

September 21, 1983

INSPECTION MEMO
TO COAL FILERE: Natomas Trail Mountain Coal
Company
Trail Mountain Coal Mine
ACT/015/009, Folder No. 7
Emery County, Utah

On June 8, 1983 a partial inspection was conducted at the above mentioned coal mine. I was accompanied on the inspection by Allen Childs of Natomas.

On May 10, 1983, the Division granted the operator approval for relocation of a portion of the power line which services the mine. At the time of this inspection the operator was in the process of installing the new power poles needed for the power line. In order to install one of the power poles, the operator needed to cross Cottonwood Creek, about 50 yards below the sediment pond outlet, at a previously used stream crossing. Two vehicles were needed to install the power pole, a dozer and a pole truck. The cat was needed to grade out the existing access for the pole truck. The operator was told to make just one trip in and out with both vehicles. The operator was also asked to recontour and grade the access in preparation for seeding of the access this fall. Revegetation of the access will help to control erosion and the operator will still be able to use the access for emergency access to the poles.

I discussed with the operator the need to contemporaneously reclaim the extreme south end of the portal road and the access road which extends from the sediment pond embankment in a south - westerly direction, since these areas are not needed anymore.

At the time of the inspection the operator was maintaining the ditch around the underground development waste pile, by the sediment pond, in order to ensure that runoff from the pile would be directed into the sediment pond. All three road crossings were functioning as designed. The berm protecting Cottonwood Creek from the disturbed area immediately east of the mine office had been maintained since the previous inspection.

The operator was told that he should submit plans to the Division regarding the borrow area behind the office building, which show the proposed final configuration of the area as a storage area.

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Statistics:

Vehicle: EX 45421 616 miles
PerDiem: 1 person X 2 days 11.5 hours = \$99.60
Grant: A & E