

MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT PHONE: (303) 866-3567

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:	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL:	COUNTY:	
Dowe Flats Mine	M-1993-041	Limestone (general) and shale	Boulder	
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:	
Monitoring	Amy Eschberger	June 3, 2020	14:15	
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:		
CEMEX, Inc.	Cita Cisse, Robin Bay	112c - Construction Regular Operation		
REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:		
Normal I&E Program	Complete Bond	\$3,389,460.00		
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:		
NA	None	None		
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE	SIGNATURE DATE:	
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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>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY <u>N</u>	(RD) ROADS <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE <u>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING <u>N</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING <u>N</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES N	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>N</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP <u>N</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE <u>N</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 follow-up inspection of the Dowe Flats Mine (Permit No. M-1993-041) conducted by Amy Eschberger of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). The operator was represented during the inspection by Cita Cisse and Robin Bay. The site is located approximately two miles east of Lyons, CO in Boulder County. Access to the site is off of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy. **Photos 1-6** taken during the inspection are included with this report.

The primary focus of this inspection was to follow up on the problems cited in the Division's last inspection report sent on December 10, 2019. Because the operator submitted a Technical Revision (TR-04) with the appropriate fee on February 10, 2020 to address these issues, the Division considers the problems to be abated at this time. However, TR-04 is still under review and the required financial warranty for the site is being evaluated as part of this revision. The Division issued a 4th adequacy review letter for TR-04 on May 6, 2020, and is awaiting the operator's response. The remaining adequacy items pertain to the Division's bond estimate and the proposed revegetation plan for the site.

During the inspection, the Division discussed TR-04 and the associated bond estimate with the operator. Given the complexity of the estimate and the significant amount of financial warranty increase involved, the operator requested more time to review the estimate and provide additional comments. On June 4, 2020, the Division approved the operator's request to extend the TR-04 decision date by 60 days, to August 8, 2020. Once TR-04 has been approved, the Division will issue the operator a notice of surety increase for the amount determined in the revision. The operator will then have 60 days to post the additional required financial warranty for the site. Until such time, the currently held financial warranty (\$3,389,460.00) is considered inadequate for reclaiming the site in accordance with the approved reclamation plan.

After conducting the last inspection, the Division was unable to find updated mining and reclamation plan maps in the permit file which depict the entire approved permit boundary and affected land boundary, particularly the portion located south of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy. Since then, the operator has provided updated maps (in TR-04) showing the entire approved permit boundary (see enclosed maps). During the inspection, the Division observed the portion of the permit area located south of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy in correlation with the permit boundary shown on the updated maps. Portions of the southern permit boundary are delineated by features such as roads, making them easier to trace in the field. For example, the eastern boundary follows the eastern edge of the maintenance road that runs along the eastern edge of the above-ground conveyor system. Other portions of the southern boundary, particularly the portion closer to Hwy 66/Ute Hwy, were more difficult to trace due to their lack of delineation in the field. The Division understands a portion of the southern permit boundary overlaps the permit area for the operator's other permit boundary to be marked by monuments or other markers that are clearly visible and adequate to delineate such boundaries. Therefore, the operator will need to place posts or other markers at least at the corners of the approved permit boundary so it can be easily traced in the field. The Division will follow up on this matter during its next inspection.

This concludes the report.

Any questions or comments regarding this inspection report should be forwarded to Amy Eschberger at the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, via telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129, or via email at <u>amy.eschberger@state.co.us.</u>

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1. View looking south along eastern permit boundary (south of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy; approximate location indicated with yellow dashed line), which follows eastern edge of maintenance road that runs north-south along conveyor system.



Photo 2. View looking north along eastern permit boundary (south of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy; approximate location indicated with yellow dashed line), which follows eastern edge of maintenance road that runs north-south along above-ground conveyor system.



Photo 3. View looking south along eastern permit boundary (south of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy; approximate location indicated with yellow dashed line), which terminates in the vicinity of the large tree in the background. The corners of the permit boundary need to be marked with posts or other markers.



Photo 4. View looking west toward stockpiling area (on other side of berm) where conveyor deposits material mined and crushed in northern portion of permit area, north of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy. The area shown in this photo is included in the southern portion of the permit area for Dowe Flats Mine.



Photo 5. View looking east across maintenance road which crosses railroad tracks then runs south adjacent to conveyor system. A portion of the permit boundary (south of Hwy 66/Ute Hwy) runs along the northern edge of this road (approximate location indicated with yellow dashed line).



Photo 6. View looking north from main access road. The permit area includes this portion of the access road and extends to the east and west of the road. The corners of the permit boundary in this area need to be marked with posts or other markers.

PERMIT #: M-1993-041 INSPECTOR'S INITIALS: AME INSPECTION DATE: June 3, 2020

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- Encls: Affected area map, submitted with TR-4 Mining plan map, submitted with TR-4 Reclamation plan map, submitted with TR-4
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