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## INSPECTION REPORT

Partial      Complete XXX Exploration       
Inspection Date: 07/17/2002 Time: 9:30 - 12:00  
Date of Last Inspection: 06/13/2002

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 1077, Price, Utah 84501  
Company Official(s): Gary Gray  
State Official(s): Karl R. Houskeeper Federal Official(s): None  
Weather Conditions: Clear, Temp 98°F  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface      Prep Plant      Other       
Existing Acreage: Permitted 4307.63 Disturbed 29.06 Regraded      Seeded       
Status: Active

### 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input checked="" 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 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

**1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE**

The current DOGM permit was re-issued to include the Whitmore Extension. The permit is effective 02/15/2002 and expires 04/01/2004. Other documents include the following:

- Certificate of Insurance issued 07/01/2002 and terminates 07/01/2003.
- Reclamation agreement is dated April 1999 and signed by both parties.
- UPDES permit UTG040013 effective 01/01/1999 and expires midnight 04/30/2003.
- Air Quality permit DAQE-055-99, issued January 14, 1999.
- SPCC Plan dated 12/28/2000.

**2. SIGNS AND MARKERS**

The mine permit ID signs were observed at the pump house and the entrance to the mine site. The ID signs contained all the required information.

Other signs observed during the inspection met the coal rules.

**4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS**

The rock gabion energy dissipaters that were installed in DD-4 as a result of NOV #N02-49-1-1 need to be identified on Map 7-2 and submitted to the Division to be incorporated into the MRP.

Pagination errors during the submittal of portions of appendix 7-4, in response to NOV #N02-49-1-1 need to be cleared up.

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

Elevations for the lower cell sediment levels still need to be calculated. Once the elevations are established the sediment markers need to be installed. This item stems from the midterm review and needs to be addressed as soon as possible.

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

First quarter water monitoring was reviewed during the inspection. The only sample taken in the first quarter was from DH 86-2. The other monitoring sites did not have a flow during the first quarter 2002. Second quarter 2002 water monitoring has been done and will be submitted upon receipt of the lab results.

**4E. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS**

No discharge occurred from any of the UPDES outfalls.

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**8. NONCOAL WASTE**

The majority of the area appeared to be free from noncoal waste. A few areas were identified during the inspection where wind blow material had collected in the diversions. The operator will clean the identified areas.

**13. REVEGETATION**

Vegetation growth in the recently seeded areas is very minimal due to the lack of precipitation. The operator will continue to monitor the vegetation success in these areas. Seed and mulch are still present, but have not germinated.

**20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT**

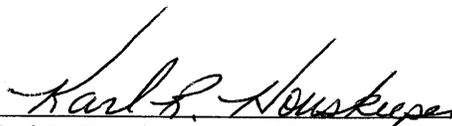
The air quality permit DAQE-055-99 referenced above remains in effect.

**21. BONDING AND INSURANCE**

The insurance referenced in item #1 above is through Pacific Indemnity Co.

Bond No. 91-B-54926, issued 03/19/1999 is for \$2,117,000 from National Union Fire Insurance Company.

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

  
Karl R. Houskeeper #49

Date: July 23, 2002

**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  
Gary Gray, West Ridge  
Price Field office

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