

Chapter 1

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112.230. The abandoned mine land reclamation fee will be paid by:

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112.300. The person's name, address and employer identification number for each person who owns or controls the applicant is listed under Appendix 1-1. In addition Appendix 1-1 shows the persons ownership or control relationship to the applicant, percentage of ownership, and location in the organizational structure.

112.310. Persons who own or control names, address social security numbers and employer identification numbers can be found in Appendix 1-1.

112.320. Persons ownership or control relationship to the applicant can be found in Appendix 1-1.

112.330. Title of the person's position and date position was assumed can be found in Appendix 1-1.

112.340. UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.,
The American Coal Company
PennAmerican L.P.
Canterbury Coal Company
Energy Resources, Inc.
Oklahoma Coal Company
Ohio Valley Coal Company
MonValley Transportation Center, Inc.
KenAmerican Resources, Inc.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR:

Bureau of Land Management
Utah State Office
324 South State
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

STATE OF UTAH:

Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands
Administration (SITLA)
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5703

Subsurface Owners:

UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY, INC.:

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112.600. The name and address of each owner (surface and subsurface) of all property contiguous to the proposed permit

area is shown on Plate 4-1 for surface, and Plate 5-4 for subsurface. Plate 1-1 is the official boundary map and it will be used to clarify any questions about the permit boundaries. Plate 1-2 shows the disturbed area.

Contiguous Surface Owners:

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Contiguous Subsurface Owners:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR:

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112.700. The following is a list of MSHA numbers associated with the permit.

MSHA ID Number: 42-00100 (Horse Canyon)
MSHA ID Number 42-02241 (Lila Canyon)
Refuse Pile I.D. Number: 1211-UT-09-02241-01

United States Department of Labor
Mine, Safety and Health Administration
P.O. Box 25367
Denver, Colorado 80225

112.800. In February 2002, UEI submitted a lease by application to the BLM. Four thousand acres were identified as an area of interest to the south and east of current UEI reserves. The LBA delineation and recoverable reserves has yet to be

determined by the BLM. If the area of interest is offered for lease, and if UEI bids on the LBA, and if UEI is the successful bidder, then it could be anticipated that mining in the leased area would occur once current Lila reserves are exhausted. (Approximately in the year 2020)

112.900. After **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, is notified that the application is approved, but before the permit is issued, **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, will update, correct or indicate that no change has occurred in the information previously submitted under R645-301-112.100 to R645-301-112.800.

113. Violation Information.

113.100. Neither **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, or any subsidiary, affiliate, or persons controlled by or under common control with the applicant, has had any federal or state permit to conduct coal mining and reclamation operations suspended or revoked in the five years preceding the date of submission of the application.

113.110. No federal or state permits to conduct coal mining and reclamation operations has been suspended or revoked in the five years preceding the date of submission of the application.

113.120. Neither **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, nor any subsidiary, affiliate, or persons controlled by or under common control with the applicant, have forfeited a performance bond or similar security deposited in lieu of bond.

113.200. Since no suspensions revocations, or forfeitures have taken place section 113.200 with subsections is not applicable.

- 113.300.** A list of violations received by the applicant or any subsidiary, affiliate or persons controlled by or under common control with the applicant in connection with any coal mining and reclamation operation during the three year period proceeding the application date is provided in Appendix 1-3. MSHA numbers for the operations listed in Appendix 1-3 can be found in Appendix 1-2.
- 113.310.** Violation information such as: Identifying numbers including Federal and State permit numbers, date issued, and name of issuing agency is included in Appendix 1-3.
- 113.320.** A brief description of violations alleged in the notice is included in Appendix 1-3.
- 113.330.** The date, location, and type of any administrative or judicial proceeding is included in Appendix 1-3.
- 113.340.** The current status of violations is included in Appendix 1-3.
- 113.350.** Actions taken to abate the violation is included in Appendix 1-3.
- 113.400.** After **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, is notified that the application is approved, but before the permit is issued, **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, will update, correct or indicate that no change has occurred in the information previously submitted under R645-301-113.

114. Right-of-Entry Information.

A Right-of-Way application and the subsequent Environmental Assessment

(EA) has been submitted to the BLM. The EA was issued for public comment in the summer of 2000. A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and record of decision were issued in October 2000. An appeal was filed and a stay requested. The stay was not acted on and an uninhibited Right-of-Way could be issued in the spring of 2003. Appendix 1-6 contains BLM correspondence in regards to Right-of-Entry as provided by the pending Right-of-Way and its related use.

114.100. **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, currently holds 5,544.01 acres of federal coal contained in six federal leases, purchase in June 2000 from Intermountain Power Agency and assigned to UEI by the BLM. (See Table 1-1 and Plate 5-4). These leases are contained in the South Lease - North Block LMU filed May 1996. The leases as described in the North Block LMU are not under any pending litigation. **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, bases its legal right to enter and conduct mining activities in the permit area pursuant to the language contained in the Federal Coal Lease, Part I Lease Rights Granted which reads as follows:

"That the lessor, in consideration of the rents and royalties to be paid and the covenants to be observed as hereinafter set forth, does hereby grant and lease to the lessee the exclusive right and privilege to mine and dispose of all the coal in, upon, or under the following described tracts of land, situated in the State of Utah.... together with the right to construct all such works, buildings, plants, structures and appliances as may be necessary and convenient for the mining and preparation of the coal for market, the manufacture of coke or other products of coal, the housing and welfare of employees, and subject to the conditions herein provided, to use so much of the surface as may reasonably be required in the exercise of the rights and privileges herein granted."

The surface right-of-entry is in the form of BLM right-of-ways. See Appendix 1-1 for a BLM letter assigning right-of-way numbers.

114.200. Since no private mineral estate is involved this section does not apply.

114.210. Since no private mineral estate is involved this section does not apply.

114.220. Since no private mineral estate is involved this section does not apply.

114.230. Since no private mineral estate is involved this section does not apply.

Table 1-1

Federal Coal Leases Held by Permittee (See Plate 5-4)

Federal Coal Lease	TownShip & Range	Section	Description	Acres
#SL-066490	T16S, R14E	11	E1/2	2440.00
	T16S, R14E	12	W1/2	
	T16S, R14E	13	W1/2	
	T16S, R14E	14	E1/2,SW1/4	
	T16S, R14E	15	E1/2SE1/4	
	T16S, R14E	22	NE1/4NE1/4	
	T16S, R14E	23	N1/2,E1/2SW1/4,SE1/4	
	T16S, R14E	24	NW1/4,W1/2SW1/4	
	T16S, R14E	26	N1/2NE1/4	
#U-014218	T16S, R14E	12	E1/2	320
#U-0126947	T16S, R14E	13	E1/2	1059.81
	T16S, R14E	24	E1/2	
	T16S, R14E	25	N1/2NE1/4,SE1/4NE1/4	
	T16S,R15E	19	SE1/4SW1/4, Lots 3 & 4	
	T16S,R15E	30	E1/2NW1/4,SW1/4NE1/4, Lots 1 & 2	
#U-014217	T16S,R14E	25	SW1/4NE1/4	40
#SL-069291	T16S,R14E	24	E1/2SW1/4	280
	T16S,R14E	25	NW1/4	
	T16S,R14E	26	SE1/4NE1/4	

#SL-066145	T16S,R14E	3	Lots 1-3, 7-11, Ne1/4SW1/4,SE1/4	1404.20
	T16S,R14E	10	E1/2	
	T16S,R14E	11	W1/2	
	T16S,R14E	14	NW1/4	
	T16S,R14E	15	N1/2NE1/4,SE1/4NE1/4	
Totals	Six Leases			5544.01

115. Status of Unsuitability Claims.

115.100. The proposed permit area is not within an area designated as unsuitable for mining. **UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.**, is not aware of any petitions currently in progress to designate the area as unsuitable for coal mining and reclamation activities.

115.200. Since no exemption is requested this section does not apply.

115.300. UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., will not conduct mining operations within 300 feet of a currently occupied dwelling. However, UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., will conduct mining or mining related activities within 100 feet of a public road. UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., has received permission from Emery County to construct facilities and operate coal mining activities within 100 feet of a public road. Refer to the Emery County letter found in Appendix 1-4.

116. Permit Term.

116.100. The anticipated starting and termination dates of the coal mining and reclamation operation are as follows:

<u>Phase</u>	<u>Begin</u>	<u>Complete</u>
Mining Pad, Support Structures, and Portals	June 2005	Dec. 2005
Begin Underground work	June 2005	

Terminate Mining

Dec. 2019

Reclamation operation dates can be found in Table 3-3.

Approximately 5,992.07 surface acres, which include federal, state and private lands are included within the permit area. These surface acres are described in Table 4-2, and coal acres are shown on Table 4-2A.

The perimeter of the disturbed area contains approximately 42.6 surface acres within the disturbed area but only 25.3 acres will be disturbed leaving 17.3 acres of undisturbed islands within the disturbed area.

116.200. The initial permit application is for a five year term with anticipated successive five year permit renewals.

116.210 Since the initial permit application is for a term of five years this section does not apply.

116.220 Since the initial permit application is for a term of five years this section does not apply.

117. Insurance, Proof of Publication and Facilities or Structures Used in Common

117.100. The Certificate of Liability Insurance is included as Appendix 8-2.

117.200. A copy of the newspaper advertisement of the permit extension and proof of publication can be found in Appendix 1-5.

117.300. Since no structures are going to be shared by two or more separately permitted coal mining permit applications this section does not apply.

118. Filing Fee.

A filing fee of \$5.00 has been submitted.

120. Permit Application Format and Contents.

121. The permit application contains current information and is written in a clear and concise manner in a format satisfactory to the Division.

122. Referenced materials not on file at the Division, or readily available to the Division, will be provided upon request of the Division by the applicant. On August 22, 2000 Dave Darby confirmed a copy of the R2P2 is on file at the Salt Lake City Division office.

123. A notarized statement, attesting to the accuracy of the information can be found in Appendix 1-5.

130. Reporting of Technical Data.

131. Persons or organizations that collected or analyzed data, the dates associated with the collection and/or analysis of the data, can be found in Appendix 1-5.

132. Resumes for the professional qualified persons who planned, directed the collection of or analyzed data can be found in Appendix 1-5.

140. Maps and Plans.

141. Maps have been presented in a consolidated format, to the extent possible, and include all the types of information that are set forth on U.S. Geological Survey of the 1:24,000 scale series. Maps of the permit area are to the scale of 1:6,000 or larger. Maps of the adjacent area will clearly show the lands and waters within those areas.

142. Maps and plans submitted with the permit application distinguish among each of the phases during which coal mining and reclamation operations were or will be conducted at any place within the life of operations.

150. Completeness

This permit extension to the existing Horse Canyon Permit ACT/007-013 to conduct coal mining and reclamation operations is complete and includes the minimum information required under R645-301 and, if applicable, R645-302. Plates 1-1 and 1-2 show the permittee area and proposed disturbed area boundaries.

This permit extension is intended to add the Lila Canyon Mine as part "B" to the existing permit and to leave unchanged the current approved Horse Canyon Mine as part "A". The Horse Canyon Mine "part A" is for reclamation only.



UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.

May 30, 2005

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Field Office Manager
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Price Field Office
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REFERENCE: Water Survey Horse Canyon Extension - Lila Canyon Mine

Dear Mr. Gubbins:

Division of Oil, Gas and Mining rule R645-301-525.130 requires that all property owners in, and around, the Lila Canyon Extension receive copies of any water rights surveys completed during the permitting process.

UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. notifies the Bureau of Land Management that a water rights survey was conducted in conjunction with the Lila Canyon Mine permitting process. A copy of this survey can be found in Chapter 7 of the Lila Canyon PAP. A copy of the PAP is on file, in the confidential room, at your office.

Should you have any questions please call.

Sincerely,

R. Jay Marshall
Project Manager

cc File
Appendix 1-5 PAP



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surface and the relatively hot and dry site conditions. Minimal topsoil development and an accumulation of carbonates in the subsoil are typical characteristics of these soils along with a high rock fragment content. Soil textures are typically fine sandy loam or sandy loam. Thin layers of sandy clay loam and loamy sand are intermittently present.

The dominant soils are well drained and have moderately rapid permeability. Soil erosion potential is moderately low over most of the area, but ranges from low to severe (on shale exposures). Rooting depths observed were mostly at 30 to 48 inches.

222.400 Present and potential productivity determinations of the existing soils conducted by Mr. George Cook of the NRCS in the summer of 1998 are presented in Appendix 3-2.

223. The soil survey was conducted according to the standards of the National Cooperative Soil Survey as described in the Soil Survey Manual (Soil Survey Staff, 1993), the National Soil Survey Handbook, (soil Survey Staff, 1993), and Keys to Soil Taxonomy, seventh edition (Soil Survey Staff, 1996).

224 Soil inventories indicate that no borrow area will be needed for substitute topsoil. There is an adequate amount of suitable soil as indicated by root distribution and soil characteristics over the proposed area to be disturbed.

230. Operation Plan.

231. General Requirements.

231.100 In reference to topsoil in this plan, it is considered to be the soil down to a maximum depth of 18". The typically dark colored A horizon often referred to as topsoil is very thin (< 6 inches) under the environmental conditions of the project site. Topsoil generally consists of the A and B horizon materials that have suitable characteristics for plant growth and show natural rooting present within the soil. Of the salvageable soil

construction, the pile will be roughened again immediately prior to seeding. Side slopes will be monitored for erosion and will be repaired if erosion appears to be excessive.

Undisturbed islands located within the disturbed area will not be disturbed unless the mine reclamation plan is amended to allow for the disturbance. The islands will be signed as undisturbed to help protect them from any disturbance.

231.200. Soil inventories indicate that no topsoil substitutes will be needed.

231.300. Topsoil will be tested as per Section 243. If testing identifies a potential problem, additional samples may be collected to determine the extent and severity of the problem.

Vegetation monitoring will compare the results of plant growth on the replaced topsoil with the growth on the in-place soil materials. If there is a distinct difference between the two areas, the Operator will consult with the DOGM to determine the nature of the problem and will make corrections as recommended for improvement.

231.400. Construction of the topsoil storage site will begin by removing any large boulders and existing vegetation. Diversion ditches will be installed after the stockpiles are in place to channel drainage away from the stockpiles. Once the topsoil stockpile has been created with the material removed during construction of the proposed mine site, it will be reseeded and will remain in place until final reclamation occurs.

The surface of the stockpile will be left rough and irregular to increase retention of rainfall and snow melt. Seeding will be done following placement of the topsoil, and between Sept. 15 and Jan. 15, to take advantage of winter moisture. If seeding does not immediately follow topsoil pile construction, the pile will be roughened again immediately prior to seeding.

A silt fence or berm/ditch configuration will be installed at the perimeter of the pile to protect it from water erosion and vehicular traffic. Maintenance of the topsoil pile, during the life of the mining operation, will consist of: seeding the new

erosion. As much as practical, the same vegetation techniques used on the main topsoil pile will be utilized on the fan topsoil berm. Silt fence will be utilized to prevent the topsoil from leaving the site.

Presently there is not a subsoil stockpile required for this project, therefore, details are not provided.

234.200. Section 232.100 contains information on the topsoil stockpile.

234.210. The stockpile site selected is on the Strych soil. It is a well drained and stable site on cobbly alluvium.

234.220. The stockpile will be located and protected to avoid contamination. Unacceptable compaction will not be permitted. In areas where undisturbed soils are in close proximity to coal mining or reclamation activities a 20 foot buffer zone will be delineated by "Undisturbed Area" signs. Quarterly inspections will be made to insure there is not an accumulation of coal dust or coal related debris. In the event coal dust is observed, water sprays according to air quality permit (DAQE-702-99) or alternative measures such as wind fence, or broadening of the topsoil salvage area will be employed to control the coal dust.

234.230. The stockpile will be mulched and seeded with the seed mix presented in Table 3-4. Up to 1% by volume of the sifted soil crusts will be added to each load of Wood fiber mulch applied to the top soil pile. The slopes will have an irregular, pitted surface to help retain precipitation and minimize runoff. Silt fencing will be placed at the base of the stockpile.

234.240. Plans are to leave the topsoil in place for the life of the mine.

234.300. These regulations are not applicable to the action described within this permit document.

234.310. These regulations are not applicable to the action

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was used to identify potential MSO habitat. The results can be found in Appendix 3-4.

The proposed addition to the permit area does not contain habitat for southwestern willow flycatchers. There are no perennial water sources or riparian areas in either the current permit area or the proposed addition, and according to verbal information from UEI's consultant, there are few, if any, willows or similar riparian-type vegetation associated with the seeps and springs in the proposed addition to the permit area. There may have been a few willows or shrubs, but there were no dense patches as would be required by southwestern willow flycatchers.

Lila Canyon Mine will have below-ground electrical power lines. These lines will be constructed to minimize potential hazards to all raptors new to the site, all will be designed and constructed in accordance with the guidelines set forth in Environmental Criteria for Electric Transmission Systems or as approved by DOGM.

- 322.220.** The permit area for Lila Canyon Mine is located within the Price River Resource Area. Surface water in the adjacent areas drains into Grassy Trail Creek and Cottonwood Wash, both tributaries of the Price River. The environment around the 42.6 acre mine site is within the Upper Sonoran life zone. The dominant Vegetation communities within the proposed disturbed area are pinyon-juniper and grass-shrub. Community types surrounding the proposed disturbed area are primarily pinyon-juniper, mixed conifer, spruce-fir, grass, and sagebrush-grass. The Upper Sonoran life zone can provide habitat for approximately one hundred and forty-two species of wildlife. Two separate reports by

the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (DWR) identify species having potential to inhabit the region. The species that is considered to be of high interest in the local area is the Pronghorn. Pronghorns are found as year-long residents within and adjacent to the permit area. These animals were transplanted to this site by the DWR in 1972 and are part of the Icelander Antelope Herd Unit II. Pronghorn prefer open sagebrush-desert and shrub-grassland habitats in areas of the Western United States. They are primarily browsers but are known to forage on grasses and forbs during spring and summer (FWS, 1978).

The pinyon-juniper woodlands, and interspersed sagebrush parks are winter range for mule deer. Many of the drier slopes are essentially juniper stands of scattered trees. The mule deer winter use is restricted to periods when snow is available or surface water is present during snow melt in the early spring, and the UDWR has rated this winter range as high priority.

Elk winter range is located at higher elevations than that of the disturbed area and is not a factor in the disturbed site.

Other wildlife in the pinyon-juniper woodlands are reptiles, passerine birds, lagomorphs, and small rodents.

The talus slopes in the canyon are home to rodents and reptiles. They are also used by chukars. Snake dens are unknown in the talus slopes.

The cliffs are generally north-facing and have potential as raptor nesting sites. Spring raptor inventories were initiated in the spring of 1998. The results of the annual raptor surveys are

Assessment submitted in association with the Right-Of-Way applications.

The USFWS recognizes that the permit area is within range of endangered species, including the black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*), and the bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*). (Letter dated February 4, 1998, Appendix 3-3)..

Raptor surveys were initiated in 1998, and have continued through 2005 with the exception of 2004. These raptor surveys were initiated long before ground-breaking of the Lila project. The results of these survey are contained in Appendix 3-5. The entire Book Cliffs escarpment within the permit area was inventoried for cliff nesting raptors. In addition, a 1-mile buffer zone was inventoried around areas of potential development.

None of the Eagle nests in the close proximity to the mines surface facilities (less than 1/4 mile). have been active nor tended in the last three years. However, historically one active and one tended Golden Eagle Nest is within close proximity to the mines surface facilities. After consultation with USFW, Laura Roma, UDWR, Chris Colt, and BLM, Dave Mills, it was determined that there was a high probability these nest sites would be abandoned. A cooperative agreement with the regulatory agencies and UEI was finalized and is made part of the mitigation for the Lila Canyon EA. One nest discussed above, also lies in an area of potential subsidence which is a mute point due to its close proximity to the mine site. Since the nests are located so close to the mine surface facility, their future potential use was deemed to be lost and were so mitigated by a prey base off-site vegetation treatment project approved by the USFWS, UDWR and BLM. However, if this nest(s) or any future nest is lost as a result of mining activities (subsidence), UEI

is committed to working with the Division who will then consult with USFWS and UDWR for mitigation requirements.

The mitigation developed is based on the premise that there is sufficient nest sites in the area to accommodate the population base. The limiting factors appears to be available prey base. Mitigation is designed to enhance the prey base while concurrently enhancing habitat for big game, deer, elk, and bighorn sheep.

In addition, there are a number of aquatic Threatened and Endangered (T&E) species associated with the Colorado drainage systems. In the Lila Canyon Permit Area, there are no perennial streams, or ephemeral drainages which are in close enough proximity to perennial streams which could pose a potential threat to any aquatic species.

- 322.230.** All known species or habitats needing special protection under state or federal law have been addressed.
- 322.300.** Adequate copies of the Mine Reclamation Plan have been submitted to the Division to allow for distribution to the Fish and Wildlife Service for their review.
- 323.** Maps or aerial photographs of the permit area and adjacent areas have been provided. Plate 3-1 Wildlife Habitats, is a map that shows all critical habitat, raptor nests and all special habitat features. This plate will be updated on an as needed bases to reflect current conditions such as new raptor nests and/or changes in wildlife use.
- 323.100.** The location of the proposed reference area is shown on Figure 1 of Appendix 3-1. Appendix 3-1 is the report for the 2003 vegetation inventory. The reference area for the mine site disturbance was established during the summer of 2003. The reference area was chosen in an

area which represents the natural premining conditions of the permit area. The reference area will facilitate the determination of successful revegetation and the resultant final bond release for the Applicant.

323.200. Monitoring locations are shown on Plate 3-1 and can also be found on the raptor inventory map in Appendix 3-5.

323.300. Protection facilities: There will be no facilities used exclusively for the protection or enhancement of fish and wildlife. The goal of the mine is to construct all facilities and conduct mining in such a manner to minimize adverse impacts to wildlife. These measures will include but are not limited to:

1. Interim revegetation with desirable plant species for wildlife, with the exception of transportation corridors.
2. Speed limits on all roads to lesson potential for possible animal/vehicular collisions.
3. Wildlife awareness training to be incorporated into the annual safety training for all employees.
4. Possible restrictions on firearms on the mine site, and restrictions on off road vehicle usage to lesson disturbance.
5. The Operator will ensure that DWR surveys proposed facilities areas at least two years prior and one year following construction. The Division, in consultation with DWR, cleared the two year requirement if the mine begins construction sometime between 2005 and February 2006. This clearance is because UEI already had eight years of data as well as data for spring 2005. The Operator will continue annual raptor surveys in 2006.
6. An active golden eagle nest, with young, was documented during the 1999 spring raptor survey. The nest is located in the left fork of Lila Canyon within the 1-mile buffer zone. (See Plate 3-1). A consultation with USF&W, BLM, and UDWR was held in the fall of 1999. Line of site and potential mitigation was addressed

during this meeting. The results of this consultation are addressed in Sec 322.220 and the Lila Canyon EA. This nest was not active in 2000, 2001, 2002, or 2003.

- 323.400.** Plate 3-2 Identifies each vegetative type and plant community. The sample locations used during the vegetation inventory can be found on Figure 1 of Appendix 3-1. Critical or high priority wildlife use areas can be correlated to vegetation with the incorporation of the Wildlife Map, Plate 3-1.

Appendix 7-8 provides a description of each water monitoring location. In Summary monitoring locations L-6-G, L-7-G, and L-11-G have a habitat overstory of Douglas Fir-Mountain Brush association. Water monitoring location L-8-G has a habitat of predominantly pinyon - juniper and sagebrush grass associations. Water monitoring locations L-9-G, L-10-G, and L-12-G have some minor wet meadow habitat with an overstory of pinyon-juniper and sagebrush grass immediately adjacent along each side of the sites. Water monitoring sites L-16-G and L-17-G are both seeps and have a habitat of a mix of grasses and salt desert shrub with some invasive tamarisk.

Sites L-1-S, L-2-S, L-3-S, L-13-S, L-14-S and L-15-S are dry washes with a habitat consisting of sagebrush with an overstory of pinion-juniper.

Monitoring site L-4-S and L-5-G are for sediment pond discharge and for the mine discharge and have a habitat consisting of an overstory of pinion-juniper.

- 330. Operation Plan.** A plan for protection of vegetation, fish and wildlife resources follows:

- 331.** The permit area is approximately 5,992.07 acres of which only 42.6 acres are within the surface disturbance area. All incidental disturbance, which will not be utilized in operations, will be revegetated with an interim seed mix proven beneficial to wildlife. The revegetation plan is addressed in Section 341 and the seed mixes are addressed in Tables 3-4 and 3-5. Revegetation will occur

the first desirable period following disturbance and/or abandonment.

332. The extent and degree of subsidence will be in large dependent on both the amount of overburden as well as the mining method. Employees and or consultants of the operator have numerous years of experience mining the Bookcliffs and Wasatch areas and none have observed nor are aware of any negative impacts on wildlife or vegetation, as a result of subsidence, with the exception of

- 1) Escarpment Failure which is not anticipated.
 - 2) Disruption of Surface and / or Ground Water, which is not anticipated.
- (1) Escarpments will be protected by implementing escarpment barriers. An escarpment barrier of a minimum of 200', within which no second mining will take place, will be used to protect all escarpments.
- (2) Disturbance of Surface and / or Ground Water. Considering, the permit area has no surface water with the exception of intermittent or ephemeral flow associated with precipitation events and / or snow melt, subsidence should have no adverse effect. The ephemeral stream channels, in the area's of potential subsidence, will be monitored to insure there are no adverse impacts to the ephemeral flow. No negative impacts to vegetation are anticipated. However, vegetation will be monitored in conjunction with subsidence monitoring, utilizing infrared aerial photography once every five years for those areas that are undermined. This will be done in accordance with the subsidence control plan. (See Section 525). Any loss of or diminished appearance of vegetation will be noted, confirmed on the ground, and a corrective plan to mitigate the loss will be submitted to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining for their approval and concurrence prior to implementation.

It is anticipated that the saturated zone will most certainly produce some water when intercepted in the course of mining. The effect could be positive in the event the mine were to discharge surplus water to the surface. Assuming the water quality was suitable for wildlife, a valuable enhancement fixture could be sustained at a minimum through the life of the

mine. While it is possible subsurface disruption of ground water could occur as a result of subsidence it is problematically slight. (See Appendix 7-3 Probable Hydrologic Consequences (PHC).)

The losses of wildlife habitat and or vegetation through subsidence is not anticipated. The mined portion of the permit area will be monitored visually each spring for evidence of subsidence. In the event vegetation and or wildlife habitat where impacted; mitigation could take the form of: 1) habitat enhancement - through selected manipulation of existing undisturbed areas to increase productivity of preferred forage species, and 2) off site water sources such as construction of guzzlers and stock water impoundments.

Each of the above would need to be analyzed on a site specific bases, taking all agencies (UDWR, UDOGM, and BLM) input into a viable, workable, course of action to be implemented by the mine and as stipulated in the Lila Canyon EA.

**Table 3-3
Time Table of Reclamation**

April 16, 2020	Begin Demolition
November 15, 2020	Complete Demolition
April 16, 2021	Commence Earthwork
August 30, 2021	Completion of Phase 1 (Earthwork) Lower Area
September 1, 2021	Begin Earthwork Road / Portal Upper Area
October 1, 2021	Seeding and Mulching (Weather dependent) Completion of Earthwork Upper Area
November 1, 2021	Fencing
November 15, 2021	Reclamation Completed
July 2025	Ocular Estimates of Success (Remedial seeding if necessary September 2026)
October 2023	Planting Seedlings
July 2027	Quantitative Vegetation Inventory
August 2029	Quantitative Vegetation Inventory Site and Reference Area
August 2034	Quantitative Vegetation Inventory of Referenced Area and Project Site, Bond Release Criteria

The tentative life of a mine is twenty years depending on market and mining conditions. As such, the time table is generic and no set year will be specified for the cessation and abandonment of operations.

radius of the surface facilities were assumed lost due to indirect disturbance associated with mine activities. The Lila Canyon EA # UT-070-99-22, outlines mitigation recommended through a cooperative effort between Utah Department of Wildlife Resources, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife and UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. where mitigation would be implemented to increase prey base off-site. The construction of alternative nests was considered to be ineffective. Eagle distribution was not limited by suitable nest sites but by available prey.

An MSO survey will be completed according to Appendix 3-4. Results as described in Appendix 3-4 will be reported to the Division, UDWR, and USFWS.

Construction at the mine to upgrade drainage controls and to construct the road will have a minor impact on wildlife in the area. The impact will mainly be increased human activity associated with the construction and a small, less than 42.6 acre, loss of habitat for the mine site, roads and sedimentation pond. These impacts will have little or no affect on the wildlife because they will be completed in an environmentally sound manner.

UEI will instruct all personnel as to current regulations regarding the use of off-road vehicles, firearm regulations, and where current UDWR proclamations are available. This training will be part of the annual refresher offered to all employees. The company will encourage strict compliance with these regulations.

DWR will be notified of any road kills involving large game and request to have them removed to safeguard raptors. Mine personnel will be instructed to remove road kills a safe distance from the road way.

The Lila Canyon Mine has agreed to mitigate the loss of wildlife habitat as well as the potential loss of habitat use due to disturbance.

This mitigation is under advisement of the wildlife professionals of both the BLM and the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. The mitigation designed will offset impacts to bighorn sheep, mule deer, elk, and chukker specifically. The mitigation committed to in association with the Lila Mine EA is :

- (1) Install two guzzlers

- (2) Participate in a habitat enhance program on 70+ acres-conversion from Pinyon/Juniper to shrubs, forbs, and grasses.

The implementation dates, and project locations will not be determined until the BLM notice to proceed is given, after permit approval. The overseeing agency for the EA mitigation will be the BLM. Details will be reported to DOGM in the Annual Report immediately following the notice to proceed.

333.100. This section is addressed in 333. And 333.300.

333.200. This section is addressed in 333. And 333.300.

333.200. The Applicant does not plan to monitor any wildlife species during the life of the operation with the exception of raptors. Helicopter spring raptor surveys will be conducted at a minimum of a 1-mile radius around any new or potentially disruptive mining activity, 2-years prior and annually after the proposed activity.

The mine will emphasize their commitment to legal requirements of firearm and off-road vehicle-use by employees. This type of program has been adopted by the operator and will continue throughout the operation. An education program aimed at minimizing potential negative impacts by employees will be presented during the Operators annual retaining programs. Employees will be informed about the wildlife in the area and about which species are protected. They will be counseled to refrain from poaching or harassing animals and about the need to preserve the wildlife. They will also be instructed on the danger of animals on the road during dusk and night hours and consequently the need to reduce speed to avoid colliding with animals difficult to see in these periods of poor light. All threatened or endangered wildlife sighted within or adjacent to the permit area will be reported to the appropriate state and / or federal agency.



UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.

This is being written to help clarify some confusion between the Biological Assessment ("BA") prepared by EIS Environmental & Engineering Consulting done in August of 2000 and the various T&E inventories contained within Appendix 3-4 of the Horse Canyon Permit -Lila Canyon Extension.

The BA states that "The area affected by the proposed action (Lila Canyon Mine) does contain suitable habitat for Winkler cactus (*Pedioractus winkleri*) and Wright Fish Hook cactus. The July 29, 1999 letter written by EIS states that "both the Despain Foot cactus and the Wright Fishhook cactus have been observed in Emery County, however, it would be an anomaly to find in this habitat and or this far north (Lila Canyon). Based on previous studies, the occurrence of either species within the Lila Canyon Area is highly unlikely."

The Utah Heritage Program agrees with the 1999 EIS letter and states that "Utah Heritage Program considers that there is very little chance that Barneby reed-mustard, Jones cycladenia, Last Chance townsendia, Maguire daisy, Winkler cactus, or Wright fishhook cactus will occur near the Lila facilities area (Division communications with Ben Franklin May 2004)."

Regardless if Lila Canyon Area is potential habitat or not doesn't matter since inventories for both the Despain Foot Cactus and the Wright Fishhook Cactus were performed in 1999, 2000, and 2002 with negative results.

It appears that the BA was in error and that the Lila Canyon Area does not contain suitable habitat and there is very little chance that either the Winkler cactus or the Wright fishhook cactus will occur near the Lila facilities area.

R. Jay Marshall
Project Manager
Lila Canyon Mine the Despain Foot Cactus and the Wright Fishhook Cactus

Chapter 4

Appendix 5-8. Includes areas of undisturbed within the disturbed area.

Top Soil removal / Actual Disturbance:

25.3 Acres discussed in Section 232.100" This is the actual area anticipated to be disturbed for the life of the mine.

The permit area for the Lila Canyon mine is depicted on Plate 4-1. Included in this map are: the boundary of the permit area, the area which will include surface facilities, and the new portals. Existing roads, power lines, and railroads are identified. Private, federal, and state ownership are also identified on this plate. Wildlife habitats have been identified on Plate 3-1 and grazing allotment boundaries are depicted on Plate 4-2.

Table 4-1 lists the various owners of land within and around the permit area. The permit area is approximately 5992.07 acres. Within the permit area, 1446.64 acres comprise private land and 289.06 acres comprise state lands. The remaining 4,256.37 acres is federal land owned and managed by the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Table 4-2 describes the surface ownership and Table 4-2A describes the coal ownership of the permit and surrounding area.

Lila Canyon lies within a region identified by the BLM as the Range Valley Mountain Habitat Management Plan Area (U-6-WHA-T4). This region was designated as such by a technical committee comprising state, federal, local government agencies and private citizens. This Habitat Management Plan area was established in September 1991 to provide management for the wildlife species of the area, including federally protected wildlife and plant species, big game, upland and small game waterfowl, unique and limited high value wildlife habitat, and access management. Big game and raptor habitat within the Lila Canyon Mine permit area, along with the Range Valley Mountain HMA, have been identified on Plate 3-1.

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Chapter 5

500. ENGINEERING

510. Introduction

This section presents the engineering portion for the Lila Canyon Extension to the Horse Canyon Mine Reclamation Plan and is based upon previous publications, permit applications for the adjacent Sunnyside and South Lease areas and design which follows basic engineering standards. The objective of this chapter is to provide sufficient engineering design to support the mining and reclamation plan for the Lila Canyon Mine which is part "B" of the Horse Canyon Permit (ACT/007/013) and to satisfy the rules found in R645-301-500. All of the activities associated with the coal mining and reclamation operations are designed, located, constructed, maintained, and reclaimed in accordance with the operation and reclamation plan. The engineering section of the permit application is divided into the introduction, the operation plan, operational design criteria, reclamation plan, and performance standards. All design criteria associated with the operation and reclamation plan have been met.

511. General Requirements.

- 511.100** The permit application includes a description of the proposed coal mining and reclamation operations with appropriate maps, plans, and cross sections.
- 511.200** A description of the proposed mining operation and its potential impacts to the environment as well methods and calculations utilized to achieve compliance with design criteria is addressed within this chapter.
- 511.300** A description of the proposed reclamation plan is included in this chapter.

512. Certification

- 512.100.** Cross Sections and Maps that require certification have been prepared by, or under the direction of, and certified by a qualified, registered, professional engineer, with assistance

from experts in related fields when needed. Cross Sections and Maps will be updated as needed or required by the Division. Listed below are some of the maps and cross sections that have been certified by a qualified registered professional engineer.

- 512.110.** A map showing the extent of known existing mine workings and the approximate year mined has been included and certified by a qualified registered professional engineer and included as Plate 5-1.
- 512.120.** All Surface facilities and operations are shown on the appropriate maps and have been certified by a qualified registered professional engineer.
- 512.130** Maps showing final surface configuration with cross sections have been included and certified by a qualified registered professional engineer. (See Plate 5-6, 5-7c, and Appendix 5-4)
- 512.140** Appropriated hydrology drawings and cross sections have been certified by a qualified registered professional engineer. (See Chapter 7)
- 512.150** Geologic cross sections and maps that are required to be, have been certified by a qualified registered professional engineer. See Chapter 6 and Plate 7-1B.
- 512.200** Plans and Engineering Designs which may include: Excess spoil piles, durable rock fills, coal mine waste, impoundments, primary roads and variances from approximate original contour. These Plans and Designs have been certified by a qualified registered professional engineer if appropriate.
- 512.210** Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation, therefore it is anticipated that no excess Spoil will be produced. This section does not apply.
- 512.220** The professional engineer experienced in the design of

earth and rock fills has certified that the durable rock fill design will ensure the stability of the fill and that the fill meets design requirements.

- 512.230** The professional engineer experienced in the design of coal mine waste piles has certified the design of the coal mine waste disposal facility. (See Appendix 5-7)
- 512.240** Prudent engineering practices was used in the design and construction of impoundments in the permit area. The impoundment designs have been certified by a qualified registered professional engineer. (See Plate 7-6)
- 512.250** The professional engineer has certified the design and construction or reconstruction of primary roads as meeting the appropriate design criteria.
- 512.260** The operator is not requesting a variance from the approximate original contours (AOC).

513. Compliance With MSHA Regulations and MSHA Approvals.

- 513.100** Neither Coal processing waste dams or embankments are anticipated during the term of this permit. Therefore, this section is not applicable.
- 513.200** Planned impoundments and sedimentation ponds do not meet the size or other qualifying criteria of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216(a). Therefore, this section is not applicable.
- 513.300** Underground development waste transported to the surface, coal processing waste and excess spoil will not be disposed of underground. However, material such as overcast material, rock falls, and slope material, not transported to the surface, may be disposed of underground according to the appropriate MSHA regulations.
- 513.400** Refuse piles meet the requirements of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.214 and 30 CFR 77.215 and all appropriate R645 regulations. (See Appendix 5-7)
- 513.500** Shafts, drifts, adits, tunnels, exploratory holes, entryways or

other opening to the surface from the underground will be capped, sealed, backfilled or otherwise properly managed consistent with MSHA, 30 CFR 75.1711.

- 513.600** Surface water discharges into the underground mine workings is not anticipated or planned, Therefore, this section is not applicable.
- 513.700** Surface mining within 500 feet to an active underground mine is not planned nor anticipated. Therefore, this section does not apply.
- 513.800** Coal mine waste fires plans will be submitted to MSHA and the Division for their approval prior to extinguishing any coal mine waste fires. (See Appendix 5-3)

514. Inspections

All engineering inspections, except the quarterly inspections of impoundments not subject to MSHA, will be conducted by a qualified registered professional engineer or other qualified professional specialist under the direction of the professional engineer.

- 514.100** Lila Canyon is an underground operation and it is not anticipated that any spoil will be produced. Therefore, this section does not apply.
- 514.200** Refuse Piles. A professional engineer or specialist experienced in the construction of similar earth and waste structures will inspect the refuse pile during construction.
- 514.210** Regular inspections by the engineer or specialist will also be conducted during placement and compaction of coal mine waste materials. If it has been determined that a danger of harm exists to the public health and safety or the environment, more frequent inspections will be conducted. Inspections will continue until the refuse pile has been finally graded and revegetated or until a later time as required by the Division.
- 514.220** The refuse pile inspections will be performed at least quarterly throughout construction and during the

following construction periods:

- 514.221** In addition to quarterly inspections, an inspection will be performed during foundation preparation which includes the removal of all organic material and topsoil;
- 514.222** Since no under-drain or protective filter systems are planned, this section is not applicable.
- 514.223** In addition to quarterly inspections, an inspection will be performed during the installation of the final surface drainage systems.
- 514.224** In addition to quarterly inspections, an inspection will be performed after the final grading and the facility has been revegetated.
- 514.230** The division will be provided a certified report prepared by, or under the supervision of, the qualified registered professional engineer after each inspection. The report will certify that the refuse pile has been constructed and maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan and R645 Rules. This report will include statements stating the appearances of instability, structural weakness, and other hazardous conditions if found. (See Appendix 5-1)
- 514.240** Since protective filters and under-drain are not required in the current design criteria this section is not applicable.
- 514.250** Required refuse pile reports will be retained at or near the mine site in an area convenient to the resident agent and the qualified registered professional engineer. Appendix 5-1 is an example of the refuse pile inspection form.
- 514.300** Impoundments

- 514.310** A professional engineer or specialist experienced in the construction of impoundments will inspect impoundments.
- 514.311** During construction inspections will be made on a regular basis and upon completion of the pond the inspections will be performed at least yearly. Inspections will continue yearly until the pond is removed or the performance bond is released.
- 514.312** After each inspection the qualified registered professional engineer will promptly provide to the Division, a certified report. This report will state that the impoundment has or has not been constructed and maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan and the R645 Rules. The report will include a discussion of any appearances of instability, structural weakness or other hazardous conditions. All so included in the report will be the depth and elevation of any impounded waters, existing storage capacity, any existing or required monitoring procedures and instrumentation and any other aspects of the structure affecting stability.
- 514.313** Required impoundment inspection reports will be retained at or near the mine site in an area convenient to the resident agent and the qualified registered professional engineer. Appendix 5-2 is an example of the impoundment inspection form.
- 514.320** Since the pond contained in the Lila Canyon Project is less than 20 feet high and stores less than 20 acre-feet of water it is not subject to MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216. Therefore, this section does not apply.

515. Reporting and Emergency Procedures.

- 515.100** If a slide occurs, the operator will telephone DOGM to notify them of the situation and recommend remedial measures to be

taken to alleviate the problem. Additional remedial measures required by DOGM will be implemented.

515.200 During impoundment inspections any potential hazards noted will be reported to DOGM along with measures to be implemented to eliminate the hazard.

515.300 In the case of temporary cessation of operations the following will apply:

515.310 All provisions of the approved permit will be complied with during temporary cessation or abandonment.

515.311 In case of temporary cessation the operator will support and maintain all surface access openings to underground operations, and secure surface facilities in areas in which there are no current operations, but operations are to be resumed under an approved permit.

515.312 Since Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation this section does not apply.

515.320 Prior to a temporary cessation of coal mining and reclamation operations which is expected to last longer than 30 days, or when a temporary cessation is extended longer than 30 days, the operator will submit to the Division a notice of intention to cease or abandon operations. The following will be included in the notice of temporary cessation.

515.321 The temporary cessation notice will contain the exact number of surface acres and the horizontal and vertical extent of subsurface strata included in the permit area. In addition a description of the reclamation activities accomplished and activities such as backfilling regrading, revegetation, environmental monitoring, underground opening closures and water treatment activities that will continue during the temporary cessation.

515.322 Since the Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation this section does not apply.

516. Prevention of Slides: Since the Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation this section does not apply.

520. Operation Plan.

At first glance it would appear to a non-mining person that the best access to UEI's leases would be from the existing (sealed) Horse Canyon portals using the current Horse Canyon surface disturbance. However, the existing Horse Canyon site is not suitable for a large longwall operation. The old Horse Canyon Mine was not designed to produce 4.5 million tons as will be Lila. Some strategic pillars in the old mains were extracted upon retreat preventing any future access. The number of entries in the old works are not adequate for ventilation purposes. Portions of the old mine are flooded preventing reentry. The distance from the old portals to the current leases would result in unacceptable travel times for crews and supplies. Rehabilitating and maintaining an old mine is extremely hazardous and expensive. As a result of the conditions described above it has been determined that new portals at the Lila Canyon site is the most logical and only feasible access to the permittee's coal leases.

**Mine Facilities List
Lila Canyon Mine**

A list of new structures and facilities follows:

Buildings

- 1) Office/Bathhouse
- 2) Shop Warehouse
- 3) Security Shack

Utilities

- 4) Mine Substation
- 5) Under Ground Power Lines
- 6) Water Treatment Plant
- 7) Potable Water Tank

- 8) Process Water tank
- 9) Sewer Tank
- 10) Drain Field

Mine Facilities

- 11) Ventilation Fan
- 12) 60-inch Conveyor from tunnels to Coal Stockpile
- 13) (ROM) Underground Belt from Stockpile to Crusher
- 14) 48-inch Conveyor from Crusher to Loadout Bin
- 15) 48-inch Conveyor from Loadout Bin to Truck Loadout
- 16) Reclaim Tunnel, Escape Tunnel, Fan and Fan House
- 17) ROM Storage Pile, Coal Stacking Tube
- 18) Crusher Screen Plant
- 19) Truck Scale and Loadout
- 20) Coal Loadout Storage Bin
- 21) Guardrails
- 22) Underground Pipes
- 23) Chain Link Fence

Support Facilities

- 24) Non-Coal Waste Area
- 25) Equipment & Supplies Storage Area
- 26) Topsoil Pile
- 27) Refuse Pile
- 28) Sediment Pond
- 29) Slope Access Road / Portal Access Road
- 30) Rock Slopes
- 31) Mine Facilities Road / Truck Loadout Road
- 32) Office/Bathhouse/Warehouse Asphalt Parking Area
- 33) Mine Parking
- 34) Fuel Tanks
- 35) Powder and Cap Magazines
- 36) Culvert locations are shown on Plate 7-2.
- 37) Coal pile Road (Slope between the coal pile road and the portal access road will be evaluated after road construction and be labeled either disturbed or undisturbed, as appropriate, on an As-Built site map.

A description of new structures and facilities follows:

Office/Bathhouse

The office and bathhouse building is shown on Plate 5-2. This

building will jointly house all support personnel such as accounting, administration, engineering, and safety and will provide a comfortable office environment for all employees. Bathhouse and toilet facilities will be found for all employees at this location. The bathhouse will be provided for a location for underground miners to change from clean street clothes to clothing suitable for underground use. The area will be provided showers for employees for use after their scheduled work shifts so they can clean up prior to returning home. Both the bathhouse and office buildings will be of prefabricated construction and will rest on a concrete pad. The pad dimensions will be approximately 150' by 100' by 12". The facility will be designed to accommodate up to 145 employees working rotating shifts.

Shop Warehouse

The shop warehouse building is shown on plate 5-2. Parts and supplies consumed during the mining process will be stored in the warehouse to be issued as needed. The shop area will be used to perform minor equipment repairs and overhauls. The shop warehouse will be a prefabricated modular type building approximately 100' by 150' and will rest on a 4" concrete pad.

Security Shack

The Security Shack shown on Plate 5-2, when used will provide security to the mine site. The security shack will be used primarily at times when the mine is not in production. Security may be provided to protect the public from hazards associated with a mine site and to protect company property from unauthorized use. The security shack will be approximately 10' by 20' by 8" and will be of prefabricated construction and will rest on a 4" concrete slab.

Mine Substation

The mine substation will be located as shown on Plate 5-2 will provide power to surface and underground areas of the mine property. The substation will comprise of approximately four transformers setting on a concrete pad approximately 20' by 20' by 12" and fully fenced. The total area of the substation is approximately 40' by 40'. Power will be fed into the transformers at 46 KVA and will be transformed down to usage voltages for both the surface and underground facilities. It is anticipated that voltages of 110, 220, 440 will be used on the surface and 12,470 volts will be utilized underground. The mine substation will be constructed in a way to fulfill all appropriate MSHA regulations.

Underground Power Lines

Within the disturbed area it is anticipated all power lines will be underground. Underground lines will be run where feasible. As builds will be provided. Underground Power Lines will be left in place upon reclamation.

Water Treatment Plant

The water treatment plant is located on the north-east side of the surface facility area. The plant will rest on a 15' by 15' slab. Process water will flow through the treatment plant at which time it will be treated and made suitable for potable water uses. The potable water will be stored in the potable water tank until it is used. The location of the water treatment plant can be found on Plate 5-2.

Potable Water Tank

Water treated by the water treatment plant and intended to be used as potable water will be stored in this 15' diameter by 20' high tank. The tank will set on a 15' by 15' concrete pad designed for adequate support of the tank. The location of the potable water tank can be found on Plate 5-2.

Process Water Tank

Process water, water to be used for mine use or to be treated for potable use, will be stored in this tank. The 15' diameter by 20' high process water tank will rest on a 15' by 15' concrete pad. Process water tank will be filled by using mine discharge water or may be hauled in from off site. The location of the process water tank can be found on Plate 5-2.

Sewer Tank

The sewer tank has been designed to facilitate 145 employees working on rotating shifts. The sewer tank will be located under the south end of the office and bathhouse parking area. The location of the sewer tank can be found on Plate 5-2. The design for the Sewer Tank can be found in Appendix 5-4.

Drain Field

The drain field has been designed to facilitate 145 employees working on rotating shifts. The drain field will be located at a lower elevation and

south of the sewer tank. The location of the drain field can be found on Plate 5-2. The design for the drain field can be found in Appendix 5-4.

Ventilation Fan

The ventilation fan will be accessed and installed from underground. The ventilation portal will be driven from underground and broken from inside out. The location of the portal and fan is shown on Plate 5-2. Fan power will be run underground. Fan access for maintenance and monitoring will be from the underground works. The need for surface fan access is not anticipated at this time, access will be from underground.

60-inch Conveyor from tunnels to Coal Stockpile(Main Conveyor)

The Run of Mine underground belt will provide for a means for coal to be conveyed from the working faces to the run of mine coal storage pile on the surface. The belt will provide capacity to convey to the surface, all coal mined in the underground workings. Preliminary design suggests that the conveyor that extends from the bottom of the rock slopes to the stacking tube at the coal storage area, shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8, will have the following specifications: 60" wide, speed approximately 700 fpm with a length of approximately 320 feet long. Since the ground beneath the conveyor will not be disturbed due to the steepness and remoteness of the area, this conveyor will be completely contained within a tube type structure.

(ROM) Underground Belt from Stockpile to Crusher

The Reclaim conveyor will provide for a means for coal to be conveyed from the coal stockpile to the crusher. The belt will provide capacity to convey to the crusher at a rate suitable for crushing. Preliminary design suggests that the reclaim conveyor, shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8, will have the following specifications: 48" wide, speed approximately 500 fpm with a length of approximately 280 feet long. The portions of the conveyor running on the surface will be covered.

48-inch Conveyor from Crusher to Loadout Bin

The Loadout conveyor will provide for a means for coal to be conveyed from the crusher to the loadout bin. The belt will provide capacity

to convey to the loadout at the same rate as the Reclaim conveyor. Preliminary design suggests that the Loadout conveyor, shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8, will have the following specifications: 48" wide, speed approximately 500 fpm with a length of approximately 210 feet long. The portions of the conveyor running on the surface will be covered.

48-inch Conveyor from Loadout Bin to Truck Loadout

The Truck conveyor will provide for a means for coal to be conveyed from the loadout bin to the trucks being loaded. The belt will provide capacity to convey to the trucks at a rate suitable for truck loading. Preliminary design suggests that the truck conveyor, shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8, will have the following specifications: 48" wide, speed will vary with a length of approximately 50 feet long. The portions of the conveyor running on the surface will be covered.

Reclaim Tunnel, Escape Tunnel, Fans

Design for the escape and reclaim tunnels is not complete. Standard practice is to construct the tunnels from either concrete or corrugated metal. The reclaim tunnel is approximately 275' long with a 14' diameter. The escape tunnel will be approximately 100' long with a diameter of 4'. Appropriate safety and environmental concerns will be addressed upon detailed design. The preliminary layout is shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8.

ROM Storage Pile

The run of mine storage pile receives coal directly from the underground works and provides storage for the coal until it is crushed and loaded into trucks for transportation to a unit train loadout. The coal from the underground run of mine belt will be dropped into a stacking tube located in the center of the run of mine storage pile. This tube will help reduce any fugitive dust. The stacking tube will be approximately 80' high and will allow for approximately 27,000 tons of open storage in the run of mine storage pile. The run of mine storage pile is shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8.

Crusher

The enclosed crusher will crush coal from the 8" minus down to a 2"

minus size, at the rate of approximately 500 tons per hour. No screening is anticipated at this time. The crushed coal will leave the crusher and be stored temporarily in a 500 ton storage bin located at the truck loadout. The crusher location is shown in Plates 5-2 and 5-8.

Truck Scale and Loadout

Coal will be reclaimed from the coal storage bin, weighed and then loaded into coal haul trucks for transportation to the various unit train loadouts. A small loadout shack will be constructed to provide cover and protection for the various equipment and controls need for the coal loading process. The truck scale and loadout are shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8.

Coal Storage Bin

The coal storage bin is part of the truck loadout and is shown of Plate 5-2. The coal storage bin is where crushed coal is stored waiting to be loaded into coal haul trucks. The bin provides for surge capacity and allows for better control of crushing time. The coal storage bin provides for a enclosed dry location for temporary crushed coal storage. Coal is delivered from the crusher to the coal storage bin by use of a 48" covered surface conveyor running at a speed of approximately 500 FPM. The preliminary layout is shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8.

Coal Stacking Tube.

The final design for the coal stacking tube is not yet complete. Preliminary design indicates that the stacking tube will be approximately 15' Diameter and approximately 80 feet high. Standard practice is to construct the tube of either concrete or steel. The preliminary layout is shown on Plates 5-2 and 5-8.

Culverts

A complete list and design for the culverts can be found in Appendix 7-4 Tables 9 and 10, and are shown on Plate 7-2. A summary of the culverts follows:

<u>Culvert</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Width</u>
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DC-5	40'	18"
DC-6	60'	24"
DC-7	40'	24"
DC-8	40'	18"
DC-9	40'	18"
UC-1	530'	60"

Guard Rails

Approximately 1,520 feet of Guard rails will be installed on the mine access road according to the detailed engineering plan being prepared. Appropriate MSHA and UDOT requirements will be taken into consideration.

Underground Pipes

Locations of the underground pipes have yet to be determined. Once detailed engineering design is completed the underground pipes will be added to Plate 5-2 or other appropriate Plates. Under ground pipes will be left in place upon reclamation.

Chain Link Fence

Approximately 1,500' of a six foot high chain link fence will be constructed as shown on Plate 5-2. The fence will be constructed to protect the public, and provide security along the section of county road that runs adjacent to the property.

Non-Coal Waste Area

An area for non-coal waste has been identified on Plate 5-2. Non-coal waste such as papers, timbers, cans, and miscellaneous scrap that is brought to the surface will be disposed of in a metal bin or "dumpster" located in the non-coal waste area identified on Plate 5-2. Metal will be separated from other forms of trash for salvage. Material not salvageable will be transported to the East Carbon Development Corporation (ECDC) dump or other approved disposal site for permanent disposal. Once a dumpster has reached capacity, the full dumpster will be replaced with an empty dumpster, and then the full dumpster will be hauled by a contract hauler to the specified disposal site.

Equipment & Supplies Storage Area

The equipment and supply storage area is approximately 350' by 400'. This storage area will be used to store mine supplies and equipment from the time of delivery until they are needed underground. Supplies such as timbers, bolts, plates, rock-dust, pipes, resin, screens, concrete blocks, steel, cables, and numerous other materials may be stored in this area. Equipment both new and used will be stored in this area. Many various longwall pieces such as shields, pan-lines, shears, chains, head and or tail drives, transformers, belt drives, pumps and numerous other material will be stored in this storage area. This secure area provides for a good storage area for diesel, gasoline, hydraulic, and roadway chemicals. All oil tanks will have appropriately designed berms or retaining walls. The equipment and supplies storage area is shown on Plate 5-2. Any explosives will be stored here according to appropriate MSHA regulations. Rock dust bins will be located in this area.

Topsoil Pile

The topsoil pile has been located on the south west end of the surface facilities. The pile has been designed to contain adequate topsoil for redistribution according to the reclamation plan found in Chapter 5. The proposed location provides for good protection from wind contamination as well as protection from mine related activities. The location of the topsoil pile is shown on Plate 5-2.

Refuse Pile

The refuse pile has been designed to provide a location for the storage of underground development waste that is brought to the surface and for any excess slope rock which will be generated and not used as fill. The capacity of the pile is designed for approximately 44,400 yd³ which is in excess of projected needs. The refuse pile design is shown in Appendix 5-7 and shown on Plate 5-2. The areas for the rock slope material and for underground development waste are adjacent and adjoining and will be treated as one area or structure.

Sediment Pond

The sediment pond has been design to provide for adequate sediment

protection for the project area. All water running off the disturbed area will be routed into the sediment pond for treatment. The sediment pond has been designed according to the appropriate R645 regulations and the designs can be found in Appendix 7-4 and Plate 7-6. Because the sediment pond does not fit into the requirement of 30 CFR 77.216(a) an MSHA number for the proposed pond is not required. The sediment pond is located on the south-west end of the property and shown on Plate 5-2.

Slope Access / Portal Access Road

The slope access road splits off the facility access road near the north-east corner of the equipment and supply storage area, and follows an alignment that takes into consideration grade and direct access. The slope access road will be used to provide access to the rock slopes which in-turn provided access to the underground workings. The slope access road will be used as access for all men, material and equipment need in the mine. Since the slope access road provides for frequent access for men, equipment and materials for a period of six months or longer the slope access road is classified as a primary road. The slope access road will be designed, constructed, and maintained according to appropriate R645 regulations. The slope access road is shown on Plate 5-2.

Rock Slopes

Access to the underground workings of the Lila Canyon Mine will be provide by two rock slopes driven from the top of the Mancos shale up-dip to the intersection of the coal seam. One portal will provide for access for men, equipment and material to the mine. The second access slope will contain the run of mine belt line from the underground workings of the mine to the run of mine stock pile. There is a possibility that only one larger slope will be driven and then divided. to provide for two separate entries. The two 1,227 foot long slopes will slope up at approximately 12%, from a starting elevation of approximately 6150'. The intersection of the coal seam and the rock slope will take place at approximately 6,300 feet elevation. The length of the slopes were minimized by taking advantage of the coal seam dip which is approximately 12% to the east. The rock material removed from the slopes will be used as fill material for the surface facilities. The rock slope material / underground development waste will contain mostly shale, sandstone and mudstone. Traces of coal may be found but the amount will be insignificant. There are no known coal seams or significant rider seams found below the Sunnyside Seam in the Lila Canyon Portal Area. The rock slope locations are shown on Plate 5-2.

Mine Facilities Road / Truck Loadout Road

The mine facility road shown on Plate 5-2 begins at the edge of County Road 164 and allows for access to the various surface facilities. The road has been located in the most practical location taking into consideration grade, stability, and alignment. Employees will use this road to access the office & bathhouse facilities. Coal haul trucks will use this road to access the scales and truck loadout. All supplies will be hauled on a short portion of this road from the supply storage area to the slope access road. The road will be paved during construction of the facilities and before coal mining operations begin in order to minimize dust and provide good surface for heavy truck traffic as well as facility access. The facility access road will be approximately 24' wide to provide for two lane traffic and will have the appropriate drainage controls to insure long term life and low maintenance. The road has been constructed and will be maintained according to the appropriate R645-534 and R645-527 regulations.

Office/Bathhouse/Warehouse Parking Area

Parking will be as shown on Plate 5-2. Parking facilities for office, mine, and warehouse employees will be provided jointly as shown. This area will also provide parking for all vendors, and visitors. The surface of the 150' by 475' area will initially be graded and graveled but may eventually be paved. The parking area is located and designed to allow for convenient and safe parking of personal vehicles. The sewer tank and drain field will be located on the south end of this parking area.

Mine Parking

A mine parking area will be provided as shown on Plate 5-2. The mine parking area is where all mine and mine related mobile equipment will be parked when on the surface. This is the location where the underground work crews will be loaded into man trips for transportation to the various work areas. The mine parking area will initially be graded and graveled but eventually may be paved. The mine parking area will be approximately 100' by 200'.

Fuel Tanks

Fuel tanks will be located in the Equipment & Supplies Storage Area and be installed as discussed under Equipment & Supplies Storage Area. A

1,500 gallon diesel tank, 500 gallon hydraulic tank and a 500 gallon gasoline tank will be needed.

Powder and Cap Magazines

Powder and cap magazines will be mobile temporary, and supplied by the explosive distributor. Upon reclamation the powder and cap magazines will be returned to the distributor.

As per the approved Air Quality Order haul roads will be paved and unpaved roads and pad areas used by mobile equipment will be treated with water or dust suppressant, open stockpiles will be watered as conditions warrant.

521. Included in this section are maps, cross sections, narratives, descriptions and calculations used to satisfy the relevant requirements. This section describes and identifies the lands subject to coal mining and reclamation operations covering the estimated life of the project.

521.100 This application includes the cross sections, maps and plans needed to present the relevant information required by the Division. This information includes the following:

521.110. Plate 5-1 Shows area previously mined and approximate dates of mining.

521.111 Plate 5-1 of part 'B' and 2-2 of part "A" shows the location and extent of known workings of inactive, or abandoned underground mines. The surface portals or mine openings to the surface are shown. Plates 5-1 and 2-2 of part "A" have been prepared and certified by or under the direction of a registered professional engineer.

Doelling lists several coal mines and mining activity in within or adjacent to the permit area. Doelling lists the Calkins prospect, the Lila Canyon prospect, and the Prentiss prospect. In addition Doelling lists several coal mines Prentiss, Utah Blue Diamond, Blue Diamond and Heiner Mines. The research has shown that the

Prentiss, Utah Blue Diamond, Blue Diamond and Heiner Mines were engulfed by the Book Cliffs mine. The Lila Canyon prospect refers to the old Lila Canyon mine fan portals used to ventilate the Geneva (Horse Canyon mine). The Calkins prospect is believed to have been engulfed by the Geneva mine.

An outcrop fire has been detected in an area north of the exiting permit area "A". The fire is off the permit area and located in an area that has been sealed from the old horse canyon works. The outcrop fire is not anticipated to cause any problems with mining at the Lila Canyon Mine.

521.112 No surface mined areas are found within the permit area. Therefore, this section does not apply.

521.120 Three existing structures, a 48" and a 60" CMP culvert located near the new proposed sediment pond, and the Little Park Road can be found at the Lila Canyon Mine. The existing culverts are shown on plate 5-1A and the road on Plate 5-1. Existing Horse Canyon facilities are discussed in part "A" of this plan.

521.121 There are no buildings within 1000 feet of the proposed permit area for the Lila Canyon Mine, Part "B".

521.122 There are no subsurface man-made features, other than the culverts discussed in 521.200, within, passing through, or passing over the proposed permit area for Part "B".

521.123 Plate 4-1, as well as others, shows the existing county road 126 which is located partly within 100 feet of the proposed permit area. In Addition, the Little Park road is located above the surface facilities within the permit area. The Little Park road is also shown on plate 4-1

521.124 There are no known existing areas of spoil,

waste, coal development waste, or non-coal waste disposal, dams, embankments, other impoundments, and water treatment and air pollution control facilities within part "B" of the proposed permit area. This section is not Applicable.

521.125 There are no existing sedimentation ponds, permanent water impoundment, coal processing waste banks or coal processing waste dams near or within the permit area.

521.130 Landowner and right of entry maps are included in the permit application. These maps and cross sections show the following:

521.131 Plate 4-1 shows the surface ownership and Plate 5-4 shows the coal ownership of land included in or contiguous to the permit area.

521.132 The applicant has the legal right to enter and begin coal mining and reclamation operations on all areas shown within the permit area. The permit area is shown on Plates 5-3 and 5-4 as well as others.

521.133 Coal mining or reclamation operations are planned within 100 feet of a public road. There are no plans to relocate public roads.

521.133.1 Emery County has given permission to conduct coal mining or reclamation operations within 100 feet of the county road. (See Appendix 1-4)

521.133.2 The current permit does not propose any relocation of public roads. Therefore, this section is not applicable.

521.140 Mine maps and permit area maps and or cross-sections will clearly indicate the following:

521.141 Plate 5-1 shows the permit boundary and Plate 5-

2 shows the disturbed area boundary. Additional subareas requiring additional permits are addressed in Section 112.800.

521.142 The underground workings are shown on Plate 5-5.

521.143 The proposed disposal site for placing the slope rock is shown on Plate 5-2 as well as other appropriate plates.

521.150 Plates 6-2, 6-3, and 6-4, show surface contours that represent the existing land surface configuration of the proposed permit area.

521.151 The Plates show the surface contours for all areas to be disturbed as well as over the total permit area. The Plates showing the surface contours has been prepared by or under the supervision of a registered engineer.

521.152 No previously mined areas are included within Part "B". Therefore this section does not apply.

521.160 The maps, plates, and cross sections associated with this chapter clearly show:

521.161 Proposed buildings, utility corridors, and facilities are shown on Plate 5-2 as well as others.

521.162 Area of land affected according to the sequence of mining and reclamation is shown on the appropriate plates.

521.163 Land for which a performance bond will be posted is shown on the appropriate plate. Plate 5-2 as well as others show the area for which the performance bond will be posted. All disturbed areas within the permit boundary has been bonded.

521.164 Coal storage and loading areas are shown on Plate 5-2 and certified as required. Additional

information can be found in Appendix 5-4.

- 521.165** Topsoil, and waste piles are shown on Plate 5-2 as well as others.
- 521.166** The waste disposal areas are shown for non-coal waste and underground mine waste on Plate 5-2.
- 521.167** No explosives are expected to be stored on site. However, if explosives are stored they will be stored as discussed in Section 520. on Plate 5-2.
- 521.168** Since Lila Canyon mine is an underground operation this paragraph is not applicable.
- 521.169** The refuse pile is shown on Plate 5-2 and discussed in Appendix 5-7.
- 521.170** Transportation facility maps describing roads, and conveyor maintained within the permit is shown with descriptions of roads, embankments, culverts, and drainage structures are presented in section 520 and are shown on Plates 5-2, and 7-2.
- 521.180** Support facilities are described in section 520 and are shown on Plate 5-2. Plate 5-2 is the official disturbed area boundary map.
- 521.190** Other relevant information required by the Division will be addressed.
- 521.200** Signs and markers will:

 - 521.210** Signs and markers will be posted maintained, and removed by the person who conducts the coal mining and reclamation operations.
 - 521.220** Signs and markers will be of uniform design that can be easily seen and read and be made of durable material and conform to local laws and regulations.
 - 521.230** Signs and marker will be maintained during all activities to which they pertain.

521.240 Mine and Permit Identification Signs.

- 521.241** Mine and permit identification signs will be displayed at each point of access from public roads to areas of surface operations and facilities on permit areas.
- 521.242** Since Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation, this section is not applicable.
- 521.243** Mine and permit identification signs where required, will show the name, business address, and telephone number of the permittee and the identification number of the permanent program permit authorizing coal mining and reclamation operations.
- 521.244** Mine and permit identification signs will be retained and maintained until after the release of all bonds for the permit area.

521.250 Perimeter Markers

- 521.251** The perimeter of all areas affected by surface operations or facilities before beginning mining activities will be clearly marked with perimeter markers.
- 521.252** Since Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation this section is not applicable.

521.260 Buffer Zone Markers

- 521.261** Signs will be erected to mark buffer zones as required and will be clearly marked to prevent disturbance by surface operations and facilities.
- 521.262** Since Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation this section is not applicable.

- 521.270** Topsoil Markers. Markers will be erected to mark where topsoil or other vegetation-supporting material is physically segregated and stockpiled.

522. Coal Recovery

Additional Details can be found in the R2P2 on file at the BLM Office.

Effective barrier and pillar designs are essential for safe and productive underground mining. Barrier pillars will be sized according to accepted engineering practices. One or more of the following methods may be used to properly size barrier pillars: Dunn's Rule, the Old English Barrier Pillar Law, Pennsylvania Mine Inspector's Formula, Ash and Eaton Impoundment Formula, Pressure Arch Method, British Coal Rule of Thumb, North American Method, Holland Rule of Thumb, or Holland Convergent Method.

Regardless of the methods or care taken to properly size barrier pillars the true effectiveness on any design can only be determined by conducting full-scale in-mine performance evaluations. Mine experience and history in the local area will have as much influence on pillar sizes as does the engineering formulas.

Barrier pillars will be utilized to isolate the abandoned Horse Canyon Mine from the new Lila Canyon Mine. Barrier pillars will also be used to simplify ventilation, to provide independent escape routes and to possibly retain large quantities of mine water. Barrier pillars will be employed along the outcrop in order to maintain ventilation courses.

A barrier pillar where no second mining will be allowed within the barrier will be used to protect the escarpments. The width of the escarpment barrier will be determined by implementing a 21.5° angle of draw project downward from the surface to the coal seam. Development mining or first mining will be allowed within the escarpment barrier.

For longwall mining applications the abutment loading is of prime importance. Initial longwall pillars will be designed using the ALPS method. Again mine experience and history in the local area will have as much influence on pillar sizes as does the engineering formulas.

Mine pillars will be sized taking into consideration the coal strength, depth of cover, width and height of pillars using one or more of the following methodologies: Obert-Duvall, Holand-Graddy, Holland, Salamon-Munro, or

Bieniawski. Again mine experience and history in the local area will have as much influence on pillar sizes as does the engineering formulas.

523. Mining Methods:

Mining will begin in Section 15, T16S, R14E, in the Sunnyside seam. Development of the Sunnyside seam will be in a down dip direction toward the east. The seam will be accessed by two 1,200 foot slopes driven up at 12% from the base of the cliffs.

Production during the first year is estimated to be 200,000 tons, the second through the fifth year production should be between 1,000,000 and 1,500,000 using continuous mining methods. If and when tonnage demand increases to justify longwall mining, production could peak as high as 4,500,000 tons a year and continue at that level for the life of the mine.

Mine production will begin with the slope construction. Once the coal is encountered development will continue using continuous miners and various haulage types. Battery, cable, or continuous haulage may be used in conjunction with continuous miners in development. Continuous miners will account for all the production during the first two to five years. Mining will consist of driving mains, developing room and pillar panels and gate entries for future longwall mining.

The majority of the second mining will be performed using longwall equipment. However, in isolated areas room and pillar type of mining may be used in areas not suitable for longwall mining. Longwall panels are sited approximately parallel lengthwise to the strike with a slight up dip orientation to provide drainage for the development faces. This practice will be applied to the continuous miner panels wherever possible. (See plate 5-5)

Roof control and ventilation plans will be submitted to MSHA and approved prior to any underground mining activities.

An air quality permit from the State Division of Air Quality has been obtained and will be modified as needed.

Ventilation of the mine will be by an exhaust type system. It has been estimated that 900,000 cfm will be required at full production. Intake air will be supplied by slopes and entries from the surface.

A water supply system will be installed. Potable water from an approved

source will be hauled by truck and stored in a mine site storage tank located near the man and coal slope portals. Alternative sources for potable water are being considered. A treatment plant may be indicated. Process water will be hauled from the Price River or other approved source by truck and stored in another mine site storage tank. It is anticipated that once the old two entry development panel is encountered that adequate process water may be obtained from the old works. This process water will provide for dust control, water to the mine and fire suppression. Mine water will be used with the process water.

Dust suppression will be accomplished by the use of sprays on all underground equipment as required. Sprays will also be used along sections of the conveyors and at transfer points.

No major de-watering concerns are anticipated at this property. The workings are expected to produce some water with more water being produced as the depth of mining increases. Part of this water will be used for dust suppression. The remainder will be collected in sumps and pumped to mined out sections of the mine or to the surface and treated when necessary.

Underground mining equipment to be used at Lila Canyon is typical of most room-and-pillar and longwall mine. A list of major equipment which may be used underground is listed below additional equipment not on the list may be used as needed.

- Continuous Miners
- Roof Bolters
- Battery Shuttle Cars
- Electric Shuttle Cars
- Diesel Ram Cars
- Feeder Breakers
- Continuous Haulage Units
- Battery Scoops
- Diesel Scoops
- Diesel Service Vehicles
- Diesel Material Haulers
- Diesel
- Belts and Terminal Groups
- Battery and Diesel Man Trips
- Longwall Shields
- Longwall Pan-lines
- Longwall Shears
- Longwall Stage-loaders

Longwall Pumps
Various Water Pumps
Various Transformers and Switches
Rock Drills
Loaders

523.100 No Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Activities are proposed to be conducted within the permit area within 500 feet of an underground mine, therefore this section is not applicable.

523.200 No Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Activities are proposed with 500 feet of an underground mine, therefore this section is not applicable.

523.210 No Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Activities are proposed to be conducted within the permit area within 500 feet of an underground mine, therefore this section is not applicable.

523.220 No Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Activities are proposed to be conducted within the permit area within 500 feet of an underground mine, therefore this section is not applicable.

524. Blasting and Explosives: Surface blasting activities incident to underground coal mining is planned for the Lila Canyon mine during construction of the access slopes only.

524.100 Steps have been taken to achieve compliance with the blaster certification program and is described in this permit application.

524.110 Surface blasting involving 5 lbs of explosives or more will be conducted under the direction of a certified blaster.

524.120 Blasting certificates will be carried by the blasters or will be on file at the permit area during blasting operations.

524.130 The blaster and at least one other person will be present

at the firing of a blast.

- 524.140** Persons responsible for blasting operations at a blasting site will be familiar with the blasting plan, if required, and site-specific performance standards and give on-the-job training to persons who are not certified and who are assigned to the blasting crew or assist in the use of explosives.
- 524.200** Since the planned blasting does not meet the requirements of 524.211 or 524.212 a blast design is not included in the permit application. If in the future blasting falls under section 524.200 then a plan will be submitted to Division for approval.
- 524.210** Since the planned blasting does not meet the requirements of 524.211 or 524.212 anticipated blast designs are not required.
- 524.300** Since planned blasting requires more than 5 lbs of explosives the preblasting survey is addressed where applicable in this permit application.
- 524.310** There are no dwellings or other structures located within one-half mile of the permit area owned by anyone but the operator. The operator will prepare the preblast survey if required. Notification procedures implied in this section are not applicable.
- 524.320** Since the operator is the only owner of structures and no dwelling exist within one-half mile of any part of the permit area this section is not applicable.
- 524.330** Because the operator is the only owner of structures or dwellings within one-half mile of any part of the permit area, this section is not applicable.
- 524.340** Because the operator is the only owner of structures or dwellings within one-half mile of any part of the permit area, this section is not applicable.
- 524.350** Because the operator is the only owner of structures or dwellings within one-half mile of any part of the permit

area, this section is not applicable.

524.400 The blast schedule is as follows:

524.410 Since there are no residents within one-half mile of the projected blasting site this section does not apply.

524.420 All surface blasting will be conducted between sunrise and sunset unless nighttime blasting is approved by the Division.

524.430 Since there are no residents within one-half mile of the projected blasting site this section does not apply.

524.440 Since there are no residents within one-half mile of the projected blasting site a flexible blasting schedule is allowable. Surface blasting may take place anytime during daylight hours, unless approved differently by the Division.

524.450 Because of the remote location of the Lila Canyon Mine, over six miles from the nearest locality (Columbia), this section does not apply.

524.460 Since the town of Columbia is the nearest locality, and is over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.

524.500 The blasting signs, warnings and access control is described below.

524.510 Blasting signs will meet the specifications of R645-301-521.200. The following will apply.

524.511 Signs reading "Blasting Area" will be conspicuously placed at the point where any road provides access to the blasting area.

524.512 The signs posted at all entrances to the permit area from public roads, or highways will be placed in a conspicuous location and will state "Warning! Explosives in Use" and will clearly list

and describe the meaning of the audible blast warning and all clear signals that are in use.

524.520 Audible warning and all-clear signals of different character or pattern will be given. Each person within the permit area will be trained in the meaning of the signals.

524.530 Access within the blasting area will be controlled until an authorized until the operator has reasonably determined the following:

524.531 No unusual hazards, such as imminent slides or undetonated charges, exist; and

524.532 Access to and travel within the blasting area can be safely resumed.

524.600 Adverse blasting effects are described as follows:

524.610 Blasting will be conducted to prevent injury to persons, damage to public or private property outside the permit area, adverse impacts on any underground mine, and change in the course, channel, or availability of surface or ground water outside the permit area.

524.620 Airblast Limits

524.621 Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.

524.622 Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.

524.630 Monitoring: Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.

- 524.640** Ground Vibration: Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance form the permit area, this section does not apply.
- 524.650** Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.
- 524.660** Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.
- 524.670** Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.
- 524.680** Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.
- 524.690** Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, sections 524.620 through 524.632 and 524.640 through 524.680 do not apply.
- 524.700** Records of blasting operations will be maintained at the mine site for at least three years and will be available for inspection by the Division or the public. Blasting records will contain the following information.

 - 524.710** Blasting records will include.
 - 524.711** The name of the operator will be on the blasting record.
 - 524.712** The location, date, and time of the blast will be recorded on the blasting record.

- 524.713** The name, signature, and certification number of the blaster will be recorded on the blasting record.
- 524.720** Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area, this section does not apply.
- 524.730** Weather conditions will be recorded on the blasting record.
- 524.740** A record of the blast will include the following:

 - 524.741** The type of material blasted will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.742** Sketches of the blast pattern including number of holes, spacing, burden, decks, and delay pattern will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.743** The diameter and depth of holes will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.744** The type of explosives used will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.745** The total weight of the explosives used per hole will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.746** The maximum weight of explosives detonated in an eight-millisecond period will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.747** Information on the initiation system will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.748** The type and length of the stemming will be recorded on the blasting record.
 - 524.749** Mats or other protections used will be recorded on the blasting record.

524.750 Since all structures are either owned by the permittee and not leased to another person or are located over six miles distance from the permit area a record of seismographic and airblast information is not required.

524.760 Since a blasting schedule is not required this section does not apply.

524.800 The operator will comply with the various appropriate State and Federal laws and regulations in the use of explosives.

525. Subsidence: The permittee will comply with the appropriate R645-301-525 requirements.

525.100 Subsidence Control Plan

525.110 Plate 5-3 shows the location of State appropriated water and 5-3 (Confidential) shows the eagle nests that potentially could be diminished or interrupted by subsidence.

525.120 No major impacts of subsidence to the surface caused by the underground mining methods proposed during the permit term are anticipated.

The coal seam is approximately 12.5 feet thick with only about 10.5 feet being extracted, and the depth of cover ranges from 0' to approximately 2,300'. The rocks overlaying the coal seam are sandstones and mudstones with some thin bands of coal. Due to the strength of the overburden, and depth of workings, even with full seam extraction, only minimal subsidence if any is anticipated.

Some surface expressions of tension cracks, fissures, or sink holes may be experienced but should be insignificant. The chances of subsidence related damage to any perceived renewable resource is minimal.

All dirt roads above the mine are in areas in excess of 1,000 feet of cover or in areas where mining will not take

place. The chance of subsidence negatively effecting these dirt roads is minimal. However, in the unlikely event that cracks, fissures or sink holes are observed as a result of subsidence the road will remain accessible by regraded, filling in the cracks, fissures or sinkholes.

The unnamed ephemeral channel in the southwest corner of the permit area is located in an area where no mining is planned or over the top of a bleeder system that will not be second mined. The chance of subsidence negatively effecting this ephemeral channel is minimal. However, in the unlikely event that cracks, fissures or sink holes are observed as a result of subsidence the channel will be regraded, filling in the cracks, fissures or sinkholes by hand methods due to its inaccessibility.

A small portion of Little Park Wash, which is ephemeral, has less than 1,000 feet of cover in the southwest corner of the permit area. The portion with less than 1,000 feet of cover runs diagonally across one longwall panel and then parallel to the bleeder system in the second longwall panel. In the unlikely event that cracks, fissures or sink holes are observed as a result of subsidence the channel will be regraded, filling in the cracks, fissures or sinkholes. Since this stream channel is accessible and is traversed by 4 wheel drive, access for repairs would not be a problem. If any subsidence repairs cannot be fixed using hand methods, a small pieces of earth moving equipment could be used.

DWR and BLM wildlife Biologist in consultation with the Division, have determined that any loss of snake dens to subsidence would be random and a minor impact to the population of snakes.

525.130

A survey was conducted within the proposed permit area and adjacent area and it was determined that limited renewable resource lands exist within the area surveyed. Limited areas were found which contribute to the long-range productivity of water supply or fiber products. No structures exist with in the permit area in which subsidence if it occurred, could cause material

damage or diminution or reasonably foreseeable use. See plates 5-5 and 5-3 for areas of potential subsidence. Identification and data for the State appropriated water supplies can be found in chapter 7 section 727.

All State Appropriated water rights within the maximum limit of subsidence, that could be effected, is either owned by the Operator or by the BLM. The BLM has been notified of the water rights survey by means of the submittal of the permit application.

According to Mark Page (State Water Rights), there is not a water conversation district associated with Lila Canyon Mine.

525.200. Protected Areas

525.210. Since there are no public buildings or other facilities such as churches, school or hospitals, and since there are no impoundments with a storage capacity of more than 20 acre-feet, this section does not apply.

525.220. Since R645-301-525.210 does not apply this section does not apply.

525.230. Since there are no planned operations under urbanized areas, cities, towns, and communities, or adjacent to industrial or commercial buildings, major impoundments, or perennial streams this section does not apply.

525.240. A detailed plan of the underground workings including maps and descriptions, of significant features of the underground mine, including the size, configuration, and approximate location of pillars and entries, extraction ratios, measure taken to prevent or minimize subsidence and related damage, and areas of full extraction can be found in the R²P² on file with the BLM local and state offices.

525.300. Subsidence control.**525.310.** Measures to prevent or minimize damage.

525.311 No attempt will be made to prevent subsidence in any area except where the escarpment near the outcrop is to be protected and to insure that subsidence remains within the permit area. The use of continuous miners in a pillar section as well as longwall technology provides for planning subsidence in a predictable and controlled manner. Some surface expressions of tension cracks, fissures, or sink holes may be experienced but should be insignificant. The chances of subsidence related damage to any perceived renewable resource is minimal. The value and foreseeable use of the surface lands will not be affected by potential subsidence.

525.312 Since there are no buildings or occupied residential dwellings or structures within the Lila Canyon project area this section does not apply.

525.313 Room-and-pillar mining in addition to longwall methods will be used at the Lila Canyon Mine.

525.400. Since state-appropriated water supplies exists on the surface 525.400 has been addressed.

525.410 Coal will be removed using a combination of continuous miner and long wall methods as described in sections 522 and 523. Sequence and timing for the development of underground workings are also discussed in sections 522 and 523.

525.420 Plate 5-5 shows the underground workings and depicts areas where first mining only will be utilized to protect the escarpment and raptor nests that may exist on the escarpment and to insure that subsidence remains within the permit area. State-appropriated water rights are shown on Plates 5-3, 5-5 as well as Plate 7-1.

525.430 No major impacts of subsidence to the surface caused

by the underground mining methods proposed during the permit term are anticipated.

The coal seam is approximately 12.5 feet thick with only about 10.5 feet being extracted, and the depth of cover ranges from 0' to approximately 2,300'. The rocks overlaying the coal seam are sandstones and mudstones with some thin bands of coal. Due to the strength of the overburden, and depth of workings, even with full seam extraction, only minimal subsidence if any is anticipated.

525.440

Aerial subsidence monitoring will be done annually while the significant subsidence is taking place. The subsidence monitoring will be initiated in an area prior to any 2nd mining being done within that area. Initially a 200 foot grid along with baseline photograph will be established prior to any 2nd mining. Approximately 12-16 control points will be needed to cover the total mining area. Six of these points will be located outside of the subsidence zone. The accuracy of this survey will be plus or minus 6" horizontally and vertically. From this data a map will be created that will show subsided areas. Once a year a follow up aerial will be performed to determine the extent and degree of active subsidence. Subsidence monitoring will continue for a minimum of 5 years after the mining ceases. If at the end of the 5 year period the annual subsidence in any of the 3 prior years measures more than 10 percent of the highest annual subsidence amount, subsidence monitoring will continue until there are 3 consecutive years where the annual subsidence amount is less than 10 percent of the highest annual subsidence amount. If for three years in a row the subsidence is measured to be less than 10% of the highest subsidence year, subsidence will be determined to be complete, and no additional monitoring for that area will be required.

A ground survey will be performed in conjunction with the quarterly water monitoring program. During the normal water monitoring program any cracks observed will be noted and reported to DOGM.

525.450 Subsidence control measures.

- 525.451.** No backstowing or backfilling of voids used as a subsidence control measure is planned at this time. Therefore, this section is not applicable.
- 525.452.** Support pillars as a subsidence control measure is not anticipated at this time. However, an area of partial mining where an unmined coal block will be left for subsidence control is shown on Plate 5-5. First mining indicates an area where a block of coal is roomed leaving pillars for support with no mining of the remaining pillars. Partial mining as shown on Plate 5-5 indicates an area where a block of coal has been isolated without the rooms being developed. Both first mining and partial mining will leave support that can be used to control subsidence. If the partially mined area shown on Plate 5-5 is ever roomed out, the area now defined as partially mined would become an area defined as being first mined.
- 525.453.** An outcrop barrier of coal will be left to protect the escarpments at the outcrop. As per the R2P2 only first mining will be allowed within 200' of the outcrop. Mains, submains, and ventilation portals will be allowed within the outcrop.
- 525.454** No measures will be taken on the surface to prevent material damage or lessening of the value or reasonable foreseeable use of the surface.
- 525.460.** Anticipated effects of planned subsidence may include tension cracks, fissures, or sink holes. Areas of minimal ground lowering may be anticipated. The chances of subsidence related damage to any perceived renewable resource is minimal.
- 525.470.** Since no urbanized areas, cities, towns, public buildings, facilities, churches, schools, or hospitals exist within the permit area this section does not apply.
- 525.480.** There are no plans to change or modify the mining plan

to protect any springs or seeps. Springs with water rights will be monitored for flow and quality as described in Chapter 7 Section 731.211. UEI has committed to provided for mitigation of any lost water rights as per Chapter 7 Section 727.

525.490. Other information specified by the Division as necessary to demonstrate that the operation will be conducted in accordance with R645-301-525.300 will be provided.

525.500. Repair of damage.

525.510. If the effects of subsidence is confirmed, any material damage to the surface lands will be restored to the extent technologically and economically feasible. The land will be restored to a condition capable of maintaining the value and reasonable foreseeable uses which it was capable of supporting before the subsidence.

525.520. Since no structures exists within or adjacent to the permit area which could be damaged by subsidence, should it occur, this section does not apply.

525.530. Since no structures exists within or adjacent to the permit area which could be damaged by subsidence, should it occur, this section does not apply.

526. A narrative explaining the construction, modification, use, maintenance and removal of the mine facilities follows. Additional information can be found in Appendix 5-4 and Chapter 8.

526.100 Mine Structures and Facilities.

526.110 The only existing structures are found in Horse Canyon (Part "A" of this permit) and are the remains of the United States Steel operation. Horse Canyon has received phase II bond release and the remaining structures have been left in place for future use. Only three existing structures, a 60" and a 48" CMP culverts located near the new proposed surface facilities, and the County road on top of Little Park, can be found within the Lila Canyon Permit. The existing culvert is shown on plate 5-1A. The existing road on Little Park can be found on Plate 5-1 as well as most other plates showing the

surface area of the Lila Canyon Permit. Several vehicle ways will be used for water and subsidence monitoring. These ways branch off the Little Park Road and generally follow the ephemeral drainages. The ways are shown on Plate 5-1 as well as most other plates showing the surface area of the Lila Canyon Permit. More detail of the existing Little Park Road can be found in Appendix 5-4.

- 526.111** The location of the existing culverts is shown on Plate 5-1A.
- 526.112** The existing 48" and 60" culverts are assumed to be in poor condition and will be replaced as needed with the construction of the surface facilities.
- 526.113** It is believed that the existing culverts were installed with the road construction around 1940.
- 526.114** Since the existing culvert is going to be removed upon construction of the sediment pond this section does not apply.
- 526.115** Since the existing culvert is going to be removed upon construction of the sediment pond this section does not apply. The County road and the culvert within the disturbed area boundary will be modified or reconstructed by the County.
- 526.115.1.** Since the existing culvert is going to be removed upon construction of the sediment pond this section does not apply. See Appendix 5-4 for existing road details.
- 526.115.2.** Since the existing culvert is going to be removed upon construction of the sediment pond this section does not apply. See Appendix 5-4 for existing road details.
- 526.115.3.** Since the existing culvert is going to be removed upon construction of the sediment pond this section does not apply.

See Appendix 5-4 for existing road details.

526.115.4. Since the existing culvert is going to be removed upon construction of the sediment pond this section does not apply. See Appendix 5-4 for existing road details.

526.116 The only coal mining and reclamation operations that are planned within 100 feet of the County Road are office complex, sediment pond, topsoil pile, and security shack. The permit area adjacent to the county road will be fenced to protect the public from the sediment pond and other mine associated buildings. Other than fencing no additional measures are planned after the construction phase. During construction measures to control traffic on the County Road will be taken to protect the public from construction related hazards.

526.116.1. A cooperative agreement with Emery County as stated in Appendix 1-4 requires a six foot chain link fence to be constructed adjacent to the Lila Canyon Road to provide safety to the general public in the proximity to the mine site and mine related structures and activities.

526.116.2. At the current time there are no plans to relocate any public road.

526.200 Utility Installation and Support Facilities.

526.210 All coal mining and reclamation operations will be conducted in a manner which minimizes damage, destruction, or disruption of services provided by oil, gas, and water wells, oil, gas, and coal-slurry pipelines, railroads, electric and telephone lines, and water and sewage lines which may pass over, under, or through the permit area, unless otherwise approved by the owner

of those facilities and the Division. Since no existing services are found within the projected disturbed area, no negative impact to any service is anticipated.

A BLM and State Lands Utility Right-of-Way has been applied for to contain an access road, rail from the existing main line near highway 10, electric power, phone lines, and gas service. See ROW application in Appendix 1-4). This ROW is not included within the MRP and will not fall under the R645 regulations.

526.220 The new support facilities are described in section 520 and in Appendix 5-4 and shown on plate 5-2 and will be operated in accordance with the mine reclamation plan. Plans and drawings for each support facility to be constructed, used or maintained within the permit area are found in Appendix 5-4, Plates 5-7A, 5-7B, and 5-8.

526.221 The new facilities designs shown in Appendix 5-4 prevents or controls erosion and siltation, water pollution, and damage to public or private property, and:

526.222 The new facilities designs shown in Appendix 5-4 minimizes damage to fish, wildlife, and related environmental values; and minimizes additional contributions of suspended solids to stream flow or runoff outside the permit area to the extent possible by using the best technology currently available.

Islands of undisturbed areas within the permit area will be visually monitored for coal fines deposition. If monitoring reveals coal fine deposition, then water sprays on the area from which the fines are originating will be warranted as per August 27, 1999 Approval Order.

526.300 Water pollution control facilities consist of sedimentation control and properly designed sewage systems.

The sedimentation control is accomplished by containing all disturbed area runoff in a properly sized sedimentation pond. Complete designs are presented in Appendix 7-4 and on Plate 7-6.

The sewage system will consist of a septic tank and drainfield. The system is shown on Plate 5-2. Complete designs are presented in Appendix 5-4.

The drain field design and layout is shown on plate 5-2b and details are shown in Appendix 5-4.

526.400 Since Lila Canyon Mine is an underground operation this section does not apply.

527. Transportation Facilities.

527.100 All new roads within the disturbed area have been classified as primary roads.

527.110 All roads on the disturbed area have been classified as primary roads.

527.120 Since all roads within the disturbed area will be used frequently for access for a period in excess of six months, and or will transport coal, they are classified as primary roads.

527.121 See 527.120 above.

527.122 See 527.120 above.

527.123 Since none of the new roads planned within the disturbed area will be retained for an approved postmining land use this section does not apply.

527.130 Since all roads within the disturbed area have been classified as primary this section does not apply.

527.200 A detailed design and description for each road, and conveyor to be constructed used, and maintained within the proposed permit area is included in Appendix 5-4. The roads are show

on Plate 5-2.

- 527.210** The specifications for each road width, road gradient, road surface, road cut, fills, embankments culverts, drainage ditches and drainage structures are shown on Plate 5-2 and in Appendixes 5-4 and 7-4.
- 527.220** Since no alteration or relocation of natural drainage ways is anticipated this section is not applicable.
- 527.230** Roads shall be maintained in manner that allows them to meet their design standards throughout their use.
- 527.240** If any of the roads on the disturbed area is damaged by a catastrophic event, the road will be repaired as soon as practical after the damage has occurred.
- 527.250** Steep cut slopes or requests for alternative specifications are not anticipated at this time therefore this section does not apply.

528. Handling and Disposal of Coal, Overburden, etc:

A narrative explaining the construction modifications, use, maintenance and removal of coal, overburden, excess spoil and coal mine waste.

- 528.100** Coal will be mined using continuous miners and longwall equipment. The coal will be transported from the face and deposited on the underground mine belts using shuttle cars or continuous haulage equipment. The coal will be transported by a series of conveyor belts from the section to the run of mine stockpile. The coal will be removed from the run of mine stockpile by a reclaim belt to an enclosed crusher. Once crushed the coal will be conveyed to a storage bin from which it will loaded in to coal haul trucks for transportation to a unit train loadout.
- 528.200** Overburden: Lila Canyon is an underground operation and it is not anticipated that any material that overlays the coal seam, consolidated, or unconsolidated, other than topsoil, will be disturbed. Therefore, this section does not apply.
- 528.300** Spoil, coal processing waste, mine development waste, and

noncoal waste removal, handling, storage, transportation, and disposal areas and structures are discussed below.

- 528.310** Excess Spoil: Since Lila Canyon is an underground operation it is not anticipated than any spoil will be generated. Therefore this section does not apply.
- 528.320** Coal Mine Waste: Coal processing waste and underground development waste brought to the surface, will be placed in disposal areas within the permit area which are approved by the Division for this purpose. Rock removed from the access slopes will be placed in the refuse pile area. Portions of this material, not containing coal, will be used as structural fill for the shop/warehouse. The areas for the rock slope material and for underground development waste are adjacent and conjoining and will be treated as one area or structure. The refuse pile is shown on Plate 5-2 and in Appendix 5-7.
- 528.321** Coal processing waste produced from the crusher will not be returned to any abandoned underground workings. Any and all of the coal processing waste from the crusher will be deposited in the refuse pile shown on plate 5-2 and in Appendix 5-7.
- 528.322** Refuse Piles. Each pile will meet the requirements of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.214 and 30 CFR 77.215, meet the design criteria of R645-301-210, R645-301-512.230, R645-301-513.400, R645-301-514.200, R645-301-515.200, R645-301-528.320, R645-301-536 through R645-301-536.200, R645-301-536.500, R645-301-536.900, R645-301-542.730, R645-301-553.250, R645-301-746.100, R645-301-746.200, and any other applicable requirements.
- 528.323** Burning and Burned Waste Utilization.
- 528.323.1.** Coal mine waste fires will be extinguished by the person who conducts coal mining

and reclamation operations, in accordance with a plan approved by the Division and MSHA. The plan will contain, at a minimum, provisions to ensure that only those persons authorized by the operator, and who have an understanding of the procedures to be used, will be involved in the extinguishing operations. The coal mine waste fire plan can be found in Appendix 5-3. MSHA approval is not required unless you have an actively burning fire. (Phone conversation with Billy Owens MSHA Denver 5/31/05)

528.323.2. No burning or burned coal mine waste will be removed from the permitted disposal area.

528.330 Noncoal Mine Waste.

528.331 Noncoal mine wastes including, but not limited to, grease, lubricants, paints, flammable liquids, garbage, abandoned mining machinery, lumber and other combustible materials generated during mining activities will be placed and stored in a controlled manner in a designated portion of the permit area. The noncoal mine waste will be placed in dumpsters and emptied on an as needed basis. The designated noncoal waste area is shown on Plate 5-2.

528.332 It is anticipated that final disposal of noncoal mine wastes will be at the ECDC facility near East Carbon City. Concrete will be disposed of in a specified area, refer to Plate 5-6 for this location. The disposal site will be located under the reclaimed coal stockpile. This area will receive the maximum fill during reclamation. Placement of this fill around the concrete will help to eliminate runoff. This will ensure that leachate and drainage does not degrade surface or underground water. The noncoal mine waste will

be placed in dumpsters and emptied on a as needed basis.

528.333 The noncoal mine waste will be disposed of at the ECDC facility near East Carbon City.

528.334 Notwithstanding any other provision to the R645 Rules, any noncoal mine waste defined as "hazardous" under 3001 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) (Pub. L. 94-580, as amended) and 40 CFR Part 261 will be handled in accordance with the requirements of Subtitle C of RCRA and any implementing regulations.

528.340 A description of the disposal methods for placing underground waste and excess spoil generated at surface areas according to R645-301-211, R645-301-212, R645-301-412.300, R645-301-512.210, R645-301-512.220, R645-301-514.100, R645-301-528.310, R645-301-535.100 through R645-301-535.130, R645-301-535.300 through R645-301-535.500, R645-536.300, R645-301-536.600, R645-301-542.720, R645-301-553.240, R645-301-745.100, R645-301-745.300, and R645-301-745.400 is covered in sections 535, and 536.

528.350 A description of measures to be employed to ensure that all debris, acid-forming and toxic-forming materials, and materials constituting a fire hazard are disposed of in accordance with R645-301-528.330, R645-301-537.200, R645-301-542.740, R645-301-553.100 through R645-301-553.600, R645-301-553.900, and R645-301-747 is included.

528.400 Dams, embankments and other impoundments.
See Section 700 and Appendix 7-4.

529. Management of Mine Openings:

The permit application includes a description of the measures to be used to seal or manage the openings within the proposed permit area. New slope or drift openings required to be sealed shall be sealed with solid, substantial,

noncombustible material for a distance of at least 25 feet into such openings. The closure design for portals, slopes, and drifts, can be found in Appendix 5-6.

529.100 Shafts or other exposed underground opening when no longer in use will be cased, lined, or otherwise managed as approved by the Division. All openings exposed by mining operations within the permit area will be permanently closed unless approved for water monitoring.

529.200 For the purposes of Underground Coal Mining and Reclamation Activities:

529.210 Mine entries which are temporarily inactive, but have a further projected useful service under the approved permit application, will be protected by barricades or other covering devices, fenced, and posted with signs, to prevent access into the entry and to identify the hazardous nature of the opening. These devices will be periodically inspected and maintained in good operating condition by the person who conducts the activity.

529.220 Since no portals are projected to return underground development waste, coal processing waste or water to the mine, this section does not apply. There is no current need to return any waste to the underground workings.

529.300 Section 529 does not apply to holes drilled and used for blasting.

529.400 No openings have been identified for use to return coal processing waste to underground workings. Therefore this section is not applicable.

530. Operational Design Criteria and Plans.

531. General plans for the sediment pond and refuse pile are found within this section.

532. Sediment control measures can be found in Chapter 7.

532.100 The smallest practicable area will be disturbed during the life of the project. Progressive backfilling, grading, and prompt revegetation of applicable will be completed as per R645-301-353.200.

532.200 Backfilled material will be stabilized to promote a reduction of the rate and volume of runoff in accordance with R645-301-537.200, R645-301-552 through R645-301-553.230, R645-301-553.260 through R645-301-553.420, R645-301-553.600, and R645-301-553.900.

533. Impoundments.

533.100 Since no impoundments meeting the criteria of 30 CFR 77.216(a) this section does not apply.

533.200 The only impoundment planed for this site is the sediment pond. The sediment pond is a temporary structure. A detailed design for the Sediment ponds can be found in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1 and on Plate 7-6.

533.210 The sediment pond will be incised, except for the dam/road embankment. This embankment will be reconstructed and compacted to at least 95%. A detailed design for the Sediment ponds can be found in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1 and on Plate 7-6.

533.220 Where fill is to be placed, natural ground shall be removed 12" below the structure. A detailed design for the Sediment ponds can be found in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1 and on Plate 7-6.

533.300 Rip-rap or other protection (culverts, concrete) will be placed at all inlets and outlets to prevent scouring. A detailed design for the Sediment ponds can be found in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1. Also see Plate 7-6.

533.400 External slopes of the impoundment will be planted with

an approved seed mix to help prevent erosion and promote stability. A detailed design for the Sediment ponds can be found in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1. A detailed design for the Sediment ponds can be found in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1 and on Plate 7-6.

- 533.500** This section does not apply, there are no vertical highwalls associated with this impoundment.
- 533.600** Since no impoundments are planned that meet the criteria of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216(a) this section does not apply.
- 533.700** Design and construction requirements, as well as operation and maintenance requirements are detailed in Appendix 7-4, Section 3.1.

534. Roads. The designs for surface roads can be found in Appendix 5-4.

- 534.100** The roads have been designed, located, constructed and will be maintained to:
- 534.110** The roads have been designed, located, constructed and will be maintained to prevent or control damage to public or private property.
- 534.120** Nonacid or nontoxic-forming substances will be used in road surfacing.
- 534.130** The designs for the roads can be found in Appendix 5-4.
- 534.140** The reclamation plan for the roads can be found in section 542.600.
- 534.150** The roads have been designed to prevent or control erosion, siltation and air pollution.
- 534.200** Appropriate limits for grade, width, and surface materials have been used in the design of the roads.

534.300 Primary Roads. Primary roads will meet the requirements of R645-301-358, R645-301-527.100, R645-301-527.230, R645-301-534.100, R645-301-534.200, R645-301-542.600, R645-301-542.600, and R645-301-762, any necessary design criteria established by the Division, and the following requirements. Primary roads will:

534.310 The roads will be located insofar as practical, on the most stable available surfaces.

534.320 The roads will be surfaced with rock, crushed gravel, asphalt, or other material approved by the Division as being sufficiently durable for the anticipated volume of traffic and the weight and speed of vehicles using the road;

534.330 The roads will be routinely maintained to include repairs to the road surface, blading, filling potholes and adding replacement gravel or asphalt. It will also include revegetating, brush removal, and minor reconstruction of road segments as necessary.

534.340 Culverts if required will be designed, installed, and maintained to sustain the vertical soil pressure, the passive resistance of the foundation, and the weight of vehicles using the road.

535. Spoil: It is anticipated that no spoil will be produced at the Lila Canyon Mine therefore this section is not applicable.

536. Coal Mine Waste: The proposed Lila Canyon Mine will produce 2 separate types of coal mine waste:

1. Normal coal processing waste or refuse and;
2. Underground development waste.

Disposal of each of the 2 types of coal mine waste will be the same and both type will be deposited in the refuse storage area shown on plate 5-2.

The rock slope material / underground development waste will be examined and tested as necessary to determine acid- or toxic-forming potential.

Coal Processing waste and any underground development waste containing too much coal to leave underground, will be disposed of in the refuse storage area as described further in this chapter and in Appendix 5-7.

It is not anticipated that any underground waste other than the rock slope material / underground development waste will be brought to the surface. Coal processing waste and underground development waste brought to the surface will be placed in a controlled manner and have a design certifications describe under R645-301-512 if appropriate.

- 536.100** The refuse pile has been designed using current prudent engineering practices and will meet design criteria established by the Division. See Appendix 5-7.
- 536.110** The refuse pile will be designed to attain a minimum long-term slope stability safety factor of 1.5. See Appendix 5-7.
- 536.120** The refuse pile will be constructed on natural ground once the topsoil has been removed according to section 230.232. There are no underground mine workings in the immediate area of the refuse pile. All mine workings are found at a higher elevation than the refuse pile.
- 536.200** Underground development waste brought to the surface and coal processing waste deposited in the refuse pile will be deposited according to the plan described in Appendix 5-7.
- 536.210** Refuse Pile construction described in Appendix 5-7, will ensure mass stability and prevent mass movement during and after construction;
- 536.220** Refuse Pile construction per the plan in Appendix 5-7 will not create a public hazard; and

- 536.230** Will prevent combustion.
- 536.300** Since no spoil fills will be generated this section does not apply.
- 536.400** Since there will not be any impounding structures constructed of coal mine waste this section does not apply.
- 536.500** As discussed in Section 536 and 536.300, it is proposed to dispose of the rock slope material / underground development waste within the refuse disposal area as structural fill as shown on Plate 5-2.
- 536.510** It is not anticipated that coal mine waste will be disposed of in any area off the permit area. Therefore this section does not apply.
- 536.520** It is not anticipated that coal mine waste will be disposed of in any area off the permit area. Therefore this section does not apply.
- 536.600** In areas where slope rock or coal processing waste is deposited, the topsoil will be removed and stored in the topsoil stockpile area until reclamation.
- 536.700** It is not anticipated that coal processing waste will be returned to abandoned underground workings therefore this section does not apply
- 536.800** Since no coal processing waste banks, dams, or embankments are planned for the Lila Canyon Mine therefore, this section does not apply.
- 536.900** Refuse Piles. (See Appendix 5-7) The refuse pile is designed to meet the requirements of R645-301-210, R645-301-512.230, R645-301-513.400, R645-301-514.200, R645-301-515.200, R645-301-528.322, R645-301-528.320, R645-301-536 through R645-301-536.200, R645-301-536.500, R645-301-536.900, R645-301-542.730, R645-301-553.250, R645-301-746.100 through R645-301-746.200, and the requirements of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.214 and 30 CFR 77.215.

537. Regraded Slopes.

- 537.100** Each application will contain a report of appropriate geotechnical analysis, where approval of the Division is required for alternative specifications or for steep cut slopes under R645-301-358, R645-301-512.250, R645-301-527.100, R645-301-527.230, R645-301-534.100, R645-301-534.200, R645-301-534.300, R645-301-542.600, R645-301-742.410, R645-301-742.420, R645-301-752.200, and R645-301-762.

540. Reclamation Plan.

541. General.

- 541.100.** The operator is committed to performing all reclamation as in accordance with R645 rules.
- 541.200.** N/A. The operator is not involved in surface mining activities.
- 541.300.** The operator is committed to the removal of all equipment facilities and structures upon cessation of mining activities.
- 541.400.** The operator will address all reclamation activities as referenced in Chapter 5 of this document.

542 Narratives, Maps and Plans.

- 542.100.** See Table 3-3 time table based on project reserves markets and life of mine.
- 542.200.** The perimeter of the disturbed area contains approximately 42.6 surface acres within the disturbed area but only 25.3 acres will be disturbed leaving 17.3 acres of undisturbed islands within the disturbed area. The following R645 regulations will give detailed description and reclamation procedures to address

these areas of disturbance. The reclamation plan for the sediment pond and drainage control structures can be found in Appendix 7-4.

Topsoil amounts can be found in Section 232.100 and are calculated from Plate 203. Concrete amounts can be calculated from the text in Section 520. Coal Mine Waste volumes can be found in Appendix 5-7. Volumes were calculated using a Cad system.

- 542.300.** Included.
- 542.310.** Included. (See Plates 5-6 & 7-7)
- 542.320.** There will not be any surface facilities left post mining.
- 542.400.** Not applicable. No surface facilities will remain post bond liability period.
- 542.500.** A reclamation time table is included as Table 3-3.
- 542.600.** All roads within the disturbed area will be reclaimed immediately after they are no longer needed for mining and reclamation operations.
 - 542.610.** The time table of reclamation activities will enable the roads to be removed concurrently with reclamation activities. So, no closures specific to traffic would be anticipated.
 - 542.620.** All bridges and culverts will be removed concurrent with reclamation.
 - 542.630.** All disturbed areas will be ripped and top soiled prior to revegetation activities in compliance with all applicable R645 regulations. (See Appendix 5-8)
 - 542.640.** Road surfacing materials such as sand and gravel, which are not suitable for revegetation

establishment will be buried on site and covered with a minimum of two feet of material that would support vegetation. Concrete will be disposed of in the designated area and covered with four feet of cover. Asphalt will be disposed of off site, either in a landfill or sent to a recycling facility.

542.700. Final Abandonment of Mine Openings and Disposal Areas.

542.710. Appendix 5-6 depicts a typical seal that will be constructed at all mine openings.

542.720. No excess spoil is anticipated at this time.

542.730. All coal mine waste will be placed in the waste disposal area as shown on Plate 5-2 and reclaimed in accordance with R645 regulations.

542.740. Disposal of Noncoal Mine Wastes.

542.741. All non coal waste will be temporarily stored on site in approved waste bins and commercially picked up and transported to an approved disposal site. Non Coal waste generated during reclamation (such as concrete structure, buried culverts, utility lines, septic systems etc.) will be buried in the refuse disposal area and covered with a minimum of four feet of fill.

542.742. No noncoal waste will be stored on site or disposed of on site during the life of the mine.

542.800. A detailed cost break down is included in Chapter 8. Appendix 8-1 relative to bonding.

550 Reclamation Design Criteria and Plans. Each permit application will include site specific plans that incorporate the following design criteria for

reclamation activities.

551. All underground openings will be sealed as detailed in Appendix 5-6.

552. Permanent Features.

552.100. In course of reclamation, areas that have been recontoured and top soiled will be "pock-marked" creating small basins that will facilitate vegetation establishment as well as minimizing erosion.

552.200. No permanent impoundments will be left post reclamation.

553. The operator will comply with all regulations applicable to underground mining activities relative to backfilling and grading as required by R645 regulations.

Some minor cut slopes along the reclaimed road may be left after reclamation due to the difficulty and inability to reclaim all material pushed over the side while making the road cut. See plate 5-7B-1 cross section 16+00 for details. UEI will make reasonable efforts to minimize the cut slopes being left.

553.100. Disturbed Areas. Disturbed areas will be backfilled and graded to:

553.110 The operator will obtain a post mining topography similar in form as what existed premining.

553.120 Since Lila Canyon is an underground operation, no spoil piles will be created. Minor highwalls may be created with the development of the rock slope portals. Upon completion of mining these entries will be seal as per Closure for Mine Openings Appendix 5-6 and all highwalls will be eliminated during the reclamation phase of the operation. Plate 5-9 shows the proposed portal plan. During reclamation, suitable material will be placed against the portals. This material will be shaped to eliminate the highwall and to bring the slope

back to the approximate original contour. A Cat model 216/226 or equivalent will be used to complete the final grading of the fan portal. After final grading the 216/226 will be airlifted out using a KMAX helicopter or equivalent.

553.130 All fill slope will have a static safety factor of 1.3 as shown in Appendix 5-5.

553.140 Erosion and water pollution will be minimized on site by the use of drainage control structures (burms, channels and silt fence) and the use of small depression, soil tackifiers, mulch and sediment pond design. No water is anticipated leaving the reclaimed site prior to adequate treatment in the form of retention and/or filtration that does not meet and/or exceed UPDES standards.

553.150 The post mining land use of wildlife and domestic grazing should be enhanced to some degree with the revegetation of a more desirable seed mix and a vegetative cover in excess of what was present premining.

553.200 Spoil and Waste.

553.210 All underground development waste brought to the surface and coal processing waste generated on the surface as a result of coal processing will be placed in the coal mine waste (refuse) disposal area and reclaimed in accordance with R645 regulations.

553.220 Since no spoil will be produced this section does not apply.

553.221 All vegetation and /or organic material will be removed prior to any coal mine waste being stored.

- 553.222** All useable topsoil or topsoil substitute will be removed from the structural fill and refuse areas prior to use. Table 2-1 shows estimates of salvageable soil by soil type based on current NRCS soil inventories. The location of the soil storage are shown on Plate 5-2. This material will be spread over the recontoured structural fill and refuse areas prior to seeding and mulching.
- 553.223** Since no spoil will be produced this section does not apply.
- 553.230** All recontoured areas will be compacted to minimize slippage. The area will then be over laid with topsoil and ripped. In addition the area will be "pock-marked" to minimize the potential for erosion as well as enhance revegetation establishment. It is not anticipated that soil will be disturbed in areas to steep for equipment to operate.
- 553.240** The refuse and structural fill areas will have slopes of less than 8% upon final recontouring and revegetated to enhance the post mining land use of grazing and wildlife habitat.
- 553.250** The refuse pile design is shown in appendix 5-7.
- 553.260** The operator will commit to all applicable R645 regulations relative to disposal of coal processing waste.
- 553.300** Any combustible materials or acid and toxic forming materials exposed used or produced during mining will be disposed of in the refuse disposal area and treated as refuse. This material will be covered by four feet of fill. Noncoal waste will be disposed of as described in Section 528.331.
- 553.400** Cut-and-fill terraces may be allowed by the Division

553.410 No cut and fill terraces will be required.

553.420 No terraces will be required for post mining land use.

553.500-540 and 553.600-553.650.500

The only area that falls under these provisions are the reclaimed Horse Canyon mine which lies in the north west portion of the lease area and is addressed under approved MRP Act #0013 (Part "A").

553.700-553.900

This operation will only involve underground mining and as such the above referenced regulations do not apply.

560. Performance Standards. Coal mining and reclamation operations will be conducted in accordance with the approved permit and requirements of R645-301-510 through R645-301-553.

APPENDIX 5-3

**COAL MINE WASTE
FIRE EXTINGUISHING PLAN**

Appendix 5-3
Coal Processing Waste
Fire Extinguishing Plan

General

The following is a general plan to be followed in the event of a fire on the coal processing waste area (refuse pile). Keep in mind that the refuse pile is actually incised by native earth and covered with 4' of suitable material. The refuse is actually filling a low area and is not above ground level, it is more like an inverted pile encompassed completely by native soil. No part of the refuse pile will protrude above ground level. Proper handling of the waste should prevent any combustion from occurring; however, in the event of a fire, the following plan will be followed:

Fire Fighting Plan

The mine supervisor will be notified immediately. The operations manager or chief engineer will also be notified.

The supervisor will examine the fire area and determine its severity. He will then confer with the operations manager or chief engineer to determine the extinguishing method to be employed. The permitting manager or chief engineer shall contact the regulatory authority and MSHA to discuss a plan for extinguishing the fire. In lieu of other suggestions or plans, the following method will be used.

- 1) In areas where the refuse has not yet been covered: The best way to extinguish a fire is to smother the fire by spreading and compacting borrow over the burning area to eliminate the air supply. If the fire is in an area that has not been covered the heat or fire will be covered by the previously stockpiled soil designated for use as 4' cover material. The material will be compacted in 12" lifts eliminating the air supply.
- 2) In areas where the refuse has been covered. It will be necessary to begin removal of the burning material. The removed material will be spread in thin layers onto a soil-stripped area for extinguishing. This area will be within that proposed for refuse disposal and pre-stripped as per the plan. Water will be employed only if the spreading material is not sufficient to prevent further burning. Once a fire is extinguished, the material will be returned to the low areas from which it was removed and the material removed from over the fire will be replaced with compaction of 12" lifts eliminating the air supply.

Only the mine supervisor and operators or others designated by him will be allowed to participate in fire extinguishing procedures. All authorized persons will be familiar with the above techniques prior to working around a fire, and adequate safety measures will be employed to ensure the safety of the fire fighters and the public in general.

Burned Waste Utilization

It is currently not anticipated that any burned coal waste, other materials, or refuse is to be removed from any disposal area. However, should this become necessary, a plan for removal shall be certified by a qualified engineer and approval obtained from the regulatory authority.

APPENDIX 5-4

NEW FACILITY DESIGN

Information for Appendix 5-4 is mostly hard copies. Electronic copies do not exist for all information contained within the Appendix.

APPENDIX 5-4

ROADS

Existing Lila Canyon Road: (County Road 126)

The Lila Canyon road runs from the Horse Canyon Mine to the proposed Lila Canyon surface facilities then continues from the Lila Canyon surface to U.S. Highway 191/6. This road was constructed in the early 1940's to provide access to coal reserves south of the Horse Canyon Mine. The road extends south from Horse Canyon following the base of the Book Cliffs escarpment then turns south connecting to Highway 191/6. The road right-of-way consists of a total width of 100 feet. A small portion of this road is on BLM surface and a BLM right-of-way was issued to Kaiser Steel Corporation and is now owned by UEI. The portions of this road is on private property owned by UEI and William Marsing. Emery County also claims the road under the RS-2477 federal road designation. Any constructed facilities, including the 6 foot chain link fence, would not be placed on the county road right-of-way. County road 126 has been used for years by residents of Carbon and Emery Counties for recreation, ranching, and hunting purposes. Over the last 50 years, the majority portion of this road received little, if any maintenance. However, the first 2.5 miles from U.S. 191/6 to the corral has received frequent maintenance.

Main access to the mine site will be from U.S. Highway 191/6. The proposed access road will be constructed by Emery County and will be designated as Lila

Canyon Road 126. Some areas of the road will be upgraded others areas will be realigned. This road will be a two lane, 30 foot wide gravel surface Class B road, totaling approximately 4.7 miles in length. The proposed road reconstruction and realignment will be designed for a maximum speed of 45 miles per hour, would be constructed according to the standards of the American Department of Transportation 1992 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. The realigned and reconstructed road will provide a safer and more direct route to the mine from U.S. Highway 191/6. The road will follow closely the existing RS-2477 road. Only the section of county road 126 from U.S. Highway 191/6 to Lila Canyon surface will be improved and or reconstructed. The county has no current plans to upgrade the section of 126 from Lila Canyon to Horse Canyon. All engineering, construction and maintenance on the reconstructed and realigned road will be implemented and controlled by the Emery County Road Department. Emery County will also control all necessary rights-of-way.

New Mine Facility Road:

The mine facility road shown on Plate 5-2 begins at the edge of County Road 126 and allows for access to the various surface facilities. The road has been located in the most practical location taking into consideration grade, stability, and alignment. Employees will use this road to access the office & bathhouse facilities. Coal haul trucks will use this road to access the scales and truck loadout. All supplies will be hauled on a short portion of this road from the supply storage area to the slope access road. The road will initially be graveled but will be paved in the

long term to minimize dust and provide good surface for heavy truck traffic as well as facility access. The facility access road will be approximately 24' wide to provide for two lane traffic and will have the appropriate drainage controls to insure long term life and low maintenance. The has been constructed and will be maintained according to the appropriate R645-534 and R645-527 regulations.

New Slope Access / Portal Access Road

The slope access road splits off the facility access road near the north-east corner of the equipment and supply storage area, and follows an alignment that takes into consideration grade and direct access. The slope access road will be used to provide access to the rock slopes which in-turn proved access to the underground workings. The slope access road will be used as access for all men, material and equipment need in the mine. Since the slope access road provides for frequent access for men, equipment and materials for a period of six months or longer the slope access road is classified as a primary road. The slope access road will be designed, constructed, and maintained according to appropriate R645 regulations. The slope access road is shown on Plate 5-2.

Existing Little Park Road:

The Little Park road runs from the Horse Canyon Mine, up to the top of Little Park, and across Little Park to Turtle Canyon, then down Turtle Canyon to the Green River. This road has been used for years by residents of Carbon and Emery Counties for recreation, ranching, and hunting purposes. It is a public road and is

maintained by either the BLM and or Emery County. The road is "Cherry Stemed" by the new BLM wilderness reinventories. The road is used by UEI to monitor water and will continue to be used on a frequent basis for subsidence monitoring and water monitoring. Plate 5-1 as well as others show the location of the Little Park road.

Existing Vehicle Ways:

Several vehicle ways off from the Little Park road are used by UEI for water monitoring. UEI will continue to use these vehicle ways frequently for water and subsidence monitoring. The vehicle ways vary from 5 to 15 feet wide. These ways are located either in dry stream channels, or are old drilling roads both accessed by ATV. No future maintenance is projected for these vehicle ways. Plate 5-1 as well as others show the location of the vehicle ways used by UEI.

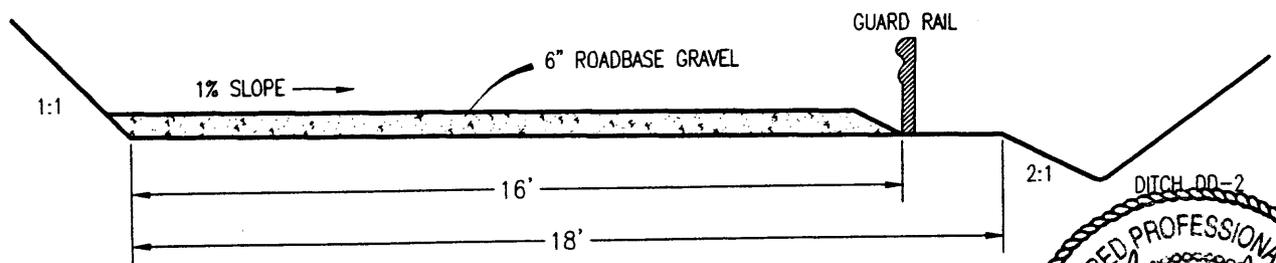
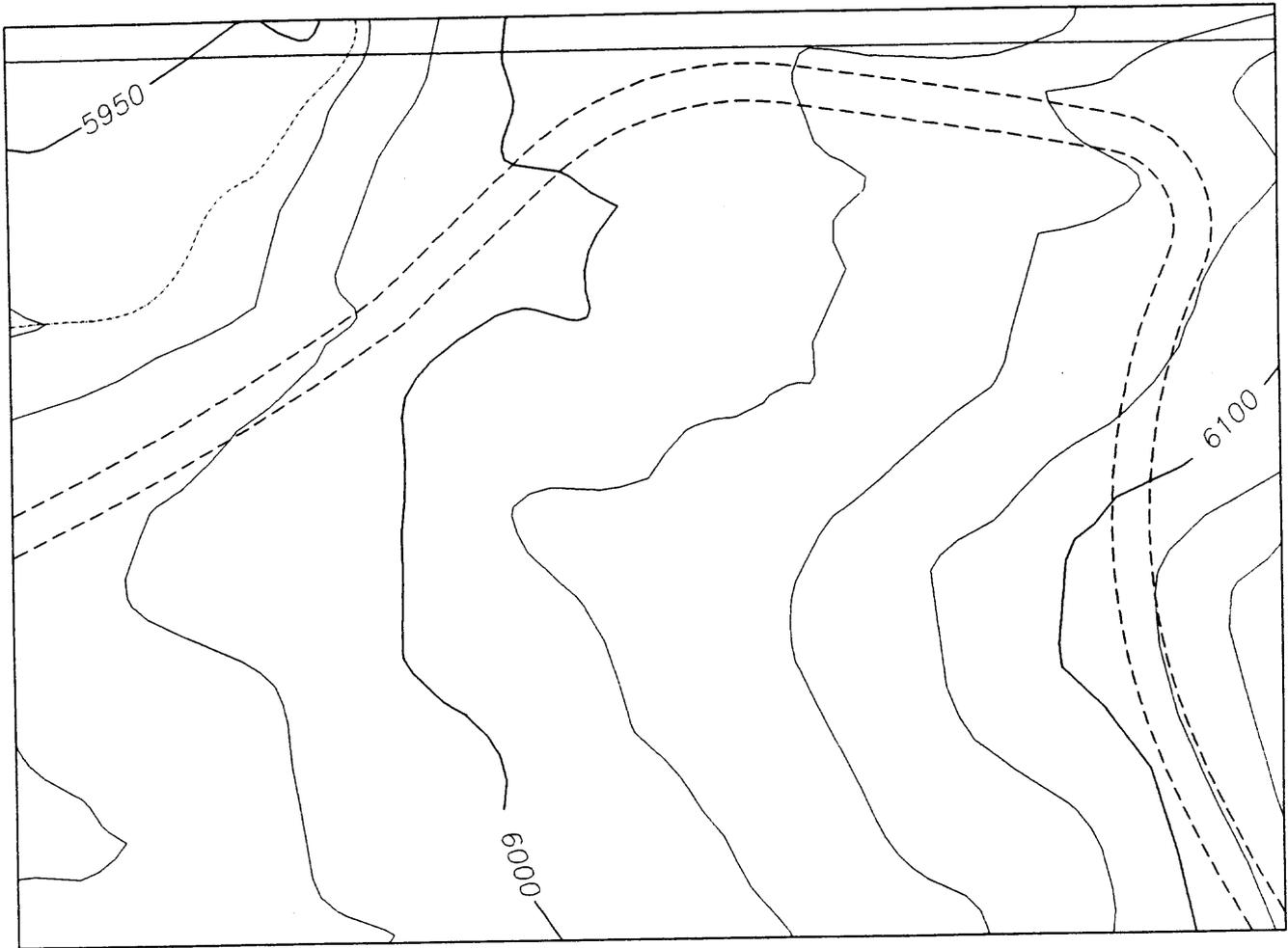
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2+00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4+00	1784.85	6610.56	964.22	3571.19
6+00	207.65	13990.19	983.96	10786.67
8+00	0.00	14759.26	726.82	17122.89
10+00	1523.94	20403.48	1616.00	25800.00
12+00	2165.36	34067.56	315.45	32953.52
14+00	0.00	42087.41	427.55	35705.37
16+00	0.00	42087.41	38.00	37429.63
18+00	26.39	42185.15	586.22	39741.56
20+00	0.00	42282.89	308.89	43056.78
22+00	0.00	42282.89	0.00	44200.81
24+00	0.00	42282.89	0.00	44200.81
26+00	0.00	42282.89	0.00	44200.81
Totals		42282.89		**44200.81

* See Plates 5-2, 5-7A, and 5-7B.

** Includes 27,540 cu. yds. from rock slopes.

TYPICAL ROAD SECTION



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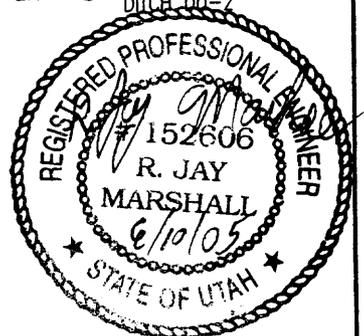


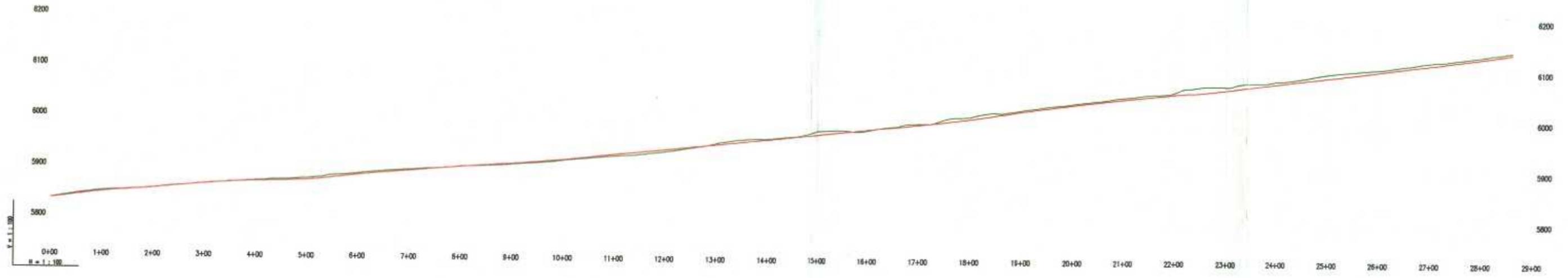
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**New Slope Access / Portal Access Road
Main Mine Road**

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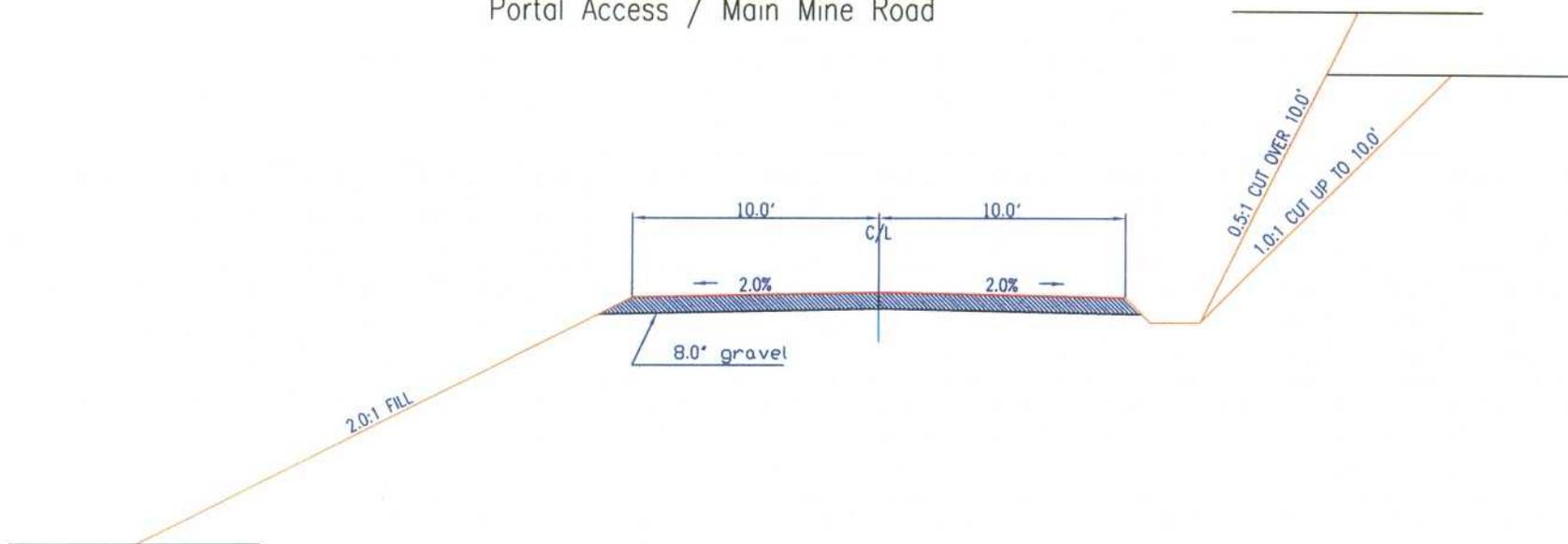
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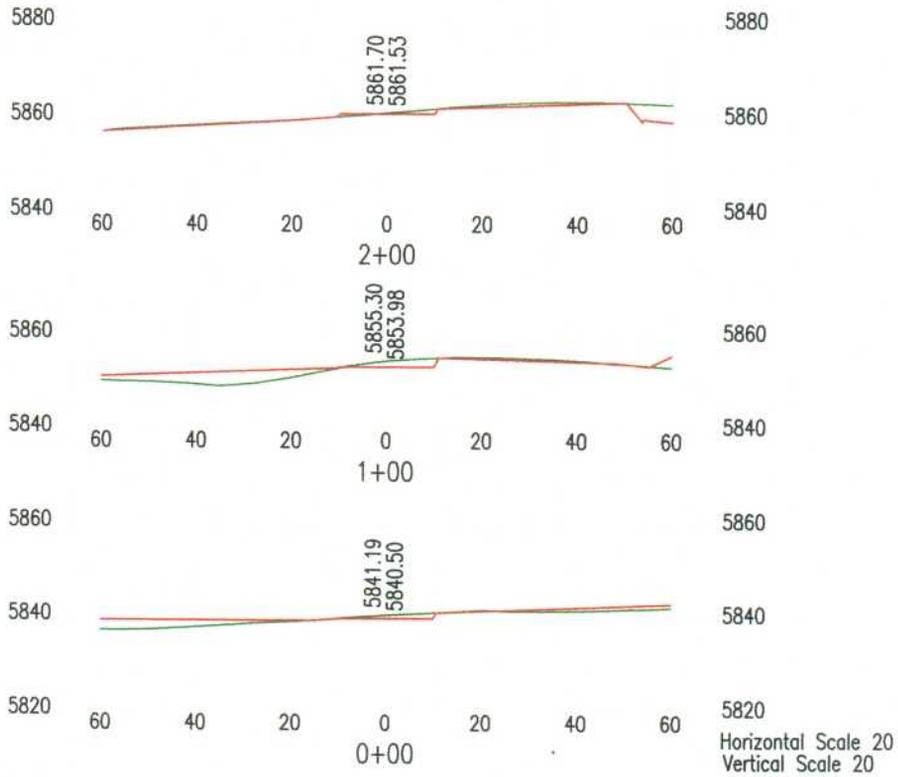
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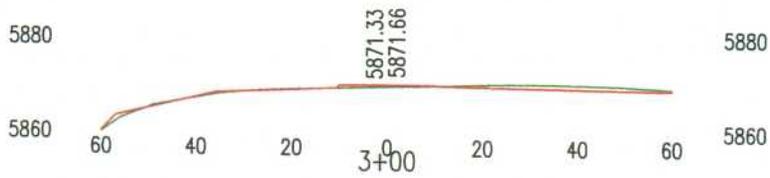
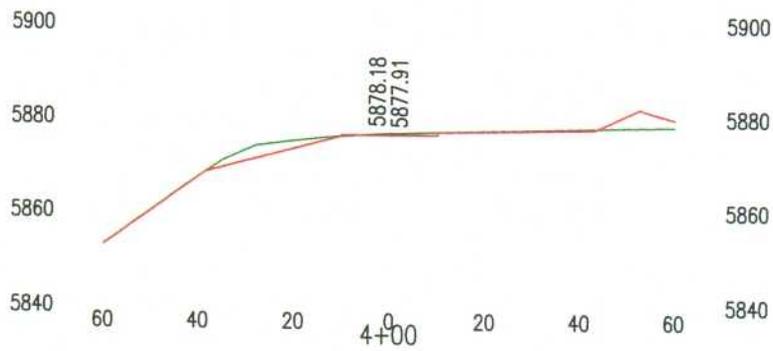
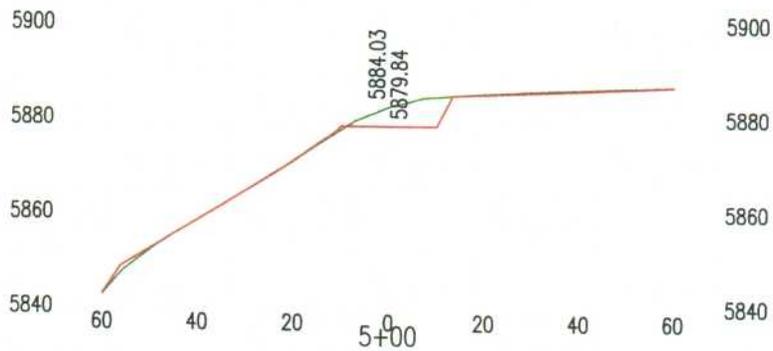
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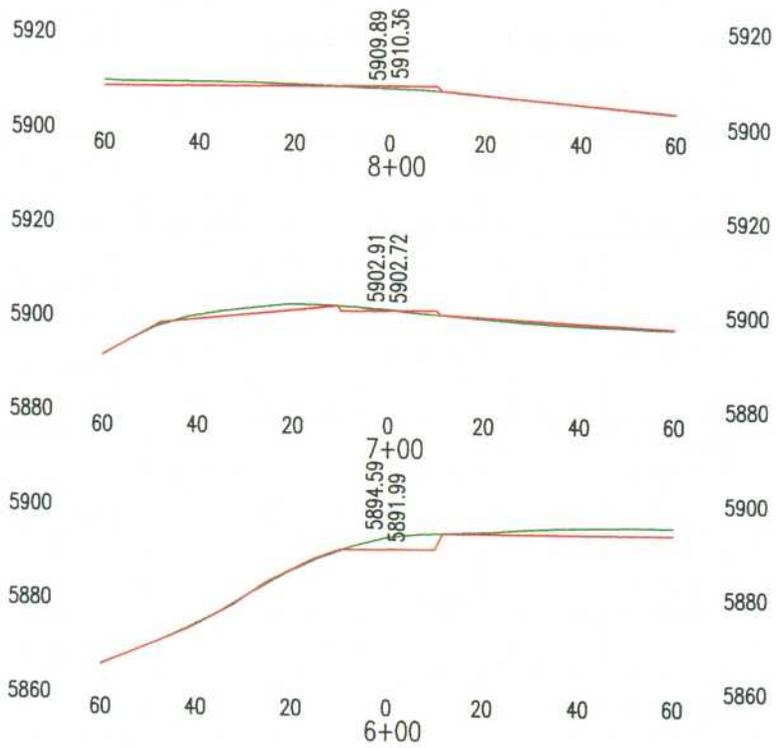
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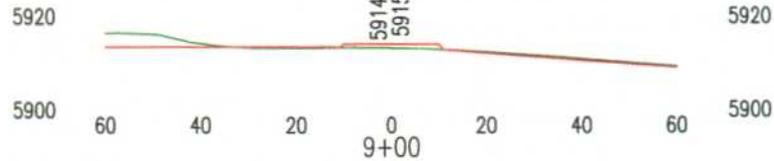
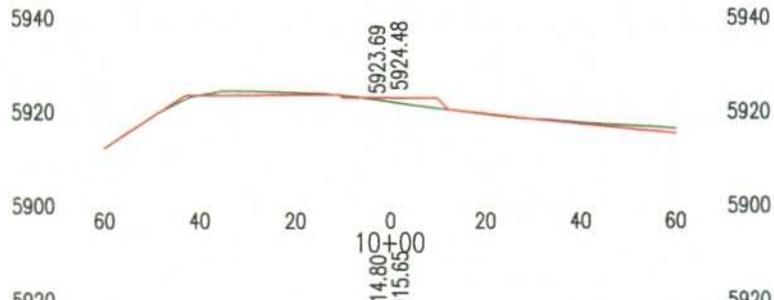
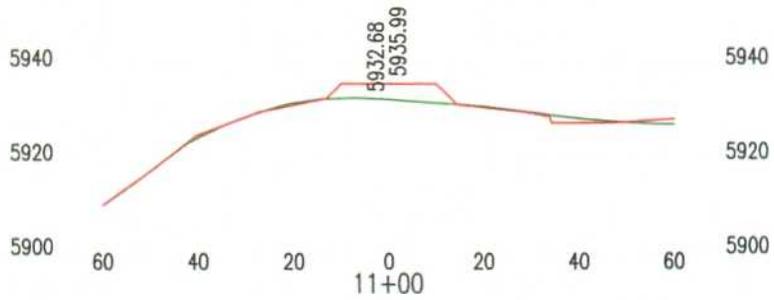
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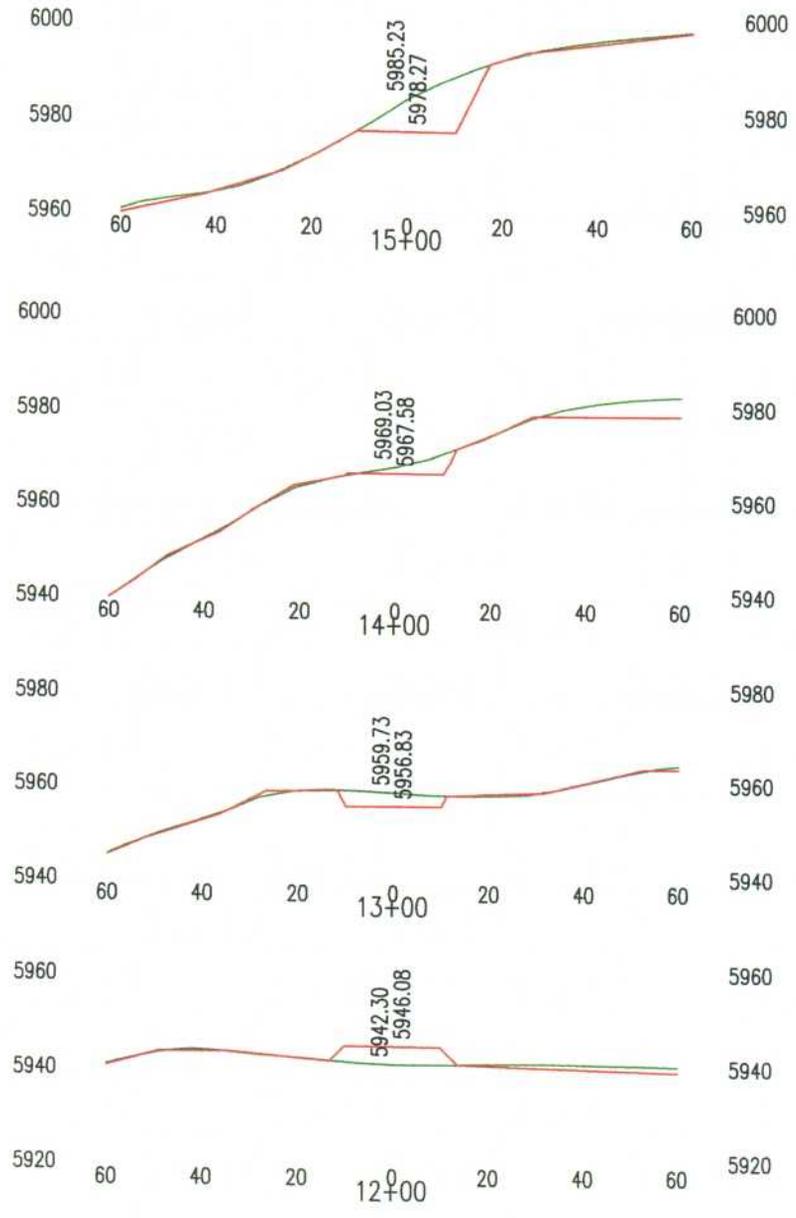
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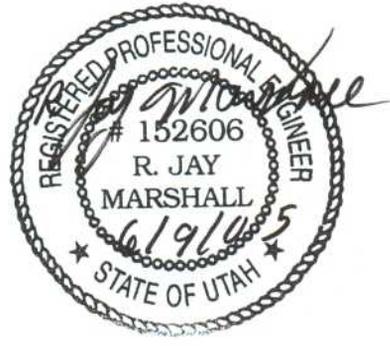


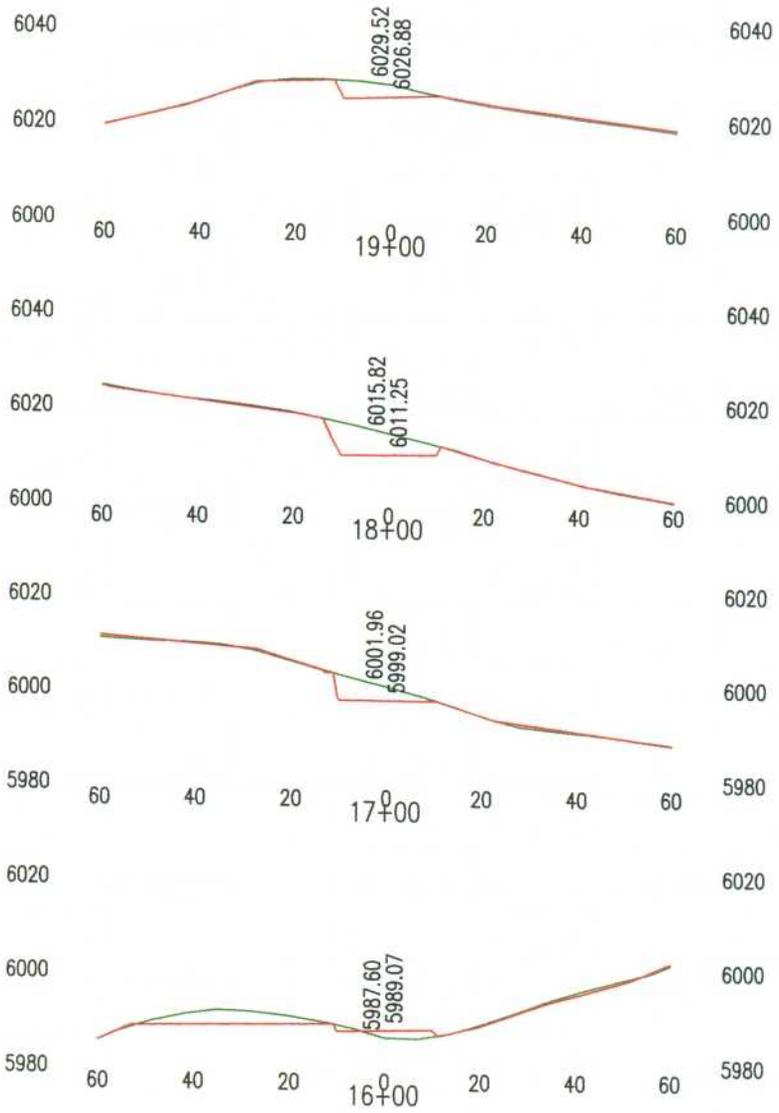
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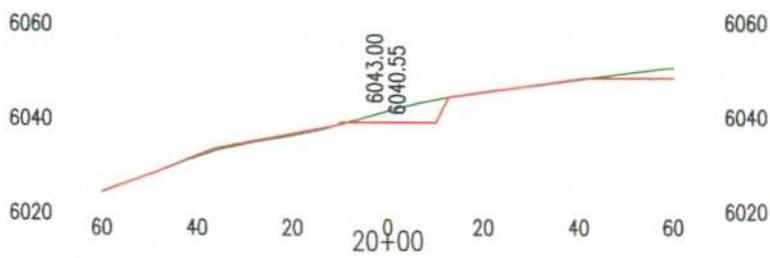
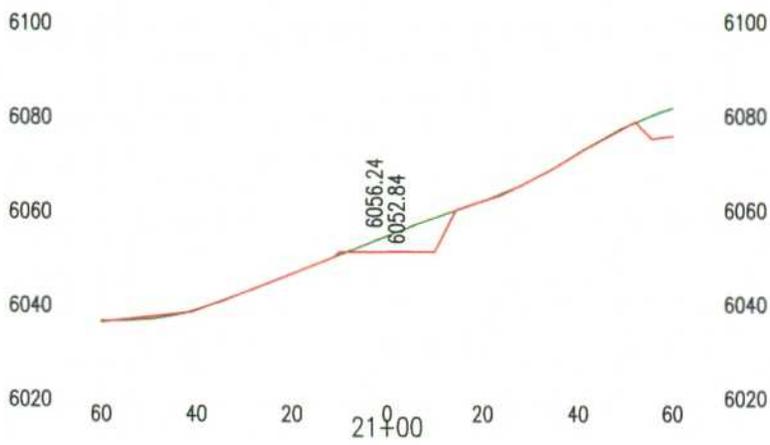
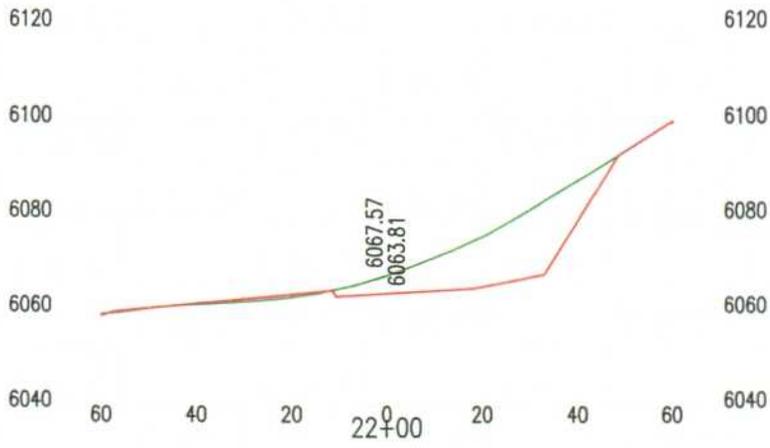
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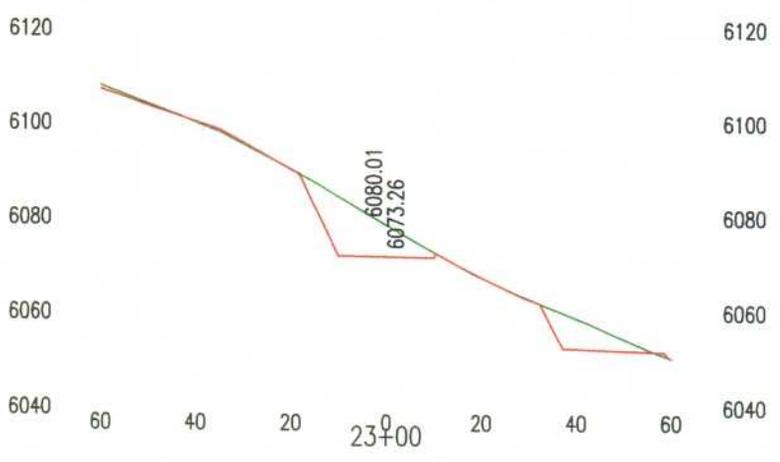
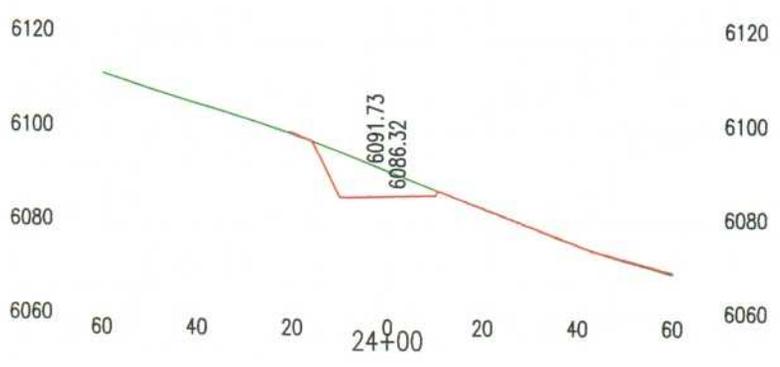
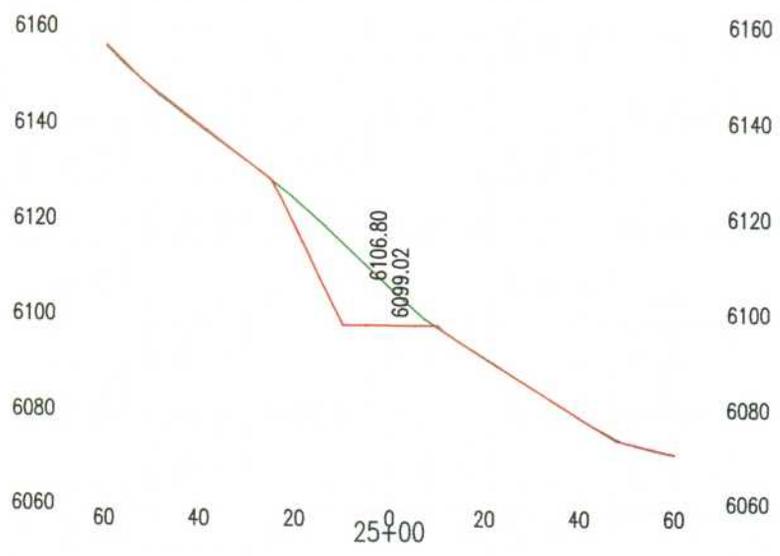
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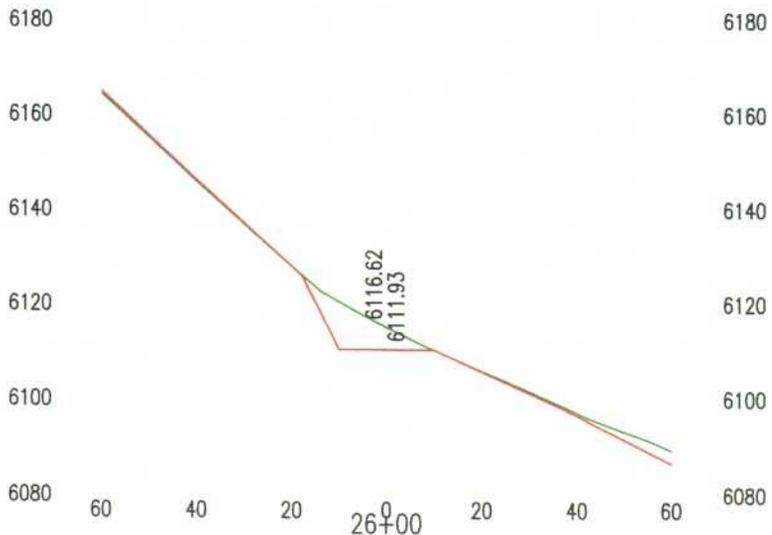
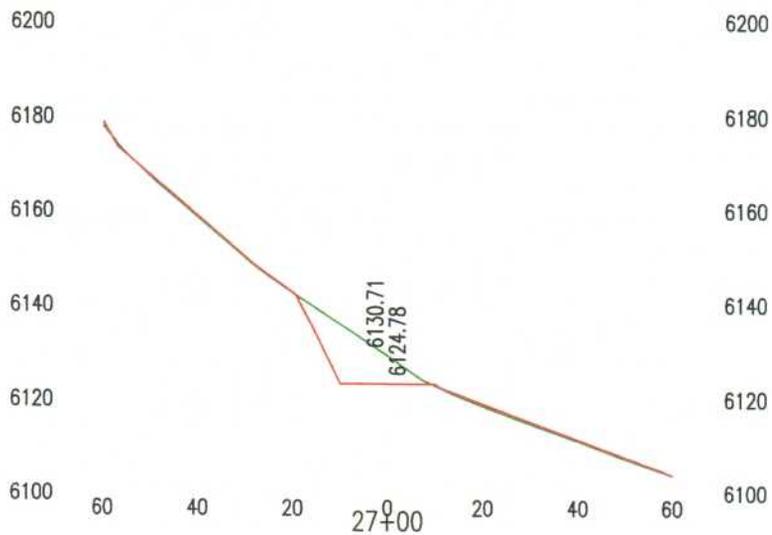
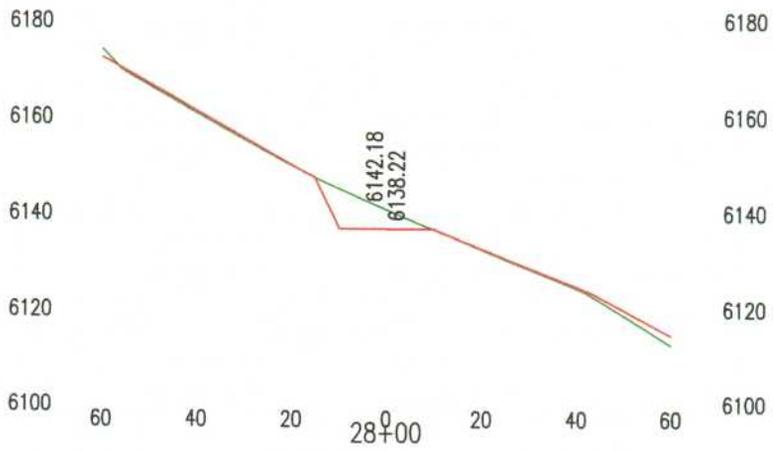
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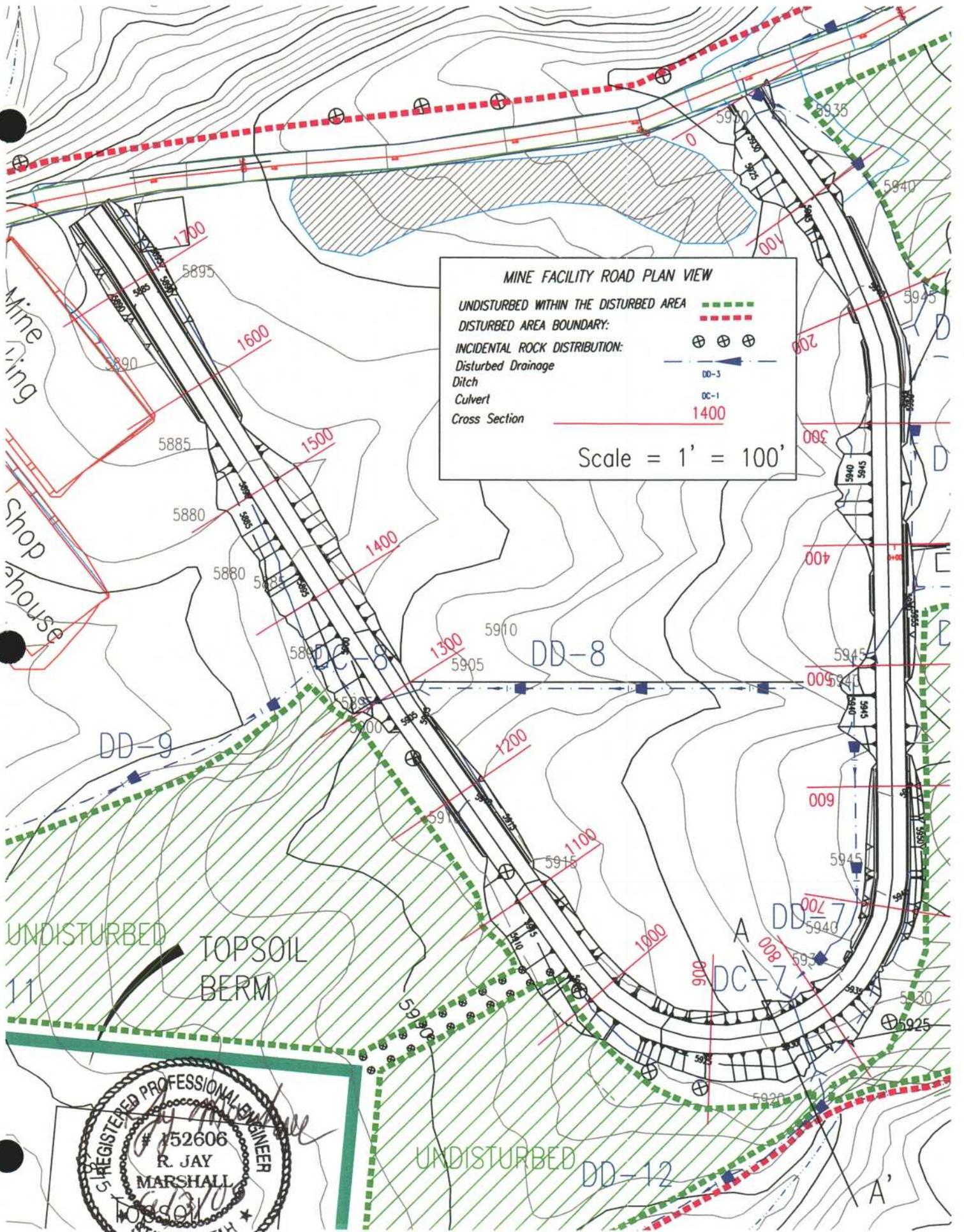


Mine Facility Road

DESIGN

See Appendix 5-4 and Plate 5-2 for additional information:





MINE FACILITY ROAD PLAN VIEW

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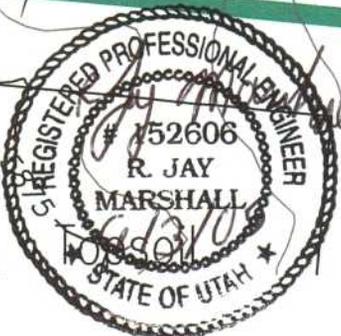
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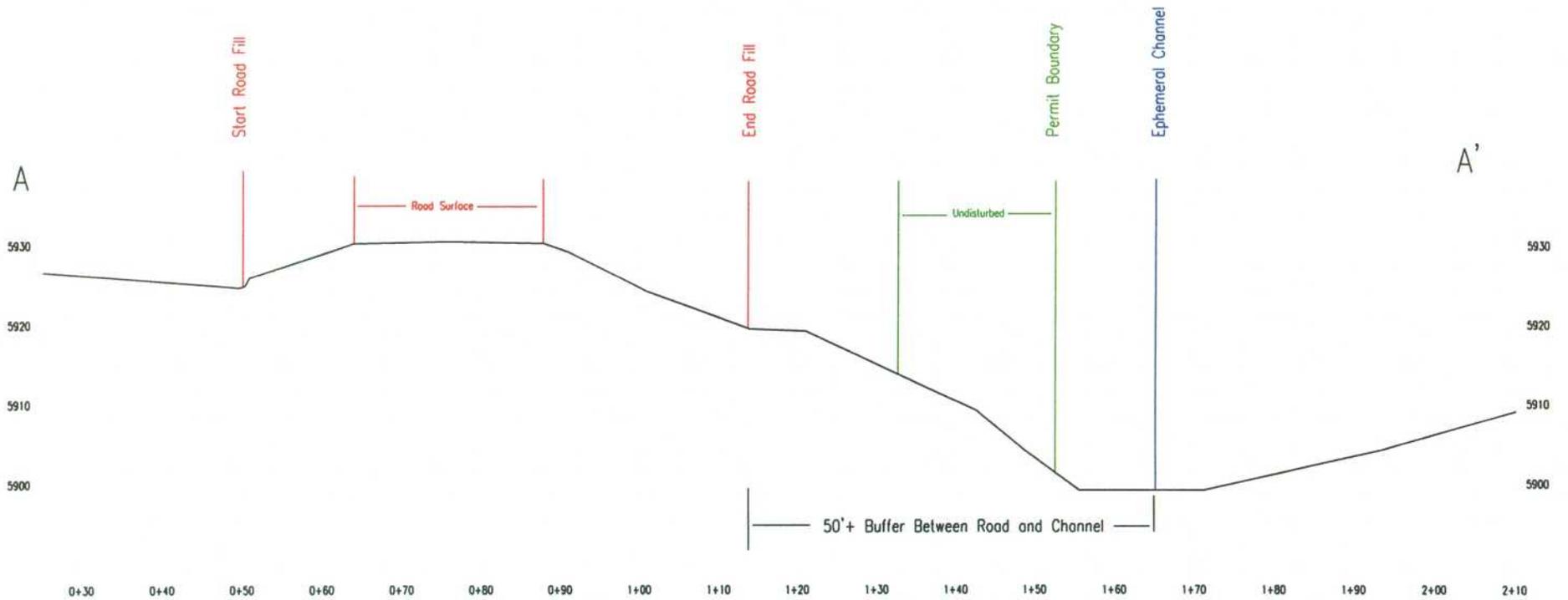
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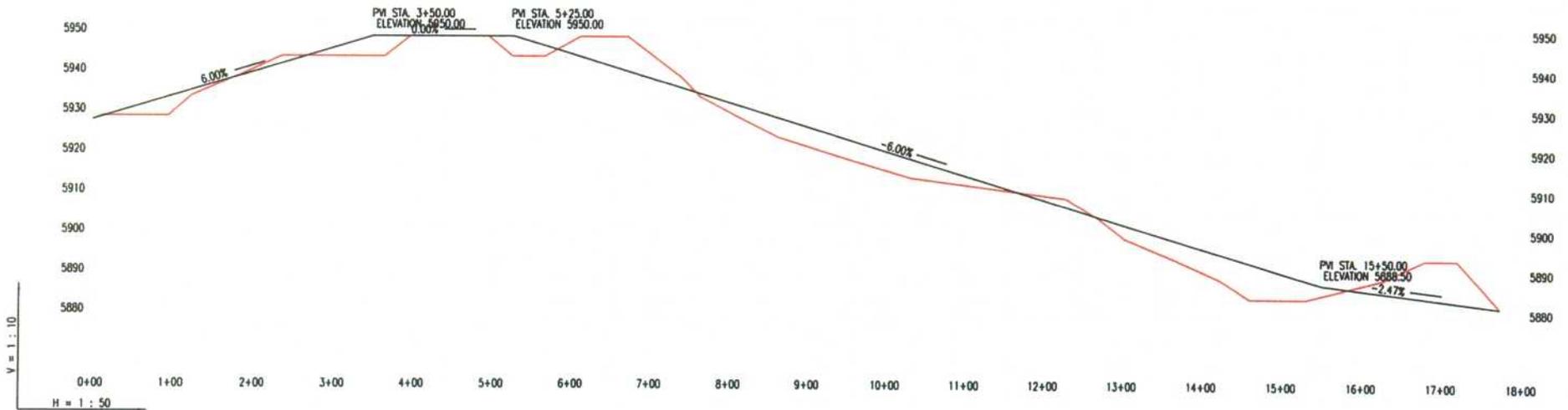
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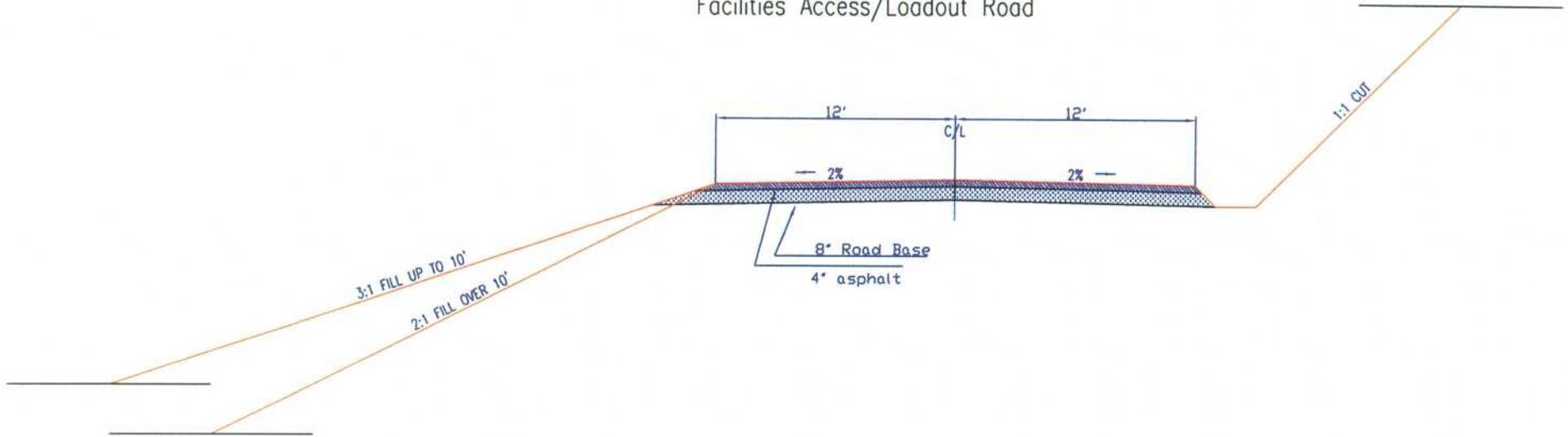
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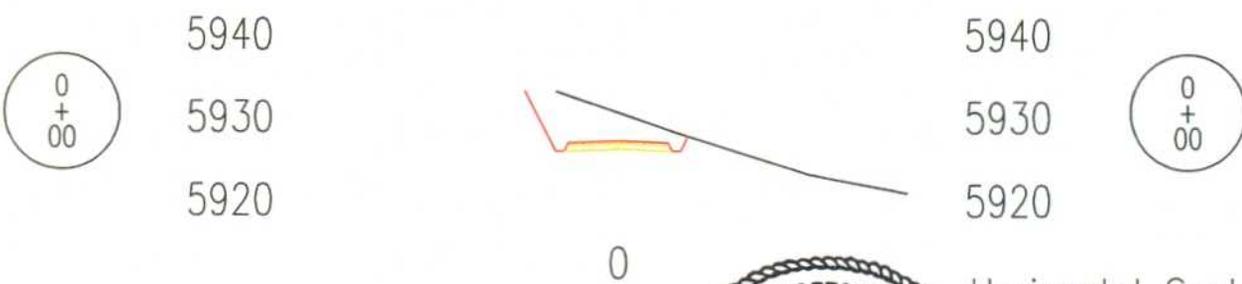
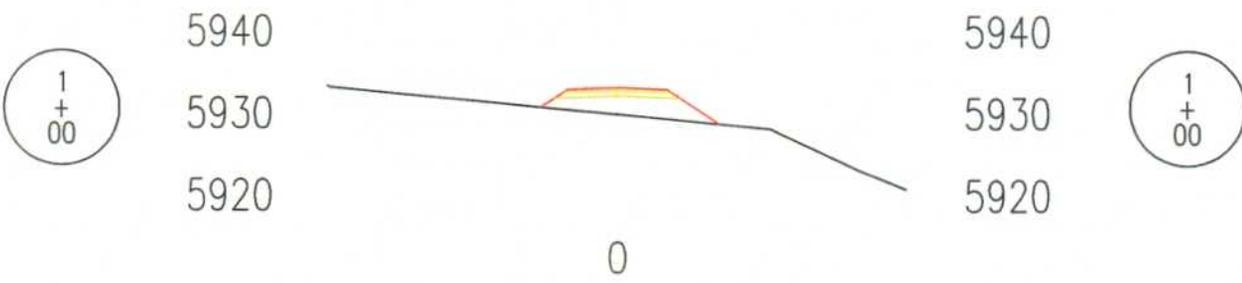
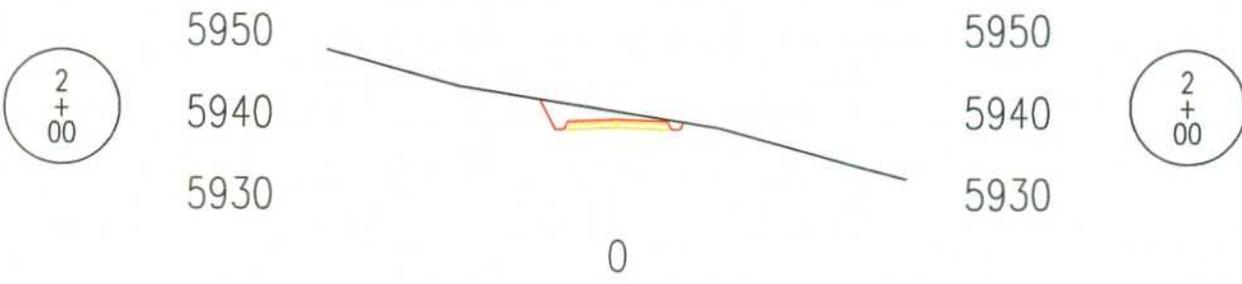
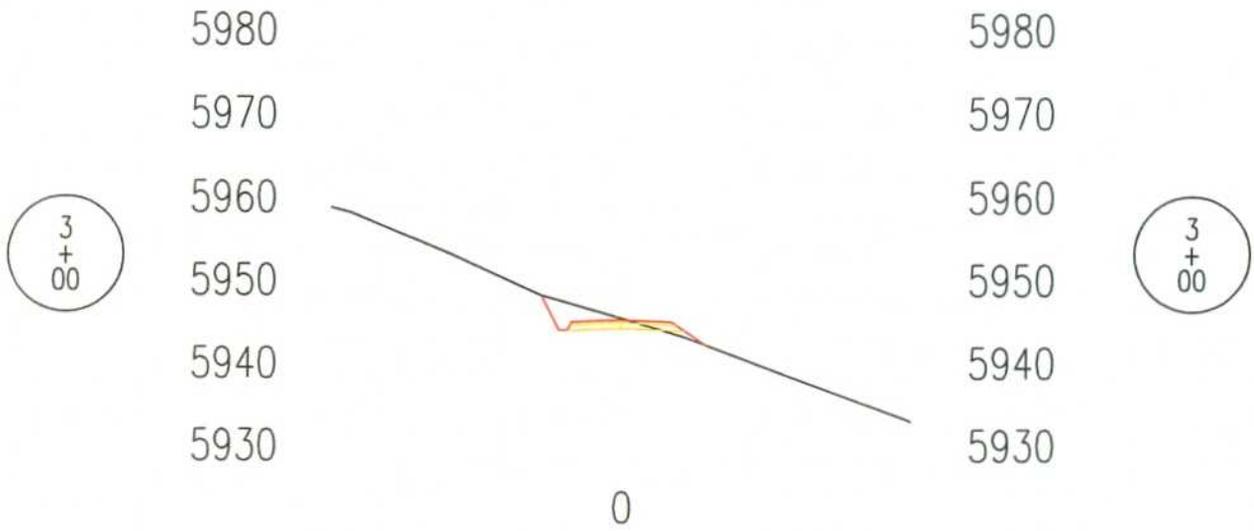
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Typical Crosssection

Facilities Access/Loadout Road





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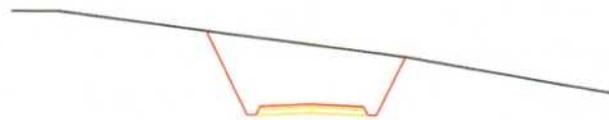
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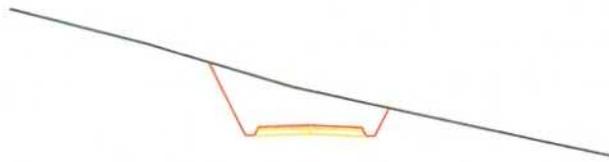
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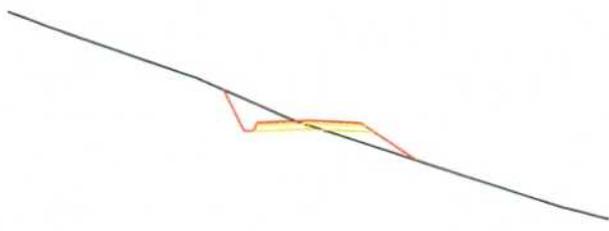
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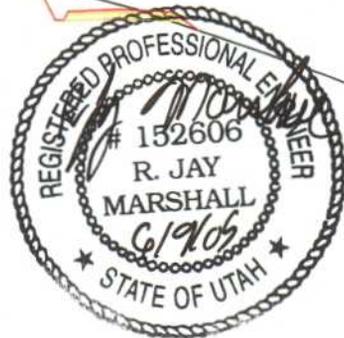
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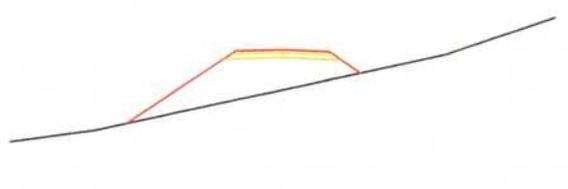
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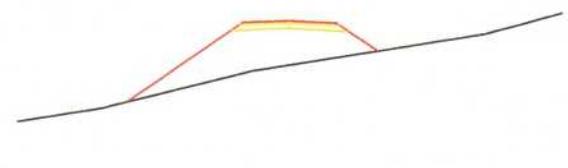
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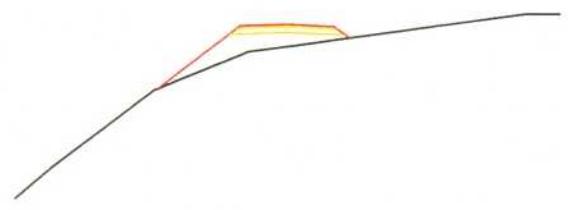
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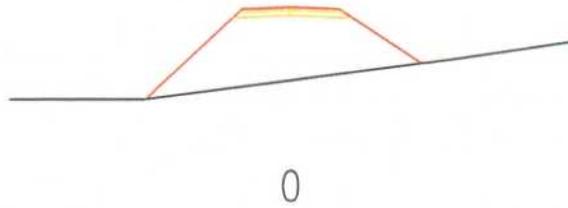
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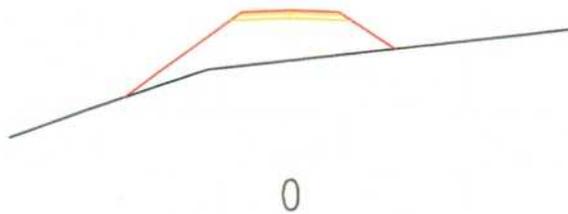


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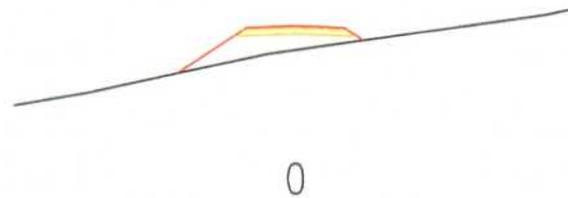


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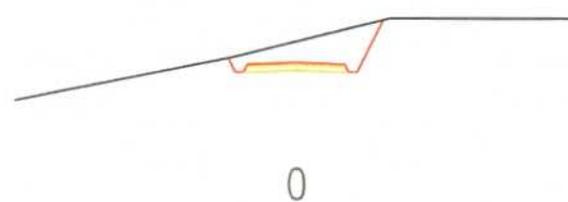


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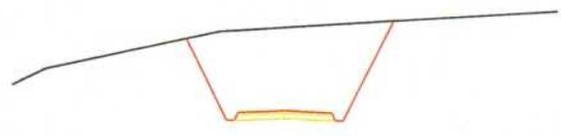
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**LILA CANYON MINE
PROPOSED SEWAGE SYSTEM**



Lila Canyon Mine Proposed Sewage System

Introduction

The Lila Canyon Mine facilities will be located in the Right Fork of Lila Canyon, which is in the Book Cliffs of Carbon County, approximately 10 miles south of Sunnyside, Utah. Due to the remote location, no sewage treatment facilities are available; therefore, it is proposed to treat wastewater with septic tank/drainfield systems.

Lila Canyon is an ephemeral drainage, flowing only in response to rainfall or snowmelt. There are no streams, springs or water wells located within 1500 feet of the proposed treatment facilities. Undisturbed drainage above the minesite is carried around the minesite in natural channels and beneath the sediment pond in a large culvert. Runoff from the mine site is directed to a sedimentation pond where it is held and treated as necessary to meet effluent standards according to the U.P.D.E.S. Discharge Permit.

The proposed drainfield will be in a soil type known as the Strych, which is a stony, fine, sandy loam. Complete soil descriptions are provided in Chapter 2 and on Plate 2-1. Test holes in the area to a depth of 10 feet show no evidence of bedrock or ground water.

General

Due to area restrictions and available depth for absorption, it is proposed to use seepage trenches for the drainfield. This allows the main trenches to be installed in native soil beneath the unpaved parking area.

Since the mining permit has not been approved at this time, and the proposed drainfield is in a cut area which would require disturbance, it is not possible to conduct actual percolation tests for the design. Based on recent discussions with the Southeastern Utah Health Department District Engineer, and evaluation of soil types in the area, an allowable volume of 1.0 gal/ft²/day is considered acceptable for design of the seepage trenches.

It should be noted that the seepage trenches will be constructed per Exhibit 1. Septic tanks, yard boxes and junction boxes will be standard from Dura-Crete, Inc.

Design

The septic system has been designed according to R317-5 regulations for Large Underground Wastewater Disposal Systems. Water quantities have been estimated at 35 gallons per day per person based on Table 5.2 (Industrial Buildings). The design for each of the separate facilities is based on the expected maximum number of people using the site. Based on 140 people, the system is designed for 4900 gallons per day.

Facilities Area

(Includes Office, Shop, Bathhouse and Warehouse)

Criteria

140 people

35 gallons/day/person

Allowable Q = 1 gal/ft²/day

Area = 4900 gpd/1.00 gal/ft²/day = 4900 ft²

Calculations

Q = 140 x 35 = 4900 gpd

Tank = V = 1125 + 0.75 Q = 4800 gallons

Seepage Trench = Allowable Q = 1.00 gal/ft²/day

Design

Septic Tank - 5000 gallon

Main Drainfield - 4 trenches x 100' long x 6' deep; 18' c-c; Trenches level and connected.

Sidewall Area = 4800 ft²

Summary

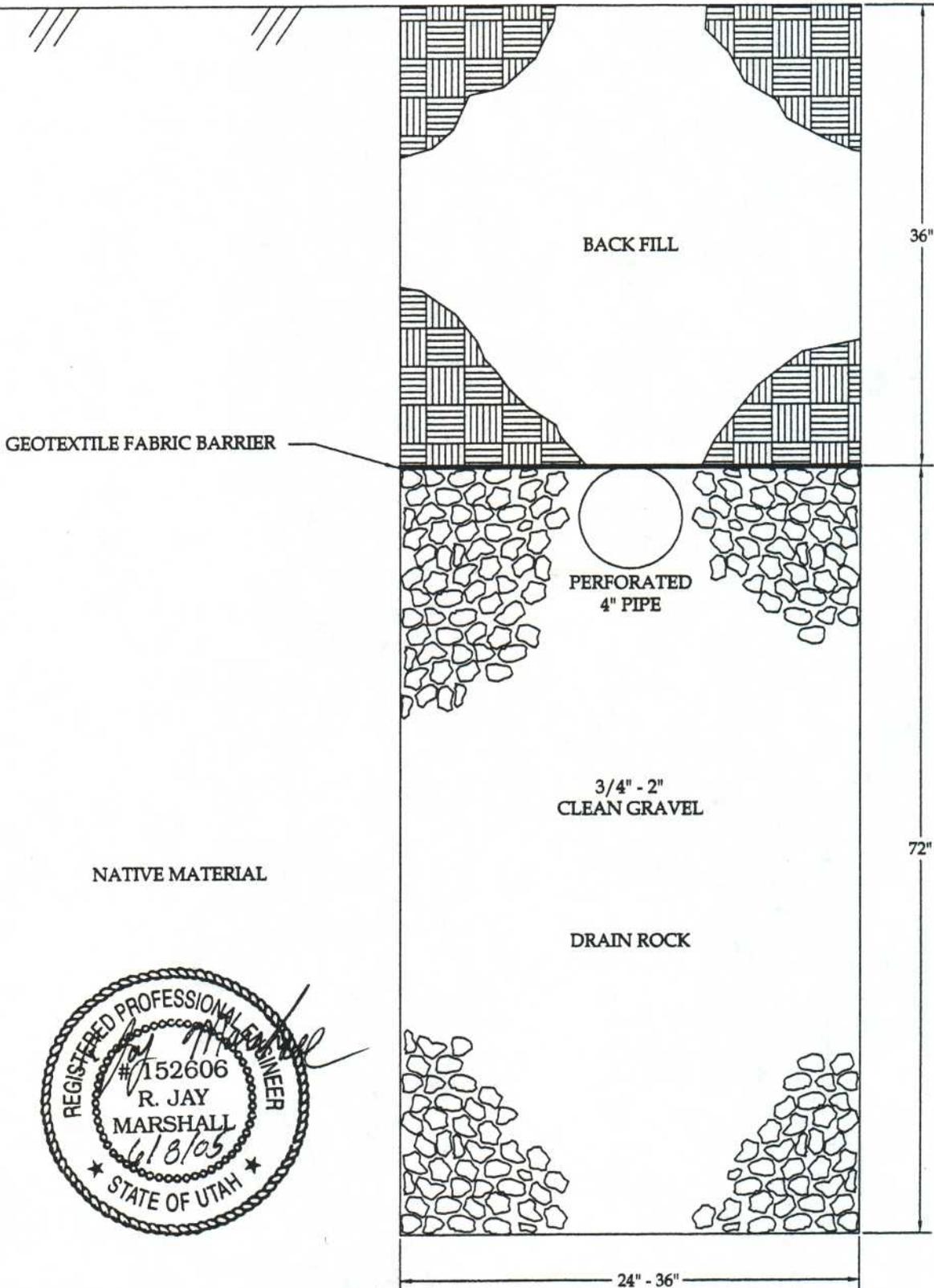
The following is a summary of the separate wastewater disposal system design proposed for this minesite:

Location	Main Facilities
Number of People	140
Septic Tank (gal. Required)	4900
Septic Tank (gal. Proposed)	5000
Drainfield (ft² Required)	4800
Drainfield (ft² Proposed)	4800
Number of Trenches	4
Trench Length (ft.)	100
Trench Depth (ft.)	6

EXHIBIT 1

SEEPAGE TRENCH TYPICAL SECTION

FINISHED SURFACE



BACK FILL

36"

GEOTEXTILE FABRIC BARRIER

PERFORATED
4" PIPE

3/4" - 2"
CLEAN GRAVEL

72"

NATIVE MATERIAL

DRAIN ROCK



24" - 36"

Appendix 5-5

Lila Canyon Mine

Safety Factor Analyses
for
Portal Access Road, Sediment Pond and Reclaimed Slope



Appendix 5-5
Safety Factor Analyses
for
Portal Access Road, Sediment Pond and Reclaimed Slope

General

The soils information used in these calculations is taken from the data provided by Earthfax Engineering, Inc. for a slope stability analysis of a previously proposed access road. The access road location has been changed, reducing the height and angle of cut and fill slopes; however, the soils data is still representative of the new location. The data was compiled from 3 test pits located on the proposed mine site. (See Table 1) Parameters utilized in this report are based on the "worst-case" soils test for conservancy.

Safety factors in this report were determined by using Geo-Slope Slope/W Version 5 software. The "Spencer's Method" was used within Slope/W. Spencer's method considers both normal and shear inter-slice forces, and satisfies both force and moment equilibrium. Spencer's method is unique in that the ratio of shear to normal inter-slice forces is a constant, and is therefore the same for each slice. The safety factors are calculated using a given set of parameters, including slope height, slope angle, soil density, cohesion and internal friction angles.

The following assumptions are used in these calculations:

- (1) The material forming the slope is assumed to be homogeneous;
- (2) The sheer strength of the material is characterized by a cohesion (c) and a friction angle ϕ ;
- (3) Failure is assumed to occur on a circular failure surface which passes through the toe of the slope;
- (4) A vertical tension crack is assumed to occur in the upper surface of the face of the slope;
- (5) The location of the tension crack and failure surface are such that the factor of safety of the slope is a minimum for the slope geometry and groundwater conditions considered.

Portal Access Road

This road is shown on Plate 5-2, and will provide access from the bathhouse area to the rock slope portals. The road is approximately 1600' in length, with a maximum grade of 12.5%. The road will be constructed using standard cut/fill techniques. Cut slopes are expected to be no steeper than 1H:1V with a maximum height of 23'. Fill slopes will not be steeper than 2H:1V with a maximum height of 50'.

Mine Facilities Access Road

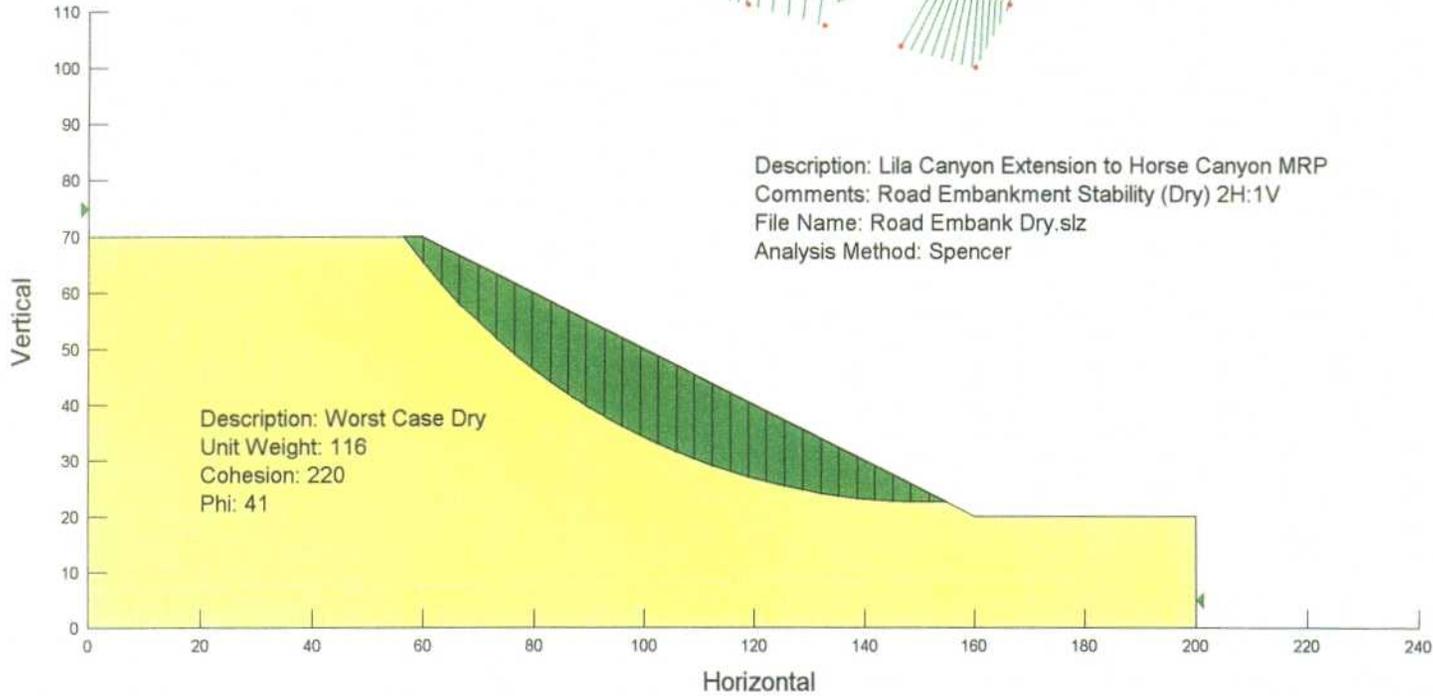
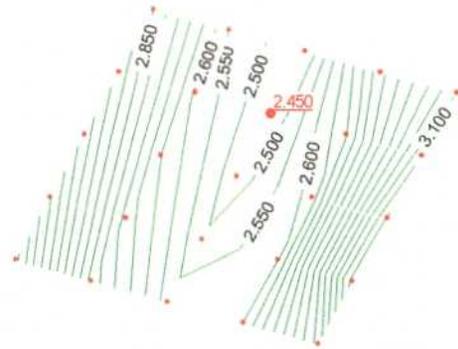
The mine facility road shown on Plate 5-2 begins at the edge of County Road 164 and allows for access to the various surface facilities. The road has been located in the most practical location taking into consideration grade, stability, and alignment. Employees will use this road to access the office & bathhouse facilities. Coal haul trucks will use this road to access the scales and truck loadout. All supplies will be hauled on a short portion of this road from the supply storage area to the slope access road. The road will be constructed using standard cut/fill techniques. Cut slopes are expected to be no steeper than 1H:1V with a maximum height of 5'. Fill slopes will not be steeper than 2H:1V with a maximum height of 5'. The road is relatively flat. Safety factors were not calculated for this road since the most severe conditions are found on the Portal Access Road. Since the Portal Access Road meets or exceeds the minimum safety standard of 1.3 of the Utah Coal Rules, then it should be intuitive that the much flatter mine facility access road will exceed the minimum 1.3 stability standard.

Road Embankment Stability

The following parameters were used for input for the proposed road embankment:

Slope Height	-	50'
Slope Angle	-	26.5° (2H:1V)
Soil Density	-	116 lbs/ft ³
Soil Cohesion	-	220 psf dry / 300psf saturated
Internal Friction Angle	-	41° dry / 24° saturated

The calculated Factor of Safety using the above parameters is 2.45 for dry conditions and 1.63 for saturated conditions. This exceeds the required 1.30 Factor of Safety required by the regulations.



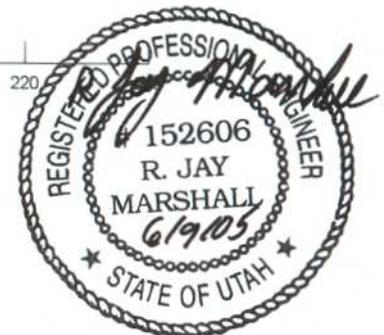
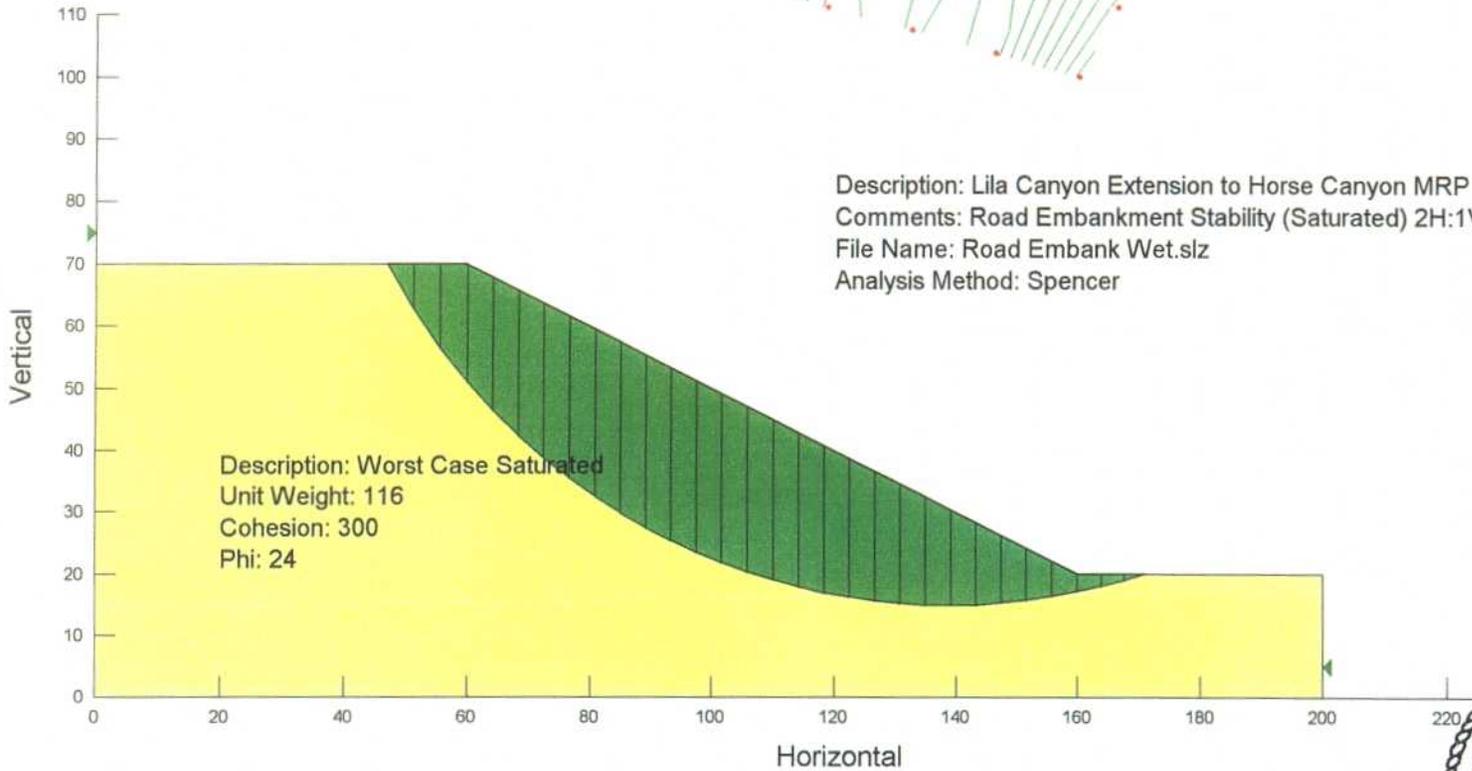
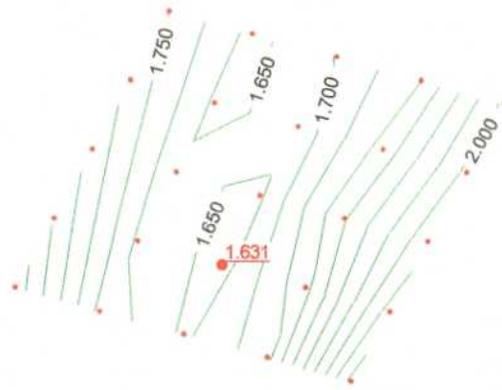
Road Cut-Slope Stability

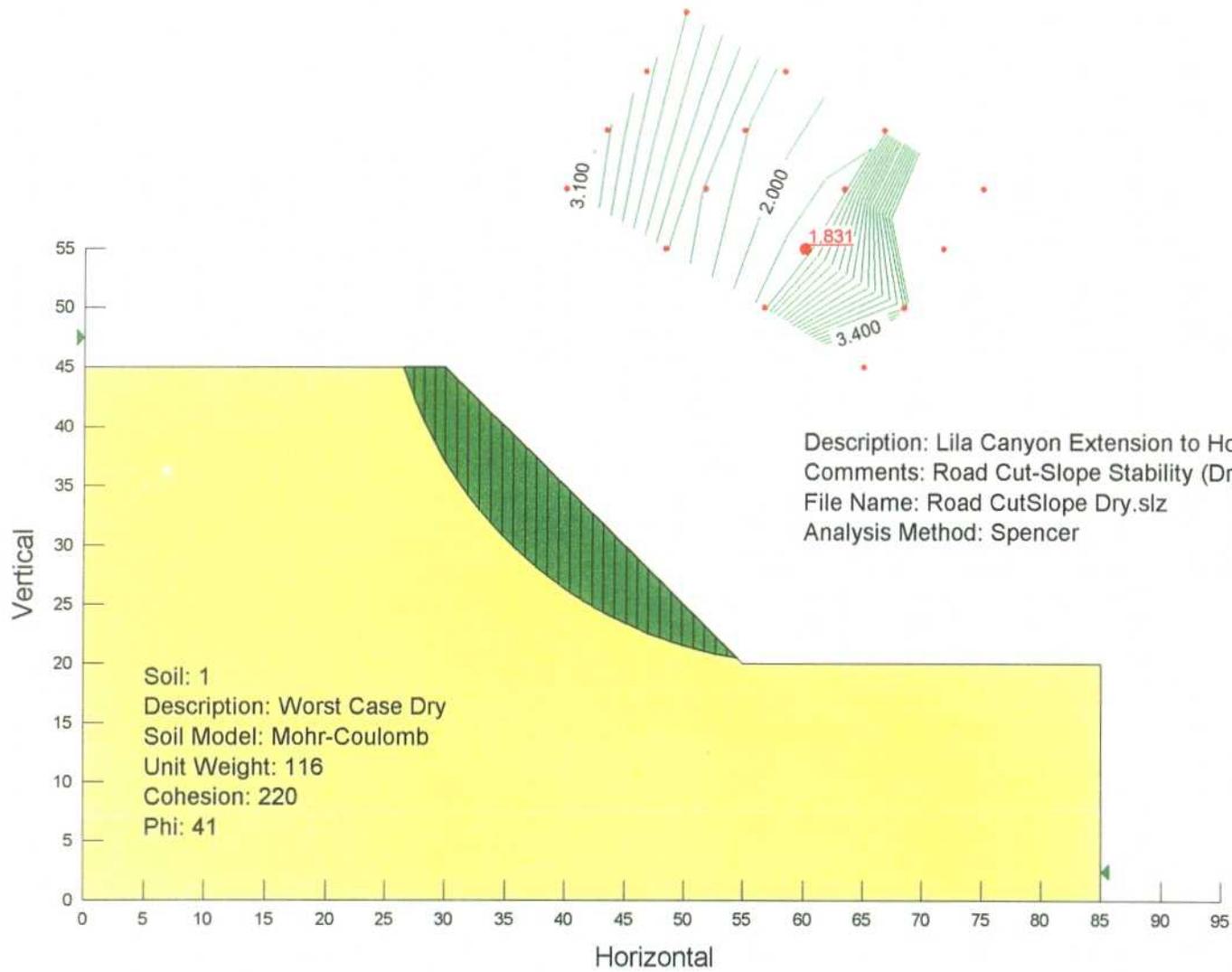
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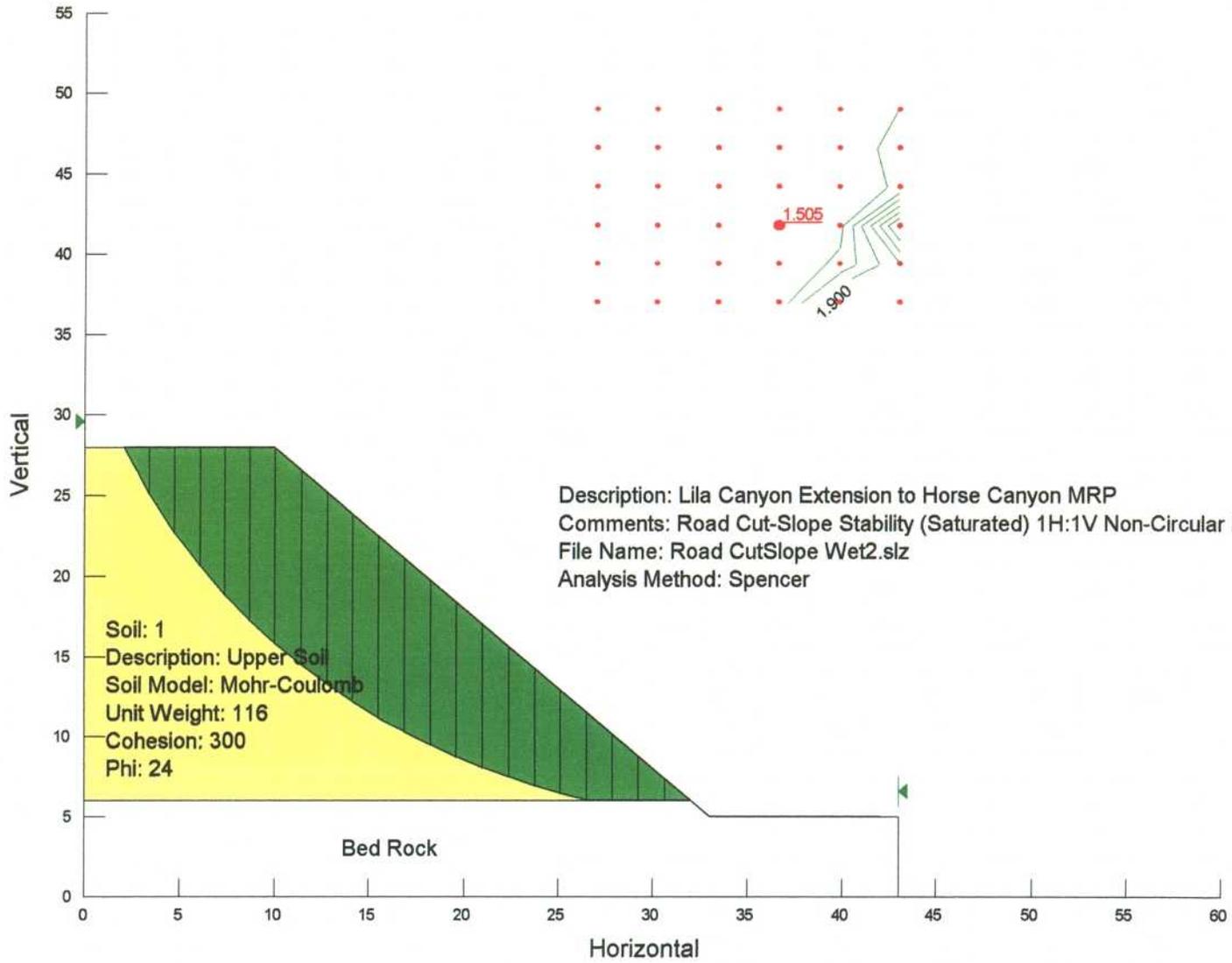
Slope Height	-	23'
Slope Angle	-	45° (1H:1V)
Soil Density	-	116 lbs/ft ³
Soil Cohesion	-	220 psf dry / 300psf saturated
Internal Friction Angle	-	41° dry / 24° saturated

The calculated Factor of Safety for the cut slopes is 1.83 for dry conditions and 1.46 for saturated conditions. This also exceeds the 1.30 requirement of the regulations.

For non-circular failure the slip surface shape follow the arc of a circle through the soil until it intersects the bedrock layer. It then follows the bedrock surface until it again interests the slip circle. The soil strength used along the bedrock surface is the strength of the soil immediately above the bedrock. As can be seen on page 7-A, the safety factor for a worse case non-circular slip failure analysis is 1.51 for saturated conditions. This exceeds the 1.3 requirement of the regulations.







Sediment Pond Stability

The proposed sediment pond is shown on Plates 5-2, 7-2 and 7-6. The pond will be located in an existing drainage and will therefore be mostly incised into natural ground. The pond dam embankment will also be a reconstructed portion of the county road, with a top width of approximately 25'.

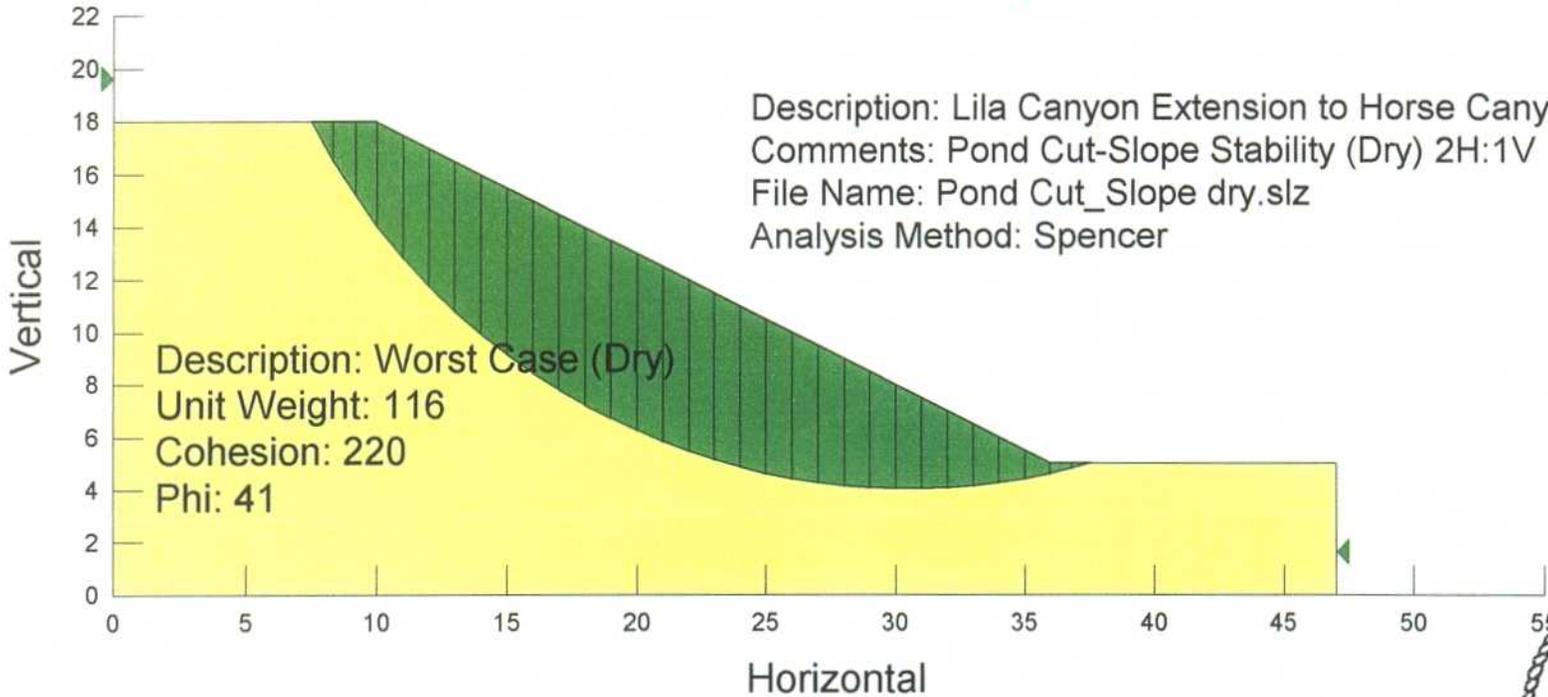
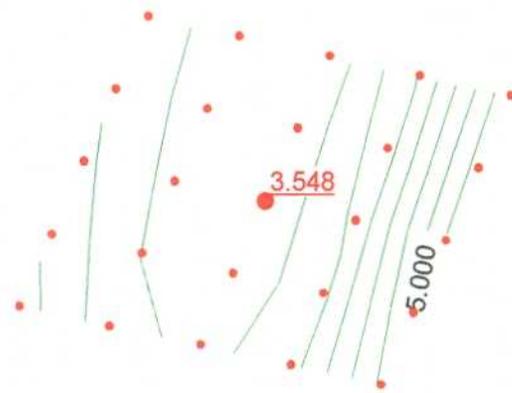
The proposed pond bottom will be a maximum of 13' below the top of the embankment. Slopes within the pond are proposed to be a maximum of 2H:1V for the incised portion and 3H:1V for the embankment. (See Sections C-C' and D-D')

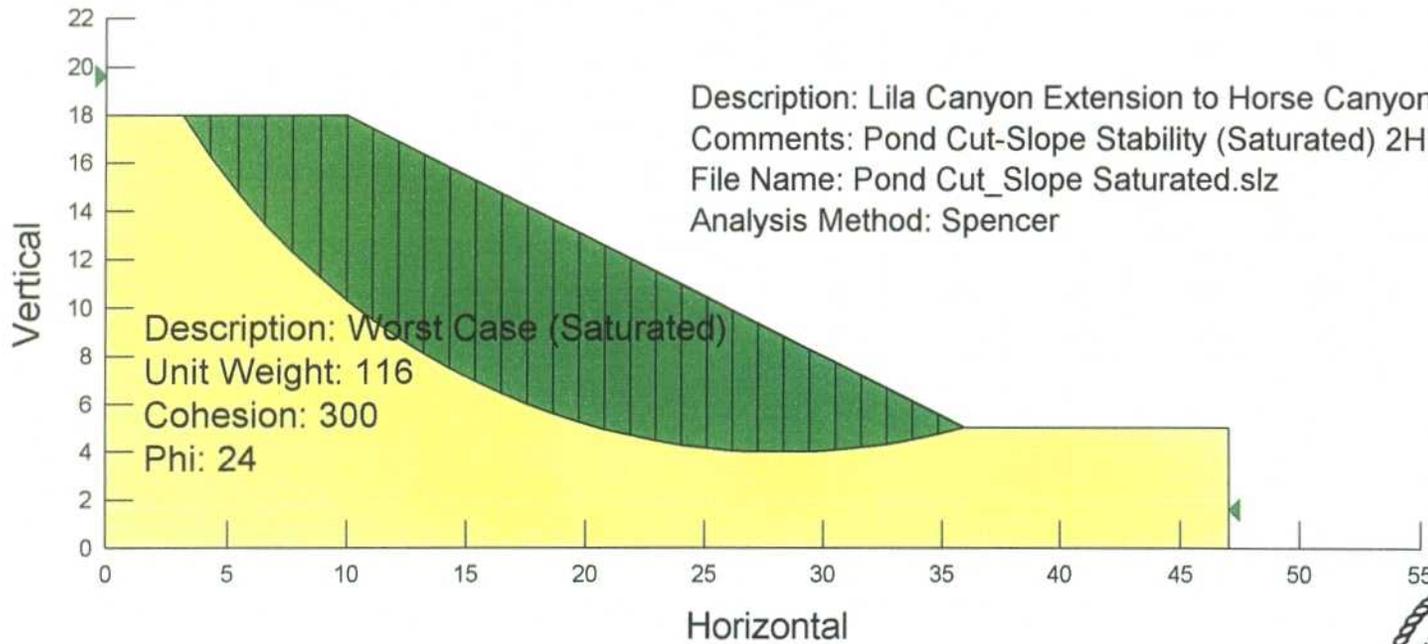
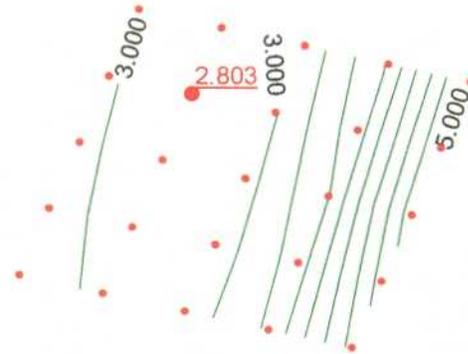
Pond Cut-Slope Stability

The following parameters were used for the proposed pond incised slopes:

Slope Height	-	13'
Slope Angle	-	26.5° (2H:1V)
Soil Density	-	113 lbs/ft ³
Soil Cohesion	-	220 psf dry / 300psf saturated
Internal Friction Angle	-	41° dry / 24° saturated

The calculated Factor of Safety for the pond cut slopes is 3.55 for dry conditions and 2.80 for saturated conditions. This exceeds the 1.30 requirements of the regulations.



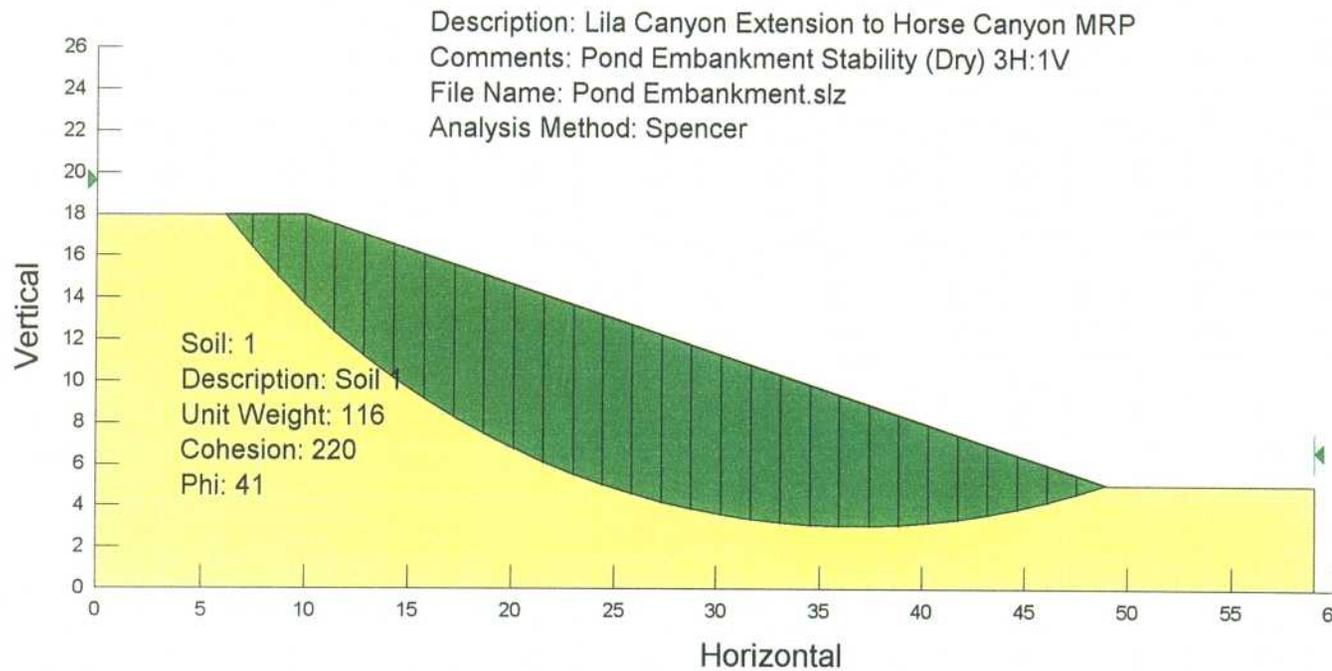
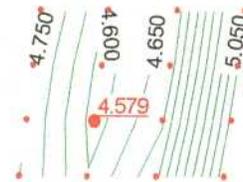


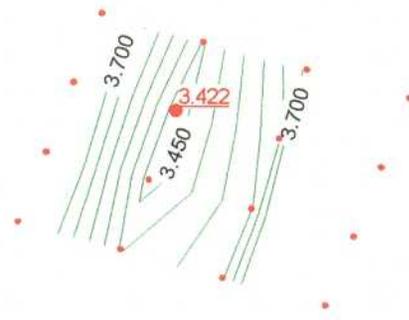
Pond Embankment Stability

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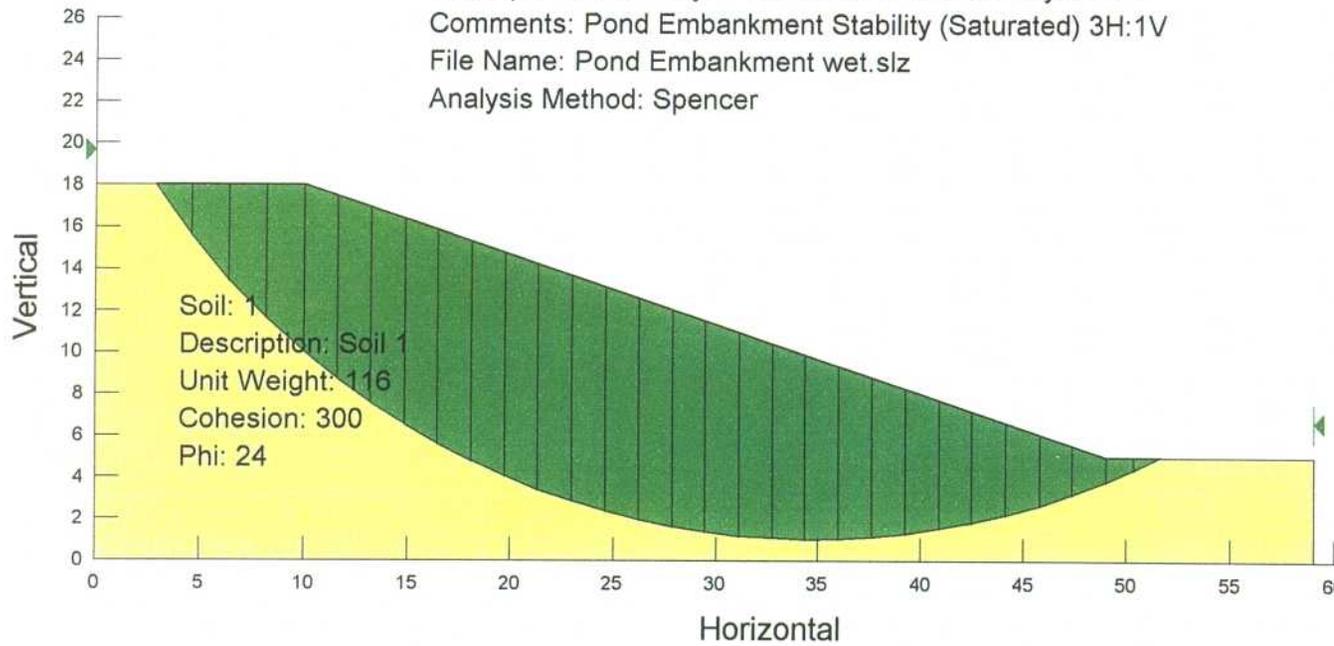
Slope Height	-	13'
Slope Angle	-	18.4° (3H:1V)
Soil Density	-	113 lbs/ft ³
Soil Cohesion	-	220 psf dry / 300psf saturated
Internal Friction Angle	-	41° dry / 24° saturated

The calculated Factor of Safety for the pond embankment is 4.35 for dry conditions and 3.10 for saturated conditions. This also exceeds the regulatory requirement of 1.30.





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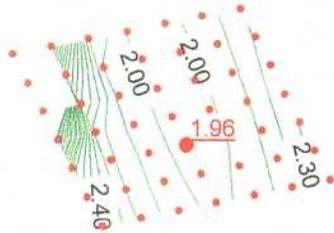


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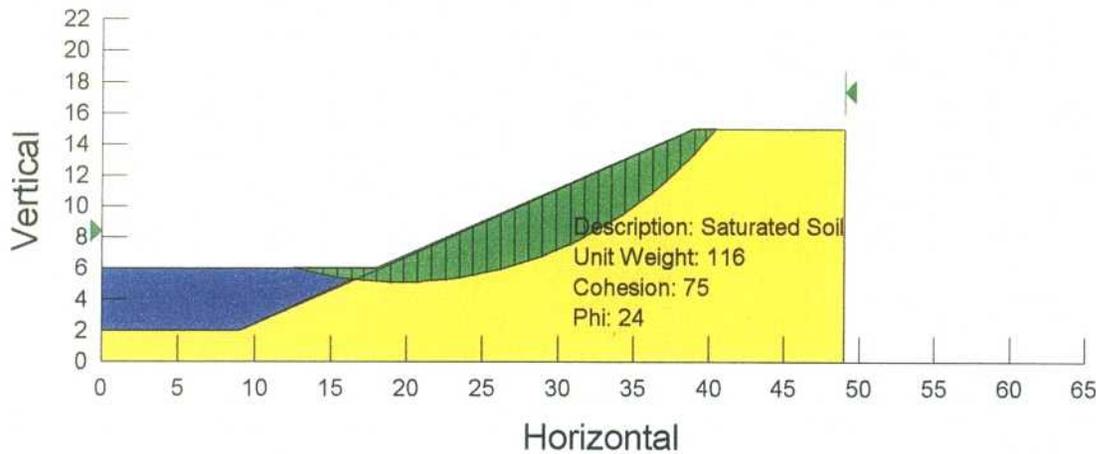
The sediment pond will be protected from failure from sudden drawdown by the following primary measures:

- (1) Proper construction/compaction of the embankment as per engineering requirements in Appendix 7-4;
- (2) Majority of pond is incised and therefore cut into natural ground with 2H:1V slopes for stability;
- (3) Safety Factor calculations show the pond to be stable under both saturated and dry conditions; therefore, transition from one state to the other should not affect stability to the extent to cause failure;
- (4) Pond embankment will be vegetated wherever feasible;
- (5) It should also be noted that the pond design has been reviewed and approved by the State Engineers Office.

Using Geosystems Software SB-Slope Version 3.0 stability analysis for sudden drawdown conditions were run. Assuming a 10 foot sudden drop in water elevation, and a soil cohesion value one fourth of the measured value, the Factor of Safety would be 1.96. This reduced cohesion value was used for conservative purposes. The actual factor of safety would be considerably higher.



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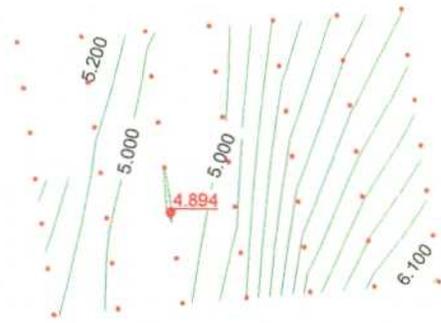


Reclaimed Slope

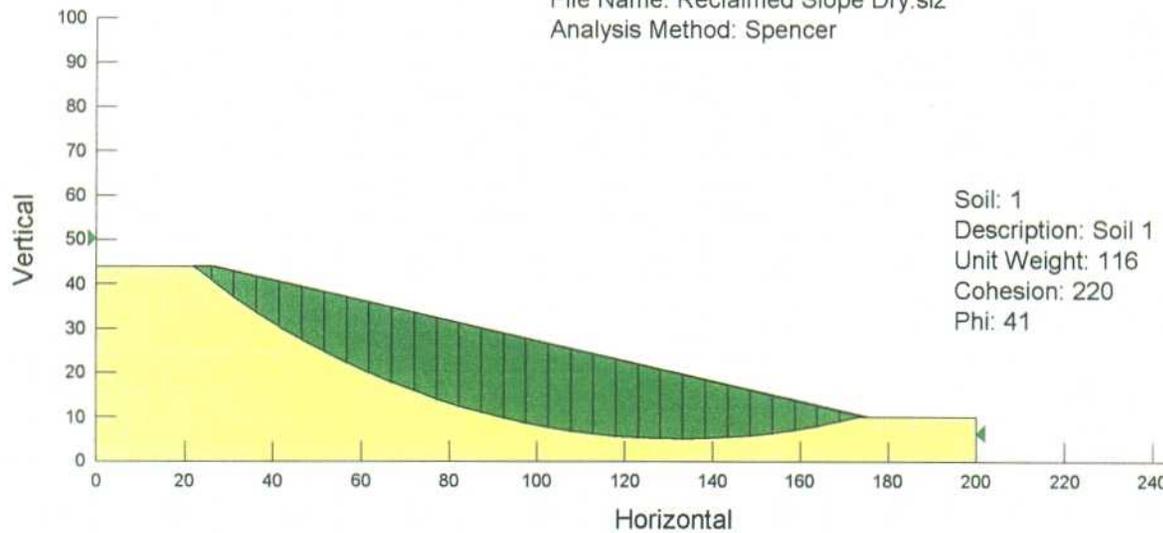
The proposed reclamation profile is shown on Plate 5-7C. A section of this profile, approximately 260' in length was selected for the stability calculation. This section is designated E-E' on Plate 5-7C and in Figure 3 of this Appendix. The section shows a maximum slope height of 34 feet at a slope angle of 12.8°. Density, cohesion and internal friction angles were assumed to be the same as the native soil for these calculations.

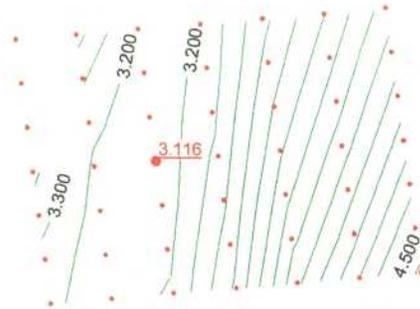
The calculated Factor of Safety for the reclaimed slope is 4.89 for dry conditions and 3.12 for saturated conditions. This also exceeds the regulatory requirement of 1.30.

NOTE: All slopes will have a maximum steepness of 1H : 1V. All such slopes will have a safety factor of 1.3 or greater as shown above.

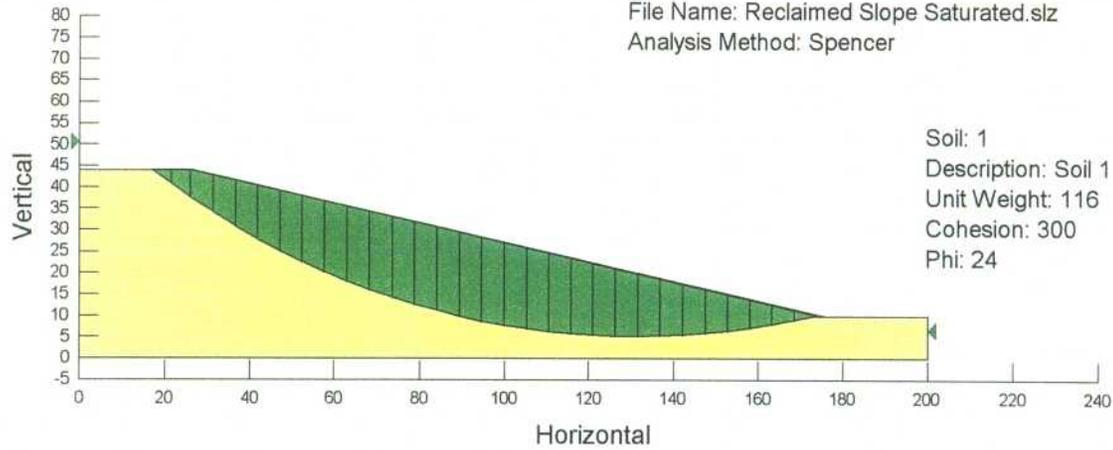


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Summary

Factors of Safety have been calculated for the proposed portal access road, sediment pond and reclaimed slope, using the most conservative soil parameters taken from test pits on the proposed site.

Road cut safety factors range from 1.83 for dry conditions to 1.46 for saturated conditions. Road embankment factors of safety are 2.45 for dry and 1.63 for saturated conditions. These calculations show the proposed road design will exceed the 1.30 Factor of Safety required by the regulations.

The sediment pond incised (cut) slopes were shown to have a Factor of Safety of 3.34 for dry conditions and 2.80 for saturated conditions. Embankment stability shows a safety factor of 4.58 for dry conditions and 3.42 for saturated conditions. These calculated safety factors also exceed the regulatory requirement.

In addition to the Safety Factor calculations, discussion was also provided for methods of protecting the sediment pond from failure due to sudden or rapid draw down.

The reclaimed slope was shown to have a Factor of Safety of 4.89 for dry conditions and 3.12 for saturated conditions. These safety factors exceed the 1.30 regulatory requirements for reclaimed slopes.

Table 1						
SUMMARY OF LABORATORY TEST RESULTS						
Test Pit	Standard Proctor Values		Direct Shear Test Values			
	Maximum Dry Density (pcf)	Optimum Moisture Content (%)	Moist Conditions ^(a)		Saturated Conditions ^(b)	
TP-1	113.0	14.5	38	510	25	490
TP-3	116.0	15.0	41	220	24	300
TP-4	113.5	13.5	43	450	41	300

- (a) Samples compacted to 92% of the Standard Proctor dry density at the optimum moisture content and tested under consolidated-undrained (CU) unsaturated conditions with vertical effective pressures of 500, 1000, and 2000 psf.
- (b) Samples compacted to 92% of the Standard Proctor dry density at the optimum moisture content and tested under consolidated-undrained (CU) saturated conditions with vertical effective pressures of 500, 1000, and 2000 psf.

Pile Configuration and Drainage

The hole for the refuse will be filled with refuse. The subsoil will be redistributed and graded to allow drainage and prevent impoundment of water on the pile. Runoff from the refuse pile will drain to the sediment pond as shown on Plate 7-5. A berm will be placed along the perimeter of the pile to direct runoff into the Sediment Pond.

A projected plan and section view of the refuse disposal area is shown on Figure 1 of this Appendix.

Site Inspection

The refuse disposal area will be inspected under the supervision of a qualified registered professional engineer during construction; this will continue until the area has been graded, covered, and reseeded. Inspections will include observations of any potential safety hazards, to assure that organic material and topsoil is removed before deposition and that construction and maintenance are being performed in accordance with the design plan.

If such inspection discloses a potential hazard, the inspector will immediately notify the regulatory authority of the hazard and the emergency procedures to be implemented.

Copies of the inspection reports will be maintained and available for review.

Reclamation

Upon completion of operation, the topsoil will be redistributed over the previously placed subsoil. Finally, the refuse area will be covered with topsoil and seeded according to the approved plan. Runoff from the reclaimed refuse pile area will continue to flow to the sediment pond until Phase II Bond Release requirements for the reclaimed site are met.

Factor of Safety

Since the pond is incised it is impossible to have a slope failure. Therefore, a safety factor calculation would be of no use. The factor of safety would be infinite.

Earthwork

Pad and Facility Site- This area would be recontoured utilizing a D-8 Class or larger crawler dozer in conjunction with a trackhoe. The level nature of the topography would allow the equipment to work in unison.

To create a natural slope similar to the premining topography (see Plate 5-6 Post Mining Contour Map), the natural channels would be reconstructed and rip rap to minimize the potential for erosion as detailed in Chapter 7 Appendix 7-4. Fill will be placed in a manner as to prevent water channelization.

Erosion

Following the ripping the stored topsoil (growth media) would be spread to a uniform depth over the entire lower area.

It is imperative that as the area is recontoured that the surface is pock-marked (see Figure 1). Pock-marking creates a very uneven surface which to a large degree diminishes the likelihood of erosion (gullies and rills) and enhances the success of revegetation.

In conjunction with the pock-marking the trackhoe can cast any vegetation; dead trees, large rocks, back onto the recontoured surface. The pock-marking creates a more mesic site by trapping precipitation, both rain and snow, in the depressions. The debris (dead trees, rocks etc.) on the surface accomplish the same function to a lesser degree by providing solar protection. In addition, the combination of the above makes the site more aesthetically compatible with the adjacent undisturbed areas and to a large degree discourages both domestic stock as well as big game from adversely impacting the site until the vegetation can become established.

Revegetation

In conjunction with the earth moving the site will be hydro seeded, mulched, tackafied and fertilized. The following methodologies have been incorporated on numerous sites on both private and federal lands and have proven very successful frequently allowing Phase 2 Bond release in as little as three growing seasons.

A. Methodology-Seedling and Mulching

A hydro-seeder is positioned directly behind the trackhoe as the hoe recontours and

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Chapter 7

700. HYDROLOGY

710. Introduction

711. General Requirements

- 711.100** The existing hydrologic resources of the proposed Lila Canyon Mine area are detailed under section 720.
 - 711.200** The proposed operations and potential impacts to the hydrologic balance are described in Sections 728 and 730.
 - 711.300** All methods and calculations utilized to achieve compliance with hydrologic design criteria and plans are described in Section 740 and Appendix 7-4.
 - 711.400** Applicable performance standards
 - 711.500** Reclamation hydrology is described in Section 760 and in Appendix 7-4.
- 712.** All cross sections, maps and plans required by R645-301-722 as appropriate, and R645-301-731.700 have been prepared and certified according to R645-301-512.
- 713.** Impoundments will be inspected as described under Section 514.300:
- A professional engineer or specialist experienced in the construction of impoundments will inspect the impoundment.
- Inspections will be made regularly during construction, upon completion of the construction, and at least yearly until removal of the structure or release of the performance bond.

The qualified, registered professional engineer will promptly, after each inspection, provide to the Division, a certified report that the impoundment has been constructed and maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan and the R645 Rules. The report will include discussion of any appearances of instability, structural weakness or other hazardous conditions, depth and elevation of any impounded waters, existing storage capacity, any existing or required monitoring procedures and instrumentation and any other aspects of the structure affecting stability. (See Appendix 5-2 for the inspection form).

A copy of the report will be retained at or near the mine site.

There are no impoundments at this site subject to MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216; therefore, weekly inspections are not required.

Impoundments not subject to MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216 will be examined at least quarterly by a qualified person designated by the operator for appearance of structural weakness and other hazardous conditions.

720. Environmental Description

721. General. The following information will present a description of the existing, pre-mining hydrologic resources within the proposed permit and adjacent areas. This information will be used to aid in determining if these areas will be affected or impacted by the proposed coal mining activities.

The proposed Lila Canyon Mine is located, in the southwestern portion of the Book Cliffs in Emery County, Utah, approximately 2 miles south of the old Horse Canyon Mine, formerly operated by Geneva Steel Company. The proposed mining will be in the Upper (and possibly Lower) Sunnyside Seam of the Blackhawk Formation.

Existing hydrologic resources of the area consist of: Surface water resources - ephemeral acting streams; and Groundwater resources - springs and seeps and perched, isolated aquifers. These resources have been evaluated using hydrologic data from the Horse Canyon Mine, water piezometers, and seep/spring inventory data of the proposed mine and adjacent areas. Plates 7-1 and 7-1A show the

locations of the surface drainages, springs and seeps, and piezometers.

722. Cross Sections and Maps

722.100 Subsurface Water. The locations where subsurface water, including springs and seeps, have been identified are presented on Plates 6-5 and 7-1 and data results are included in Appendix 7-1. Relevant cross sections of subsurface water, geology, and drill holes are shown on Plate 6-5. Where sufficient data are available, the seasonal head differences are presented on contour maps (see Figure 7-2A) and on a well hydrograph plot (see Figure 7-2B).

722.200 Surface Water. Location of all streams and stockwatering ponds or tanks in the area of the mine are shown on Plate 7-1. There are no perennial streams, lakes or ponds known to exist within the proposed permit or adjacent areas.

A new diversion work has recently been constructed by the BLM at the confluence of the Right Fork of Lila Canyon and Grassy Wash. Water from this diversion is directed to the stock pond located in Section 28, T. 16 S., R 14 E. Figure 1 in Appendix 7-9 shows the location of the diversion and the alignment of the diversion channel to the stock pond. Also, the location of the overflow channel back to Grassy Wash is also presented on the figure. No other ditches or drains are known to have been constructed in the area of the mine.

722.300 Baseline Data Locations. Locations of all baseline data monitoring points are shown on Plate 7-1. Baseline water quality and quantity data is included in Appendix 7-1.

722.400 Water Wells. Three wells and three piezometers have been identified in the permit and adjacent areas. Two wells are located within the alluvium of lower Horse Canyon Creek. Three water Piezometers were drilled in the area, IPA #1, IPA #2 and IPA #3, to monitor mine water levels. Drill hole S-32 was drilled and converted to a water monitoring hole by Kaiser in 1981. The details of these wells are discussed in Section 724.100 of the application. The location of all these wells is

shown on Plate 7-1. No information on any other wells has been identified.

722.500 Contour Maps Contour Maps of the proposed disturbed area and mining areas are included as Plates 5-2A, 5-2B, 7-1 and 7-2. These maps use U.S.G.S. based contours and accurately represent the proposed permit and adjacent areas. Disturbed area maps present greater detail from low-level aerial photography, for greater detail, and are tied to relevant U.S.G.S. elevations to ensure correlation between the maps.

723. Sampling and Analysis

All water quality analyses performed to meet the requirements of R645-301-723 through R645-301-724.300, R645-301-724.500, R645-301-725 through R645-301-731, and R645-301-731.210 through R645-301-731.223 will be conducted according to the methodology in the current edition of "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" or the methodology in 40 CFR Parts 136 and 434. Water quality sampling performed to meet the requirements of R645-301-723 through R645-301-724.300, R645-301-724.500, R645-301-725 through R645-301-731, and R645-301-731.210 through R645-301-731.223 will be conducted according to either methodology listed above when feasible. "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" is a joint publication of the American Water Works Association, and the Water Pollution Control Federation and is available from the American Public Health Association, 1015 Fifteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

724. Baseline Information

This section presents a description of the groundwater and surface water hydrology, geology, and climatology resources to assist in determining the baseline hydrologic conditions which exist in the permit and adjacent areas. This information provides a basis to determine if mining operations can be expected to have a significant impact on the hydrologic balance of the area.

724.100 Ground Water Information. This section presents a discussion of baseline groundwater conditions in the permit and adjacent areas. The data set consists of piezometer,

spring and seep inventory data, and mine inflow information from the abandoned Horse Canyon Mine. Appendices 7-1 and 7-6 provide data through the 2002 sampling period. All of these data and other recent data are available in the DOGM electronic database. The data, provided in Appendices 7-1 and 7-6 and the DOGM electronic data base, were obtained from multiple sources, including (but not limited to) on-site sampling efforts, the Horse Canyon Mine P.A.P. filed by Geneva Steel and annual reports, U.S. Geological Survey publications, and various consultant reports. Since not all monitoring parties were required to adhere to UDOGM or SMCRA rules, the laboratory parameters varied between reports. However, the data are still considered valid and appropriate for determining baseline conditions within the permit and adjacent areas. The location of the sampling points are presented on Plates 7-1 and 7-1A.

History of Data Collection. The U.S. Geological Survey conducted a water quality study in Horse Canyon from August 1978 until September 1979 during the time that U.S. Steel operated the mine. Samples were taken monthly from the Horse Canyon Creek and analyzed for most major ions and cations and field parameters. Metals, eight nitrogen species and other minor chemical constituents were taken on a quarterly basis or less.

Between January 1981 and April 1983, baseline water quality data was collected for four surface water/spring sites B-1, HC-1, RF-1 and RS-2, and 3 UPDES Discharge Points, 001 (Mine Discharge), 002 (Mine Discharge) and 003 (Sewer Plant) , on the Horse Canyon permit area. Between 14 and 19 samples were taken and analyzed during the monitoring period depending on the site. The parameters that were analyzed were derived from Section 783.16 in the regulations. DOGM monitoring guidelines were not in force at that time.

Two other sites, RS-1, and RS-2, were sampled once a year during 1978, 1979, and 1980 and analyzed for most major chemical constituents. In addition, springs H-1, H-6, H-18, and H-21 were sampled once by JBR and analyzed for the major constituents in 1985. Third quarter data for 1989 were collected for B-1, HC-1, RF-1, and RS-2 and sampled for most of the parameters in DOGM's guidelines.

Sample sites B-1, HC-1, RF-1 and RS-2, along with the UPDES Discharge Points 001A and 001B, have been monitored quarterly since 1989 in accordance with the approved water monitoring plan for the Horse Canyon Mine (Part A). The results of this monitoring have been submitted to the Division each year with the Annual Report and or have been entered into the Divisions electronic data base.

Baseline monitoring was also conducted on the proposed Lila Canyon Mine extension area by Earthfax Engineering in 1993-1995. Some 60 sites were identified and monitored. This data is presented in Appendix 7-1.

The operational water monitoring program committed to the permit application was implemented in July, 2000. Data will be collected from new monitoring sites L-1-S through L-4-S. L-5-G has yet to be installed. These sites are typically dry and no quality data has been gathered as yet. Sites L-6-G through L-10-G have been monitored for baseline in 1993, 1994, and 1995. These sites, along with Piezometers IPA-1, IPA-2 and IPA-3, were monitored in December 2000 to determine if they were still viable and to establish a current baseline that will be continuous with operational monitoring.

Sites L-11-G and L-12-G were added in October 2001 to replace sites L-6-G and L-10-G. Sites L-13-S, L-14-S, and L-15-S are being used to determine flow characteristics of the Williams Draw Wash, Wash below L-12-G, and Little Park Wash.

Sites L-6-G, L-10-G and L-15-S were determined to either provide no flow data or data that was less representative than the replacement sites and will be suspended from sampling in the 1st quarter of 2003.

Wells. The wells in the mine area consist of two water supply wells, three water monitoring piezometers, and an exploration borehole converted to a monitoring well.

Two wells are located within the alluvium of lower Horse Canyon Creek, near the Horse Canyon Mine. These wells area completed in the aerially small, alluvial aquifer at the mouth of Horse Canyon which contains groundwater likely collect from infiltration of surface flows from the upper Horse Canyon area. As indicated in Section 722.400, the well located near the main Horse Canyon surface facilities,

identified as Horse Canyon well on Plate 7-1A, is still open, although not operational at this time. The well was investigated and it was determined that it would not be useful as a Piezometer. The pump is sitting on the top of a concrete cap encapsulating the top of the well. The site could not be used as a piezometer without removing the pump. This well will be donated to the College of Eastern Utah as part of the Post Mine Land Use Change. The well located near the road junction, identified as MDC well on Plate 7-1A, is an abandoned well owned by Minerals Development Corporation. This well has been sealed to the operator's best knowledge. No hydrologic data is presently available from either of these wells.

Three water piezometers were drilled as part of plans to access the Kaiser South Lease by I.P.A. These piezometers were designated IPA-1, IPA-2 and IPA-3, and are located in the Lila Canyon Permit area (see Plate 7-1). IPA monitored these sites for water depth from 7/94 to 4/96. These monitoring results are included in Appendix 7-1 and monitoring points and measured water levels are shown on Plate 7-1. It should be noted that the monitoring of these holes was done over the 2 3/4 year period to provide baseline data for the South Lease by I.P.A. Monitoring of water depths at these points by UtahAmerican commenced in December 2000 and continued through present. As indicated by the data in Appendix 7-1, the water levels in the holes show very little fluctuation. Levels change from less than 1.2' to a maximum of 21.2' over an eight year monitoring period. Figure 7-2A and 7-2B present the seasonal fluctuations of the water levels as contour maps and hydrographs. Using these water levels, an estimate of the projected water level assuming that the zones from the individual wells are connected is shown on Plate 7-1 and the monitoring results are included in Appendix 7-1 - Baseline Monitoring.

The piezometers were installed to provide depth of water only. It is impossible to drop a bailer 1,000 and withdraw a water sample without contaminating the sample. The depth and diameter of the piezometer holes makes it impossible to use them for baseline quality.

Drill holes S-26, S-27, S-28, and S-31 were cased in 3" PVC pipe with bottom perforations for water monitoring; however, cement seals were faulty, allowing the PVC pipe to fill with cement. Drill hole S-26 was reported dry in the week prior to cementing.

It has been reported by Kaiser that holes within one and one-quarter miles east of the cliff face were drilled with air, mist and foam and did not detect any water in the subsurface with the exception of drill hole S-32. No apparent increase in fluid level could be attributed to groundwater inflow from these holes, some of which were open for two weeks. Exploration drill holes in the South Lease property south of Williams Draw did not encounter groundwater within 1 to 1.25 miles of the coal outcrop. Exploration drill holes in the South Lease property, south of Williams Draw, did not encounter groundwater within 1 to 1.25 miles of the coal outcrop.

S-32 is located approximately three miles south of Lila Canyon and is separated from Lila by at least two known fault systems. The drill log along with the Chronology of Development and Pump tests are included in Appendix 6-1. Water levels measured are shown in the "Chronology of Development". Water quality analysis for S-32 is also included in Appendix 6-1. The location of S-32 is shown on Plate 7-1. The Permittee visited S-32 in 2002 and attempted to measure water levels, but found that piezometer S-32 was unusable.

Spring and Seep Data. JBR Consultants Group (1986) conducted a spring and seep inventory of the Horse Canyon area during the fall of 1985. During the study, no springs or seeps were located within the disturbed area or near the proposed surface facilities. Within and adjacent to the permit area, 19 springs and seeps were found. Flows occurred from either sandstone beds located over shales or from alluvium. The flow rates from the springs varied from less than 1 gpm to about 10 gpm. Table 7-1 shows the flow rates and field data for each site. Sample results are listed in Appendix 7-6.

Based on the data, nine of the springs occurred from alluvial deposits in the stream channels or in colluvium. Nine of the remaining springs discharge from sandstone located above less permeable shale. Spring (H-92) was developed by excavating into bedrock. The discharge from this spring is through a pipe.

An additional spring and seep survey was conducted in the area, including the proposed Lila Canyon Mine area, by Earthfax Engineering in 1993 through 1995. Results of this survey are included in Appendix 7-1 of this permit. This is the most consistent and most recent data; therefore, this data has been used for baseline monitoring in Appendix 7-1.

All of the spring and seep sites identified from the various surveys are presented on Plate 7-1A. The geologic source for the springs can be determined by comparing Plates 6-1 and 7-1 and 7-1A. Additionally, the elevation of the sampling points can be estimated from the topographic base map. All groundwater use (seeps and springs) within the permit and adjacent areas is confined to wildlife and stock watering.

Spring ID	Temp (C°)	pH	Conduct. (umhos.)	Flow (gpm)	Occurrence	Use	Sampled
H-1	7	8.1	950	2	SS over	wildlife	yes
H-2	10	8.0	1111	2	Colluvium	wildlife	no
H-3	-	-	-	<<1	Alluvium	wildlife	no
H-4	9	7.7	1229	1	Colluvium	wildlife	no
H-5	10.5	7.7	1359	1	Alluvium	wildlife	no
H-6	9	7.9	1366	10	SS over	cattle	yes
H-7	9.5	7.6	1985	<1	SS	cattle	no
H-8	12	7.8	1997	<1	SS	wildlife	no
H-9	11	7.7	1919	2	Alluvial	cattle	no
H-10	11	7.9	2150	1	Alluvial	cattle	no
H-11	9.5	7.8	1227	2.5	Alluvium	cattle	no
H-13	11	7.1	1596	4.5	Colluvium	cattle	no
H-14	7	7.5	2040	2	SS over	cattle	no
H-18	7	7.9	1381	9	Alluvium	wildlife	yes
H-19	8	8.2	645	3.5	SS over	developed	no
H-20	14	8.3	777	2.5	SS over	none	no
H-21	14	8.3	968	6	SS over	wildlife	yes
H-22	5	8.3	322	1	SS over	none	no
H-92	-	-	-	<<<1	SS over	none	no

It should be noted that a number of sample sites and monitoring holes have been noted in previous submittals. Sites A-26 and A-31 were mentioned in the Horse Canyon Mine Plan; however, these sites were drilled in 1981, and no data is available as to location and/or water quality data. These sites are considered non-usable for this plan. Sites H-21A, H-21B, H-18A, H-18B, HC-1A and an unidentified spring 1000' southwest of HCSW-2 have been mentioned; however, no sample data or pertinent information is available for these sites, and they have been removed from Plates 7-1 and 7-1A. Plates 7-1 and 7-1A has therefore been revised to show only seep/spring and other pertinent hydrologic data points for which adequate, reliable data is available for the plan.

Water rights for the mine and adjacent areas are addressed in Section 722.200 of this P.A.P.

Mine Inflow Information. Based on the historic record, water was encountered underground in the Horse Canyon Mine, resulting in outflows from portal areas of approximately 0.2 cfs or 90 gpm. The size of the flows from pumping or from old portal discharges is more the result of the large size of the mine (approx. 1500 ac), rather than the result of intercepting a localized high flowing aquifer. If the flow is distributed over the mine area, the average inflow is about 0.6 gpm per acre. The water encountered was likely discharge from perched aquifers or saturated sandstone lenses encountered during mining, not uncommon in mines in the Blackhawk Formation.

According to mining records of U.S. Steel (previous owner), groundwater was monitored within the Horse Canyon mine in several locations. Generally, the underground flows occurred from roof drips or areas where entries encountered sandstone lenses. Flows which issued from rock slopes and gob areas, where roof collapse may have occurred, were small, indicating that limited water inflow from overlying strata occurred.

During the period from 1957 to 1962, an exploration test entry was mined south from the Geneva Mine into the Lila Canyon Area. This entry encountered in-place water, which was allowed to collect in short cuts made into the down dip entry which was sufficient to keep excess water from working areas. The exploration entry was terminated when the Entry fault was encountered (see Plate 7-1). More than two months was spent drilling to ascertain the nature of the

fault and locate the coal seam. During this period, there is no mention in the records of excess water or that water was encountered in the Entry fault area.

There is no estimate of water quantity and quality retrieved while mining the exploration entry other than mentioned above. However, water flow and seeps were reported to be in the range of 1 to 24gpm.

Only when the mine neared the Sunnyside Fault was significant water encountered. The water was initially pumped for use in the water supply system for the mine. When inflows increased beyond in-mine needs, to keep the workings near the Sunnyside Fault from flooding, the mine pumped water collected from this area from the workings during the period 1980 through 1983, prior to suspending operations.

The rate of inflow into the mine is not precisely known. In U.S. Steel's Permit Application Package (PAP) (1983) they estimated the average discharge from the mine to be 0.2 cfs. Lines and Plantz (1981, p. 32) also estimated the discharge from the mine to be 0.2 cfs and mentioned that the discharge was intermittent. It is not known, however, if this represents a constant average flow or the average flow rate during discharge periods. The mine was using an unknown volume of water within the mine for dust suppression and other operational needs.

According to the I.P.A. Mining and Reclamation Plan for Horse Canyon, Kaiser Coal re-entered the mine in 1986. They found that at the intersection of the Main slope and 3rd level, at the rotary car dump, there was water in the bottom of the dump. The water level in the dump was described in the Horse Canyon P.A.P. as being "about 30 feet below the floor (personnel communication, 1990)". U.S. Steel monitoring site 2 Dip, a sump where water collected, is very near this location and has an elevation of 5,827 feet. Therefore, the water level in the rotary dump would be at a level of about 5,800 feet. No other water levels were obtained during 1986.

In 1993, BXG also re-entered the Horse Canyon Mine. They reported water levels at approximately 5870. It is not known if this reported level was for the same locations. Due to the extended period without pumping, this water level is probably representative of the level of water collected in the rest of the mine. Therefore, to be conservative it is assumed that the Geneva exploration entries driven south from

the Horse Canyon Mine into the proposed Lila Canyon mining area do contain water since the tunnels elevation is approximately 5855 feet.

The Horse Canyon Mine has been closed and the surface area reclaimed. With no significant inflow to the old workings, no discharges are occurring from any of the portal areas nor are expected in the future. It is known however, that water has collected in the old entries. As future mining activities, for the proposed Lila Canyon Mine, will be occurring near this area of collected water in the old workings, it is likely that some or all of this water will be intercepted by the proposed Lila Canyon Mine (see Plate 7-1). Water may then have to be pumped from the mine. Because of undulating floor and unknown void areas, it is impossible to determine the amount of water that would be pumped. The rate of pumping, if any, would be determined by the water discharge system design. All water discharged from the mine would be discharged at UPDES Site # 002A which is Site L-5-G, and will meet all UPDES standards. DOGM has specified planning to include a mine discharge of 500 gpm maximum.

An inspection of the Horse Canyon area following mining has shown no diminution of reasonably foreseeable use of aquifers. Since mining ceased in 1983, subsidence should have occurred within two years. However, no deterioration of the aquifers in the area was identified. Mining has not yet begun on the Lila Canyon site; however, since the structure and groundwater regime is similar to the Horse Canyon area, no diminution or deterioration of groundwater resources is expected in this area.

Occurrences of ground water in the Lila Canyon Mine are expected to be similar to the Geneva Mine (Horse Canyon). Inflows of water encountered while mining reduced to seeps or dried up in a short period of time.

Groundwater Systems

In the Lila Canyon Lease area, the groundwater regime consists of two separate and distinct multilayered zones. The upper most zone consists of the Wasatch Group which consists of the Colton Formation and the undifferentiated Flagstaff Limestone-North Horn Formation. The lower zone consists of the Mesa Verde Group which contains the Price River Formation, Castlegate Sandstone, and the

Blackhawk Formation (where the coal seams are located). The Mesa Verde Group is underlain by the Mancos Shale.

Geologic conditions in the permit and adjacent areas are described in detail in Chapter 6 of this P.A.P. Formal aquifer names have not been applied to any groundwater system in the permit and adjacent areas because the geometry, continuity, boundary conditions, and flow paths of the groundwater systems in the area are not fully understood. However, the data do suggest that groundwater systems in each of the bedrock groups are sufficiently different from each other to justify the informal designation of groundwater systems based on bedrock lithology. Thus, the informal designation of the Upper zone - Colton and Flagstaff/North Horn and the Lower zone - Price River, Blackhawk, and Mancos groundwater systems is adopted herein.

Groundwater in the permit and adjacent areas occurs within perched aquifers in the upper zone overlying the coal-bearing Blackhawk Formation as well as within the lower zone of the Blackhawk Formation and Mancos. Hydrogeologic conditions within the permit and adjacent areas are summarized below:

Upper Zone

Colton Formation. The Colton Formation outcrops in the northeast portion of the permit and adjacent areas. This formation consists predominantly of fine-grained calcareous sandstone with occasional basal beds of conglomerates and interbeds of mudstone and siltstone. Data presented in Plates 7-1 and 7-1A and Appendices 7-1 and 7-6 indicate that 16 springs issue from the Colton Formation within the permit and adjacent areas.

Waddell et al. (1986) evaluated the discharge of springs in the formation for the period of June to September 1980. The measured discharge rate generally declined during the 4-month period of evaluation. This suggests that the groundwater system has a good hydraulic connection with surface recharge and that most of the annual recharge quickly drains out of the system.

Groundwater issuing from the Colton Formation has a total dissolved solids ("TDS") concentration of 300 to 600 mg/l (as measured by specific conductance and laboratory analyses of TDS). The pH of

this water is slightly alkaline (7.5 to 8.1). Insufficient data are available to describe seasonal variations in these parameters.

The water is a calcium-magnesium-bicarbonate type (see Appendix 7-1). The data also indicated total iron concentrations of <0.04 to 4.89 mg/l. Total manganese concentrations ranged from <0.01 to 1.29 mg/l.

Undifferentiated Flagstaff-North Horn Formation. The Flagstaff-North Horn Formation outcrops across much of the northern and central portion of the permit area. This formation consists of an interbedded sequence of sandstone, mudstone, marlstone, and limestone. Most springs and a major portion of the volume of groundwater discharging from the permit and adjacent areas issue from the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation. According to Plates 7-1 and 7-1A and Appendices 7-1 and 7-6, 36 springs issue from the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation within the permit and adjacent areas.

Groundwater discharge rates for springs issuing from the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation are greatly influenced by seasonal variations in precipitation and snowmelt, with most discharge corresponding to the melting of the winter snow pack during the spring months. Discharge is highest following the spring snowmelt and decreases to a trickle by the fall (Appendices 7-1 and 7-6). Many springs issuing from the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation have been noted to dry up each year.

Waddell et al. (1986), found that most of the annual recharge to the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation drains out of the system within about two months, while the remainder of the annual recharge drains out prior to the next snowmelt recharge event.

The groundwater regime in the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation appears to be influenced predominantly by the combined effects of lithology and topographic expression. Because the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation forms the upland plateau of the permit and adjacent areas, this formation is capable of receiving appreciable groundwater recharge from precipitation and snowmelt.

Waddell et al. (1986) concluded that the Flagstaff-North Horn groundwater system is perched. They indicate that approximately 9 percent of the average annual precipitation recharges the Flagstaff-

North Horn groundwater system and that recharge water entering the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation moves downward until it encounters low permeability shale or claystone layers in the lower portion of the formation, where almost all of the water is forced to flow horizontally to springs.

Data presented in Appendices 7-1 and 7-6 indicate that groundwater issuing from the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation has a TDS concentration range of 400 to 700 mg/l. This water tends to be slightly alkaline and, similar to conditions encountered in the overlying Colton Formation, is of the calcium-magnesium-bicarbonate type.

The data presented in Appendices 7-1 and 7-6 indicate that the total iron concentration of groundwater discharging from springs in the Flagstaff-North Horn Formation is generally less than 0.04 to 0.15 mg/l. Total manganese concentrations in Flagstaff-North Horn groundwater are generally less than 0.03 mg/l. These data do not exhibit seasonal trends.

Lower Zone

Price River Formation. The Price River Formation consists of interbedded mudstone and siltstone with some fine-grained sandstone and carbonaceous mudstone. Within the permit area, 17 springs have been found issuing from the Price River Formation as indicated based on data presented in Plates 7-1 and 7-1A and Appendices 7-1 and 7-6. Based on specific conductance measurements collected from these springs, the TDS concentration of water issuing from the Price River Formation varies from about 750 to 850 mg/l. The water is slightly alkaline, with a pH of 7.9 to 8.9.

The IPA monitoring piezometers (Plate 7-1) were completed within the first formation with identifiable water above the coal seam, the Price River Formation. Data collected from the piezometers (Appendix 7-1) indicate that water levels in IPA 2 and 3 varied by approximately 2 feet during the period of July 1994 through April 1996, but showed no consistent trend. IPA 1 showed a rise of 5.6 feet over the same period. Measurements collected in 2001 indicated that the water levels in IPA 2 and 3 were 1 to 2 feet higher than the last time it was measured nearly 5 years earlier, while IPA 1 showed a rise of 16 feet. For the period since 2001, no trend has been identified for IPA 2 and 3, while IPA 1 has continued a slow increase.

high rate and over time as the limited extent of the zone is emptied, the rate of flow decreases. Some zones which are laterally connected are able to reach a consistent inflow which is a balance for the recharge to the system with the outflow to the mine entry.

The hydraulic conductivity of the lower zone is believed to be about 0.01 to 0.02 feet per day, similar to values reported by Lines (1985) from the Wasatch Plateau for similar lithologies. Structural dip in the Lila Canyon area is about 6 to 7 degrees. The gradient of the lower zone in the Horse Canyon/Lila Canyon area is probably less than 2 degrees.

The water monitoring piezometers show water levels above the lower zone containing the coal seam in area of the mine; however, the zones recorded are not connected to the lower groundwater zone. As reported in the Castlegate Sandstone section, no springs or water bearing zones were identified in the spring and seep inventories or in the drilling of the water monitoring piezometers in the formation. Therefore, indicating that the monitored zones are perched and are isolated from the lower groundwater zone.

It is possible that mining will intercept some water as it progresses down dip. However, as discussed previously regarding mine water inflows to the Horse Canyon Mine, it is expected that water quantities and quality will be similar to that encountered in the Horse Canyon Mine. While some pumping is likely for water from the isolated saturated zones within the lower groundwater zone; since the water in the upper groundwater zone appears to be perched aquifers 200 to 500 feet above the coal seams, no adverse effects on usable surface sources are expected.

No springs have been identified as issuing from the Blackhawk Formation (see Appendices 7-1 and 7-6 and Plates 7-1 and 7-1A).

The quality of groundwater in the Blackhawk Formation is assumed to be similar to water quality for data collected from leakage into the Horse Canyon Mine. These data indicate that Blackhawk Formation groundwater has a mean TDS concentration range of 1400 to 2400 mg/l and is of the sodium-bicarbonate type. These waters are chemically distinct from groundwater in overlying groundwater systems.

Quality and quantity of underground water is the most difficult to ascertain due to geologic variables such as faults, fractures, channel sands and isolation of these particular features when water is encountered in order to gain reliable samples. Underground water tends to be co-mingled with water from other places in the mine and water pumped through the mines for mine equipment and dust suppression. Thus, care needs to be taken to obtain representative samples. Specific undisturbed water samples of the subsurface inflows are not known to have been collected. However, the quality results reported in the Horse Canyon records are consistent with in-mine samples from adjacent mines.

The dissolved iron concentration of groundwater flowing into the Horse Canyon Mine has historically been less than 0.5 mg/l and is generally less than 0.1 mg/l (see Appendices 7-1 and 7-6). The total iron concentration of this water has historically been less than 0.7 mg/l and generally less than 0.1 mg/l. The total manganese concentration of Blackhawk Formation water (as measured in the Horse Canyon Mine) has historically been less than 0.05 mg/l and is typically less than 0.03 mg/l (see Appendices 7-1 and 7-6).

Mancos Shale. The Mancos Shale is exposed south and west of the permit area. This formation is a relatively impermeable marine shale and is not considered to be a regional or local aquifer. Groundwater samples collected from two monitoring sites located in Stinky Spring Canyon approximately 2 miles southeast of Lila Canyon Mine have a TDS concentration in the range of 2200 to 4200 mg/l and are of the sodium-sulfate-chloride type (Appendix 7-1). Total iron concentrations ranged from 0.35 to 11.8 mg/l. Total manganese concentrations ranged from 0.05 to 0.29 mg/l. Chemical compositions of other parameters are consistent with waters from the Mancos Shale in the Book Cliffs area. The springs appear to be fault related.

Recharge and Discharge Relations

Recharge rates were calculated by Waddell and others (1986, p. 43) for an area in the Book Cliffs. Waddell estimated recharge at about 9 percent of annual precipitation. Lines and others (1984) indicate the mean annual precipitation along the Book Cliffs in the area of the Horse Canyon Mines is about 12 inches, indicating a recharge rate of just over 1 inch per year.

The recharge and discharge areas for local perched aquifers in the upper zone (Colton and Flagstaff-North Horn Formations) generally lie within the drainage areas of Horse and Lila Canyons. These local systems are complex and highly dependent on topography. Recharge water from precipitation or snow melt enters the Colton or Flagstaff-North Horn Formations and moves downward until it encounters low permeability shale or claystone layers in the formations, where almost all of the water is forced to flow horizontally to springs. The springs exhibit substantial variability in discharge in response both to spring snowmelt events and to drought and wet years. Discharge rates as great as 20 gpm have been recorded from the springs during the high-flow season, and discharge rates as low as 1 gpm are not uncommon during late summer. The effects of the drought occurring in the late 1980s and early 1990s are clearly evident in the flow records.

Recharge to the lower zone including the Price Rive, Castlegate Sandstone, Blackhawk Formation, and Mancos Shale is of limited magnitude, due primarily to the limited area of exposure on steep outcrops and the presence of low-permeability units in overlying formations. These two zones are separated by clay layers in the upper Blackhawk and Price River Formations and undifferentiated Flagstaff-North Horn Formations which contain approximately 80 percent clays, siltstones, mudstones, and shales, all highly restrictive to groundwater movement (Fisher and others, 1960).

Recharge to the lower zone probably occurs primarily from vertical movement of water through the overlying formations and is probably greatest where surface fractures intersect the topographic highs where the upper zone formations outcrop. The rate of recharge to the lower zone is very slow. The lack of a significant recharge source results in limited discharge areas. The largest portion of recharge is in the upper Price River Formation where the greatest number of springs in the lower zone are identified.

Faults may effect flow, direction and magnitude of both lateral and vertical flows. However, the area is abundant with plastic or swelling clays that can seal faults and fractures inhibiting both lateral and vertical flows.

Assuming mass-balance and stable hydrologic conditions, recharge will equal discharge over the long term. The relatively rapid groundwater discharge from the upper zone formations as compared with the underlying lower zone formations suggest that the

stratigraphically-higher water discharges are local and are not hydraulically connected with the lower zone. Waddell et al. (1986) conclude that the perched nature of the upper zone formations protect them from the influence of dewatering of the coal-bearing zone unless the upper zone is influenced by subsidence.

Groundwater resources in the permit area are limited due to the small surface area and low recharge rates. There is not enough base flow from groundwater discharge to maintain a perennial flow in Horse Canyon Creek or Lila Canyon.

The upper groundwater zone produces low volume spring flows from up-dip exposures of bedrock and overlying alluvium. Some spring discharges from this zone have been developed and are used for livestock and wildlife. The lower groundwater zone has very limited discharges that are used for wildlife, generally during the early spring. Based on the location of these lower zone points and the vertical separation (500 feet) between the coal seam and the points, there is no possibility of mining impacting the springs.

724.200 Regional Surface Water Resources. The permit area exists entirely within the Horse Canyon, Lila Canyon, and Little Park Wash watersheds. The regional drainage patterns are generally north-south with steep canyons which are incised in the Book Cliffs escarpment. Stream flows within the region, generally, are the result of snowmelt runoff or summer thunderstorms.

Permit Area Surface Water Resources

Within the permit area, the surface water resources consist of three main drainages: Horse Canyon Creek, Little Park Wash, and Lila Canyon. Horse Canyon flows to Icelander Wash which, in turn, flows to Grassy Trail Creek and the Price River. Little Park Wash flows southward to Trail Canyon and the Price River. Lila Canyon flows southwest to Grassy Wash, then south to the Marsh Flat Wash and the Price River. (see Plate 7-1)

Based on field observations (described in Appendix 7-7) and flow data obtained during the collection of water-quality samples within the permit and adjacent areas, Horse Canyon Creek is considered ephemeral acting within the permit area. Lila Canyon and Little Park Wash appear to be ephemeral in and adjacent to the permit area. Several smaller tributaries of these streams within the permit and adjacent areas are ephemeral. However, based on the size of the drainage area (greater than 1 sq. mi.), by regulation these drainages

are defined as intermittent but have been shown to be ephemeral acting not intermittent.

Generally, Horse Canyon, Little Park and Lila Canyon flow during the spring snowmelt runoff period and also as a result of isolated summer thunderstorms. Due to the limited drainage area and elevation of Lila Canyon, the duration of the snowmelt flows is quite short and is limited to the very early spring. Flows in Horse Canyon, generally, are limited to the early spring period (Lines and Plantz, 1981). By late spring to early summer, usually no flow is evident in Horse Canyon Creek, below the minesite or Lila Canyon.

Over the period of record, 1981 through present, there have been both wet and dry periods. From 1983 through 1984, the area had high precipitation. In the late 1990's through the present, a drought has been evident in the area. Over this period of record, the flows in the streams have increased and decreased based on the available water. Also, during both of these periods, flows in Horse Canyon Creek during the summer and fall are generally not evident below the mine site. Only flows from summer thunderstorms upstream of the site have resulted in flows below the mine. This indicates that the while surface water resources may fluctuate, the fluctuations are not great enough to change the response of the stream to overcome the hydraulic and geologic characteristics of the area.

During most years, the snowmelt peak is the highest peak flow for the drainages. Under certain circumstances, when a significant summer thunderstorm occurs over the drainages, the runoff event can be quite large. There are no indications that any of the reaches of Lila Canyon or Little Park Wash are perennial. Since the spring of 2000, both areas have been observed numerous times (at least quarterly) and no flow has even been noted in either drainage. Normally, this would indicate an ephemeral drainage, however, since the drainage areas are greater than one square mile and exhibit no consistent flows, they are classified by regulation as intermittent.

A number of springs do exist in the Little Park Wash drainage; however, the flows from the springs dry-up, dissipate or go underground before reaching the main drainage channel. The springs and seeps in the area have been sampled, as indicated in this application, as part of the baseline and spring/seep inventories.

Precipitation in the area generally consists of either high-intensity, localized thunderstorms or area wide, frontal storms. The frontal

precipitation events produce only limited amounts of flow in the local ephemeral washes. Intense rainfall may cause heavy flooding, but likely only affecting small areas. The highest concentrations of suspended sediment will occur during high-intensity runoff from thunderstorms, and the lowest concentrations will occur during base flow or snow melt events. It is anticipated that only during longer duration, high-intensity thunderstorms that flow from the ephemeral drainages within the permit area would reach the Price River. The sediment pond at the mine site is designed to contain disturbed area flows, up to the 10-yr, 24-hr event.

Surface waters in this part of the Book Cliffs drain to the Price River. The Price River flows to the Green River which, in turn, flows to the Colorado River.

Lines and Plantz (1981, p. 33) conducted three seepage surveys of Horse Canyon Creek in 1978 and 1979. The results of the surveys show no consistent trends through time. Mine discharges create difficulties in interpretation of the data because there is no indication of whether the mine was or was not discharging water at the time of the surveys.

The Lila Canyon drainage is normally dry, flowing only in response to precipitation runoff or rapid snowmelt.

The mine facilities will be located in the Right Fork of Lila Canyon. In January 2004, an assessment of the geomorphic character of the channel was conducted to address DOGM comments. A series of channel cross-section measurements were taken and the bed and bank materials visually observed. During this evaluation, it was discovered that a diversion structure had been installed just above the confluence of the Right Fork of Lila Canyon and Grassy Wash (see Appendix 7-9 and Figure 7-3). This diversion structure will divert all flow from the drainage and convey it by diversion channel to a stock pond located in the SW/4, SW/4 of Section 28, T. 16 S., R. 14 E. Subsequently, it was determined that the improvements were part of a BLM range improvement project. This structure has significantly modified the drainage pattern for this area. Flows that previously would have flowed into Grassy Wash will now be detained in the stock pond.

The closest perennial stream to the permit area is Range Creek. The drainage is located approximately 6 miles east of the proposed Lila Canyon permit area. Range Creek is in a broad, south-southeast oriented drainage that has been eroded into the Roan Cliffs. A western extension of the Roan Cliffs (Patmos Ridge) lies between Range Creek and the Book Cliffs. The proposed Lila Canyon operation is on the west side of Patmos Ridge. The Colton Formation is exposed at the surface from Patmos Ridge east to the main body of the Roan Cliffs, and between these two escarpments Range Creek has eroded into but not through the Colton Formation. Approximately eleven miles southeast of the permit area, just upstream of Turtle Canyon, Range Creek has eroded through the Colton, Flagstaff, and North Horn Formations, but it reaches the Green River without having eroded through the Upper Price River Formation. The nearest Blackhawk outcrop is 10 miles south, along the Price River.

As a result of the six miles horizontal distance from proposed permit area to Range Creek and the isolating effects of the over 1,000 feet of low-permeability, isolating strata, it is not likely that the Lila Canyon Mine will adversely effect Range Creek. Due to these conditions, no baseline or other sampling has been gathered nor anticipated on Range Creek.

The Horse Canyon drainage is monitored in accordance with the approved monitoring plan for the permit. There have been no samples taken in the Lila Canyon or Little Park Wash drainages because no flow has been observed.

U.S. Steel conducted water quality monitoring of the Horse Canyon drainage. These monitoring efforts were conducted prior to the development of DOGM's present Water Monitoring Guidelines, and as a result the data is quite limited. The most recent results of these water monitoring efforts are presented in Appendix 7-2 and historic results are included in the DOGM electronic database.

724.300 Geologic Information Detailed geologic information of the permit and adjacent areas is included in Section 600, with specific strata analyses, as required, in Section 624.

724.310 Probable Hydrologic Consequences. The geologic data indicate that no toxic- or acid-forming materials are known to exist in the coal or rock strata immediately below or above

the seam (see Section 624.300). The probable hydrologic consequences of the proposed operation will be discussed in Section 728 and Appendix 7-3 of this application.

724.320 Feasibility of Reclamation. The geologic data in Section 600 provides sufficient detail to allow: the evaluation of whether toxic- or acid-forming materials are expected to be encountered in mining; subsidence impacts; whether surface disturbed areas are designed to be constructed in a manner that will allow for reclamation to approximate original contour; and whether the operation plans have been design to ensure that material damage to the hydrologic balance does not occur outside of the permit area. These issues are evaluated in the R645 rules and discussed in Section 728 of this application.

724.400 Climatological Information

724.410 Climatological Factors

724.411 Precipitation The closest weather recording station to the Lila Canyon Mine is located at Sunnyside, Utah. Based on the relatively close proximity and similar locations (west exposure of the Book Cliffs) the data from this station will be used to verify precipitation amounts and other weather conditions for the Lila Canyon Mine.

Precipitation data from the Sunnyside station has been gathered from 1971 to 2000, showing an average annual precipitation of 14.74 inches. The information was downloaded from the Western Regional Climate Center, as shown on Table 7-1A.

A rain gauge will be installed at the site, once construction and operations start, to comply with the reporting requirements of the air quality permit.

724.412 Winds. The average direction of the prevailing winds is West to East, and the average velocity is 2.74 knots.

724.413 Temperature. Mean temperatures in the proposed mine area range from a high of 58.0 degrees F to a low of 33.4 degrees F. See Table 7-1A.

724.420 Additional Data. Additional data will be supplied if requested by the Division to ensure compliance with the requirements of R645-301 and R645-302.

724.500 Supplemental Information N/A - The determination of the PHC in Section 728 does not indicate that adverse impacts on or off the proposed permit area may occur to the hydrologic balance, or that

acid-forming or toxic-forming material is present that may result in the contamination of ground-water or surface-water supplies.

Table 7-1A

Sunnyside, Utah (428474) Period of Record Monthly Climate Summary													
Period of Record: 1971 - 2000													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann.
Average Max. Temp(F)	33.7	38.4	44.1	54.0	63.5	76.2	82.4	80.3	71.3	58.3	42.8	34.9	56.8
Average Min. Temp(F)	13.9	17.5	21.8	30.0	38.3	47.2	53.6	52.2	44.7	34.6	22.8	15.3	32.8
Average Total Precip (in.)	0.80	1.01	1.30	1.22	1.22	0.85	1.46	1.50	1.80	1.67	1.14	0.78	14.74

Unofficial values based on averages/sums of smoothed daily data, Information is computed from available daily data during the 1971-2000 period. Smoothing, missing data and observation-time changes may cause these 1971-2000 values to differ from official NCDC values. This table is presented for use at locations that don't have official NCDC data. No adjustments are made for missing data or time of observation. Check NCDC normals table for official data.

724.700 Valley/Stream N/A - The proposed plan does not include mining or reclamation operations within a valley holding a stream or in a location where the permit area or adjacent area includes a stream which meets the requirements of R645-302-320.

725. Baseline Cumulative Impact Area Information

725.100 Hydrologic and Geologic Information Hydrologic and geologic information for the mine area is provided in Sections 600, 724 and in the PHC Determination in Appendix 7-3. This information

includes the available information gathered by the applicant. Additional information is available for the areas adjacent to the proposed mining and adjacent areas from state and federal agencies.

725.200 Other Data Sources As indicated above, additional information is available for the cumulative impact area. In addition to the base line data for the proposed mining, additional pertinent hydrologic data is available from adjacent mines and permits and government reports.

725.300 Available Data Necessary hydrologic and geologic information is assumed to be available to the Division in this P.A.P.

726. Modeling Where ever possible actual surface and ground water information is supplied in this application. Storm 6.2, a program to calculate runoff flows was used to calculate runoff from some disturbed area drainage areas. A simulation of transmission losses to determine potential impacts from mine water discharge to the Price River and fishery will be completed prior to Mining.

727. Alternate Water Source Information A search was conducted of the State of Utah Water Rights files for all rights occurring within, and adjacent to, the permit area for a distance of one mile. The location of those rights are shown on Plate 7-3. A description of each of the rights is tabulated in Table 7-2.

Any State-Appropriated water supply that may be damaged by mining operations will either be repaired or replaced. As soon as practical, after proof of damage by mining in Lila Canyon, of any State-Appropriated water supply, UEI will replace the water. Water replacement may include sealing surface fractures, piping, trucking water, transferring water rights, or construction of wells. The preferable method of replacement will be sealing of surface fractures effecting the water supply. As a last resort UEI will replace the water by transferring water rights or construction of wells.

As noted in the table, the majority of rights are owned by UEI for industrial use. Other rights owned by the B.L.M. or individuals are primarily for stockwatering.

UEI owns the rights to approximately 1.50 cfs in this area. Although the PHC (Appendix 7-3) indicates little, if any, adverse effects on

water resources resulting from the operation, if such effects should become evident, lost water sources would be replaced from the rights owned by the company.

Table 7-2

LILA CANYON MINE AREA
Water Rights

Water Right/Owner	cfs	gpm	ac.ft.	Source	Use	Point of Diversion
91-557 Eardley, Joseph K.	0	-	0	So. Fork Horse Canyon Creek	Stockwatering	SW 34, T. 15 S, R. 14 E.
91-557 Eardley Joseph K.	0	-	0	So. Fork Horse Canyon Creek	Stockwatering	NE 34, T. 15 S, R. 14 E.
91-1903 State of Utah	0.08	36	0	Spring	Stockwatering	SE 35, T. 15 S, R. 14 E.
*91-148 IPA	0.30	135	0	U. G. Tunnel	Other	NW 3, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
*91-149 IPA	0.10	45	0	U. G. Tunnel	Other	NW 3, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
*91-150 IPA	0.10	45	0	U. G. Tunnel	Other	NW 3, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
*91-4959 IPA	0.00	-	5.00	Redden Spring	Mining	NE 3, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2616 BLM	0	-	0	Stream	Stockwatering	NW 3, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
*91-183 IPA	0.8	359	0	Horse Canyon Creek	Domestic, Other	SE 1/4 3, T.. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-185 Minerals Devel. Co.	0.0190	9	0	Well	Domestic, Other	NW 9, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-618 Mont Blackburn	0.0110	5	0	Mont Spring	Stockwatering	NE 11, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2615 BLM	0	-	0	Stream	Stockwatering	NW 10, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-617 Mont Blackburn	0.0110	5	0	Leslie Spring	Stockwatering	NW 11, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-4650 BLM	0	-	0	Tributary to Flat Wash	Stockwatering, Other	SW 9, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
*91-399 IPA	0.050	22	0	Unnamed Spring	Mining, Other	SE 12, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.

Table 7-2

LILA CANYON MINE AREA
Water Rights

Water Right/Owner	cfs	gpm	ac.ft.	Source	Use	Point of Diversion
91-2537 BLM	0.0120	5	0	Spring	Stockwatering	SE 12, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2521 BLM	0.0110	5	0	Cottonwood Spring	Stockwatering	NE 13, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-4648 BLM	0.00	-	0	Unnamed Wash	Stockwatering, Other	SW 14, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-4649 BLM	0	-	0	Unnamed Wash	Stockwatering, Other	NE 23, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
*91-810 IPA	0.050	22	0	Unnamed Spring	Mining, Other	SE 24, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2517 BLM	0.0110	5	0	Pine Spring		SE 24, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2618 BLM	0	-	0	Stream		NW 27, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2619 BLM	0	-	0	Stream		SE 28, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2620 BLM	0	-	0	Stream		SE 28, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2621 BLM	0	-	0	Stream		SW 28, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2617 BLM	0	-	0	Stream		SE 27, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-4646 BLM	0	-	0	Wash	Stockwatering, Other	SW 33, T. 16 S., R. 14 E.
91-2518 BLM	0.110	5	0	Williams Spring		SE 8, T. 17 S., R. 15 E.
91-4516 BLM	0	-	0	Little Park Wash	Stockwatering, Other	SW 7, T. 17 S., R. 15 E.
91-4705 BLM	0	-	0	Bear Canyon	Stockwatering, Other	NW 7, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.

Table 7-2

LILA CANYON MINE AREA
Water Rights

Water Right/Owner	cfs	gpm	ac.ft.	Source	Use	Point of Diversion
91-4621 BLM	0.0150	7	0	Kenna Spring	Stockwatering, Other	NE 8, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-4701 BLM	0	-	0	Nelson Canyon	Stockwatering, Other	NW 17, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-2519 BLM	0.0110	5	0	Unnamed Spring	Stockwatering, Other	SE 18, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
*91-808 IPA	0.050	22	0	Unnamed Spring	Mining, Other	SW 18, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-2538 State of Utah	0.0120	5	0	Unnamed Spring	Stockwatering	SW 18, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-4701 BLM	0	-	0	Nelson Canyon	Stockwatering, Other	SE 17, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-2539 BLM	0.0120	5	0	Pine Spring	Stockwatering	SW 19, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-4703 BLM	0	-	0	Nelson Canyon	Stockwatering, Other	NW 21, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-4703 BLM	0	-	0	Trib. to Nelson	Stockwatering, Other	NE 29, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-4381 State of Utah	0.0150	7	0	Spring	Stockwatering,	NW 32, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-2520 BLM	0.0110	5	0	Unnamed Spring	Stockwatering	NW 32, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
*91-809 IPA	0.0500	22	0	Unnamed Spring	Mining, Other	SE 31, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.
91-2535 BLM	0.0120	5	0	Unnamed Spring	Stockwatering	SE 31, T. 16 S., R. 15 E.

728. Probable Hydrologic Consequences (PHC) Determination

728.100 PHC The Probable Hydrologic Consequences (PHC) Determination is provided as a separate document in Appendix 7-3. This determination indicates minimal (or no) negative impacts of the mining or reclamation operation on the quality and quantity of surface and ground water under seasonal flow conditions for the proposed permit and adjacent areas.

728.200 Basis for Determination The PHC is based on baseline hydrologic, geologic and other information such as public records and adjacent mine plan data statistically representative of the site (see Appendix 7-3).

With underground mining, there always exists a potential for impacting surface or ground water resources; however, as indicated in Section 525, subsidence effects are expected to be minimal due to the amount of cover and massive rock stratas between the mining and the surface. Effects on underground water are also expected to be minimal, since this water is not presently issuing to the surface, and any necessary discharges of the water would be in accordance with U.P.D.E.S. requirements.

Water in this area is primarily used for stock or wildlife watering. Any impacts to the small surface springs or seeps as a result of mining would likely be offset by the emergence of new seeps or springs due to fracturing, mine water discharge or replacement of water rights as described under Sections 525, and 731.800.

728.300 Findings

728.310 Adverse Impacts. Potential adverse impacts of the operation on the hydrologic balance include:

- (1) Increased sediment loading;
- (2) Diminution or interruption of water supplies on water rights;
- (3) Discharge (pumping) of contaminated ground water;

- (4) Erosion and streamflow alteration;
- (5) Deterioration of water quality.

Each of the above potential impacts has been evaluated in the PHC (Appendix 7-3). Based on information provided in this plan to mitigate or otherwise control these impacts, the Probable Hydrologic Consequences determination is that of minimal (or no) negative impacts. (see Appendix 7-3)

728.320 Acid/Toxic Forming Materials (see Appendix 7-3)

728.330 Impacts On:

728.331 Sediment Yield (see Appendix 7-3)

728.332 Water Quality Parameters (see Appendix 7-3)

728.333 Flooding and Streamflow Alteration In the event that sufficient volumes of water are encountered underground that necessitate pumping, the applicant will take the following steps:

- (1) Water will be held in sumps as long as possible to promote settling;
- (2) Water will be sampled prior to discharge to ensure compliance with UPDES standards;
- (3) Prior to mining receiving channel morphology parameters and erosion impacts will be evaluated prior to discharging to any drainage and at least quarterly during pumping to determine what, if any, streamflow alteration is occurring;

- (4) If adverse impacts to the receiving stream are noted, steps will be taken, with Division input and approval, to minimize or eliminate those impacts.

(Also see Appendix 7-3)

728.334 Water Availability (see Appendix 7-3)

728.335 Other Characteristics (see Appendix 7-3)

728.340 Surface Mining Activity N/A - Underground Mine

728.400 Permit Revision To be reviewed by the Division.

729. Cumulative Hydrologic Impact Assessment (CHIA)

729.100 CHIA Assessment provided by Division.

729.200 Permit Revision To be reviewed by the Division.

730. Operation Plan

731. General Requirements This will be an underground mine with approximately 48 acres of surface disturbance for mine site facilities and roads. Runoff from the disturbed minesite area is proposed to be controlled by a system of ditches and culverts which will convey all disturbed area runoff to a sediment pond for final treatment prior to discharge.

This permit application includes a plan, with maps and descriptions, indicating how the relevant requirements of R645-301-730, R645-301-740, R645-301-750 and R645-301-760 will be met. Each of these sections are addressed in this Chapter, along with relevant Maps and Appendices.

731.100 Hydrologic-Balance Protection

731.110 Ground-Water Protection In order to protect the hydrologic balance, coal mining and reclamation operations will be conducted according to the plan approved under R645-301-731 and the following:

731.111 Ground-Water Quality Ground-water quality will be protected by the plan described in Section 731 and the following:

- (1) Minimizing surface disturbance and proper handling of earth materials to minimize acidic, toxic or other harmful infiltration to ground-water systems;
- (2) Testing (as-necessary) to ensure stockpiled materials are non-acid and non-toxic;
- (3) Controlling and treating disturbed area runoff to prevent discharge of pollutants into ground-water, by the use of diversions, culverts, silt fences, sediment ponds and by chemical treatment if necessary;
- (4) Minimizing and/or treating mine water discharge to comply with U.P.D.E.S. discharge standards;
- (5) Establishing where ground-water resources exist within or adjacent to the permit area through a Baseline Study (done) and monitoring quality and quantity of significant sources through implementation of a Water Monitoring Plan (proposed);
- (6) Proper handling of potentially harmful materials (such as fuels, grease, oil, etc.) in accordance with an approved Spill

Prevention Control and Countermeasure
Plan (SPCC).

731.120 Surface-Water Protection In order to protect the hydrologic balance, coal mining and reclamation operations will be conducted according to the plan approved under 731 and the following:

731.121 Surface-Water Quality Surface-water quality will be protected by handling earth materials, ground-water discharges and runoff in a manner that minimizes the formation of acid or toxic drainage; prevents, to the extent possible using the best technology currently available, additional contributions of suspended solids to streamflow outside the permit area; and, otherwise prevent water pollution.

Surface-water quality protection is proposed to be accomplished by the plan described in Section 731 and the following methods:

- (1) Minimizing surface disturbance and proper handling of earth materials to minimize acidic, toxic or other harmful infiltration to ground-water systems;
- (2) Testing (as-necessary) to ensure stockpiled materials are non-acid and non-toxic;
- (3) Controlling and treating disturbed area runoff to prevent discharge of pollutants into surface-water, by the use of diversions, culverts, silt fences, sediment ponds, and by chemical treatment if necessary;
- (4) Minimizing and/or treating mine water discharge to comply with U.P.D.E.S. discharge standards;
- (5) Establishing where surface-water resources exist within or adjacent to the permit area through a Baseline Study (done) and monitoring

quality and quantity of significant sources through implementation of a Water Monitoring Plan (proposed);

- (6) Proper handling of potentially harmful materials (such as fuels, grease, oil, etc.) in accordance with an approved Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC).

731.122 Surface-Water Quantity Surface water quantity and flow rates will be protected as described in Section 731.

731.200 Water Monitoring The water monitoring program was implemented in July, 2000. Baseline data will be collected (as possible) from new monitoring sites L-1-S through L-4-S. These sites are typically dry and no quality data has been gathered as yet. Sites L-6-G through L-10-G have been monitored for baseline in 1993, 1994, and 1995. These sites, along with IPA-1, IPA-2 and IPA-3, were monitored in December 2000 to determine if they were still viable and to establish a current baseline that will be continuous with operational monitoring.

Preceding each five year permit renewal, ground (springs) and surface waters will be sampled for baseline parameters. Baseline analysis on ground water will be collected at a low flow period. Analysis on surface waters will be conducted on samples collected at either high or low flow periods.

731.210 Ground-Water Monitoring The proposed ground-water monitoring plan is based on results of the Baseline Study and PHC determination. Based on results of these studies, the only ground water expected in the permit area is that which has been identified as springs or seeps, and that which may be expected from perched aquifers encountered by the proposed mining. Since no portals are presently discharging on, or adjacent to, the permit area, and since mining has not started, no underground water is presently available for

sampling; selected springs are proposed for sampling under the Ground Water Monitoring Plan.

If ground water is encountered in the future mining of a quantity which requires discharge, the water will be monitored in accordance with requirements of this section and a monitoring plan will be proposed at that time.

For purposes of the water monitoring program, springs and seeps are considered ground water and will be monitored as such.

731.211 Ground-Water Monitoring Plan Based on information in the PHC determination (Appendix 7-3), and as indicated above, the only ground water resources on or adjacent to the permit area that can be monitored at this time; are springs and seeps. See Appendix 7-6 for a detailed description of the water monitoring locations.

There are a total of 11 water monitoring sites proposed for this property. (See Table 7-3). Station L-5-G is the potential mine discharge point, and will be monitored at least monthly, or as occurs, in accordance with U.P.D.E.S. Permit requirements. (See Table 7-4) Stations L-5-G, L-7-G, L-8-G, L-9-G, L-11-G, and L-12-G are significant springs or seeps located over the area of proposed mining. These springs will be monitored on a quarterly basis for parameters listed in Table 7-5.

Station L-6-G (Table 7-3) is in the vicinity of 2 listed springs, Mont Spring and Leslie Spring. These springs are within the same small drainage, and may in fact be the same spring. Close examination of spring/seep and baseline monitoring stations show only one site in this drainage with any consistent flows - site H-18; therefore, this site was originally chosen to monitor the Mont and Leslie Spring area. However in recent years L-6-G has been dry and Location L-11-G has been added to replace site L-6-G. Sampling at L-6-G will be suspended as of the First Quarter of 2003.

Monitoring site L-7-G is intended to monitor a listed site known as Cottonwood Spring. Once again, a close examination of water rights information along with spring/seep and baseline monitoring has shown only one site in this area with any consistency - site #9; therefore, this is the site chosen for monitoring of Cottonwood Spring.

L-8-G is an unnamed spring that matches Earthfax sample site 10.

L-9-G is known as Pine Spring. There have been numerous seep/spring notations in the immediate area, but the only consistent flowing site is Earthfax site 16(Z); this is the site that will be monitored for Pine Spring.

L-10-G is also an unnamed spring that matches Earthfax sample site 14. Since this site is located over 1 mile south of the permit area, it has been replaced with L-12-G which is a more appropriate site to monitor. Monitoring of site L-10-G will be suspended as of the First Quarter of 2003.

L-11-G is known as Mont/Leslie Spring located in the bottom of the upper reaches of Lila Canyon. In recent years L-6-G (H-18) has been dry. However, there has been some minimum flow observed approximately one hundred yards above L-6-G where L-11-G was established.

L-12-G is an unnamed spring which had been developed but is now abandoned. The seep/spring inventory data is shown in Appendix 7-1 and locations are shown on Plate 7-1. Proposed water monitoring sites are shown on Plate 7-4.

L-13-S, L-14-S, and L-15-S are sites being monitored to assist in characterization of the various drainages.

L-16-G and L-17-G are seeps being monitored in Stinky Spring Canyon. These sites were not identified during

baseline surveys and are believed to exist intermittently and are not always evident. These two seeps appear to be an important source of water for Bighorn sheep specifically in the early spring.

It should be noted that data has been gathered on the various seeps/springs as part of the original baseline inventory for the South Lease by I.P.A. The data was gathered over the years 1993, 1994 and 1995 and was stopped. In the second quarter of 2001 water monitoring continued.

IPA-1, 2 and 3 are groundwater Piezometers in the Little Park Wash area. These holes will be checked quarterly for water depth only. Monitoring of these sites will continue until the mining or subsidence renders them unusable.

At a minimum, total dissolved solids or specific conductance corrected to 25 degrees C, pH, total iron, total manganese and water levels will be monitored, on all points except IPA-1, 2 and 3.

731.212 Monitoring Reports Ground-water will be monitored and data will be submitted at least every three months for each monitoring location. Monitoring submittals will include analytical results from each sample taken during the approved reporting period. When the analysis of any ground-water sample indicates noncompliance with the permit conditions, then the operator will promptly notify the Division and immediately take the actions provided for in 145 and 731.

731.213 Waiver of Monitoring N/A - No waiver is requested.

731.214 Ground-Water Monitoring Duration Ground-water monitoring will continue through mining and reclamation until bond release. If the ground water is a discharge strictly from the mining operations, monitoring will continue, or until the ground water source is no longer accessible. Other monitoring will continue until:

731.214.1 "The coal mining and reclamation operation has minimized disturbance to the prevailing hydrologic balance in the permit and adjacent areas and prevented material damage to the hydrologic balance outside the permit area; water quantity and quality are suitable to support approved postmining land uses"; or,

731.214.2 until "Monitoring is no longer necessary to achieve the purposes set forth in the monitoring plan approved under R645-301-731.211."

731.215 Monitoring Equipment equipment, structures and other devices used in conjunction with monitoring the quality of ground water on-site and off-site will be properly installed, maintained and operated and will be removed by the operator and will be removed by the operator when no longer needed.

731.220 Surface Water Monitoring Surface water monitoring will be conducted in accordance with the plan described in this section.

Based on results of the PHC determination, base-line study and other available information, numerous small springs and seeps exist within, and adjacent to, the permit area. In addition, ephemeral drainages in the area flow in response to snow melt and precipitation events. The proposed surface-water monitoring program will monitor the significant surface water sources, including drainages above and below the disturbed mine site area, and all point-source discharges (i.e. sediment pond). Seeps, springs and potential mine water discharge will be monitored in accordance with the Ground Water Monitoring Plan in the previous section.

It should be noted that field sheets in Appendix 7-2 refer to a point HC-2, while Bar Graphs and Spreadsheets refer to a station B-1. It has been determined that these are the same point. The site is designated B-1 on Plate 7-1, with a red HC-2 in parenthesis. The electronic data inventory (EDI) also shows both B-1 and HC-2 designations for this site.

Another HC-2 site is listed in the seep/spring inventories in Appendix 7-6 and in the baseline data in Appendix 7-1. This station is also occasionally referred to as H-2 in the seep/spring inventories (Appendix 7-6). It has been determined that the H-2 and HC-2 sites referred to in these 2 appendices are the same station. The station location is shown on Plate 7-1, where it is designated H-2 with a green (HC-2) in parentheses.

There is one other station with confusing designations in the data from Appendix 7-2 and 7-6 - station HCSW-1. This station has 3 different designations in the data - HCSW-1, HSW-1, and HC-1. The point is shown as HC-1 on Plates 7-1 and 7-4; however, a note has been added to Plate 7-1 to show the station is also called (HCSW-1), to eliminate confusion. It should also be noted that there is a seep/spring site designated as H-1 on Plate 7-1. This is not to be confused with any of the above listed HC, HSW or HCSW sites.

These are the only known duplication or wrong designation of sample site numbers. It appears that different samplers or companies conducting seep/spring inventories occasionally used different designations for the same sites - the main problem being the use of H-n or HC-n for the same location, in some instances. Every effort has been made to refine the station identifications and locations on Plate 7-1 to reflect the sampling data provided in Appendices 7-1, 7-2 and 7-6. Wherever a site has 2 different designations, both are shown with one in parentheses.

The following is a list of proposed monitoring sites:

<u>Station No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>
L-1-S	Lila Canyon	Ephemeral acting
L-2-S	Rt. Fork Lila (above mine)	Ephemeral Stream
L-3-S	Lila Canyon Below Mine	Ephemeral acting
L-4-S	Sediment Pond Discharge	UPDES
L-5-G	Mine Water Discharge	UPDES (Groundwater)
L-6-G (suspended)	Sampling Suspended 1Qtr 2003	Spring
L-7-G	Cottonwood Spring	Spring
L-8-G	Unnamed Spring	Spring
L-9-G	Pine Spring	Spring
L-10-G (suspended)	Sampling Suspended 1Qtr 2003	Spring
L-11-G	Lila Canyon Wash	Spring
L-12-G	Section 25 Wash	Spring

L-13-S	Little Park Wash	Ephemeral acting
L-14-S	Section 25 Wash	Ephemeral acting
L-15-S (suspended)	Sampling Suspended 1Qtr 2003	Ephemeral acting
L-16-G	Stinky Spring Wash	Seep
L-17-G	Stinky Spring Wash	Seep
IPA-1	Little Park Wash	Borehole
IPA-2	Little Park Wash	Borehole
IPA-3	Little Park Wash	Borehole

Sampling at Locations L-13-S, L-14-S and L-15-S will no longer be required once the washes have been characterized as Ephemeral acting or Ephemeral.

Locations of all monitoring sites are shown on Plate 7-4 , "Water Monitoring Location Map".

Proposed monitoring methods, parameters and frequencies are described in Table 7-3, "Water Monitoring Stations", Table 7-4, "Surface Water Monitoring Parameters", and Table 7-5 "Ground Water Monitoring Parameters".

In any one quarter a minimum of three unsuccessful attempts will be made by using either 4 wheel drive vehicles or ATV's to access all water monitoring sites prior to reporting any site as "No Access". However, safety and common sense will prevail while making these attempts.

Monitoring reports will be submitted to the Division at least every 3 months, within 30 days following the end of each quarter.

731.221 Surface-Water Monitoring Plan The proposed surface-water monitoring plan is detailed in Section 731.220. This plan is based on PHC determination and analysis of all baseline hydrologic, geologic and other information in this permit application. The plan provides for monitoring of parameters that relate to the suitability of the surface water for current and approved postmining land uses and to the objectives for protection of the hydrologic balance as set forth in 751 (see Table 7-4).

731.222 Surface-Water Monitoring Parameters The surface-water monitoring parameters are shown in Table 7-4. Water monitoring locations and sample frequencies are described in Table 7-3 and on Plate 7-4 .

The plan will provide data to show impacts to potentially affected springs, seeps, impoundments and drainages within and adjacent to

the permit area, by comparison with relevant baseline data and with applicable effluent limitations.

731.222.1 Non-point Source Locations The parameter list in Table 7-4 provides monitoring for all parameters required by this section. The monitoring locations and frequencies described in Table 7-3 show that all significant springs, seeps, impoundments and drainages that could potentially be impacted by the mining and reclamation operations will be monitored on a regular basis.

731.222.2 Point-source Discharges Point-source discharge monitoring will be conducted in accordance with 40 CFR Parts 122 and 123, R645-301-751 and as required by the Utah Division of Environmental Health for Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (U.P.D.E.S.) permits. A U.P.D.E.S. discharge permit application has been submitted to the Division of Environmental Health for the proposed sediment pond and mine water for the Lila Canyon operation. Existing U.P.D.E.S. permit applications for the Lila Canyon Mine are provided in Appendix 7-5.

731.223 Reporting As indicated in Section 731.220, surface-water monitoring data will be submitted at least every 3 months for each monitoring location. When analysis of any surface water sample indicates non-compliance with the permit conditions, the company will promptly notify the Division and immediately take actions to identify the source of the problem, correct the problem and, if necessary, to provide warning to any person whose health and safety is in imminent danger due to the non-compliance.

731.224 Duration Surface-water monitoring will continue through mining and reclamation until bond release. Locations, parameters and/or sampling frequency (other than U.P.D.E.S. discharge points) may be modified by the Division if:

731.224.1 "The operator has minimized disturbance to the hydrologic balance in the permit and adjacent areas and prevented material damage to the hydrologic balance outside the permit area; water quantity and

quality are suitable to support approved postmining land uses”; or,

731.224.2 “Monitoring is no longer necessary to achieve the purposes set forth in the monitoring plan approved under 731.221.

731.225 Monitoring Equipment Equipment, structures and other devices used in conjunction with monitoring the quality and quantity of surface water on-site and off-site will be properly installed, maintained and operated and will be removed by the operator when no longer needed.

731.300 Acid- and Toxic-Forming Materials Drainage from acid- and toxic-forming materials and underground development waste into surface water and ground water will be avoided by implementation of a Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan and by the following:

731.311 Identification/Burial of Acid- or Toxic-Forming Materials Potentially acid- or toxic-forming materials will be identified by use of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS), or by direct sampling and analysis in the case of underground development waste.

Any material which exhibits acid- or toxic-forming characteristics will be properly stored, protected from runoff, removed to an approved disposal site or buried on site beneath a minimum of 4' of non-acid, non-toxic material.

Table 7-3				
Lila Canyon Mine				
Water Monitoring Stations				
Station	Location	Type	Frequency	Remarks
L-1-S	Lila Canyon	Int. Stream	Monthly	At mine Site
L-2-S	Rt. Fork Lila (above mine)	Ephemeral Stream	Monthly	RF Above Mine Site

Table 7-3 Lila Canyon Mine Water Monitoring Stations				
Station	Location	Type	Frequency	Remarks
L-3-S	Lila Canyon (below mine)	Int. Stream	Monthly	RF Below Mine Site
L-4-S	Sediment Pond	Discharge	Monthly or as occurs	Per UPDES Permit
L-5-G	Mine Water	Discharge	Monthly or as occurs	Per UPDES Permit
L-6-G	Lila Canyon	Spring	Sampling Suspended 1Qtr 2003	Replaced by L-11-G Water Right 91-617
L-7-G	Little Park	Spring	Quarterly	Cottonwood Spring Sample Site 9 Water Right 91-2521
L-8-G	Little Park	Spring	Quarterly	Unnamed Spring Sample Site 10 Water Right 91-2538
L-9-G	Little Park	Spring	Quarterly	Pine Spring Sample Site 16Z Water Right 91-2539
L-10-G	Williams Draw	Spring	Sampling Suspended 1Qtr 2003	Replaced by L-12-G Water Right 91-809
L-11-G	Lila Canyon	Spring	Quarterly	Mont/Leslie Spring Replaces L-6-G Water Right 91-618
L-12-G	Section 25 Spring	Spring	Quarterly	Replaces L-10-G
L-13-S	Little Park Wash	Dry Wash	Monthly	At Road Crossing
L-14-S	Section 25 Wash	Dry Wash	Monthly	At Road Crossing

<p align="center">Table 7-3 Lila Canyon Mine Water Monitoring Stations</p>				
Station	Location	Type	Frequency	Remarks
L-15-S	Williams Draw Wash	Dry Wash	Sampling Suspended 1Qtr of 2003	At Road Crossing
L-16-G	Stinky Spring Wash	Seep	Quarterly	Top of Mancos
L-17-G	Stinky Spring Wash	Seep	Quarterly	Top of Mancos
IPA-1	Little Park	Borehole	Quarterly	Water Level Only
IPA-2	Little Park	Borehole	Quarterly	Water Level Only
IPA-3	Little Park	Borehole	Quarterly	Water Level Only

NOTE: Sites L-13-S, L-14-S, and L-15-S will no longer be monitored after the washes have been characterized.

Table 7-4
Lila Canyon Mine
Surface Water Monitoring Parameters
Operational and Post-Mining

Field Measurements	Reported As
Water Level or Flow	Depth, Flow
pH	Standard Units
Specific Conductivity (ohms/cm)	umhos/cm @ 25° C
Temperature	° C
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l
Laboratory Measurements	Reported As
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/l
Total Settleable Solids	(UPDES)
Total Suspended Solids	mg/l
Total Hardness (CaCO ₃)	mg/l
Total Alkalinity	mg/l
Carbonate (CO ₃ ⁻²)	mg/l
Bicarbonate (HC ₃ ⁻¹)	mg/l
Calcium (Ca) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Chloride (Cl ⁻)	mg/l
Iron (Fe) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Iron (Fe) (Total)	mg/l
Magnesium (Mg) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Manganese (Mn) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Manganese (Mn) (Total)	mg/l
Potassium (K) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Sodium (Na) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Sulfate (SO ₄ ⁻²)	mg/l
Oil and Grease (As required)	mg/l
Cations	meq/l
Anions	meq/l

Table 7-5
Lila Canyon Mine
Ground Water Monitoring Parameters
Operational and Post-Mining

Field Measurements	Reported As
Water Level or Flow	Depth, Flow
pH	Standard Units
Specific Conductivity	umhos/cm @ 25° C
Temperature	° C
Laboratory Measurements	Reported As
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/l
Total Hardness (CaCO ₃)	mg/l
Total Alkalinity	mg/l
Carbonate (CO ₃ ⁻²)	mg/l
Bicarbonate (HC ₃ ⁻¹)	mg/l
Calcium (Ca) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Chloride (Cl ⁻)	mg/l
Iron (Fe) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Iron (Fe) (Total)	mg/l
Magnesium (Mg) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Manganese (Mn) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Manganese (Mn) (Total)	mg/l
Potassium (K) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Sodium (Na) (Dissolved)	mg/l
Sulfate (SO ₄ ⁻²)	mg/l
Oil and Grease (As required)	mg/l
Cations	meq/l
Anions	meq/l

731.312 Storage of Acid- or Toxic-Forming Materials Storage of potentially acid- or toxic-forming materials, such as fuel, oils, solvents and non-coal waste will be in a controlled manner, designed to contain spillage and prevent runoff to surface or ground water resources.

All oils and solvents will be stored in proper containers within enclosed structures. Fuels will be stored in appropriate tanks, enclosed within concrete or earthen bermed areas designed to contain any spillage.

Non-coal waste (garbage) will be stored in a designated location, in dumpsters, and removed to an approved landfill (East Carbon Development Contractors - ECDC) on a regular, as-needed basis.

Unused or obsolete equipment or supplies will be stored in a designated area. Drainage from the storage area will be directed to the sediment pond as shown on the Sediment Control Map, Plate 7-5.

Underground development waste (if any) will also be stored in a designated area. Such waste will be tested for acid- or toxic-forming potential, and if found to be acid- or toxic-forming, the waste site will be protected from surface runoff by the use of earthen berms.

731.320 Storage, Burial, Treatment All storage, burial and treatment practices will be as described in this permit, and consistent with applicable material handling and disposal provisions of the R645-Rules.

731.400 Transfer of Wells There are presently three Piezometers on this permit. When these Piezometers are no longer required, they will be sealed in a safe, environmentally sound manner in accordance with regulations (see Section 631.200). The Horse Canyon Well will be donated to the College of Eastern Utah as part of the Post Mine Land Use Change.

731.500 Discharges The only proposed discharges from this operation will be from the sediment pond and/or underground mine water. Each of

these potential discharges would be monitored and controlled within requirements of approved U.P.D.E.S. Discharge Permits

731.510 Discharges into an Underground Mine There are no plans to discharge any water into an underground mine. This section is not applicable.

731.512 Types of Discharge The only planned discharges from this site are water, in the form of sediment pond discharge or underground mine water discharge.

731.512.1 Water See Section 731.512.

731.512.2 Coal Processing Waste N/A - There are no plans to process coal or discharge coal processing waste from this site.

731.512.3 Fly Ash from a Coal-Fired Facility N/A - There are no plans for a coal-fired facility at this time.

731.512.4 Sludge from Acid-Mine-Drainage Treatment N/A
There are no plans for an acid-mine-drainage treatment facility at this time.

731.512.5 Flue-gas Desulfurization Sludge N/A - There are no plans for flue-gas desulfurization at this site.

731.512.6 Inert Materials N/A - There are no plans to use or discharge inert materials used for stabilizing underground mines.

731.512.7 Any underground mine development wastes that cannot be left and permanently stored underground will be brought to the surface and stored in a controlled, designated location. Final disposal of such material will depend on its volume, physical and chemical characteristics and potential for use in reclamation. There are presently no plans to return such material underground; however, if this does become necessary in the future, complete plans will be submitted for disposal at that time.

731.513 Water from Underground Workings Based on historical data from other mines in the area, some mine water can be expected to be encountered during the mining operation. Typically, such water is stored in "sumps" or designated areas in the mine and used for mining operations or discharged to the surface. A sump is an underground storage area that is used to temporarily store water before it is used underground or pumped to the surface for discharge. The main purpose of a sump is to remove sediments. The sump will also remove oil/grease if they were to get into the water. The size of a sump can vary from a few hundred gallons to several thousand gallons. The size normally depends on the space available and the amount of water needed for mining operations.

In order to more accurately define the potential impact of the mine on ground water, underground usage discharge amounts, if they were to occur, would be documented. This information along with the surface monitoring program will provide the best information available as to the potential impact of the mine on ground water.

IPA Piezometers 1-3 will still be monitored quarterly if possible. The three Piezometers were monitored on December 22, 2000. The water level probe during this period was unable to reach the depth required to measure the water level of IPA-1 and IPA -3. Another attempt will be made to enter these Piezometers when the sites are accessible.

The water level of IPA-2 was very consistent with the last reading taken on April 29, 1996. This piezometer (IPA-2) is the farthest west of the three Piezometers and is up dip from the other two. Any impact to ground water would be noticed very quickly at IPA-2. This information from IPA-2 along with the past baseline data on the three Piezometers and the in mine water monitoring program mentioned above, would provide an accurate evaluation of potential ground water impacts.

At the present time, there are no plans to divert water from the underground workings of this operation to any other underground workings.

If it became necessary to discharge water from the mine, this water would be discharged in accordance with the UPDES permit application in Appendix 7-5. The water would be discharged into the North Fork of Coleman Wash (Lila Canyon). Refer to Plate 7-5.

731.520 Gravity Discharges Location of the proposed portal slopes are below the western (upper) exposure of the easterly dipping coal bed. In the area immediately around the proposed portals, no water is presently issuing from the strata above or below the coal outcrop; therefore, it is assumed any water encountered in the underground mining will not be under artesian pressure or with sufficient hydrostatic head to raise it to the portal site.

The coal seam to be mined dips away from the portal site at approximately 10%. If water is encountered in the mining, it will likely be at a static level far below the exposed outcrop or rock slopes. This may result in some possible mine discharge from pumping, but not from gravity.

731.521 Portal Location The proposed access portals are below the coal outcrop, as shown on Figure 7-1, Plates 5-5 and 7-5. The fan is to be located above, at the outcrop. The rock slopes will slope up to the east at approximately 12% to contact the coal seam; however, the coal seam is dipping down to the east in this area. The approximate point of contact between the rock slopes and the coal seam will be 1227' from the surface at an elevation of 6300'. Ground water levels in the mining area, based on the 3 water monitoring holes and other geologic data, appear to be nearly static at elevation 5990 in this area (see Figure 7-1).

Water level in the mine would have to raise approximately 310' to reach the rock slope/coal seam contact and result in a gravity discharge. Water monitoring results and other historical data in the area do not indicate this is likely to occur.

731.522 Surface Entries after January 21, 1981 This is not known to be an acid-producing or iron-producing coal seam; however, proposed portals are located to prevent gravity discharge from the mine (see Section 731.521).

731.600 N/A - There are no proposed coal mining or reclamation operations within 100 feet of a perennial or intermittent stream. Section 731.600 is not applicable.

731.700 Cross Sections and Maps The following is a list of cross-sections and maps provided in this section of the P.A.P.

- Plate 7-1 Permit Area Hydrology Map
- Plate 7-2 Disturbed Area Hydrology/Watershed
- Plate 7-3 Water Rights Locations
- Plate 7-4 Water Monitoring Location Map
- Plate 7-5 Proposed Sediment Control Map
- Plate 7-6 Proposed Sediment Pond
- Plate 7-7 Post-Mining Hydrology

All required maps and cross-sections have been prepared by, or under the supervision of, and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer, State of Utah.

731.710 General Area Hydrology Plate 7-1.

731.720 Plate 7-2.

731.730 Water Monitoring Map Plate 7-4.

731.740 Sediment Pond Map Plate 7-6.

731.750 Plate 7-6.

731.760 Other Maps (See Section 731.700 for a complete list of maps provided in this section).

731.800 Water Rights and Replacement (See Section 727)

732. Sediment Control Measures

732.100 Siltation Structures The only proposed siltation structure for this site is the sediment pond. All disturbed area runoff is proposed to be directed to this pond for final treatment prior to discharge.

The sediment pond will be constructed and maintained in compliance with applicable regulations. Details of the proposed pond are discussed in the following section and in Appendix 7-4.

732.200 Sedimentation Ponds As discussed above, all disturbed area runoff is proposed to be directed to a sediment pond for final treatment prior to any discharge. The proposed sediment pond will be located at the low point of the disturbed area, as shown on Plate 7-5.

732.210 Sediment Pond Details The proposed sediment pond is considered temporary, and will be removed during final reclamation. The pond is designed in compliance with the requirements of the following sections, as required:

356.300 - The pond will be maintained until the disturbed area has been stabilized and revegetated. Removal shall not be any sooner than 2 years after the last augmented seeding;

356.400 - Upon removal, the pond area will be reclaimed and reseeded according to the reclamation plan;

513.200 - N/A - The proposed sediment pond does not meet the size or other qualifying criteria of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216(a);

763 - Refer to this regulation addressed later in this chapter.

Design details for the sediment pond and site drainage control are addressed in Appendix 7-4 of this P.A.P.

732.220 MSHA Requirements This section does not apply since there are no plans for construction of coal processing waste dams or embankments at this site. The proposed pond does

not meet the size or other qualifying criteria of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216(a).

732.300 Diversions There is one undisturbed diversion planned for this site. This diversion consists of a bypass culvert beneath the sediment pond, which will allow undisturbed runoff to bypass the site without mixing with disturbed area runoff.

Other diversions planned consist of disturbed area ditches and culverts, as shown on Plate 7-5. Design details for all diversions are provided in Appendix 7-4.

All diversions will be constructed and maintained to comply with the requirements of R645-301-742.100 and R645-301-742.300. Details are described under those respective sections of this chapter.

732.400 Road Drainage All roads will be constructed, maintained and reconstructed to comply with R645-301-742.400. Specific information to road drainage is provided under that section of this chapter.

732.410 Alteration or Relocation of Natural Drainages There are no plans to construct roads which will require alteration or relocation of natural drainageways, other than by providing culverted crossings over ephemeral drainages. There are no plans to alter or relocate any intermittent or perennial drainages in conjunction with road construction.

Road construction and design details are provided in Chapter 5 of this P.A.P. Road drainage and culvert design details are provided in Appendix 7-4.

732.420 Culverts Culvert details are provided in Appendix 7-4. All undisturbed culvert inlets will be provided with headwall protection, consisting of inlet sections, rock or concrete.

733. Impoundments The only water impoundment proposed for this site is the sediment pond. Design details for the pond are provided in Appendix 7-4 and on Plate 7-6.

733.100 General Plans The general plan for this site is to drain runoff from the disturbed area into a single sedimentation pond for treatment prior to discharge. Site drainage and design details are described in Appendix 7-4. The general plan includes the following, at a minimum:

733.110 Certification The sediment control plan and proposed sediment pond designs have been prepared and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer, State of Utah.

733.120 Maps and Cross Sections Sediment pond locations, design plans and cross sections are provided on Plates 7-5 and 7-6, respectively.

733.130 Narrative A complete description of the proposed sediment pond along with volumes and design/construction details is provided in Appendix 7-4.

733.140 Survey The proposed sediment pond is not located within a potential subsidence area from past underground mining operations.

733.150 Hydrologic and Geologic Information Relevant hydrologic and geologic information for the sediment pond is provided in Appendix 7-4.

733.160 Certification Statement All proposed sediment pond structures are provided with this submittal. The structure will be constructed prior to construction of the mine site area, but not before receiving Division approval.

733.200 Permanent and Temporary Impoundments As indicated earlier, the proposed sediment pond is classed as temporary.

733.210 Design Requirements The proposed sediment pond is temporary; therefore, the pond is not designed to meet requirements of MSHA 30 CFR 77.216.

The proposed pond is not located where failure would expect to cause loss of life or serious property damage. As shown in Appendix 7-4, the proposed pond embankment will have a

minimum of 3H : 1V on the inside slope and 2H : 1V on the outside. These slopes, along with the 95% compaction requirement, will ensure a static safety factor in excess of 1.3, as required.

733.220 Permanent Impoundment Section 733.220 is not applicable since the impoundment will be temporary.

733.230 Temporary Impoundment The proposed sediment pond is a temporary impoundment, and will be removed when reclamation sediment control and revegetation criteria are met, in accordance with Phase II Bond Release criteria.

733.240 Inspections/Potential Hazards As indicated under Section 515.200, if any examination or inspection shows a potential hazard exists, the person who examined the impoundment will promptly notify the Division of the finding and emergency procedures formatted for public protection and remedial action.

734. Discharge Structure All discharges from sedimentation ponds, diversions and culverts will be protected from erosion by the use of adequately sized rip-rap, concrete or other approved protection. Details for outlet protection for all drainage control structures are provided in appendix 7-4. All discharge structures have been designed according to standard engineering design procedures.

735. Disposal of Excess Spoil No excess spoil production is anticipated.

736. Coal Mine Waste Any areas designated for the disposal of coal mine waste will be constructed and maintained to comply with R645-301-746. Details are described under that section.

737. Noncoal Mine Waste Storage and final disposal of noncoal mine waste are described under section 747.

738. Temporary Casing and Sealing of Wells There are no wells proposed to be used to monitor ground water conditions associated with this permit or operation.

740. Design Criteria and Plans Design criteria and plans for this permit are detailed in Appendix 7-4. The following section will describe the general drainage and sediment control plan.

741. General Requirements The proposed operation is an underground mine with a relatively small surface disturbance for transportation, support and coal handling facilities. The proposed surface facilities will comprise a disturbed area of approximately 39.81 acres. Access roads and utility lines will consist of approximately 10 acres of additional disturbance along a BLM Right-of-Way designated as a "Transportation Corridor".

The majority of undisturbed runoff from areas above the proposed mine site will be diverted beneath the site via an undisturbed diversion culvert. Runoff from the disturbed mine site area will be directed to a sediment pond, designed to contain and treat the runoff from a 10 year - 24 hour precipitation event for the contributing watershed. Disturbed area runoff will be directed to the sediment pond via a combination of properly sized ditches and culverts. The general drainage control plan for the mine site is shown on Plate 7-5. The complete Drainage Design and Control Plan is provided in Appendix 7-4 of this P.A.P.

742. Sediment Control Measures See Appendix 7-4 for Sediment Control Measure details.

742.100 General Requirements

742.110 Designed/Constructed/Maintained Appropriate sediment control measures will be designed, constructed and maintained using the best technology currently available to:

742.111 "Prevent, to the extent possible, additional contributions of sediment to stream flow or to runoff outside the permit area;"

This will be accomplished by the construction of undisturbed diversions to allow most undisturbed runoff to by-pass the site and by routing all disturbed runoff to a sediment pond for treatment prior to discharge.

742.112 "Meet the effluent limitations under R645-301-751;"

Any discharge from the sediment pond will be made in compliance with all Utah and federal water quality laws and regulations and with effluent limitations for coal mining promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency set forth in 40 CFR Part 434.

742.113 "Minimize erosion to the extent possible:" This will be accomplished by proper routing of drainage, and by the use of energy dissipators and/or erosion protection at all sediment pond, ditch and culvert outlets and in ditches where erosive velocities are expected.

742.120 Sediment Control Measure Sediment control measures within and adjacent to the disturbed areas are detailed in Appendix 7-4. These measures include, but are not limited to:

742.121 As discussed in Appendix 7-4, runoff from the disturbed area will be captured in a sediment pond and/or treated as necessary to meet effluent limitations prior to discharge.

742.122 As discussed in Appendix 7-4, the majority of undisturbed drainage from above the mine site will be diverted via designed undisturbed diversions.

742.123 Undisturbed diversions will consist of properly designed and protected channels and/or culverts as described in Appendix 7-4.

742.124 The primary means of velocity reduction is planned to be the use of rip-rap; however, other methods such as straw dikes, check dams and/or vegetative filters may be employed during the operational or reclamation phases as determined necessary, and with Diversion approval.

742.125 There are no plans to treat runoff with chemicals. Based on extensive experience with runoff in this area, effluent requirements for discharge can normally be met by containment and settling in a sediment pond.

742.126 It is expected that water will be encountered in the underground mining; however, this water will be used for mining needs and only discharged when no further storage is available underground. Any discharge of mine water will meet applicable effluent limitations. Such water will be sampled (and treated if necessary) prior to discharge.

742.200 Siltation Structures As described in Appendix 7-4 the sediment pond will provide for sediment removal for most of the surface facility disturbance. An alternate sediment control method of berms and silt fences will be used at the fan site. The description of this alternate sediment control method is also described in Appendix 7-4. This is necessary due to its remote location and rough terrain. Other sediment structures that might be used around the surface facilities are temporary sediment traps such as straw dikes and/or catch basins.

742.210 General Requirements Siltation structures will be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the following regulations.

742.211 Siltation structures will be constructed using the best technology currently available to prevent additional contributions of suspended solids and sediment to streamflow outside the permit area to the extent possible. Sediment control structures and details are discussed in Appendix 7-4.

742.212 The siltation structures (i.e. sediment pond) will be constructed prior to any coal mining and reclamation operations. Upon construction, the pond and any other siltation structures will be certified by a qualified

registered professional engineer to be constructed as designed and approved in the reclamation plan.

742.213 The sediment pond will be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with all applicable regulations. See 732.200, 733.200 and Appendix 7-4 for details.

742.214 Any discharge of water from underground workings to surface waters will meet applicable effluent limitations of 751. If such water is found not to meet those requirements, the water will be treated underground prior to discharge, or passed through a siltation structure prior to leaving the permit area.

742.220 Sedimentation Ponds The sedimentation pond will meet the following criteria:

742.221.1 The pond will be used individually;

742.221.2 The pond is located at the lower end of the disturbed area and out of any perennial stream (See Plate 7-5);

742.221.3 The sediment pond will be designed, constructed and maintained to:

742.221.31 The pond is designed to contain the runoff from a 10 year - 24 hour precipitation event for the area in addition to a minimum of 2 years of sediment storage.

742.221.32 The pond is designed to provide a minimum of 24 hour retention of the runoff from a 10 year - 24 hour precipitation event.

742.221.33 The pond is designed to contain the runoff from a 10 year - 24 hour precipitation event plus a minimum of 2 years of sediment storage.

742.221.34 A nonclogging dewatering device is proved as described in Appendix 7-4.

742.221.35 This will be accomplished by proper design, construction and maintenance of the pond as described in Appendix 7-4.

742.221.36 As discussed in Appendix 7-4, sediment will be removed when the level reaches the 2 year storage level. Since the pond is oversized, this leaves adequate room for storage of the design event.

742.221.37 The sediment pond construction ensures against excessive settlement. See "Sediment Pond Construction Requirements" in Appendix 7-4.

742.221.38 Sediment pond will be free of sod, large roots, frozen soil, and acid- or toxic forming coal processing waste. See "Sediment Pond Construction Requirements" in Appendix 7-4.

742.221.39 The sediment pond will be compacted properly. See "Sediment Pond Construction Requirements" in Appendix 7-4.

742.222 Sediment Ponds Meeting MSHA Criteria The proposed pond does not meet the size or other qualifying criteria of MSHA, 30 CFR 77.216(a). Therefore, this section is not applicable.

742.223 Sediment Ponds Not Meeting MSHA Criteria As discussed in Appendix 7-4, the pond will be equipped with a principle spillway culvert and an open channel spillway each sized to safely discharge runoff from a 25 year - 6 hour precipitation event.

742.223.1 The Principle Spillway culvert is and the Emergency Overflow Culverts will be corrugated,

metal pipe. Each one designed to carry sustained flows.

742.223.2 N/A - See 742.223.1

742.224 N/A - See 742.223.1

742.225 N/A - No exception requested.

742.225.1 N/A

742.225.2 N/A

742.230 Other Treatment Facilities No other treatment facilities are planned for this operation. Therefore, Section 742.230 is not applicable.

742.240 Exemptions No exemptions are requested at this time; however, since this is a new proposed operation, the need for Small Area Exemptions and/or Alternate Sediment Control Areas may arise in the future.

742.300 Diversions

742.310 General Requirements

742.311 All diversions are considered temporary, and will be removed upon final reclamation.

Diversions are designed to minimize adverse impacts to the hydrologic balance within the permit and adjacent areas, to prevent material damage outside the permit area and to assure the safety of the public detailed diversion designs are presented in Appendix 7-4 of this P.A.P.

742.312 See Appendix 7-4 for diversion designs.

742.313 As indicated, all diversions for the Lila Canyon Mine are temporary, and will be removed when no longer needed. Land disturbed by removal will be reclaimed in accordance with R645-301 and R645-302. Prior to diversion removal, downstream water treatment facilities will be modified or removed. See Reclamation Hydrology Section of Appendix 7-4.

742.320 Diversion of Perennial and Intermittent Steams Section
742.320 is not applicable since there are no diversions planned for perennial or intermittent streams within the permit area.

742.330 Diversion of Miscellaneous Flows All diversions within the permit area are of miscellaneous flows.

742.331 Certain miscellaneous undisturbed flows are proposed to be diverted around the disturbed area. Other flows are diverted within the disturbed area and to the sediment pond, as described in Appendix 7-4.

742.332 See Appendix 7-4.

742.333 All temporary diversions are designed to safely pass the peak runoff of a 10-year 6-hour event, resulting in a more robust design than the required 2 year - 6 hour precipitation event. See Appendix 7-4 for details.

742.400 Road Drainage

742.410 All Roads All roads are designed in accordance with requirements of 534. Drainage control for all roads is discussed in detail in Appendix 7-4. No part of any road is planned to be located in the channel of an intermittent or perennial stream. As shown on Plate 7-2, roads are located to minimize downstream sedimentation and flooding.

742.420 Primary Roads Primary road design is discussed under 534.

742.421 As described in Section 534, all primary roads are to be located, insofar as practical, on the most stable available surfaces.

742.422 There are no stream fords planned for this operation.

742.423 Drainage Control Road drainage control is discussed in Appendix 7-4.

742.423.1 Primary roads will be equipped with adequate drainage control, including ditches, culverts and relief drains. The drainage control system is designed, and will be constructed and maintained, to pass the peak runoff safely from a 10 year - 6 hour precipitation event, as described in Appendix 7-4.

742.423.2 Culvert design and installation details are described in Appendix 7-4. Inlets and outlets are protected from erosion. Undisturbed culvert inlets are to be equipped with trash racks.

742.423.3 Drainage ditch design details are provided in Appendix 7-4.

742.423.4 There are plans to alter the drainage channel on the south boundary of the disturbed area. This drainage is an ephemeral channel with no riparian habitat. A stream alteration permit will not be required for this channel. A 60 inch culvert and a sedimentation pond will be placed in this channel. Installation of this culvert and sedimentation control plans are described in Appendix 7-4. To ensure that state of the art technology is incorporated, the final reclamation plans for the sedimentation pond area will be submitted prior to commencement of final reclamation of this area.

742.423.5 Stream channel crossings will be provided by culverts designed, constructed and maintained using current, prudent engineering practice, as described in Appendix 7-4.

744.200 Discharge structures have been designed and certified according to standard engineering design procedures. (See Appendix 7-4).

745. Disposal of Excess Spoil Section 745 is not applicable since there are no plans for disposal of excess spoil at the Lila Canyon operation.

746. Coal Mine Waste The area designated for coal mine waste disposal is within an existing depression area which is located beneath and around the proposed coal storage pile area as shown on Plates 5-2, 7-2 and 7-5. This disposal area will be used for disposal of the rock slope material, reject from coal processing, coal contaminated waste from the mine (i.e. roof falls, etc.) and/or sediment pond waste.

The designated waste area will be within the disturbed area and drained to the sediment pond, and will be constructed according to Division and MSHA requirements. Coal mine waste disposal is discussed in detail under Section 536 of this permit.

746.100 General Requirements

746.110 All coal mine waste will be placed in a new disposal area within the permit area as discussed in Section 536 and 746.

746.120 The area selected for coal mine waste disposal will drain to the sediment pond for final treatment to minimize adverse effects on the surface and ground water quality and quantity. (See Plates 7-2 and 7-5).

746.200 Refuse Piles. The refuse area is described under Coal Mine Waste in Section 746 and detailed in Section 536. Rock slope material will be used as fill and is referred to as refuse. No coal refuse pile is anticipated. Other than described in Section 536.

746.210 In the event a refuse pile is needed for future operations the refuse piles would be designed to meet the requirements of

the above listed Division regulations as well as applicable MSHA regulations. See Section 536 for details.

746.211 The coal mine waste disposal areas will not be located in an area containing springs, seeps or water courses. As shown on Plates 5-2 and 7-5 and described in Appendix 7-4, runoff from the areas will be drained to the sediment pond.

746.212 As described in Sections 536 and 746, the coal refuse will be placed within the mine workings, rock slope material will be placed in existing depression areas. These areas are below grade and will drain to the sediment pond. Due to the location (below grade) no berms or diversion ditches are planned for the Coal Mine Waste Area. See Appendix 7-4 for hydrologic details.

746.213 Not applicable since there are no underdrains planned for this pile.

746.220 Surface Area Stabilization

746.221 The plan for revegetation of the area is discussed in Section 536.

746.222 There are no plans for any permanent impoundments on the refuse or Coal mine waste area. Small depressions may exist for a short time until regrading is completed. These depressions are normally less than one foot in depth and not left for more than 30 days.

746.300 This section is not applicable since there are no plans to construct any impounding structures of coal mine waste or to impound coal mine waste.

746.400 This section is not applicable since there are no plans to return coal processing waste to abandoned underground workings.

747. Disposal of Noncoal Waste. Disposal of non-coal mine waste is discussed under Section 528.330 of this permit.

747.100 As indicated in Section 528.330, non-coal mine waste will be stored in a controlled manner in a designated area on site. Final disposal of all noncoal mine waste , except concrete during reclamation, will be in a state-approved solid waste disposal area (E.C.D.C.).

747.200 As shown on Plates 5-2B and 7-5, the proposed noncoal mine waste storage area is in a designated site, free of springs or seeps, and drained to the sediment pond.

747.300 There are no plans to dispose of noncoal mine waste within the permit area, except concrete during reclamation. The concrete will be buried beneath a minimum of 2' of non-acid, non-toxic material, and will not degrade surface or ground water.

748. Casing and Sealing of Wells There are only three ground water Piezometers on the site IPA-1, IPA-2 and IPA-3. They will be reclaimed according to the requirements of the Division's Performance Standards. If any additional wells are required in the future, requirements of this section will be met.

750. Performance Standards

751. Water Quality Discharges of water from this operation will be made in compliance with all Utah and federal water quality laws and regulations and with effluent limitations for coal mining promulgated by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency set forth in 40 CFR Part 434. See Sections 731 and 742.

752. Sediment Control Measures Sediment control measures will be located, maintained, constructed and reclaimed according to plans and designs described under Sections 732, 742, 760 and Appendix 7-4.

752.100 Siltation Structures Siltation structures and diversions will be located, maintained, constructed and reclaimed according to plans and designs described under Sections 732, 742, 763 and Appendix 7-4.

752.200 Road Drainage Roads will be located, designed, constructed, reconstructed, used, maintained and reclaimed as described under Sections 732.400, 742.400 and 762.

752.210 Control or Prevent Erosion See Section 742.400 and Appendix 7-4.

752.220 Control or Prevent Additional Disturbance See Section 742.400 and Appendix 7-4.

752.230 Effluent Standards See Section 742.400 and Appendix 7-4.

752.240 Degradation of Ground Water Systems See Section 742.400 and Appendix 7-4.

752.250 Altering Normal Flow of Water See Section 742.400 and Appendix 7-4.

753. Impoundments and Discharge Structures Impoundments and discharge structures will be located, maintained, constructed and reclaimed as described in Sections 733, 734, 743, 745, 760 and Appendix 7-4.

754. Disposal of Excess Spoil, Coal Mine Waste and Noncoal Mine Waste Disposal areas for excess spoil, coal mine waste and noncoal mine waste will be located, maintained, constructed and reclaimed to comply with Sections 735, 736, 745, 746, 747 and 760.

755. Casing and Sealing of Wells Not applicable since no wells planned for this site.

760. Reclamation Reclamation hydrology is detailed in Appendix 7-4.

761. General Requirements Upon completion of operations, the disturbed area will be reclaimed. All drainage and sediment controls are considered temporary and will be removed when no longer required. The sediment pond will remain in place until Phase II Bond Release requirements have been met. At that time, the pond will be removed and the area will be reclaimed in accordance with the approved plan.

762. Roads All roads within the disturbed area are temporary, and will be removed and reclaimed upon completion of operations. An access road will be left in place to reach the sediment pond; however, this road will also be removed and reclaimed when the sediment pond is removed.

762.100 Upon removal of roads, culverts and diversions will also be removed and the natural drainage patterns will be restored.

762.200 Cut and fill slopes will be reshaped according to the approved reclamation plan. This reshaping will be compatible with the postmining land use and will complement the drainage pattern of the surround terrain. Road reclamation is described in Section 550.

763. Siltation Structures. See Appendix 7-4 for details on removal of siltation structures.

763.100 Siltation Structures will be Maintained. As indicated in Section 761, the sediment pond will remain in place until the stability and vegetation requirements for Phase II Bond Release are met. This will be a minimum of 2 years after the last augmented seeding. At this time, the pond will be removed and the area reclaimed.

763.200 Structure is Removed Upon removal of the sediment pond, the area will be regraded and revegetated in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and Sections 358, 356 and 357.

764. Structure Removal A timetable for reclamation activities is provided in Section 542.100.

765. Permanent Casing and Sealing of Wells There are only three ground water Piezometers on the site IPA-1, IPA-2 and IPA-3. They will be reclaimed according to the requirements of the Division's Performance Standards. If any additional wells are required in the future, requirements of this section will be met.

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2.10 Main Canyon Culvert - Outlet Structure

The outlet of the 5' diameter culvert UC-1 has been designed to flow into a rip-rap apron to protect against souring and for energy dissipation. The rip-rap apron is designed to fit the natural channel configuration as closely as possible, and will allow runoff to re-enter the natural channel at a reduced velocity which is no greater than natural flow conditions. Runoff from the 100 year - 6 hour precipitation event in the canyon below the minesite has been calculated at 50.47 cfs, including sediment pond overflow.

The rip-rap apron design is based on Figure 7-26, Design of Outlet Protection - Maximum Tailwater Condition, "Applied Hydrology and Sedimentology for Disturbed Areas", Barfield, Warner and Haan, 1983. Based on the figure, the apron should be a minimum of 15' in length, widening from 5' to 9', with a 0% slope. The proposed length has been increased to 20', to ensure adequate time for velocity reduction. The slope is kept at 0%. Rip-rap size is conservatively placed at 12" D_{50} . Rip-rap will be placed to a depth of 1.5 D_{50} and will be embedded in a 6" layer of 2" drain rock filter. Rip-rap will also be placed on 2:1 side slopes to the height of the culvert (4') at the culvert outlet tapering to 2' at the outlet of the apron. This rip-rap apron has been sized and designed to adequately dissipate energy from flow velocities of a 100 year - 6 hour precipitation event and resist dislodgement. The drain rock filter bed will also serve to secure the rip-rap boulders firmly in place, to add an additional element of stability, and prevent scouring underneath the boulder bed. (See Figure 4A for construction details). The channel is on a gradient of approximately 7.76%. When the flow is routed from the culvert across the apron to the natural channel, the velocity is reduced from 10.25 fps at the culvert outlet to 4.14 fps at the outlet of the apron. (See Culvert Outlet Rip-Rap Apron Flow Velocity Calculations in Appendix 1.)

It should be noted that these calculations are based on a 100 year - 6 hour event.

TABLE 10

Table 10 Undisturbed Culvert Design Summary		
Culvert	UC-1	
Slope (%)	5.56	
Length (ft.)	535	
Manning's No.	0.025	
Peak Flow 10/6 (cfs)	38.21	
Peak Flow 100/6 (cfs)	51.67	
Min. Diam. Req'd (ft.) 10/6	2.26	
Min. Diam. Req'd (ft) 100/6	2.53	
Diam. Proposed (ft.)	5.00	
Velocity (fps) 10/6	9.57	
Velocity (fps) 100/6	10.32	
* Note: Peak Flows include 25 year - 6 hour design overflow from sediment pond.		

3.1 Design and Construction Specifications for Sedimentation Pond

- a) All construction of sedimentation ponds will be performed under the direction of a qualified, registered professional engineer.
- b) The sediment pond will be located in an existing low area where the Right Fork of Lila Canyon passes beneath the existing road. The existing road fill and culvert will be removed, and the pond embankment (road fill) will be reconstructed and compacted. The existing culvert will be replaced and extended approximately 300' up the Right Fork of Lila Canyon. This culvert will be equipped with a headwall, and will allow undisturbed runoff and treated access road drainage to pass beneath the sediment pond. The majority of the pond will be in an existing channel area, and is therefore considered incised. The embankment will be reconstructed to a maximum of 2h:1v slopes, with the total of inside and outside slopes not less than 5h:1v. The pond will be equipped with a culvert riser principal spillway with an oil skimmer, a decant, and a second culvert riser emergency spillway with an oil skimmer. Both spillways will discharge to the oversized (60") CMP culvert running beneath the pond.
- c) The area of pond constructed shall be examined for topsoil, and where present in removable quantities, such soil shall be removed separately and stored in an approved topsoil storage location.
- d) In areas where fill is to be placed for the pond impoundment structures, natural ground shall be removed for at least 12" below the base of the structure.
- e) Native materials shall be used where practical. Fill will be placed in lifts not to exceed 6" and compacted prior to placement of next lift. Compaction of all fill materials shall be at least 95%.
- f) Rip-rap or other protection (culverts, concrete, etc.) will be placed at all inlets and outlets to prevent scouring. Rip-rap will consist of substantial (non-slaking) rock material of adequate size.
- g) Decanting of the pond, as required, will be accomplished by use of a decant pipe with an inverted inlet as shown on Plate 7-6. Samples will be

permanent drainage control. The culvert will be equipped with an inlet section and rip-rapped headwall. The culvert is adequately sized to safely pass runoff from a 100 year - 6 hour event, as shown in Table 10. To ensure that state of the art technology is incorporated, the final reclamation plans for the sedimentation pond area will be submitted prior to commencement of final reclamation of this area.

The remainder of culvert UC-1 will be removed, and the natural channel restored through the sediment pond area. The sediment pond structures will also be removed, the pond area regraded as necessary and reseeded. The pond embankment will remain as a permanent feature, since the existing (and proposed future) road through the area passes over the embankment.

Following the successful establishment of vegetation and when affluent standards are met, the sediment pond will be removed. The same methodologies relative to recontouring, top soil application and seeding will be utilized as outlined in Chapters 2, 5, and Appendix 5-8.

The pond embankment will be narrowed to facilitate the even character of the Lila Canyon Road. The existing 60 inch bypass culvert will be removed to within six feet of the road embankment. A newly formed channel will be constructed at an approximate four percent grade to intercept the inlet of the culvert at its intersection of the road. The road embankment and associated new channel will be armored by the Operator with an underlayment of filter gravel, with D_{50} -30 inch rip-rap. The new area of disturbance including the newly formed channel will have top soil spread in and around the rip-rap. The Operator will use the same seeding and mulching methods described in Appendix 5-8 will be used on this area as well. See Figures 4 and 7 for a detailed design.

TABLE 14

Table 14 Final Reclamation Drainage Areas Contributing to Structures	
Channel	*Contributing Watershed/Structure
RD-1	DD-11
RD-2	DD-12
UC-1	UA-1

