

May 3, 1983

Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

RE: Valley Camp of Utah, Inc.
Belina #1 Mine
ACT/007/001
Folder No. 7
Carbon County, Utah

On April 26, 1983 DOGM Field Specialist Ken Wyatt conducted a follow up inspection at the above referenced minesite. Steve Tanner and Trevor Whiteside accompanied this inspector into the field. The purpose of the inspection was to examine compliance work done in the abatement of NOV's N83-7-4-1 and N83-7-5-1.

At the time of this inspection water was observed flowing in the disturbed area drainage ditches. This water was being adequately channeled into the sediment pond, therefore NOV N83-7-4-1 was terminated following this inspection. Valley Camp should continue to maintain these drainages as necessary in order to prevent future violations of this nature.

Mr. Whiteside and this inspector discussed areas where the perimeter markers should delineate the permit area. One perimeter marker sign had been re-installed where the main access road separates leading up to the mine portals and down to the truck turnaround pad. Only one perimeter marker was observable at this time therefore the perimeter of the permit area could not be delineated as per the remedial action of NOV N83-7-5-1. The abatement deadline for this violation is May 12, 1983. Mr. Whiteside was advised that additional perimeter markers should be installed to clearly delineate areas affected by the Belina Mine development. Further abatement work will be examined during the May 1983 inspection.

A water sample was collected approximately 10 to 15 feet below the sediment pond discharge outlet. Due to the depth of snow in this area the outlet pipe could not be located. This sample was obtained in order to assess the effluent quality in order to terminate violation #N83-1-1-1 issued for effluent limitation exceedances. This sample is currently being analyzed by the Utah State Health Laboratory and termination of this violation is pending results of these analyses.

The pond's ice cover was partially melted at this time. Water observable in the pond was quite turbid. The level of water was approaching the level of the emergency spillway indicating that a potential discharge over this spillway could occur.

It is interesting to note that someone associated with Valley Camp was attempting to conduct water monitoring at the time of this inspection. Mr.

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Whiteside flagged these people down and apparently instructed them to postpone sampling until a later time.

Valley Camp intends to pave the main access road leading up to the Belina #1 Mine. This work is to be initiated this summer during the construction season. Hopefully construction of this road will eliminate much of the sedimentation now occurring into Whiskey Creek from this mining activity. No other compliance problems were observed.

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KEN WYATT
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Trevor Whiteside, Valley Camp
Joe Helfrich, DOGM

Statistics:

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