

# MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT PHONE: (303) 866-3567

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:		MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL:	COUNTY:
Hay Camp Pit		M-1990-025	Gravel	Montezuma
INSPECTION TYPE:		WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Surety Release Inspection			May 29, 2025	11:00
OPERATOR:		OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Montezuma County		Kim Gaasch	112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION:		BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:	
Surety Release Requested			\$0.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT:		POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:	
NA		None	None	
INSPECTOR(S):	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:		SIGNATURE DATE:	
Todd Jesse			June 27, 2025	
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## **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>N</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY N	(RD) ROADS <u>N</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE <u>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING <u>N</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES $\underline{N}$	(TS) TOPSOIL $\underline{Y}$
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- N	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE $\underline{N}$	(RV) REVEGETATION <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP Y
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS N	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE <u>N</u>	

 $Y = Inspected \ / \ N = Not \ inspected \ / \ NA = Not \ applicable \ to \ this \ operation \ / \ PB = Problem \ cited \ / \ PV = Possible \ violation \ cited$ 

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### **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection report was conducted as part of the acreage release process established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety. The Hay Camp Pit is a 112c Operation operated by Montezuma County. The site is located 2 miles Southeast of Dolores, CO at an elevation of 7,600 feet. Public access is off the Hay Camp Road. Pursuant to Rule 4.1.2(2), the Division holds no financial warranty for the site. Kim Gaasch of Montezuma County was present for the inspection.

#### **Reclamation Success:**

The requested release area is at reclamation grade and topsoil is spread across the entirety of the release area. Vegetation is growing in the reclaimed area. The eastern portion has well established vegetation and the western portion was recently seeded with large sections infested with nonnative invasive species (principally Downy Brome). The areas that require treatment will not be released from the permit.

#### Revegetation:

There has been two reseeding events within the requested release area. Revegetation species include a dryland Brome, a dryland wheatgrass and a ryegrass. This is an appropriate seed mix for the post mine land use of rangeland. The easter portion of the release area was reseeded 4 years ago and again this spring. This portion of the requested release area The western portion of the requested release area was seeded this year. There are large sections of this area that are infested with Downy Brome.

#### Signs and Markers:

The mine identification sign and boundary markers are in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The sign is posted by the entrance to site. The permit boundary is marked with berms and posts that are easily identifiable.

#### Topsoil:

Topsoil is spread across the reclaimed area. Sufficient topsoil is present to serve as a growth medium for vegetation.

Photos that show site conditions can be found at the end of the report.

All responses to this report should be directed to Todd Jesse with the Division's Active Mines Program at DRMS, Room 215, 1001 E. 62nd Ave. Denver, CO 80216. Direct contact can be made at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at (720) 688-0626 or by email at todd.jesse@state.co.us.

# **PHOTOGRAPHS**



Photo 1: View to the northwest of mine ID sign.



Photo 2: View to the northwest of area that was reseeded 4 years ago.



Photo 3: View to the southeast of area that was reseeded 4 years ago.



Photo 4: View to the south of





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