



## 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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Limon Sand & Gravel Resource	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-2024-053	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Lincoln
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Preoperation Inspection	<b>WEATHER:</b> Inclement/prevented Inspect	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> January 22, 2025	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 09:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Mid-States Materials, LLC	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b>	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Preoperation Inspection	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b>	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> N/A
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None
<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Ben Hammar Zach Trujillo	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> February 4, 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 1.6.2(b) of the rules. The Operator shall, at the entrance of the proposed mine site post a sign, which shall be clearly visible from the access road, with a minimum size equaling one hundred and eighty-seven (187) square inches, such as eleven (11) inches in height and seventeen (17) inches in width, with appropriate font size, with the following :the name, address, and phone number of the Applicant, and a statement that (name of Applicant) has applied for a mining permit with the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board.

**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.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 4/05/25

### **OBSERVATIONS**

This pre-operation inspection was performed by Ben Hammar and Zach Trujillo as representatives of the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety. They were accompanied by operator representative Sydney Connor. The proposed Limon Sand and Gravel Resource is located approximately 1 mile south of Limon and is planned to be a construction materials operation with a post-mining land use of rangeland. Weather was windy and cold, and the inspection was terminated following difficulty progressing into the site due to recent snowfall.

This inspection was primarily focused on identifying and documenting any structures present on-site prior to mining. The required notice sign was missing at the time of inspection, and as mentioned please provide photo evidence of the sign's replacement by the corrective action due date. A fence line exists within the eastern portion of the site, as mentioned in the permit application. Some material which appeared to be in support of the transmission lines that travel through the site were present immediately adjacent to the transmission lines. Although not permanent structures, the operator should take care to avoid impacting this material during operations. Only one stock well was visited prior to the conclusion of the inspection, which was documented and appeared to be in reasonably good condition.

The reclaimed 111c permit was observed, and reclamation appeared to be complete and adequate at the time of inspection. No evidence of affected lands caused by the existing 112c permit located on-site was observed, and generally the remainder of the site appeared to be vacant rangeland.

## PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Eastern fenceline's condition prior to mining.



Photo 2: Reclaimed 111 permit.



Photo 3: What appears to be a laydown area in support of the transmission lines.



Photo 4: Central stock well as it appears prior to mining.

### GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

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

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>N</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>N</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>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>PB</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>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</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

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