




**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.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Delta Paving Gravel Pit	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1998-105	<b>MINERAL:</b> Gravel	<b>COUNTY:</b> Delta
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Monitoring	<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Dustin M. Czaplá	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> March 20, 2013	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 12:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> Grand Junction Pipe & Supply Co.	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Ivan Geer	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 112c - Construction Regular Operation	

<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> Complete Bond	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$48,805.00
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None
<b>WEATHER:</b> Cloudy	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> April 2, 2013

**The following inspection topics were identified as having Problems or Possible Violations. OPERATORS SHOULD READ THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE PERMIT AND APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS. If a Possible Violation is indicated, you will be notified under separate cover as to when the Mined Land Reclamation Board will consider possible enforcement action.**

**INSPECTION TOPIC:** Financial Warranty

**PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION:** Problem: The financial warranty is not adequate to reclaim the site in accordance with the approved reclamation plan. This is a failure to maintain the proper financial warranty amount to complete reclamation of the affected lands pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32.5-117(4)(b) of the Act.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The operator shall submit adequate financial warranty, as determined by the Division. The Division will be sending a separate surety increase notice to the operator regarding the increase of the financial warranty. The operator will have 60 days from the date on the surety increase notice to post the additional financial warranty.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 6/03/13

### **OBSERVATIONS**

This inspection was conducted as part of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (Division) normal monitoring program. Ivan Geer, representing the Operator, was present during this inspection. Photographs are included with this report in order to illustrate some of the conditions observed.

The Delta Paving Gravel Pit is located approximately 4 miles northeast of Delta and accessed from Hwy 65. The site is a 112c operation that includes a total of 81.5 permitted acres. The Division currently holds a financial warranty amount of \$48,805.00 for this site. The Division has reviewed the reclamation costs, in order to ensure the financial warranty reflects the actual current cost of fulfilling the requirements of the Reclamation Plan, and determined that the current financial warranty amount is insufficient. The Operator will be notified under separate cover of a financial warranty increase.

Adequate mine identification signage was noted at the entrance to the site.

The affected area was marked by fencing that was clearly visible and adequate to delineate the affected area boundary.

Mining was not occurring during this inspection. The slopes of the mined area in the west side of the permit area have been graded to approximately 3H:1V and are becoming well vegetated. Minor tamarisk infestation was observed around the pond area. Overall though, the site is clean and the operator's weed control efforts are evident.

A stockpile area is located east of the mined pond. According to the operator's most recent annual report, this area includes 16.7 acres. Large stockpiles of various material sizes were located in this area. It appeared that at least several years worth of material was stockpiled and that further mining at the site would not be necessary in the near future. Topsoil was stockpiled on the southwest side of the pond.

No other 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Room 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, phone number (970) 243-6299.

## PHOTOGRAPHS



Figure 1: Mine identification sign was located at the entrance to the site.



Figure 2: View from the north side of the pond, facing south.



Figure 3: Stockpile area located on the east side of the pond.



Figure 4: Stockpile area located on the east side of the pond.



Figure 5: View from the southwest corner of the pond, facing north.



Figure 6: View from the southwest corner of the pond, facing northeast.



Figure 7: View from the southwest corner of the pond, facing east.



Figure 8: Topsoil stockpile located on the southwest side of the pond.

### GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS

The following list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>Y</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <b>PB</b>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>N</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>Y</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>N</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>Y</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>N</u>	(SB) COMPLETE INSP---- <u>Y</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>Y</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>Y</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>Y</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>N</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</u>

Y = Inspected and found in compliance / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

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