

Annual Report-Attachment
Currier Gravel Pit
M-1980-203
June 11, 2023

Mesa County, Colorado

Permitted acreage is less than 10 acres.

Minimal transportation operations or stockpile removal occurred during the reporting year. Contracted with 3rd party to complete ag weed spraying August 4, 2022. No extraction or processing occurred during the report year.

Reclamation activity has been performed on approximately 3 acres of land so far.

The pit has bottomed out (further extraction is uneconomic.)

This gravel pit is on intermittent status ("IS"). Mining activity was less than 180 days during the reporting year. At the time, the operation entered IS there was occasional extraction, crushing, and stockpile removal.

Historically, gravel demand for this remote location comes from Forest Service or Mesa County governments. Also, oil and gas companies occasionally need gravel for their well pads and access roads to their drill sites. The last crushing occurred in September 2008 in anticipation of this demand from oil and gas companies. In November of 2008, nearly all oil and gas activity ceased in this area resulting in a stockpile of gravel at the site. Since 2009, the demand for gravel from oil and gas companies and governmental entities has been very low. In July and August of 2022, just over 300 tons of gravel was removed for use on ranch roads and a family member's driveway and yard. In September 2021, a contractor smoothed up the roads around the pit. As soon as stockpiled gravel can be sold and removed, reclamation will be completed. No further extraction or crushing will occur.

Operator anticipates less than 180 days of activity in the coming report year. Future activity would only be trucking off stockpiled gravel. A gravel stockpile remains on site. Acreage is depicted on the submitted map. The legal description on that map was in dispute with the BLM. A settlement agreement was signed with the BLM effective September 26, 2013. Operator acquired the property from the BLM in late 2022 and has clear title to the real estate.

Amy Yeldell, DRMS specialist, inspected the pit on 05/03/2018. No problems or violations were cited. Another inspection is expected in the future. As mentioned above, weed spraying occurred during the report year. Pit location markers are located annually. There is no exposed groundwater at the pit. Further reclamation will proceed as soon as the remaining stockpile of gravel is sold and removed.