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INSPECTION REPORT

Partial: XX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: June 28, 1995 / 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm
Date of Last Inspection: May 10, 1995

Mine Name: White Oak Complex County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/001
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: White Oak Mining & Construction Co. Inc.
Business Address: Scofield Rt., Helper, Ut. 84526
Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface Prep. Plant Other
State Officials(s): Henry Sauer,
Company Official(s): Steve Tanner
Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Clear and warm
Existing Acreage: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ X Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (Phase I/ Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) _____ (date)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

Mr. Tanner informally requested an on site meeting be held between White Oak Mining & Construction Co. Inc. representatives and DOGM-Price Field Office inspection staff. The purpose of the meeting would be to discuss all site specific compliance requirements and permit changes necessary for the upcoming permit renewal. I recommended that Mr. Tanner submit a formal, written request to the DOGM Inspection Supervisor.

4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:

d. W A T E R M O N I T O R I N G

Mr. Tanner informed me that the mine facility sedimentation pond (UPDES Outfall # 004A) UPDES effluent limitation standard for total dissolved solids had been exceeded in previous months. I ask Mr. Tanner if he had informed the DOGM of the incident(s). He told me that he had informed the DEQ/Division of Water Quality and the E.P.A. The undersigned inspector has been unable to find White Oak's Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMR) for January-March, 1995 and has been unable to review the April and May, 1995 DMR(s) for the aforementioned exceedance. Therefore Notice of Violation N95-32-3-2, 1 of 2 was issued from the Division's office for "Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the approved permit, all applicable performance standards and requirements of the State Program. Failure to submit, to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, discharge monitoring reports for January, February and March, 1995, for UPDES outfalls at the White Oak Complex, ACT/007/001.

7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

The "Coal Waste Temporary Storage Area" (See Map R645-301-731.720d)(Amendment ACT/007/001-94E, verbally approved on 9/27/1994) contains sediment pond waste from the cleaning of Sediment Pond 004A and possibly other coal mine waste material. The material has slumped since the previous inspection. The material has not been adequately compacted nor has the surface been stabilized. A "permanent" disposal location has not identified. The ultimate disposition of this facility, its classification (proposed substitute topsoil material or mine waste disposal area, etc.) and engineering design must be clearly and adequately described to meet the requirements of the R645-301 and R645-302 Rules. Determination of program compliance by the undersigned inspector was hindered. Therefore Notice of Violation N95-32-3-2, 2 of 2 was issued from the Division's office for failure "Failure to demonstrate compliance with the R645-301-526 et. seq. and R645-301-536 et. seq." The violation refers to the Coal Mine Waste (Temporary) Storage Area.

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10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE

Run-of-mine coal has been downcast over the outslope of the Valcam Loadout Coal Storage Pad. This material must be removed from the outslope and the area must be prepared to prevent addition deposition of coal.

16. ROADS: a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING

The long standing compliance issue in regards to snow removal remains unresolved. Debris, salt, road base and snow is currently located in the following areas: intersection of White Oak's mine access road and State Highway 246; adjacent to Mine #1 & #2 Truck Loadout; outslope of White Oak's mine access road.

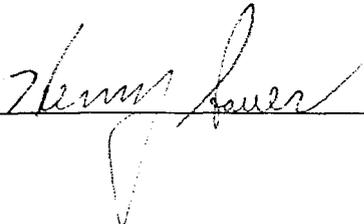
The location of snow removal debris adjacent to Mine #1 & #2 Truck Loadout has likely contributed to the degradation of the quality of surface runoff draining into the 004A sedimentation pond and increased salt leaching through the mine yard fill material.

The snow removal debris cast off the side of the mine access road has likely contributed to additional contributions of sediments to stream flow. Removal and/or stabilization of this material and/or treatment of drainage from these areas along the mine access road will be necessary to effectively minimized contributions of sediments to stream flow. Although the undersigned inspector has little if any data to support these claims at this time additional observations, data collection and investigations will be accomplished to define the situation further.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Donna Griffith (OEM) Steve Tanner (WHOM&C)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature:  # 32 Date: 7/3/95