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Inspection Memo
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RE: Price River Coal Company
Crandall Canyon & Willow
Creek Canyon
ACT/007/004
Carbon County, Utah

On Monday, July 20, 1981, Tom Portle, Reclamation Officer and Sally Kefer, Reclamation Hydrologist, met with Robert L. Wiley, Environmental Engineer with Price River Coal Company.

The purpose of the meeting was twofold: 1. To review Price River's submission requesting use of Willow Creek Canyon as a temporary heliport facility and; 2. To review the Crandall Canyon facilities in light of the ACR completed by the Division.

Willow Creek Heliport Facilities

The area to be used as a storage and landing pad was previously gob piles filled in with waste rock from a face development. The area has been abandoned since 1975. A variety of weed species have stabilized the area.

Currently Price River leases this area and is holding it only as a grandfathered storage area.

The discussion revolved around the use of this area for helicopter loading and parking. The majority of concerns are with drainage requirements for this temporary project and the reclamation or permanent development permitting needs. On Thursday, July 23, 1981, an approval letter with stipulations was mailed to Rob Wiley for the heliport use.

Crandall Canyon

The discussion centered on the Apparent Completeness Review sent out in draft form by the Division. Price River Coal Company is installing a man and equipment access shaft in Crandall. Areas of concern included 3 separate soil stockpile areas rather than one. Mr. Wiley pointed out the necessity of three areas due to lack of space and steepness of the canyon.

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The drainage maps and plans submitted to the Division for plan review need to be updated. There are instances where culverts were not installed as discussed in plan. Further design detail is required for the diversion channel planned for the creek in terms of dimensions and material to be used. A water tank storage area on the NE border of the plan area may be eligible for a variance to drainage control due to infrequent use.

The Department of health is working with Horax Engineers to derive an approved sanitary treatment system for Crandall Canyon. Such an approval and the final plans are forthcoming to the Division.

Rob Wiley handed us a map which broke down the drainage areas for each of the culverts draining below the road area within the canyon. The designs were also included.

SALLY KEFER *SK*
RECLAMATION HYDROLOGIST

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