

Annual Report-Attachment
Currier Gravel Pit
M-1980-203, Mesa County, Colorado
June 22, 2024

Permitted acreage is less than 10 acres. This gravel pit is on intermittent status ("IS"). Mining activity was less than 180 days during the reporting year. At the time, the operation entered IS there was occasional extraction, crushing, and stockpile removal. No extraction or processing occurred during the report year. No further extraction or crushing will occur. The pit has bottomed out (further extraction is uneconomic.) Mining activity is now limited to removal of stockpiled gravel.

Minimal transportation operations or stockpile removal occurred during the reporting year. Details are discussed below.

Reclamation activity has been performed on approximately 3 acres of land so far.

Historically, gravel demand for this remote location comes from Forest Service or Mesa County governments. Also, oil and gas companies occasionally need gravel for their well pads and access roads to their drill sites. The last crushing occurred in September 2008 in anticipation of this demand from oil and gas companies. In November of 2008, nearly all oil and gas activity ceased in this area resulting in a stockpile of gravel at the site. Since 2009, the demand for gravel from oil and gas companies and governmental entities has been extremely low.

Operator anticipates less than 180 days of activity in the coming report year. Future activity will only be trucking off stockpiled gravel. Acreage is depicted on the submitted map. The legal description on that map was in dispute with the BLM. A settlement agreement was signed with the BLM effective September 26, 2013. The operator acquired the property from the BLM in late 2022 and has clear title to the real estate. A gravel stockpile remains on site. As soon as stockpiled gravel can be sold and removed, reclamation will be completed.

In August and September of 2023, just over 800 tons of gravel was removed for use on ranch roads and sold to an independent contractor. In September 2021, a contractor smoothed up the roads around the pit.

Amy Yeldell, DRMS specialist, inspected the pit on October 25, 2023. No problems or violations were cited. Another inspection is expected in the future. After the inspection report was issued, Operator notified Amy Yeldell that the US Government deeded the property to the Operator and the BLM no longer owns the underlying real estate. A copy of the deed was provided to Amy Yeldell. As mentioned above, weed spraying occurred during the report year. Pit location markers are located annually. There is no exposed groundwater at the pit. Further reclamation will proceed as soon as the remaining stockpile of gravel is sold and removed.