




PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C1981033 Mine Name: Bear Mine Operator: N/A Operator Address: N/A	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: October 26, 2023 Inspection Start Time: 09:00 Inspection End Date: Inspection End Time:	Inspection Type: Coal Complete Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear
Joint Inspection Agency: None	Joint Inspection Contacts:
Post Inspection Agency: None	Post Inspection Contacts:
Inspector(s): Leigh Simmons	Inspector's Signature:  Signature Date: October 31, 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

N - Reclamation Success

N - Backfill & Grading

N - Revegetation

N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste

N - Subsidence

N - Explosives

Y - Slides and Other Damage

N - Fish & Wildlife

N - Support Facilities On-site

Y - Hydrologic Balance

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.

Staff from the Inactive Mines Program and their contractors from TetraTech and Authentic Drilling had completed their drilling activities for 2023. All drilling equipment had been demobilised from the site. Plans for possible future drilling will be developed after the data collected so far has been thoroughly analysed.

Contractors with Hayduke Environmental were expected to spend around five days at the site in early November to create water bars and/or rolled dips on the temporary road, with rock armoring on the downslope side; the inside ditch on the road will be cleaned and defined; and silt fence will be installed as necessary across the hillside (straw wattles are not expected to be used).

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

N/A

OTHER (SPECIFY)

N/A

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

N/A

Number of Partial Inspection this Fiscal Year: 0Number of Complete Inspections this Fiscal Year: 4

PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Active vent at west end of bench

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Figure 2: More vents a few yards further east

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Figure 3: New holes along bench



Figure 4: Existing sediment control, to be improved in early November

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Figure 5: Eastern end of bench

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Figure 6: Current state of hillside below bench



Figure 7: Indistinct road ditch at eastern end of lower road

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