

July 6, 1984

Inspection Memo to
Coal File

RE: Boyer Mine Exploration Project
Proposed Boyer Mine Site
Summit Coal Company
CEP/043/002,
~~PRO/043/008~~ file #7
Summit County, Utah

An inspection of the proposed Boyer Mine Site and 1982 Exploration Project was conducted by Sandy Pruitt and Joe Helfrich on June 8, 1984. The unreclaimed Pits #2A and 2B were adequately stable and the outcrops revegetated at the time of this inspection. Strawbales staked along the toe of the spoil piles were in good condition. The ephemeral drainage diverted by strawbales at the toe of the spoil piles was flowing very muddy, but well diverted from the disturbance.

Below pits 2A and B there was excessive land surface disturbances apparently by a tractor/dozer. The heavy equipment was driven all over the property at the bottom of the canyon, up the stream channel, on the east and west side of the stream channel, and up the adjacent south facing slope and an area adjacent to the reclaimed pit number one site was excavated. Mr. Leonard Maki could not be contacted following this inspection. Since Summit Coal Company had not filed a recent Notice of Intent for exploration and this land disturbance NOV #1 of 2 N-84-2-8-2 was issued for failure to file with the Division a written Notice of Intention to explore prior to conducting coal exploration activities (UMC 776.11[a], UMC 850.11[a]). The remedial action required that Summit Coal Company submit a written Notice of Intent describing the exploration activities in accordance with UMC 776.11(b) within two weeks or no later than June 29, 1984.

The excessive land surface disturbances were sited in violation of UMC 815.15(c)(1) for the failure to confine vehicular travel and damage to the land surface to that absolutely necessary to conduct coal exploration. The remedial action required Summit Coal Company comply with the restoration requirements of UMC 817.176 providing erosion control where necessary and to follow the approved revegetation procedures listed in an August 13, 1982, letter from DOGM. The time for abatement given was two weeks or no later than June 9, 1984 to meet the restoration requirements. Seeding must be conducted during the first normal period favorable for planting, i.e., late Fall 1984.

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Mr. Maki called upon receipt of the NOVs and explained that the land owner, Thomas Boyer, had caused the disturbances cited while obtaining riprap material for flood control. It was requested that Mr. Maki provide written verification from Thomas Boyer.

This verification has been received, refer to letters from Leonard Maki and Thomas Boyer dated June 25, 1984. Mr. Boyer agreed to reclaim the disturbances. A letter from DOGM dated June 14, 1984, lists the minimum reclamation requirements and an approved seed mix. NOV #N-84-2-8-2 was vacated upon receipt of the written verification because the disturbances cited were not related to coal mining.

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Joe Helfrich, DOGM
Sue Linner, DOGM

Statistics:

Vehical number EX 45428, 143 miles
No Per Diem
Grant: A & E