



State of Utah
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 10/5/98 / 7:00a.m.-9:00a.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 9/9/98

Mine Name: Banning Siding Loadout County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/034
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Canyon Fuel Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 1029, Wellington, Utah 84542
Type of Mining Activity: Underground Surface Prep. Plant XXX Other
Company Official(s): None
State Officials(s): Steve Demczak Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Cool, 30's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 36 Disturbed- 21.6 Regraded- 0 Seeded- 0 Bonded- 21.6
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX 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: 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)

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS -

Identification signs meet the requirement of the R645 Coal Rules. The perimeter markers were spot-checked and are located around the perimeter of the disturbed area.

4A. DIVERSIONS -

The diversions were spot-checked for performance standards. It was determined that these diversions comply with the requirements of the Mining and Reclamation Plan and the R645 Coal Rules.

No water was flowing within the diversions during the inspection.

4B. SEDIMENT PONDS -

The sediment pond was not discharging during the inspection. It is highly unlikely that a discharge of water will occur in the near future. This sediment pond did contain a small amount of water. The Banning sediment pond has never discharged.

There were no signs of any hazardous conditions occurring to the sediment ponds during the inspection. This is an incised pond.

4C. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES -

The Banning Loadout facility uses silt fences as it's alternate sediment control measures. These areas were spot-inspected and complied with the R645 Coal Rules.

5. EXPLOSIVES -

No explosives boxes are on the property.

7. REFUSE PILES -

It is anticipated that an amendment is to be forthcoming which will request temporary storage of mine waste.

The permittee took the annual coal sample in June 1997. There have been no additional coal samples taken to date, because no new coal has entered the site in 1998.

8. NON-COAL WASTE -

The area was clear of non-coal waste material.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining.

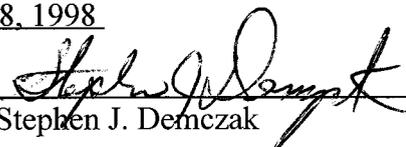
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Date: October 8, 1998

Inspector's Signature: _____


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