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TO: Memo to Coal File, Inspection and Enforcement
FROM: Ken Wyatt, Mining Field Specialist *KW*
RE: Valley Camp of Utah Inc., Belina Complex, ACT/007/001,
Folder #7, Carbon County, Utah.

A partial inspection of Valley Camp's Belina Mine area was conducted on August 31, 1984 by Ken Wyatt, Mining Field Specialist for the Division. Steve Tanner of Valley Camp accompanied this inspector in the field.

Sediment Pond #4 was examined. The water level in the pond was far below a discharge status. The operator indicated that Lowdermilk was contracted to do the pond cleaning work. Until Lowdermilk arrives to do the work no further pumping is going to be conducted since afternoon thunderstorms continue to add water almost daily.

Erosion of the sediment delta due to the low water level was observed. Influxes of water erode the delta and carry sediments into the deeper end of the pond.

Work on the stabilization of the Southern portion of the Eccles Creek rechannelization was being conducted. The old stream channel at the base of the slide was being backfilled to prevent the stream from returning to the original channel in high waters. This backfilling will also serve as a toe for the slide area.

This entire area is slated for revegetation this fall. The disturbed areas are to be seeded and willow cuttings are to be transplanted along the banks of the stream.

Topsoil from the loadout was being hauled to the Belina topsoil storage area. This material needs to be stored in its approved locations and protected from wind and water. At this time some soil material was observed on the crest of the slopes just south of the conveyor.

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According to Valley Camp's proposed plan approximately 800 yards of this soil is to be placed on the slopes to enhance interim revegetation. This activity has not yet been approved by the Division and Valley Camp should hold off on the distribution of this material until approval is granted.

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Statistics: See Utah Power and Light's Deer Creek Mine memo dated
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