

March 26, 1984

Inspection Memo
to Coal File:

RE: Natomas Trail Mountain Coal Company
Trail Mountain Coal Mine
ACT/015/009, Folder #7
Emery County, Utah

On October 13, 1983 I conducted a partial inspection at the above mentioned mine site. I was accompanied on the inspection by Bob Downey of Natomas Trail Mountain Coal Company.

At the time of my inspection the operator was reconstructing their man-way portal entry and pouring a foundation for the water tank on the east side of the mine office building. The water tank had to be moved from it's previous location on the slope above the mine office building because the slope was starting to fail beneath it.

I discussed with Mr. Downey the need to recontour the cat-cut above the highwall and the slope along the highwall in the borrow area. Mr. Downey indicated that this work would be completed in the next two weeks, as soon as equipment became available.

I looked at the area below the mine site where the operator had dumped underground development waste and consequently received Notice of Violation N83-4-12-1 on September 29, 1983. At the time of my previous inspection most of the materials had been retrieved from the road embankment and the operator still needed to some handwork in order to complete the abatement of the violation. The work had been completed and the violation was terminated on November 1, 1983.

I inspected the two stream channel diversions along the Class I road for which the operator had received Notice of Violation N83-4-13-1. The operator had reconstructed the stream diversions as directed by Division Hydrologist, Dave Darby during his October 5, 1983 on site meeting with the operator regarding the NOV. However, there was additional work that still needed to be done in order to stabilize the stream channel diversions. Grading at the lower stream channel diversion needed to be completed to insure that the old stream channel, which had been backfilled, and the area associated with it could drain properly. Additional riprap also needed to be placed on the west side of both stream channel diversions.


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Statistics: See Starpoint Mine Memo dated March 23, 1984
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