

March 8, 1983

Inspection Memo to
Coal File:

RE: Natomas Trail Mtn. Coal Co.
Trail Mountain Coal Mine
ACT/015/009
Folder No. 7
Emery County, Utah

On February 24, 1983 DOGM Field Specialist Ken Wyatt conducted a partial inspection at the Natomas Trail Mountain facilities. Allen Childs of Natomas accompanied this inspector on the field tour. The purpose of this inspection was to examine maintenance work continually required on berms and ditches draining disturbed area runoff to the sediment pond throughout the mine area.

At the time of this inspection, disturbed area runoff from the upper mine yard was having a difficult time draining past the coal stockpile area. The operator reestablished this ditch during this inspection. This ditch is in continual need of maintenance and it would be to Natomas Trail Mountain's advantage to culvert the upper section of Cottonwood Creek at the earliest opportunity to enlarge the mine area and facilitate a more effective disturbed area drainage.

Also a ditch had been constructed along the lower truck crossing to divert water away from the path of the trucks. If this ditch could be maintained the lower truck crossing area would dry out. One problem observed at the Trail Mountain Mine is the continual problem of ditch maintenance thereby resulting in water mixing on the access roads. This in conjunction with the continual truck traffic creates very difficult compliance situations. No major problems were observed at this time.

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KEN WYATT
FIELD SPECIALIST

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cc: Tom Ehmett, OSM
Allen Childs, Natomas
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Statistics:

See Emery Deep Mine memo, dated February 28, 1983.
Grant: A & E