




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: Gray Pit #1	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2003-092	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Montrose
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Dustin Czapla	INSP. DATE: April 20, 2022	INSP. TIME: 11:00
OPERATOR: Nick H. Gray	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Aaron Brock	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$64,044	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: April 22, 2022	

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>N</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>Y</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>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>Y</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 as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program, and to evaluate the current reclamation costs as part of the Succession of Operators application (SO-01) review process. Aaron Brock, Zane Luttrell and Skip Huston, representing the Operator and successor Operator, were present during this inspection. Photographs are included with this report in order to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Gray Pit #1 is located approximately eight miles east of Montrose and accessed from Hwy 347. The site is a 112c operation that includes a total of 23.75 permitted acres. The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$64,044 for this site. The Division has reviewed the reclamation costs, in order to ensure the financial warranty reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the Reclamation Plan, and determined that the current financial warranty amount is insufficient. Staff calculations estimate the cost to reclaim the site to be \$71,257.00. This is an increase of \$7,213 over the \$64,044 currently held by the Division.

The successor operator must submit financial warranty in the amount of \$71,257.00 before the Division can approve SO-01. Please make arrangements with Sara Stevenson-Benn at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Denver Office, phone no. 303.866.3567, ext. 8148, or sara.stevenson-benn@state.co.us for submittal of the financial warranty. Any questions regarding completion, execution and/or submittal of financial warranty forms should also be directed to Sara.

Adequate mine identification signage was noted at the old entrance to the site from Hwy 50, however, there was not a sign at the currently used entrance off of Hwy 347. The sign should be transferred to the currently used entrance.

The affected area was marked by posts and landmarks that were clearly visible and adequate to delineate the affected area boundary.

Mining has not occurred at the site in recent years and the site is ready for reclamation. Near vertical slopes remain around most of the north perimeter of the pit approximately thirty feet in height. Some reclamation grading has been completed on the west end of the highwall, where the slope has been reduced to approximately 2H:1V. Materials stockpiles were located in the pit floor area. Several overburden and topsoil stockpiles are located at different locations near the base of the highwall. A stormwater berm is constructed around the southern side of the pit area.

Noxious weeds were not observed on site.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Dustin Czapla at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street Room 215, Denver, Colorado, 80203, phone number (303) 866-3567, ext. 8188.



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