




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: May 22, 2024 Inspection Start Time: 13:00 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: May 31, 2024

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
N - Fish & Wildlife
N - Hydrologic Balance
N - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan
N - Other
N - Processing Waste

N - Roads
N - Reclamation Success
N - Revegetation
N - Subsidence
R - Slides and Other Damage
N - Support Facilities On-site
N - Signs and Markers
N - Support Facilities Not On-site
N - Special Categories Of Mining
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 clear and dry.

SLIDES and DAMAGE - Rule 4.12:

The site was accessed via the temporary road constructed from the West Elk Mine permit area. The temporary road was passable most of the way to the bench in a Chevy Tahoe with regular tires, however there had been a small slide near the top which had narrowed the road and compromised the drainage. The repair should be fairly straightforward.

The bench itself appeared to be stable. The silt fence had done a good job of controlling surface run-off.

As was the case in April, signs of the underground fire were greatly reduced compared to 2023.

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.

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Silt fence below bench

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Figure 2: View along bench to the east



Figure 3: Overview of site

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Figure 4: View of seep area from bench

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Figure 5: Silt fence sediment control

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