



COLORADO

Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

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.

MINE NAME: Limon Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2013-080	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Lincoln
INSPECTION TYPE: Preoperation Inspection	WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE: September 3, 2025	INSP. TIME: 10:00
OPERATOR: Pine Bluffs Gravel & Excavating, Inc.	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Sydney Connor	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Preoperation Inspection	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$0.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
INSPECTOR(S): Ben Hammar	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: September 8, 2025

The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.

INSPECTION TOPIC: Signs & Markers

PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION: Problem: The mine identification sign and affected area boundary markers were not observed per the requirements of Rule 3.1.12. The Operator shall, at the entrance of the mine site post a sign, which shall be clearly visible from the access road, with a minimum size equaling one hundred and eighty-seven (187) square inches, such as eleven (11) inches in height and seventeen (17) inches in width, with appropriate font size, with the following: the name of the Operator, a statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board; and the permit number.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator must post a sign at the entrance to the mine site which shall be clearly visible from the access road and specify the following; the name of the operator, indicate that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board, and the permit number. The boundaries of the affected area must be marked by monuments or other markers that are clearly visible and adequate to delineate such boundaries.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 11/07/25

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted at the Limon Pit site by DRMS representative Ben Hammar and operator representative Sydney Connor. This site is an active 108.04 acre 112c permit located approximately 3.5 miles southeast of Limon, CO. The site currently has no evidence of past disturbance and was inactive at the time of inspection. The weather was clear at the time of inspection and the ground was dry.

No boundary markers or signage related to this specific site were present at the time of inspection. This site is currently being acquired by an operator whom previously submitted a permit application for the same general area as the active site, and a notice sign does exist for the new site application. As it is the Division's understanding that the referenced application is planned to be withdrawn following the completion of the prospective operator's SO application, this problem citation is intended as a reminder that replacing the DRMS signage and updating site boundaries is an expectation of the Division. Please provide photo evidence of compliance with these requirements with 60 days of receipt of this report, by November 7, 2025.

With the exception of the missing boundary markers, no other issues were observed on-site. No disturbance has even been performed on this site, and its generally unaffected rangeland. Per conversation with the operator representative the prospective operator's mining lease agreement is still active with the landowner. The new operator should take care to adhere to the originally approved mining plan until an amendment which updates the affected area boundaries to reflect their original application is approved.

The Division currently holds a bond amount of \$239,213. An updated bond estimate of \$544,608 has already been provided to the operator, which per communication with the operator representative on-site has been approved. Please provide the updated bond to the Division, after which the SO process will be concluded and the operator may begin mining.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Posted notice sign which references the mine application from the prospective operator.



Photo 2: Approximate mining area, located near a reclaimed 111c permit.



Photo 3: General site area, facing west into site.

GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>NA</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>NA</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>PB</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>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</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