




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: Diamond Rock Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2000-047	MINERAL: Gravel	COUNTY: Huerfano
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Patrick Lennberg	INSP. DATE: August 26, 2020	INSP. TIME: 10:00
OPERATOR: Diamond B Enterprises, LLC	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Anthony Blasi	TYPE OF OPERATION: 110c - Construction Limited Impact	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$16,000.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: September 2, 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: Reclamation Success

PROBLEM: Failure to follow approved reclamation plan, and failure to carry reclamation to completion in a reasonable timeframe pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32.5-116. The operator must follow approved reclamation plan or provide sufficient information to describe or identify how the operator intends to conduct reclamation.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator shall begin reclamation activities within 60 days of the date on the inspection report. The operator shall submit a Technical Revision, with the required \$216 revision fee, to update and clarify the current approved reclamation plan to reflect existing conditions once reclamation has been completed.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 11/1/2020

OBSERVATIONS

The Diamond Rock Pit was inspected by Patrick Lennberg with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS). The inspection was completed as part of the Division's routine monitoring inspection program. The site was previously inspected by the Division on May 12, 2016 as part of the Division's routine monitoring. Anthony Blasi, the Operator, accompanied me during the inspection as did the land owner Bob Andreatta. The weather was clear and warm.

The Diamond Rock Pit is located in Huerfano County approximately 6 miles southeast of La Veta and 12 miles southwest of Walsenburg, CO. It is accessed 1.3 miles from the junction of County Roads 340 and 344. The pit is a 110 construction materials permit for 9.9 acres. The primary commodity that was mined at the site was sand and gravel. The approved post-mining land use is rangeland.

The last activity at the pit is estimated to be May 2006, since that time nothing has occurred at the site including reclamation. Failure to conduct reclamation in a timely manner is being cited as a problem in this report. I was met at the pit by the land owner Bob and the Operator Anthony. During the inspection it was discussed what reclamation needed to occur at the site. It was agreed that the shallow pit area located on the western portion of the disturbed area would be filled in using the adjacent rocky topsoil stockpiles. There are a few minor stockpiles of material that can also be used to fill in the area if needed otherwise the material can be feathered into the surrounding area. Both agreed that minimizing disturbance to the natural vegetation that has volunteered into the pit area was a priority. There is a large stockpile of topsoil material that has a well-established vegetative cover on it that will remain after reclamation is complete. The Operator will need to submit a Technical Revision after reclamation grading and seeding has been completed to update the reclamation plan map to indicate the topsoil stockpile will remain after reclamation is complete. The landowner will have to sign an affidavit agreeing to leave the topsoil stockpile in place.

As indicated above the affected area has volunteered native vegetation that has become well established. Few annual weeds were noted. The slopes have been graded to 3H:1V or shallower throughout the affected area.

The Division evaluated the financial warranty and determined the current bond amount held by the Division is adequate at this time.

Photographs taken during the inspection are attached.

Please contact Patrick Lennberg (303)866-3567 ext. 8114 or email at patrick.lennberg@state.co.us if you have any questions regarding this report.

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Looking south across the topsoil stockpile that will remain after TR approval

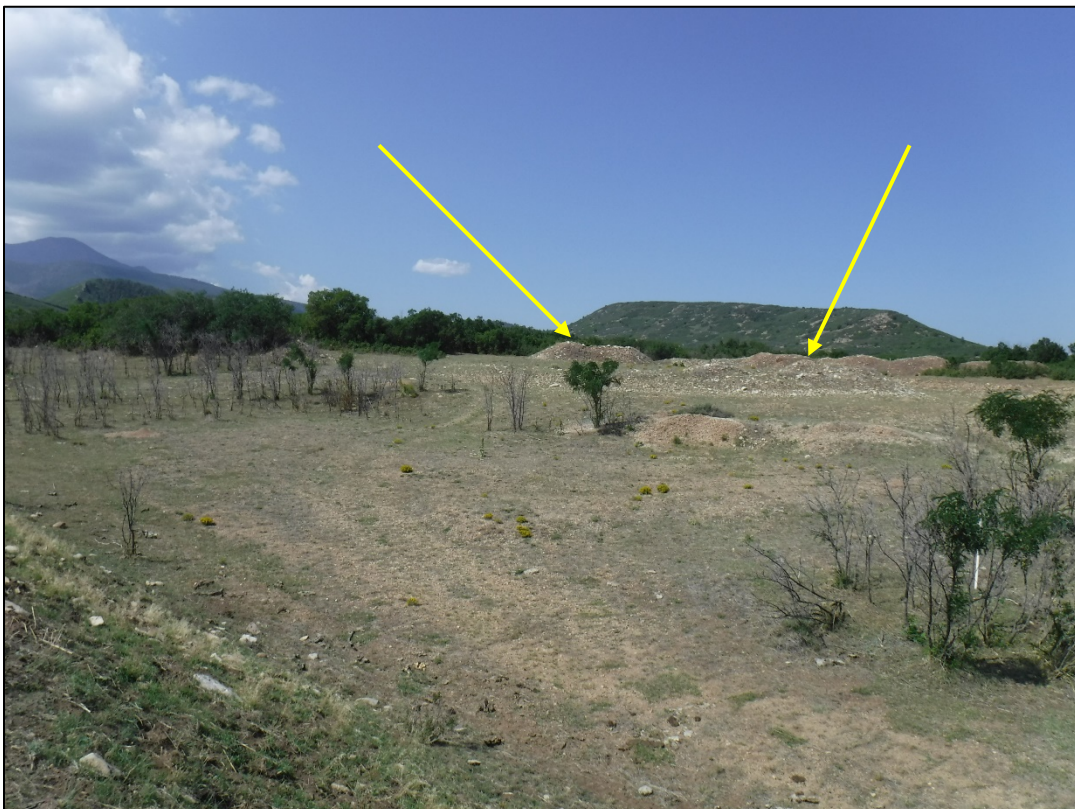


Photo 2: Looking west from the topsoil stockpile, the stockpiles (yellow arrow) will be used for grading



Photo 3: Looking north along the topsoil stockpile



Photo 4: Typical vegetation conditions



Photo 5: Shallow pit area (dashed line) that will be filled in with adjacent stockpiled material



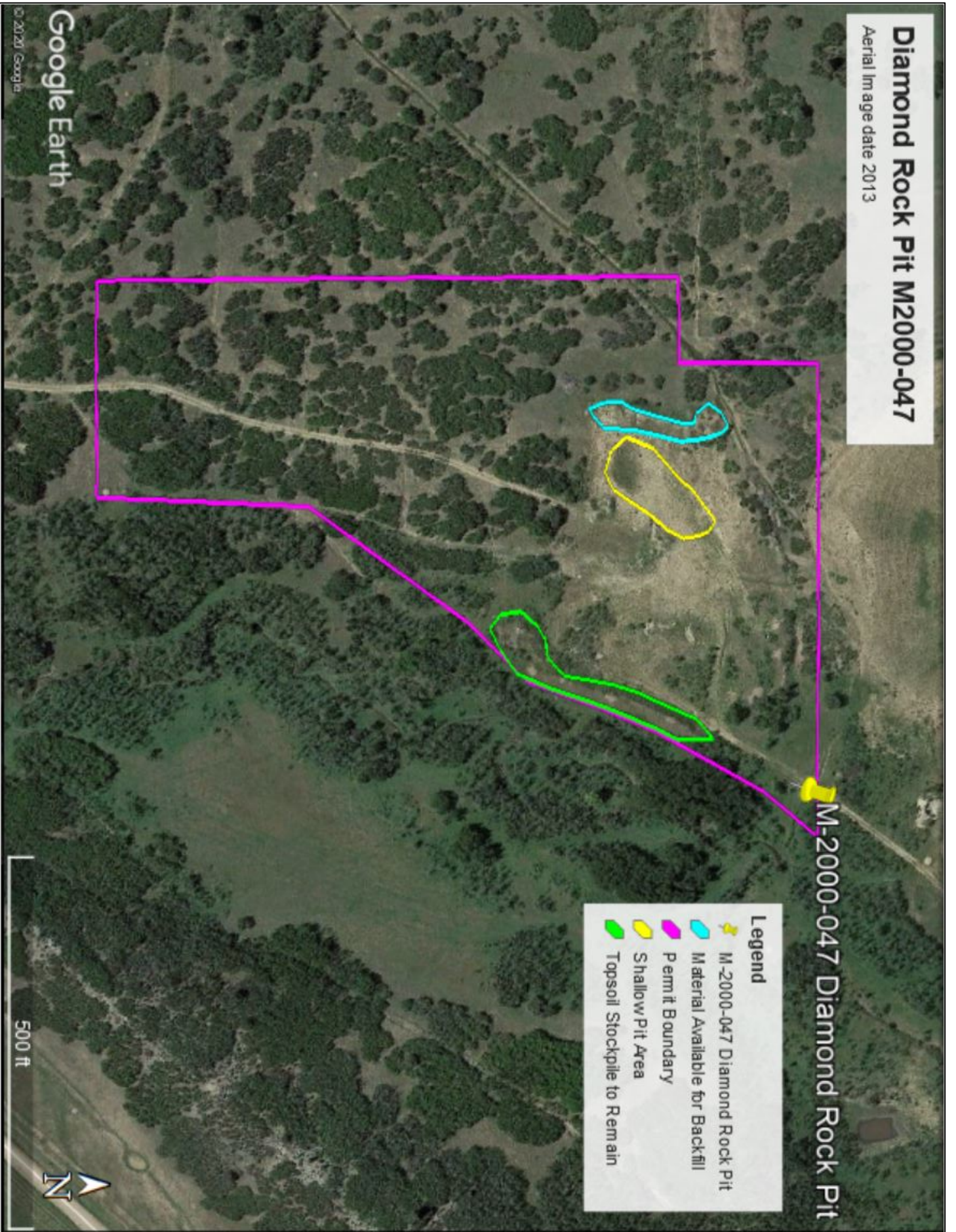
Photo 6: Shallow pit area looking northeast



Photo 7: Shallow pit area looking northeast looking along pit floor



Photo 8: Looking east towards topsoil stockpile across shallow pit area



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>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</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>N</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>PB</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</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