




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: Pheasant Run Gravel Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2007-069	MINERAL: Gravel, sand borrow	COUNTY: Pueblo
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Patrick Lennberg	INSP. DATE: November 2, 2021	INSP. TIME: 08:00
OPERATOR: Tony J. Beltramo and Sons, Inc.	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: None	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$74,895.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Cloudy	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: November 9, 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>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>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</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

OBSERVATIONS

The Pheasant Run Gravel 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 March 1, 2017 as part of the routine monitoring program. A representative from Tony J. Beltramo and Sons, Inc., operator, was unable to attend the inspection. The weather was overcast.

The Pheasant Run Gravel Pit is a 112c operation that is permitted for 92.7 acres with all 92.7 acres approved to be affected. The permit is on property owned by Nepesta 2022 LLC. The pit is located in Pueblo County, approximately 7 miles west of Fowler, CO. The access road is 0.3 mile east of the intersection of U.S. Hwy 50 and County Road 721. The site entrance is located off the access road about 1/8 mile north of U.S. Hwy 50. The approved post-mining land use is rangeland and the land surrounding the pit is a mix of rangeland and agriculture. A mine sign was posted at the mine entrance pursuant to Rule 3.1.12.

The pit was active at the time of inspection, a haul truck was loaded with material from a stockpile. The permit area is divided into two sections. The first section is north of the High Line Canal, this section is approximately 12 acres. This was the first area to be mined and the majority of the area is in final reclamation. A minor amount of the area is used for miscellaneous mining activities, loading and off-loading equipment etc. The second area is south of the canal and is approximately 23 acres in size. This is where current mining activities are taking place. The pit floor is approximately 4 acres in size and is accessed via two haul roads. Highwalls surround the floor area, 1,850 feet of highwall along the east, north and west are, on average, already graded to 1H:1V slope and vary in height from 10 to 20 feet. Along the southern side of the pit floor the highwall is 950 feet long and is near vertical and is approximately the same height as the other highwall. An area to the south of the southern highwall has been stripped in preparation for mining and is approximately 7 acres in size.

There were no signs of excess erosion. There were no areas or evidence of ponding water observed.

A review of the map submitted with annual report had the incorrect permit acreage labeled at 93.5 acres and it also overestimated the affected area south of the canal to be 30.5 acres compared to the 23 acres estimated by the Division. The Division recommends performing a more detailed survey of the affected area and permit boundary.

There are various stockpiles of both overburden and topsoil material located throughout the site. There appears to be sufficient material onsite to complete reclamation. Topsoil is planned to be spread an average of 3-inches across the affected areas. All slopes are to be graded to 3H:1V or shallower.

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: Mine sign at mine entrance location



Photo 2: Reclamation sign near the 12 acres of reclaimed permit area



Photo 3: Vegetation establishing in reclaimed area



Photo 4: Bridge across High Line Canal



Photo 5: Northeast corner of pit area



Photo 6: Haul road leading into pit area



Photo 7: Northern high wall looking west



Photo 8: Northern highwall looking east from northwest corner of pit



Photo 9: Typical highwall along southern pit area



Photo 10: Looking south across the pit area



Photo 11: Area stripped ahead of mining



Photo 12: Typical permit boundary marker

