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THIRD QUARTER 2022 POND INSPECTION REPORT Pond Inspection Date: September 30, 2022

OPERATOR: Oxbow Mining, LLC.

MINE: Elk Creek Mine and Surface Facilities

POND IDENTIFICATION:	Hubbard	Substation #3 (4)	Pond D
CDPS NUMBER:	007	013	016
TYPE OF POND:	Sediment	Sediment	Sediment
APPROXIMATE WATER LEVEL:	0.0'	0.0'	Pond Removed
SEDIMENT (% total storage):	<5%	<5%	<5%
OUTFLOW:	None	None	None
EE A THIDES	PROBLEM	PROBLEM	PROBLEM
FEATURES	PROBLEM	FROBLEM	IKOBLEM
EROSIONAL	No	No	No
Rills & Gullies	No No		No
Inadequate Vegetation	No No	No	No
Outlet Channel Erosion	No	No	
Burrows	No	No	No
Other	No	No	No
STRUCTURAL			
Differential Settling	No	No	No
Cracks or Slides	No	No	No
Seepage	No	No	No
Other	No	No	No
APPURTENANT STRUCTURES			
Defective Spillways	No	No	No
Dewatering Devices Clogged	No	No	No
Faulty Gates, Etc.	No	No	No
Other	No	No	No
MAINTENANCE REQUIRED	No	No	No
REFERENCE DRAWINGS:	2.05-M5E	2.05-M5F	2.05-M5D 2.05-M6

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No

2.05-M5B

No

2.05-M5C 2.05-M5E

Pond A1 Pond C East Yard POND IDENTIFICATION: Pond B 009 012 014 010 CDPS NUMBER Sediment Sediment Sediment Sediment TYPE OF POND: 0.0'(6060.0') 0.0' 0.0'0.0 APPROXIMATE WATER LEVEL: <5% <5% <5% <5% SEDIMENT (% total storage): None None None None **OUTFLOW:** PROBLEM PROBLEM **FEATURES PROBLEM EROSIONAL** No No No No Rills & Gullies No Inadequate Vegetation No No No No No **Outlet Channel Erosion** No No No No Burrows No No No No No No Other **STRUCTURAL** No No No Differential Settling No Cracks or Slides No No No No No No No Seepage No No No No No Other APPURTENANT STRUCTURES No **Defective Spillways** No No No No **Dewatering Devices Clogged** No No No No No No Faulty Gates, Etc. No No No Other No No

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No

2.05-M5A





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MINE:	Elk Creek Mine and Surface Facilities		
POND IDENTIFICATION:	Pond E	Pond F (4)	
CDPS NUMBER	017	019	
TYPE OF POND:	Sediment	Sediment	
APPROXIMATE WATER LEVEL:	0.0'	0.0'	
SEDIMENT (% total storage):	<5%	<5%	
OUTFLOW:	None	None	
FEATURES	PROBLEM	PROBLEM	
EROSIONAL			
Rills & Gullies	No	No	
Inadequate Vegetation	No	No	
Outlet Channel Erosion	No	No	
Burrows	No	No	
Other	No	No	
STRUCTURAL			
Differential Settling	No	No	
Cracks or Slides	No	No	
Seepage	No	No	
Other	No	No	
APPURTENANT STRUCTURES			
Defective Spillways	No	No	
Dewatering Devices Clogged	No	No	
Faulty Gates, Etc.	No	No	
Other	No	No	
MAINTENANCE REQUIRED	No	No	
REFERENCE DRAWINGS:	2.05-M5I	2.05-M5J	
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Miscellaneous Comments:

- 1. The SWMP control devices were inspected and all SWMP control devices were found to be in fair condition. Routine quarterly maintenance to sumps was conducted.
- 2. Sediment and Water Level Determination When sediment enters a pond, it is deposited unevenly, usually collecting at the inlets rather than evenly across the bottom of the pond. Reported sediment levels are based upon the inspector's observations made throughout the quarter during routine inspections in combination with knowledge of the pond structure. The reported pond water level is also determined by observations relative to the various landmarks in the pond (depth to bottom, primary riser, etc.)
- 3. Pond D was necessarily removed due to ongoing reclamation activities per the permit. Best Management Practices have been installed to protect stream flows.
- 4. Ponds at Substation #3 and Hubbard Creek Fan (Pond F) were Phase 3 released by Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety with Surety Release 4 in March of 2021.

Notwithstanding comments above, ponds have been maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan.

Inspected By:	Doug A. Smith
Under Direction of:	Michael W Ludlow
	Michael W. Ludlow Colorado Registered Professional Engineer No. 24046