



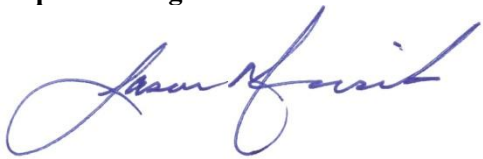
**COLORADO DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY  
COAL PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT**



**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>  Ron Thompson
<b>Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)</b>  	

**INSPECTION INFORMATION**

<b>Inspection Start Date:</b> March 11, 2013 <b>Inspection Start Time:</b> 11:45 <b>Inspection End Date:</b> March 11, 2013 <b>Inspection End Time:</b> 12:00	<b>Inspection Type:</b> Coal Partial Inspection <b>Inspection Reason:</b> Normal I&E Program <b>Weather:</b> Clear
<b>Joint Inspection Agency:</b>  None	<b>Joint Inspection Contacts:</b>
<b>Post Inspection Agency:</b>  None	<b>Post Inspection Contacts:</b>
<b>Inspector(s):</b>  Jason D. Musick  Elliott R. Russell	<b>Inspector's Signature:</b>  <b>Signature Date:</b>  03/13/2013

<b>Inspection Topic Summary</b>	
NOTE: Y=Inspected N=Not Inspected R=Comments Noted V=Violation Issued NA=Not Applicable	
NA - Air Resource Protection N - Availability of Records NA - Backfill & Grading NA - Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste NA - Explosives Y - Fish & Wildlife Y - Hydrologic Balance Y - Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan N - Other NA - Processing Waste	NA - Roads R - Reclamation Success R - Revegetation NA - Subsidence NA - Slides and Other Damage NA - Support Facilities On-site R - Signs and Markers NA - Support Facilities Not On-site NA - Special Categories Of Mining NA - Topsoil

### **COMMENTS**

This was a partial coal inspection of the Golden Eagle Mine conducted by Jason Musick of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division). The small reclaimed vent shaft SCF-1 pad was observed on March 11, 2013. Ron Thompson of New Elk Coal Company and Elliott Russell of the Division accompanied the inspection. The weather was clear on both days and the sites was dry. No problems were noted.

#### RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:

No evident problems on reclaimed vent shaft SCF-1. The site was stable with no problems noted.

#### REVEGETATION – Rule 4.15

##### Vegetative Cover; Timing:

The reclaimed SCF-1 site remains unchanged from the previous inspection conducted in February, 2013.

Vegetative cover of the site was adequate to control erosion. No evidence of erosion was observed on the site and no infestations of noxious or invasive weeds were present at the time of the inspection.



SCF-1 Vent Shaft Pad

Number of Partial Inspection this Fiscal Year: 6

Number of Complete Inspections this Fiscal Year: 3

**SIGNS AND MARKERS – Rule 4.02:**

Disturbance area markers were in place delineating the extent of SCF-1. The markers were white pvc pipe on underground mining roof bolts. No problems were noted.

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**ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE**

There are no enforcement actions pending and none were taken as a result of this inspection.

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