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Re: Permit #ACT/007/006
 Update on Access Road Slide #2

*Copy Bill Malenik
 and Pam*

Dear Mr. Braxton:

As notified by telephone on May 2nd and by letter on May 4th, a small section of the Starpoint mine access road failed. Straw bales and silt fence were erected below the toe of the slide and in the bottom of Sagebrush Canyon to control any possible sedimentation loading from the slide area. Based on the recommendations of Rollins, Brown & Gunnell Consulting Engineers, channels were cut into the unconsolidated slide material and the channels were backfilled with a granular fill material. The fill material was placed in approximately 2' layers and compacted with a D3 Bulldozer and/or a D9N Bulldozer.

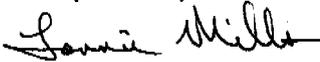
During the stabilization process we determined that the cause of the slide was a broken water line. The lines were replaced immediately and the slide stabilized. The cutting and backfilling process took approximately four weeks and the road has been reestablished to its original width.

The majority of the black material exposed during the slide has been covered with the imported backfill material. The steepness of the slope precludes safely grading the material further. The backfill material has encroached on a stand of pines at the base of the slope and a minimal amount of the larger imported backfill material has entered the bottom of Sagebrush Canyon. Little if any fines or black material has entered the bottom of the canyon. Because there isn't any access into the canyon, a significant area would have to be disturbed to recover the small amount of material in the bottom. Therefore, we believe any additional disturbances within the canyon would be unjustified.

Additional silt fence and/or straw bales will be installed as necessary at the toe of the slide and in the canyon bottom. Topsoil will be applied this fall, early September, with seeding (final reclamation seed mixture) following in late September. Tackifier, erosion net and/or other slope stabilization aids will be applied as necessary.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact myself or Mr. Ben Grimes at the above number.

Respectfully,



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Senior Environmental Engineer

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From: JOE HELFRICH (JHELFRICH)
To: LBRAXTON, PGRUBAUGH-LITTIG, DHADDOCK, PRICE
Date: Thursday, June 2, 1994 10:54 am
Subject: PLATEAU SLIDE

I SPOKE WITH JOHN BORLA THIS MORNING AND HE PROVIDED ME WITH THE FOLLOWING UPDATE:

- A BROKEN WATER LINE RECENTLY REPAIRED HAD CAUSED SOME MOVEMENT IN THE SLIDE..
- HE AND LONNIE MILLS WERE DEVELOPING A CLEAN UP PLAN FOR THE SLIDE AREA TO BE SUBMITTED SHORTLY...

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