

QUARTERLY SEDIMENTATION POND INSPECTION REPORT

CDMR Rule 4.05.9(17)

Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #1

Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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	<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: No sediment in pond

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Pond liner is in good working condition at time of inspection.



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Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #4

Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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:	<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?				

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	<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.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Pond is holding water but is not close to discharging.

Vince Massaro
MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR
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Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #7

Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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	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: Visual observation. Pond cleaned in early 2017.

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Pond is holding a foot of water, not near the max water level.

Vince Meseroll

MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine: New Elk

NPDES ID. No.: Pond #8

Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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 from the refuse disposal area.

EMBANKMENT

1. Adequacy of the vegetative cover:	Excellent	<div>Moderate</div>	Few	Poor
2. Erosion forming Gullies:	Extensive	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? _____				

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	<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. Sediment cleaned out in May 2018

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Pond is holding water, not near the decant level. No new sediment has been deposited.

Vince Marsuetti

MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine: New Elk Pond 6
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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 low, not close to full.

Vince Hasselrott

MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine: New Elk WP Containment #1
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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 has little water, water is frozen.

Vince Massaro
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Mine: New Elk WP Containment #2
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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:	<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?				

SEDIMENT STORAGE CAPACITY

1. Has the design storage capacity of the reservoir been surpassed?	YES	NO
		X
Explain: <u>Visual observation.</u>		

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

Cleaned last year, no water in containment.

Vince Massaratti
MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine: New Elk RDA Containment SE
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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 dry.

Vince Mangano
MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine: New Elk RDA Containment SW
NPDES ID. No.: None
Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019
Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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 dry.

Vince Massuath
MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Mine: New Elk RDA Containment North

NPDES ID. No.: None

Inspection Period: Fourth Quarter 2019

Inspection Date: 11/26/2019

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:
- 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. Sediment will be cleaned from containment within 6 months.

Vincent Massaruth

MSHA CERTIFIED IMPOUNDMENT INSPECTOR

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Pond 1 – Looking East



Pond 1 – Looking North at Discharge



Pond 4



Pond 6



Pond 7



Pond 8



Containment Area #2



Containment Area RDA North



Containment Area RDA Southwest