

### Arizona Department Environmental Quality



Director

#### **CERTIFIED MAIL Return Receipt Requested**

April 10, 2019

Arizona Minerals, Inc. Attention: Johnny Pappas 2210 E Fort Lowell Rd Tucson, AZ 85719

Case ID #: 181810

Re: Notice of Violation issued to Arizona Minerals, Inc. -Trench Camp, Norton & January Mine Adits

Dear Mr. Pappas:

This letter constitutes the monthly update on the status of Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") action resulting from ADEQ's inspection of the above-referenced site on March 12, as required by A.R.S. § 41-1009(J).

The attached Notice of Violation ("NOV") is an informal compliance assurance tool used by ADEQ to put a responsible party (such as a facility owner or operator) on notice that the Department believes a violation of an environmental requirement has occurred. It describes the facts known to ADEQ at the time of issuance and cites the requirement that ADEQ believes the party has violated.

Although ADEQ has the authority to issue appealable administrative orders compelling compliance, an NOV has no such force or effect. Rather, an NOV provides the responsible party an opportunity to do any of the following before ADEQ takes formal enforcement action: (1) meet with ADEQ and discuss the facts surrounding the violation, (2) demonstrate to ADEQ that no violation has occurred, or (3) document that the violation has been corrected.

ADEQ reserves the right to take a formal enforcement action, such as issuing an administrative order or filing a civil lawsuit, regardless of whether the Department has issued an NOV. Neither ADEQ's issuance of an NOV nor its failure to do so precludes the Department from pursuing these remedies. However, the timeliness of a complete response to this notice will be considered by ADEQ in determining if and how to pursue such remedies.

Sincerely,

SWP Inspections & Compliance Enforcement Unit

Enclosure:

ADEQ Notice of Violation Case ID# 181810



# ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



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Arizona Minerals, Inc. Attention: Johnny Pappas 2210 E Fort Lowell Rd Tucson, AZ 85719

Subject: Trench Camp, Norton & January Mines Adit, Place ID 154197

LAT: 31d, 28', 19" N LNG: 110d, 45', 49" W

#### **NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) has reason to believe that Arizona Minerals, Inc. as the owner/operator of Trench Camp, Norton & January Mines Adit has violated a requirement of the Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.), a rule within the Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.), or an applicable permit/license, administrative order or civil judgment. ADEQ discovered the violations alleged below during an inspection completed on March 12, 2019.

#### I. LEGAL AUTHORITY and NATURE OF ALLEGED VIOLATION(S)

#### 1. A.A.C. R18-11-108(A)(8)

Violation of the narrative water quality standard that requires a surface water to be free from pollutants in amounts or combinations that change the color of the surface water from natural background levels of color.

On March 12, 2019, inspectors from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality observed brown, turbid stormwater discharging from facility outfalls to the impaired waters of Alum Gulch and Harshaw Creek. ADEQ inspectors noted inadequate and insufficient control measures to manage on-site erosion, sediment and stormwater runoff.

2. Permit 69932 (AZMSG-88923) - Multi-Sector General Permit AZMSGP2010-003; Section 2.1.1.5

Failure to minimize on-site erosion and sedimentation.

On March 12, 2019, inspectors from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality observed inadequate control measures to manage on-site erosion, sediment and stormwater runoff.

At Outfall 1, Several straw wattles were observed in disrepair and/or installed incorrectly. A silt fence was improperly installed across Alum Gulch. Turbid stormwater was discharging to Alum Gulch at time of inspection. Alum Gulch has been impaired since 1996 for cadmium, copper, zinc and pH.

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At Outfall 2, a concrete barrier had been undercut from erosion allowing discharge of turbid stormwater to Harshaw Creek. Heavy amounts of sediment was accumulating along the entrance of a culvert below Harshaw Road. Harshaw Creek has been impaired since 1992 for copper and pH.

3. Permit 69932 (AZMSG-88923) - Multi-Sector General Permit AZMSGP2010-003; Section 2.2.2

Failure to control discharge from the facility as necessary to not cause or contribute to an exceedance of an applicable water quality standard.

On July 10, 2018, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality received a Discharge Monitoring Report with potential deficiencies to Surface Water Quality Standards. The report measured Total Zinc from Outfall #3 measured at 10.0 mg/L and above the standard of 5.106 mg/L. The permittee did not provided documentation to ADEQ of corrective action as required in Part 3.1, document the corrective actions as required in Parts 3.3 and 5.4, and report the corrective actions to ADEQ as required in Part 7.2.

#### II. DOCUMENTING COMPLIANCE

- Within 30 calendar days of receipt of this Notice, please submit documentation that the violation(s) never occurred, or photographic documentation (emailed to mg7@azdeq.gov) that control measures have been replaced or installed to best engineering practices to minimize on-site erosion, sediment and the discharge of turbid stormwater.
- Within 30 calendar days of receipt of this Notice, please submit documentation that the violation(s) never occurred, or identify the source of exceedance of Surface Water Quality Standards and submit corrective action documentation (emailed to mg7@azdeq.gov) in accordance with Section 3.3 of the MSGP:
  - Identification of the condition triggering the need for corrective action review
  - Description of the problem identified
  - Date the problem was identified
  - Summary of corrective action to be taken
  - Whether SWPPP modifications are required
  - Date corrective action initiated
  - Date corrective action completed or expected to be completed
- 3. Within 30 calendar days of receipt of this Notice, please submit documentation that the violation(s) never occurred, or a full Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan uploaded to myDEQ including the \$1,000 review fee. Please note if the SWPPP does not meet minimum permit requirements it will need to be revised and resubmitted. There is a \$500 fee for each additional ADEQ review.

#### III. SUBMITTING COMPLIANCE DOCUMENTATION

Please send all compliance documentation and any other written correspondence regarding this Notice to ADEQ at the following address:

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Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Attention: Matthew Geiger, SWP Inspections & Compliance Enforcement Unit, 1110 W Washington St, Phoenix, AZ 85007 MC: 5415B-2

#### IV. STATEMENT OF CONSEQUENCES

- 1. The time frames within this Notice for achieving and documenting compliance are firm limits. Failure to achieve or document compliance within the time frames established in this Notice will result in an administrative compliance order or civil action requiring compliance within a reasonable time frame, substantial civil penalties, and/or the suspension or revocation of an applicable permit/license. ADEQ will agree to extend the time frames only in a compliance schedule negotiated in the context of an administrative consent order or civil consent judgment.
- Achieving compliance does not preclude ADEQ from seeking civil penalties, and/or suspending or revoking an applicable permit/license for the violation(s) alleged in this Notice as allowed by law.

#### V. OFFER TO MEET

ADEQ is willing to meet regarding this Notice. To obtain additional information about this Notice or to schedule a meeting to discuss this Notice, please contact Matthew Geiger at (602) 771-4524.

Leigh Padgitt, Manager

**SWP Inspections & Compliance** 

**Enforcement Unit** 

Matthew Geiger

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## Arizona Department of Environmental Quality



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Facility Name (PLACE): Trench Camp, Norton, January Mine Adit			Permit Authorization No.: AZMS 67872		
Physical Location: 31.471944, -110.763611 City, State, Zip: Harshaw, AZ			Inspection No.: 319942		
County: Santa Cruz			ctor(s): Matt Geiger Stev	ven Saeed	
Mailing Address: 2210 E. Fort Lowell Road			ctor Email: mg7 @azdeq	_	
City, State, Zip: Tucson, AZ, 85719			ctor Phone: (602) 771 45	24	
Permittee/Owner (CUSTOMER): Arizona Mir			Inspection Date: 12-Mar-19		
Address: 2210 E. Fort Lowell Road, Tucson, A	Z, 85719	Inspection Start Time: 1030 Inspection End Time: 1330			
Phone: (520) 485 1300 Email: johnny.pappas@south32.net		Sector Code: G – Metal Mining			
Email: Johnny, pappase south Service		Sub-S	Sub-Sector Code: G2		
Co-Permittee(s)/Operator:		Co-Lo	cated Sub-Sector(s):		
Address:		Secto	r Specific Checklist(s) Inc	luded: ⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Phone:		Secto	r specific monitoring and	reporting required (8.A-8.AD):	
Email:		☐ ☑ Ye	s □ No □ N/A		
Compliance Summary (Check Yes for Noted D	Deficiencies):	Reaso	on for Inspection:		
Monitoring and Reporting: ⊠ Yes			mpliance Inspection		
SWPPP: ⊠ Yes			mplaint No.: 15744 (Aqu	ifer Protection)	
Inspections:   Yes		☐ Fo	llow-Up No.:		
Results of Inspection:					
☐ No further ADEQ action will result from thi	•		Jt +L.t. t	. ADEO	
☑ Potential deficiencies noted during the ins					
Inspection Report issued via:email from ADEC	્ર office	Facilit	ty Initials:	ADEQ Initials:	
PRE-INSPECTION					
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Is the facility implementing the spill prevention and response procedures as identified in the SWPPP? (2.1.1.4)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Is on-site erosion and sedimentation being managed? (2.1.1.5)	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	ADEQ inspectors observed inadequate control measures to manage on-site erosion.
Is run-off being managed to minimize the discharge of pollutants? (2.1.1.6)	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	ADEQ inspectors observed discharges of turbid stormwater to outfalls of Alum Gulch and Harshaw Creek.
Are piles of salt or piles containing salt used for deicing or other commercial or industrial purposes enclosed or covered? (2.1.1.7)	□ Yes □ No ☒ N/A	
Is the permittee conducting annual training as required by the permit? (2.1.1.9)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Are exposed areas free of litter, garbage, and floatable debris? (2.1.1.11)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Is generation of dust and off-site tracking of raw, final, or waste material minimized? (2.1.1.12)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND WATER QUALIT	Y STANDARDS (2.2)	Comments
Does the facility discharge to an Impaired Water? (2.2.3)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	<ul> <li>Alum Gulch (impaired since 1996 for cadmium, copper, zinc and pH)</li> <li>Harshaw Creek (impaired since 1992 for copper and pH).</li> </ul>
If yes, does the facility have a monitoring program as outlined in Section 6.2 of the permit? (2.2.3)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Nearest receiving surface water body: Alum C Distance: < 0.25 Miles	Gulch and Harshaw Creek	*
CORRECTIVE ACTIONS (3.0)		Comments
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Routine Inspection checklist includes all the following required elements (4.1.2):	⊠ Yes □ I	No □ N/A		
☐ The inspection date and time		⊠ Any contro	measures needing maintenance or repairs	
oxtimes The name(s) and signature(s) of the inspector(s)		<ul> <li>☒ Any failed control measures that need replacement</li> </ul>		
oxtimes Weather information and a description of any		•	evidence of deviations from the permit or SWPPP observed	
discharges occurring at the time of inspection		•	nal control measures needed to comply with the permit	
☑ Evidence demonstrating that previously unidentified discharges of pollutants have occurred from the site		requirements	nai control measures needed to comply with the permit	

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VISUAL ASSESSMENTS (4.2)			Comments
Visual assessments performed and/or exceptions documented (4.2)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Was visual assessment documentation available for review? (4.2.2	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		#
If applicable, were exceptions to visual assessments documented in the SWPPP? (4.2.3)	☐ Yes ☐	No ⊠ N/A	
1st visual assessment performed Summer Wet Season (June 1 – October 31)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		Date of Inspection: 11-Jul-18
2 <sup>nd</sup> visual assessment performed Summer Wet Season (June 1 – October 31)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		Date of Inspection: 1-Oct-18
1st visual assessment performed Winter Wet Season (November 1 – May 31)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		Date of Inspection: 7-Dec-18
2 <sup>nd</sup> visual assessment performed Winter Wet Season (November 1 – May 31)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		Date of Inspection: 7-Jan-19
Visual assessments performed following all required procedures (4.2.1)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Visual sample documentation includes all the following required elements (4.2.2)		No □ N/A	
<ul> <li>Sample locations</li> <li>Sample collection date and times for each sample</li> <li>Visual assessment date and time for each sample</li> <li>Person collecting the sample and signature</li> <li>Person conducting visual assessment and signature</li> </ul>		□ Results of to the probable so     □ Probable so	he stormwater discharge the observations of the stormwater discharge burces of any observed stormwater contamination e, reason why it was not possible to take sample within the es.

COMPREHENSIVE FACILITY INSPECTIONS (CFI	) (4.3)	Comments	
CFI for Inactive and Unstaffed Site in lieu of Routine Inspection (4.1.3)	□ Yes □ No ⊠ N/A	Date of last CFI: 21-Jun-18	
Conducted at least six months apart (4.3.1)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Inspections conducted by SWPPP designated inspectors (4.1.1)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Was the inspection documentation available for review? (5.9)	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	ADEQ inspectors asked on-site representative for documentation of a Comprehensive Facility Inspection. No documentation was provided at time of inspection. Documentation was later provided to the inspector via email.	
CFI documentation includes all the following required elements (4.3.1- 2)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		

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measures including:

☑ All observations relating to the implementation of the control

☑ The name(s) and title(s) of the personnel conducting the · Previously unidentified discharges from the site inspection Previously unidentified pollutants in existing discharges ☐ Findings from the examination of areas identified in Part 4.3.1 of Evidence of, or potential for, pollutants entering the the permit drainage system that are not contemplated in the SWPPP ☐ Any required revisions to the SWPPP resulting from the Evidence of pollutants discharging to surface waters from inspection any facility outfall(s) in a manner inconsistent with the **SWPPP** ☑ Any incidents of noncompliance observed ☑ Certification the facility is in compliance with the permit Condition of and around the outfall(s) ☐ Signed and certified in accordance with Appendix B of the Condition of flow dissipation measures permit Additional control measures needed to address any conditions requiring corrective action STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP) (5.0) **Comments** SWPPP presented to ADEQ at time of inspection was written in March 2016. A letter received by ADEQ in March 2018 in response to a previous Notice of Violation refers to "a more current SWPPP, signed in November 2017". This SWPPP available for inspection Yes □ No □ N/A 2017 SWPPP was not presented at time of inspection. Inspected documentation may be incomplete and outdated. On-site documentation is poorly managed and site representative did not know location of "more current" documentation. **Comments** SWPPP contains at least the following (5.1): ☑ Yes □ No □ N/A Identification of the SWPPP team (5.1.1) Description of the industrial activities at the ☑ Yes □ No □ N/A facility (5.1.2.1) General location map (5.1.2.2) Yes □ No □ N/A A legible site map completed to scale that identifies at a minimum the Yes □ No □ N/A following elements: (5.1.2.3) ☑ Approximate areas draining to each outfall ☑ Size of the property in acres ☑ Location and extent of significant structures and impervious ☐ Identification of all outfalls having the potential to contain surfaces allowable non-stormwater discharges under Part 1.1.3 of the permit and the corresponding type(s) of discharges □ Directions of stormwater flow ☐ Location of on-site drywell(s) and their registration numbers □ Locations of stormwater conveyances □ Locations of the following activities exposed to stormwater with a □ Locations of existing structural control measures potential to discharge: ☑ Locations of surface waters receiving the facility's discharges Fueling stations and any impaired waters within 2.5 miles downstream of facility Vehicle and equipment maintenance and/or cleaning areas ☐ Locations where the facility's stormwater discharges to a Loading and unloading areas regulated MS4 · Locations used for the treatment/storage/disposal of wastes ☑ Locations of potential pollutant sources identified under part Liquid storage tanks 5.1.3.2 of the permit Processing and storage areas ☐ Locations where significant spills or leaks identified under Access roads and rail lines used to transport raw materials/manufactured products/waste material/by-products Part 5.1.3.3 of the permit used or created at the facility □ Locations of all stormwater monitoring points • Transfer areas for substances in bulk □ Locations of stormwater inlets and outfalls, with a unique Machinery identifier for each outfall ☑ Locations of sources of run-on to the facility from adjacent ☐ Identification of "substantially identical" outfalls property(s) that contain significant quantities of pollutants Potential pollution sources listed (5.1.3) Location and type of control measures Yes □ No □ N/A implemented at the site. (5.1.4)

☑ The date and time of the inspection

schedules for all industrial equipment and systems exposed to stormwater (5.1.5)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Documented procedures for preventing and responding to spills and leaks (5.1.5.1)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Training for Sector specific requirements (5.1.5.1)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Documented procedures for conducting monitoring as specified in the permit (5.1.5.2)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Documented procedures for conducting inspections as specified in the permit (5.1.5.2)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Are substantially identical outfalls identified and appropriately documented in the SWPPP? (5.1.5.2)	□ Yes □ No ☒ N/A		
Is the SWPPP signed and dated as required by the permit? (5.1.6)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
All documents signed by Duly Authorized Representative (Appendix B, Subsection 9)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Documents to be included in the SWPPP (5.4	1):	Comments	
Copy of Notice of Intent (NOI)	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A	No copy of current NOI included in SWPPP.	
Copy of current General Permit	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Descriptions and dates of any incidences of significant spills, leaks or other releases resulting in discharge	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Record of employee training including dates (may be kept separate from SWPPP)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	Date of last Training: 18-Jan-19	
Repairs of structural control measures including details and dates (may be kept separate from SWPPP)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Rationale for deviations from visual assessment and monitoring schedules	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Corrective actions including triggering events and dates	☐ Yes ⊠ No ☐ N/A	No documentation provided at time of inspection.	
Documentation to support permittee's claim that site is inactive and unstaffed	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Modifications or changes to SWPPP are signed and dated (5.2)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
MONITORING AND REPORTING (6.0 and 7.0)		Comments	
Select all required analytical monitoring (6.2.1)	<ul> <li>□ None required</li> <li>☑ General Analytical monitoring</li> <li>□ Benchmark monitoring (non</li> <li>□ Effluent Limitation monitoring</li> <li>☑ Impaired Waters monitoring</li> <li>□ ADEQ Additional monitoring</li> </ul>	n-mining) ng	
Are the correct parameters being measured?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A		
Any exceedances of numeric effluent limits or water quality standards?		July 2018 Discharge Monitoring Report included the following potential deficiencies of Surface Water Quality Standard.  • Outfall #1 pH 6.4 (SWQS 6.5 – 9)	

Maintenance measures, procedures, and

Outfall #2 pH 5.8 (SWQS 6.5 – 9) Outfall #3 pH 6.0 (SWQS 6.5 – 9)

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		Outfall #3 Total Zinc 10 mg/L (SWQS 5.106 mg/L)
If yes, were exceedance reports submitted to ADEQ?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	July 10, 2018
If yes, was monitoring continued at least twice per wet season until the discharge was in compliance or ADEQ waived the monitoring requirement?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	Ongoing monitoring. ADEQ has yet to receive more recent documentation.
Sampling and Analysis Plan contains the foll	owing (6.1.3):	
☐ Designate and train personnel to collect, r	naintain, and handle samples	_
☐ Identify water quality parameters/polluta	nts to be sampled	
Written procedures for:  ☑ Sample collection ☑ Tracking ☑ Preservation ☑ Handling		
Are all monitoring instruments and equipment calibrated and maintained in accordance with manufacturer's recommendation? (6.1.3.2)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Except for field parameters, are all samples analyzed by a laboratory licensed with ADHS? (6.1.3.3)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	ADEQ observed a "Chain of Custody/ Laboratory Analysis Request" for Turner Laboratories Inc. of Tucson.
Are annual reports submitted to ADEQ prior to July 15 <sup>th</sup> (OAW or TMDL only)?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Are annual reports for the period June 1 to May 31 completed by July 15 <sup>th</sup> , and maintained with the SWPPP?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMR) submitted prior to July 15 <sup>th</sup> (if required) (7.1.3)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	Submitted July 20, 2018
All inspections, monitoring, and certification records (7.5)	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	

SITE INSPECTION		Comments		
Were any discharges or evidence of discharges observed? If yes, describe in comments.	Stormwater	Turbid stormwater was observed discharging from outfalls to both Alum Gulch and Harshaw Creek during a storm event on March 12, 2019		
Control measures consist of what was identified in the SWPPP?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A			
Control measures are effective?	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	Inadequate and damaged control measures result in turbid stormwater discharge.		
Spill response equipment available?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A			
Maintenance, procedures, and schedules are conducted as written in the SWPPP?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A			

#### **OBSERVATIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND POTENTIAL DEFICIENCIES:**

South32 is the new parent company for Arizona Minerals Inc. following an acquisition in August 2018. All permits are still held by the operating company Arizona Minerals Inc.

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality had previously issued Notice of Violations for surface water violations at Trench Camp following inspections in 2014 (to ASARCO) and 2018 (to Arizona Minerals Inc.). Both cases were dismissed following change of ownership or documented compliance respectively.

Trench Camp discharges to the following surface waters:

- Alum Gulch (Outfall 1) impaired since 1996 for cadmium, copper, zinc and pH
- Harshaw Creek (Outfall 2) impaired since 1992 for copper and pH
- Harshaw Creek (Outfall 3) approximately 0.20 miles downstream from end of impairment

The Discharge Monitoring Report submitted to ADEQ on July 10, 2018 included several potential deficiencies to Surface Water Quality Standards. These include pH measured below standards at Outfalls 1, 2 and 3 and Total Zinc measured at nearly twice the standard at Outfall #3.

On March 12, 2019, inspectors from ADEQ conducted an unannounced inspection of Trench Camp, Norton, January Mines Adit (AZMS 67872) or "Hermosa" by Arizona Minerals Inc. During a light storm event, ADEQ inspectors observed a discharge of brown, turbid stormwater to outfalls of the impaired waters of Alum Gulch (Outfall 1) and Harshaw Creek (Outfall 2). ADEQ noted inadequate control measures to reduce the discharge of pollutants. Several measures were in disrepair, improperly installed or had been undercut from erosion and must be reported as a corrective action. No documentation of corrective actions were made available to ADEQ at the time of inspection.

Outfall 1: Several straw wattles observed in disrepair and/or installed incorrectly. A silt fence was improperly installed across Alum Gulch. Turbid stormwater was discharging to Alum Gulch at time of inspection.

Outfall 2: A concrete barrier protecting discharge to Harshaw Creek had been undercut from erosion allowing discharge of turbid stormwater. Heavy amounts of sediment was accumulating along the entrance of a culvert under Harshaw Road.

The Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan presented to ADEQ at time of inspection was written in March 2016. A letter received by ADEQ in March 2018 in regards to a previous Notice of Violation refers to "a more current SWPPP, signed in November 2017". This SWPPP was not presented at time of inspection. The documentation inspected may be incomplete and outdated. On-site documentation is poorly managed and site representative did not know location of "more current" documentation.

Sector G Metal Mines – Exploration and Con	struction Phases	Comments			
Additional Controls [8.G.4.1]					
Are controls designed and maintained to		Several control measures undercut from erosion allowing			
control volume and velocity to minimize soil erosion?	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A	stormwater to pass below as observed at time of inspection.			
Are controls designed and maintained to		Measures were not maintained at time of inspection.			
control stormwater discharges by					
minimizing both peak flow rates and total	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A				
volume to minimize erosion?					
Are controls designed and maintained to					
phase or sequence exploration and construction activities as practicable to	☑ Yes □ No □ N/A				
minimize the area of disturbance at any					
one time?					
Are controls designed and maintained to		Measures were not maintained at time of inspection.			
minimize sediment discharges from the	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	Inspectors observed turbid stormwater discharging from			
site?		Outfalls 1 and 2.			
Where practicable, are controls designed to increase sediment removal and maximize	My. ON. ON/A				
stormwater infiltration and or reuse?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A				
Where practicable, are controls designed		ADEQ observed insufficient measures to preserve top soil.			
and maintained to minimize soil	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A	Mulch covers were sparsely dispersed on locations within			
compaction and preserve top soil?		site.			
		Outfall 1: Several straw wattles observed in disrepair			
		and/or installed incorrectly. A silt fence was improperly			
Were control measures identified in the		installed across Alum Gulch.			
SWPPP maintained in effective operating	☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A	Outfall 2: A concrete barrier protecting discharge to			
condition?		Harshaw Creek had been uncut from erosion allowing			
		discharge of turbid stormwater.			
Were discharges from dewatering or basin					
draining activities discharged in a manner that do not cause nuisance conditions,	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A				
including erosion in receiving channels or					
on surrounding properties?					
Was discharge of pollutants from					
equipment and vehicle washing, wheel		-			
wash water, and other wash water					
minimized? Wash water must be treated in a sediment basin or alternative control that	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A				
provides equivalent or better treatment		*			
prior to discharge?		Δ.			
Are measures in place to minimize the					
exposure of building materials, building					
products, construction wastes, trash,					
landscape materials, fertilizers, pesticides,	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A				
herbicides, detergents, sanitary wastes, and other materials present on site to					
precipitation and to stormwater?					
Was discharge of pollutants from spills and	B.,				
leaks minimized?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A				
Were chemical spill and leak prevention	M Vac □ No □ N/A				
and response procedures implemented?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A				

Were prohibited discharges from wastewater from washout of concrete observed?	□ Yes □ No ☒ N/A	
Were prohibited discharges from wastewater from washout of stucco, paint, form release oils, curing compounds and other construction materials observed?	□ Yes □ No ⊠ N/A	
Were prohibited discharges of fuels, oils, and other pollutants in vehicle and equipment in operation observed?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	ADEQ observed an oily sheen on a roadway near the material storage area. The facility placed absorbent material over the sheen while ADEQ was still on-site.
Were prohibited discharges from soaps or solvents observed?	□ Yes □ No ☒ N/A	*
Are measures implemented where culverts or other surface outlets are present on the site to minimize the threat of erosion and prevent the formation of rills and gullies?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/Λ	Culverts at Outfall 1 were being replaced at time of inspection.
Are Good housekeeping measures implemented to ensure litter, debris, and chemical are prevented from contact with stormwater?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Were control measures maintained in the SWPPP until stabilization is achieved or active mining commences at the site?	□ Yes □ No ⊠ N/A	
Additional SWPPP Requireme	ents [8.G.4.2]	Does the SWPPP include:
Are construction activities that can potentially affect stormwater discharges documented in the SWPPP?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Is a description of exploration and construction activities documented in the SWPPP?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Estimate of total acreage to be disturbed?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Additional Inspection Requirer	ments [8.G.4.3]	
Are Inspections conducted every 30 calendar days and within 24 hours of the end of each measurable storm event?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
If Impaired or OAW, are inspections conducted every 7 calendar days?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Are all areas disturbed by clearing, grading, and/or excavation activities exposed to sedimentation inspected?	⊠ Yes □ No □ N/A	
Are discharge locations inspected to determine whether erosion control measures are effective where accessible and in downstream locations where not accessible?	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	ADEQ inspectors observed an accumulation of sediment at Outfalls 1 and 2 suggesting ineffective erosion control measures on-site.
Are areas vehicles enter or exit site inspected for off-site tracking?	□ Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	ADEQ inspectors did not observe any control measures at site exits to minimize off-site tracking to Harshaw Road.  Note: Harshaw Road is unpaved for approximately 3 miles from site toward Patagonia.