




**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> Neal Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1983-148	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Montrose
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> January 23, 2025	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 13:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Montrose County	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Curtis Milton	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b>	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$0.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Dustin Czapla	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> January 30, 2025	

**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>NA</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>NA</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</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

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program. Curtis Milton, representing the Operator, was present during this inspection. Photographs are included with this report to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Neal Pit is located approximately two miles west of Olathe and accessed from 5750 Road. The site is a 112c operation that includes a total of 55 permitted acres. Pursuant to Rule 4.1.2 (2), a financial warranty is not required for this site.

Adequate mine identification signage was noted at the entrance to the site.

The affected area was marked by posts and fencing that were clearly visible and adequate to delineate the affected area boundary.

The northeast permit area has undergone reclamation work. The slopes have been graded to 3H:1V and blend well with the surrounding topography. The area has been seeded and vegetation is becoming established.

Mining is continuing in the Phase 1 area, progressing to the south. Crushed gravel stockpiles are located in the pit floor here. The highwall, approximately 20 feet in height, has been graded to approximately 2H:1V. No concerns related to stability or erosion were noted.

No problems related to disturbance of the prevailing hydrologic balance were noted. The operation has not exposed groundwater. Stormwater berms around the disturbance area are well maintained.

There are no processing facilities on site, and thus no processing waste located on site.

Fuels or toxic materials are not stored on site. Acid generating materials are not exposed by the mining operation.

No offsite damage was noted.

The access road is well maintained.

Explosives are not used for this mining operation.

Mining is still occurring at this site and final reclamation has not yet commenced.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Dustin Czapla at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1001 E 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Denver, CO 80216, phone number (303) 866-3567.

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