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April 13, 2020

**To:** OGMCOAL File

**From:** Karl R. Houskeeper

**RE:** Status Update of SUFCO Mine, C/041/0002

Had contact with Vicky Miller from SUFCO mine through an e-mail.

Because of the COVID -19 virus the following changes at SUFCO have been made. Employees are driving to work by themselves. The SUCO mine already has limited space for parking, Employees are now parking on the County's pad adjacent to the waste rock site, Highway 70 exit County Equipment Storage Area and the top of Quitchupah Road. Permission was received from the county prior to initiation of this change. The county has partitioned off the area with jersey barriers where necessary.

Midterm Amendment Task 6058 was mailed to the Division. This amendment was due on the 6<sup>th</sup> of April 2020, but an extension was granted.

Plans are in place to pump the remaining water out of the upper pond. Cleaning will begin about the middle of May or first part of June.

The leach field has settled through the winter from the re-construction/cleaning last fall. Leveling and compacting of the leach field is planned, with re-seeding to follow.

Typical site maintenance is being done on a daily basis. Rock clean up associated with thawing is being taken care of. The area will be monitored closely over the next several months for additional cleanup.

SUFCO is currently in a longwall move. Mine personnel who can work remotely are asked to do so.

A copy of Vicky Miller's e-mail is attached.

## RE: Memo To The File

Inbox



**Vicky Miller**

11:42 AM (16  
minutes ago)

to me, Amanda, Vicky, Chris

COVID -19 changes: Employees are driving up individually which required temporary parking to be setup with permission and approval of the County. Employees are now parking on the County's pad adjacent to the waste rock site, Highway 70 exit County Equipment Storage Area and the top of Quitchupah Road. The county has partitioned off the area with jersey barriers where necessary. Midterm Amendment Task 6058 was mail yesterday. It was originally due the 6<sup>th</sup> but an extension was granted by Steve Christensen. I have communicated with Suzanne so she knows it is coming.

Following the storms this month, we plan to pump the remaining water out of the upper pond, once it is dry enough, the cleaning will begin, planning to start mid-May to first part of June.

Leveling and compacting the leach field following winter settling, reseeding will follow.

Typical site maintenance is being done. Some rock clean up associated with thawing has been taken care of, but additional cleanup will likely be required in the next few months.

Sufco doing a longwall move. Mine staff which can work remotely are doing so.