

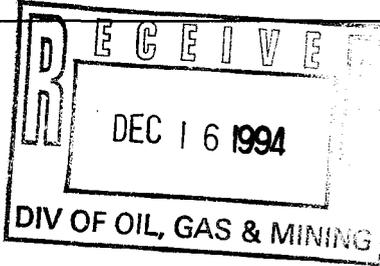
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ATTN: Pam Grubaugh-Littig

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ACT/015/019 #2

Dear Pam,

We have reviewed the Cottonwood Mining and Reclamation Plan for the 5-year permit renewal. The following items need to be corrected:

Volume 1, Part 2.

Remove the cultural resources report. Replace it with a description of the area surveyed and a statement saying the information is on file with the surface management agency and is exempt from Freedom of Information Act requests.

Volume 2, page 2-163.

The list of species of special significance should be updated. It is based on information from 1979 and 1980.

Volume 2, page 4-3.

Used Asphalt products are classified as hazardous waste and can not be buried on the forest. According to Carl Wadsworth, Utah Division of Environmental Quality, the options are to either recycle the asphalt or take it to a permitted solid waste landfill.

Volume 2, page 4-40.

This section should have a description of the areas covered by the cultural resource surveys, but should give no site-specific data. The text should say that the surface management agency has a copy of the report, but that they are exempt from the Freedom of Information Act.

Volume 2, page 4-47, last paragraph.

PacifiCorp now owns the land near Burnt Tree Spring, and the wooden cabin has been removed.

Volume 2, page 4-48, first paragraph.

The cabin has been removed.

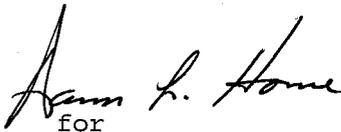
Volume 2, Fish and wildlife report after page 4-55.

This report is for the Deer Creek Mine. It should be redone to address the Cottonwood Mine. Specific problems are the lack of information on Grimes Wash and Cottonwood Creek, and the statement that there are no golden eagle nest sites in the mine area.

We consent to the permit renewal, with the stipulation that these corrections be made by March 1, 1995.

If you have any questions, please contact Dale Harber at the address listed above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Deane H. Zeller".

for

DEANE H. ZELLER

Acting Forest Supervisor