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Roadside Mine, C-1981-041, July Partial Inspection Report

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Wed, Jul 26, 2023 at 12:07 PM

Good afternoon Tonya,

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

Sincerely,
Clayton Wein
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PERMIT INFORMATION

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

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: July 25, 2023 Inspection Start Time: 09:07 Inspection End Date: July 25, 2023 Inspection End Time: 09:45		Inspection Type: Coal Partial Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear	
Joint Inspection Agency: None		Joint Inspection Contacts: None	
Post Inspection Agency: None		Post Inspection Contacts: None	
Inspector(s): Clayton Wein	Inspector's Signature: <i>Clayton Wein</i>		
		Signature Date: 7/26/2023	

Inspection Topic Summary

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

N - Air Resource Protection

N - Availability of Records

N - Backfill & Grading

N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste

N - Explosives

N - Fish & Wildlife

R - Hydrologic Balance

Y - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan

N - Other

N - Processing Waste

N - Roads

R - Reclamation Success

N - Revegetation

N - Subsidence

N - Slides and Other Damage

N - Support Facilities On-site

Y - Signs and Markers

N - Support Facilities Not On-site

N - Special Categories Of Mining

N - Topsoil

COMMENTS

This report documents the observations taken during a partial inspection of the Roadside Mine conducted on July 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 85 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:

At the time of the inspection the landowners riser pipes on the Tract 70 Mesa were turned off. There was no evidence of recent water application to the trenches from the riser pipes (Photo 1). The land owner's middle field was also dry with no water application to the field being conducted. The landowner's pipe located at the southeastern section of Tract 71 was not connected. The trenches running along the east and north portions of Tract 71 were dry during the inspection (Photo 2). There was no evidence of recent water application to these trenches. The Carey pit, located at the southwest section of Tract 71 was also dry (Photo 3). A small section of the landowner's buried pipeline at the southern section of Tract 71 appeared to have had a recent leak. A small area of the pipe had been uncovered. This section of the landowner's buried pipeline was adjacent to SCC's new buried pipeline associated with the approved water augmentation plan. There did not appear to be any impact to SCC's buried pipeline (Photo 4).

RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:

The TR-69 Repair Area consists of approximately 0.4 acres of reclamation located at the northern portion of Tract 71. The reclamation was associated with the disturbance created in the fall of 2019, approved under Technical Revision No. 69. The reclaimed area was stable with vegetative cover (Photos 5 and 6). Vegetation on the site has dried out as spring precipitation has ended. There were no indications of erosional features. The straw waddles located at the down-gradient portions were intact and in good condition. No off-site impacts were observed. The disturbed area was marked by several T-posts and a mine identification sign was posted on a T-post located along the southern boundary for the reclaimed area. The sign was in good condition and posted in a

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location with an un-obstructed view.

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: One of the landowner's riser pipes on top of the Tract 70 Mesa.

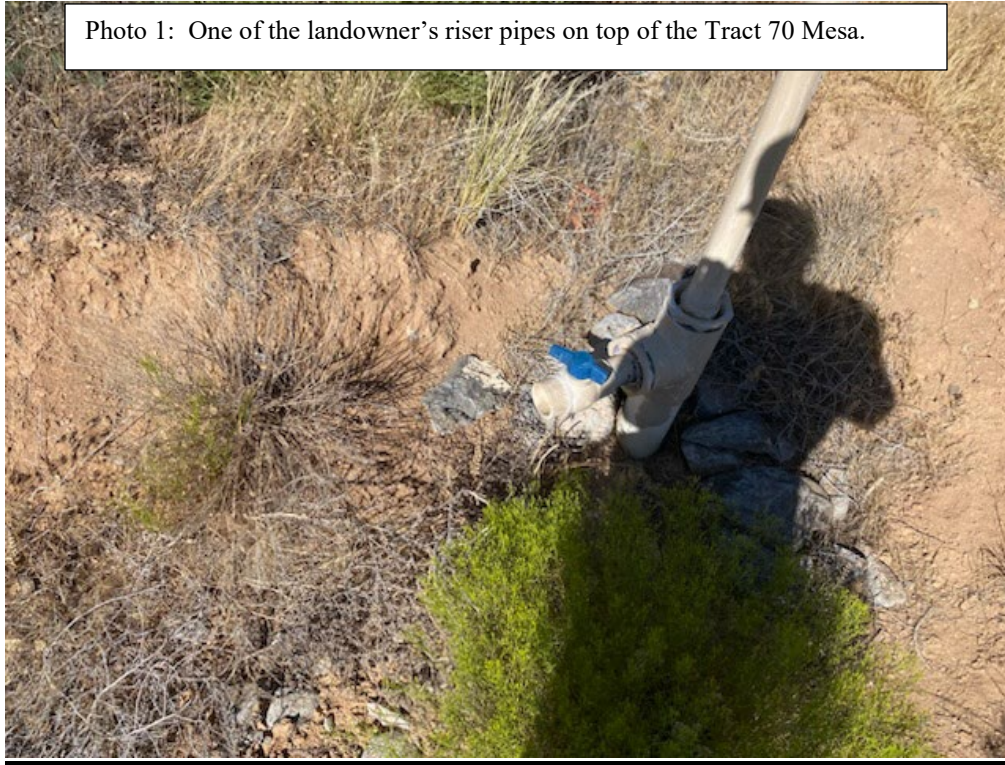


Photo 2: The landowner's trench on the northern part of Tract 71. The photo was taken looking to the east.



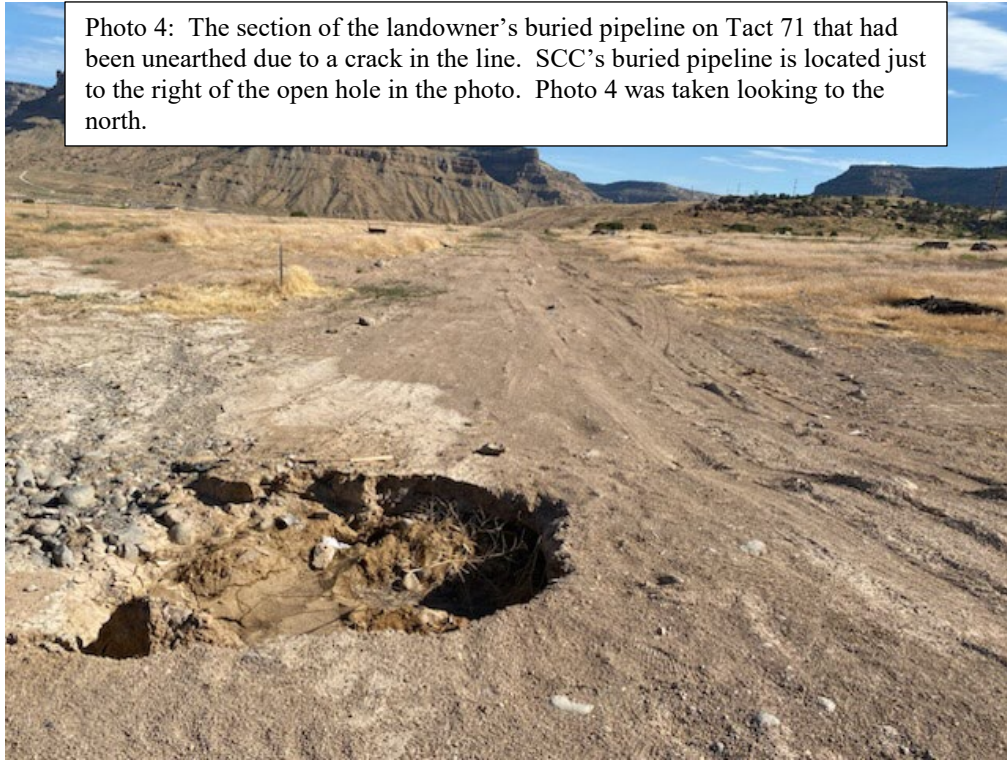
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Photo 3: The Carey Pit was dry during the inspection.



Photo 4: The section of the landowner's buried pipeline on Tact 71 that had been unearthed due to a crack in the line. SCC's buried pipeline is located just to the right of the open hole in the photo. Photo 4 was taken looking to the north.



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Photo 5: The southern portion of the TR-69 Repair Area. Photo 5 was taken looking to the west.

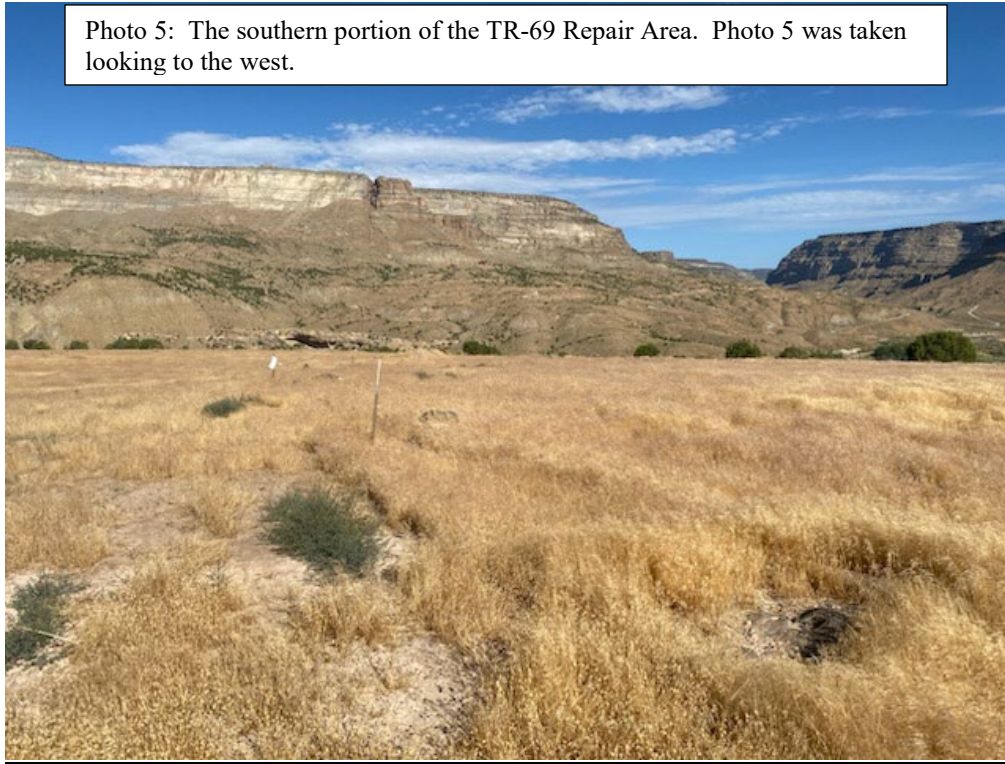


Photo 6: The north and eastern portion of the TR-69 Repair Area. Photo 6 was taken looking to the northwest.



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