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# Hayden Gulch Loadout Inspection Report, C-1992-081

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To: "Kawcak, Miranda" <mkawcak@peabodyenergy.com>

Miranda,

Please find attached the inspection report for the Hayden Gulch Loadout, File No. C-1992-081 dated May 2, 2023. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards, Hunter Ridley Environmental Protection Specialist



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# **PERMIT INFORMATION**

Permit Number: C-1992-081 Mine Name: Hayden Gulch Loadout Operator: Hayden Gulch Terminal, LLC Operator Address: Ms Miranda Kawcak 29515 Routt County Road 27 Oak Creek, CO 80467 County: Routt Operation Type: Loadout Permit Status: Active Ownership: Private

**Operator Representative Present:** 

**Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)** 

### **INSPECTION INFORMATION**

<b>Inspection Start Date:</b> May 2, 20 <b>Inspection Start Time:</b> 13:30 <b>Inspection End Date:</b> May 2, 20 <b>Inspection End Time:</b> 14:15			<b>Inspection Type:</b> Coal Complete Inspection <b>Inspection Reason:</b> Normal I&E Program <b>Weather:</b> Clear	
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint Inspection Contacts:		
None				
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:		
None				
Inspector(s):	Inspecto	r's Sig	nature: Signature Date:	
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#### Inspection Topic Summary

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

- **N** Air Resource Protection
- **R** Availability of Records
- N Backfill & Grading
- ${\bf N}\,$  Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste
- N Explosives
- Y Fish & Wildlife
- ${\bf R}\,$  Hydrologic Balance
- Y Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan
- N Other
- N Processing Waste

- **R** Roads
- **R** Reclamation Success
- N Revegetation
- N Subsidence
- N Slides and Other Damage
- N Support Facilities On-site
- ${\bf R}\,$  Signs and Markers
- N Support Facilities Not On-site
- N Special Categories Of Mining
- **R** Topsoil

### **COMMENTS**

This was a complete inspection of the Hayden Gulch Loadout; DRMS Permit No. C-1992-081, operated by Hayden Gulch Terminal, LLC. This inspection was conducted by Hunter Ridley with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division). No activity was occurring on site at the time of inspection. **Please address the Bold items below.** 

Permit Renewal, RN-06, is currently in processing with the Division. The decision date has been extended to **May 19**, **2023**.

Areas not phase III bond released in the permit include the former haul road, maintained by Routt County. The haul road and associated area includes 214.1 acres, of which 96.6 are disturbed. Technical Revision No. 12 (TR-12) allows for permanent retention of this haul road. The other remaining, not yet bond released area is directly north and south of Hwy 40, to be reclaimed to agricultural use. It is the only part of the previous rail loop not donated to Routt County. This area includes 6.8 acres of which 2.3 are disturbed (Photos 4 & 5).

AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS – Rule 5.02.4(1): Records were checked at the mine office. See details at the end of report. Records can be made available to the public through paper or electronic copy. Currently, records located at the mine office are in both forms. However, in the event that the computer which holds the files is not accessible, e.g. the operator is not present to login an access records, Rule 5.02.4 would not be able to be followed. **Therefore, the Division requests that all records be made available in paper form.** Aside from inspection reports which must be kept for three years, all other reports such as DMRs, ARRs, AHR, pond inspections, etc. only need to be updated to the most current year. **Please also update the highlighted items.** 

#### SIGNS AND MARKERS—Rule 4.02

Mine identification markers were observed at the entrance to the unreleased haul road and adjacent to the unreleased agricultural section north and south of Hwy 40. The required phone number information is currently blocked off from signage (Photo 1). This was discussed with TC representative Miranda Kawcak at the Foidel Creek Mine inspection dated May 2, 2023. Please update the division when signage has been appropriately amended.

ROADS – Rule 4.03 Construction 4.03.1(3)/4.03.2(3), Drainage 4.03.1(4)/4.03.2(4), Surfacing and Maintenance 4.03.1(5) and (6)/4.03.2(5) and (6), Reclamation 4.03.1(7)/4.03.2(7):

The haul road was well maintained and free of erosional features. The haul road and its associated permanent topsoil pile features (Photos 6 & 7) will be ready for release this year.

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:

Truck Loop Pond 001 and Rail Loop Pond 002 were full and functioning properly (Photos 2 and 3). Culverts in the Tracks-to-Trails area were flowing and free of blockages (Photo 8).

TOPSOIL - Rule 4.06

Two permanent topsoil piles are located to the east along the currently unreleased haul road / CR37. Both piles are well vegetated and marked by either a sign or a flagged post. (Photos 6 & 7).

RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:

The remaining permit area North of Hwy 40 was well vegetated (Photos 4 & 5). This portion of the permit is planned to be incorporated into adjacent hay fields. Inspection contact stated previously that they are aiming to release this final area in the current year.

# **ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

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

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**



Figure 1: Mine identification sign posted adjacent to unreleased acreage, south of Hwy 40.



Figure 2: View N of Truck Loop Pond 001, located along the unreleased haul road.



Figure 3: View NE of Rail Loop Pond 002 seen from the unreleased haul road, pond sits within the previously released Tracks-to-Trails area.



Figure 4: View SE of unreleased acreage south of Hwy 40. Hay fields surround this strip of unreleased land.



Figure 5: View NE of unreleased acreage south of Hwy 40. Hay fields surround this strip of unreleased land.



Figure 6: View S of one of two permanent topsoil piles located along the unreleased haul road/CR37.



Figure 7: View NE of one of two permanent topsoil piles located along the unreleased haul road/CR37.



*Figure 8: View N of the released Tracks-to-Trails area.* Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 7 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 4

## **AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS**

PERMIT RECORDS DRMS Permit	Exp 5/22/2023	HYDROLOGIC RECORDS NPDES Permit	COG85008 in
DRWSTernit		NI DES I chint	Review
Permit Application w/Revisions	RN-05 Update w/	NPDES Records	
	TR12		*Permit
Findings Document	RN-05	Stormwater Management Plan	2012 Current
Insurance Certificate	<mark>8/1/2022</mark>	SPCC Plan	NA
Bond Document	No. 104674392 Feb 2022	MSHA Pond Inspections	NA
Phased Bond Release	SL-02		
Documents/Findings		State Engineer's Pond Inspection	NA
Air Emission Permits	Terminated	Quarterly Pond Inspections	NA
County Special Use Permits	Terminated	Annual Hydrology Reports	2021
UG Mining Landowner Notification	NA	<ul> <li>Ground Water Monitoring</li> </ul>	AHR
Subsidence Monitoring Reports	NA	<ul> <li>Surface Water Monitoring</li> </ul>	AHR
Subsidence Monitoring Data	NA	• Spring & Seep Monitoring	AHR
Rill & Gully Survey		Mine Water Discharge Monitoring	NA
Vegetation Monitoring Data	NA	• Mine Inflow Study	NA
Specific Variance Approvals	NA	Water Consumption Records	NA
Annual Reclamation Reports	2021	Well Permits	NA
Midterm Review Documents	MT-06		
DRMS/OSM Inspection	Feb 2022		
Reports/Enforcement Actions (3			
Years)		<b>BLASTING RECORDS</b>	
Transfers/Succession of Operator	NA	Blasting Publication	NA
Temporary Cessation Notification	NA	Blasting Records (3 years)	NA
Reclamation Cost Estimate	RN-05	ATFE Explosives Permit	NA
CERTIFICATIONS		Blasting Variances	NA
Pond Certifications	NA	Pre-Blast Surveys	NA
Annual Certifications for			
Impoundments	NA, released		
Fill Certifications for Excess Spoil or Underground Development Waste	NA	ADDITIONAL RECORDS (specify)	
Quarterly Inspections	NA		
Compaction Testing	NA		
Final Certification	NA		
Coal Processing Waste Banks	NA		
Haul Road Certifications	*Permit		
Access Road Certifications	*Permit		
COMMENTS:			
*Permit – online, Laserfiche			
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