipation of this demand from oil and gas companies. In November of 2008 nearly all oil and gas activity ceased in this area resulting in a stockpile of gravel at the site. The decision has been made to close and reclaim the pit as soon as the existing stockpile is sold and removed.

Operator does not believe there will be more than 180 days of activity in the coming report year. Future activity would only be trucking off stockpiled gravel. There was stockpile removal in the past year for eight days in November, 2017 and four days in May, 2018. A gravel stockpile remains on site. Acreage is depicted on the submitted map. Legal description on that map was in dispute with the BLM. A settlement agreement was signed with the BLM effective September 26, 2013. The BLM has agreed to sell their claimed land to us. This is in process but has not yet been accomplished.

The pit was inspected by DRMS specialist Amy Yeldell on 05/03/2018. No problems or violations were cited. Weed spraying occurred during the report year. Pit location markers are located annually. There is no exposed groundwater at the pit. Further reclamation will proceed as soon as the remaining stockpile of gravel is sold and removed.

Since 2009 the demand from oil and gas companies has been very low. As soon as stockpiled gravel can be sold and removed, reclamation will be completed. No further extraction or crushing will occur.