

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: Topsoil Pit	MINE/PROSPECTING ID#: M-2012-027	MINERAL: Overburden	COUNTY: Chaffee
INSPECTION TYPE:	INSPECTOR(S):	INSP. DATE:	INSP. TIME:
Preoperation Inspection	Dustin M. Czapla	September 26, 2012	08:00
OPERATOR:	OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:	TYPE OF OPERATION:	
B & L Cogan LLC	None	112c - Construction Regular Operation	

REASON FOR INSPECTION:	BOND CALCULATION TYPE:	BOND AMOUNT:
Preoperation Inspection	Complete Bond	TBD
DATE OF COMPLAINT:	POST INSP. CONTACTS:	JOINT INSP. AGENCY:
NA	None	None
WEATHER:	INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:	SIGNATURE DATE:
Cloudy	Att	September 27, 2012

GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

This list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each. Note: 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 N	(RD) ROADS <u>N</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE <u>N</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING N	(EX) EXPLOSIVES <u>N</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING N	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES N	(TS) TOPSOIL <u>N</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- N	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION N
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN N	(SB) COMPLETE INSP N
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE N	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION N	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP N
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS N	(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 as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) consideration of a new permit application. A representative for the operator was not present during the inspection. Photographs are included with this report in order to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Topsoil Pit is located approximately 4.5 miles southeast of Buena Vista and accessed from CR 301. The proposed site is a 112c operation that will include a total of 160 permitted acres.

Adequate notice of the proposed operation was noted at the entrance to the site.

The site is currently used for agriculture. Much of it is irrigated and used for hay crops. The mining plan proposes to remove the upper portion of topsoil, which is considered excess, and return the area to agricultural uses following reclamation.

No problems or violations were noted during this inspection.

Responses to this inspection report should be directed to Dustin Czapla at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 South 3rd Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone number (970) 243-6299.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: View from the southwest corner of the site, facing northeast.

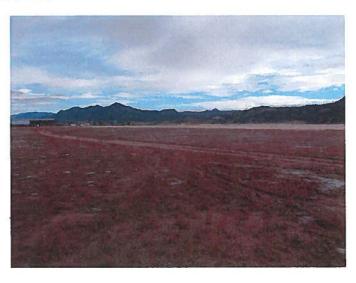


Figure 2: View from the southwest corner of the site, facing north.



Figure 3: View from the southwest corner of the site, facing east.



Figure 4: View from the west central part of the site, facing southeast.

Inspection Contact Address

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