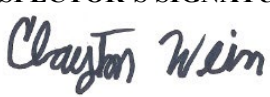




MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT
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The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has conducted an inspection of the mining operation noted below. This report documents observations concerning compliance with the terms of the permit and applicable rules and regulations of the Mined Land Reclamation Board.

MINE NAME: Chambers Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1979-205	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Garfield
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE: November 1, 2022	INSP. TIME: 11:10
OPERATOR: Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Compas County	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Tyra Bartuska	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$212,000.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
INSPECTOR(S): Clayton Wein	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: December 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>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</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>N</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>Y</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>NA</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 routine monitoring inspection of the Chambers Pit, M-1979-205, on November 1, 2022. The inspection was conducted by Clayton Wein of the Division. Tyra Bartuska represented Oldcastle SW Groupe, Inc. dba United Companies of Mesa County (United) during the inspection. The weather was clear with a temperature of 45 degrees F. The ground conditions were damp and muddy. The Chambers Pit is a 112c sand and gravel operation that is 110 acres in size and is a part of the larger United Rifle Pit Complex. The mine site is located just to the east of Rifle CO.

The inspection for the Chambers Pit started at the main pit area (Photo 1). This area has been fully reclaimed and is now a pond. This portion of the site is referred to as the central lake. The reclamation was stable and there were no erosional concerns identified. The reclamation work could apply for an acreage reduction if the operator wishes. The scale house located to the north of the central lake was in good repair. The pad was stable and there were no indications of erosion.

An additional pit is used for storing stockpiled materials. The pit floor and slopes were observed to be stable with no erosional features. The mining plan outlines that the Chambers Lake and the Dick Casey Lake will be combined. Similar to the Dick Casey Pit, the topsoil for this site is stored at the Glen Pit.

AM-2 added acres of the Scott Pit to the permit area (Photos 2 through 4). There are two main areas to the Scott Pit, the west area and the east area. The west area has been fully reclaimed. The site was stable with no indications of erosional features. The scale house and scale have been removed from the site. The east portion of the Scott Pit is where mining activity occurs. The pit was stable. There were no erosional concerns identified. Stockpiled material was observed on the east end of the pit. The topsoil and overburden stockpile was located to the southwest of the pit. The stockpile was stable with vegetative cover. There were no indications of erosional features or loss of topsoil resources. Fuel for mining equipment is not stored on-site. Fuel will be brought in on an as needed basis with a mobile tank.

The mine site was well kept and there was not any excessive trash or debris found at the pit. Mine Identification signs were posted at the two entrances to the site. One was located at the entrance to the Dick Casey Pit, which is used to access the Chambers Pit. The other sign was posted at the entrance to the Scott Pit.

The Division currently holds a financial warranty for the Chambers Pit in the amount of \$212,000.00. The financial warranty was last calculated in 2019. The Division is currently updating the financial warranty in order to reflect the current costs associated with completing reclamation work currently approved under the permitted reclamation plan. The Division will notify you when the updates to the reclamation estimate have been completed.

Questions or responses to this inspection report should be directed to Amy Yeldell 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.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: The Central Lake of the Chambers Pit.



Photo 2: Stockpiled material at the AM-2 Scott Pit.



Photo 3: The central portion of the Scott Pit.



Photo 4: The western edge of the Scott Pit, the photo was taken looking to the east.

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