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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: 5/21/98 / 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m.

Date of Last Inspection: 4/9/98

Mine Name: Willow Creek Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/038
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Cyprus Plateau Mining Corporation
Business Address: P. O. Drawer PMC, Price, Utah 84501
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Johnny Pappas
State Officials(s): Peter Hess Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Cold, 50's, Mild Breeze, Rain during the night
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 14,670 Disturbed- 132.9 Regraded- Seeded- Bonded- 132.9
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 categories like PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE; SIGNS AND MARKERS; TOPSOIL; HYDROLOGIC BALANCE; DIVERSIONS; SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS; OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES; WATER MONITORING; EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS; EXPLOSIVES; DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES; COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS; NONCOAL WASTE; PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES; SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE; CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION; BACKFILLING AND GRADING; REVEGETATION; SUBSIDENCE CONTROL; CESSATION OF OPERATIONS; ROADS; CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING; DRAINAGE CONTROLS; OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES; SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS; AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) (date); AIR QUALITY PERMIT; BONDING & INSURANCE.



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(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE

The permittee has not, as yet, submitted the necessary "as-built" drawings for the numerous structures which have been completed at the mine and wash plant site.

3. TOPSOIL

The seeding of the topsoil pile located on the SW end of the mine site disturbance appears to have taken, as the vegetation looked lush this day. Wind and water erosion of this resource should be minimal.

As noted in the April inspection report for this site, the Gravel Canyon topsoil pile has been reseeded. It is the permittee's intent to continue to place topsoil material in this area as needed.

4a. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

There is a 24 inch culvert located on the NE side of the preparation plant access road (by the rotary breaker building) which was in need of cleaning. The discharge end of the culvert was running a very small flow, but the inlet had water impounded in the ditch. Mr. Pappas immediately informed the wash plant personnel, and within the hour, a high pressure hose was being hooked up to wash out the culvert. The culvert has insufficient slope to be self cleaning; a lot of sediment material travels through this ditch on it's way to pond 12A.

7.COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

The thickener pond (clean out completed as of March 5) has not been recertified. Earth Fax Engineering is the consultant doing this work.

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

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Johnny Pappas (Plateau) Henry Austin (OSM)
Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM) Filed to: Price Field Office
Date: May 22, 1998

Inspector's Signature:  #46
Peter Hess