

Final Reclamation Inspection

March 25, 2025

Operator: MENDELL NIOBRARA LLC- 10435

Location ID: 322649

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Weld County, CO

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Photo 1. Google Earth aerial imagery taken September 6, 2013 during active operations.



Photo 2. Google Earth aerial imagery taken June 14, 2016 shortly after final reclamation activities were completed.

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Photo 3. ECMC drone imagery taken March 25, 2025. Photo illustrates the tank battery location is evident due to the lack of vegetation establishment, which is not reflective of reference areas.



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Photo 4. Photo taken from the entrance of the location, facing East. Photo illustrates the location has a locked, gated entrance.

Note- the access road and well location (red arrow) have an approved variance not to reclaim per Rule 1004 and leave it stabilized with gravel.



Photo 5. Photo taken from a portion of the western access road, facing West. Photo illustrates the access road has been left gravelled and stabilized. At the time of this inspection, there were no stormwater erosion issues.

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Photo 6. Photo taken from the central tank battery, facing North. Photo illustrates there is some establishment of grass species but predominantly bare ground.

Reference area vegetation is above the red-dashed line.

Note- it does not appear the grass species seeded is reflective of reference vegetation. It appears that introduced grass species were seeded.



Photo 7. Close up photo taken from a portion of the tank battery illustrating what appears to be introduced grass species (small green bunch grasses) and bare ground.



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Photo 8. Photo taken from the central tank battery, facing East. See comments under Photo 6.



Photo 9. Photo taken from the central tank battery, facing West. See comments under Photo 6.

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Photo 10. Reference vegetation photo taken north of the tank battery, facing South. Reference area vegetation is below the red-dashed line, which consists primarily of Saltgrass (*Distichlis spicata*).

