



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: 8/31/2000 / 12:45a.m.-3:00p.m.

Date of Last Inspection: 7/26/2000

Mine Name: West Ridge Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/041

Permittee and/or Operator's Name: West Ridge Resources, Inc.

Business Address: P.O. Box 902, Price, Utah 84501

Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other

Company Official(s): Mike Glasson

State Officials(s): Peter H. Hess Federal Official(s): None

Weather Conditions: Cool, Partly Cloudy, Rain in last 24 hours

Existing Acreage: Permitted- 2660.27 Disturbed- 26.19 Regraded- Seeded-

Status: Exploration/ XXX 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: Description, 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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(Continuation sheet)

PERMIT NUMBER: ACT/007/041

DATE OF INSPECTION: August 31, 2000

(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

Mr. Glasson submitted one copy of two amendments which are relative to the West Ridge site to this individual this day; these are:

- 1) An amendment to permit the pump house on the East Carbon City water supply line to the Mine. This utility installation is located 1.45 miles down Canyon from the "C" Canyon security gate. This is outside the permit area.
- 2) An Addendum to Appendix 2-6 of the MRP, which is the first annual evaluation of the Experimental Practice for topsoil storage at the site. Same answers questions which were aired in a Division correspondence dated August 4, 2000, and contains a soils monitoring program.

Mr. Glasson also informed me that four additional copies of the above were being FEDEX'ed to the Salt Lake office as of 8/31/2000.

4b. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

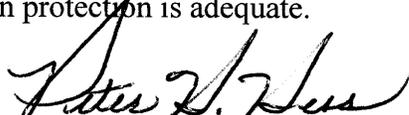
Due to recent heavy rains throughout Utah, both cells of the sediment pond contained water. The potential for discharge from either is nil.

16b. ROADS: DRAINAGE CONTROLS

Minor erosion gullies were observed on the inslope ENE of the top of the truck loading loop. Runoff from the upper road intersection is reporting downgrade; thence, under the Jersey barriers to the head of this slope. At this time, the gullies are minor, but the potential does exist for them to become large in a single event. Mr. Glasson indicated he would have the engineering department evaluate the drainage pattern in this area, such that adjustments might be made to direct the runoff to various ditches. The watershed consists of a triangular road intersection, which has a slight crown in the middle. Adjustments must be made to split and direct this runoff to ditches on either side, rather than allow it to report to the head of the in slope.

None of the numerous cut banks or fill slopes at the site have had sufficient time to revegetate, such that erosion protection is adequate.

Inspector's Signature: _____


Peter H. Hess

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Date: September 1, 2000

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

cc: James Fulton, OSM
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