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# State of Utah

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## INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete:        Exploration:         
Inspection Date & Time: 3/13/2001 / 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.  
Date of Last Inspection: 2/22/2001

Mine Name: West Ridge Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: C/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 Official(s): Bill Malencik Federal Official(s): None  
Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy, muddy mine site, temp in 40's  
Existing Acreage: Permitted 2660.27 Disturbed 26.5 Regraded        Seeded         
Status: Active XXX

### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - 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.
  - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter- April, May, June)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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DATE OF INSPECTION: 3/13/2001

( COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE )

### GENERAL COMMENTS

A partial inspection was completed of the West Ridge Mine on 3/13/2001. The second story has been put in place on the bathhouse. The office building has just started. It is a frame type of construction. The county has issued the permits for both buildings. It is anticipated that the office building will be completed by the end of May. The only remaining building will be the warehouse.

I alerted Mr. Glasson that MRP photos must be sent to the Division upon the completion of the buildings including the "As-built" maps. He advised me he has sent the pumphouse photos to the Division. The bathhouse package is going to be sent on 3/16/2001.

NOV N00-26-1-1 is pending on an assessment conference and fact of violation hearing; it is scheduled for 3/16/2001.

#### **2. SIGNS AND MARKERS**

The ID sign is located by the gate. The disturbed area, stream buffer zone, and topsoil pile were observed. This meets the requirements of the coal rules.

#### **3. TOPSOIL**

There are four topsoil marked piles. One drains into the undisturbed culvert. One drains on the upper end into the undisturbed culvert and the bottom to the sediment pond. The third drains into a pond. All have silt fence protection. The fourth is buried under the pad as an experimental practice. The protection provided meets the coal rules.

The report on the experimental practice was the subject of a request for an extension until December 8, 2000. The extension was conditionally approved by the Division on December 14, 2000. The Division approved the submission.

#### **4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS**

The mine site was extremely muddy. The snow has been removed from the disturbed area and placed in the designated snow storage area. No water was observed in any of the diversions. This meets the requirements of the coal rules.

#### **4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS**

The mine has two cells contiguous to sediment pond. The bottom cell was nearly dry. The upper cell had a small amount of runoff.

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**4C. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES**

There are four BTCA areas. This included the topsoil pile, pumphouse, the pad, and road ditch outslope. The topsoil treatment is silt fences. The pumphouse sediment control is gravel and the reclaimed area outside of the fence is roughened. The straw bales and silt fences are currently on the cutslope and pad, respectively. The control measures are effective and meet the Utah Coal Rules.

**4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING**

Relative to the first quarter water monitoring, only well 86-2 was sampled. The results have been sent to the laboratory and the results have not been received at this time. The operator told me the contractor will be doing the reachable sites before the end of the quarter.

**8. NONCOAL WASTE**

The mine site was clean of non-coal waste. The storage areas for non-coal waste are of record. The main coal waste area is a confined area above the storage site.

**16A. ROADS: CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING**

According to the records, 1,960 feet of county road above the gate is also in the approved permit area. All roads were in good shape. The definition of a road includes the right-of-way, and includes, by definition, the road and appurtenances, including the drainages.

Inspector's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Wm. J. Malencik #26

Date: March 14, 2001

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

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cc: James Fulton, OSM  
Mike Glasson, West Ridge  
Price Field office

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