




**MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT**  
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The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Holsinger Gravel Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1980-052	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Jackson
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Peter Hays	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> June 25, 2020	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 12:00
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Keith Holsinger	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Keith Holsinger	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program		<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Partial Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$20,000.00
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA		<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None
<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 		<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> July 7, 2020

**The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.**

**INSPECTION TOPIC:** Boundary Markers

**PROBLEM:** The affected area boundary markers were missing or incorrectly placed. This is a problem for failure to maintain boundary markers around the affected area as required by Rule 3.1.12(2).

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The Operator shall conduct a survey and replace the boundary markers in the correct location(s). The Operator shall provide proof to the Division that this has been done by the corrective action date.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 8/06/20

## **OBSERVATIONS**

The Holsinger Gravel Pit was inspected by Peter Hays with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) as part of the Division's monitoring inspection program. Mr. Keith Holsinger was present during the inspection. The site was previously inspected by the Division on August 1, 2018.

The site is located approximately 3 miles southeast of Walden, CO on State Highway 14. The site is an 110c operation permitted for 9.9 acres. The site was not active during the inspection and appeared unchanged since the last inspection. The Operator reported the last date of excavation, processing or hauling activity occurred on October 15, 2019. Two product stockpiles are located east of the current highwall. A firewood operation including a pile of logs and a wood splitter was located north of the pit floor.

The Division currently holds a financial warranty in the amount of \$20,000.00, which appears adequate to reclaim the site based on the observation from this inspection. An entrance sign was posted as required by Rule 3.1.12.

As mentioned in previous inspection reports, the Operator submitted photographs of the replaced boundary markers requested in the November 13, 2013 inspection report. Based on aerial images of the site, the Division believes the location of boundary markers indicates an area greater than the approved 9.99 acre site. As cited as a problem above, the Operator must conduct a professional survey of the site to confirm the current disturbance area is contained within the approved 9.9 acre permit boundary by the corrective action due date.

The approved post-mining land use is rangeland. No reclamation was completed since the last inspection. A large well-vegetated topsoil stockpile is located in the southwest corner of the site. The pit floor and pit slopes are covered with volunteered vegetation. The site appeared stable with no erosion features observed during the inspection. No noxious weeds were identified during the inspection.

Photographs taken during the inspection are attached. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact me at Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, by telephone at 303.866.3567 x 8124, or by email at [peter.hays@state.co.us](mailto:peter.hays@state.co.us).

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## PHOTOGRAPHS



Holsinger Gravel Pit mine sign



View of the current highwall and pit floor





View of the product stockpiles located east of the current highwall



View of the firewood operation in the northern portion of the site



View of the site from the topsoil stockpile looking northeast

### GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>N</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----- <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>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <b>PB</b>	(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