

## 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:	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:	MINERAL:	COUNTY:
Pig Mesa Pit	M-1978-168	Sand and gravel	Delta
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Monitoring	Travis H. Marshall	May 23, 2012	13:30
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
Delta County	Larry Record	112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:
Normal I&E Program	None	\$0.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:
NA	None	None
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE:
Windy	16.20	May 31, 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 NA	(RD) ROADS <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING NA	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES $\underline{Y}$	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- Y	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION NA
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN <u>NA</u>	(SB) COMPLETE INSP Y
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE NA	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION Y	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP NA
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS NA	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE <u>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS NA

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 as part of the normal program established by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. The Pig Mesa Pit is located northeast of Delta, Colorado off of Fairview Road. The site is a 112c-phased operation. Larry Record of Delta County accompanied the inspector during the inspection.

The mine identification signs are in place and in compliance with rule 3.1.12. The signs are located on a post at the main entrance at both mine locations. The permit boundaries are comprised of fences and berms that are easily identifiable around the entire perimeter of the mine.

The pit is currently active. A loader was observed at the east Pig Mesa Pit. Various processing equipment was observed at the west Pig Mesa Pit. Adequate amounts of topsoil and overburden appeared to be stockpiled for the approved reclamation plan. Stockpiles of processed material were present during the inspection in both mining locations.

No onsite or offsite stormwater erosion was observed during the inspection.

Tamarisk was observed in the western area of the mine along the northern slope of the mine. At this time it is not seen as a problem due to the slight infestation and the likely cause is due to residual seed from the larger infestation observed during the May 2008 inspection. However its presence is noted and will be used as a tool to monitor weed control during future inspections.

Photos that show the conditions observed during the inspection are included at the end of this report.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Travis Marshall at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone no. (970) 241-2042.

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**





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