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South Fork of Quitchupah Monitoring

Vicky Miller <vmiller@bowieresources.com> Mon, Apr 20, 2015 at 9:30 AM
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Hope this comes through this time

From: Vicky Miller
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On April 7th and April 9th the culvert beneath the road was flowing at approximately 10 gpm (Photo DSC00455). Flowing water was not visible in the canyon due to snow/ice cover. Two of the three ponds we check were nearly full of water, the third was empty (Photo DSC0411) . Springs above the road appeared to flow when the weather is warm, but were frozen over during the inspection (Photo DSC00424).

On April 15th snow had covered the stream channel due to recent storms (Photo DSC00465). South Fork could not be accessed on April 17th due to snow and muddy road conditions.

We have attached a drawing showing the location of mining. Please contract us with questions or if you need additional information. Thanks, Vicky

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From: Vicky Miller
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2015 8:06 AM
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Access was attempted on March 23 and 27th but was unsuccessful due to mud and snow. We were successful on March 31 and April 1, flow at the culvert where it crosses beneath the access road was about 10 gpm. Much of the stream channel was still covered with ice/snow at the time of the site visit. Where flowing water could be seen in the canyon bottom, the flow was estimated at 5 gpm. Some rockfalls and cracks were observed along the canyon edge and in the road. The road cracks were repaired with native materials and a shovel. Two of the ponds were full of water. The springs were not checked due to lack of access due to snow.

We have attached a drawing showing the location of mining and pictures of the stream where it crosses beneath the road.

Please contact us with questions or if you need additional information. Thanks, Vicky

On Mon, Mar 23, 2015 at 11:51 AM, Vicky Miller <vmiller@bowieresources.com> wrote:

> We have been unable to access South Fork during the past two weeks (3/9, 13, 16 &19), warmer temperature and melting snow have complicated the mud situation. The one access was still drifted over on 3/16. We had rain/snow on 3/12. The long wall move is completed, but we have not gone sufficient distance to provide a map with this report.
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> Please contact us with questions or if you need additional information. Thanks, Vicky
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> From: Vicky Miller
> Sent: Monday, March 9, 2015 7:27 AM
> To: 'Steve Christensen (stevechristensen@utah.gov)'; 'Amanda Daniels (amandadaniels@utah.gov)'; 'Hamilton, Rob -FS (rhamilton@fs.fed.us)'; 'OGMCOAL OGMCOAL (OGMCOAL@utah.gov)'
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> Access was attempted on February 23, 27, 28th and March 2 with no success in reaching the South Fork of Quitchupah due to snow, mud and heavy winds causing drifting. On March 3, snowmobiles were acquired and the site was reached and photos taken upstream and downstream of the access road, the stream channel was not visible. Snow observed on the third was estimated at 18 - 30 inches in the area of South Fork. Additional rock fall had occurred since the area was last visited on Dec. 17th. The ponds were snow covered, but assumed to be dry. A snow storm moved into the area on the third which forced the personnel checking the site to move off the mountain.
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> We completed mining the panel on 3/2/15 and are currently in the process of moving the long wall. Map has been attached.
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> Please contact us with questions or if you need additional information. Thanks, Vicky

From: Vicky Miller
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We were still unable to access the South Fork of Quitchupah during the past two weeks (Feb. 9 , 12, 16, 20). Attached are two photos, the one is taken at the lowest elevation of the access road to South Fork, the second is of the four-wheeler trail access. Our issues are still mud and drifts on the roads and trails. There is snow on the ground this morning (February 23) and if it stays cold and the ground freezes we may be able to access the site by road in the next two weeks. A map showing the location of mining is attached. Please contact us with questions or if you need additional information. Thanks, Vicky

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Attached is the map showing the location of mining. We were unable to access the South Fork of Quitchupah during the past two weeks(Jan 27, 29, Feb 3, 5) due to snow drifts and mud, we have attached photos of the access road near Accord Lakes. Due to the warm weather last week and the expected warm weather this week, we may be successful in reaching the site towards the end of the week. If you have questions or need additional information please contact us. Thanks, Vicky

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Photos 455 and 465.pptx
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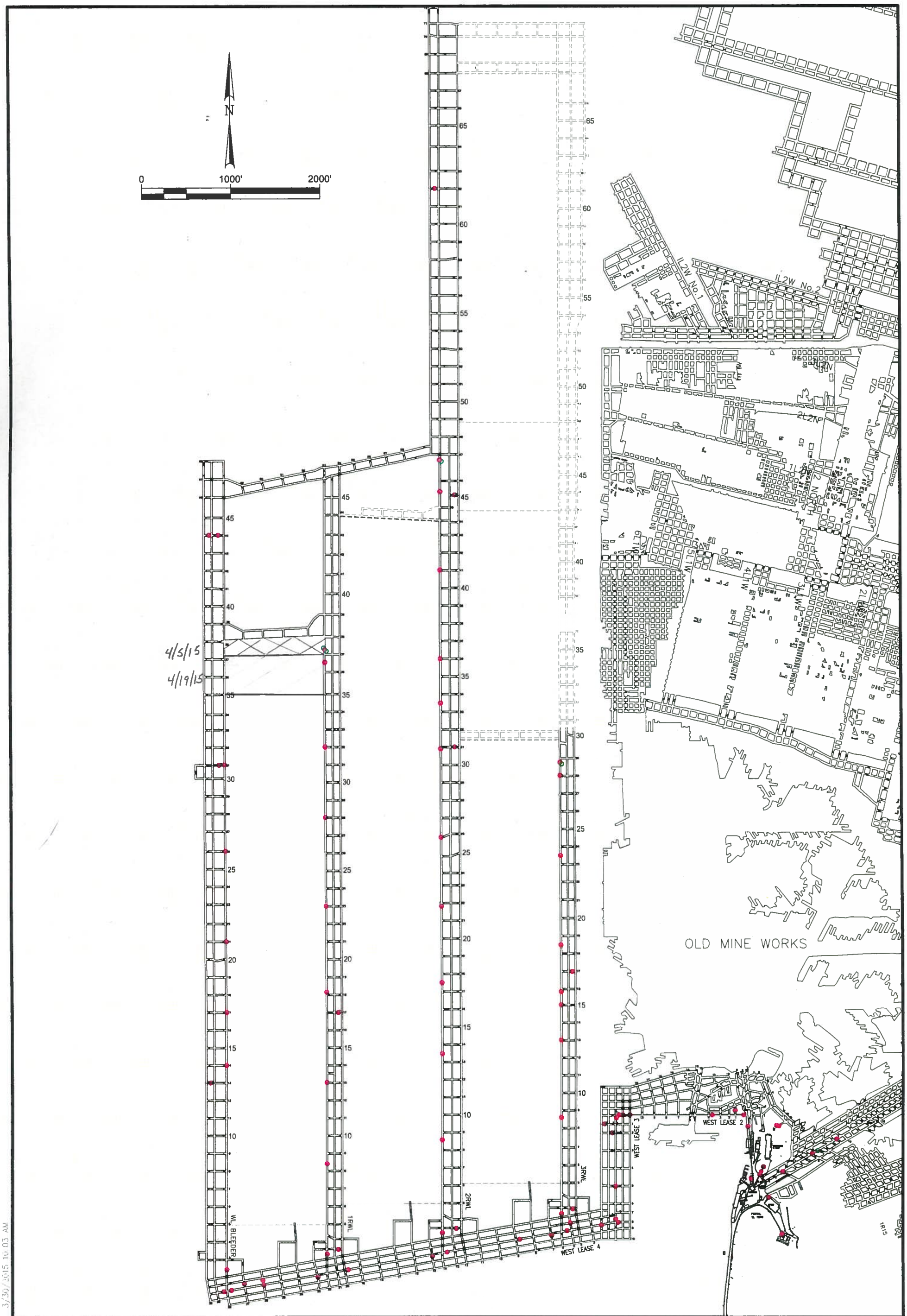

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