

September 2, 1981

Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

RE: Belina #1 and 2
Valley Camp of Utah, Inc.
ACT/007/001
Carbon County, Utah

The above-mentioned operation was given a partial inspection by Sandy Pruitt and Rex Fidler on August 24, 1981. Mr. Trevor Whiteside accompanied DOGM Reclamation Officers during the inspection. The reason for the inspection was to perform monthly inspection as required. At the time of the inspection, the filter pond at the Belina Mines was discharging. A sample of the discharge was taken. It was also noted that there was a pump on the bank of the sediment pond. This had been used and permission was given by the Division for a one time use (refer to July 9, 1981, inspection memo dated July 27, 1981). Because this equipment is not a necessary part of the sediment control measures, this piece of equipment should be removed. The sediment pond has been constructed so that it does have the appropriate combination of emergency spillways to discharge runoff from precipitation events as required by UMC 817.46, Hydrologic Balance. Also, at the Belina Mines, behind the bathhouse, sediment control measures should be checked and the drainage system that carries runoff from the upper pad where the bathhouse to the lower pad.

Raptor proofing information was committed by Mr. Ed Faust on July 9, 1981. This was to have been done by August 15, 1981, identifying which power lines in the area were hazardous to raptors. At the present time, the Division has not received such a report (refer to August 3, 1981, letter to Mr. Trevor Whiteside).

It was noted at the Belina Mines the following items had been properly addressed:

1. The roadside berm above the overland conveyance ditch to Whiskey Creek had been riprapped and materials stored near the bypass culvert had been removed.
2. The road and adjacent area to Whiskey Creek culvert inlet had been contoured, riprapped and stabilized in an effective manner. Refer to August 10, 1981, memo under Belina Mines.
3. The runoff from the substation pad had been bermed and graded. Also, a culvert had been installed which carried runoff from the substation pad onto the road drainage.

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4. The road which runs under the conveyor just below the Belina #1 portal was properly bermed and the drainage culvert was properly addressed. Refer to memo dated August 21, 1981.

There were problems evident at the Utah #2 loadout area. The area south of the loadout and also east of the sediment pond and railroad tracks presently has materials stored in this area. This noncoal waste is not being handled as required by UMC 817.89. Mr. Whiteside indicated that he would send information to the Division requesting that it be designated as a noncoal waste storage site. The deadline for submitting plans to the Division regarding this matter is September 24, 1981.

The road up to the truck loadout had a breached berm on the west side of the road entrance. This was caused by the loader backing over the berm.

While visiting the Utah #2 loadout area, it was noted that the following items had been properly addressed. The 12-inch culvert of uncertain origin northeast of the maintenance shed had been plugged, and the area around it had been properly bermed.

The area east and north of the processing facility near the conveyor where the berm had been breached had been properly repaired.

- A. Mr. Whiteside stated that in the future they were going to install a culvert so that drainage from this area would empty into a ditch and be carried over to the sediment pond.

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Statistics:

See Huntington Canyon #4 memo dated August 31, 1981
Grant: A & E