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RE: Subsidence of a portion of the once Proposed Lawrence Reservoir Site, Skyline Mine, Canyon Fuel Company L.L.C. Skyline Mine, C/007/005

Dear Mary Ann:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is responding to your request for comment on the referenced amendment. BLM concurs with the amendment. BLM has amended its May 17, 2003 approval for authorization to mine in the 12 Left "A" panel in the old "Lawrence Reservoir site" under Burnout Creek as enclosed.

If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Stan Perkes, 801-539-4036.

Enclosure – Amended 12 Left "A" Approval

Sincerely,

James F. Kohler

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 Chief, Solid Minerals Branch

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Dan Meadors
Skyline Mine Manager
Canyon Fuel Company, LLC
HC 35 Box 380
Helper, Utah 84526

Re: **AMENDED** Approval of the Minor Modification to the Resource Recovery and Protection Plan (R2P2), and revised conditions of approval to extract the 12 Left "A" panel in Skyline Mine #3 Level 2, in the old "Lawrence Reservoir site", under Burnout Creek.

Dear Mr. Meadors:

Background: This letter amends the previous R2P2 approval granted by BLM on April, 17, 2003 for mining under Burnout Creek in the old "Lawrence Reservoir site".

Approval: BLM approves the longwall recovery in the 12 Left "A" Panel in the old "Lawrence Reservoir site" under Burnout Creek as per the attached map.

NEPA: The impacts of this approval have been adequately addressed in previously NEPA documents (reference Determination of NEPA Adequacy 923-2002-01, See Original Approval, dated April 17, 2003.).

Conditions of Approval.

1. BLM will require that a 22-degree angle of draw plus 25 feet be maintained from the edge of the longwall panel to the high water level of Electric Lake. No full extraction is authorized in this area.
2. Canyon Fuel Company will notify the BLM 24 hours prior to longwall mining in the area of the angle of draw under Burnout Creek in the 12 Left "B" Panel. Once extraction has commenced under the Burnout Creek area, mining will continue without cessation (extraction cannot be halted for more than 72 hrs.) until the entire area (100 feet in by the

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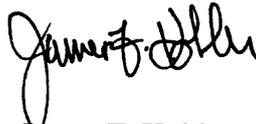
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stream crossing until the mid face of the longwall is under the stream. This is approximately 240 feet.) has been traversed unless safety or unforeseen equipment problems arise. Skyline Mine will monitor the shield pressures in this area on a daily basis (including idle days) and submit the results to the BLM not more than 30 days after mining in this area.

3. BLM will require immediate notification of any mine induced seismic events that are larger than magnitude 3.0 as measured on the Richter scale.
4. Canyon Fuel Company will monitor the surface of the Burnout Creek area and immediately notify the BLM of any observed surface impacts.
5. Canyon Fuel Company will lower the shields starting at the head gate to 10 feet for 1/3rd of the length of the longwall and grade out to the center of the panel to full longwall height in order to reduce the subsidence in the area next to the virgin coal abutment pillar under the stream.

If you have any questions, please call Stan Perkes at 539-4036.

Sincerely,



James F. Kohler
Chief, Solids Minerals Branch

Attachment:

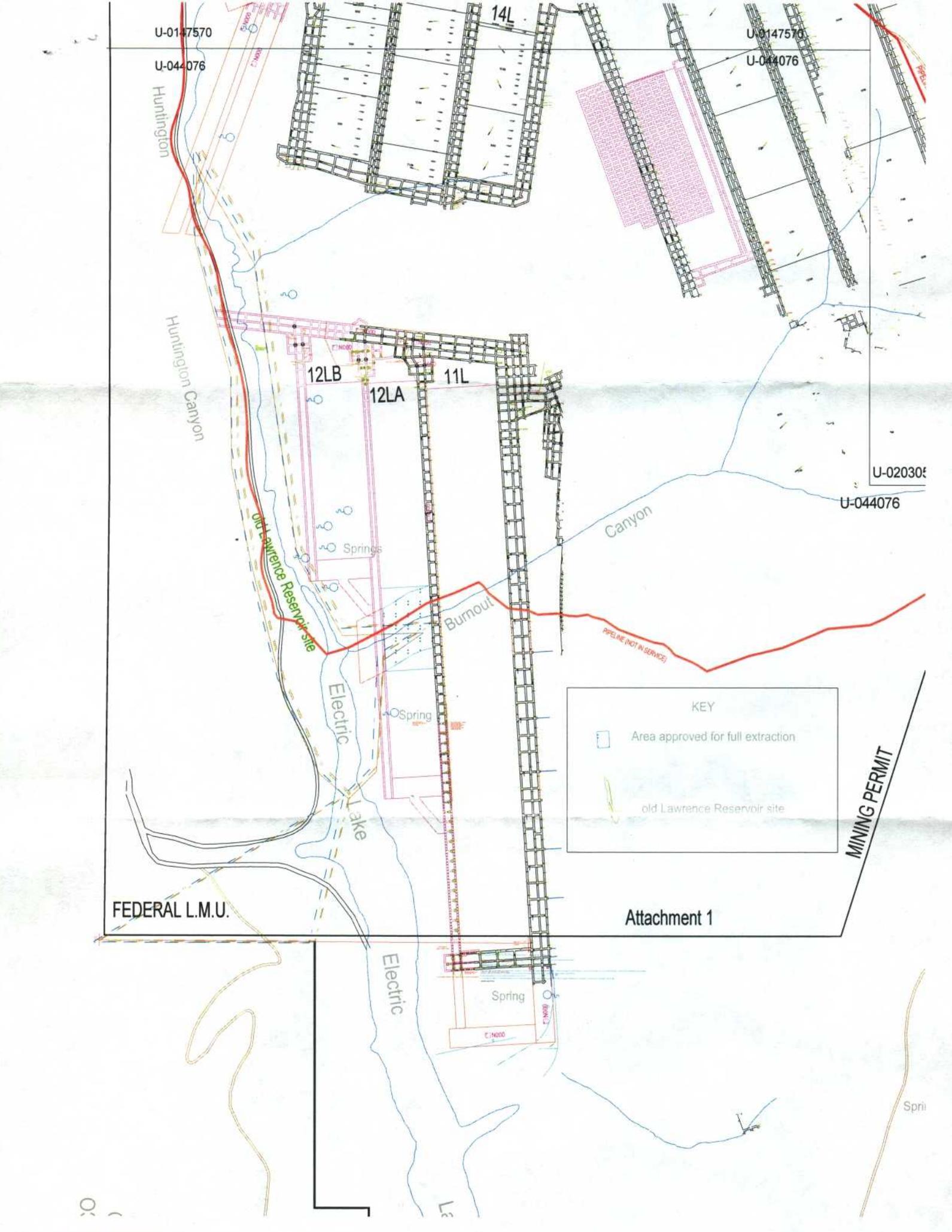
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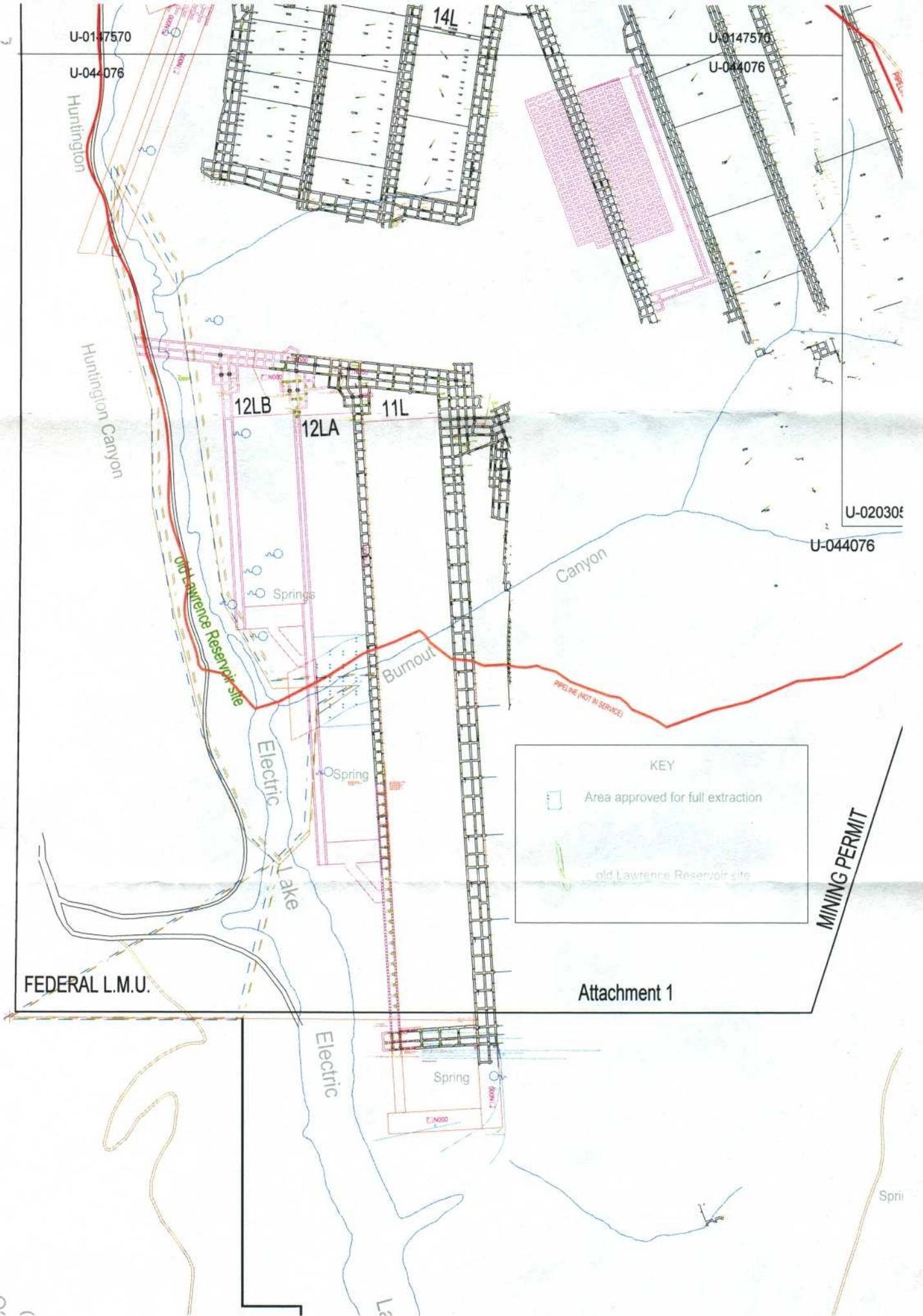
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