



# State of Utah

## INSPECTION REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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Partial:      Complete: X Exploration:       
Inspection Date & Time: 29 October 1992 /12:30 to 14:30  
Date of Last Inspection: 17 August 1992

Mine Name: Gordon Creek #2, #7 & #8 County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/016  
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Mountain Coal Company  
Business Address: P.O. Box 1378 Price, Utah 84501  
Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface      Prep. Plant      Other       
State Official(s): Jess Kelley  
Company Official(s): Dan Guy, Mel Coonrod  
Federal Official(s): None  
Weather Conditions: Cloudy and cold  
Existing Acreage: Permitted-2289 Disturbed-17.2 Regraded-     Seeded-     Bonded-17.2  
Increased/Decreased: Permitted-     Disturbed-     Regraded-     Seeded-     Bonded-      
Status:      Exploration/      Active/ X Inactive/      Temporary Cessation/      Bond Forfeiture  
Reclamation (     Phase I/      Phase II/      Final Bond Release/      Liability      Year)

### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

#### Instructions

1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
  - b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June)_____ (date)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

Mining operations ceased at this site in December of 1990. Portals have been closed and sealed and all buildings and other structures have been removed. The operator is presently redoing the reclamation plan as ordered by the Division (Division Order DO-91A). The earthwork phase of final reclamation is expected to take place in the spring of 1993, after Division approval of the new reclamation plan.

### 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

- (a) Permit ACT/007/016 was issued 8/1/89 and is in force through 8/13/94.
- (b) UPDES Permit UTG040004 was issued 5/1/89.
- (c) Liability Insurance Policy HDO GO 969065-7 is held with Insurance Company of North America. Policy was issued 1/1/90 and is in force through 1/1/93.
- (d) SPCC (Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure) Plan was certified 2/27/92 by Dan Guy.

### 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:

#### (a) Diversions

All diversions and culverts were observed to be unobstructed and in good repair.

#### (b) Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

Both sediment ponds (2 and 7A) contained some water, but neither had discharged. Ponds were inspected 8/26/92 by Mel Coonrod.

#### (d) Water Monitoring

Water is monitored at 10 points: 2-1W (sediment pond), 2-2W (perennial stream below Sweets pond), 2-3W (perennial stream, lower Beaver Creek), 2-4W (perennial stream, upper Beaver Creek), 2-5W (Jewkes Spring), 2-6W (Gunnison Spring), 2-7W (ephemeral stream, left fork Bryner Canyon), 2-8W (ephemeral stream, right fork Bryner Canyon), 2-9W (ephemeral stream, main Bryner Canyon), and 2-10W (sediment pond inlet).

2-1W and 2-2W are UPDES points and are sampled monthly. Both were monitored 9/3/92, but there was no discharge.

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2-3W, 2-4W, 2-5W and 2-6W are sampled twice a year. All were sampled during the first half of 1992.

2-7W, 2-8W, 2-9W and 2-10W are sampled quarterly. All were sampled 8/26/92.

### 21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

Bond U-629965 is held with United Pacific Insurance Company in the amount of \$641,443. Bond was issued 7/10/87 on 17.2 acres.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Bernie Freeman (OSM); Dan Guy (Mountain Coal)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Gene W. Kelley*

#34 Date: 11/6/92