

Department of Natural Resources

MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT PHONE: (303) 866-3567

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:
Liberty Mine	M-2013-070	Uranium and vanadio	Mesa
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Monitoring	Amy Yeldell	October 2, 2019	10:00
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Liberty Mining, LLC	None	110d - Designated Limited Impact	
REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:	
Normal I&E Program	None	\$93,862.42	
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGE	NCY:
NA	None	U.S.BLM	
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DAT	E:
Clear	Amy Geldell	October 10, 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>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 N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES \underline{Y}	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- Y	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE \underline{Y}	(RV) REVEGETATION <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP N
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE N	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION \underline{Y}	(ST) STIPULATIONS <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS Y	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE <u>N</u>	

Y = Inspected / 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 (Division) normal monitoring program. The Liberty Mine is a 110d underground Designated Mining Operation that includes a total of 9.9 permitted acres. The site located five mile south of Gateway, Colorado. Eric Eckberg represented the BLM. No representative for Liberty Mining, LLC was present. Amy Yeldell of the Division conducted the inspection.

The site remains inactive. This permit has been issued however, activity has not yet commenced on site. Given that, the site has not begun mining they are in compliance with Rule 1.13.

The mine sign and boundary markers remain in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The gate to the access road remains closed and locked. The access road was stable with minimal erosion. Scrub Oak and other native vegetation has begun to volunteer on the road. Vegetation will likely need to be removed before activity can resume.

The portal is sealed with locked grates and PUFF. The exterior grate was partially opened at the time of the inspection but the inner grate was locked. The portal remains locked and secured. A rodent (likely packrat) has continued eating through the PUFF. As long as the metal grate remains closed the Division does not see a need at this time to make repairs. Please notify the Division ahead of time in writing if repairs becomes necessary.

The explosive magazines remain on site however; they have been scheduled for removal.

The waste rock pile appears to be stable. There is no erosion from the pile. Few plants have volunteered on the waste rock pile. Vegetation on the flat areas appears to be mostly annuals. The site will likely require some sort of weed treatment next year to avoid an infestation of undesirable plants.

The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$93,862.42 for this site.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

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 303-866-3567 Ext 8183 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

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