



State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 10/6/99 7:30a.m. - 11:30a.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 9/14/99

Mine Name: Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/019
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: PacifiCorp
Business Address: P.O. Box 310, Huntington, Utah 84528
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Chuck Semborski, Dennis Oakley
State Officials(s): Bill Malencik Federal Official(s): None
Weather Conditions: Partly Cloudy, 60's
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 11508 Disturbed- 102 Regraded- Seeded- Bonded- 102
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (Phase I/ Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) _____ (date)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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SUMMARY

-No violations were issued as a result of the instant inspection.

-The amendment on the 4,000 acres permit relinquishment is still pending. Two unfinished items include water issues on and adjoining Cottonwood Springs; bonding and surety bond.

-Phase I Bond Release application is in the process of final review for a portion of the reclaimed Cottonwood waste rock site. It is pending a review and approval by OSM.

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1. **PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE**

Permits and other authorizations are documented in the MRP. Highlights are as follows:

- Federal Coal Leases from BLM.
- UPDES permit from DEQ.
- Air Quality approval order from DEQ.
- USFS special use permit.
- BLM ROW.

2. **SIGNS AND MARKERS**

The mine has ID signs and markers posted as shown on the following tabulation.

SITE	ID SIGN	MSHA REFUSE SIGN	MARKERS		
			DISTURBED	TOPSOIL	STREAM BUFFER ZONE
Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine	✓		✓	✓	✓
Cottonwood Waste Rock Site	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Cottonwood Fan Portal	✓		✓	✓	

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3. TOPSOIL

Topsoil is currently stored at the mine, waste rock sites, and Cottonwood Fan Portal.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

There are five sediment ponds. Two at the Cottonwood/Wilberg mine, MSHA ponds, and commonly referred to as the north and south impoundments.

There are two small sediment ponds at the Cottonwood Fan Portal. These are incised sediment ponds. The permittee is working with Sharon Falvey on reclaiming the two sediment ponds.

One sediment pond collects runoff from the active waste rock site.

All impoundments are designed and details included in the MRP on the north and south impoundments. MSHA made a determination as follows:

- (1) The capacity of both ponds are such that MSHA approval was granted.
- (2) Both ponds would be inspected monthly and a variance was granted.
- (3) Both ponds would not require an open channel spillway per OSM granted variance.

The annual 1998 inspection report was completed on all ponds.

4C. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES

The mine utilizes sumps, silt fences, and straw bales to treat disturbed runoff. Most of the aforementioned devices are redundant control measures.

The mine has nine approved alternative sediment control sites where the runoff is controlled by alternative sediment control measures. These areas include Miller Canyon, sewer absorption field, Cottonwood Fan Portal, waste rock site outslope, guard station, conveyor pad, tube conveyor access road, Wilberg fan, and 9th east breakout.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

The permittee continues to conduct gain/loss measurements above and below Cottonwood Springs above the Trail Mountain Mine.

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4E. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

Reports for the last monthly period were submitted to responsible agencies. The Cottonwood Mine was discharging mine water.

5. EXPLOSIVES

Explosives are stored in a disturbed area near the Wilberg Fan. Both storage devices are open, unlocked, and they do not contain explosives.

7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

Coal mine waste is stored west of State Highway 57 on federal land. The permittee has a ROW grant from BLM. Waste rock site services the Cottonwood/Wilberg, Trail Mountain, and Des Bee Dove mines.

8. NONCOAL WASTE

Noncoal waste is stored on the surface of the mine site in a designated area. Thereafter, the waste is transported to and stored at an approved landfill.

14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL

Subsidence for CY 1998 was included in an annual report. The field work for CY 1998 was completed in the fall of 1998 and data submitted with the annual report.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining.

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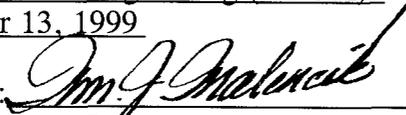
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