

# **PERMIT INFORMATION**

Permit Number: C-1981-038 Mine Name: Bowie No. 1 Mine Operator: Bowie Resources, LLC Operator Address: Mr. Basil R Bear P.O. Box 1488 Paonia, CO 81428	County: Delta Operation Type: Underground Permit Status: Active Ownership: Private  Operator Representative Present: None			
Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)				

# **INSPECTION INFORMATION**

Inspection Start Date: March 8, 2023 Inspection Start Time: 10:15 Inspection End Date: March 8, 2023 Inspection End Time: 11:45			Inspection Type: Coal Complete Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Cloudy	
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint Inspection Contacts:		
None				
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:		
None				
Inspector(s):	Inspecto	r's Sig	nature: Signature Date:	
Robert Zuber, P.E.	Phot D. The			
			March 9, 2023	

## **Inspection Topic Summary**

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

N - Air Resource Protection N - Roads

 ${f R}$  - Availability of Records  ${f N}$  - Reclamation Success

 ${f N}$  - Backfill & Grading  ${f N}$  - Revegetation

N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste N - Subsidence

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \textbf{NA} & - \text{Explosives} & \textbf{R} & - \text{Slides and Other Damage} \\ \textbf{R} & - \text{Fish \& Wildlife} & \textbf{NA} & - \text{Support Facilities On-site} \end{array}$ 

R - Hydrologic Balance R - Signs and Markers

Y - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan

R - Support Facilities Not On-site

N - Other

N - Special Categories Of Mining

N - Processing Waste N - Topsoil

### **COMMENTS**

A complete inspection was conducted by Rob Zuber of DRMS on March 8, 2023. Basil Bear was at the office during the records check but not at the mine site.

No mining or reclamation activities were being conducted at this site. BRL is focusing on Bowie No. 2 in 2023.

The weather was cloudy and cool. The ground was mostly clear of snow but muddy at the loadout. The other parts of the mine were covered with a large amount of snow, which limited the inspection to viewing the East Mine from Stevens Gulch Road. The West Mine was not observed.

## AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS – Rule 5.02.4(1):

The records were found to be well organized and complete.

FISH and WILDLIFE - Rule 4.18:

Several deer were seen at the loadout.

#### HYDROLOGIC BALANCE - Rule 4.05

Drainage Control 4.05.1, 4.05.2, 4.05.3; Siltation Structures 4.05.5, 4.05.6; Discharge Structures 4.05.7, 4.05.10; Diversions 4.05.4; Effluent Limits 4.05.2; Ground Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Surface Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Drainage – Acid and Toxic Materials 4.05.8; Impoundments 4.05.6, 4.05.9; Stream Buffer Zones 4.05.18:

The ponds at the loadout and the Coal Storage Area (near Black Bridge Road) were mostly dry, and no problems were identified with these ponds.

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 4 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 3 SLIDES and DAMAGE - Rule 4.12:

The East Mine was observed from Stevens Gulch Road, and no slides or other problems were observed.

SIGNS AND MARKERS – Rule 4.02:

Entrance signs were seen at the East Mine and at the Coal Storage Area by Black Bridge Road.

OFFSITE SUPPORT FACILIITES - Rule 4.04, 4.28:

No problems were seen with the Coal Storage Area by Black Bridge Road.

No erosion was seen at the loadout, including the steep slope between the loadout and the orchard below. The trestle across the river appears stable.

**DOCUMENTS RECEIVED - none** 

OTHER (SPECIFY) - none

### **ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

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

# **PHOTOGRAPHS**

# **AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS**

PERMIT RECORDS DRMS Permit	RN7 exp. 4/20/2023	HYDROLOGIC RECORDS NPDES Permit	CO-0049045 Exp. 2025
Permit Application w/Revisions	On shelf	NPDES Records (DMRs)	Thru February 2023
Findings Document	SL8 findings 11/23/2022	Stormwater Management Plan	Aug. 2018
Insurance Certificate	Exp.5/1/2023	SPCC Plan	No longer valid
Bond Document	SEE COMMENT 1	MSHA Pond Inspections	NA
Phased Bond Release	SL8 findings		NA
Documents/Findings	11/23/2022	State Engineer's Pond Inspection	
Air Emission Permits	NA	Quarterly Pond Inspections	Thru December 2022
County Special Use Permits	NA	Annual Hydrology Reports	2021
UG Mining Landowner Notification	1993 and 1994	<ul> <li>Ground Water Monitoring</li> </ul>	2021 AHR
Subsidence Monitoring Reports	NA	<ul> <li>Surface Water Monitoring</li> </ul>	2021 AHR
Subsidence Monitoring Data	NA	Spring & Seep Monitoring	2021 AHR
Rill & Gully Survey	May 2022	Mine Water Discharge Monitoring	NA
Vegetation Monitoring Data		Mine Inflow Study	NA
Specific Variance Approvals	2.06.1(3) Steep	Water Consumption Records	NA
Pro Company	Slope		
Annual Reclamation Reports	2022	Well Permits	NA
Midterm Review Documents	MT8 10/13/2020		
DRMS/OSM Inspection	Thru		
Reports/Enforcement Actions (3 Years)	January 2023	BLASTING RECORDS	NA
Transfers/Succession of Operator	7/29/2009		
Temporary Cessation Notification	NA		
Reclamation Cost Estimate	SEE COMMENT 2		
CERTIFICATIONS			
Pond Certifications	W-1 and W-2 (2002)		
Annual Certifications for Large Impoundments	NA		
Fill Certifications for Excess Spoil or	Yes 2/4/1987	ADDITIONAL RECORDS	
Underground Development Waste			
Quarterly Inspections	NA	CDOT Access Permit	Permit #399055 (June 1999)
<ul> <li>Compaction Testing</li> </ul>	NA	Annual Subsidence Report	2021 ARR
Final Certification	NA		
Coal Processing Waste Banks	NA		
Haul Road Certifications	Yes, several years		
Access Road Certifications	Yes, PAP Vol. 8A		
COMMENTS:			

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<sup>1.</sup> Two instruments with Lexon Insurance Co.: \$2,500,000 + \$268,916 = \$2,768,916.

<sup>2.</sup> The cost estimate of \$1,639,674 (from MT8) does not match liability. This is explained in SL-06 findings.