


**PERMIT INFORMATION**

<b>Permit Number:</b> C-1981-037 <b>Mine Name:</b> GEC Strip Mine <b>Operator:</b> GEC Minerals, Inc. <b>Operator Address:</b> Dr W Corley 2605 Constellation Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80906	<b>County:</b> Freemont <b>Operation Type:</b> Surface <b>Permit Status:</b> Revoked <b>Ownership:</b> Private
	<b>Operator Representative Present:</b>  None
<b>Operator Representative Signature:</b> (Field Issuance Only)	

**INSPECTION INFORMATION**

<b>Inspection Start Date:</b> December 7, 2022 <b>Inspection Start Time:</b> 08:00 <b>Inspection End Date:</b> December 7, 2022 <b>Inspection End Time:</b> 08:10		<b>Inspection Type:</b> Coal Complete Inspection <b>Inspection Reason:</b> Normal I&E Program <b>Weather:</b> Clear	
<b>Joint Inspection Agency:</b>  None		<b>Joint Inspection Contacts:</b>  None	
<b>Post Inspection Agency:</b>  None		<b>Post Inspection Contacts:</b>  None	
<b>Inspector(s):</b>  Zach Trujillo	<b>Inspector's Signature:</b> 		<b>Signature Date:</b>  12/9/22

## Inspection Topic Summary

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

N - Air Resource Protection  
N - Availability of Records  
N - Backfill & Grading  
N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste  
N - Explosives  
N - Fish & Wildlife  
N - Hydrologic Balance  
N - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan  
N - Other  
N - Processing Waste

N - Roads  
N - Reclamation Success  
N - Revegetation  
N - Subsidence  
N - Slides and Other Damage  
N - Support Facilities On-site  
N - Signs and Markers  
N - Support Facilities Not On-site  
N - Special Categories Of Mining  
N - Topsoil

## COMMENTS

This was a complete inspection of the GEC Mine conducted by Zach Trujillo of Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) on December 7, 2022. The GEC Mine was a surface mine which the Division has revoked the bond and terminated the permit. Therefore, no mine operator remains. All bond monies available to the Division were utilized by the Division for reclamation activities and no reclamation bond money remains to conduct maintenance activities. The weather was clear and ground conditions were dry. Temperatures during the inspection were around forty degrees fahrenheit.

On November 13, 2018, a meeting was held between the Division and The Corley Company in regards to the Division's intentions of releasing jurisdiction to the GEC Mine Site. During this meeting, Dr. Corely, president of The Corley Company, informed the Division that it was best that the Division no longer access the site on the lands owned by The Corely Company. Based upon that meeting, this inspection was done from a limited public access point at the gated county road. The lock code that the Division once had to this gate no longer works.

The inspection for the GEC Mine was done at the locked gate along the county road to the site. A portion of Chen's Hill was visible from this location. From the gate along the county road, the northern face of Chen's Hill can be observed. The slope shows established vegetative growth with mature shrubs. Erosional features can be partially seen along the slope and has been documented in previous inspections. Pond A was also inspected from the county road. While the interior of the pond was not visible, it has been previously reported as filled with sediment. The embankment is well vegetated and stable. Overall, from the areas inspectable the site has remained unchanged from the previous inspection conducted on June 15, 2022.



Gated entrance.



Pond A.



Chen's Hill.

## **ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

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