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TO: Ron Daniels, Deputy Director  
 FROM: Joe Lyons, Reclamation Hydrologist *jkl*  
 SUBJECT: March 10, 1983 Meeting with Summit Coal Company regarding Proposed Mining Activities  
 DATE: March 16, 1983

Leonard Maki of Summit Coal Company met with Jim Smith, Tom Tetting, Sandy Pruitt, Lynn Kunzler, Tom Munson, Ev Hooper, Shannon Storrud and Joe Lyons of the Division on March 10 to discuss the proposed Boyer Mine.

Mr. Maki gave a brief description of the mine area and plans and announced his desire to begin mining this summer. Jim Smith expressed his doubts regarding the feasibility of this, given that no Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) has been submitted for Division review. Jim told Mr. Maki that summer 1984 is a more reasonable time for the permit to be issued and asked for an update on the environmental data relative to the MRP.

In brief, Mr. Maki informed the Division that soils and vegetation studies are ongoing for the mine plan area and are being conducted by the SCS. Lynn Kunzler will provide Mr. Maki with a report compiled by the DWR regarding wildlife concerns in the area. Also, Mr. Maki was informed that a water quality and quantity monitoring plan must be submitted and one year of baseline data collection completed prior to mining. A general description of the area's hydrology and projected impacts to the hydrologic balance will also be required in the MRP. Lastly, Mr. Maki was informed that the alluvial areas adjacent to Chalk Creek must be addressed under UMC 785.19 (Alluvial Valley Floors). Mr. Maki submitted a SOAP application which is currently under the Division's review.

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Mr. Maki asked for Division assistance in setting up a water monitoring program and addressing the hydrology regulations. Tom Munson and I will be conducting a field visit during the week of March 21 to view the mine plan area and discuss the hydrologic concerns with Mr. Maki.

The major areas of concern for this project are the surface/mineral leases for the area and the hydrology. The applicant does not appear to have the legal right to enter for the entire mine plan area. The water monitoring program will be set up as soon as the SOAP approval is granted.

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