

QUARTERLY SEDIMENTATION POND INSPECTION REPORT

CDMR Rule 4.05.9(17)

Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #7

Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This sediment control pond lies east of the preparation plant and pond #6. It receives run-off from the majority of the active surface facilities area lying south of State Highway 12.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:	<div>Excellent</div>	Moderate	Few	Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:	<div>Extensive</div>	Some	Few	<div>None</div>
3. Is wave action causing erosion:				
On the upstream embankment?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
At the principal spillway inlet?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
Cause of erosion can be attributed to:				
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
Could this seepage cause potential instability?				

PRINICIPAL SPILLWAY

1. Is the principal spillway system in working order?	Yes	<div>X</div>	No	
2. Is the inlet free of debris and restrictive material?	Yes	<div>X</div>	No	
3. Is the discharge outlet free of restrictive material?	Yes	<div>X</div>	No	
4. Is erosion occurring at the discharge outlet?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
Evaluate the severity:	Extensive	Moderate	Just Starting	<div>None</div>

EMERGENCY SPILLWAY

1. Does it appear that the emergency spillway has discharged water since the last inspection?
YES _____ NO X
2. Is erosion occurring at any section of the emergency spillway?
YES _____ NO X

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?
YES _____ NO X

Explain: Visual observation. Pond cleaned in early 2017.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Holding little water, nearly dry.

Vino Massaro
MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine:

New Elk

NPDES ID. No.:

Pond #4

Inspection Period:

Second Quarter 2019

Inspection Date:

6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This sediment control pond lies west of the Development Waste Pile. The majority of run-off from this waste pile flows to this pond. It has never received sufficient inflow to discharge.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor

2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None

3. Is wave action causing erosion:

On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X

At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X

4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X

Cause of erosion can be attributed to:

5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X

Could this seepage cause potential instability?

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY

1. Is the principal spillway system in working order?

Yes

X

No

2. Is the inlet free of debris and restrictive material?

Yes

X

No

3. Is the discharge outlet free of restrictive material?

Yes

X

No

4. Is erosion occurring at the discharge outlet?

Yes

No

X

Evaluate the severity:

Extensive

Moderate

Just Starting

None

EMERGENCY SPILLWAY

1. Does it appear that the emergency spillway has discharged water since the last inspection?
YES _____ NO X _____
2. Is erosion occurring at any section of the emergency spillway?
YES _____ NO X _____

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?
YES _____ NO X _____

Explain: Visual observation.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Holding little water in the south-east corner of pond.



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Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #1

Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This pond is located West of the industrial building and serves as a mine water settling and water storage pond.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:	<div>Excellent</div>	Moderate	Few	Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:	<div>Extensive</div>	Some	Few	<div>None</div>
3. Is wave action causing erosion:				
On the upstream embankment?	Yes		No	X
At the principal spillway inlet?	Yes		No	X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?	Yes		No	X
Cause of erosion can be attributed to: _____				

5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?	Yes		No	X
Could this seepage cause potential instability? _____				

PRINICIPAL SPILLWAY

1. Is the principal spillway system in working order?	Yes	X	No	
2. Is the inlet free of debris and restrictive material?	Yes	X	No	
3. Is the discharge outlet free of restrictive material?	Yes	X	No	
4. Is erosion occurring at the discharge outlet?	Yes		No X	
Evaluate the severity:	Extensive	Moderate	Just Starting	<div>None</div>

EMERGENCY SPILLWAY

1. Does it appear that the emergency spillway has discharged water since the last inspection?

YES ☐

NO ☒
2. Is erosion occurring at any section of the emergency spillway?

YES ☐

NO ☒

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES ☐

NO ☒

Explain: _____

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Water level continuous to decrease due to evaporation. No water has been pumped in or released.



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Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #8

Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This pond lies north of Highway 12 at the base of the refuse disposal area. The pond receives run-off form the refuse disposal area.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:	<div>Excellent</div>	Moderate	Few	Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:	<div>Extensive</div>	Some	Few	<div>None</div>
3. Is wave action causing erosion:				
On the upstream embankment?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
At the principal spillway inlet?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
Cause of erosion can be attributed to:				
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
Could this seepage cause potential instability?				

PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY

1. Is the principal spillway system in working order?	Yes	<div>X</div>	No	
2. Is the inlet free of debris and restrictive material?	Yes	<div>X</div>	No	
3. Is the discharge outlet free of restrictive material?	Yes	<div>X</div>	No	
4. Is erosion occurring at the discharge outlet?	Yes		No	<div>X</div>
Evaluate the severity:	Extensive	Moderate	Just Starting	<div>None</div>

EMERGENCY SPILLWAY

1. Does it appear that the emergency spillway has discharged water since the last inspection?

YES ☐

NO ☒
2. Is erosion occurring at any section of the emergency spillway?

YES ☐

NO ☒

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES ☐

NO ☒

Explain: Visual observation. Sediment cleaned out in May 2018

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Holding little water, nearly dry. No increase in sediment deposits this quarter.



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Mine: New Elk Pond 6
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

Pond 6 is a non-discharging facility designed to contain plant processing water. The plant has been idle since 1996 and the pond is now used to dewater other ponds prior to clean-out

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None
3. Is wave action causing erosion:
- On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X
- At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X
- Cause of erosion can be attributed to:
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X
- Could this seepage cause potential instability?

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES

NO

X

Explain: No design capacity.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Water level is very low.



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Mine: New Elk WP Containment #1
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This containment basin is a non-discharging facility designed to contain run-off from the West Portal Warehouse area.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None
3. Is wave action causing erosion:
- On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X
- At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X
- Cause of erosion can be attributed to:
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X
- Could this seepage cause potential instability?

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES

NO

X

Explain: Visual observation.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Containment area empty at time of inspection.

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Mine: New Elk WP Containment #2
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This containment basin is a non-discharging facility designed to contain run-off from the West Potal airshaft and manway areas.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None
3. Is wave action causing erosion:
- On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X
- At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X
- Cause of erosion can be attributed to:
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X
- Could this seepage cause potential instability?

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES

NO

X

Explain: Visual observation.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Cleaned last year, small amount of water.



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Mine: New Elk RDA Containment SW
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This partially incised containment basin is a non-discharging facility designed to contain run-off from the area west of the RDA belt conveyor and south of Highway 12.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None
3. Is wave action causing erosion:
- On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X
- At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X
- Cause of erosion can be attributed to:
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X
- Could this seepage cause potential instability?

No embankment, this is an incised containment basin.

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES

NO

X

Explain: Visual observation.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Containment Area is empty.



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Mine: New Elk RDA Containment SE
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This partially incised containment basin is a non-discharging facility designed to contain run-off from the area east of the RDA belt conveyor and south of Highway 12.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None
3. Is wave action causing erosion:
- On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X
- At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X
- Cause of erosion can be attributed to:
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X
- Could this seepage cause potential instability?

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES

NO

X

Explain: Visual observation.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Containment Area is empty.



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Mine: New Elk RDA Containment North
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Second Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 6/19/2019

General Description or Reference to Site Plan:

This partially incised containment basin is a non-discharging facility designed to contain run-off from the RDA belt conveyor area north of Highway 12.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:

Excellent

Moderate

Few

Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:

Extensive

Some

Few

None
3. Is wave action causing erosion:

No

X
- On the upstream embankment?

Yes

No

X
- At the principal spillway inlet?

Yes

No

X
4. Erosion of the downstream toe of the embankment?

Yes

No

X
- Cause of erosion can be attributed to:
5. Is seepage occurring through the dam?

Yes

No

X
- Could this seepage cause potential instability?

No embankment, this is an incised containment basin.

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?

YES


NO

X

Explain: Visual observation.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Containment Area is holding water. Sediment can be removed if conditions allow.

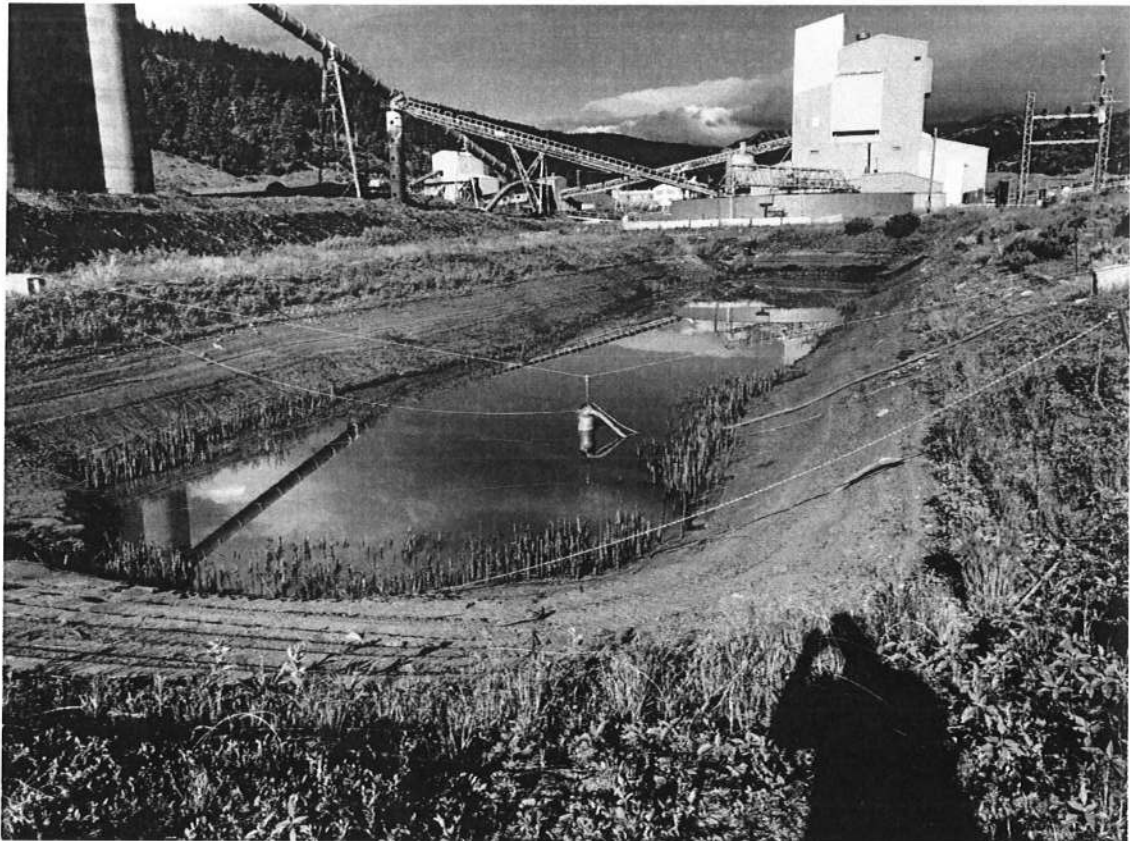


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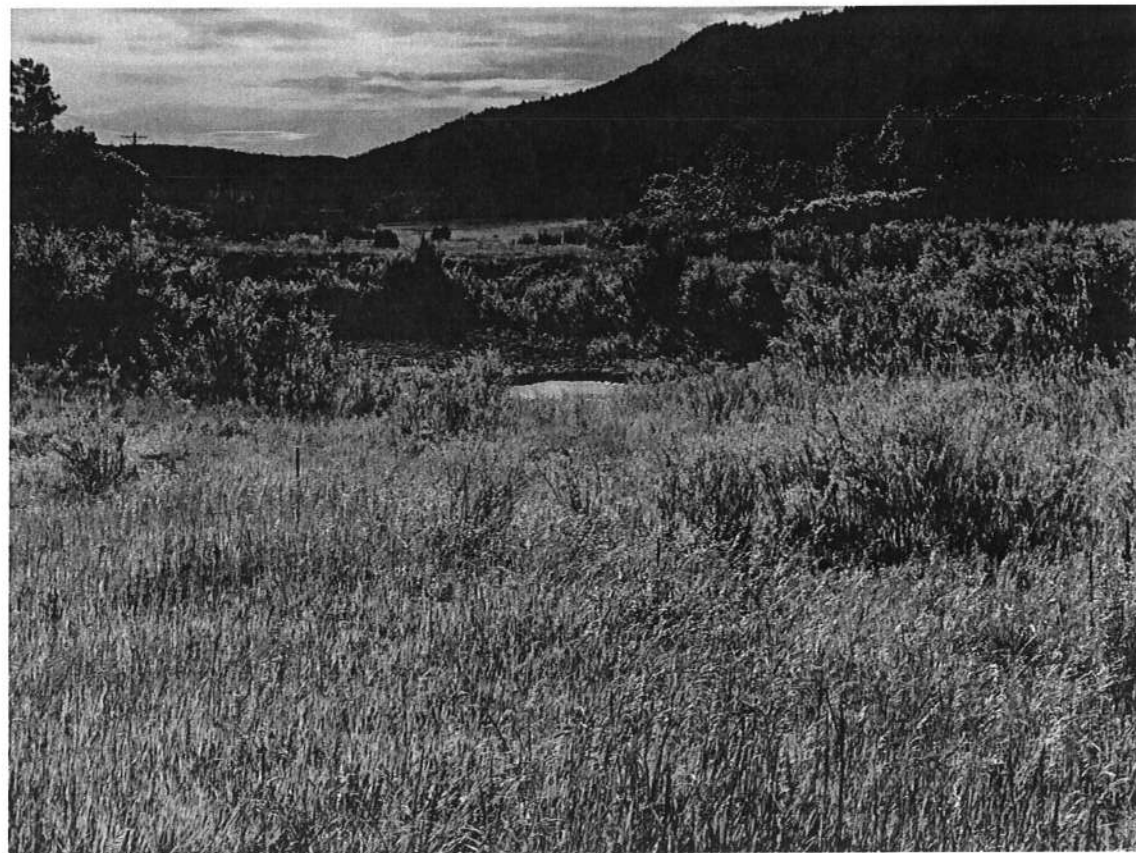
Pond 6



Pond 8



Containment Area #1



Containment Area #2



Containment Area RDA North



Containment Area RDA SW

