




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: Bear River S & G	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1986-040	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Routt
INSPECTION TYPE: Surety-Related Inspection	INSPECTOR(S): Tabetha Lynch	INSP. DATE: March 31, 2021	INSP. TIME: 14:00
OPERATOR: Bear River Sand and Gravel, LLC	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Ron Simon	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Priority	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$37,600.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: May 4, 2021	

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>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</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>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</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

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety in response to the Succession of Operator approval on February 19, 2021. Bear River S&G, is a 112c permit site that includes a total of 25 permitted acres of which approximately 7 of the 7.5 acre maximum are currently disturbed. It is located approximately 20 miles west of Steamboat Springs, CO and is accessed from Highway 40. Ron Simon representing Bear River Sand and Gravel, LLC, the current operator; Ed Macarthur with Alpine aggregates and Tabettha Lynch of the Division were present on the inspections.

The mine identification sign and affected area boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The access road has a locked gate with the identification sign attached. The site was active at the time of inspection and has been operating. The cement batch plant building has been removed, however this building was permitted to remain on site post reclamation and was not previously included in the cost estimate. The site has been cleaned up since the last inspection. Due to the time of year this inspection did not note weeds on site as the previous inspection noted. The operator should work to maintain a weed free site. The operator is encouraged to consult with Routt County's weed specialist at weed@co.routt.co.us.

Stockpiled materials were present onsite. The site appeared stable with no evidence of erosion. The topsoil and overburden piles appeared stable. The western portion of the site has previously been mined and graded. No seeding is noted to have occurred, and due to the time of year of this inspection no species were noted. In the previous inspection it was noted that the reclaimed area had yellow sweet clover, perennial grasses, willow and weeds.

The Division updated the reclamation cost estimate, which was last updated in 2015. A copy of the staff calculations will be sent under separate cover. The current Financial Warranty in place is sufficient to cover the reclamation at the site and a Surety Increase will not be initiated as a result of the approval of SO2.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Tabettha Lynch at the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver CO 80203 or via email at Tabetha.Lynch@state.co.us.

PHOTOGRAPHS





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