

MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT PHONE: (303) 866-3567

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:	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL: COUNTY:
GolddiggerI	P-2009-007	Gold Park
INSPECTION TYPE:	WEATHER:	INSP. DATE: INSP. TIME:
Monitoring	Cloudy	September 14, 2022 08:00
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:
Chris Garrison	None	MP - Mineral Prospecting
REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:
Normal I&E Program	Partial Bond	\$4,307.29
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:
NA	U.S. Forest Service	None
INSPECTOR(S):	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE:
Elliott Russell	At Pmill	January 20, 2023

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 Y	(RD) ROADS <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING \underline{Y}	(EX) EXPLOSIVES N
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES N	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- Y	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE N	(RV) REVEGETATION— \underline{Y}
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP Y
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE N	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION Y	(ST) STIPULATIONS N
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS N	(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

PROBLEMS/POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS

None observed during the inspection.

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted as a part of the Division's routine monitoring inspection program for the purpose of evaluating the reclamation status of the site. Following the inspection and a conversion with the United States Forest Service (USFS), the Division discussed the reclamation with Kevin Smith, representing the Prospector on file for the Golddigger I (Chris Garrison). The Division encouraged the Prospector to complete final site work, discussed below, and then submit a final reclamation report with a request for reclamation liability release in accordance with Rule 4.16.1(2). On November 30, 2022, the Prospector submitted the request for release (SL1).

The Golddigger I is a Notice of Intent (NOI) and was approved for prospecting activities along the eastern bank Beaver Creek to search for and define a gold deposit. The site is located in Park County, approximately 4.5 miles northwest of Fairplay, Colorado.

<u>Availability Of Records:</u> The Annual Report, Map and Fee is due each year on the permit's anniversary date (March 8th). The 2021-2022 Annual Report was received on March, 2022. On November 30, the Division received the final reclamation report and the request for reclamation liability release in accordance with Rule 4.16.1(2).

Backfilling and Grading: The site was adequately backfilled and graded.

Sediment Control: No erosion problems were observed and no BMPs were needed at the time of the inspection. The prospector utilized a silt fence to prevent sediment from entering Beaver Creek during reclamation. The silt fence was still in place at the time of the inspection, however as the site is adequate revegetated, its purpose is no longer needed. Kevin Smith was directed to remove the silt fence before the site could be released. On November 30, 2022, the Prospector submitted photographs of the completed work.

<u>Revegetation</u>: The disturbance area had topsoil replaced and had been seeded with approved reclamation seed mix. The vegetative cover reestablished on the disturbance areas matches adjacent off-site areas. No noxious weed infestations were observed on the revegetated disturbances.

Reclamation Success: Reclamation efforts appeared to have been successful. Nothing observed during the inspection would prevent the Division from approving the release request. On January 3, 2023, the USFS concurred with the release of the NOI. Therefore, the Division will now approve the release request at this time. The Division is required to hold the final release paperwork and performance warranties for 30 days to allow for any appeals of the Division's decision. These documents will be sent to the Operator after the 30-day appeal period ends if no appeals are received.

This concludes the Division's Inspection Report. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact me at 303-866-3567 x8132, or by email at elliott.russell@state.co.us.

PHOTOGRAPHS

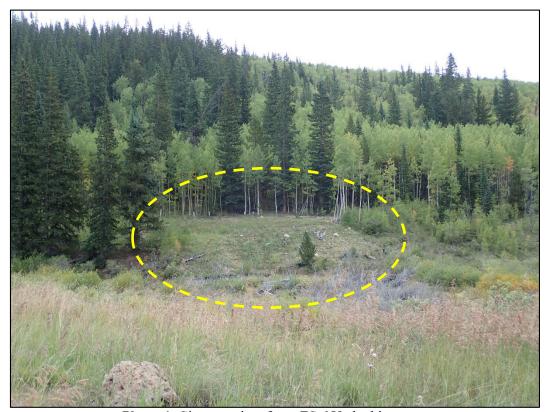


Photo 1. Site overview from FS 659; looking east.



Photo 2. Revegetated disturbance area; looking north.



Photo 3. Revegetated disturbance area; looking south.



Photo 4. Reclaimed access road along the east side of Beaver creek; looking south.



Photo 5. Silt fence located at toe of reclaimed slope needing to be removed; looking south.

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