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# Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070041
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, December 18, 2007
Start Date/Time:	12/18/2007 8:45:00 AM
End Date/Time:	12/18/2007 9:40:00 AM
Last Inspection:	Tuesday, November 20, 2007

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Clear, very cold; < 10 degrees F. Snow forecast.

InspectionID Report Number: 1502

Accepted by: dhaddock *OK*  
12/21/2007

Permittee: **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**

6,114.89	<b>Total Permitted</b>
29.06	<b>Total Disturbed</b>
	<b>Phase I</b>
	<b>Phase II</b>
	<b>Phase III</b>

**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:**

The Permittee's water monitoring representative notified the Division on October 23, 2007 that the third quarter of 2007 surface and ground water monitoring information for the West Ridge Mine permit area was in the Division electronic data base "pipeline" and the data was acceptable for uploading.

There are no pending compliance actions at this site.

The site is under approximately twelve inches of frozen compacted snow.

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

*Pete Hess*

Date Wednesday, December 19, 2007

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 46

**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 REQUIREMENTS**

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, Divison Orders, and amendments.

	Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Topsoil	<input 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 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 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 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Contemporaneous Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Backfilling And Grading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Revegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.b Roads: Drainage Controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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"/>

**4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions**

Diversions are snow covered, but appear capable of functioning when melting occurs. Snow has not been pushed into ditches by the removal / road clearing process.

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

The upper cell of the pond contained frozen melt water with snow covered in-slopes. The lower cell was also snow covered. There were no compliance issues observed.

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

The "C" Canyon drainage below the Mine site was flowing due to the discharge of mine water at UPDES outfall 002A.

**15. Cessation of Operations**

The West Ridge Mine was idled for two days (December 3 and 4, 2007) due to geologic conditions. The Mine resumed production activities on Wednesday, December 5.

**16.b Roads: Drainage Controls**

Sediment control measures along the roads are under frozen compacted snow.

**21. Bonding and Insurance**

The current general liability insurance remains in effect through June 2008.