




**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> Taylor Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2013-006	<b>MINERAL:</b> Limestone (general)	<b>COUNTY:</b> Moffat
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Zach Trujillo	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> June 8, 2022	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 09:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Bower Brothers Construction, Inc.	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Steve Baker	<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> \$33,279.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> June 28, 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>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>N</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>Y</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>Y</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**

This inspection was conducted by Zach Trujillo of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) as part of the normal monitoring program. Steve Baker representing 3B Enterprise, LLC. accompanied the Division on the inspection. The Taylor Pit is a 110c permitted site that is located approximately four miles southeast of Maybell, Colorado. The site is accessed from Moffat County Road 74.

In addition to the Division's normal monitoring inspection, the Taylor Pit was also inspected as part of the pre-operation requirements for the Hertzog Pit (M-1981-276) AM-01 application. AM-01 is proposing to incorporate the Taylor Pit into the Hertzog Pit permit. The Hertzog Pit is also permitted and operated by Bower Brothers Construction, Inc. For more information regarding the Hertzog Pit AM-01 pre-operation inspection, please refer to the Division's inspection dated June 8, 2022.

The mine identification sign and affected area boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The sign is located at the entrance to the permit boundary.

The site was not active at the time of the inspection. Crusher and support equipment were on site near the stockpile area. Stockpiles are located just north of the active pit area. Topsoil piles were inspected and located just adjacent to the stockpile area. Topsoil was lightly vegetated however piles were stable and contained. Fuel storage onsite was also inspected. The fuel is contained in a double walled secondary containment tank.

The affected area is encompassed downslope by containment berms. No erosion was observed throughout the site and no issues were observed with the containment berm. Mining is currently progressing in a northeasterly direction in multiple benches. Recent mining has occurred along the upper bench and is expected to continue until reaching the current pit floor elevation. The pit floor is currently approximately 40-50 feet deep. An excavator was observed at the pit floor but was idle during the inspection. No active mining was occurring.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Currently the Division holds a financial warranty amount of \$33,279 for this site. The Division has not updated the reclamation cost estimate for the Taylor Pit as a direct result of this inspection. However, the Division is updating the reclamation liability associated with the Taylor Pit and will be incorporating it as part of the Hertzog Pit AM-01 review process.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to: Zach Trujillo 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 x. 8164 or via email at Zach.Trujillo@state.co.us



## **PHOTOGRAPHS**



Mine identification sign.



Stockpile area.



Topsoil pile.



Containment berm.



Pit area.

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