




**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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Limon Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2013-080	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Lincoln
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Daniel Cunningham	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> August 11, 2020	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 09:45
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Pine Bluffs Gravel & Excavating, Inc.	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> N/A	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Complete Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$239,213.00
<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> August 26, 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:** Right of Entry

**PROBLEM:** Failure to maintain legal right of entry per Rule 6.4.14

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The permittee/operator must provide proof of legal right to enter and conduct mining and reclamation operations.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 10/26/20

**INSPECTION TOPIC:** Signs & Markers

**PROBLEM:** The mine identification sign was not posted at the entrance of the mine site. This is a problem for failure to post a mine identification sign as required by Section 3.1.12(1) of the rule.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The operator shall, at the entrance of the mine site, post a sign which shall be clearly visible from the access road with the following: the name of the operator, a statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board; and the permit number. The operator shall submit photo documentation that a proper sign has been posted by the corrective action date.

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### **OBSERVATIONS**

This was a routine monitoring inspection conducted at the Limon Pit site by DRMS representative DJ Cunningham. The Operator was not present during the inspection. This site is an active, 108.04 acre, 112c permit, where no acres has been disturbed to date. The site was not active at the time of the inspection.

The site identification sign was not posted at the mine entrance. This is cited as a problem at the beginning of the report. Pine Bluffs Gravel will need to submit proof a sign has been placed at the entrance. The sign will need to follow Rule 3.1.12.

Before the inspection began, the land owner drove up to the entrance of the mine to speak to the inspector. Mr. Bill Craig, land owner, informed the inspector that the Operator did not renew their lease at the beginning of the year. This is cited as a problem at the beginning of the report. Pine Bluffs Gravel will need to provide a copy of their legal right to enter to the Division in accordance with Rule 6.4.14.

The land owner stated that he did not believe any mining has taken place on the site. This is in line with the annual reports submitted for the site. The site was found to be in good condition with no major issues noted.

If the Operator does not intend to mine the site they can submit a "Performance and Financial Warranty Release Request Form" within 30 days of the date of this letter and as long as the problems found during this inspection are corrected, the Division would approve the release of the site. If the Operator intends to mine the area, they will need to provide proof of a legal right to enter.

The Division currently holds a corporate surety in the amount of \$239,213.00. Based on the observations made during this inspection, the Division finds this amount is adequate for reclamation.

**PHOTOGRAPHS**



Where the Entrance Sign Should be



Facing North



Facing South



Facing West

### **GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS**

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

(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>PB</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 / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

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Enclosure

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