



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: 4/8/99 / 7:45a.m.-11:00a.m.
Date of Last Inspection: unknown

Mine Name: West Ridge Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: PRO/007/041
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Andalex Resources, Inc.
Business Address: P.O. Box 902, Price, Utah 84501
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Jean Semborski
State Officials(s): Peter H. Hess Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Cloudy, Windy, 40's, Monsoon season
Existing Acreage: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ 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 5 columns: EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; DIVERSIONS; SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS; OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES; WATER MONITORING; EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS; EXPLOSIVES; DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; NONCOAL WASTE; PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; BACKFILLING AND GRADING; REVEGETATION; SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; ROADS; CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING; DRAINAGE CONTROLS; OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June)(date); AIR QUALITY PERMIT; BONDING & INSURANCE.

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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The permittee is using yellow plastic flagging for disturbed area perimeter markers. It was suggested to Ms. Semborski that the more permanent type "T" posts be installed as soon as possible.

The Mine and permit identification sign was in place and contained all adequate information relative to the requirements of the R645 regulations.

4c. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES

The permittee has constructed the temporary sediment pond across the main drainage with a 48 inch vertical spillway riser. An engineering inspection of the embankment was conducted by Mr. Dan Guy, P.E. (Blackhawk Engineering) during its construction phase. A report of same indicates that the temporary impoundment was constructed using prudent practices.

A silt fence was installed along the toe of the outslope of the impounding embankment using adequate construction methods.

Additional silt fences were installed downstream of the temporary sediment control structure to prevent sediment laden flows from running off the disturbed area perimeter.

4d. WATER MONITORING

In discussing baseline versus operational water monitoring parameters, it was suggested to Ms. Semborski that any surface water monitoring points that are downstream of the Mine site disturbance be converted from baseline parameters to operational parameters. This may not be good advice; a follow up discussion with DOGM hydrologists may shed new light to this thinking.

16a. ROADS: CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING

The construction of the new Carbon County road to the West Ridge Mine continues to proceed at a hectic pace, as does the construction of the Mine site. Only a portion of the County road has been surfaced. Fill continues to be hauled, spread, and compacted to establish the road base.

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

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Jean Semborski (Andalex) Henry Austin (OSM)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM) Filed to: Price Field Office

Date: April 29, 1999

Inspector's Signature: *Peter H. Hess* #46

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