



State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: Complete: XXX Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 11/15&16/99 / 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 10/26/99

Mine Name: Deer Creek Mine County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/018
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: PacifiCorp
Business Address: P.O. Box 310, Huntington, Utah 84528
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Dennis Oakley
State Officials(s): Steve Demczak Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Clear, 50-60's
Existing Acreage: Permitted-17,826.85 Disturbed-95.79 Regraded-Seeded-Bonded-95.79
Increased/Decreased: Permitted-Disturbed-Regraded-Seeded-Bonded-
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: Item, EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; 2. SIGNS AND MARKERS; 3. TOPSOIL; 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; 5. EXPLOSIVES; 6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; 7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; 8. NONCOAL WASTE; 9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; 10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; 11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; 12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING; 13. REVEGETATION; 14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; 15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; 16. ROADS; 17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; 18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; 19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) (date); 20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT; 21. BONDING & INSURANCE.

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1. PERMIT -

The permittee will be submitting a new reclamation plan of the Deer Creek Mine to the Division.

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS -

Several areas were inspected and reviewed for topsoil and permittee identification signs. During the next inspection, a review of stream buffer zone signs along Deer Creek will be done.

3. TOPSOIL -

The topsoil pile at Rilda Canyon was inspected and no sign of erosion was noticed. The topsoil sign was erected on the pile.

4A. DIVERSIONS -

Several diversions were inspected with performance problems being noticed. The permittee will need to update the hydrology map for the following:

1. Identified diversion located by the ROM belt.
2. Locate the berm next to the ROM belt. This berm's function is to keep water from flowing over the outslope and into the diversion, thus, preventing erosion.
3. The two culverts and one drainage ditch located at the explosive area needs to be located on map.
4. Map needs to show primary road diversions. Presently, map shows uncontrolled drainage flowing onto the primary road from a material storage area and an undisturbed diversion.

4B. SEDIMENT PONDS -

The sediment ponds were inspected by the permittee for third quarter. There was no report of hazardous conditions reported for either the mine pond or the refuse pond.

Mine pond was inspected on September 21, 1999, and the refuse pile on September 24, 1999.

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4C. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES -

Sediment control measures along the belt line were inspected and would appear to function during an event. The permittee will be beefing-up the area by Deer Creek and the belt crossing. This was not completed since the last inspection.

4D. WATER MONITORING -

The second quarter water monitoring was spot-checked and DCR01 and Main North-Main East parameters were taken as required.

4E. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS -

The permittee wrote a letter to DEQ stating that 001 was out of compliance with 30-day TSS requirements of their permit. The reason given was different water density within the sediment due to water depth of the pond. The 30 day average was 41.5 mg/l.

7. REFUSE PILE -

The old and new refuse piles are identified on the surface facility map.

The refuse pile at the Deer Creek Mine was inspected on September 25, 1999 and is P.E. certified. No hazardous conditions reported.

The active refuse pile for Deer Creek refuse was inspected September 28, 1999. No hazardous conditions reported. This pile received 4,230 ton of refuse from January 1, 1999 to September 1, 1999.

The permittee uses 15 ton trucks to transport refuse material. (10 wheel truck)

Currently, this haul road is classified as a ancillary road in the MRP. Further investigation is required to determine if this road should be re-classified as a primary road. The plan has designs for this road.

14. SUBSIDENCE -

The permittee has flow for subsidence and is in the process of compiling information for the annual report.

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18. SUPPORT FACILITIES -

The surface facilities map was reviewed in the field and was found to be complete. The map meets the R645 Coal Rule requirements. There has been no new construction since the last inspection.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE -

Reclamation Agreement states that there is 95.79 disturbed acreage and the permit area of 17,000 acreage. The disturbed area is bonded for \$2.5 million.

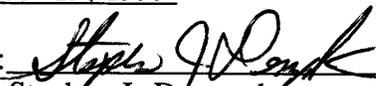
The permittee and the Division are in the process of updating the Reclamation Agreement.

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

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Chuck Semborski (PacifiCorp) Henry Austin (OSM)
Given to: Pam Grubaugh-Littig (DOGM) Filed to: Price Field Office
Date: November 19, 1999

Inspector's Signature: _____


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