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ABANDONED MINE CLOSURE PROJECTS SCHEDULED FOR EMERY COUNTY

Salt Lake City – The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Abandoned Mine Reclamation (AMR) Program is seeking public comment on three upcoming projects in Emery County. Comments can be submitted to chrisrohrer@utah.gov until Friday, March 31.

The Cowboy-Consol Project, located approximately five miles south of Emery on County Road 915, will close two open portals and bury 800 cubic yards of waste coal left onsite. One portal will be backfilled and the other closed with metal pipe and bars to retain access to bat habitat.

The Williams Mine Project, on the east side of Muddy Creek approximately 2.5-miles east of Emery and below County Road 805, will bury 200 cubic yards of waste coal and close one collapsed opening.

The Mohrland Culvert Maintenance Project, located eight miles northwest of Huntington, will stabilize the historic stone culvert by replacing missing blocks with concrete. Structural failure could dam Cedar Creek causing local flooding.

The AMR Program works to protect the public from dangers of old mines by sealing off access to openings and cleaning up waste. Old mining sites can contain dangerous gases, unstable structures and explosives. For more information, visit amr.ogm.utah.gov.

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