

# COLORADO DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY 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:	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL:	COUNTY:
Savage Mining - Mamie Jewell Placer	P-2010-006	Gold	Chaffee
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Monitoring	Dustin M. Czapla	August 8, 2018	14:00
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Earl T Savage		MP - Mineral Prospecting	

REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:
Normal I&E Program	Complete Bond	\$1,100.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:
NA	None	None
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE:
Clear		August 17, 2018

The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.

#### 1. INSPECTION TOPIC: Financial Warranty

**PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION:** Problem: The financial warranty is not adequate to reclaim the site in accordance with the approved reclamation plan.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The operator shall submit adequate financial warranty, as determined by the Division. The Division will be sending a separate surety increase notice to the operator regarding the increase of the financial warranty. The operator will have 60 days from the date on the surety increase notice to post the additional financial warranty.

#### **CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 10/19/18**

#### 2. **INSPECTION TOPIC:** General Compliance With Mine Plan

**PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION:** Problem: A trommel assembly was noted on site. Use of the trommel was not proposed in the NOI, nor approved by the Division. The existing financial warranty does not include costs to cover removal of the trommel assembly.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** Submit a modification to the NOI describing the trommel use, plans for removal, and measures to be taken in order to minimize disturbance to the prevailing hydrologic balance in accordance with Rule 3.1.6.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 9/21/18** 

PERMIT #: P-2010-006 INSPECTOR'S INITIALS: DMC INSPECTION DATE: August 8, 2018

# **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program. A representative for the operator was not present. Photographs are included with this report in order to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Savage Mining-Mamie Jewell Placer site is located approximately four miles west of Granite and accessed from CR 398. The site is a prospecting operation that proposed to disturb approximately ½ acre. The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$1,100.00 for this site. The Division has reviewed the reclamation costs, in order to ensure the financial warranty reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the Reclamation Plan, and determined that the current financial warranty amount is insufficient. The Operator will be notified under separate cover of a financial warranty increase.

The approved prospecting plan for this NOI authorized excavation of three test pits, approximately 10' wide by 10' long by 10' deep. The reclamation plan calls for backfilling the pits and reseeding the disturbed areas. There were no open pits observed during this inspection. Overall the site is orderly and disturbance is minimal. There are several piles of scrap metal and lumber that will need to be removed during reclamation. A trommel unit was set up above the settling pond. During review of the NOI application it was noted that the trommel unit was not mentioned and therefore removal costs for the trommel are not included in the financial warranty. This has been noted as a problem with corrective actions on page one of this report.

No other problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Dustin Czapla at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone number (970) 243-6299.

# **PHOTOGRAPHS**













## **GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS**

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

(AR) RECORDS <u>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY <u>PB</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 N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES N	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- PB	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>N</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP N
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION N	(ST) STIPULATIONS N
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE <u>N</u>	

## **Inspection Contact Address**

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