



COLORADO

Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety


Department of Natural Resources

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: Limon Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2013-080	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Lincoln
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	WEATHER: Cloudy	INSP. DATE: December 6, 2024	INSP. TIME: 09:30
OPERATOR: Pine Bluffs Gravel & Excavating, Inc.	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT: \$239,213.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
INSPECTOR(S): Ben Hammar Zach Trujillo	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: January 7, 2025

The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.

INSPECTION TOPIC: Signs & Markers

PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION: Problem: The mine identification sign was not posted at the entrance of the mine site. This is a problem for failure to post a mine identification sign as required by Section 3.1.12(1) of the Construction Materials Rules.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator shall, at the entrance of the mine site, post a sign which shall be clearly visible from the access road with the following: the name of the operator, a statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board; and the permit number. The operator shall submit photo documentation that a proper sign has been posted by the corrective action date of March 8, 2025.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 3/08/25

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted at the Limon Pit site by DRMS representatives Ben Hammar and Zach Trujillo. This site is an active 108.04 acre 112c permit, and currently has not been disturbed to date. The site was not active at the time of this inspection.

As mentioned, the site identification sign was not posted at the mine entrance. This is cited as a problem in this report, and the posted sign will need to follow Rule 3.1.12. Please submit proof of the postage of the new identification sign prior to the corrective action date.

The operator has stated that no mining has taken place at this site, and as of this inspection the site appears to be untouched and in good condition.

Per conversations with the operator, they are considering seeking surety release for the site. If they choose to do so they may submit a "Performance and Financial Warranty Release Request Form" within the spring season and the Division would approve the release of the site assuming the problems found during this inspection are abated.

The Division currently hold a bond amount of \$239,213. Based on observations made during this inspection, the Division find this amount adequate for reclamation. If the operator wishes to begin mining at this site, due to the significant amount of time between the submitted application and the present the Division would request that an amendment, titled AM-1, be submitted to clarify the intended permit boundaries. This would also be accompanied by additional surety to adequately finance any reclamation.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Missing site identification sign.



Photo 2: Unimpacted site seen from an adjacent county road.

GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

(AR) RECORDS-----	<u>NA</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY-----	<u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS-----	<u>NA</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE-----	<u>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING-----	<u>NA</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES-----	<u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING----	<u>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES-----	<u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL-----	<u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE-	<u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE-----	<u>NA</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION----	<u>NA</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS-----	<u>PB</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN----	<u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP--	<u>NA</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE-----	<u>NA</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION---	<u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS-----	<u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS-----	<u>NA</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE-----	<u>NA</u>		

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

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Enclosure

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