

From: Matthew Lindon
To: Wayne Western
Date: 7/6/2004 11:18:07 AM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Grassy Trail

Wayne,

In discussions with our staff, we feel we will want to take a serious look at this encroachment on Grassy Trail dam and possibly get an independent opinion on the effect as well.

Please keep us informed or have the Mine Company contact Dam Safety directly. Permits should be withheld until we can review and sign off on the proposed action.

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From: Mark Page
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With the problems at Electric Lake, I think we should push really hard for an independent investigation and report on the matter. This is the primary source of water for the towns of Sunnyside, East Carbon, and Columbia. It is also the source of water for the power plant culinary water and makeup water for their lab. I think the 400 feet is much too close to provide any comfort for me. The slope stability on both abutments is an on-going major concern at Grassy Trail as well as the spillway. I think more work should be done to verify the information provided by the mining company and by DOGM. Thanks for the information.

>>> Matthew Lindon 07/02/04 10:53AM >>>

I spoke with Wayne Western of OGM and he is working on a permit for the Long Wall mine near Grassy Trail dam. They propose a horizontal long wall 2000 ft deep, with subsidence effects expected within 400 ft horizontally of Grassy trail right abutment . I asked them to confirm that subsidence will not be a problem to the dam or basin or water stored in the reservoir and provide a monitoring plan to calibrate and verify this. Is there anything else I should ask them for.

Matt