

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



PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1991-078 Mine Name: Hamilton Mine Operator: Honeywood Coal Company Operator Address: Mr. Johnny Rich 2120 Crestmoor Road Suite 3020 Nashville, TN 37215 County: Montrose Operation Type: Surface Permit Status: Permanent Cessation Ownership: Private

Operator Representative Present:

None

Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: February 19, 2013 Inspection Start Time: 13:55 Inspection End Date: February 19, 2013 Inspection End Time: 14:00			Inspection Type: Aerial Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear		
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint Inspection Contacts:			
None					
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:			
None					
Inspector(s):	Inspector's Sign		nature: Signature Date:		
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Inspection Topic Summary

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

- ${\bf N}\;$ Air Resource Protection
- **N** Availability of Records
- N Backfill & Grading
- ${\bf N}\,$ Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste
- ${\bf N}$ Explosives
- $N\,$ Fish & Wildlife
- **R** Hydrologic Balance
- N Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan
- N Other
- N Processing Waste

- N Roads
- **R** Reclamation Success
- N Revegetation
- N Subsidence
- ${\bf N}\,$ Slides and Other Damage
- N Support Facilities On-site
- ${\bf N}\,$ Signs and Markers
- N Support Facilities Not On-site
- N Special Categories Of Mining
- N Topsoil

COMMENTS

This was an aerial inspection of the Hamilton Mine; DRMS Permit No. C-1991-078; operated by Honeywood Coal Company. Harry Ranney with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety took the aerial photographs on February 19, 2013. I, Jared Ebert with the Division reviewed the aerial photographs and provided the narrative below. The weather appeared clear at the time of the inspection. Honeywood Coal Company submitted a total Phase III bond release application (SL3), the Division issued a proposed decision to approve the bond release on February 6, 2013. The SL3 decision has not been finalized since the public comment period has not ended at the time of the issuance of this report.

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:

Pond B appeared dry and the embankment stable.

RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:

Mine Area No. 1 was visible in the aerial photographs. Overall the reclaimed affected land appears to blend into the surrounding area. The Division did not observe large bare spots or erosion features. The area appears stable.

The Topsoil Stockpile No. 1 area and the former Pond A area are also visible, not problems were noted. Similar to Mine Area No. 1, these areas blend into the surround area and they appear stable.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Mine Area No. 1, Topsoil Stockpile No. 1 and Pond A area. Pond B is also visible.



Topsoil Stockpile No. 1 and Pond A area. Pond B is also visible.

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 5 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 3