




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



### PERMIT INFORMATION

<b>Permit Number:</b> C-1981-013 <b>Mine Name:</b> Golden Eagle Mine <b>Operator:</b> New Elk Coal Company, LLC <b>Operator Address:</b> Mr Ron Thompson 12250 State Highway 12 Weston, CO 81091	<b>County:</b> Las Animas <b>Operation Type:</b> Underground <b>Permit Status:</b> Permanent Cessation <b>Ownership:</b> Private
	<b>Operator Representative Present:</b>  Bobby Steele and Vince Massarotti
<b>Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)</b>  	

### INSPECTION INFORMATION

<b>Inspection Start Date:</b> February 20, 2013 <b>Inspection Start Time:</b> 16:00 <b>Inspection End Date:</b> February 20, 2013 <b>Inspection End Time:</b> 16:30		<b>Inspection Type:</b> Coal Partial Inspection <b>Inspection Reason:</b> Normal I&E Program <b>Weather:</b> Cloudy	
<b>Joint Inspection Agency:</b>  None		<b>Joint Inspection Contacts:</b>  None	
<b>Post Inspection Agency:</b>  None		<b>Post Inspection Contacts:</b>  None	
<b>Inspector(s):</b>  Zach T. Trujillo	<b>Inspector's Signature:</b>  		<b>Signature Date:</b>  2/27/13

**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	R - 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	N - Support Facilities On-site
R - Hydrologic Balance	R - Signs and Markers
N - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan	N - Support Facilities Not On-site
N - Other	N - Special Categories Of Mining
N - Processing Waste	N - Topsoil

**COMMENTS**

This was a partial inspection conducted by Zach Trujillo of Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. Bobby Steele and Vince Massarotti of New Elk Coal Company accompanied myself on the inspection. The weather was cloudy with a light snow.

Most of Golden Eagle mine has been previously phase three bond released. The remainder of the mine site consists of a reclaimed ventilation shaft, pad and access roads.

**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 vent shaft pad was inspected for erosion and proper drainage. No erosion was noted.

Above the pad remains an upland diversion ditch. The ditch was stable and clear of any debris.

**ROADS – Rule 4.03**

Construction 4.03.1(3)/4.03.2(3)

Drainage 4.03.1(4)/4.03.2(4)

Surfacing and Maintenance 4.03.1(5) and (6)/4.03.2(5) and (6)

Reclamation 4.03.1(7)/4.03.2(7):

Access road to the mine site was well maintained. No signs of fugitive dust were observed.

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SIGNS AND MARKERS – Rule 4.02:

The Mine Identification Sign was inspected with all required information for compliance.

Permit boundary markers were visible and within line of sight of one another.

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**ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

No enforcement actions are necessary at this time.

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**PHOTOGRAPHS**



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