

# MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT PHONE: (303) 866-3567

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:		MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL:	COUNTY:
Camenish Borrow		M-2006-078	Sand and gravel	Weld
INSPECTION TYPE:		WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Surety Release Inspection			January 10, 2024	09:00
OPERATOR:		OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Flatiron Constructors, Inc.		John Lamb	111 - Construction by Goverment Agency	
REASON FOR INSPECTION:		BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:	
Surety Release Requested		None	\$127,000.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT:		POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:	
NA		None	None	
INSPECTOR(S):	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:		SIGNATURE DATE:	
Brock Bowles			January 26, 2024	
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### **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>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES N	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- Y	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE $\underline{Y}$	(RV) REVEGETATION <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>N</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS N	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE <u>N</u>	

 $Y = Inspected \ / \ N = Not \ inspected \ / \ NA = Not \ applicable \ to \ this \ operation \ / \ PB = Problem \ cited \ / \ PV = Possible \ violation \ cited$ 

PERMIT #: M-2006-078 INSPECTOR'S INITIALS: BFB INSPECTION DATE: January 10, 2024

#### **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted by Brock Bowles of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). John Lamb of Flatiron Constructors, Inc. (operator) was present for the inspection. The Camenish Pit is located 8 miles east of Longmont in Weld County. This site is a 111c gravel pit permitted for 30.0 acres and the approved disturbance is 30.0 acres. The post mining land use is developed water resource.

At the time of the inspection, it was cold, clear, and windy. The temp was about 25F, the ground was dry, and the pond was mostly frozen. No mining was taking place, no mining equipment was on-site, and all areas within the mining permit were in final reclamation.

Flatiron submitted the Surety Release 4 (SL4) application on January 19, 2024. The application was deemed complete on January 23, 2024, and notices were sent to the Weld County Commissioners, Weld County Planning Department, Longmont Conservation District, RTP Land Co. LLC. and Flatiron Constructors, Inc. as required by Rule 4.17.2(1). SL4 is requesting for full and final release of the permit area.

The Division holds a financial warranty in the amount of \$127,000.00.

Flatiron submitted a final release request (SL3) on July 27, 2023, and the subsequent inspection took place on August 8, 2023. The inspection documented that the vegetation was well established, previous weed problems have been corrected, and no erosion features were noted. The SL3 application was ultimately denied at the request of Division of Water Resources who recommended that the site not be release until after the SWSP expired on December 31, 2023.

The SL4 application was submitted after the SWSP plan expired in compliance with DWR's recommendation. The following observations are from the January 10, 2024 inspection.

The vegetation was dormant and very well established. The grasses were dense and about waist high over most of the site (photo 1). They consisted of bromes and wheatgrasses. Patches of sunflowers were seen, and rushes and sedges were in the lower wet areas on the eastern side of the pond (photo 2). No noxious weeds were noted during this inspection. The Aug 2023 inspection noted some kochia and curly dock were seen. These species were not seen during this inspection, but the vegetation was dormant making plant identification more challenging. Neither kochia nor curly dock are listed as noxious species.

The pond contained water and appeared to be almost at capacity based on the water line created by the grasses (photo 3). The banks of the pond were also well vegetated and appeared stable (photo 4). No rills or gullies were noted.

The oil well access road was in good condition and well maintained. No erosion features or problems were noted.

The conditions of the site were the same as those reported in the August 8, 2023 inspection. The Division will recommend approval of the final performance release request (SL4) based on the observations from this inspection. The notice of DRMS's decision will be sent under separate cover.

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**



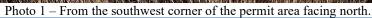




Photo 2 – The east side of the pond facing north.



Photo 3 – The southern section of the lake facing east



Photo 4 – The northeast section of the lake facing southwest towards oil/gas facility.



Photo 5 – Northwest section of permit area facing east.

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