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Company	Dana Shepherd Field Technician/Draftsman
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Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070041
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, March 20, 2007
Start Date/Time:	3/20/2007 9:45:00 AM
End Date/Time:	3/20/2007 10:55:00 AM
Last Inspection:	Monday, February 26, 2007

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Sunny, 70's F. Forecast, rain / thunderstorms.

InspectionID Report Number: 1243

Accepted by: whedberg *AK*

4/4/2007

Permittee: **WEST RIDGE RESOURCES**

Operator: **WEST RIDGE RESOURCES**

Site: **WEST RIDGE MINE**

Address: **PO BOX 1077, PRICE UT 84501**

County: **CARBON**

Permit Type: **PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM**

Permit Status: **ACTIVE**

Current Acreages

6,114.89	Total Permitted
29.06	Total Disturbed
	Phase I
	Phase II
	Phase III

Mineral Ownership

- Federal
 State
 County
 Fee
 Other

Types of Operations

- Underground
 Surface
 Loadout
 Processing
 Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Permittee's authorized representative has notified the Division that the fourth quarter water of 2006 surface and ground water monitoring information for the UtahAmerican facilities (West Ridge Mine) is in the Division electronic web site "pipeline" and is acceptable for uploading. The Division notified the Permittee on March 21, 2007 that the 4th quarter 2007 information had been uploaded into the data base. Thus, the Permittee continues to meet the Special Permit Condition included as Attachment "A" of the current State permit.

All snow has melted off at the Mine site.

There are no pending compliance actions for the West Ridge Mine permit area.

Inspector's Signature: _____

Pete Hess

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2007

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 46

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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Inspection Continuation Sheet

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

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 Not Applicable.
 - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference 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.

	Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Signs and Markers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Topsoil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Explosives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Noncoal Waste	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Slides and Other Damage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Contemporaneous Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Backfilling And Grading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Revegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Subsidence Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Cessation of Operations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.b Roads: Drainage Controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Other Transportation Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS Check	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Air Quality Permit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. Bonding and Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions

The inlets to the undisturbed bypass culverts in the left fork and right fork were inspected. Both were capable of functioning as designed. The trash racks did not have debris.

4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

Neither fork of "C" Canyon was flowing above the Mine site. The Permittee is current relative to the submittal of required quarterly water monitoring data. The fourth quarter data for 2006 is due March 31, 2007. As noted above, data for this Mine is in the "pipeline".

14. Subsidence Control

The Permittee's consultant, RB & G Engineering, has submitted monthly subsidence, piezometer, and seismic data for the area adjacent to the Grassy Trail Dam (LW Panel #7) as well as LW Panel #9, which is where active mining has been occurring since September 2006. In the 30 day period from February 10 to March 10, 2007, no mining induced seismic events were recorded at the Dam or by the instruments installed on the adjacent hillsides. Two small seismic events of magnitude 1.3 did occur on March 10 three to four miles west of the dam in the area of Panel #9. Neither were recorded by the dam or adjacent hillside instruments. No significant movement has been detected by inclinometers 1-4; no unexpected changes in piezometer or seepage readings have occurred within the 30 day monitoring period. No significant cracks or signs of movement (other than a few freeze-thaw and dessication cracks) have been noted on the dam or its abutments.

18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations

The Permittee has erected a temporary storage facility in the upper yard storage area.

20. Air Quality Permit

The Permittee was wetting down the area of operation (dozer maintenance and fueling area) on the coal stockpile pad during today's inspection.