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2025 April Inspection Reports Yoast and Seneca IIW

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Good Afternoon,

Please find attached DRMS's 2025 April Inspection Reports for the above referenced sites. These were partial inspections.

Thank you

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2 attachments

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15 April 2025

PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1994-082 **Mine Name:** Yoast 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: 15 April 2025 Inspection Start Time: 12:00 a.m. Inspection End Date: 15 April 2025 Inspection End Time: 13:00 p.m.		Inspection Type: Coal Partial Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint Inspection Contacts:
None		
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:
None		
Inspector(s):	Inspe	ector's Signature:
Robin Reilley, M.S. GISP	K	Signature Date: 17 April 2025

Inspection Topic SummaryNOTE:Y=InspectedV=Violation IssuedN=Not InspectedNA=Not Application	
R - Air Resource Protection	R - Roads
N - Availability of Records	Y - Reclamation Success
NA - Backfill & Grading	R - Revegetation
NA - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste	Y - Subsidence
NA - Explosives	Y - Slides and Other Damage
R - Fish & Wildlife	NA - Support Facilities on site
R - Hydrologic Balance	N - Signs and Markers
R - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan	NA - Support Facilities Not on site
NA - Other	NA - Special Categories Of Mining
NA - Processing Waste	NA - Topsoil
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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. 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 68 degrees Fahrenheit.

PERMITTING ACTIONS SL 9 RN6

INSPECTION

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).

- The haul road above Pond 12 remained snow covered rendering the interior of the site inaccessible.
- Road traveled was in good repair as far as we were able to travel on it.

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 at Pond 10 and dam appeared stable, with no signs of seepage.

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C-1994-082/Yoast Mine

Dam slopes were beginning to sprout some vegetation. A second seeding may be advisable this fall.

- New decant structure and culvert through dam were functioning adequately, discharging clear water.
- Pond 12 viewed from above was holding water at the time of inspection.

FISH and WILDLIFE-RULE 4.18

• Wildlife sightings included elk, waterfowl

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.

PHOTOGRAPHS

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

None

Photo 1: Pond 10, new decant structure discharging clear water.

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Photo 2: Pond 10, new culvert through dam discharging clear water to flume.



Photo 3: Yoast Pond 12, viewed from above, holding water.