



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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Mike Braun
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July 30, 2026

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: Kshort@blackhawkmining.com

Ms. Kelly Short, Eng. Manager
Triad Mining, LLC
1216 E County Road 900 S
Oakland City, IN 47660

Dear Ms. Short:

Re: IDEM Approval of Modification of NPDES
General Permit Coverage No. ING040188
DNR Permit Nos. S-0350
Triad Mining, LLC
Augusta and South Augusta Mines
3741 E State Road 64
Winslow, IN
Pike County

Our office has reviewed your NPDES Notice of Intent (NOI) that was received on May 27, 2026, requesting modification of your general permit coverage for the above-referenced mines under 327 IAC 15-7, the NPDES general permit-by-rule for Facilities Engaged in the Mining of Coal, Coal Processing, and Reclamation Activities. We are pleased to inform you that the submittal is sufficient to comply with the NOI requirements for 327 IAC 15-7 and that your mines' NPDES general permit coverage under 327 IAC 15-7 will be modified as follows:

- **The mine drainage status of Outfall 003B is being changed from “acid” to “alkaline”. The wash plant and coal yard have been reclaimed.**

We have contacted the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Reclamation, and they concur that this is an appropriate permit action.

Your permit coverage, as modified is deemed effective **July 1, 2026** unless a person aggrieved or adversely affected by the approval appeals this decision. Coverage includes all outfalls listed on the first table of Attachment 1 to this correspondence. Your permit coverage **will expire on January 31, 2028**. In order to receive authorization to discharge beyond the date of expiration, you must submit a renewal Notice of Intent no later than ninety (90) days prior to the date of expiration.



Please note that IDEM is required to serve notice of its decision to approve the modification of coverage for your facility under the general permit in accordance with the requirements of 327 IAC 5-3-14. It should also be noted that any appeal must be filed under procedures outlined in IC 13-15-6, IC 4-21.5-3-7, and the enclosed Public Notice. The appeal must be initiated by filing a petition for administrative review with the Office of Administrative Law Proceedings (OALP) within fifteen (15) days of the emailing of an electronic copy of this letter or within eighteen (18) days of the mailing of this letter. Addresses are as follows:

Director
Office of Administrative Law Proceedings
Indiana Government Center North
Suite N802
100 N. Senate Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Commissioner
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Indiana Government Center North
Room 1301
100 N. Senate Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46204

The OALP will provide parties who request review of this acceptance for coverage with notice of prehearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearing, and stays or orders disposing of all proceedings. Nonparties may receive such notices without intervening and formally becoming parties in the proceeding by requesting copies of such notices from the OALP.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Anne Burget of my office at (317) 234-8745 or you may contact either of us at owqwwper@idem.IN.gov.

Sincerely,

Catherine Hess

Catherine Hess, Chief
Permits Administration Section
Office of Water Quality

Attachment

cc: Pike County Health Department
Ms. Jayne Peltier, DNR Division of Reclamation (JPeltier1@dnr.IN.gov)
US EPA Region 5

ATTACHMENT 1

Triad Mining LLC- Augusta and South Augusta Mines

NPDES PERMIT NO. **ING040188**

DNR PERMIT NO. **S-0350**

MODIFICATION EFFECTIVE DATE: **JULY 1, 2026**

OUTFALLS PERMITTED FOR THIS FACILITY

OUTFALL	DNR BASIN	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	MINE DRAINAGE STATUS	RECEIVING WATER
003B	S-0350 ASB- 03B	38°, 20', 02"	-87°, 12', 13"	Alkaline	Unnamed Trib. To Barren Ditch
013	S-0350 ASB- 13	38°, 19', 48"	-87°, 11', 39"	Alkaline	Unnamed Trib. To Durham Ditch

Attachment 2

Discharge Limitations and Monitoring Requirements for Coal Mine Outfalls with Alkaline Mine Drainage Status

In accordance with 327 IAC 15-7-7(a)(2), the following effluent limitations and monitoring requirements apply to discharges from outfalls with coal mining activities within the drainage area which contain active mining areas, coal preparation plants, and/or coal preparation plant associated areas with a new source alkaline mine drainage status.

TABLE 1 - Dry Weather Effluent Limits and Monitoring Requirements [1]

Parameter	Effluent Limitations				Monitoring Requirements	
	Daily Minimum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Units	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Flow	--	Report	Report	MGD	2 X Monthly	Instantaneous
Total Suspended Solids	--	35	70	mg/l	2 X Monthly	Grab
pH	6.0	--	9.0	s.u.	2 X Monthly	Grab
Total Iron	--	3.0	6.0	mg/l	2 X Monthly	Grab

- [1] These limits are applicable to discharges which occur during dry weather base flow for an outfall. This is the default set of effluent limits unless the permittee provides adequate documentation of eligibility for any alternate precipitation-based effluent limits, as set forth in Tables 2 and 3 below. At least one sampling event per month is supposed to occur during dry weather base flow conditions.

TABLE 2: Alternate Precipitation-Based Effluent Limits for Precipitation Events Less Than or Equal to the 10-year, 24-hour Storm Event – Alkaline MDS [2]

Parameter	Effluent Limitations				Monitoring Requirements	
	Daily Minimum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Units	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Precipitation Volume	--	--	Report	Inches	Daily	Rain gauge
Precipitation Event duration	--	--	Report	Days/ Month	Daily	Clock
Flow	--	Report	Report	MGD	Weekly	Instantaneous
Settleable Solids	--	--	0.5 [3]	ml/l	Weekly	Grab
pH	6.0	--	9.0	s.u.	Weekly	Grab

- [2] In accordance with 327 IAC 15-7-7(c)(1), the permittee may opt to apply the effluent limits and monitoring requirements in Table 2 in lieu of those in Table 1 to a discharge when the discharge flow rate exceeds the dry weather base flow when a precipitation event is less than or equal to the 10-year, 24-hour storm event on the date that the sampling occurred. The permittee must provide documentation that the discharge met the qualifications for utilizing the alternate precipitation-based effluent limits for each instance in which the permittee wishes to apply them.
- [3] The limit for settleable solids is a maximum not to be exceeded in any grab sample.

TABLE 3: Alternate Precipitation-Based Effluent Limits for Precipitation Events Greater Than the 10-Year, 24-Hour Storm Event for Outfalls with Alkaline MDS [4]

Parameter	Effluent Limitations				Monitoring Requirements	
	Daily Minimum	Monthly Average	Daily Maximum	Units	Measurement Frequency	Sample Type
Precipitation-event volume	--	--	Report	Inches	Daily	Rain gauge
Precipitation-event duration	--	--	Report	Days/ Month	Daily	Clock
Flow	--	Report	Report	MGD	Weekly	Instantaneous
pH	6.0	--	9.0	s.u.	Weekly	Grab

- [4] In accordance with 327 IAC 15-7-7(c)(2), the permittee may opt to apply the effluent limits and monitoring requirements in Table 3 (in lieu of those in Tables 1 and 2) to a discharge when the discharge flow rate exceeds the 10-year, 24-hour storm event on the date that the sampling occurred. The permittee must provide documentation that the discharge met the qualifications for utilizing this set of alternate precipitation-based effluent limits for each instance in which the permittee wishes to apply them.

**STATE OF INDIANA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 20260730 – ING040188 – GP

DATE OF NOTICE: JULY 30, 2026

The Office of Water Quality approves the following NPDES GENERAL PERMIT action:

MODIFICATION of COVERAGE under 327 IAC 15-7

TRIAD MINING, LLC – AUGUSTA & SOUTH AUGUSTA MINES, Permit Coverage No. ING040188. The facility is located at 3741 East SR 64, Winslow, IN (PIKE COUNTY). The permittee has requested modification of their NPDES general permit coverage under 327 IAC 15-7, the NPDES general permit-by-rule for the Mining of Coal, Coal Processing, and Reclamation Activities. The mine drainage status of Outfall 003B is being changed from “acid” to “alkaline” as the wash plant and coal yard have been reclaimed. This facility has two (2) outfalls, one that discharges to an unnamed tributary of Barren Ditch and one that discharges to an unnamed tributary of Durham Ditch. This coal mine operates under Indiana Department of Natural Resources’ Permit S-0350. This general permit coverage, as modified, is deemed effective as of July 1, 2026. For more information regarding this permit action, please contact Ms. Anne Burget at (317) 234-8745 or aburget@idem.IN.gov.

Notice of Right to Administrative Review

If you wish to challenge this permit, you must file a Petition for Administrative Review with the Office of Administrative Law Proceedings (OALP) and serve a copy of the petition upon IDEM. The requirements for filing a Petition for Administrative Review are found in IC 4-21.5-3-7, IC 13-15-6-1 and 41 IAC 2-2-1. A summary of the requirements of these laws is provided below.

A Petition for Administrative Review must be filed with the OALP within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of this notice (eighteen (18) days if you received this notice by U.S. Mail), and a copy must be served upon IDEM. Addresses are as follows:

Director
Office of Administrative Law Proceedings
Indiana Government Center North
Suite N802
100 N. Senate Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Commissioner
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Indiana Government Center North
Room 1301
100 N. Senate Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46204

The petition must contain the following information:

1. The name, address and telephone number of each petitioner.
2. A description of each petitioner’s interest in the permit.
3. A statement of facts demonstrating that each petitioner is:
 - a. a person to whom the order is directed;
 - b. aggrieved or adversely affected by the permit; or
 - c. entitled to administrative review under any law.
4. The reasons for the request for administrative review.
5. The particular legal issues proposed for review.
6. The alleged environmental concerns or technical deficiencies of the permit.
7. The permit terms and conditions that the petitioner believes would be appropriate and would comply with the law.

8. The identity of any persons represented by the petitioner.
9. The identity of the person against whom administrative review is sought.
10. A copy of the permit that is the basis of the petition.
11. A statement identifying petitioner's attorney or other representative, if any.

Failure to meet the requirements of the law with respect to a Petition for Administrative Review may result in a waiver of your right to seek administrative review of the permit. Examples are:

1. Failure to file a Petition by the applicable deadline;
2. Failure to serve a copy of the Petition upon IDEM when it is filed; or
3. Failure to include the information required by law.

If you seek to have a permit stayed during the administrative review, you may need to file a Petition for a Stay of Effectiveness. The specific requirements for such a Petition can be found in 41 IAC 2-2-1 and 41 IAC 2-2-3.

Pursuant to IC 4-21.5-3-17, the OALP will provide all parties with notice of any pre-hearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearings, stays, or orders disposing of the review of this action. If you are entitled to notice under IC 4-21.5-3-5(b) and would like to obtain notices of any pre-hearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearings, stays, or orders disposing of the review of this action without intervening in the proceeding you must submit a written request to the OALP at the address above.

If you have procedural or scheduling questions, see the OALP's website at <http://www.in.gov/oalp/>.



Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Office of Water Quality – Mail Code 65-42
NPDES Permits Section
100 N. Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251

**RE: Augusta Mine
NPDES ING040188 Modification**

Triad Mining LLC. Is hereby requesting to modify NPDES Permit #ING040030 for their Augusta Mine located in Pike County. The following documentation (2 copies) is enclosed for review:

**\$50.00 Application Fee
NPDES General Permit Notice of Intent (NOI) Letter Submittal Application
Attachment J: Schematic & Topographic Map
Division of Reclamation – Inspection Report
COA of Base-Flow for Outfall 003B**

The permittee is requesting to modify the status of Outfall 003B from acid to alkaline. The watershed of Outfall 003B has been fully reclaimed. Please note that references for Permit S-353 have been removed from the NOI. This permit has been terminated at the request of the permittee.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this submittal, please contact me at kshort@blackhawkmining.com.

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MAY 27 2026

RECEIVED

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Short".

Kelly Short
Engineering Manager
Triad Mining LLC.

CC: Alicia Stone
Division of Reclamation
14619 West SR 48
Jasonville, IN 47438

Check N 084572
\$50.00



**NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) LETTER
FOR GENERAL NPDES PERMIT COVERAGE
UNDER 327 IAC 15-7 FOR
FACILITIES ENGAGING IN MINING OF COAL,
COAL PROCESSING, AND RECLAMATION
ACTIVITIES**

State Form _TBD
Approved by State Board of Accounts, TBD
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Mail this form and all required items to:

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
Office of Water Quality
NPDES General Permits
100 North Senate Avenue, IGCN 12th Floor
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251

INSTRUCTIONS

- This form must be used to apply for NPDES general permit coverage under 327 IAC 15-7 of the Indiana Administrative Code for wastewater from facilities engaging in mining of coal, coal processing, and reclamation activities.
- Please type or print in ink. Do not use white-out to correct errors. Strike through and initial any corrections.
- Further item-specific instructions are provided in Appendix A at the end of this form.

For questions regarding this form, the required attachments, or permit requirements, contact IDEM General NPDES Permits at (317) 232-8704 or (800) 451-6027, ext. 28704 (within Indiana).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The purpose of this general permit coverage is to regulate wastewater discharges from coal surface mining, underground mining, and reclamation projects in Indiana which utilize sedimentation basin treatment for pit dewatering and surface run-off, and to require best management practices for storm water run-off to protect the public health, existing water uses, and aquatic biota. It authorizes new and existing discharges to surface waters of the State of Indiana from the DNR-regulated (SMCRA permitted) sedimentation basins at sites engaged in these activities.

Discharges at these sites that are **NOT** authorized by this permit include the following:

- discharges containing water treatment additives (WTAs) which have not received prior written approval from IDEM for the specific additive, use, and dosage at the particular facility for which the Notice of Intent (NOI) is submitted;
- storm water discharges associated with construction activity; and
- direct discharges into waters that are designated as an Outstanding National Resource Water (ONRW) defined at IC 13-11-2-149.5 or an Outstanding State Resource Water (OSRW) defined at IC 13-11-2-149.6 and listed at 327 IAC 2-1.3-3(d).

☒ By checking this box I certify that this facility meets all eligibility requirements of this general permit.

APPLICATION TYPE

NEW ☐
RENEWAL ☐
MODIFICATION ☒
(See Appendix A)
NPDES PERMIT COVERAGE NO., IF APPLICABLE
ING040188

DNR PERMIT OR AML CONTRACT NO.
S-350

OTHER PERMIT NO.(S) APPLICABLE TO SITE

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION,
IF APPLICABLE. YOU MAY ATTACH ADDITIONAL
SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

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MAY 27 2026

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PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION FOR FACILITY

1. FACILITY NAME (See Appendix A)

Augusta Mine

2. FACILITY MAILING ADDRESS (See Appendix A)

STREET ADDRESS

250 W. Main St., Ste. 2000

CITY

Lexington

STATE

KY

ZIP CODE

40507

3. FACILITY PHYSICAL LOCATION (See Appendix A)

STREET ADDRESS

3741 East SR 64

CITY

Winslow

STATE

IN

ZIP CODE

47598

4. PARENT COMPANY/OWNER'S COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS

(See Appendix A)

COMPANY NAME

Triad Mining, LLC.

5. FACILITY SIC CODE

(See Appendix A)

1221

6. FACILITY COUNTY

Pike

STREET ADDRESS

250 W. Main St., Ste. 2000

CITY

Lexington

STATE

KY

ZIP CODE

40507

7. LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE OF APPROXIMATE CENTER OF FACILITY SITE
(See Appendix A)

LATITUDE

LONGITUDE

DEGREE

MINUTE

SECOND

DEGREE

MINUTE

SECOND

38

19

45

-87

12

21

8. What is the nature of the primary business conducted at the facility or site? (Example: Surface mining and processing of coal)

Surface Mining

9. Provide a brief description of the facility operations that result in the discharge. (See Appendix A)

Augusta Mine is a surface coal mine that will engage in surface and highwall / augering mining operations, processing coal, as well as land reclamation activities.

PART B: CONTACT INFORMATION FOR RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL (AUTHORIZED NOI SIGNATORY) (See Appendix A)

Provide information regarding the responsible official who has the authorization to sign this NOI in accordance with 40 CFR 122.22. If the responsible official wishes to delegate signatory authority for reports and other correspondence related to this NOI, that delegation must be made in writing to IDEM. This delegation of authority may occur either via this NOI or via a separate letter (signed and dated by the responsible official) which shall be submitted to the address at the top of the front page of this form.

10. NAME OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL	11. DELEGATED SIGNATORY PERSON (OR POSITION) TO SIGN REPORTS AND FILE ADDITIONAL NOI CONTENT REQUIREMENTS
Kelly Short	Kelly Short
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL'S TITLE	DELEGATED SIGNATORY PERSON'S TITLE OR POSITION
Engineering Manager	Engineering Manager
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL'S TELEPHONE NUMBER	DELEGATED SIGNATORY PERSON'S TELEPHONE NUMBER
859 543-0515	859 543-0515
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL'S FAX NUMBER	DELEGATED SIGNATORY FAX NUMBER
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL'S PERSON'S EMAIL ADDRESS	DELEGATED SIGNATORY PERSON'S EMAIL ADDRESS
kshort@blackhawkmining.com	kshort@blackhawkmining.com

PART C: OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION

12. DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORTS CONTACT AND MAILING INFORMATION	CONTACT PERSON AND COMPANY NAME		
	Kelly Short		
CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER	STREET ADDRESS		
859 543-0515	250 W. Main St., Ste. 2000		
CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
kshort@blackhawkmining.com	Lexington	KY	40507
13. ANNUAL FEE AND FINANCIAL CONTACT AND BILLING ADDRESS	CONTACT PERSON AND COMPANY NAME		
	Kelly Short		
CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER	STREET ADDRESS		
859 543-0515	250 W. Main St., Ste. 2000		
CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
kshort@blackhawkmining.com	Lexington	KY	40507
14. OPERATOR/OTHER CONTACT AND MAILING INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)	CONTACT PERSON AND COMPANY NAME		
CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER	STREET ADDRESS		
CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

PART F: INFORMATION FOR MODIFICATIONS INVOLVING OUTFALLS : Provide the following information if this is a request to modify coverage involving the addition or deletion of any outfalls OR to change the Mine Drainage Status of one or more outfalls:

15. OUTFALL NUMBER (EX:001)	19. ASSOCIATED DNR BASIN NUMBER	20. ASSOCIATED DNR PERMIT NUMBER	24. DEL, ADD, or CHANGE MINE DRAINAGE STATUS (CIRCLE OR HIGHLIGHT ONE)	25. DATE OF CHANGE (SEE APPENDIX A)	26. EXPLAIN IN DETAIL WHAT YOU ARE CHANGING, THE REASONS FOR THE CHANGE, AND ATTACH CONFIRMING DOCUMENTATION IN THE FORM OF INSPECTION REPORTS, LAB DATA, ETC.
003B	ASB13	S-350	ADD/ DEL/ CHANGE MDS	5/18/2026	Request to change Mine Drainage Status from acid to alkaline. Washplant and coal yard have been reclaimed. See page 2 of the attached inspection report and in-flow water analysis.
			ADD/ DEL/ CHANGE MDS		
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			ADD/ DEL/ CHANGE MDS		

PART G: WATER TREATMENT ADDITIVES:

Please complete the following additional information about the discharge from each outfall. Note that the only additives that may be used under this permit are those that have been previously approved for use at this site by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management and that are already in use at the time of this submittal. You may attach additional sheets if necessary. If no additives will be used state this in box 30.
(See Appendix A.)

15. OUTFALL NUMBER	30. WATER TREATMENT ADDITIVES (WTAs) TO BE USED (ATTACH A COPY OF IDEM APPROVAL LETTER FOR EACH WTA TO BE USED)
N/A	N/A

PART H: DNR CERTIFICATION:

31. (See Appendix A) Pursuant to 327 IAC 15-7-5(e) a copy of the NOI application shall also be sent to the following address:

Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Division of Reclamation
14619 W State Road 48
Jasonville, IN 47438-7056

By signing this NOI, you are affirming that a copy of this submittal was sent to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources at the above address.

Date (mm/dd/year) NOI copy sent to IDNR: 05/22/26

PART I: IDENTIFICATION OF POTENTIALLY AFFECTED PERSONS

32. Pursuant to IC 4-21.5 and IC 13-15-3-1, each applicant for general permit coverage is required to provide a listing of all persons who are potentially affected by the discharge(s) to be covered under the general permit. **PLEASE NOTE THAT ACTUAL MAILING LABELS ARE ALSO REQUIRED WITH THIS SUBMITTAL.** (See Appendix A).

Please list here any and all persons whom you have reason to believe have a substantial or proprietary interest in this matter or could otherwise be considered to be potentially affected under the law. Failure to notify any person who is later determined to be potentially affected could result in voiding our decision on procedural grounds. To ensure conformance with the Administrative Orders and Procedures Act and to avoid reversal of a decision, please list all such parties. Attach additional names and addresses on a separate sheet of paper, as needed.

No additional persons are potentially affected by the modifications contained herein. The original permit application and subsequent renewal included all potentially affected persons within and adjacent to the permit area.

Name:	Name:
Street Address:	Street Address:
City/State/ZIP code:	City/State/ZIP code:
Name:	Name:
Street Address:	Street Address:
City/State/ZIP code:	City/State/ZIP code:
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Street Address:	Address:
City/State/ZIP code:	City/State/ZIP code:

PART J: ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

33. PROOF OF PUBLICATION

The NOI letter must also contain proof of publication of the following statement in a newspaper of largest circulation in the area of the discharge:

"(Name of company who owns the facility to be permitted) is submitting a Notice of Intent letter to notify the Indiana Department of Environmental Management of our intent to comply with the requirements of 327 IAC 15-7 to discharge wastewater associated with the mining of coal, coal processing and /or reclamation activities. The facility to be permitted is (facility name, address, address of the discharging facility) will discharge to (the names of the ditch(es), streams, etc. receiving the discharge(s)). Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal in writing to the Environmental Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Law Proceedings for an adjudicatory hearing on the question of whether this facility should operate under this NPDES general permit rule. An appeal must be postmarked no later than fifteen (15) days from the date of this public notice. Such a written request for an adjudicatory hearing must do all of the following:

- (A) state the name and address of the person making the request;
- (B) identify the interest of the person making the request;
- (C) identify any persons represented by the person making the request;
- (D) state with particularity the reasons for the request;
- (E) state with particularity the issues proposed for consideration at the hearing; and
- (F) state with particularity the reasons why the NPDES general permit rule should not be available to the discharger identified in this notice.

Any such request shall be mailed or delivered to:

Office of Administrative Law Proceedings
Indiana Government Center North
100 North Senate Ave., Suite N802
Indianapolis, IN 46204"

This publication must be in the newspaper for a minimum of one day. Be advised that notices without the proper information will not be sufficient, and IDEM will require that a new public notice be placed in the newspaper. If the proof of publication is not available, a legible photocopy of the article that contains the name of the newspaper and the date the article was run is also acceptable. Please include proof of publication from the newspaper with the Notice of Intent form.

Please Note: The public notice for this area was published with the original notice of intent and subsequent renewals. The permittee is requesting to modify the status of an Outfall only.

34. REQUIRED MAPS

- (A) A topographical map must be submitted with this NOI. The map must include the following items:
 - 1. the location of the coal mining operation shown clearly and identified by name and by mark;
 - 2. the location of each numbered outfall shown clearly and identified by number and by mark;
 - 3. the receiving streams that each outfall discharges to shown clearly and identified by name; and
 - 4. any existing permanent structures or roads in the area shown clearly and identified by name.
- (B) A site map must be submitted with this NOI as well. The site map must show and identify at least two crossing streets near the property, the significant structures, including all sedimentation basins and all outfall and sampling locations, and any flow paths from the outfalls to receiving streams.
- (C) A flow schematic diagram for each outfall that is to be included for coverage must be submitted with this NOI. This diagram should show the path that the process wastewater travels through the facility to the point where it is discharged. If multiple outfalls will follow essentially the same path, these outfalls may be included on one diagram. Please illustrate the diagrams with applicable text. This diagram may be part of the site map if it will not make the site map too complex and difficult to read in 8 1/2" x 11" format.

PART K: APPLICATION FEE

35. A \$100 fee is required to be submitted with this NOI in accordance with 327 IAC 5-3-17 for each NOI for new or renewal of general permit coverage. The fee for modifications is still \$50. Additionally, when an NOI for a new coal facility, the applicant is required to remit the \$500 annual fee with the initial NOI, pursuant to IC 13-18-20-3. (Updates to information in Parts B and C shall not be subject to the \$50 fee for modifications.) Checks or money orders shall be made payable to IDEM.

PART L: SIGNATORY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

36. The NOI must be signed by the Responsible Official (as identified in Part B, item 10. Also see Appendix A):

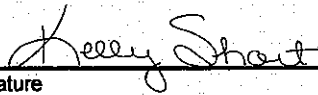
"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all its attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

Kelly Short

Printed or Typed Name of Responsible Official

Engineering Manager

Title



Signature

05/20/2026

Date signed (month, day, year)

PART M: 37. Please use the address at the top of page 1 of the NOI form to submit the completed NOI form, attachments, and fee.

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF RECLAMATION

COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT

Inspector Name: Alicia Stone Date of Inspection: May 4, 2026 Time: 10:00 am
Unit #: 407 County: Pike Date of Last Inspection: April 6, 2026
Status: R Weather/Ground Conditions: sunny ground conditions dry 52° F
Inspection Type: X Partial Complete Administrative
Operation Type: X Surface Processing Exploration Underground
Is This Inspection for Last Month? Yes No X

Mines/Permits with this Unit:

Permit #S-00350 Triad Mining, LLC – Augusta Mine

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS INSPECTED

INSPECTION CHECKLIST: For any items marked (X), provide a narrative to support this determination. Items marked (S) were satisfactory. Items marked (NA) are not applicable to this inspectable unit.

- X 1. Areas Permitted, Bonded, or Unsuitable.
- 2. Signs and Markers, Survey Corner Markers, Blasting signs and Markers.
- 3. Operations, Coal Recovery, and Cessation of Operations.
- X 4. Backfilling and Grading, Contemporaneous Reclamation.
- 5. Topsoil, Alternate Material, and Prime Farmland Handling.
- X 6. Revegetation/Rills and Gullies, and Slides.
- 7. Post-Mining Land Use, Fish and Wildlife Mitigation.
- 8. Hydrologic Balance.
- S 9. Disposal of Coal/Non-Coal Waste, and Excess Spoil.
- X 10. Auguring, Processing, and Steep Slopes.
- 11. Transportation and Support Facilities – Utility Installations
- Na 12. Casing/Sealing Exposed Underground Openings.
- Na 13. Subsidence Control Prevention.
- S 14. Liability Insurance Expires October 01, 2026
- S 15. Bond Release Information.
- S 16. Other Permit and Site Conditions: NPDES Permit - ING040188
- No 17. Off-Site Impacts Noted (Y/N) (If yes, attach off-site impact form as COVER to this inspection.)
- Na 18. Blasting Records, Blasting Notice, Ground Vibration Records, Airblast Records, Blasting Operations, Flyrock.

Responsible Official, Address & Email:

Copy Issued To, Include Email:

Neil Mosely
Blackhawk Mining, LLC
250 West Main Street, Suite 2000
Lexington, Kentucky 40507

Signature: Alicia Stone
Authorized Representative
Division of Reclamation

Date: 5/6/26

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COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT

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Permittee: Triad Mining, LLC Date of Inspection: May 4, 2026
Mine Name: Augusta Time: 10:00 am
Unit #: 407 County: Pike
Signature of Company Representative: NCOS

COMMENTS:

- A second quarter partial inspection was conducted at the mine site, permit #S-350.

1. Areas Permitted, Bonded, or Unsuitable.

This permit is valid for the period commencing January 26, 2022, and ending January 27, 2027, unless it is hereafter modified, renewed, or revoked pursuant to I.C. 14-34.

There are 287.30 acres remaining under bond.

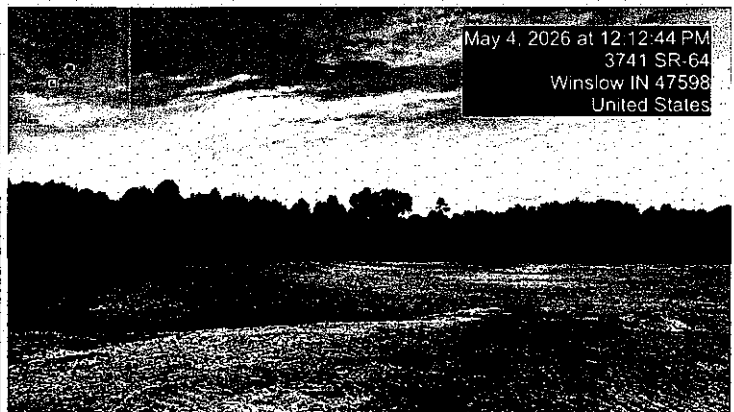
Permits	Acres
Original Permit S-350	786.0
Amendment #1 Permit S-350-1	382.1
Amendment #2 Permit S-350-2	188.1
Amendment #3 Permit S-350-3	PMLU
Incidental Boundary Revisions	105.4
Total	1,461.6
Affected Acres	703.7

4. Backfilling and Grading, Contemporaneous Reclamation

The permit status is Reclamation (R). The processing facility has been completely removed off-site. No more soil replacement over the area where the processing facility sat has occurred.

6. Revegetation/Rills and Gullies, and Slides

The areas that were seeded/mulched last fall are growing really well. Some other areas that have been exposed all winter are developing rills and gullies. The exposed soil has been seeded/mulched and the remaining soil has been used to cover the area. Photos of this are below:

Signature: Alicia StoneDate: 5/6/2026

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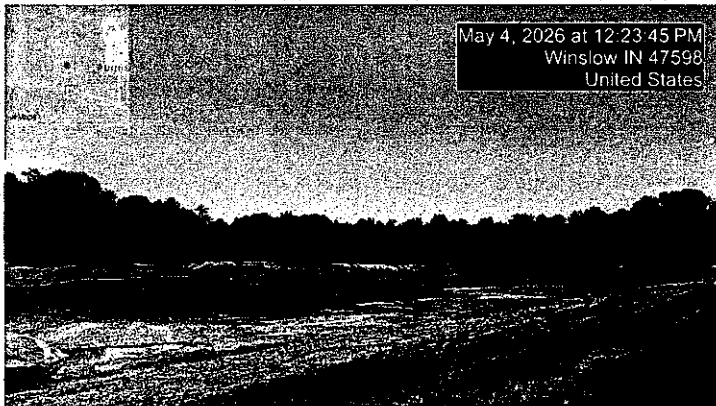
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COMMENTS:

10/11. Auguring, Processing, and Steep Slopes & Transportation and Support Facilities:

Pond 21-7-2-03 appeared to still be the same as last couple inspections, some progress was noted in this area. However, there is quite a bit of erosion present in this area that will need to be addressed.



Signature: Alicia Stone

Date: 5/6/2026



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May 14, 2026

Kelly Short
Triad Mining
1216 E Co Rd 900 S
Oakland City, IN 47660
TEL:
FAX:

RE: Augusta Mine Basins

Order No.: 2605090

Dear Kelly Short:

RSI Laboratory received 1 sample(s) on 5/7/2026 for the analyses presented in the following report.

There were no problems with the analytical events associated with this report unless noted. Analytical results designated with a "J" qualifier are estimated and represent a detection above the Method Detection Limit (MDL) and less than the Reporting Limit (PQL). These analytes are not reviewed nor narrated as to whether they are laboratory artifacts.

Quality control data is within laboratory defined or method specified acceptance limits except if noted.

If you have any questions regarding these tests results, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Job Wilson
President
P.O. Box 1130
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Analytical Report

WO#: 2605090

Date Reported: 5/14/2026

CLIENT: Triad Mining
1216 E Co Rd 900 S
Oakland City IN 47660

Collection Date: 05/07/2026 12:40

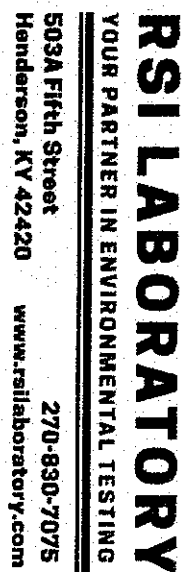
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Lab ID: 2605090-01
Project: Augusta Mine Basins
Permit Number: ING040188
Client Sample ID: 003B

Analyses	Result	Qual	Units	Method	Date Analyzed	Analyst
FIELD PARAMETERS						
Condition	Baseflow					
Field Sampler	HMS					
Permit Number	ING040188					
FLOW						
Flow	0.0110		MGD	FIELD MEASURE .	05/07/26 12:40	SHB
PH						
pH	7.14		SU	SM 4500-H+ B 2021	05/07/26 12:40	SHB
TEMPERATURE						
Temperature	22.5		DEG C	SM 2550 B 2010	05/07/26 12:40	SHB
SOLIDS, SETTLEABLE						
Settleable Solids	< 0.40	U	mL/L	SM 2540 F 2020	05/07/26 15:40	HMS
SOLIDS, TOTAL SUSPENDED						
Total Suspended Solids	25.6		mg/L	SM 2540 D 2020	05/12/26 11:33	CVB
METALS, TOTAL						
Aluminum, Total	1.19		mg/L	EPA 200.8 REV. 5.4 19	05/14/26 07:26	MDH
Copper, Total	0.00320		mg/L	EPA 200.8 REV. 5.4 19	05/14/26 07:26	MDH
Iron, Total	1.19		mg/L	EPA 200.8 REV. 5.4 19	05/14/26 07:26	MDH
Manganese, Total	0.0505		mg/L	EPA 200.8 REV. 5.4 19	05/14/26 07:26	MDH
Nickel, Total	0.00270		mg/L	EPA 200.8 REV. 5.4 19	05/14/26 07:26	MDH
Zinc, Total	0.00740		mg/L	EPA 200.8 REV. 5.4 19	05/14/26 07:26	MDH

Qualifiers:
H Holding times for preparation or analysis exceeded.
PL Permit Limit
U Analyte is below method detection limit (MDL)

ND Not Detected at the Reporting Limit.
RL Reporting Detection Limit



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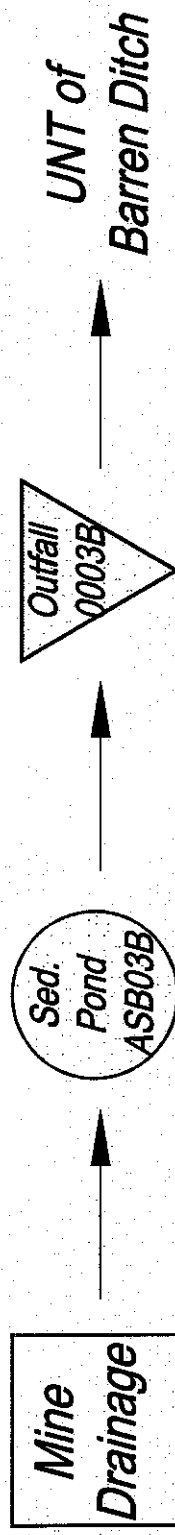
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Chain of Custody

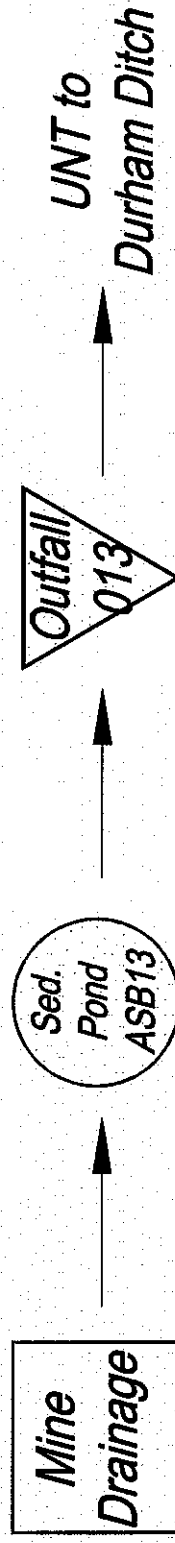
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Client: TRIADMI

Report Analysis To:						Bill To:						Lot numbers						Field Meter Calibration					
Client: Triad Mining						Client: Triad Mining						1 L						Date 5-7-26					
Mine: Augusta						Address: 1216 E. County Road 900S Oakland City, IN 47660						1/2 L						Time 09:30					
Contact: Kelly Short						Contact: Jennifer McCord						1/4 L											
Phone:						Phone:						HNO3											
Email: kshort@blackhawkmnining.com						Email: jennifer.mccord@blackhawkmnining.com, invoice@blackhawkmnining.com																	
Sample Date: 5-7-26						Collected By: Hubert M. S. Brown SR.																	
Site ID						Permit						Time						Analyst Required					
003B Influent						S-350 ING040188						12:40						Settleable Solids, TSS, Fe, Mn, Al, Cu, Ni, Zn					
Relinquished By:						Received By:						Date/Time: 5-7-26/10:10						Sample matrices: WW - Wastewater					
Relinquished By:						Received By:						Date/Time:						Analyst Required:					
Relinquished By:						Received By:						Date/Time:											
Relinquished By:						Received By:						Date/Time:											
Sample Rejection:																							
Arrival Temp: 07 °C						Wet/Bure																	
Sample Integrity						Yes NO N/A																	
Containers intact																							
Custom Seal Intact																							
COC & Label Agree																							
Proper Container																							
Proper Preservation																							
Proper Preserved pH																							
Within Holding Time																							
All Samples Received																							
Headspace Acceptable																							



**Mine Drainage Schematic
Active Outfall 003B**



**Mine Drainage Schematic
Active Outfall 013**



TRIAD MINING, LLC.

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ATTACHMENT J.

ACTIVE OUTFALL SCHEMATIC

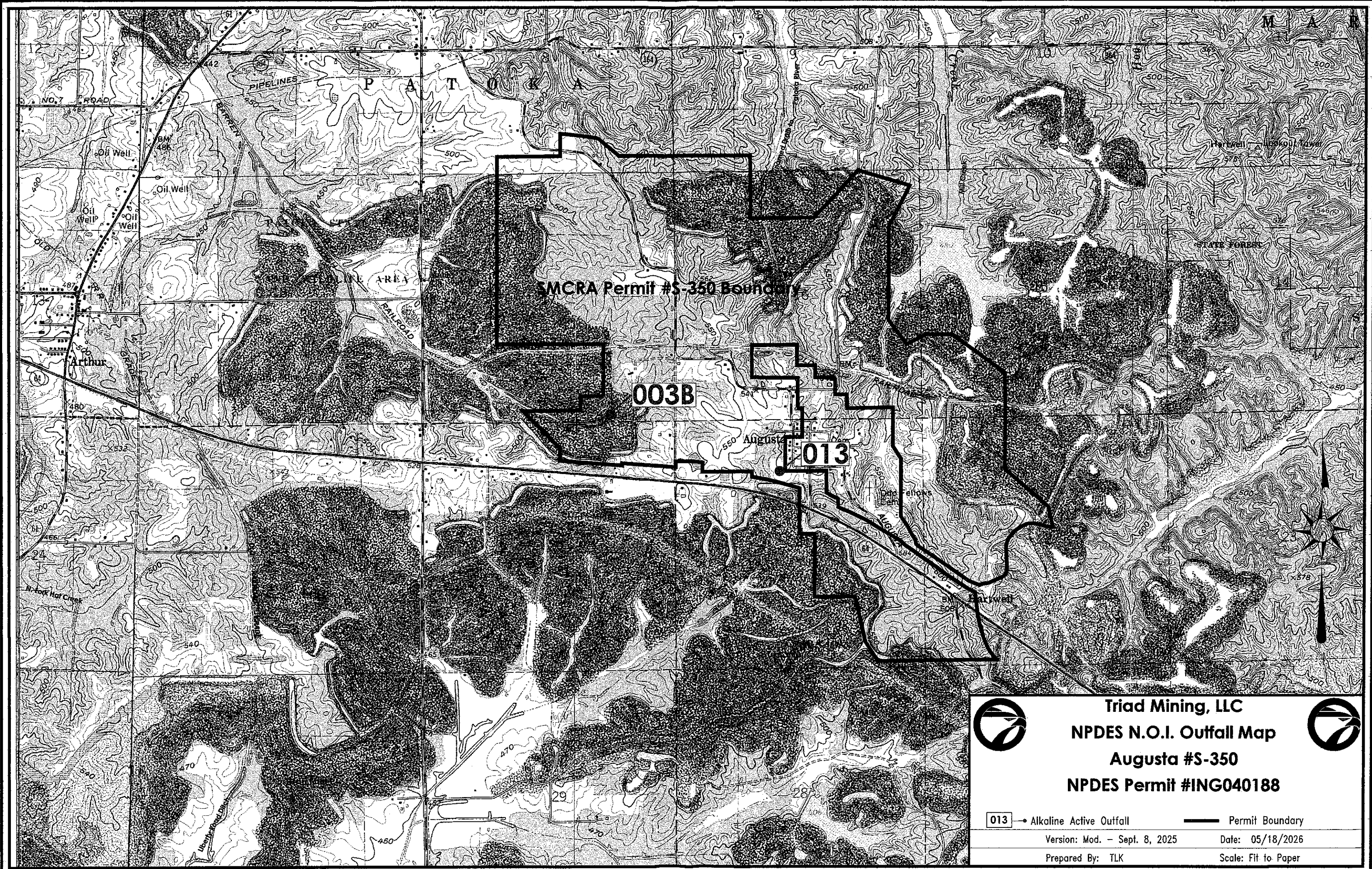
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QUADRANGLE: Augusta

COUNTY: Pike MINE NAME: Augusta

DATE: 5/18/2026

DRAWN BY: TLK SCALE: NTS



Triad Mining, LLC
NPDES N.O.I. Outfall Map
Augusta #S-350
NPDES Permit #ING040188



013 → Alkaline Active Outfall — Permit Boundary

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Prepared By: TLK Scale: Fit to Paper