




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: Rowe Gravel	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-1999-038	MINERAL: Sand and gravel	COUNTY: La Plata
INSPECTION TYPE: Monitoring	INSPECTOR(S): Kate A. Pickford	INSP. DATE: July 11, 2012	INSP. TIME: 11:10
OPERATOR: Rowe Gravel	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE: Brad Rowe	TYPE OF OPERATION: 110c - Construction Limited Impact	

REASON FOR INSPECTION: Normal I&E Program	BOND CALCULATION TYPE: Complete Bond	BOND AMOUNT: \$6,686.00
DATE OF COMPLAINT: NA	POST INSP. CONTACTS: None	JOINT INSP. AGENCY: None
WEATHER: Clear	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 	SIGNATURE DATE: July 20, 2012

The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.

INSPECTION TOPIC: Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan

PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION: Problem: The inactivity at the site indicates that it has been in a state of Temporary Cessation, Rule 1.13, for at least 11 years, although the Operator never applied for Temporary Cessation status for the site. In that the time limit for Temporary Cessation has expired, based on the length of time the site has been in active, the Operator must either reclaim the site or recommence mining activity.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The Operator must notify the Division of his intentions relative to the site by the deadline date of August 20, 2012. He may either reclaim the site, which would need to be completed by October 30, 2012, or recommence mining activities at the site by the same date. If the Operator chooses to recommence mining activities at the site, he should be aware that he will be required to perform at least 180 days of mining-related activity each year, or apply to the Division for Intermittent Status for the site.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 8/20/12

OBSERVATIONS

This inspection was conducted as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety monitoring program. Present at the inspection were Brad Rowe, Rowe Gravel, and Kate Pickford, DRMS.

According to Division records, the site has been inactive since at least 2001. The affected area consists of a cut into an elevated area, resulting in a three-sided highwall approximately 18 feet high. Mr. Rowe indicated he may or may not build a dam at one end of the excavation to retain water in the area.

This site is out of compliance with the guidelines of the Rules and Regulations for being inactive for an extended period of time. The option for Temporary Cessation status expired long ago; therefore that option is no longer available to the Operator.

The Operator will either need to perform reclamation of the site, or recommence mining at the site - See Corrective Actions, first page of this report.

The current bond amount is adequate for reclamation of the site.

PHOTOGRAPHS



GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</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>PB</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>Y</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</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>Y</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

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