




**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> Rowe Gravel	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1999-038	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> La Plata
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> September 3, 2025	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 10:50
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Rowe Gravel	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Brad Rowe	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Complete Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$6,686.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Dustin Czapla	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> September 17, 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>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>NA</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>N</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>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>N</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</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

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program. Brad Rowe, representing the Operator, was present during this inspection. Photographs are included with this report to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Rowe Gravel site is located approximately 1.25 miles west of Marvel and accessed from CR 100. The site is a 110c operation that includes a total of 9.0 permitted acres. The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$6,686.00 for this site. The Division has reviewed the reclamation costs, to ensure the financial warranty reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the Reclamation Plan and determined that the current financial warranty amount is sufficient.

The site has been in Temporary Cessation since November 28, 2016. The first five-year period of Temporary Cessation ended November 28, 2021. The second five-year period of Temporary Cessation will expire November 28, 2026. Once the maximum limit of ten (10) consecutive years of Temporary Cessation has been reached, final reclamation of the affected lands shall be initiated with all reasonable diligence, as soon as practicable and as conditions allow. Final reclamation shall be completed within five years. Pursuant to Rule 1.13.9, in no case shall Temporary Cessation be continued for more than ten (10) years without terminating the mining operation and fully complying with the Reclamation Plan requirements of the Act and Rules.

The disturbed mining area includes approximately 1.25 acres. A pit has been excavated to a depth of approximately 25 feet. The pit daylights on the south side. The highwall is near vertical around most of the pit, with sloughed material at the base of the highwall in spots. Vegetation is well established on the pit floor. Several pieces of old mining equipment are stored within the pit. No stockpiles of materials were observed within the pit.

No stability or erosional concerns were noted.

Mining at the site has not exposed groundwater. No problems related to stormwater or erosion control were noted.

Overall, the operation appears to be in general compliance with the approved Mine Plan.

There was no processing waste observed on site.

The operation has not exposed acid or toxic forming materials. Fuels were not stored on site.

Explosives are not used by the operation.

Noxious weed infestations were not observed.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Dustin Czapla at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1001 E 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Denver, CO 80216, phone number (970) 433-8393, [dustin.czapla@state.co.us](mailto:dustin.czapla@state.co.us).



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