

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: CO	OUNTY:
Section 20 Gravel Mine	M-2022-001	Sand and gravel We	eld
INSPECTION TYPE:	WEATHER: Clear	INSP. DATE: IN	SP. TIME:
Monitoring		September 24, 2025 11	:30
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION	N:
Red Tierra Equities, L.L.C.	Kyle Regan	112c - Construction Regular Operation	
REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:	
Normal I&E Program	Partial Bond	\$50,658.00	
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY	<i>I</i> :
NA	None	None	
INSPECTOR(S):	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE:	
Patrick Lennberg	Patrick IS	September 26, 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: Mine Sign

PROBLEM: The mine identification sign was not posted at the entrance of the mine site. This is a problem for failure to post a mine identification sign as required by Section 3.1.12(1) of the rule. 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 shall, at the entrance of the mine site, post a sign which shall be clearly visible from the access road 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. The operator shall submit photo documentation that a proper sign has been posted by the corrective action date.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 10/26/25

OBSERVATIONS

The Section 20 Gravel Mine, permit no. M-2022-001, was inspected by Patrick Lennberg with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS). The inspection was completed as part of the Division's routine monitoring program. The site was previously inspected by the Division on July 19, 2024, as part of the Operator's surety reduction request. The weather was mild, and the sky was clear. In the previous 24 hours the area had received ~1.8 inches of rain.

The Section 20 Gravel Mine is located approximately 1.5 miles northwest of Gilcrest, CO in Weld County. The primary access road is 0.4 miles east of the intersection of CO-66 E/State Rte 66E and Weld Co Road 44. The Section 20 Gravel Mine is a 631.58-acre construction materials site divided into eight (8) mining cells; Cells 1-8. Each mining phase is approximately 25-30 acres in size. The approved post-mining use of the permit area is developed water resources with each cell an individual water resources reservoir. The affected lands are owned by CAW Equities LLC. A mine sign was not posted along the primary mine entrance as required by Rule 3.1.12. The Division is citing a problem, pursuant to Rule 3.1.12, a mine sign needs to be posted at the primary mine entrance by the corrective action due date listed above. The site was not active at the time of inspection.

In June 2024 the Division approved TR-1 which limited the initial phase of mining to 43 acres consisting of the North and South Infiltration ponds. Mining within the initial phase will not expose groundwater and the financial warranty was estimated to be \$50,658. Any additional disturbances beyond what was approved in TR-1 will require the Operator/Permittee to first submit and get approval of a Technical Revision.

All disturbances within the current permit area, ~43 acres, are related to the 111 permit, M2022-004, that was released in September 2024. No mining related disturbances have occurred at the site under the current permit. The currently permitted area is being used for agriculture.

During the inspection it was stated that the Operator is near completion of their required CDOT analysis and permitting. Once that is completed, they will be able to get final approval of the USR from Weld County. However, active mining at the site is not anticipated to begin for another couple of years due to availability of the mining contractor, Brannan.

The Division evaluated the financial warranty and determined the currently held bond amount is adequate at this time.

Photographs taken during the inspection are attached.

Please contact Patrick Lennberg by email at patrick.lennberg@state.co.us if you have any questions regarding this report.

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PHOTOGRAPHS



Photo 1: Looking west from the mine entrance across the northern portion of the 43 acre disturbed area



Photo 2: Irrigation pond located at mine entrance



Photo 3: Typical agricultural field that makes up the current permit area



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