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continue to be successful with the permitting process, we will begin site preparation this spring."

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sumers mine. The company does not plan to disturb the nearby remains of the former coal town of Consumers. But Bailey claims the Utah Historical Society has given its approval if that becomes

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ers mine. The company does not plan to disturb the nearby remains of the former coal town of Consumers. But Bailey claims the Utah Historical Society has given its approval if that becomes necessary.

The mine was closed between 1951 and 1953. The town contained housing, a mine office, a store and a large tippie with railroad lines. The town's Main Street is now the primary access road to the new portal.

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