




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: Fork Horn Mesa Subdivision	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2008-044	MINERAL: Gravel	COUNTY: La Plata
INSPECTION TYPE: Surety Release Inspection	INSPECTOR(S): Lucas West	INSP. DATE: May 19, 2020	INSP. TIME: 14:00
OPERATOR: Palmer Pipe & Construction, LLC	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: None	TYPE OF OPERATION: 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Surety Release Requested	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$3,523.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Raining	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: June 4, 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>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>N</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>N</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>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>N</u>	

Y = Inspected and found in compliance / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted in response to the Operator's request for Full Permit Release. The Fork Horn Mesa Subdivision site is listed as an active 110(c) operation located 12.5 miles southeast of Durango, CO on Fork Horn Court, at nearly 6742 feet in elevation. No Operator representative was present during the inspection. The site consists of 3.85 permitted acres with only approximately 2 acres affected. The Division currently holds \$3,523.00 in Financial Warranty for the site. The site was not active during the inspection. Two Photos accompany this site.

No mining or reclamation equipment was present on site. This area was not the actual site of excavation, the material was generated when an oil and gas well pad was constructed nearby. The material was stockpiled on site to be processed, used and sold. The affected lands consist of a small topsoil stockpile that was scraped back to create a location for the material to be stockpiled. A recent Technical Revision was approved to allow the remaining stockpiles to remain on site for landowner use. The stockpiles that remain on site are permitted to exist upon approval of the release. The topsoil stockpile is small, nearly knee high, and appears to be stable. It has been vegetated with volunteer species and shows no signs or significant erosion. The topsoil stockpile can be seen in Photo One.

The material stockpile is one consolidated stockpile estimated at approximately 250 cubic yards. The stockpile appears to be stable and in good condition. No signs of settling, slumping or erosion was observed. Evidence of recent hauling activity was observed. Photo Two shows the stockpiled material. All areas around the stockpiles are well vegetated with volunteer species. No state listed noxious weeds were noted on site during the inspection.

The overall footprint of the site is in good condition and free from any trash and debris. No signs of significant erosion, settling or slumping was observed during the inspection. There are no problems or possible violations at this time. Based on the observations made during this inspection, Division staff has determined the Operator has completed the reclamation of the site in accordance with the Act, Rules and Regulations and the Approved Reclamation plan. Therefore, staff is approving the Full and Final Release of the Entire Permitted Area. Please see the enclosed Surety Release SL-01 Approval Letter for details

All responses to this report should be directed to Lucas West at the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO, 80203, by phone at 303-866-3567 Ext. 8187 or by email at lucas.west@state.co.us.

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Enclosure: M-2008-044 SL-01 Approval Letter

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo One: View southwest showing the topsoil stockpile that remains on site. The stockpile was stable at the time of the inspection and well vegetated. All stockpiles located on site are permitted to stay post release of the Permit.



Photo Two: View southwest showing the material stockpile located on site. The stockpile is stable and well vegetated. Signs of recent hauling were observed and confirmed to be conducted by the landowner. No material has left the site.