

Inspection Photos

3/18/2024

Operator: TEP ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC - 96850

Location ID: 335678

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Photo 1: Photos taken from the east end of the Location. Photos provide an overview of the Location from west to northwest. Photo also shows that BMPs to stabilize the working pad surface are missing or insufficient; tracking and degradation evident.



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Photo 2: Photos examples showing that BMPs to stabilize the working pad surface are missing or insufficient; tracking and degradation evident.



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Photo 3: Photos taken from the east end of the Location, facing northeast and east. Arrow shows Location of sediment trap. Photo right shows slopes off the working pad surface adjacent to sediment trap. Photos show control measures to properly divert runoff into the sediment trap remains insufficient; runoff has continued to travel down the slopes on the north end of the Location; degradation has persisted; BMPs to minimize erosion and degradation to the slopes remain missing or insufficient.



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Photo 4: Photo taken downslope from photo 3, facing west. See comments under photo 3.

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Photo 5: Photo taken from access road, facing north. Road crosses “Black Sulphur Creek” an Aquatic Native Species Conservation Waters. Erosion degradation and sediment transport observed throughout the road.



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Photo 6: Photos taken from along the access road. Photo shows erosion degradation due to inadequate stormwater and erosion control BMPs at the access road has persisted.



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Photo 7: Photos taken from along the access road. Photo shows erosion degradation due to inadequate stormwater and erosion control BMPs at the access road has persisted.



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Photo 8: Continued from photo 7. Notebook in photo used for reference.

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Photo 9: Continued from photo 7. Notebook in photo used for reference.



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Photo 10: Sediment transport and deposition due to runoff and erosion degradation at the access road.

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Photo 11: Photos 11-12 taken from the cut slopes of the Location. Photos examples showing control measures at the cut slopes remain missing or insufficient resulting in persisting erosion and degradation.



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Photo 12: See comments under photo 11.



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Photo 13: Photos taken from the wells on Location. Photos 13-14 examples showing what appears to be open mouseholes remaining on the Location; Operator has placed unsecured metal plates over the pipes. Hole/Pipe has not been properly closed or backfilled in accordance with Rule 1003.a.



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Photo 14: See comments under photo 13.



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Photo 15: Photo shows produced water tank. Tank appears to be connected to the battery facility on the Location. Secondary containment measures to contain a spill or release from the tank has not been installed. Photo right also shows lines at the tank have not been capped/plugged.

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Photo 16: Continued from photo 15. Capacity information not observed on tank.

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Photo 17: Signage missing from wells on Location.