

Inspection Photos

08/16/2024

Operator: TEP ROCKY MOUNTAIN LLC #96850

Location ID: 323916

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Photo 1: Photos taken from the Location entrance on the south end of the site, facing northwest and north. BMPs to stabilize, as well as to minimize tracking and sediment transport at the working pad surface of the Location remain missing or insufficient. Gravel appears to have only been implemented along the western areas of the site to address tracking and stabilization concerns; gravel has largely filled with sediment and has not been maintained; unable to observe evidence that BMPs had been implemented to address stabilization and tracking concerns within the eastern half of the working pad surface.



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Photo 2: Photos 2-4 taken from the east end of the Location. Photos examples showing BMPs on the east end of the working pad surface to properly manage runoff remain inadequate. Outlets have not been installed or maintained per good engineering practices; BMPs to properly divert stormwater to the outlet and sediment trap are also insufficient and/or not per good engineering practice, resulting in persisting erosion, degradation and sediment transport.



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Photo 3: See comments under photo 2.



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Photo 4: See comments under photo 2. Photo also shows off-site sediment deposition due to inadequate stormwater controls.



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Photo 5: Photo left taken from the north end of the Location, facing north; photo right taken from the access road north of the Location facing south. BMPs to stabilize, as well as to minimize erosion, degradation and tracking along the access road have not been installed or maintained per good engineering practice; tracking and degradation issues have persisted along the access road. Operator only appears to have conducted grading operations at road resulting in sediment being pushed around; grading alone is insufficient.



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Photo 6: Photos 6-8 taken from the stream crossing along the access road north of the Location. Photos show that a properly engineered stream crossing, and other stormwater and erosion control BMPs, have not been installed or maintained along the access road, resulting in persisting degradation, tracking issues and impacts to a riverine system.



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Photo 7: See comments under photo 6.



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Photo 8: See comments under photo 6.