

OGMCOAL - 0070001 White Oak mine site update

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Subject: 0070001 White Oak mine site update

Hi Dana and Daron,

I just spoke with Robert Aycock, the son-in-law of the Hammonds (landowners on the east side of Whiskey Creek and downstream, including a portion of the access road). He controls the key to the new lock. He has let me know of the hiding place, so we will be able to continue with our plans on Monday.

While we were talking, he asked if DOGM could remove the asphalt access road and leave a smaller, dirt road to the site. He is concerned that in the 10 years since the Permittee left the site, the road has deteriorated to the point where the road has collapsed in several locations. He believes that he would be liable for the safety of the trespassing public. (He is an attorney.)

I suggested that we get together with Darin Caine, whose logging interests appear to be winding down, and determine what could be done to stabilize the road with the remaining bond funds, if any. Kent Fawcett of Innovative Excavation suggested rotomilling the cement drainage ditch on the inside of the road to reduce the acceleration of water in the drainage. Would you be willing to ask one of our engineers to follow up on this topic and evaluate possibilities for stabilizing the road? And then call a meeting with the landowners.

Also, the access road outslope is dominated by thistle. I would like to work cooperatively with the Skyline Cooperative Weed Management Assoc. to start a program of spraying and bug release to get the thistle under control. Mr. Aycock was very supportive.

Mr. Aycock requested that future inspection reports be e-mailed to him at reaycock@hotmail.com.

Thanks,
Priscilla