




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: La Veta Town Gravel Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2016-018	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Huerfano
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Patrick Lennberg	INSP. DATE: March 28, 2019	INSP. TIME: 10:50
OPERATOR: Town of La Veta	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: None	TYPE OF OPERATION: 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$0.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: April 4, 2019	

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>N</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>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>Y</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>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>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

The La Veta Town Gravel Pit was inspected by Patrick Lennberg with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS). The inspection was completed as part of the Division's routine monitoring inspection program. This was the sites first inspection since the permit was issued in May 2016. The weather was windy, and the sky was clear.

The La Veta Town Gravel Pit is located approximately 3.5 miles northwest of La Veta, Colorado just south of Highway 160 on County Road 451. The La Veta Town Gravel Pit is a 9.75 acre pit for the removal of sand and gravel for road maintenance and repair. The site is surrounded by rangeland and the post-mining land use is rangeland. A mine sign was observed as required by Rule 3.1.12.

Current mining activity is progressing west from the former boundary of an old gravel pit. When the pit was first approved the Town of La Veta contracted with Colorado Crushing to produce road base material. This road base material was stockpiled in the southeastern portion of the permit area, where a stockpile of material still remains. Pit run material is being extracted from the current pit face. The pit was not active during the inspection. The property owner is storing some vehicles and parts in areas of the old pit outside the permit boundary. Topsoil stockpile are located at the perimeter of disturbed area and appears stable with some vegetation growing. When activity resumes at the site, the plan is to continue extraction moving to the west. The pit is about 15 to 20 feet deep. No groundwater was observed during the inspection.

The Division was able to GPS all permit boundary markers. All current mining is within the permit boundaries.

The Division currently holds no financial warranty because it is a town operation.

Photographs taken during the inspection are attached.

Please contact Patrick Lennberg (303)866-3567 ext. 8114 or email at patrick.lennberg@state.co.us if you have any questions regarding this report.

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Mine sign at entrance



Photo 2: Pit area looking southwest



Photo 3: Topsoil stockpile along north edge of pit area



Photo 4: Area stripped of topsoil ahead of mining



Photo 5: Pit area looking to the north



Photo 6: Remaining road base material stockpile



Photo 7: Vehicles stored on the permit boundary



Photo 8: Typical boundary marker