

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



PERMIT INFORMATION

Permit Number: C-1981-013 Mine Name: Golden Eagle Mine Operator: New Elk Coal Company, LLC Operator Address: Mr Ron Thompson 12250 State Highway 12 Weston, CO 81091 County: Las Animas Operation Type: Underground Permit Status: Permanent Cessation Ownership: Private

Operator Representative Present:

Brian Wilson

Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuance Only)

N/A – Report Issued from Denver Office

INSPECTION INFORMATION

Inspection Start Date: May 23, 2013 Inspection Start Time: 07:00 Inspection End Date: May 23, 2013 Inspection End Time: 07:20			Inspection Type: Coal Partial Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Clear	
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint Inspection Contacts:		
None		None		
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:		
None		None		
Inspector(s):	Inspector's Signature:		nature: Signature	e Date:
James R. Stark	Ą		3 June 20)13

Inspection Topic Summary 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
- N Excess Spoil and Dev. Waste
- N Explosives
- N Fish & Wildlife
- N Hydrologic Balance
- **N** Gen. Compliance With Mine Plan
- N Other
- N Processing Waste

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

COMMENTS

This was a partial inspection of the Golden Eagle Mine conducted by Jim Stark of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. The inspection was initial conducted on the morning of 23 May 2013, prior to going to the New Elk Mine for the inspection. Following the New Elk Mine inspection, I returned to the site with Brian Wilson, who represents the New Elk Coal Company. The mine has been reclaimed and is in the extended liability period. The weather was warm and sunny and the ground was dry.

RECLAMATION SUCCESS - Rule 4.15, Rule 3:

- The only part of the mine that remains is a reclaimed ventilation shaft site. The site is approximately one acre. The site was well vegetated and stable and no erosional problems were noted. The site is an SAE and there were no problems with sediment off-site. The cool season grasses were all growing well and there were no noxious weeds noted at the time of the inspection.

DOCUMENTS RECEIVED: None

This concludes the 23 May 2013 partial inspection report for the Golden Eagle Mine.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

There are no outstanding enforcement actions and none were issued as a result of the 23 May 2013 partial inspection.

PHOTOGRAPHS



Golden Eagle Mine site