

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



# **PERMIT INFORMATION**

Permit Number: C-1984-065 Mine Name: Coal Ridge No. 1 Mine Operator: C.B. Minerals Company, LLC Operator Address: Mr James Stover 2352 N 7th St, Ste B Grand Junction, CO 81501	County: Garfield Operation Type: Underground Permit Status: Inactive Ownership: Private  Operator Representative Present: None
Operator Representative Signature: (Field Issuan	ace Only)

# **INSPECTION INFORMATION**

Inspection Start Date: August 21, Inspection Start Time: 13:00 Inspection End Date: August 21, Inspection End Time: 14:30			Inspection Type: Coal Complete Inspection Inspection Reason: Normal I&E Program Weather: Cloudy	
Joint Inspection Agency:		Joint	Joint Inspection Contacts:	
None		None		
Post Inspection Agency:		Post Inspection Contacts:		
None		None		
Inspector(s):	Inspector	r's Sig	nature: Signature Date:	
Zach T. Trujillo	30	1		
			8/27/13	

## **Inspection Topic Summary**

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

N - Air Resource Protection R - Roads

 ${f R}$  - Backfill & Grading  ${f R}$  - 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 - Special Categories Of Mining

N - Processing Waste R - Topsoil

## **COMMENTS**

This was a complete coal mine inspection of the Coal Ridge Mine conducted by Zach Trujillo of Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Saftey on August 21, 2013. The weather was clear and temperatures around ninety degrees. Coal Ridge Mine is currently inactive and no mine representative accompanied the inspection.

#### AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS – Rule 5.02.4(1):

The Coal Ridge No. 1 Mine's compliance records are at the Garfield County Courthouse in Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Please see the Division's Availability of Records form at the end of this inspection report for more details.

#### BACKFILL and GRADING - Rule 4.14

Contemporaneous Reclamation 4.14.1; Approximate Original Contour 4.14.2; Highwall Elimination 4.14.1(2)(f); Steep Slopes 4.14.2, 4.27; Handling of Acid and Toxic Materials 4.14.3; Stabilization of Rills and Gullies 4.14.6:

Two portals along the mountain slope have been sealed, backfilled and regarded. Both reclaimed portals remain stable with no signs of slumping or instability. Slopes were well vegetated. A



Reclaimed portal.

#### 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 one sediment pond was inspected. The pond was dry during the time of the inspection. Embankments of the pond were stable and vegetated. Primary and emergency spillways were clear of debris. Maintenance performed on the outlet of Culvert C5 into the pond remains stable.

Ditches 1 through 8 were inspected and stable. No signs of cutting was observed. All ditches were well vegetated.

## OTHER (SPECIFY):

Large quantities of knapweed were documented throughout the mine site last year and which have since been sprayed. Noxious weeds and most notably knapweed were not present during the inspection . It appears last year's weed spraying was very successful.

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 0 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 1 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):

Roads were stable during the inspection. Road bench slopes were also stable with no signs of erosion, cutting or instability were observed.

**REVEGETATION – Rule 4.15** 

Vegetative Cover; Timing:

The unapproved ditch reclaimed in 2012 is well vegetated. No erosion was noted from the reseeded area.



Reclaimed disturbance related to unapproved sediment ditch.

## SIGNS AND MARKERS – Rule 4.02:

Mine identification signs were visible with all information for compliance.

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 0 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 1 Topsoil markers were present on both Topsoil Stockpiles 2 and 3.

Permit boundary markers were all visible and within light of sight from each other.



Mine ID sign.

TOPSOIL - Rule 4.06

Removal 4.06.2; Substitute Materials 4.06.4(4); Storage and Protection 4.06.3; Redistribution 4.06.4:

Topsoil Stockpiles 2 and 3 were well vegetated and stable. No signs of instability were noted. In 2012, topsoil was used from stockpile 2 to reclaim the unapproved sediment ditch.

# ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS/COMPLIANCE

No enforcement actions are necessary as a result of this inspection.

# **AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS**

PERMIT RECORDS		HYDROLOGIC RECORDS				
DRMS Permit	Exp. 10/9/16	NPDES Permit	N/A			
Permit Application w/Revisions	OK	NPDES Records	N/A			
Findings Document	RN 6	Stormwater Management Plan	N/A			
Insurance Certificate	Exp. 7/12/13 1	SPCC Plan	N/A			
Bond Document	1093-930360-001	MSHA Pond Inspections	N/A			
Phased Bond Release	N/A		N/A			
Documents/Findings		State Engineer's Pond Inspection	-			
Air Emission Permits	90GA253	Quarterly Pond Inspections	Thru 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qrt. 2013			
County Special Use Permits	OK	Annual Hydrology Reports	2012			
UG Mining Landowner Notification	N/A	<ul> <li>Ground Water Monitoring</li> </ul>	N/A			
Subsidence Monitoring Reports	N/A	<ul> <li>Surface Water Monitoring</li> </ul>	N/A			
Subsidence Monitoring Data	N/A	<ul> <li>Spring &amp; Seep Monitoring</li> </ul>	N/A			
Rill & Gully Survey	Thru 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qrt. 2013	<ul> <li>Mine Water Discharge Monitoring</li> </ul>	N/A			
Vegetation Monitoring Data	N/A	Mine Inflow Study	N/A			
Specific Variance Approvals	N/A	Water Consumption Records	N/A			
Annual Reclamation Reports	2012	Well Permits	N/A			
Midterm Review Documents	2009					
DRMS/OSM Inspection	2013					
Reports/Enforcement Actions (3						
Years)		BLASTING RECORDS				
Transfers/Succession of Operator	N/A	Blasting Publication	N/A			
Temporary Cessation Notification	N/A	Blasting Records (3 years)	N/A			
Reclamation Cost Estimate	RN 6	ATFE Explosives Permit	N/A			
CERTIFICATIONS		Blasting Variances	N/A			
Pond Certifications	1997	Pre-Blast Surveys	N/A			
Annual Certifications for	2013					
Impoundments						
Fill Certifications for Excess Spoil or Underground Development Waste	N/A	ADDITIONAL RECORDS (specify)				
Quarterly Inspections	N/A	(specify)				
• Compaction Testing	N/A					
• Final Certification	N/A					
Coal Processing Waste Banks	N/A					
Haul Road Certifications	Exh. 4.2-2					
Access Road Certifications	Exh. 4.2-2					
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COMMENTS: 1) Please update the compliance files to include a valid insurance certificate. Current insurance						
certificate is expired.						

Number of <u>Partial</u> Inspection this Fiscal Year: 0 Number of <u>Complete</u> Inspections this Fiscal Year: 1