




MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT
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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: West Sunday	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1981-021	MINERAL: Uranium and vanadium	COUNTY: San Miguel
INSPECTION TYPE: Multi Person Inspection	WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE: November 13, 2024	INSP. TIME: 11:42
OPERATOR: Pinon Ridge Mining LLC	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Mike Rutter	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112d-3 - Designated Mining Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT: \$85,036.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
INSPECTOR(S): Lucas West	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: December 10, 2024	

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>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>N</u>	(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---- <u>N</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>Y</u>	(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 was conducted as part of the normal monitoring program established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's Active Mines Program. In addition to the inspector and Operator representatives listed on page one of this report, Bridget Wade of the Land Management (BLM) and Bruce Smith of Western Water and Land a consultant for the Operator were present for the inspection. The West Sunday mine is an active 112d-3 operation however crews were not on shift at the time of the inspection. The site consists of a maximum allowed disturbance of 20 acres. Public access to the site is controlled by a locked gate along the access road. The Division currently holds \$85,036.00 in Financial Warranty for the site. A reclamation cost estimate update has been performed and staff calculations found the currently held Financial Warranty is insufficient to conduct reclamation. Please see the attached Notice of Surety Increase for more information. Six Photos accompany this report to illustrate the current conditions of the site.

The permit ID sign was observed at the entrance to the site as seen in Photo One. The permit boundary markers were also observed. The remote vent shaft sites were not inspected at this time. Evidence that the diversion ditches and storm water control devices are functioning as designed was observed and no significant erosion was observed throughout the site. All work and shop appeared to be in good condition as seen in Photos Two and Three.

The portal located on site has been opened to be used as ventilation for the underground workings of the entire Sunday Complex. The portal was secure and in good condition at the time of the inspection as seen in Photo Four. The main pad and work area was in good condition, evidence of weed management during the growing season was observed. The whole site exhibits positive drainage, and no erosional issues were observed at this time. Some areas around the perimeter of the pad area have begun to revegetate themselves with volunteer species. The pad showed no signs of settling or slumping during the inspection. The out slopes of the pad are also in good condition, appearing stable during the inspection and showing no signs of significant erosion. An example of the out slopes can be seen in Photo Five.

The lined Ore Pad was observed to be in good condition. The face of the pad shows no evidence of surface stockpiling and no observable impacts from precipitation was noted. The out slopes and berms of the pad appear stable. The pad can be seen in Photos Six.

The overall footprint of the site was in good condition and free from excessive trash and debris. The condition of the site remains largely unchanged from the previous inspection. No problems or possible violations were noted at this time. All questions or responses to this report should be directed to Lucas West at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1001 E. 62nd Ave, Denver CO, 80216 or by phone at (303)-919-2997 or by email at lucas.west@state.co.us.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo One: View East, showing the proper Mine ID signage posted on the locked gate at the entrance to the site.



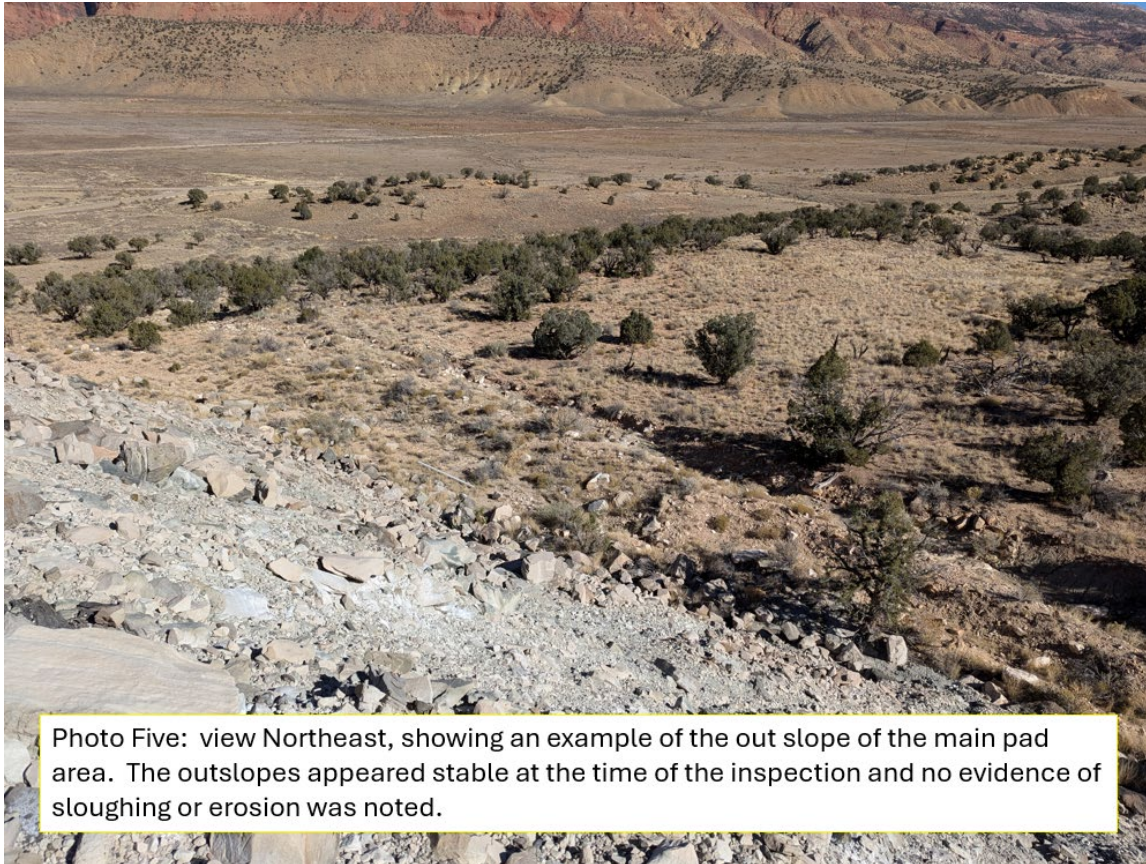
Photo Two: View North, showing the main shop facility, in good condition with no signs of vandalism.



Photo Three: View Southeast, showing the secondary shop/ storage facility on site. It is also in good condition with no signs of vandalism.



Photo Four: View South, showing the secured portal located on site. The portal structure and gate show no signs of damage.



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Enclosure Notice of Surety Increase SI-2

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