




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: River Road Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1991-136	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Mesa
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	WEATHER: Cloudy	INSP. DATE: March 29, 2023	INSP. TIME: 13:30
OPERATOR: Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Companies of Mesa County	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Jason Burkey	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$16,351.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
INSPECTOR(S): Amy Yeldell	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: April 10, 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----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>Y</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>Y</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>NA</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</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>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>Y</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>NA</u>	

Y = Inspected / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted as part of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) normal monitoring program. The River Road Pit is a 112c permitted site that includes a total of 42.6 acres. The site located between Grand Junction and Fruita, Colorado and is accessed from River Road. Jason Burkey and Tyra Batuska of Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Companies of Mesa County represented the operator and accompanied Amy Yeldell of the Division conducted the inspection.

The mine identification sign and affected area boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. A scale and scale house is located on the west side of pit entrance.

This site is completely mined out but is still actively being used. The post mining land use is commercial industrial. Currently the front (northeastern) 13 acres is being utilized for offices, shops, concrete plant, fuel storage and parking. The excavated pit area has continued to be dewatered. In the southeastern corner of the pit on an elevated pad is the permanent asphalt batch plant. Within the pit floor, imported stockpiles are stored for use at the two plants. In general access roads and permanent processing areas appear to conform to the approved reclamation plan (AM-2).

Pre the reclamation plan, the pit slopes are required to be graded to a 3H: 1V and adequately vegetated. The southern pit bank appears to be well vegetated and graded to a 3H: 1V slope. The other remaining pit banks require revegetation. The operator may also elect to implement alternative stabilization methods through the technical revision process. The northern slope adjacent to the cement plant and parking area has erosion from the parking lot run-off which will require grading. These areas may benefit from armored channels at the culvert discharge points.

Given this sites proximity to the Colorado River, noxious weeds continue to volunteer. As a reminder, until the site is released the Operator is required to manage for all noxious weeds within the affected lands.

Based on this inspection it is determined that the Operator has successfully complied with the requirements of the Act, Rules and Regulations, and the approved Reclamation Plan, and that a portion of the permit area is ready to be released from any further reclamation responsibility. If the operator submits an acreage release request within 60 days, this inspection will count as the acreage release inspection

The Division currently requires a financial warranty amount of \$18,705 for this site. The bond was last reviewed in 2019. In an effort to ensure the Financial Warranty adequately, reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the approved reclamation plan the Division has updated the reclamation cost estimate and found it to be sufficient.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to: Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1001 E 62nd Ave, Denver, CO 80216. Direct contact can be made by phone at 303-866-3567 Ext 8183 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

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Enclosure: Updated Reclamation Cost Estimate

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PHOTOGRAPHS





Photo Two: Concrete batch plant



Photo Three: Scale and scale house at pit entrance



