

February 23, 2022

Mrs. Janet Binns Environmental Protection Specialist Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

#### RE: New Horizon Mine Permit No. C-1981-008 1st Quarter 2022 Impoundment Inspections

Dear Mrs. Binns:

Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LLC (Elk Ridge) operates the New Horizon Mine. Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. (Tri-State) is the parent company of Elk Ridge. The New Horizon Mine operates under Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (CDRMS) Permit No. C-1981-008.

In accordance with Rule 4.05.9(17), Tri-State is submitting the enclosed quarterly impoundment inspections on behalf of Elk Ridge.

If you have any questions about the enclosed quarterly impoundment reports, please contact Tony Tennyson at (970) 326-3560 at your convenience.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by: Unis Gilbreath D250C711D0BF450...

Chris Gilbreath Senior Manager Remediation and Reclamation

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Enclosures



cc: Tony Tennyson (via email) G474-11.3(21)b-9

### Pond Name: Stock Pond 2 (SP2) Date: 18-January-2022 Inspector's Name: Jason Carver & Mindy Sickels

1.	Seepa	ge (specify location, color, and approx. volume)	Yes	$\mathbf{X}$	N/A	
2.	Crack	s or scarps on crest or slopes	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A	
3.	Sloug	ning or bulging on slopes	Yes	3	N/A	
4.	Major	Major erosion problems			N/A	
5.	Surfac	Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside			N/A	
6.	Water impounded against toe			2	N/A	
7.	Clogg	ng				
	a)	Spillway channels and pipes	Yes	X	N/A	
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	NA	
	c)	Diversion Ditches	Yes	No	NXA	
8.	Cracking or crushing of pipes					
	a)	Spillway pipes	Yes	No	MA	
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	MA	
9.	Trash racks clear and in place		Yes	No	NA	
10.	Monitoring instrumentation		Yes	No	NA	
Comm	Comments: Pond bottom is dry.					

Pond Name: Pond 012

Date: 18-January-2022

### Inspector's Name: Jason Carver & Mindy Sickels

#### Circle or Write appropriate Response

1.	Seepa	age (specify location, color, and approx. volume)	Yes	3	N/A
2.	Cracks or scarps on crest or slopes			X	N/A
3.	Sloug	Sloughing or bulging on slopes			N/A
4.	Major erosion problems		Yes	Ň	N/A
5.	Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside			M	N/A
6.	Water impounded against toe			3	N/A
7.	Clogging a) Spillway channels and pipes				
	a)	Spillway channels and pipes	Yes	2	N/A
	b)	Decant system	Yes	2	N/A
	c)	Diversion Ditches	Yes	NXX	N/A
8.	Crack	ing or crushing of pipes			
	a)	Spillway pipes	Yes	Ň	N/A
	b)	Decant system	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
9.	Trash	racks clear and in place	YX	No	N/A
10.	Monitoring instrumentation			No	MA

Comments: Pond bottom is dry.

### Pond Name: Pond 013 Date: 18-January-2022 Inspector's Name: Jason Carver & Mindy Sickels

#### Circle or Write appropriate Response

1.	Seepage (specify location, color, and approx. volume)	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
2.	Cracks or scarps on crest or slopes	Yes	NX.	N/A
3.	Sloughing or bulging on slopes	Yes	$\mathbf{X}$	N/A
4.	Major erosion problems	Yes	NXX	N/A
5.	Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside		2	N/A
6.	Water impounded against toe	Yes	2	N/A
7.	Clogging			
	a) Spillway channels and pipes	Yes	86	N/A
	b) Decant system	Yes	2	N/A
	c) Diversion Ditches	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
8.	Cracking or crushing of pipes			
	a) Spillway pipes	Yes	NXX	N/A
	b) Decant system	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
9.	Trash racks clear and in place	🌿	No	N/A
10.	Monitoring instrumentation Flume in place & functioning	Xs	No	N/A

Comments: Pond is discharging

#### Pond Name: Pond 015

### Date: 18-January-2022

### Inspector's Name: Jason Carver & Mindy Sickels

Circle	or Writ	te appropriate Response		V	
1.	Seepa	ge (specify location, color, and approx. volume)	Yes	1	N/A
2.	Crack	s or scarps on crest or slopes	Yes	36	N/A
3.	Sloug	hing or bulging on slopes	Yes	2	N/A
4.	Majo	r erosion problems	Yes	20	N/A
5.	Surfa	ce movements in valley bottom or on hillside	Yes	NX	N/A
6.	Wate	r impounded against toe	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
7.	Clogg	ing			
	a)	Spillway channels and pipes	Yes	No	NXA
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	NKA
	c)	Diversion Ditches	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
8.	Crack	ing or crushing of pipes			
	a)	Spillway pipes	Yes	No	NXA
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	NXA
9.	Trash	racks clear and in place	Yes	No	NXA
10.	Moni	toring instrumentation	Yes	No	NA
Comm	ents:	Pond bottom is dry.			

#### Pond Name: Pond 016

### Date: 18-January-2022

### Inspector's Name: Jason Carver & Mindy Sickels

Circle	or Write	e appropriate Response		V	
1.	Seepa	ge (specify location, color, and approx. volume)	Yes	*	N/A
2.	Cracks	or scarps on crest or slopes	Yes	Ж	N/A
3.	Slough	ning or bulging on slopes	Yes	2	N/A
4.	Major	Major erosion problems			N/A
5.	Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside			NX	N/A
6.	Water	impounded against toe	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
7.	Cloggi	ng			
	a)	Spillway channels and pipes	Yes	NX	N/A
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	NMA
	c)	Diversion Ditches	Yes	2	N/A
8. Cracking or c		ng or crushing of pipes			
	a)	Spillway pipes	Yes	No	NXA
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	NXA
9.	Trash	racks clear and in place	Yes	No	NXA
10.	Monitoring instrumentation		Yes	No	NA
Comments:		Pond bottom is dry.			

### Pond Name: Pond 018

### Date: 18-January-2022

#### Inspector's Name: Jason Carver & Mindy Sickels

Circle	or Writ	e appropriate Response		V	
1.	Seepa	ge (specify location, color, and approx. volume)	Yes	X	N/A
2.	Crack	s or scarps on crest or slopes	Yes	3	N/A
3.	Sloug	Sloughing or bulging on slopes			N/A
4.	Major	erosion problems	Yes	2	N/A
5.	Surfac	Surface movements in valley bottom or on hillside			N/A
6.	Wate	r impounded against toe	Yes	2	N/A
7.	Clogg	ing			
	a)	Spillway channels and pipes	Yes	2	N/A
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	N
	c)	Diversion Ditches	Yes	<b>X</b>	N/A
8.	Crack	ing or crushing of pipes			
	a)	Spillway pipes	Yes	No	N
	b)	Decant system	Yes	No	NA
9.	Trash racks clear and in place		Yes	No	<b>N</b> A
10.	Monitoring instrumentation			No	NA
Comments: Pond bottom is dry.					