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Subject: Energy West Request for Permission to Use Left Fork Road

CC: "Thomas W Lloyd" <twlloyd@fs.fed.us>, <karlhousekeeper@utah.gov>, "Oakley..."
Date: December 6, 2007

To: Pamela Grubaugh-Littig

From: Ken Fleck

Subject: Request for Permission to Use Left Fork Rilda Canyon Road

Pam,

Energy West Mining Company is requesting permission to use the road to the Left Fork intake portal to transport 10 - 12 truckloads of can cribs to the Left Fork intake portal, for the following reason:

Deer Creek Mine is continuing to experience serious roof control problems just inside the Left Fork portals in a manner similar to the large cave that was experienced in the intake portal in March, 2007. A new cave (date unknown) has occurred in the return entries near the fan portal, and an existing cave has expanded. Areas of broken bolts have also been found in this area. This activity indicates that the danger of additional roof falls is imminent. These areas must be supported as soon as possible to prevent further deterioration.

The quickest way to get materials underground to this area is to bring them directly to the Left Fork portal area.

Energy West realizes that this use of the road and portal area will be during the restricted time period for the Left Fork road, this is why we are asking for special permission. Work is anticipated on this project starting next week. There is snow on the road now, and more snow is expected in the next few days. Snow removal necessary for truck access will follow snow removal restrictions as understood from the permit stipulations. Any snow removed from the road will be loaded out and not sidecast from the road. Truck traffic will be restricted to only those loads necessary for this roof support project.

Energy West appreciates your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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