

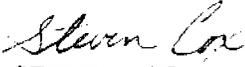
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March 24, 1982

MEMO TO COAL FILE:

RE: Price River Coal Company  
Braztah Complex  
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Carbon County, Utah

On March 23, 1982, Division biologists Lynn Kunzler, Mary Boucek, and Steve Cox met with Robert Wiley of Price River Coal Co., in Helper, Utah. He accompanied us to Trash Canyon, a small canyon west of the Castlegate operation. This canyon had been used in the past as a coal waste dumping area. Mr. Wiley showed us around the area and told us of his plans to establish test plots on the waste material to study revegetation success. Plans include contouring the piles to a more gentle slope and covering these areas with varying depths of topsoil before planting. The topsoil will be excess from the Crandall Canyon operation. Since there may be an excess salt problem with the waste material, Mr. Wiley stated that soil testing would be conducted before the test plots were initiated. We agreed to provide technical assistance to him on designing the study.

  
STEVEN COX  
RECLAMATION BIOLOGIST

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