




**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> Quinn Draw Gravel Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2002-049	<b>MINERAL:</b> Gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Rio Blanco
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Amy Yeldell	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> August 10, 2021	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 12:45
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Rio Blanco County	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Clint Chappell	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> None	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$0.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> DRMS	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> August 16, 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>NA</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>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>NA</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>NA</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>Y</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>NA</u>	

Y = Inspected / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) normal monitoring program. The Quinn Draw Pit is a 110c permitted site that includes a total of 9.9 acres. The site is located nine miles northeast of Rangely, Colorado and is accessed from County Road 122. Clint Chappell and James Haggart represented the operator and accompanied Amy Yeldell of the Division on the inspection. No financial warranty is held for this site as it is operated by Rio Blanco County, per Rule 4.1.2(2).

The mine identification sign and affected area boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. A sign is attached to the gate at the permit entrance. The permit boundary is clearly delineated by t-posts covered with a white PVC sleeve.

The pit was active at the time of the inspection. A loader was observed and material was being hauled off site. Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Companies of Mesa County has hauled processed material out of their White River City Pit (M-2006-084) and is storing it in the Quinn Draw Pit to stage it closer to a job. To support this work United has a fuel tank placed over a secondary containment. There is also a slip tank on site, this should be removed or placed in a secondary containment structure.

The county is done mining at this pit, no additional excavation or processing will occur. Final reclamation will not commence until all of the processed material is utilized. Topsoil is stored above the perimeter highwalls on the east and west sides of the pit. A non-potable water tank is on site to use for dust suppression when necessary. No other processing equipment, structures, fuel, etc. were stored on site.

Stormwater controls are properly employed with no signs of erosion. Overall the site is kept in good working order with little to no weeds were observed. Native vegetation has volunteered in some areas. No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to: Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 303-866-3567 Ext 8183 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

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**PHOTOGRAPHS**









