




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: Gallegos Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1983-164	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Conejos
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Clayton Wein	INSP. DATE: August 9, 2022	INSP. TIME: 10:10
OPERATOR: Conejos County	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Don Martinez	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$0.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: August 16, 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>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>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 report documents the observations made during a normal monitoring inspection of the Gallegos Pit conducted on August 9, 2022. The inspection was completed by Clayton Wein of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (the Division). Don Martinez represented the operator (Conejos County) during the inspection. The weather was clear with a temperature of 70 degrees F. The ground conditions were dry. The Gallegos pit is a 112c operation with approximately 65 permitted acres. The mine site is located approximately 0.75 miles south of Romeo, Colorado and is accessed from Highway 285. As per Rule 4.1.2(2), the division does not hold a bond for the site. Please see the attached photos for a visual reference of the site conditions during the inspection.

The mine identification sign was located next to the gate at the entrance to the mine site. The sign was unobstructed and displayed the site name and permit number. The permit boundary was marked by a fence. Each marker was in line of sight from one another.

The highwalls were stable during the inspection. The slopes of the highwalls ranged from 1:1 to 3:1. The depth of the pit was at about 15 feet. Stockpiles of crushed material were located on the pit floor. There was no equipment located on site. No fuel or other hydrocarbons were located at the mine site. No erosional features were observed. The Division noted no off-site impacts from the mining operation.

Topsoil piles at the site were stable with vegetative cover. There were no indications of erosional features. No loss of topsoil resource was observed.

There were no maintenance items or possible violations observed by the Division during this inspection.

Questions or responses to this inspection report should be directed to Clayton Wein at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Grand Junction Field Office, located at 101 south 3rd Street, Room 301, Grand Junction Colorado 81501. Or by phone at (303)-866-3567 x8185.

PHOTOGRAPHS





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