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## C1983059, Terror Creek Loadout, April Inspection Report

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**PERMIT INFORMATION**

<b>Permit Number:</b> C-1983-059 <b>Mine Name:</b> Terror Creek Loadout <b>Operator:</b> Oxbow Mining, LLC <b>Operator Address:</b> Mr Doug Smith PO Box 535 Paonia, CO 81434	<b>County:</b> Delta <b>Operation Type:</b> Loadout <b>Permit Status:</b> Active <b>Ownership:</b> Private
	<b>Operator Representative Present:</b>  Doug Smith
<b>Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)</b>  	

**INSPECTION INFORMATION**

<b>Inspection Start Date:</b> April 24, 2025 <b>Inspection Start Time:</b> 14:00 <b>Inspection End Date:</b> <b>Inspection End Time:</b>	<b>Inspection Type:</b> Coal Partial Inspection <b>Inspection Reason:</b> Normal I&E Program <b>Weather:</b> Clear
<b>Joint Inspection Agency:</b>  None	<b>Joint Inspection Contacts:</b>  
<b>Post Inspection Agency:</b>  None	<b>Post Inspection Contacts:</b>  
<b>Inspector(s):</b>  Leigh Simmons	<b>Inspector's Signature:</b>   <b>Signature Date:</b>  May 2, 2025

**Inspection Topic Summary**

NOTE: Y=Inspected N=Not Inspected R=Comments Noted V=Violation Issued NA=Not Applicable

N - Air Resource Protection

N - Roads

N - Availability of Records

R - Reclamation Success

N - Backfill &amp; Grading

R - Revegetation

N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste

N - Subsidence

N - Explosives

N - Slides and Other Damage

N - Fish &amp; Wildlife

N - Support Facilities On-site

N - Hydrologic Balance

N - Signs and Markers

R - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan

N - Support Facilities Not On-site

N - Other

N - Special Categories Of Mining

N - Processing Waste

N - Topsoil

**COMMENTS**

This was a partial inspection by Leigh Simmons of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division). The weather was clear and dry. The gate to the site was secure. There was no mining-related activity at the site, but the site was being used for the storage of equipment and materials for other industrial and commercial activities.

**GENERAL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE:**

There was no activity on the lower pad, and the pad was secure behind a locked gate.

**RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:**

The remaining concrete from the substation had been broken up and buried. The area had been covered with topsoil from the stockpile at the east end of the site.

**REVEGETATION – Rule 4.15**

Vegetative Cover; Timing:

Weed spraying was in progress around the site.

**DOCUMENTS RECEIVED**

N/A

**OTHER (SPECIFY)**

N/A

**ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

No enforcement actions were initiated as a result of this inspection, nor are any pending.

Number of Partial Inspection this Fiscal Year: 7

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## **PHOTOGRAPHS**



*Figure 1: Remaining concrete from substation broken up and buried with backhoe*



*Figure 2: Site of substation covered with topsoil*

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*Figure 3: Topsoil stockpile at east end of site*



*Figure 4: Sediment pond*

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*Figure 5: Railroad embankment, weed spraying partially complete*

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