




**MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT**  
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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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Whitewater Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1998-084	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Mesa
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> July 2, 2025	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 10:00
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Grand Junction Pipe & Supply Co.	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Jon Muller	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Partial Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$37,584.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> DRMS	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Amy Yeldell	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> July 7, 2025	

**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----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>NA</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>N</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>NA</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>NA</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>NA</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>NA</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>NA</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>NA</u>	

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

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program. The Whitewater Pit is a 112c permitted site that includes a total of 32.20 permitted acres. The Division currently requires a financial warranty amount of \$37,584 for this site. The site located one mile south of Whitewater, Colorado and is accessed from Desert Road. Jon Muller and Bryan Jorgensen of Grand Junction Pipe & Supply Co. represented the operator and accompanied Amy Yeldell of the Division on the inspection.

### **Acid And Toxic Materials:**

No fuel or other toxic material was located on site.

### **Backfilling and Grading:**

No mining related disturbances have been made to date.

### **Financial Warranty:**

The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$37,584 for this site. The bond amount has not been adjusted since the permit issuance in 1999. Upon commencement of mining the Division will update the reclamation cost estimate based on the approved Mining and Reclamation Plans. This will likely result in a surety increase. Until such time as mining commences the current bond amount is considered sufficient.

### **Hydrologic Balance:**

No exposed groundwater was observed.

### **Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan:**

No mining has occurred to date. There is some misc. debris dumped on the site that appears to be historical. No structures or mining related equipment is on site. There is evidence of some misc. excavations, but they appear to have all self-reclaimed a number of years ago.

### **Roads:**

It was discussed that when the Operator commences mining it may make sense to utilize existing improved roadways rather than disturbing and upgrading an existing two track. If the entrance to the pit is changed or additional roads are added this will need to be clarified within the permit. If using existing roads this may be done via a Technical Revision. If roads need to be improved/substantially upgraded for mining purposes those lands need to be incorporated into the permit which would be an amendment. A

### **Right of Entry:**

Division staff verified that Rodney Power (tipping) and Elam Construction Inc remains the landowners of all affected lands and therefore is in compliance with Rule 6.3.7 by maintaining its Legal Right of Entry.

### **Reclamation Success:**

No reclamation has occurred to date.

### **Revegetation:**

No revegetation has occurred to date. Some noxious weeds were observed.

### **Signs and Markers:**

A mine sign was posted at the entrance to the mine site as required by Rule 3.1.12(1). The information depicted was correct/ up to date and the sign was of sufficient size (Photo Eleven). The permit boundary of the affected

land was clearly delineated primarily by a wire fence pursuant to Rule 3.1.12(2).

Eight Photos are included with this report.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to: Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Rm 215, 1001 E 62nd Ave, Denver Co 80216. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-210-1272 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

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**PHOTOGRAPHS**

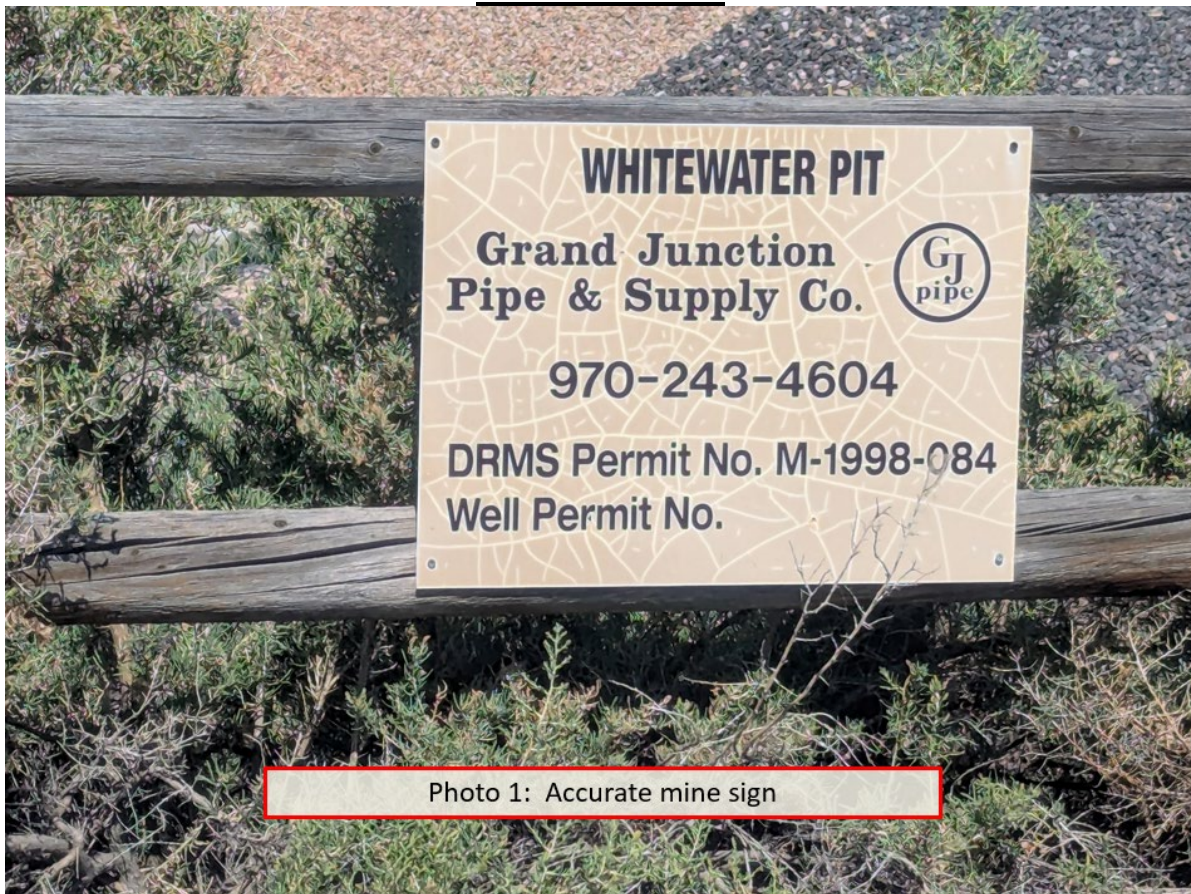






Photo 2: Current designated access road

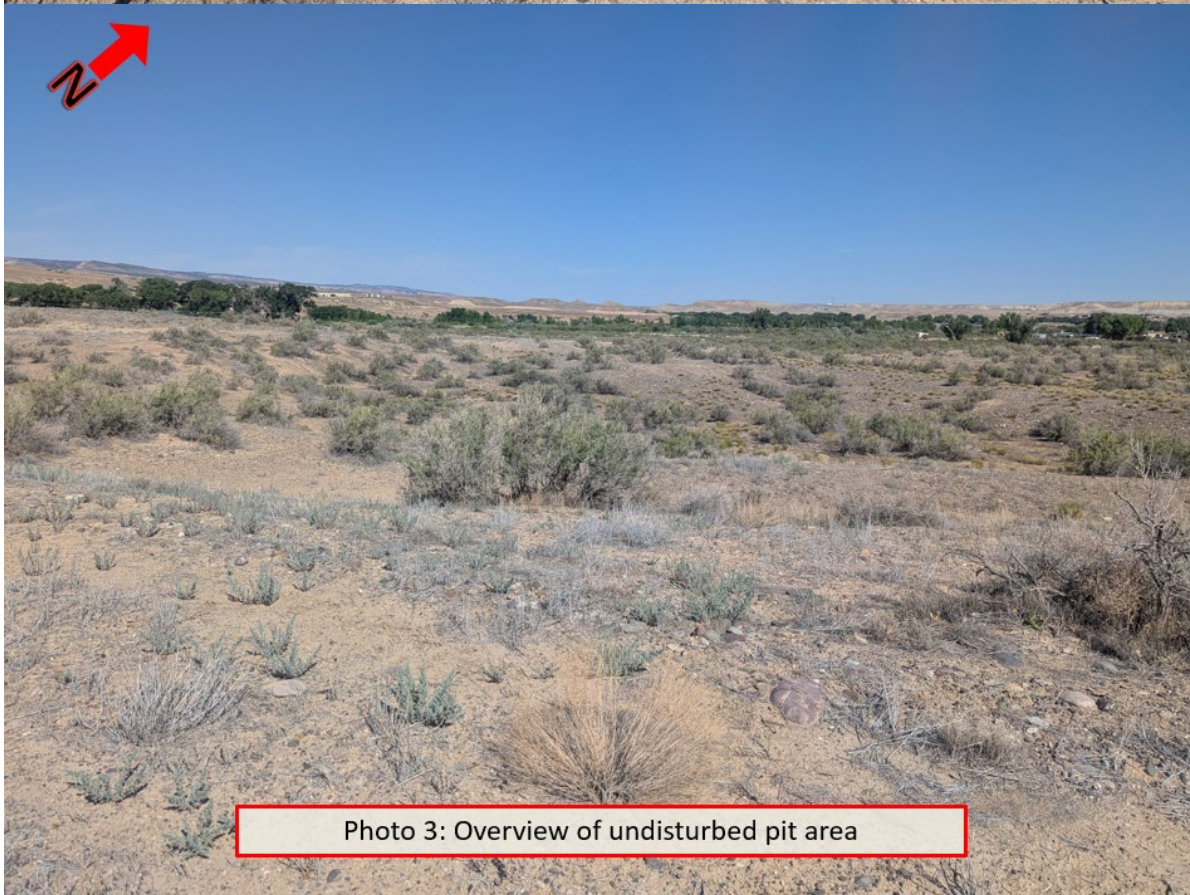


Photo 3: Overview of undisturbed pit area





Photo 4: Imported historic piles



Photo 5: Existing road cut



