

# 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:
Ormiston Gravel Pit		M-1999-077	Aggregate	Dolores
INSPECTION TYPE:		WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Monitoring			December 10, 2024	11:00
OPERATOR:		OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Montezuma County		Rob Englehart	112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION:		BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:	
Normal I&E Program		None	\$0.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT:		POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:	
NA		None	None	
INSPECTOR(S):	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:		SIGNATURE DATE:	
Todd Jesse			January 8, 2025	
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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 N	(RD) ROADS <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING <u>N</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES $\underline{N}$	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- Y	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE $\underline{Y}$	(RV) REVEGETATION N
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP N
(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>	

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

#### **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection report was conducted as part of the normal monitoring program established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety. The Ormiston Pit is a 112c Operation operated by Montezuma County. The site is located 12 miles Southeast of Cahone, CO at an elevation of 7,200 feet. Public access is controlled by a gate off Rd R. The weather was clear with dry ground conditions and temperatures around 40 degrees. Pursuant to Rule 4.1.2(2), the Division holds no financial warranty for the site. Rob Englehart, Road and Bridge Superintendent for Montezuma County was present for the inspection.

## Fish and Wildlife:

Ungulate tracks were observed throughout the mine site, but no animals were observed.

# **Hydrologic Balance:**

There is no groundwater exposed within the permit boundary. Minor amounts of water were observed to be pooled within the disturbed area. Stormwater is contained within the disturbance area by berms. Ditches are free of obstruction and able to convey water. The pit is away from the floodplain and does not discharge.

Hydrocarbons were not stored on site. No spills were noted during the inspection.

## Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan:

Mining is being conducted in accordance with the approved mining plan Mining is advancing to the east to west in multiple phases. The operator is stripping overburden and topsoil as they mine and storing them for use in reclamation. Product stockpiles are located within the permit boundary. Crashing and screening equipment is brought to site when needed. No processing equipment is kept on site.

#### Roads:

Roads through the mine site are well maintained with minimal erosion. No dust was observed as the main haul road was traversed.

#### Signs and Markers:

The sign and affected area boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The permit boundary is marked with fence lines as well as earthen berms that are easily identifiable. The Mine ID sign is placed at the entrance to the site.

#### Topsoil:

Topsoil is being stockpiled along the perimeter of the working area. No signs of erosion or slumping were observed on the topsoil piles. There appears to be sufficient topsoil to complete reclamation.

Photos that show site conditions are located at the end of the report.

All responses to this report should be directed to Todd Jesse with the Division's Active Mines Program at DRMS, Room 215, 1001 E. 62nd Ave. Denver, CO 80216. Direct contact can be made at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at 720 688-0626 or by email at todd.jesse@state.co.us.

# **PHOTOGRAPHS**



Photo 1-View to the northeast of product stockpiles with the permit area.



Photo 2-View to the north of the mining area and highwall.



Photo 3 – View to the northwest of undisturbed portions of the permit boundary.



Photo 4 – View to the northeast of product stockpiles with the permit area.

PERMIT #: M-1999-077 INSPECTOR'S INITIALS: TJ1 INSPECTION DATE: December 10, 2024

# **Inspection Contact Address**

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