




**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> Phillips County Landfill Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2013-084	<b>MINERAL:</b> Clay (general), grave	<b>COUNTY:</b> Phillips
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Brock F. Bowles	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> August 12, 2019	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 12:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Phillips County	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Mike Salyards	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> None	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$0.00	
<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> September 3, 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>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>NA</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</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**

This inspection was conducted by Brock Bowles of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). Mike Salyards, Pam Jensen and Kevin Scott of Phillips County (Operator) were present for the inspection. The Phillips County Landfill Pit is located about 4 miles west of Holyoke, Colorado. The site is an active 112c operation with 47.1 acres permitted and the post-mining land use is wildlife habitat. This inspection was carried out as a part of the Division's routine monitoring inspection program. At the time of the inspection it was warm, clear and the ground was dry.

The permit identification sign was in place at the mine entrance and legible. The permit boundary markers were in place. No mining activity was being conducted and no equipment was on site. The gravel pit northern boundary abuts the Phillips County Landfill and the land associated with the landfill is disturbed.

A pile of gravel was pushed up on the north side of the pit area. Frenchman Creek had some water in the bottom of the creek. All the mine related disturbance was on the east end of the permit area and north side of Frenchman Creek.

The pit area had a lot of vegetation growing. The vegetation was all volunteer as the area was not in reclamation. The slopes in the pit area were graded to approximately 3H:1V. Some small patches of cheatgrass were noted on the boundary between the gravel pit and the landfill. These areas will need to be monitored and treated as necessary. No other noxious weeds were noted.

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**



Mine entrance sign by HWY 6 entrance





Gravel pushed into pile on left and Frenchman Creek on right. Photo looking east.



Boundary marker between gravel pit and landfill, facing west.

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