



April 13, 2020

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Re: Horton Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1985-135, Status of Required Corrective Actions

Mr. Hersh:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) is providing the following status update on the corrective actions required by the inspection report mailed on March 9, 2020 for the Horton Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1985-135:

INSPECTION TOPIC: Signs & Markers

PROBLEM: The mine identification sign was not posted at the entrance of the mine site. This is a problem for failure to post a mine identification sign as required by Rule 3.1.12(1).

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator shall, at the entrance of the mine site, post a sign which shall be clearly visible from the access road, with a minimum size equaling 187 square inches, such as 11 inches in height by 17 inches in width, with appropriate font size, including the following: the name of the operator and operation name, a statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board (can be abbreviated to "CMLRB"); and the permit number. By the corrective action date, the operator shall submit photo documentation that a proper sign has been posted.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: April 8, 2020

STATUS UPDATE: *On April 9, 2020, the operator provided photographic evidence that an appropriate mine identification sign was placed (on March 10) at the main site entrance. Therefore, the Division considers this problem to be abated.*

INSPECTION TOPIC: Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan

PROBLEM: The current mining plan and mining plan map need to be updated pursuant to Rules 6.4.3 and 6.4.4. The operator must provide sufficient information to describe or identify how the operator intends to conduct the operation. Specifically, the operator has installed stormwater management structures (riprap channels, buried culvert), a new access road, and a county staging area, which are not included in the approved mining plan or portrayed on the approved mining plan map.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: By the corrective action date, the operator shall submit a Technical Revision, with the required \$216 fee, to update the current approved mining plan and mining plan map to reflect existing and proposed activities at the site, particularly to address the stormwater management structures, new access road, and county staging area constructed at the site.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: May 8, 2020



STATUS UPDATE: *This problem has not been abated at this time.*

INSPECTION TOPIC: Gen. Compliance With Reclamation Plan

PROBLEM: The current reclamation plan and reclamation plan map need to be updated pursuant to Rules 6.4.5 and 6.4.6. The operator must describe how reclamation will be achieved on all affected land. Specifically, the operator has installed stormwater management structures (riprap lined channels, buried culvert), a new access road, and a county staging area, which are not included in the approved reclamation plan or portrayed on the approved reclamation plan map.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: By the corrective action date, the operator shall submit a Technical Revision, with the required \$216 fee (can be same revision submitted for problem cited above), to update the current approved reclamation plan and reclamation plan map to reflect existing and proposed activities at the site, particularly to address the stormwater management structures, new access road, and county staging area constructed at the site. Any of these features proposed to remain for reclamation shall be portrayed on the updated reclamation plan map.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: May 8, 2020

STATUS UPDATE: *This problem has not been abated at this time.*

If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129, or by email at amy.eschberger@state.co.us.

Sincerely,



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