

# **PERMIT INFORMATION**

County: Gunnison Operation Type: Underground Permit Status: Revoked Ownership: Private			
Operator Representative Present:			
N/A			
Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)			

# **INSPECTION INFORMATION**

Inspection Start Date: Septembe Inspection Start Time: 16:00 Inspection End Date: Inspection End Time:	r 11, 2023		Inspection Type: Coal Complete Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear	
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint	Inspection Contacts:	
None				
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:		
None				
Inspector(s):	Inspector's Signature: Signature Date:			
Leigh Simmons	Di		September 14, 2023	

### **Inspection Topic Summary**

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

N - Air Resource Protection R - Roads

N - Availability of Records N - Reclamation Success

 ${f N}$  - Backfill & Grading  ${f N}$  - Revegetation

N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste N - Subsidence

N - Explosives
 R - Slides and Other Damage
 N - Fish & Wildlife
 N - Support Facilities On-site
 N - Signs and Markers

N - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan
N - Support Facilities Not On-site
N - Other
N - Special Categories Of Mining

N - Processing Waste N - Topsoil

## **COMMENTS**

The Bear mine permit is revoked, the site has been reclaimed, and the required inspection frequency has been reduced to quarterly. The weather was warm and dry. The site was accessible by vehicle from the West Elk Mine, and by foot from Somerset.

#### 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 temporary road to access the bench above the slide area was in much better shape than in recent months, and surface water diversions off the road seemed to be effective.

#### SLIDES and DAMAGE - Rule 4.12:

Staff from the Inactive Mines Program and their contractors from TetraTech and Authentic Drilling had resumed their investigation of the underground coal fire. Several new holes had been drilled and grouted with thermocouples. Drilling was expected to continue through mid-October.

#### **DOCUMENTS RECEIVED**

N/A

#### **OTHER (SPECIFY)**

N/A

## **ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

N/A

# **PHOTOGRAPHS**



Figure 1: Smoke/steam venting from western end of bench Number of Partial Inspection this Fiscal Year: 0 Number of Complete Inspections this Fiscal Year: 3



Figure 2: Drill rig on site



Figure 3: Thermocouples grouted into new holes



Figure 4: Surface water diversion at first hairpin on temporary road