

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:	COUNTY:
Allen Pit	M-2002-094	Gravel	Montrose
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Monitoring	G. Russell Means	March 27, 2012	09:00
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Oldcastle SW Group dba United Companies of	Brent Kerr	112c - Construction Regular Operation	
County			•

REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:
Normal I&E Program	Complete Bond	\$41,411.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:
NA	None	None
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE:
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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>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE Y	(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>Y</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 Y
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION <u>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS <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 Allen Gravel Pit is a 112c permitted site located south of Redvale in Montrose County. Brent Kerr, representative for Oldcastle SW / United, the permittee, 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 marked with fencing and t-posts along the perimeters of the area. Signage denoting the "permit boundaries" was posted.

The site is active. Several pieces of heavy equipment were noted on site. A loader was observed loading stockpiled materials into trucks on the pit floor. Numerous stockpiles of processed materials were located throughout the pit area. The pit area appears not to have been mined recently. The operator's representative noted that the recent activity on site has been focused on stockpile removal instead of more excavation.

No reclamation has been done to date. Topsoil piles are stockpiled along the southern edge of the staging area. While not purposefully re-vegetated there are annual weeds and other vegetation helping control erosion. No erosion is noted at this time. There are a few knapweed and thistle on site that appear to have been treated. United has an active weed control plan. No indications of an infestation of noxious weeds were observed.

No fuel storage or mining related debris was observed. Stormwater appears to be being contained on site. No erosion or sedimentation issues were noted.

The Annual Report submitted on 01/30/2012 reflects current site disturbances and activities with the following noted exceptions: The submitted map has the topsoil berm in the incorrect position, the truck scale house is gone, and the truck access point is different than depicted. None are outside the boundaries and the issue is minor. However, it would be advisable for the operator to update the map and send in an amended Annual Report map.

The inspector observed no problems or violations at this time.

The financial warranty was reviewed in 2003. The Division will update the bond based on accepted tasks and volumes as the current conditions meet the approved plans.

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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