

**COLORADO**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1981-041 Mine Name: Roadside Portals Operator: Snowcap Coal Company, Inc. Operator Address: MS Tonya Hammond P.O. Box 1430 Palisade, CO 81526	County: Mesa Operation Type: Underground Permit Status: Active Ownership: Private
	Operator Representative Present: Tonya Hammond
Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)	

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: June 6, 2022 Inspection Start Time: 09:35 Inspection End Date: June 10, 2022 Inspection End Time: 09:10		Inspection Type: Coal Partial Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear	
Joint Inspection Agency: None		Joint Inspection Contacts: None	
Post Inspection Agency: None		Post Inspection Contacts: None	
Inspector(s): Clayton Wein	Inspector's Signature: <i>Clayton Wein</i>		Signature Date: 6/13/2022

Inspection Topic Summary

NOTE: Y=Inspected N=Not Inspected R=Comments Noted V=Violation Issued NA=Not Applicable

N - Air Resource Protection	N - Roads
N - Availability of Records	Y - Reclamation Success
N - Backfill & Grading	N - Revegetation
N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste	N - Subsidence
N - Explosives	N - Slides and Other Damage
N - Fish & Wildlife	N - Support Facilities On-site
R - Hydrologic Balance	N - Signs and Markers
N - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan	N - Support Facilities Not On-site
N - Other	N - Special Categories Of Mining
N - Processing Waste	N - Topsoil

COMMENTS

This report covers three inspections of the Roadside Portals Mine conducted on June 6, 2022, June 8, 2022, and June 10, 2022. The inspections were conducted by Clayton Wein (DRMS) respectively. Tonya Hammond of Snowcap Coal Company, Inc. was present for all of the inspections. The inspections were conducted as follow-up inspections after the observations made during the week of May 31, 2022. Water was observed flowing in Mr. Fontanari's Ditch on Tract 71, just north and east of the TR-69 Repair Area on May 25, 2022.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The ditch located to the north and east of the TR-69 Repair area was first noticed by the Division during an inspection on February 26, 2018. The ditch is fed by a 4 inch pipe located to the southeast of the TR-69 Repair Area. The ditch then continues down gradient to the north and then turns to the west and follows a historic rock wall. The ditch ends at the property line between the Fontanari property and the Carey property. The ditch briefly terminates at the Ute Water District's easement for a buried pipeline. This easement is located directly east of the TR-69 Repair Area and trends in a north/south direction across Tract 71. The Division has never observed this ditch flowing with water since its creation in 2018.

HYDROLOGIC BALANCE - Rule 4.05

Drainage Control 4.05.1, 4.05.2, 4.05.3; Siltation Structures 4.05.5, 4.05.6; Discharge Structures 4.05.7, 4.05.10; Diversions 4.05.4; Effluent Limits 4.05.2; Ground Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Surface Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Drainage – Acid and Toxic Materials 4.05.8; Impoundments 4.05.6, 4.05.9; Stream Buffer Zones 4.05.18;

June 6, 2022: The morning of June 6th the Division conducted an inspection of the Roadside Mine with a focus on the hydrologic concerns observed near the TR-69 Repair Area. During the inspection there was no water discharging from the 4 inch pipe into the landowner's ditch. There was no evidence of recent flow in the ditch. The west, middle and east holes were in similar condition to that of what was observed

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on June 3rd. There was no notable increase in the size of the holes. There was no water running out of the Landowner's risers on top of the Tract 70 Mesa at the time of the inspection. Tail water was observed flowing off of the northwest corner of the landowner's middle field (Not within any DRMS permit area). There was no impact observed to either the C-1981-041 Coal permit or the M-1996-076 Minerals permit from the tail water.

June 8, 2022: The morning of June 8th the Division conducted an inspection of the Roadside Mine with a focus on the hydrologic concerns observed near the TR-69 Repair Area. During the inspection there was no water discharging from the 4 inch pipe into the landowner's ditch. There was no evidence of recent flow in the ditch. The west, middle and east holes were in similar condition to that of what was observed on June 6th. There was no notable increase in the size of the holes. There was no water running out of the Landowner's risers on top of the Tract 70 Mesa at the time of the inspection. Tail water was observed flowing off of the northwest corner and west side of the landowner's middle field (Not within any DRMS permit area). There was no impact observed to either the C-1981-041 Coal permit or the M-1996-076 Minerals permit from the tail water. A new set of tire tracks was observed running through the west and north portions of the TR-69 Repair Area. The tracks entered the reclamation just to the left of the mine identification sign (going over the straw waddle) and went north to Mr. Fontanari's ditch. The tracks then turned east and followed the ditch out of the TR-69 Repair Area. The entire northern portion of the ditch had been cleaned since the inspection on Monday. Please see the photo below of the new set of tire tracks.



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June 10, 2022: The morning of June 10th the Division conducted an inspection of the Roadside Mine with a focus on the hydrologic concerns observed near the TR-69 Repair Area. During the inspection there was no water discharging from the 4 inch pipe into the landowner's ditch. There was no evidence of recent flow in the ditch. The west, middle and east holes were in similar condition to that of what was observed on June 8th. There was no notable increase in the size of the holes. There are multiple sets of tire tracks through the TR-69 Repair Area now. It is becoming difficult to differentiate new ones from older sets. The waddles on the northwest edge of the TR-69 Repair Area remain in place after being replaced earlier this week. There was no water running out of the Landowner's risers on top of the Tract 70 Mesa at the time of the inspection. Tail water was observed flowing off of the west end of the landowner's middle field (Not within any DRMS permit area). There was no impact observed to either the C-1981-041 Coal permit or the M-1996-076 Minerals permit from the tail water.



The west hole during the June 10, 2022 inspection. The size and depth of the hole remained similar to what was observed during previous Division Inspections.

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The photo above was taken of the middle hole. The hole was observed to be similar in size to that of previous Division inspections.

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The photo above is of the east hole on June 10, 2022. The size had remained similar to observations made by the Division on previous inspections.

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED: None

OTHER (SPECIFY): None

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ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

No enforcement actions were initiated as a result of this inspection, nor are any pending.

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