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RE: Review of Revised Chapter IX Kaiser Coal Company, Wellington Preparation Plant, ACT/007/012, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

## Summary

Kaiser Coal Company's revised chapter IX for the Wellington Preparation Plant MRP dated July 11, 1988 has been reviewed and found to be incomplete for fish and wildlife information and planning as required by UMC 783.20, UMC 784.21 and UMC 817.97. The information requested below needs to be submitted before the plan can be considered complete and adequate.

## Analysis

### UMC 783.20 Fish and Wildlife Resources Information - (1k)

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources provided the company with a list of potential fish and wildlife species, ranking their status and abundance within the environs of the permit area. This document needs to be incorporated into MRP.

### UMC 784.21 Fish and Wildlife Plan - (1k)

The fish and wildlife plan does not discuss the establishment of a stream buffer zone along the Price River for protecting the associated high value habitat and riparian area.

### UMC 817.97 Protection of Fish, Wildlife, and Related Environmental Values - (1k)

Documentation regarding the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service survey of the powerlines and the non-hazardous determination needs to be provided in the MRP.

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The plan does not discuss the exclusion of wildlife from ponds that contain hazardous or toxic-forming materials. It has been determined that toxic materials do exist on site. If runoff from this material is entering the pond system, the water will need to be evaluated for the level of contamination and such ponds containing hazardous levels of toxic materials will need to be fenced with a wildlife-proof fence or otherwise barricaded to prevent wildlife access.

The MRP needs to contain a commitment to, to the extent possible, prevent, control, and suppress range, forest and coal fires which are not approved by the Division as part of a management plan.

#### Recommendations

The requested information and plans should be supplied to the Division within 30 - 60 days.

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