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Inspection Memo to Coal File:

Re: Beaver Creek Coal Company
Huntington #4 Mine
ACT/015/004
Emery County, Utah

This temporarily closed mine site was visited on March 25, 1980 by Mary Ann Wright of the Division, Dan Guy, Jim Ives, and Dave Chenowith of Beaver Creek Coal Company and Arco, Clark Johnson of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Larry Dalton from the Division of Wildlife Resources. The purpose of this visit was to prepare written wildlife guidelines for this site for inclusion of wildlife information into the mining plan for the permanent program.

Mr. Dalton had the following comments:

1. That habitat values have already been ranked for the area.
2. The species lists already exist for the area.
3. That since it is an existing mine, that no further wildlife information needed to be collected for this site.

Mr. Johnson's comments were as follows:

1. That habitat quality information already exists and should be included in the mining plan.
2. That his concerns would be greatest in reviewing the wildlife plans for this mine site.

Mr. Johnson's concerns for the wildlife plan were specifically, problems of coal being found in Huntington Creek, the problem of the area being a deer winter range and the difficulty of scheduling haulage times for the coal at this mine site.

Since this mine has been inactive for approximately a year and a half it was felt by Ms. Wright that a raptor study would be in order along the cliffs above the mine site. In addition to the mine site being closed for a year and a half, observations have been made over the past year and a half during several visits to the mine site of golden eagles in the area. Upon discussing this matter with both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Dalton, Mr. Johnson concurred with the need for a raptor study and Mr. Dalton also concurred, stating that there really had not been site specific data of information collected on raptors for this area. Therefore, it was decided that this would be a general requirement at this mine site.

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Two maps of this mine site were delivered to the Division of Wildlife Resources office in Price on March 28, 1980.

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Statistics: See C.V. Spur memo dated March 25, 1980