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Memo to File:

Re: Swisher Coal Co.
Gordon Creek #2 Mine
Carbon County, Utah
ACT/007/016

This mine was briefly visited by Mike Minder and Jim Smith of the Division and Dave Shaver and Dan Guy of Swisher Coal Co. on August 8, 1978. The purpose of the visit was to obtain an overview of the operation.

There are presently no diversion structures or sedimentation ponds with the mine yard situated at the confluence of two large drainages. A site for location of a sediment pond could possibly be down the canyon on private property.

The vegetation on the south facing slopes consists of scrub oak and sagebrush communities, with pine and aspen communities on the north facing slopes.

A new conveyor and stockpile facility is currently under construction, with not much coal being mined due to rock problems.

The old Swisher #1 Mine, below the gate on the west side of the road, is abandoned with coal refuse lying in the drainage.

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