



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.

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| MINE NAME: Wattenberg West Sand and Gravel Mine | MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2005-066 | MINERAL: Sand and gravel | COUNTY: Weld |
| INSPECTION TYPE: Surety-Related Inspection | INSPECTOR(S): Eric Scott | INSP. DATE: August 3, 2022 | INSP. TIME: 09:30 |
| OPERATOR: Asphalt Paving Company | OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Mark Martin | TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation | |

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| REASON FOR INSPECTION: Surety Related | BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond | BOND AMOUNT: No Bond Held |
| DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA | POST INSP. CONTACTS: None | JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None |
| WEATHER: Clear | INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: | SIGNATURE DATE: August 4, 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.

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| (AR) RECORDS----- <u>Y</u> | (FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u> | (RD) ROADS----- <u>NA</u> |
| (HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u> | (BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>NA</u> | (EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u> |
| (PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>NA</u> | (SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u> | (TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>NA</u> |
| (MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>NA</u> | (FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>NA</u> | (RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>NA</u> |
| (SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u> | (SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u> | (RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>NA</u> |
| (ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>NA</u> | (SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>NA</u> | (ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</u> |
| (AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>NA</u> | (OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>NA</u> | |

Y = Inspected / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

OBSERVATIONS

The Wattenberg West Sand and Gravel Mine site was inspected by Eric Scott with the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (DRMS). On July 13, 2022 DRMS received a request for Succession of Operator for this permit from Asphalt Paving Company to Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. This site inspection was conducted to verify site conditions and the adequacy of the provided bond prior to approval of the permit transfer.

The site is permitted for 135 acres of sand and gravel mining with a post-mining land use of developed water storage, and is located on the south side of Hwy 6 approximately 1.5 miles north of Brighton CO. The site identification sign was located on the access gate on the west side of Caroline Ave as required (photo 1).

As indicated in the annual reports, no mining activity has commenced at the site to-date. The current activity on site is primarily agricultural (cornfield) and gas/oil production, Therefore the current bond of \$753,300 is sufficient until the operator is ready to commence mining activity (photos 2 and 3).

Most of the permit boundary is defined by existing fencing, however, prior to mining commencing the operator will need to fully define the permit boundary in the areas without fence or markers at this time. Areas noted that will need additional markers include along the SW corner and side, and in the east center area of the permit.

Prior to mining at the site, the operator will also need to submit a TR to the Division for approval to modify the minimum structure setbacks within the permit to comply with the minimum distances provided in the geotechnical stability evaluation submitted with SO2.

No other issues were noted during this inspection.

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1 – Site identification sign at east entrance to permit area.



Photo 2 – Looking east across permit area from Weld County Road 23 on west side of permit area.



Photo 3 – Looking NW into permit area from SE corner of permit near Weld County Road 4.5. Area is full of prairie dogs at this time.