



State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 5/9/97 / 8:00a.m.-2:30p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 4/9/97

Mine Name: Skyline Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/005
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Canyon Fuel Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 719, Helper, Utah 84526
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Stan Christensen
State Officials(s): Stephen J. Demczak Federal Official(s): Jeff Defreest, USFS
Weather Conditions: Warm 70's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 7067.11 Disturbed- 62.08 Regraded- Seeded- Bonded- 65.38
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX 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

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
a. 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.
b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

Table with 5 columns: Item, EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; DIVERSIONS; SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS; OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES; WATER MONITORING; EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS; EXPLOSIVES; DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; NONCOAL WASTE; PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; BACKFILLING AND GRADING; REVEGETATION; SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; ROADS; CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING; DRAINAGE CONTROLS; OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) (date); AIR QUALITY PERMIT; BONDING & INSURANCE.



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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

1. PERMIT -

The U.S. Forest Service and I will be reviewing the Mining and Reclamation Plan jointly to ensure compliance with the permit.

The US Forest Service has asked to be at Skyline Mine on the next complete inspection. It is to gather information on inspection techniques and ideas.

4a. DIVERSION -

The diversions were functioning as designed. Several diversions were conveying snow to the mine site sediment pond as required in the MRP.

4c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL -

The straw bales at the pump houses along the road will need to be replaced in the near future. Several bales have started to decay and therefore will eventually be unable to control sediment as designed the Mining and Reclamation Plan.

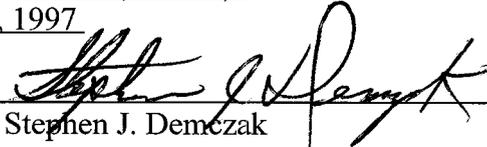
7. NONCOAL WASTE -

The mine site was cleaned up and no trash was noticed within the site. The U.S. Forest Service made several suggestions to regrade berms and level some disturbed ground.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Stan Christensen (Canyon Fuel) Henry Austin (OSM)
Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM) Filed to: Price Field Office
Date: May 15, 1997

Inspector's Signature:  #39
Stephen J. Demczak