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Re: 0070001 White Oak Mine, removal of culvert in Eccles Creek

Priscilla Burton <priscillaburton@utah.gov>

Mon, Jan 27, 2014 at 3:34 PM

To: Jim Chandler <jchandler@utah.gov>

Cc: Dale Stapley <dstapley@utah.gov>, Daryl Friant <dfriant@utah.gov>, Daniel Allred <drallred@utah.gov>, OGMCOAL DNR <ogmcoal@utah.gov>, James Owen <jamesowen@utah.gov>, Daron Haddock <daronhaddock@utah.gov>, Ken Hoffman <kenhoffman@utah.gov>

Hello Jim,

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly. We will plan for removal, and leave as much shoulder along the road as possible. I will keep Dale informed as to when the work will begin.

Thanks,
Priscilla

On Mon, Jan 27, 2014 at 3:28 PM, Jim Chandler <jchandler@utah.gov> wrote:

Priscilla,

I have looked at the road and culvert you asked Dale Stapley about. UDOT would like you to remove the pad and culvert. Please leave as much of a shoulder along the road as possible.

My main concern with leaving the culvert in place is the possibility of a fire causing a debris flow down the creek. The culvert that is in place there is not big enough to allow logs and debris to get past that point. I believe it will be best for everyone if the culvert is removed.

I appreciate you asking about this and if you need anything else please feel free to contact me.

On Thu, Jan 23, 2014 at 1:18 PM, Dale Stapley <dstapley@utah.gov> wrote:

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From: "Priscilla Burton" <priscillaburton@utah.gov>

Date: Jan 23, 2014 9:40 AM

Subject: 0070001 White Oak Mine, removal of culvert in Eccles Creek

To: "Dale Stapley" <dstapley@utah.gov>

Cc: "OGMCOAL DNR" <ogmcoal@utah.gov>, "Daron Haddock" <daronhaddock@utah.gov>

Hello Mr Stapley,

We spoke yesterday about an upcoming reclamation project that will remove the asphalt access road going up Whiskey Creek. The reclamation may also remove a culvert in Eccles Creek which is buried beneath a pad at the entrance to the haul road, adjacent to State Hwy 264. The culvert is located about 2 miles west of the Skyline Mine Loadout. (See the attached google image of the location and photos of the pad.)

The mining and reclamation plan which was written in 2001 outlines removal of the culvert, but also suggests that this culvert may be within UDOT's right of way and may be used by UDOT for the purpose of snow storage. DOGM is preparing specifications for the work and would like to know whether the pad should remain for use by UDOT for snow storage. If UDOT would like the pad and culvert to remain, DOGM will need assurance that UDOT will accept responsibility for the culvert.

Sincerely,

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