

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:
Diamond Rock Pit		M-2000-047	Gravel	Huerfano
INSPECTION TYPE:		INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Surety-Related Inspection		Patrick Lennberg	July 28, 2021	13:00
OPERATOR:		OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Diamond B Enterprises, LLC		Anthony Blasi	110c - Construction Limited Impact	
REASON FOR INSPECTION:		BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:	
Surety Related		Complete Bond	\$16,000.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT:		POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:	
NA		None	None	
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:		SIGNATURE DATE:	
Clear	Patrick Ly		August 5, 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>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY Y	(RD) ROADS <u>N</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 N	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION Y
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP Y
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION \underline{Y}	(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

OBSERVATIONS

The Diamond Rock Pit was inspected by Patrick Lennberg and Jared Ebert with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS). The inspection was completed as part of a surety and acreage reduction requests, submitted in accordance with Rules 4.14 and 4.17, received by the Division on July 14, 2021. The site was previously inspected by the Division on August 26, 2020 as part of the Division's routine monitoring. Anthony Blasi, the Operator, accompanied us during the inspection. 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 mine was not active at the time of inspection and has been in final reclamation for a number of years. Since the last inspection the operator has backfilled a shallow rocky depression and reseeded the recently graded area. However, the operator has not submitted a Technical Revision (TR) after reclamation grading and seeding has been completed to update the reclamation plan map to indicate the topsoil and other stockpiles will remain after reclamation is complete. The need for a TR was included in the last inspection report. Also required with the TR is a signed affidavit from the landowner agreeing to leave the topsoil and other stockpiles in place after the completion of reclamation.

The Division will approve release of acreage that was not affected by mining, totaling 5.2 acres, to the south of the affected 4.7 acres. The new permitted acreage will include the topsoil and other small stockpiles to remain after reclamation is complete. Once the TR is submitted and approved the operator may apply for final release of the permit. If the TR is approved and a final release request within 30 days of issuing this inspection report the Division will not have to perform another inspection.

The surety reduction request was to reduce the bond amount to \$2,000. Because a TR is needed to address the topsoil and other stockpiles the Division still must retain sufficient bond to reclaim these piles. The Division estimates \$8,374 is needed to reclaim the site, a reduction of \$7,626 for the currently held amount of \$16,000.

Photographs taken during the inspection are attached.

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

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Mine sign on the topsoil stockpile that will remain after TR approval



Photo 2: Regraded and seeded portion of the pit area



Photo 3: Looking northeast towards the mine entrance



Photo 4: Looking southeast across the pit area, topsoil stockpile behind trucks



Photo 5: A small stockpile of material indicated to remain after reclamation, needs to be shown on map

Diamond Rock Pit M2000-047 Imagery Date 2013

Legend

- Material Available for Backfill
 Permit Boundary 9.9 acres
- Proposed Permit Boundary 4.7 acres
- 🥖 Shallow Pit Area
- 🥖 Topsoil Stockpile to Remain

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