




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.

MINE NAME: Boot Jack River Rock Processing Area	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2019-016	MINERAL: Aggregate	COUNTY: Mineral
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE: October 24, 2023	INSP. TIME: 15:30
OPERATOR: Boot Jack Ranch, LLC	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Dennis Burch	TYPE OF OPERATION: 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$8,894.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
INSPECTOR(S): Todd Jesse	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: November 1, 2023	

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>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>N</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</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>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</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 report was conducted as part of the normal monitoring program established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's Active Mines Program. The Boot Jack River Rock Processing Area is a 110c Operation operated by Boot Jack Ranching LLC. The site is located approximately 10 miles north of the town of Pagosa Springs, CO at an elevation of approximately 7740 feet. Public access is to the property controlled by a gate off Highway 160 and the site consists of 1.84 acres to be reclaimed for the post mine land use of general agriculture. The previous inspection was a preoperational inspection that occurred in 2019. The Division currently holds an \$8,894.00 financial warranty on the site. Dennis Burch, a representative of Boot Jack Ranching, was present for the inspection.

The proper mine identification signage was posted at the entrance to the site. Permit boundaries are clearly marked with flagging on posts. The site was not active at the time of the inspection, but screening and hauling equipment are on site. Hydrocarbons are stored in a support facility just outside of the permit boundary and are used to support not only the processing area, but also the rest of the ranch.

Processing has been conducted in accordance with the submitted plan within the permit boundary. Material to be processed is stockpiled in the south center of the permit area – it is estimated that there are approximately 800 cubic yards of material in the unprocessed stockpile. Processed material is stockpiled along the western boundary in stockpiles consisting of a few hundred cubic yards while awaiting use on the ranch property. No material is being exported off site at this time. The Operator states that they plan to export material at a later time, but the need for material at the ranch is currently too high to allow for exportation.

The property is extremely well kept. No state listed invasive weed species were identified during the inspection. A mature Bald Eagle was also seen perched in a tree above the processing area.

To ensure the financial warranty remains adequate to reclaim this site per the requirements of the approved reclamation plan, DRMS will update the reclamation cost estimate. A Notice of Surety Increase will be forwarded to the Operator under separate cover to finalize the increase.

Photos that show the conditions observed during the inspection are included at the end of this report.

No problems or violations were noted or observed during the October 24, 2023 inspection.

All responses to this report should be directed to Todd Jesse with the Division's Active Mines Program at DRMS, Room 215, 1001 E 62nd Ave. Denver, CO 80216. Direct contact can be made at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at 720-688-0626 or by email at todd.jesse@state.co.us.

PHOTOGRAPHS



View to the southeast of post with flagging that marks the corners of the permit.



View to the south of processing area. Unprocessed stockpile is located in the center of the photo.



View to the east of processing equipment on site.



View to the west of hydrocarbon storage in off site support facility.

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Enclosure

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