

PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1992-081 Mine Name: Hayden Gulch Loadout Operator: Hayden Gulch Terminal, LLC Operator Address: Ms Miranda Kawcak 29515 Routt County Road 27 Oak Creek, CO 80467 County: Routt Operation Type: Loadout Permit Status: Active Ownership: Private

Operator Representative Present:

Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: December 13, 2023 Inspection Start Time: 09:00 Inspection End Date: December 13, 2023 Inspection End Time: 10:00			Inspection Type: Coal Partial 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:		
Hunter Ridley	Hunter Ridley December 14, 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
- **R** Fish & Wildlife
- **R** Hydrologic Balance
- Y Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan
- N Other
- N Processing Waste

- **R** Roads
- Y Reclamation Success
- Y Revegetation
- N Subsidence
- N Slides and Other Damage
- N Support Facilities On-site
- ${\bf R}\,$ Signs and Markers
- ${\bf N}\;$ Support Facilities Not On-site
- N Special Categories Of Mining
- Y Topsoil

COMMENTS

This was a partial inspection of the Hayden Gulch Loadout; DRMS Permit No. C-1992-081, operated by Hayden Gulch Terminal, LLC (HGT). This inspection was conducted by Hunter Ridley with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division). No mining activity was occurring on site at the time of inspection and no operator representative accompanied the inspection. **Please address the Bold items below.**

Phase I, II, and III release request, SL-3, is currently in processing with the Division. The decision date is **December 29, 2023**. The Division is awaiting a second adequacy response from HGT.

Areas not Phase III bond released and not included in the current SL-3 release area includes the fields directly north and south of Hwy 40, to be reclaimed to agricultural use as hay fields. This area includes 6.8 acres of which 2.3 are disturbed (Photo 2).

SIGNS AND MARKERS—Rule 4.02

Mine identification signs were observed at the western end of the TAHR (Photo 7) and adjacent to the unreleased agricultural section north and south of Hwy 40 (Photo 1). All required information was present on the signage.

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 Tie Across Haul Road (TAHR) was plowed and navigable, but remained snow packed and icy (Photo 5). No erosion features of concern were noted.

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:

Culverts within the previously released Tracks to Trails area are still under construction by the City of Hayden (Photo 3). This area was turned over to the City of Hayden for recreational use with the approval of SL-2 in 2022. Culverts in this area which were not being replaced were flowing and free of blockages.

Truck Loop Pond 001 was functioning properly (Photo 6). Rail Loop Pond 002 was inaccessible due to the culvert construction happening along the Sage Creek Trail but looked to be frozen over (Photo 4).

PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES – Rule 4.18:

A coyote and various waterfowl were seen in and around the site. Many animal tracks were noted in the Tracks to Trails reclaimed rail loop area.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

No enforcement actions were initiated as a result of this inspection, nor are any pending.



PHOTOGRAPHS

Photo 1: Mine sign located just off Hwy 40.



Photo 2: View east of the agricultural hay field located adjacent to Hwy 40, not yet released.



Photo 3: View south of Sage Creek Trail recreation loop where work on culvert replacement continues.



Photo 4: View north of Rail Loop Pond 002 as seen from the TAHR.



Photo 5: Road conditions were plowed but snow packed and icy.



Photo 6: Truck Loop Pond 001 as seen from the TAHR.



Photo 7: Secondary mine signage located at the western end of the TAHR.

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 4 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 2 HR1