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March Inspections Williams Fork, Seneca IIW and Yoast

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Good Evening Miranda,

Please find DRMS's March 2025 inspection reports for the above referenced sites.

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Insp_Partial_Yoast_2025_03_March.pdf
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Department of Natural Resources

12 March 2025

PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1994-082 Mine Name: Yeast Mine Operator Address: Seneca Property LLC Ms. Miranda Kawcak 29515 Routt County Road No. 27 Oak Creek, CO 80467	County: Routt Operation Type: Surface Permit Status: Permanent Cessation Ownership: Private Operator Representative Present: Miranda Kawcak
Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only) This report was issued electronically from the Divisions' Denver Office.	

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: 12 March 2025 Inspection Start Time: 9:30 a.m. Inspection End Date: 12 March 2025 Inspection End Time: 10:00 a.m.	Inspection Type: Coal Partial Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear
Joint Inspection Agency: None	Joint Inspection Contacts:
Post Inspection Agency: None	Post Inspection Contacts:
Inspector(s): Robin Reilley, M.S. GISP	Inspector's Signature:  Signature Date: 12 March 2025

Inspection Topic Summary	
NOTE:	Y=Inspected N=Not Inspected R=Comments Noted V=Violation Issued NA=Not Applicable
R - Air Resource Protection N - Availability of Records NA - Backfill & Grading NA - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste NA - Explosives R - Fish & Wildlife R - Hydrologic Balance R - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan NA - Other NA - Processing Waste	R - Roads N - Reclamation Success N - Revegetation Y - Subsidence Y - Slides and Other Damage NA - Support Facilities on site N - Signs and Markers NA - Support Facilities Not on site NA - Special Categories Of Mining NA - Topsoil

COMMENTS

This was a partial inspection of the Yoast Mine, C1994082, operated by Seneca Property LLC. The images were collected and the report prepared by me, Robin Reilley of the DRMS. No hydrologic or air quality issues were detected at the time of inspection. The sky was clear. Miranda Kawcak mine representative was present throughout the inspection. No hydrologic or air quality issues were detected at the time of inspection. The weather was clear and the air was calm. Temperatures hovered around 35 degrees Fahrenheit. Ponds along County Road 37 were inspected as the rest of the site was inaccessible due to snow cover at this time of year.

INSPECTION

PERMITTING ACTIONS

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GENERAL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE:

Reclamation has been completed at the site with the exception of the hillside above Pond 12 and ponds 12, 13 and 14. These areas comprise approximately 169 acres of Phase I, II and III reclamation slated for release in Spring 2025.

ROADS Rule 4.03

Construction 4.03.1(3), 4.03.2(3); Drainage 4.03.1(4), 4.03.2(4); Surfacing and Maintenance 4.03.1(5) and (6); 4.03.2(5) and; Reclamation 4.03.1(7) I 4.03.2(7).

- Main haul roads were snow covered rendering the interior of the site inaccessible.

HYDROLOGIC BALANCE – Rule 4.05

Drainage Control 4.05.1, 4.05.2, 4.05.3; Siltation Structures 4.05.5, 4.05.6; Discharge Structures 4.05.7, 4.05.10; Diversions 4.05.4; Effluent Limits 4.05.2; Ground Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Drainage- Acid and Toxic Materials 4.05.8; Impoundments 4.05.6,4.05.9; Stream Buffer Zones 4.05.18

- Pond banks and dams appeared stable, and snow covered with no signs of seepage.
- Ponds 13 and 14 were ice covered.
- Pond 12 was discharging at the time of inspection.

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SLIDES and OTHER DAMAGE- Rule 4.12

- Past slides, slumps, and cracking were observed and no new movement was detected.
- Slumped area above pond 13 has melted out.

FISH and WILDLIFE- RULE 4.18

- Wildlife sightings included a porcupine in a tree eating the tender shoots, blue birds and ravens.

INSPECTION, ENFORCEMENT and CIVIL PENALTIES – RULE 5

Inspections 5.02; Availability of Records

- As this was a partial inspection, records were not checked.
- No enforcement actions were initiated as a result of this inspection, nor are any pending.

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

None

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Pond 12, discharging and ice coming off.

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Photo 2: Yoast Pond 13, ice covered and not discharging.



Photo 3: Pond 13 discharge culvert.

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Photo 4: Pond 14, ice covered.

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