




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: Winter Ranch Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1985-165	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Las Animas
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Daniel Cunningham	INSP. DATE: May 14, 2020	INSP. TIME: 11:00
OPERATOR: Arthur A. Winter	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Arthur Winter	TYPE OF OPERATION: 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$13,500.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	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>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</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>Y</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>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>Y</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</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 was a routine monitoring inspection conducted at the Winter Ranch Pit by DRMS representative DJ Cunningham. Arthur Winter, the Operator of Winter Ranch Pit was also present during the inspection. This site is an inactive, 9.5 acre, 110c permit located in Las Animas County.

The site identification sign was posted at the mine site entrance and the permit boundary was marked. The pit walls have been graded to 3H:1V, the slopes are stable, and no erosional issues were noted. The Operator has spent since 2017 seeding the site to establish good vegetation for release. Previous inspections noted tamarisk plants, however at the time of this inspection no tamarisk were noted.

The Operator has shown due diligence in removing the invasive weeds and establishing good vegetation throughout the site. At this time, if the Operator were to submit a Performance and Financial Warranty Release Request Form, which can be found on our website, within 30 day of receiving this inspection report, the Division would approve the request.

Included in this report are pictures of the site and the mine entrance sign.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Bottom of pit floor facing West



Photo 2: Bottom of pit floor facing East



Photo 3: Bottom of pit floor facing South



Photo 4: Mine Entrance sign

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