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INSPECTION REPORT

Partial: X Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: June 20, 1995, 2:00 to 2:30 P.M.
Date of Last Inspection: May 24, 1995

Mine Name: Banning Siding Loadout County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/034
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Soldier Creek Coal Company
Business Address: P. O. Box I, Price, Utah 84501
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface Prep. Plant (Loadout) X Other
State Officials(s): Paul Baker
Company Official(s): Dave Spillman
Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Clear, 80's, Windy
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 36 Disturbed- 21.6 Regraded- 0 Seeded- 0 Bonded- 21.6
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- 0 Disturbed- 0 Regraded- 0 Seeded- 0 Bonded- 0
Status: Exploration/ X Active/ 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.

Table with 5 columns: Item, EVALUATED, N/A, COMMENTS, NOV/ENF. Rows include: 1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; 2. SIGNS AND MARKERS; 3. TOPSOIL; 4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; 5. EXPLOSIVES; 6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; 7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; 8. NONCOAL WASTE; 9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; 10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; 11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; 12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING; 13. REVEGETATION; 14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; 15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; 16. ROADS; 17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; 18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; 19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June)-(date); 20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT; 21. BONDING & INSURANCE.



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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

On June 19, 1995, the Division wrote Soldier Creek outlining two remaining deficiencies in the Banning operation and reclamation plan. The letter requests that the deficiencies be corrected by July 17, 1995.

4. Hydrologic Balance

c. Other Sediment Control Measures

The silt fences near the sediment pond outlet have come off their supports. These silt fences would still be marginally functional, and there was no evidence of sediment leaving the disturbed area. Mr. Spillman said these silt fences have been a maintenance problem because they are in a good place for cattle to cross. Since last year's revegetation effort has been so successful, I suggested he consider calling the vegetation and roughening the sediment control measures.

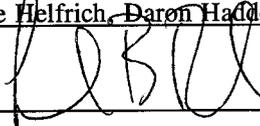
13. Revegetation

Vegetation in the area seeded last year continues to grow well. Weeds in the test plots have mostly died, but the seeded grasses and shrubs are still growing better than I have ever seen them.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Dave Spillman and Keith Zobell (Soldier Creek), Donna Griffin (OSM)

Given to: Joe Helfrich, Daron Haddock (DOGM)

Inspector's Signature: 

Paul B. Baker #41

Date: June 21, 1995