




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.

MINE NAME: Chambers Gravel Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1979-075	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Garfield
INSPECTION TYPE: Surety Release Inspection	INSPECTOR(S): Amy Yeldell	INSP. DATE: May 21, 2020	INSP. TIME: 09:00
OPERATOR: Oldcastle SW Group, Inc	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Jason Burkey	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Surety Release Requested	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$14,360.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: May 26, 2020	

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>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>N</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>N</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>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>NA</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>NA</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</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>NA</u>	(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 in response the request for full/final release (SL-2) submitted to the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division), on March 2, 2020. Jason Burkey and Tyra Bartuska represented the operator and accompanied Amy Yeldell of the Division on the inspection. The Chambers Gravel Pit is a 24.43 acre 112c site operated by Oldcastle Southwest Group, Inc. dba United Companies. The post mining land use is wildlife habitat.

In 2011 due to high run off the pit was captured by the Colorado River. The majority of the southwest corner of the pit was captured. Only the northeast, north and a small western portion of the highwalls were reclaimed. This site has struggled in the past to establish vegetation, largely due to grazing.

All slopes appear to be properly sloped to a 3H: 1V or less. The bank armoring/ stabilization measures remain in place and appear to be effective. A new sheep fence has been installed between the Chambers Gravel Pit (M-1979-075) and the adjoining Chambers Pit (M-1979-205). This fence will help to delineate the two permits as well as contain grazing animals after permit termination. A road remains along the northern bank for the landowners use. No excessive signs of erosion were observed. All other areas have been successfully revegetated. Vegetation appears to be adequate and sustainable. There are some Russian Olive and Tamarisk on site. These noxious weeds are not cited as a problem or the reason for denial since the Division believes this site is a sink rather than the source. Additionally these species do provide wildlife habitat and do not degrade the post mining land use.

Bases on this inspection it is determined that the Operator has successfully complied with the requirements of the Act, Rules and Regulations, and the approved Reclamation Plan, and the permit area is ready to be released from any further reclamation responsibility. The decision document for SL-2 request will be sent under a separate cover.

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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Enclosure

PHOTOGRAPHS





Photo Two: Mature trees and bushes have established.

