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From: Pam Grubaugh-Littig
To: Ken Fleck
Date: 3/30/2007 12:40 PM
Subject: Re: Request for Removal of Cave Material from Left Fork Portal

CC: Dennis Oakley; H. Earl Snow; John {Energy West Mining} Christensen; ...
Due to the extenuating circumstances in this situation, this e-mail is approval to move this "caved" material in the Left Fork Portal in Rilda Canyon to the Deer Creek Waste Rock Site.

>>> "Fleck, Ken" <Kenneth.Fleck@PacifiCorp.com> 3/30/2007 12:26 PM >>>
Pam,

Energy West is requesting permission to load cave material from the caved area at the Left Fork Rilda Canyon intake portal. The extenuating circumstances leading to this request are as follows:

The cave area is directly along the path of the incoming air from the intake portal, about 400 feet away (please refer to the map of the portal area). This air moves at high velocity over the cave area. Loading of the material on the downwind (inby) side of the cave will expose loader operators and other mine personnel to large amounts of wind-blown dust and debris. For this reason, the safer and more practical approach is to load this material from the upwind (portal) side and transport the material to the portal to be loaded into trucks. This material, consisting of caved roof rocks, will be transported to the waste rock site in Huntington Canyon.

I figure that the amount of cave material is about 650 tons, which would translate into a maximum of about 50 dump truck loads. If we get can get larger trucks, there will be fewer loads.

I have spoken with Tom Lloyd at the USDA Forest Service; his main concern is that we not let any of this material outside of our disturbed area.

We respectfully request your consideration and timely approval of this request, please give me a call if you have any questions.

<<Rilda Intake Cave Map 032407.doc>>

Thanks,

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