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C1983059, Terror Creek Loadout, March Inspection Report

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Attached

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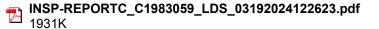


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PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1983-059 Mine Name: Terror Creek Loadout Operator: Oxbow Mining, LLC Operator Address: Mr Doug Smith PO Box 535 Paonia, CO 81434	County: Delta Operation Type: Loadout Permit Status: Active Ownership: Private Operator Representative Present: Doug Smith	
Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)		

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: March 13, Inspection Start Time: 11:00 Inspection End Date: Inspection End Time:	, 2024		Inspection Type: Coal Complete Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Snowing
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint	Inspection Contacts:
None			
Post Inspection Agency:		Post	Inspection Contacts:
None			
Inspector(s):	Inspector's Signature:		nature: Signature Date:
Leigh Simmons	Di		March 19, 2024

Inspection Topic Summary

March 13, 2024

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

N - Air Resource Protection N - Roads

R - Availability of Records **N** - Reclamation Success

N - Backfill & Grading N - Revegetation

N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste N - Subsidence

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

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

N - Processing Waste N - Topsoil

COMMENTS

This was a complete inspection by Leigh Simmons of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). The weather was overcast and wet, with a major winter storm forecast. The gate to the site was locked. There was no activity at the site.

AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS – Rule 5.02.4(1):

Records were available in the Elk Creek Mine office, details are given at the end of this report.

GENERAL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE:

Oxbow reported that were working on contracts with various customers to fulfill the multi-use post-mining land use.

SUPPORT FACILITIES - Rule 4.04:

A security fence with a locked gate had been installed around the lower pad, with security cameras on a pole just inside the gate.

SIGNS AND MARKERS – Rule 4.02:

New signs had been installed warning of 24-hour video surveillance on both gates. The mine ID sign was in place at the main entrance.

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

N/A

OTHER (SPECIFY)

N/A

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

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

PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Mine ID sign



Figure 2: Entrance to site



Figure 3: Security fence and gate around lower pad



Figure 4: Gate, warning sign and security cameras



Figure 5: Western end of lower pad



Figure 6: Remaining part of substation

AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS

PERMIT RECORDS		HYDROLOGIC RECORDS	
DRMS Permit	Exp. 8/23/28	NPDES Permit	*1
Permit Application w/Revisions	Yes	NPDES Records	Q4 2023
Findings Document	RN-8	Stormwater Management Plan	Yes
Insurance Certificate	6/1/2024	SPCC Plan	Yes
Bond Document Phased Bond Release	\$290,000 N/A	MSHA Pond Inspections State Engineer's Pond	N/A
Documents/Findings	IN/A	Inspection	N/A
Air Emission Permits	Terminated 2018	Quarterly Pond Inspections	Q4 2023
County Special Use Permits	Yes	Annual Hydrology Reports	2023
UG Mining Landowner	N/A	• Ground Water Monitoring	AHR
Notification		3	
Subsidence Monitoring Reports	N/A	 Surface Water Monitoring 	AHR
Subsidence Monitoring Data	N/A	 Spring & Seep Monitoring 	N/A
Rill & Gully Survey	N/A	Mine Water Discharge Monitoring	N/A
Vegetation Monitoring Data	N/A	Mine Inflow Study	N/A
Specific Variance Approvals	N/A	Water Consumption Records	N/A
Annual Reclamation Reports	2023	Well Permits	Yes
Midterm Review Documents	MT-8		
DRMS/OSM Inspection	2/24	BLASTING RECORDS	
Reports/Enforcement Actions (3 Years)			
Transfers/Succession of Operator	SO-01	Blasting Publication	N/A
Temporary Cessation Notification	N/A	Blasting Records (3 years)	N/A
Reclamation Cost Estimate	RN-8	ATFE Explosives Permit	N/A
CERTIFICATIONS Paral Continues	V	Blasting Variances	N/A
Pond Certifications	Yes N/A	Pre-Blast Surveys	N/A
Annual Certifications for Impoundments	IN/A		
Fill Certifications for Excess Spoil	N/A	ADDITIONAL RECORDS	
or Underground Development Waste	IV/A	(specify)	
 Quarterly Inspections 	N/A		
• Compaction Testing	N/A		
Final Certification	N/A	· -	
Coal Processing Waste Banks	N/A	· -	
Haul Road Certifications	Yes		
Access Road Certifications	N/A		
COMMENTS:			
*1 CDPS permit expired June 30, 2	013: administratively	extended.	
- 2212 permit empired value 30, 2	,		