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## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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### Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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# Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0150025
Inspection Type:	TECHNICAL
Inspection Date:	Thursday, March 10, 2016
Start Date/Time:	3/10/2016 10:00:00 AM
End Date/Time:	3/10/2016 3:00:00 PM
Last Inspection:	Thursday, March 03, 2016

Inspector: Joe Helfrich

Weather:

InspectionID Report Number: 5465

Accepted by: JHELFRIC  
4/5/2016

Representatives Present During the Inspection:	
Company	Jaren Jorgensen
OGM	Joe Helfrich

Permittee: **CASTLE VALLEY MINING LLC**

Operator: **CASTLE VALLEY MINING LLC**

Site: **BEAR CANYON MINE**

Address: **2352 NORTH 7TH STREET, UNIT B, GRAND JUNCTION CO 81501**

County: **EMERY**

Permit Type: **PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM**

Permit Status: **ACTIVE**

#### Current Acreages

10,991.83	<b>Total Permitted</b>
35.02	<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 had requested a technical site visit to determine points of access to the areas under the conveyor where coal had spilled off of the pans. Areas identified in TDN X16-140-545-004 as represented by Karl Houskeeper's report were also visited. Except for the frozen ditches and culverts the areas noted in the report had been addressed.

Inspector's Signature

Joe Helfrich,

Inspector ID Number: 1

Date

Monday, March 14, 2016



**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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Topsoil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 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 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 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### **3. Topsoil**

The contour along the toe of the topsoil pile located near BTCA area B seemed to be the best access to the conveyor coal spill and clean out access to the BTCA area. Topsoil removed from construction of the access road will need to be placed along the upper side of the existing pile and a berm will need to be constructed at the toe of the pile. The toe of the pile and relocated soil will need to be seeded this fall with the seed mix noted in the approved MRP.

### **18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations**

Rhino Energy contacted the Division in February of 2016 requesting technical assistance to determine an access route to the topsoil BTCA area B and coal spill from the conveyor. Manual labor (rope & bucket) had been ongoing since July of 2015 in an effort to remove the coal on the hill side underneath the conveyor until weather conditions compromised the ability to continue the clean up of the coal. Some time there after a second spill occurred. Conditions were not permissible to enter the area until the first week of March. On March 10th a site visit was conducted to determine a site location for access to the coal spill. In February the permittee had also made contractual arrangements to rent a large shop-vac vehicle to resume clean-up efforts in the areas up stream from the conveyor crossing. The vehicle is due to arrive at the mine the week of April 4th.