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Noab District  
San Rafael Resource Area  
900 North 700 East  
Price, Utah 84501

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U-082996  
(U-067)

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R. Jay Marshall  
Senior Engineer  
Beaver Creek Coal Company  
P. O. Box 1378  
Price, Utah 84501

Dear Mr. Marshall:

We have received and reviewed your proposal to seal off all of State coal lease HL-22603 at the Trail Mountain No. 9 Mine between Crosscut 28 and 29 on Main West. This would isolate the 1st and 2nd South entries that are currently being maintained for possible access to the unleased Federal coal reserves south of the State coal lease. Though this area is on State lease and normally out of the jurisdiction of the BLM, 1st and 2nd South are potential access ways to Federal coal and thus would effect the BLM's responsibility to ensure sound and logical mine development to maximize the recovery of Federal coal. Your proposal to seal the area will not jeopardize the access or recovery of the Federal coal and is hereby approved. Observations by my staff indicate that 1st and 2nd South entries are standing well. There is low overburden and the roof rock appears competent. We agree that no major deterioration of the entries will occur while the area is sealed. Also, access to the south reserves is still possible through your lease U-49332.

An approved copy of your proposal is enclosed. This approval will have no effect on the surface environment and no environmental assessment is needed as per the National Environmental Protection Act. The approval will also not affect any minable Federal coal under lease. If you have further questions, please call me or Stephen Paik of my staff at 637-4584.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ JAMES W. DRYDEN

Area Manager

Enclosure:  
Approved Mine Map

cc: UDGM, SLC  
UN, Noab (U-065)  
Mine Plan File

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MINOR MODIFICATION TO  
MINING PLAN APPROVED BY  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT



November 7, 1988

James Dryden  
Area Manager  
Bureau of Land Management  
Price River Resource Area  
900 North 700 East  
Price, Utah 84501

Recommended By:

Stephen W. Falk 11/28/88  
Mining Engineer (Data)

Approved By:

James W. Dryden 11/28/88  
Area Manager (Data)

Re: Trail Mountain #9 Mine Seals

Dear Jim:

As was discussed with Steve Falk, Beaver Creek Coal company proposes to install seals between #28 and #29 cross cut in the Main West Entries of Trail Mountain #9 Mine. These seals would effectively isolate 1st and 2nd South panels (See enclosed map).

The 1st and 2nd South panels are development only panels. These panels fall within the escarpment barrier, second mining has been prohibited by DOGM. Subsidence concerns prevent any second mining within this protected barrier.

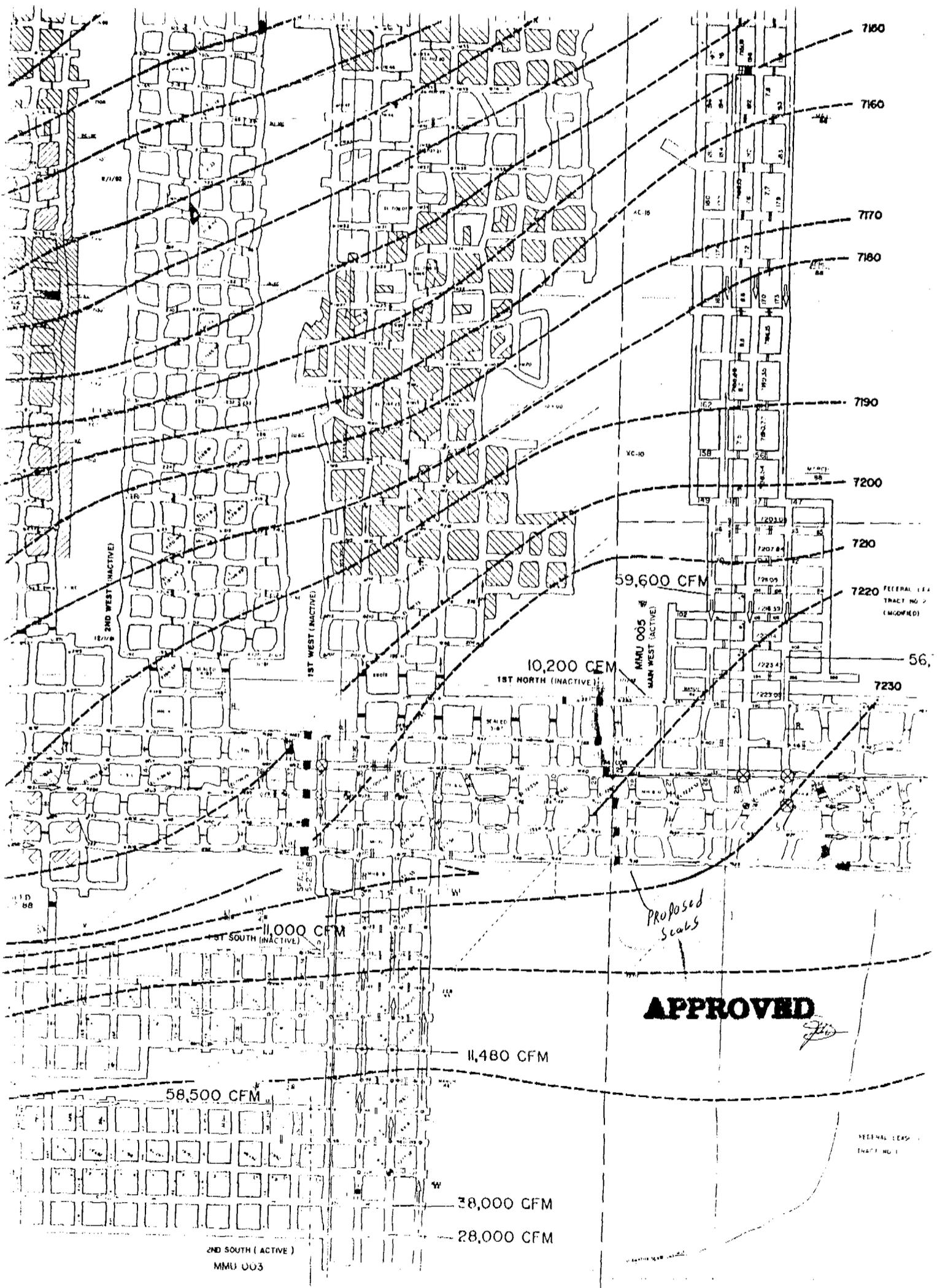
As you well know Beaver Creek Coal Company has submitted a lease application for the coal south of the present mine works. Beaver Creek realizes that 1st or 2nd South panel will probably be the access to this lease. Because of this potential access Beaver Creek has maintained the South panels at great expense in both manpower and materials.

We believe that sealing this area will accomplish two things. First, access will be preserved for the South Lease area, and second, by sealing, maintenance costs for that area will be greatly reduced.

If you have any questions please call me and we can discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

R. Jay Marshall  
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Senior Mine Engineer



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FEDERAL LEAS  
TRACT NO. 7200  
(IMPROVED)

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7230

59,600 CFM

10,200 CFM  
1ST NORTH (INACTIVE)

*Proposed  
Scabs*

**APPROVED**

11,480 CFM

58,500 CFM

38,000 CFM

28,000 CFM

2ND SOUTH (ACTIVE)  
MMU 003

FEDERAL LEAS  
TRACT NO. 7200