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## Roadside Mine, C-1981-041, May Partial Inspection Report

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To: Tonya Hammond <tonya.snowcap@bresnan.net>

Mon, Jun 5, 2023 at 1:15 PM

Good afternoon Tonya,

Attached is the Division's report for the partial inspection of the Roadside Mine conducted on May 25, 2023. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,  
**Clayton Wein**  
Environmental Protection Specialist



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**PERMIT INFORMATION**

<b>Permit Number:</b> C-1981-041 <b>Mine Name:</b> Roadside Portals <b>Operator:</b> Snowcap Coal Company, Inc. <b>Operator Address:</b> MS Tonya Hammond P.O. Box 1430 Palisade, CO 81526	<b>County:</b> Mesa <b>Operation Type:</b> Underground <b>Permit Status:</b> Active <b>Ownership:</b> Private
	<b>Operator Representative Present:</b>  Tonya Hammond
<b>Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)</b>  	

**INSPECTION INFORMATION**

<b>Inspection Start Date:</b> May 25, 2023 <b>Inspection Start Time:</b> 11:30 <b>Inspection End Date:</b> May 25, 2023 <b>Inspection End Time:</b> 12:00		<b>Inspection Type:</b> Coal Partial Inspection <b>Inspection Reason:</b> Normal I&E Program <b>Weather:</b> Clear	
<b>Joint Inspection Agency:</b>  None		<b>Joint Inspection Contacts:</b>  None	
<b>Post Inspection Agency:</b>  None		<b>Post Inspection Contacts:</b>  None	
<b>Inspector(s):</b>  Clayton Wein	<b>Inspector's Signature:</b>  <i>Clayton Wein</i>		<b>Signature Date:</b>  6/5/2023

**Inspection Topic Summary**

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

N - Air Resource Protection	Y - Roads
N - Availability of Records	R - Reclamation Success
N - Backfill & Grading	Y - Revegetation
N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste	N - Subsidence
N - Explosives	N - Slides and Other Damage
N - Fish & Wildlife	N - Support Facilities On-site
R - Hydrologic Balance	Y - Signs and Markers
Y - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan	N - Support Facilities Not On-site
N - Other	N - Special Categories Of Mining
N - Processing Waste	N - Topsoil

**COMMENTS**

This report documents the observations taken during a partial inspection of the Roadside Mine on May 25, 2023. The inspection was conducted by Clayton Wein of the Division. Tonya Hammond represented Snowcap Coal Company during the inspection. The weather was clear with a temperature of 76 degrees F. The ground conditions were dry.

**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:

During the inspection of Tract 71, there was no water observed flowing from the landowner's buried pipe into the Carey Pit. The pit was observed to be dry (Photo 1). Also during the inspection of Tract 71, there was no water observed flowing in the landowner's north and east trenches. No impacts to the TR-69 Repair Area were observed.

During the inspection the Division observed that the water line associated with the permittee's water augmentation plan had finished being installed on Tract 71. The water line will transfer water pumped from the Colorado river to Rapid Creek when necessary to augment water for water rights holders on Rapid Creek.

**RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:**

The remaining permitted disturbance at the Roadside Mine is approximately 0.4 acres located within the northern part of Tract 71. The disturbance boundary markers were observed to be intact and correctly delineated the boundary of the disturbed area. A mine Identification sign is posted at the southern entrance to the disturbed area. The sign was posted in an area clear to see and included information about the permit, the permittee and the Division. The reclaimed area was stable and covered with spring vegetative growth (Photos 2 and 3). There were no erosional features identified. The straw waddles located on the southern and western portion of the disturbed area were in good condition and no off- site impacts were observed.

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Number of Complete Inspections this Fiscal Year: 3

**DOCUMENTS RECEIVED: none**

**OTHER (SPECIFY): None**

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**ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

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

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## **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Photo 1: The Carey Pit was dry during the inspection.

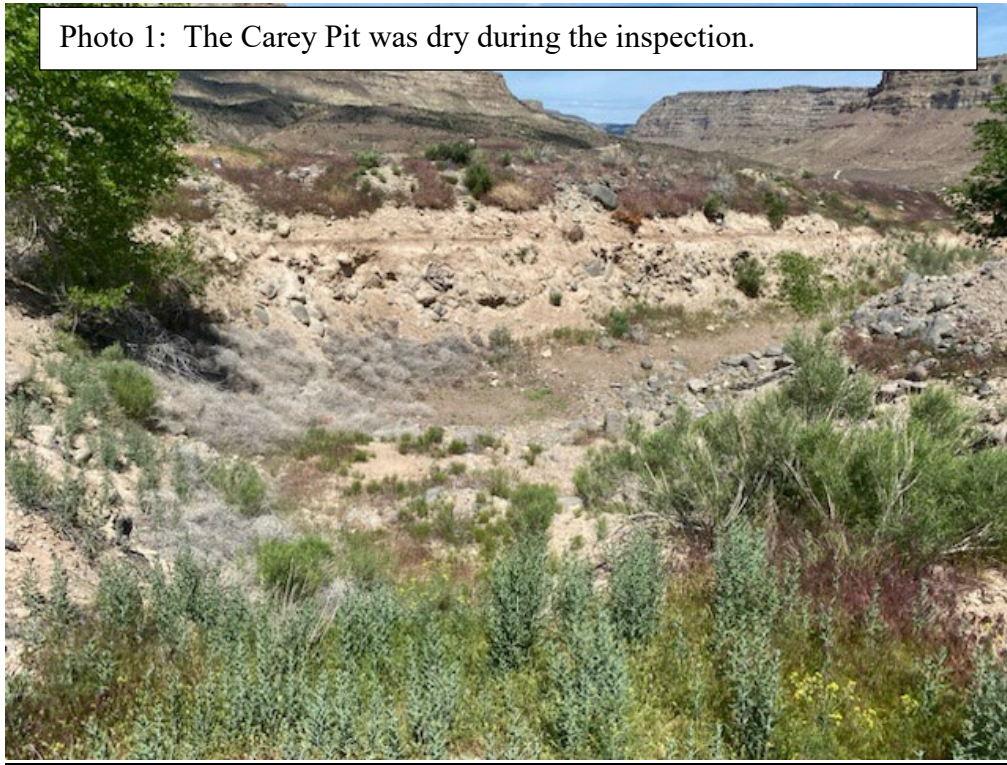
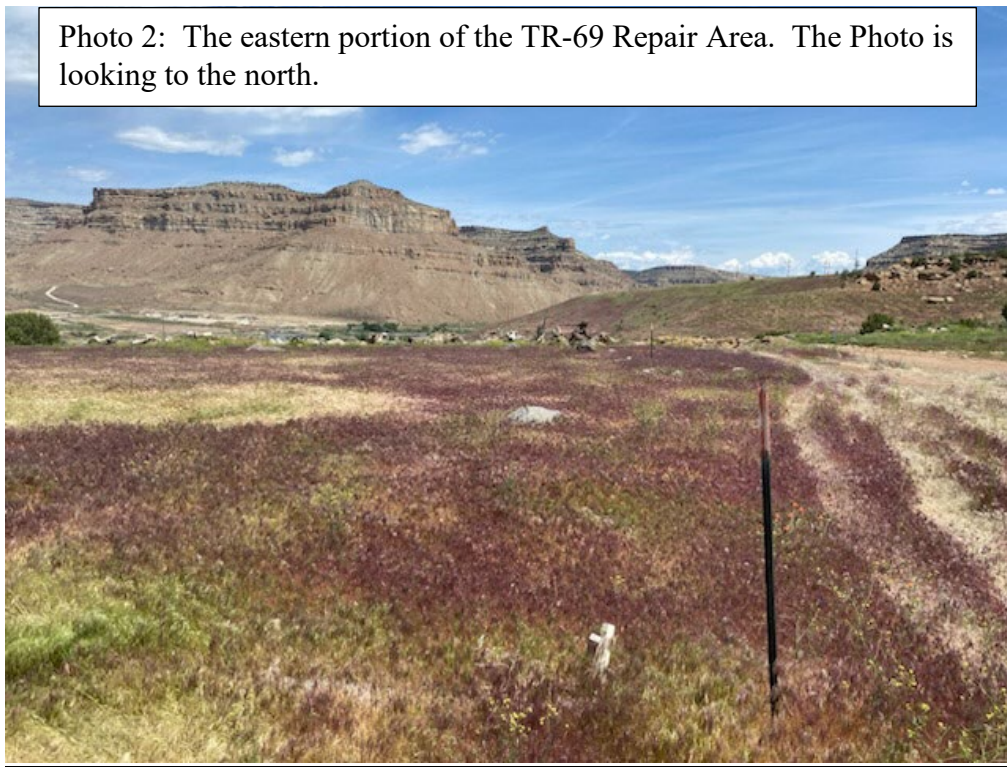


Photo 2: The eastern portion of the TR-69 Repair Area. The Photo is looking to the north.

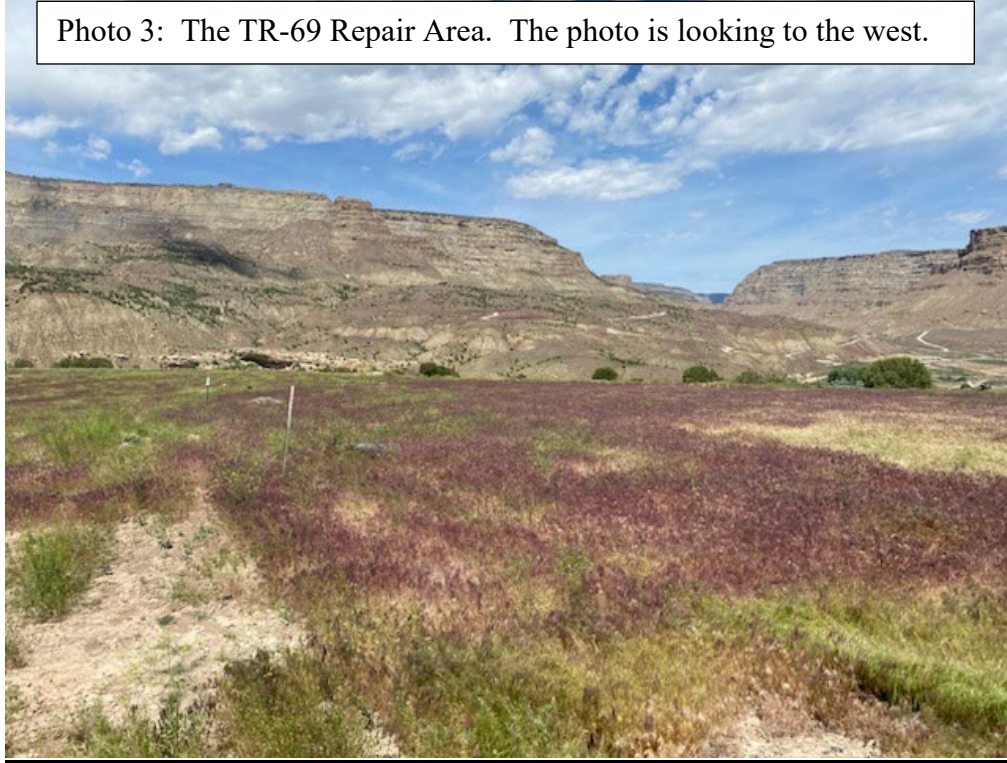


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Photo 3: The TR-69 Repair Area. The photo is looking to the west.



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