




**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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Stroh Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2002-078	<b>MINERAL:</b> Gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Larimer
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Brock Bowles	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> February 15, 2022	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 11:00
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Coulson Excavating Company, Inc.	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Ken Coulson	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> None	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$1,000.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>WEATHER:</b> Cloudy	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> April 18, 2022	

**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>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>N</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>N</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>N</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>N</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>N</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>N</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>N</u>	

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

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted by Brock Bowles of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). Ken Coulson of Coulson Excavating Co (Operator) was present for the inspection. The Stroh Pit is located 5 mile east of Loveland. The site is a 112c operation with 119 acres permitted and the post-mining land use is developed water resource. This inspection was carried out as a part of the Division's routine monitoring inspection program. At the time of the inspection it was cool, overcast and the ground was partly snow covered.

Mining has not begun at this site and no mining activity was observed. The area continues to be used for agricultural uses (photos 1 & 2).

This permit was approved 20 years ago and the operator is encouraged to review the permit, the mining plan and the reclamation plan prior to initiating any mining.

On November 29, 2011 the Division approved a financial warranty reduction for the site (SR-1) to reduce the financial warranty to \$1,000.00 since the mine had not begun operations. At that time, the following stipulation was added to the permit:

"Coulson Excavating Company, Inc. shall request in writing to the DRMS that the financial warranty be increased prior to commencing mining. An increase of the financial warranty shall be requested, and provided with the letter to the DRMS, by Coulson Excavating Company, Inc. to its bonding /surety provider prior to commencing mining. The increased financial warranty and updated bond forms shall also be provided to the DRMS from Coulson Excavating Company, Inc. bonding /surety provider."

The Division suggests that the operator notify the Division at least three months in advance of initiating any mining operations at the site allowing time for the financial warranty to be approved.

In Exhibit G of the permit, it is stated that the mining operations is expected to expose ground water as part of the mining operations. The Stroh Pit does not have an approved SWSP. The operator will need to secure an approved SWSP before exposing any ground water to the atmosphere.

**PHOTOGRAPHS**



Photo 1 – looking east from entrance



Photo 2 – Looking south along western permit boundary

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Enclosure

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