



State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration
Inspection Date/Time: May 24, 1994/11:15AM-12:07PM
Date of Last Inspection: April 19, 1994

Mine Name: Blazon #1 County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/021
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: NAE (Insolvent), no known mailing address
Business: Mail attn: Steve Tanner, Route #1, Box 146G3, Helper, UT 84526 637-5986
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Officials(s): State: Peter H. Hess Company:
Federal Officials: Weather Conditions: Partly cloudy, 80's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 0 Disturbed-4.5 Regraded-2.5 Seeded-2.5 Bonded- 0
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ Active/ Inactive/ Temp Cessation/XX Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (Phase I/Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
a. For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

Table with 4 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; 2. SIGNS AND MARKERS; 3. TOPSOIL; 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; 5. EXPLOSIVES; 6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; 7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; 8. NONCOAL WASTE; 9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; 10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; 11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; 12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING; 13. REVEGETATION; 14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; 15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; 16. ROADS; 17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; 18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; 19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) date; 20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT; 21. BONDING & INSURANCE.

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2. Signs and Markers -

- a) The appropriate identification sign listing the operations name, its permit number, and operator with address and telephone number was installed on the main gate. (The listed operator, however, is not solvent and no longer exists.)
- b) The number of disturbed area boundary markers was not adequate.
- c) Stream buffer zone signs were noted in numerous locations. All were located at top of the embankment of the main channel.
- d) A TOPSOIL STOCKPILE sign was noted at the extreme upstream portion of the site. The significance of this sign is questionable as it appears that all the soil has been used on previously backfilled areas.

4a. Diversions -

An 18" CMP adjacent to the cement box culvert (East side of property) is obstructed with sediment, (approximately 50%). This culvert drains the ditch from the backfilled slope.

4b. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The sediment pond was dry. Both the 24" CMP primary and the secondary open spillway were in good condition. Two sediment markers were visible in the bottom of the pond. A Marmot den hole was observed in the east bank of the pond, (cut bank side).

4c. Other Sediment Control Measures

Silt fences in general were in extremely poor condition, thereby being ineffective.

8. Noncoal Waste -

Poor handling of noncoal waste was observed in the main channel of the Clear Creek drainage. Two light poles were previously cut off and allowed to fall directly toward the Creek. Reflectors, wire, and other miscellaneous electrical apparatus were observed on the bank and in the stream.

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16b. Drainage Controls -

Straw bales located in the road ditch are in need of cleaning and/or replacement. Sediment is backed up behind them. They may overtop during the next storm.

General Comments -

- 1) There were no signs of erosion gullies. The log check dams on the backfilled slope seemed to be doing a very good job.
- 2) Revegetation activities appear to have taken a substantial foothold in all areas that have been reseeded.
- 3) A 40' x 60' concrete pad remains in the facilities area.
- 4) A general lack of maintenance seems to be the main problem at the site.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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