




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: Thompson Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2022-046	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Montrose
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE: January 23, 2025	INSP. TIME: 13:50
OPERATOR: Montrose County	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Curtis Milton	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT: \$0.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None	
INSPECTOR(S): Dustin Czapla	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: 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>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</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 Thompson Pit is located approximately two miles southwest of Olathe and accessed from 5750 Road, through the Neal Pit (M-1983-148). The site is a 112c operation that includes a total of 120.6 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 access road from the Neal Pit has been constructed and mining has commenced in the south part of the Phase 1 area. Topsoil has been stripped and placed on the south end of the Phase 2 area. The operator is reminded that pursuant to Rule 3.1.9, topsoil stockpiles should be stabilized with a vegetative cover and stored in configurations so that it is protected from erosion. This stockpile is stored at the crest of a hill with the potential for some erosional loss. A berm, or other such measures, should be constructed around the south and west sides of the topsoil to prevent erosional loss. Several crushed gravel stockpiles are located in the Phase 1 pit.

No problems related to disturbance of the prevailing hydrologic balance were noted. The operation has not exposed groundwater.

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

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 62nd Avenue, Denver, CO 80216, phone number (303) 866-3567.

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Access road from the Neal Pit



Neal Pit is on the left side of fence, Thompson Pit on the right



Phase 1 area



Phase 1 area



Phase 1 area



View towards Phase 2 area



Phase 2 area



Topsoil stockpile at south end of Phase 2 area