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Dear Lowell:

During the reviews of the Five-Year Mine Plan Submittal and New Lands Application for the Cyprus-Plateau Star Point Mine, It was agreed that the Manti-LaSal National Forest would identify the springs within the permit area on National Forest System lands which have high resource value. These springs would then be added to the monitoring program under the Mining and Reclamation Plan. This is discussed in the Division's Technical Analysis (August 5, 1987), page 18.

In our subsequent meetings, the Forest agreed that the individual springs could be progressively added to the monitoring program as the Five-Year Mine Plan progresses throughout the permit area and could affect the springs. The springs must be monitored until such time as subsidence in the area has stabilized.

Our identification of springs and requirements are as follows:

1. Under the new five year permit, springs 429, 433, 443 and 444 were added to the monitoring program and will be monitored for baseline starting this year. In addition, spring 518 will be monitored on an operational basis starting this year. Springs S-11-1 and 452, which were dropped from the monitoring plan last year, have been identified as having high resource value. Since baseline monitoring of spring S-11-1 has already been completed, monitoring on an operational basis should begin at least one year prior to mining. If baseline monitoring of spring 452 has not yet been completed, it must be completed and operational monitoring must begin at least one year prior to mining.
2. Springs 503, 491, 492, S-12-1, 233, 440, 424, 458, 447 and 450 have also been identified as having high resource value. They should be added to the monitoring program for both baseline and operational monitoring.

3. During our review of the inventoried springs shown on map 25, some discrepancies regarding the company's spring identification numbers and the Forest's spring identification numbers were identified. The map and any other locations where both numbers are used need to be corrected to be consistent with the following numbers. The State Claim Numbers for each spring have also been listed for information.

<u>Company's Spring ID No.</u>	<u>Forest's Spring ID No.</u>	<u>State Claim No.</u>
491	(633)	911633
492	(980)	910980
S-12-1	(977)	910977
232	(975)	910975
487, 488	(735)	931450
452	(758)	931473
450	(760)	931475
S-23-1	(761)	931476

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,



for  
 GEORGE A. MORRIS  
 Forest Supervisor