

COLORADO DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY COAL PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT



PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1983-059					
Mine Name: Terror Creek Loadout					
Operator: Terror Creek LLC					
Operator Address:					
Mr James A Kiger					
D O Pov 525					

3737 Highway 133 Somerset, CO 81434 Operator Representative Present:

Operation Type: Loadout Permit Status: Active Ownership: Private

Jim Kiger

County: Delta

Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)

N/A – Report Issued from Denver Office

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: February 14, 2013 Inspection Start Time: 13:15 Inspection End Date: February 14, 2013 Inspection End Time: 15:00			Inspection Type: Coal Partic Inspection Reason: Normal Weather: Cloudy	•
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint Inspection Contacts:		
None		None		
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:		
None		None		
Inspector(s):	Inspector's Signature:		Signature Date:	
James R. Stark	<			
				25 February 2013

Inspection Topic Summary

NOTE: Y=Inspected N=Not Inspected R=Comments Noted V=Violation Issued NA=Not Applicable

N - Air Resource Protection R - Roads

N - Availability of Records N - Reclamation Success

N - Backfill & Grading
 N - Revegetation
 N - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste
 N - Subsidence

N - Explosives
N - Slides and Other Damage
N - Fish & Wildlife
R - Support Facilities On-site

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 N - Signs and Markers

R - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan

N - Support Facilities Not On-site

N - Other N - Special Categories Of Mining

N - Processing Waste R - Topsoil

COMMENTS

This was a partial inspection of the Terror Creek Loadout conducted by Jim Stark of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. Jim Kiger from Terror Creek, LLC was present on the inspection. The operation was actively processing coal but did not appear to be loading a train at the time of the inspection. The Terror Creek Loadout is generally idled and will only be staffed and operational if an order for the specialty coal it produces was received. The gate to the site is open, however, because a trucking company leases the shop and warehouse building. The Terror Creek Loadout is not being put into temporary cessation and, as such, will continue to perform all maintenance and monitoring as required by the approved permit. The weather was cold and cloudy and the ground was wet and muddy from melting snow (with a few patches of remaining snow).

HYDROLOGIC BALANCE - Rule 4.05 Drainage Control 4.05.1, 4.05.2, 4.05.3; Siltation Structures 4.05.5, 4.05.6; Discharge Structures 4.05.7, 4.05.10; Diversions 4.05.4; Effluent Limits 4.05.2; Ground Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Surface Water Monitoring 4.05.13; Drainage – Acid and Toxic Materials 4.05.8; Impoundments 4.05.6, 4.05.9; Stream Buffer Zones 4.05.18:

- The sediment pond contained a small amount of water and was not discharging at the time of the inspection. The pond embankment was partially covered with snow but was well vegetated and stable. No erosional problems were noted on the pond embankment.
- The roadside ditch that flows into the sediment pond contained a small amount of standing water but was not flowing at the time of the inspection. The ditch was clean and stable and no erosional problems were noted.

GENERAL MINE PLAN COMPLANCE:

- The Terror Creek Loadout is a loadout only. Operations at the site include processing coal (sizing coal) and loading trains. The site was operating at the time of the inspection and will only be operational when an order for coal is received. The ongoing operations at the site were consistent with what is approved in the permit.

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 6 Number of Complete Inspections this Fiscal Year: 2 **ROADS** – Rule 4.03 Construction 4.03.1(3)/4.03.2(3) Drainage 4.03.1(4)/4.03.2(4) Surfacing and Maintenance4.03.1(5) and (6)/4.03.2(5) and (6) Reclamation 4.03.1(7)/4.03.2(7):

- The haul road from the loadout entrance to the truck scale is a paved road. This road was well maintained and stable. There were no problems noted with the road or the road embankments. The remaining haul road, from the scale to the truck dump and back to the paved portion of the road, is a dirt road. This road was wet and muddy due to the melting snow but remains stable and well maintained and no problems were noted.

SUPPORT FACILITIES - Rule 4.04:

- The entire facilities area was wet and muddy from the melting snow. The area was still stable and in good condition.
- The fuel island area was in good condition at the time of the inspection. There was no sign of any spilled fuel.
- The loadout structure was stable at the time of the inspection.
- The coal crushing and stacking facility was operational at the time of the inspection. The large stockpile of raw coal that was by the truck dump is basically gone. The lump, stoker and coal fines piles were all fairly large.

TOPSOIL – Rule 4.06 Removal 4.06.2; Substitute Materials 4.06.4(4); Storage and Protection 4.06.3; Redistribution 4.06.4:

- The topsoil stockpile by the sediment pond was well vegetated and stable and no erosional problems were noted at the time of the inspection. Last fall Jim Kiger sprayed the top part of the pile with Round-Up to try to kill the cheatgrass infestation. We will see if this worked during the spring or early summer. If not, a more rigorous weed spraying plan will need to be instituted.

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED: None

This concludes the 14 February 2013 partial inspection report for the Terror Creek Loadout.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

There are no outstanding enforcements at the Terror Creek Loadout and none were issued as a result of the 14 February 2013 partial inspection at the Terror Creek Loadout.



Sediment Pond



Roadside ditch – looking from sediment pond towards haul road



Facilities area, coal processing facility and coal stockpiles



Facilities area and fuel island



Topsoil stockpile by sediment pond