

*Horizon  
Construction*

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To: Bill Malencik  
From: Vicky Bailey

Subject: Horizon Site Construction - Horizon Coal Corporation, Carbon County, Utah

I wanted to let you know of two situations which presented themselves during construction Friday, November 1, 1996.

1. Another load of culvert was delivered to the site Friday morning. When an attempt to drive the semi-truck up to the disturbed area failed, due to the muddy condition of the road and lack of chains, the culvert was loaded from the truck to the front-end loaders at the bottom of the permit area on the county road. The culvert was then carried to and stored within the disturbed area. At no time Friday was the culvert stored outside the disturbed area.
2. A decision was made Friday evening to pond the water running down Jewkes Creek into the disturbed area. The pond is within the disturbed area boundary. This decision was made to prevent pollution to the water along the county road (which runs up Jewkes Canyon to Beaver Creek) where it had run earlier in the week. The county road through the disturbed area was being used heavily Friday afternoon by hunters. They drove over or into several of our sediment control structures, which we replaced or repaired. Since construction was shut down over the weekend we determined ponding would be the best way to protect this water during the weekend. The operational culvert should be fully installed and operational late Monday or early Tuesday which will allow Jewkes Creek to run safely through the disturbed area and not along the road.

The county road drains much of the snow melt/precipitation for the canyon, thus creating sediment laden water running through our disturbed area along the road. It was an all day project Friday just keeping the water running along the road out of the construction area. Since the area has experienced two precipitation events this week, no undisturbed vegetation within the disturbed area should be stressed by lack of water due to the ponding of the water.

Just for your information, Dave Darby from the Salt Lake office of UDOGM was in the area Friday morning.

If you have any questions please call me at (801) 561-1555 on Tuesday, I will be on the site Monday.