




**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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Hollenbeck Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1985-023	<b>MINERAL:</b> Sand and gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Gunnison
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> G. Russell Means	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> April 9, 2012	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 10:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Duane E. Hollenbeck	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Gene Hollenbeck	<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> \$19,029.00
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None
<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> April 17, 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>N</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>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(SB) COMPLETE INSP---- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>N</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>N</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>Y</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 Hollenbeck Pit is a 112c permitted site located east of the Gunnison. Attempts to reach Gene Hollenbeck, the operator, prior to the inspection by phone were not successful. However, the inspector did make contact at the site. Mr. Hollenbeck has been having some phone issues. Mr. Hollenbeck confirmed some active on site and that the 110 pit was in reclamation.

The mine identification sign is present and somewhat in compliance with Rule 3.1.12. The sign is located on the old scale house which has been relocated in to the site for dismantling instead of at the entrance. The operator is advised to repost an updated sign at the entrance that states the name of the pit, permit number, and operator. Permit boundaries were noted as fencing and t-posts, with day-lighted mesa edge on the upper terrace.

The site has had some activities. On the lower bench much of the mining related scrap metal and debris have been cleaned up. An asphalt pad noted appears to have been ripped out and the materials hauled up to the upper bench pit. At the upper bench pit, materials stockpiles are present of assorted river run rock. Several newer excavation sites were observed that were not present during the last inspection in 2006. Mr. Hollenbeck noted that materials have been going out of the pit on a slow basis.

As noted above the lower bench has been cleaned up considerably. The site has not been revegetated however as it continues to be used for other purposes by the operator / land owner. All sloping is 3:1 or better as required. The topography is benched but matches the surrounding area. Some minor grading needs to be done to complete earthwork in this area. Stormwater appears to be being contained on site. No erosion or sedimentation issues were observed.

Vegetation is very limited on the site. However, volunteer grasses and shrubs are trying to take hold. No noxious or problematic weeds were observed.

No fuel storage issues or other hazardous materials were observed. No on-site mining related debris is documented. However, as in past inspections the site has white PVC fragments scattered about the site that will need to be cleaned up as part of the final reclamation process.

The financial warranty was last updated in 2007. Based on current conditions the review will update accepted tasks and values from the previous update. The update will be sent by separate cover.

The inspector observed no problems or violations.

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, or by e-mail: Russ.means@state.co.us

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