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September 9, 1980

ACT/007/016 #2 ✓
ACT/007/017 #3+6

Mr. John Hardaway
Office of Surface Mining
2nd Floor, Brooks Towers
1020 Fifteenth Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

Dear Mr. Hardaway:

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service (SCS) to Beaver Creek Coal Company in which the SCS recommends a permanent seed mixture for the Gordon Creek No. 2 Mine. Beaver Creek Coal Company will revegetate disturbed areas at both the Gordon Creek No. 2 and 3+6 Mines with this seed mixture.

The temporary revegetation seed mix will consist of:

- Tegmar Dwarf Intermediate Wheatgrass
- Pubescent Wheatgrass
- Indian Rice Grass
- Yellow Sweetclover

These seed mixtures are submitted to OSM for your information and concurrence.

Sincerely,

J. A. Holligan
Coordinator
Permits and Compliance

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cc: DGuy, Beaver Creek
JSmith, Utah OSM



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September 3, 1980

Mr. David Chenoweth
ARCO Coal Company
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Dear Mr. Chenoweth:

Following the visit of Chuck Mowry, SCS Plants Material Specialist, on July 31, 1980, the SCS makes the following recommendations at the Gordon Creek #2 mine area.

- 1) Scarify the existing slopes before seeding to prepare a seedbed that will help hold the seed in place. A dozer winching a harrow or hand raking could be used.
- 2) Broadcast the following seed mixture per acre from October 1 to October 15.

Tegmar dwarf intermediate wheatgrass	10 lbs Pure Live Seed
Pubescent wheatgrass	10 lbs PLS
Indian rice grass	4 lbs PLS
Yellow sweetclover	2 lbs
Woods rose	.5 lb
Rubber rabbitbrush	.5 lb
Blue elderberry	.5 lb
Snowberry	.5 lb
Serviceberry	.5 lb
- 3) Drag area immediately following seeding to cover seed with soil. Straw mulch at 2,000 lbs/acre can be used. It will remain longer if the straw is anchored by pushing straw into soil with a shovel blade or mechanized equipment.
- 4) If hydro seeding is used, greater success is achieved by applying the seed and fertilizer first, then blowing on the mulch.

We hope these results are helpful and acceptable under the OSM guidelines. If more assistance is needed please contact us.

Gary D. Moreau

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District Conservationist
Price Field Office

cc Chuck Mowry, Boise
Ed Burton, Orem

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