




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: Hocker Gravel Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2004-063	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: La Plata
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Kate A. Pickford	INSP. DATE: May 16, 2012	INSP. TIME: 13:45
OPERATOR: Hocker Construction, LLP	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Rocky Hocker & Glenda Hocker	TYPE OF OPERATION: 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: High Priority	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: None	BOND AMOUNT: \$26,676.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: Citizen	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: May 25, 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>Y</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>N</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>N</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>N</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>Y</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 was conducted in response to an anonymous complaint received by the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division) on April 30, 2012. The complainant claims that the operator hauled and dumped the material from the demolished casino in Ignacio to this site and dumped it within the boundaries of the permit. The complainant further states that the dump trucks hauling the material hauled it through the town of Ignacio and on Hwy 151. The complainant is concerned because the dumped material has not been buried and may contain toxic materials.

The area of the site where the materials from the demolished casino were placed was observed during this inspection. They have been used as fill for a portion of the pit that is to be backfilled. The material is located adjacent to a road within the pit boundaries that lies about 10 feet below the adjacent ground surface. Mr. Hocker stated that overburden will be used to cover the debris and the current road and bring the surface elevation to the same level as the adjacent land.

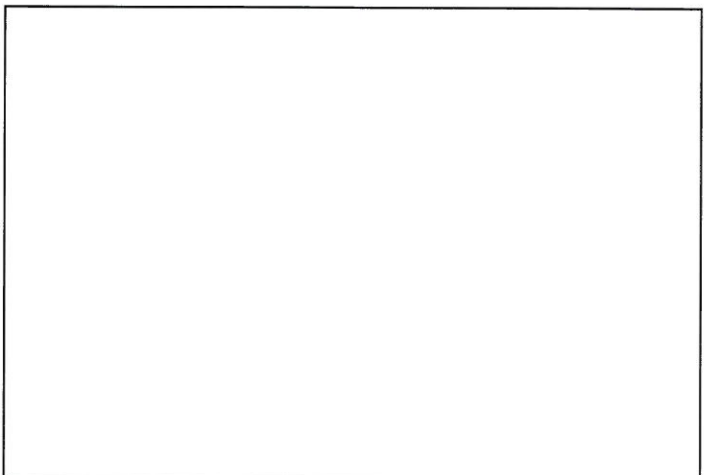
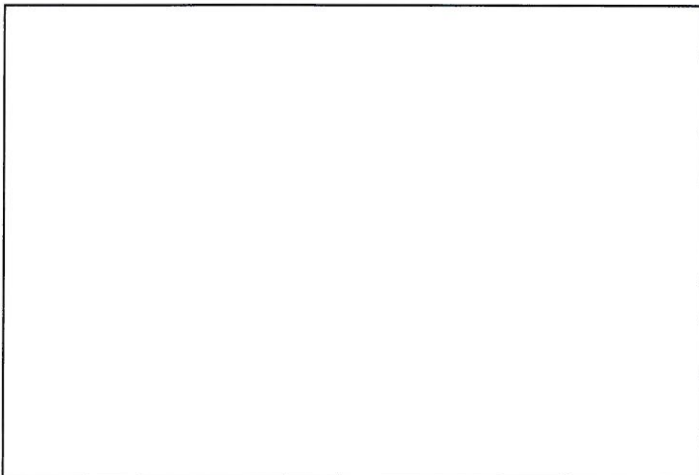
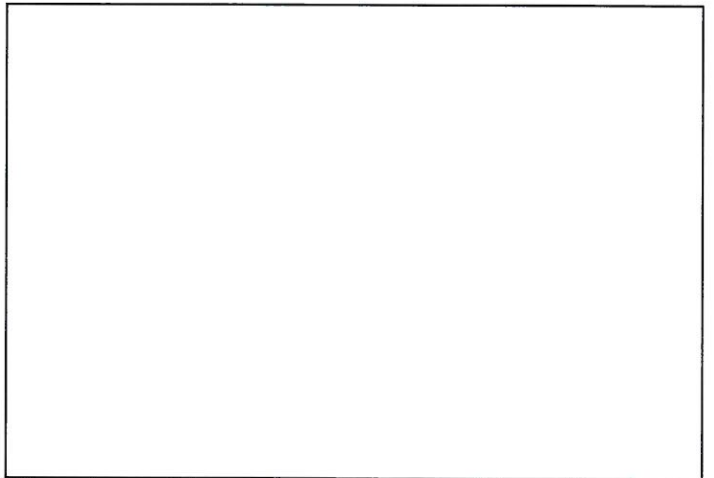
On August 9, 2011, the Division received a Technical Revision request from Hocker Construction, LLP, indicating that construction materials would be used as backfill in a portion of this pit. The operator submitted the required certification that the fill consisted of inert material, and the request was approved by the Division on August 18, 2011. The fill at the site appears to be an accurate representation of that described in the approved Technical Revision.

Mr. Hocker stated that the Ute Tribe had the material from the demolition of the casino abated at the site of the former casino prior to transport to the Hocker Pit. All toxic materials including lead and asbestos was removed prior to transport. Mr. Hocker will be submitting a copy of the abatement report to the Division.

The Division believes that the construction material at the site is inert and is not out of compliance with the parameters of the current permit. The Division found no possible violations at the site.

Complaints regarding truck traffic do not fall under the jurisdiction of the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety and would be regulated under the county permit.

PHOTOGRAPHS



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