




COLORADO DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING, AND SAFETY
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: BLM/West End Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1992-017	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: Montrose
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): G. Russell Means	INSP. DATE: March 22, 2012	INSP. TIME: 09:00
OPERATOR: Montrose County	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Jeff Jeffries / Bobby Reeder	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$0.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: March 26, 2012

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>NA</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</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----- <u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>N</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(SB) COMPLETE INSP---- <u>N</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>N</u>

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

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection is part of the normal monitoring program established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division). The BLM/ West End Gravel Pit is a 112c permitted site located east of the Nucla Airport in Western Colorado. Jeff Jeffries and Bobby Reeder, representatives for Montrose County accompanied the inspector on site.

The mine identification sign is in place and in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The sign is located at the entrance to the site. Permit boundaries were noted as fencing along the perimeters.

The site is active. Several pieces of heavy equipment were noted on site. Numerous stockpiles of processed materials were located throughout the pit area. A hot mix plant is set up on site but has not been used recently. The plant is approved within the mining plan.

Stormwater appears to be being contained on site. No erosion or sedimentation issues were observed.

Preliminary reclamation work has begun in the southwest section of Phase 1. Overburden has been placed over the area but not final grading. Topsoil appears to have been spotted though out the area but not spread. There is some discussion of needing some of the overburden in the area for an airport project. If the material is needed the operator needs to re-stockpile as much of the topsoil as possible prior to excavation.

No fuel storage issues or other hazardous materials were observed. No on-site mining related debris is documented.

The Annual Report submitted on 03/25/2011 reflects current site disturbances and activities. The 2012 draft was reviewed and appears accurate as well.

The inspector observed no problems or violations at this time.

The financial warranty requirement is not applicable to local government agencies and therefore not reviewed.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Russ Means at the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 South 3rd Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone no. 970-241-1117.

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