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Good Afternoon,

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

Thank you

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14 April 2025

PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1981-044
Mine Name: Williams Fork Mines
Operator: Moffat County Mining, LLC
Operator Address:
Ms. Miranda Kawcak
29515 Routt County Road #27
Oak Creek, CO 80467
This report was issued electronically from the Divisions' Denver Office.

County: Moffat
Operation Type: Underground
Permit Status: Active
Ownership: Private
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Operator Representative Present:
Miranda Kawcak
Divisions' Denver Office.

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: 14 April 2025 Inspection Start Time: 16:00 p.m. Inspection End Date: 15 April 2025 Inspection End Time: 16:30 p.m.	Inspection Type: Complete Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: High Clouds		
Joint Inspection Agency:	Joint Inspection Contacts:		
None	No		
Post Inspection Agency:	Post Inspection Contacts:		
None	No		
Inspector(s):	Inspector's Signature: Signature Date:		
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Inspection Topic Summary			
NOTE: Y=Inspected N=Not Inspected R=Comments Noted V=Violation Issued NA=Not Applicable			
R - Air Resource Protection	R - Roads		
R - Availability of Records	Y - Reclamation Success		
R - Backfill & Grading	R - Revegetation		
NA - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste	Y - Subsidence		
NA - Explosives	Y - Slides and Other Damage		
R - Fish & Wildlife	N - Support Facilities On-site		
R - Hydrologic Balance	R - Signs and Markers		
R - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan	N A - Support Facilities Not On-site		
NA - Other	NA - Special Categories Of Mining		
NA - Processing Waste	R - Topsoil		

COMMENTS

This was complete inspection of the Williams Fork Mine; permit C1981044, operated by Moffat County Mining LLC. The images were collected and the report prepared by me, Robin Reilley of the DRMS. Miranda Kawcak, Seneca Properties Inc. representative was present throughout the inspection. No hydrologic or air quality issues were detected at the time of inspection. The sky appeared cloudy. The air was calm, and temperatures hovered around 68 degrees Fahrenheit. The site is in reclamation.

Shrubs on the portal, slopes are coming in well grasses are sparse but beginning to emerge.

INSPECTION

GENERAL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE:

SIGNS and MARKERS – Rule 4.02

- The mine identification sign was in place at the site entrance. The sign was intact, displaying all required information: mine name, operator name, address, phone number, DRMS permit number and contact information.
- o Topsoil piles and ponds are marked with a T-stake.
- o Permit boundary markers are in place along the east and north perimeters.

ROADS – Rule 4.03

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

- o Main haul roads were in good repair, with no gullies or standing water.
- o The entire site was accessible.

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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

- o Pond banks and dams appeared stable and vegetated.
- o Ditches throughout the site, along haul roads and in the cropland area appeared to be functioning adequately.
- o All ponds appeared dry at the time of inspection.
- O Some minor rilling and a couple of gullies was noted in the north facing slope of the portal area. These should be observed over the course of the field season and the cullies should be mitigated before the end of the field season.

TOPSOIL - RULE 4.06

Removal 4.06.2; Substitute Materials 4.06.4(4); Storage and Protection 4.06.3; Redistribution 4.06.4 Depth of topsoil was verified in the D and E Pit parcels.

- o No instability or riling were noted on the observed topsoil piles.
- o Topsoil piles are vegetated, with vegetation beginning to green.
- o Topsoil piles are marked with a T stake.

SLIDES and OTHER DAMAGE- Rule 4.12

o No evidence of any recent subsidence, cracking or slumping was noted at the time of inspection.

BACKFILL and GRADING - RULE 4.14

o Portal area has been reclaimed and seeded.

REVEGETATION - Rule 4.15

General Requirements 4.15.1; Use of Species 4.15.2, Grazing 4.15.5

- o Revegetated areas of reclamation appear stable.
- o Portal area exhibits significant shrub establishment.
- o Grass is sparse but beginning to emerge.
- o Refuse area vegetation appears vigorous with robust grass growth and good grass coverage.

SLIDES and OTHER DAMAGE- Rule 4.12

o No recent slides, slumps, cracking, subsidence or other damage were observed

FISH and WILDLIFE-RULE 4.18

o Wildlife often frequents the site, deer, hawks and crows were observed.

INSPECTION, ENFORCEMENT and CIVIL PENALTIES – RULE

Inspections 5.02; Availability of Records

- o As this was a complete inspection, records were checked.
- o See highlighted items of the Records check list.
- o No enforcement actions were initiated as a result of this inspection, nor are any pending.

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED

None

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Mine Id sign at the entrance form Highway 13 South.

Overview of the Williams Fork mine site, located on the left of the photo, looking south.

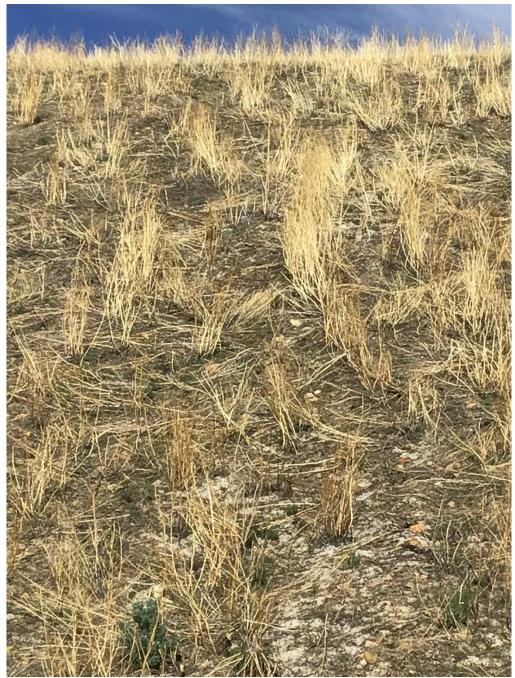


Photo 2: Portal slopes exhibiting last season's vegetation stalks and this year's green shrub growth.



Photo 3: Dry 9A Pond below the portal area with the harrowed cropland area below, looking north.



Photo 4: Refuse area grass establishment looking west.

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Photo 5: Ditch along eastern edge of the cropland area.



Photo 6: Cropland area looking north. A couple of sparsely vegetated patches exist.

AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS

PERMIT RECORDS		HYDROLOGIC RECORDS		
DRMS Permit	RN 8 2023	NPDES Permit	Yes	
Permit Application w/Revisions	Yes	NPDES Records	Miranda's elec	
Findings Document	RN8 2023 MT8	Stormwater Management Plan	Yes	
Insurance Certificate	Exp. Aug 2025	SPCC Plan	Yes	
Bond Document	Yes	MSHA Pond Inspections	NA	
Phased Bond Release	SL 4 and 5		NA	
Documents/Findings	Miranda Office	State Engineer's Pond Inspection		
Air Emission Permits	Yes	Quarterly Pond Inspections	2024 Q3	
County Special Use Permits	Yes	Annual Hydrology Reports	2024	
UG Mining Landowner Notification	Yes	 Ground Water Monitoring 	Yes	
Subsidence Monitoring Reports	Yes	 Surface Water Monitoring 	Yes	
Subsidence Monitoring Data	NA	 Spring & Seep Monitoring 	Yes	
Rill & Gully Survey	2018	Mine Water Discharge Monitoring	Yes	
Vegetation Monitoring Data	Miranda's office	Mine Inflow Study	Yes	
Specific Variance Approvals	NA	Water Consumption Records	Yes	
Annual Reclamation Reports	2024	Well Permits	Yes	
Midterm Review Documents	MT8 2022			
DRMS/OSM Inspection	Miranda's Office			
Reports/Enforcement Actions (3	elec			
Years)		BLASTING RECORDS		
Transfers/Succession of Operator	2006	Blasting Publication	NA	
Temporary Cessation Notification	2016 deactivated	Blasting Records (3 years)	NA	
Reclamation Cost Estimate	RN8	ATFE Explosives Permit	NA	
CERTIFICATIONS	Permit	Blasting Variances	NA	
Pond Certifications		Pre-Blast Surveys	NA	
Annual Certifications for Impoundments	2024 Q3	·		
Fill Certifications for Excess Spoil or Underground Development Waste	NA	ADDITIONAL RECORDS (specify)		
• Quarterly Inspections	NA			
• Compaction Testing	NA			
• Final Certification	NA			
Coal Processing Waste Banks	reclaimed 2020			
8	2024 Q3			
Haul Road Certifications	Permit			
Access Road Certifications	Permit			
COMMENTS: Items highlighted in year				
Refuse pile report is included with pond reports				
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