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# Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070041
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL
Inspection Date:	Wednesday, May 12, 2004
Start Date/Time:	05/12/2004 9:00:00 AM
End Date/Time:	05/12/2004 11:00:00 AM
Last Inspection:	Wednesday, April 14, 2004

Inspector: Karl Houskeeper, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Partly Cloudy/Misting Rain. ~Temp 45 Deg F

InspectionID Report Number: 263

Accepted by: pgrubaug  
 06/01/2004

Permitee: WEST RIDGE RESOURCES  
 Operator: WEST RIDGE RESOURCES  
 Site: WEST RIDGE MINE  
 Address: PO BOX 1077, PRICE UT 84501  
 County: CARBON  
 Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM  
 Permit Status: ACTIVE

Current Acreages

4,307.63	Total Permitted
29.06	Total Disturbed
	Phase I
	Phase II
	Phase III

Mineral Ownership

- Federal
- State
- County
- Fee
- Other

Types of Operations

- Underground
- Surface
- Loadout
- Processing
- Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

Pending Division Order: Division Order D000A-7, Extension granted until May 2004. Operator is aware of the due date.

Inspector's Signature:

*Karl Houskeeper*

Date Wednesday, May 12, 2004

Karl Houskeeper, Environmental Scientist III  
 Inspector ID Number: 49

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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**REVIEW OF PERMIT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENT**

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 Not Applicable.*
  - b. *For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.*
2. *Document any noncompliance situation by reference 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.*

	Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
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.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.e Hydrologic Balance: 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 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.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.b Roads: Drainage Controls	<input 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS Check	<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 and Insurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale**

The permittee submitted two copies of the 2003 annual report this week to the Divisions SLC office.

An extension was given to the permittee to respond to the Division Order by May 2004. The operator was reminded of the due date during the inspection.

**2. Signs and Markers**

The mine ID signs are present at the pump house and the contact point of the public road to the permit area. The mine ID signs contains the required information.

The sign identifying the explosive storage area is rotated so that it can not be easily seen or read. The operator made note of the sign to have it fixed.

The other signs and markers observed during the inspection were in compliance with the coal rules.

**4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions**

A road grader and backhoe were on site during the inspection. Maintenance work has been done on several diversions and was still taking place during the inspection.

**4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments**

Mine water is present in both cell A & B, but below the maximum mine water markers.

**4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures**

Several silt fences were identified during the inspection that need maintenance work performed on them. These items are scheduled for repair once the diversion work is completed.

**4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring**

Fourth quarter 2003 water monitoring information is in the EDI website and uploaded. First quarter 2004 water quality information is in the EDI website, but needs to be reviewed and uploaded. Water monitoring is current at the mine site.

**4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations**

Mine water was being discharged during the inspection. The mine is now using a portion of the mine that has been permanently sealed as a sump area to allow for increased settling time.

**5. Explosives**

The ID sign located on a T pole adjacent to the explosive storage area is rotated so that it can not be easily seen or read. The operator made note of the sign to have it fixed. There are other explosive storage area signs in the area that are in place that can be seen and read.

**8. Noncoal Waste**

The storage yard and pad areas so marked improvement from the previous inspection. A general spring cleaning has taken place and the noncoal waste items have been picked up and placed in the approved storage area.

**16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing**

A road grader is on site and is re-grading the dirt/graveled roads on site.

**21. Bonding and Insurance**

The insurance policy expires on 07/01/04 and needs to be renewed prior to that date.