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## COAL MINING

### ACREAGE PRESENTLY BONDED UNDER STRIP MINE PERMITS

COMPANY	PERMIT #	AC PMTD	BOND RETAINED
BIG SKY COAL Co	83004CR	2,161.10	16,956,534.15
BIG SKY COAL Co	88004B	5,472.00	8,403,525.00
BMP Investments Inc.	93017	4,235.91	1,228,823.00
COAL CREEK	80009C	120.00	0.00
Decker Coal Co.	83007	4,361.40	55,626,766.49
Decker Coal Co.	87001C	7,339.00	58,693,478.09
SPRING CREEK Coal Co.	79012	6,738.10	63,806,766.00
WARBURTON	78011R	10.00	2,000.00
WARBURTON	86016	7.00	1,400.00
WESTERN ENERGY	81003E	1,485.00	1,268,888.00
WESTERN ENERGY	84003B	6,058.50	43,692,029.00
WESTERN ENERGY	85003C	9,365.50	41,755,536.00
WESTERN ENERGY	85003P	520.90	1,129,783.00
WESTERN ENERGY	86003A	4,161.90	18,202,793.00
WESTERN ENERGY	86003D	4,554.40	28,660,982.00
Westmoreland Resources Inc.	85005	5,496.00	8,851,660.00
Westmoreland Savage Corp.	84002	874.00	3,212,879.21
		62,960.71	351,493,842.94

One Company (Coal Creek) does not have a valid bond. The area encompassed by this expired/suspended permit is 120 acres.

### MONTANA COAL MINING COMPANIES

#### Active Mines

Decker Coal Company  
P.O. 12  
Decker, MT 59025-0012

Western Energy Company  
PO Box 99  
Colstrip, MT 59323-0099

Westmoreland Resources, Inc.  
P.O. Box 449  
Hardin, MT 59034-0449

Big Sky Coal Company  
PO Box 97  
Colstrip, MT 59323-0097

Spring Creek Coal Company  
P.O. Box 67  
Decker, MT 59025-0067

Westmoreland Savage Corp.  
PO Box 99  
Colstrip, MT 59323-0099

BMP Investments Inc.  
275 Madison Ave, Suite 1505  
New York, NY 10016

BMP Investments Inc. (local office)  
3203 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. N., #305  
Billings, MT 59101

Coal Processing Facility Only  
Wolf Mountain Coal, Inc.  
215 1<sup>st</sup> West Parkway  
Sheridan, MT 82801

## Reclamation Only or Inactive

Coal Creek  
Clayton Tonnemaker (Deceased)  
212 S. Cudd  
River Falls, WI 54022

BlackJack Mine  
Blaine Warburton  
Route 70, Box 51  
Chinook, MT 59523

## Prospecting Companies

Kennecott Energy  
PO Box 3009  
Gillette, WY 82717-3009

Kiewit Mining Group  
PO Box 3  
Decker, MT 59025

## PROPOSED NEW MINES & EXPANSIONS AT EXISTING MINES

### I. Large New Mines

### B. Pending Expansions, Reductions and Major Revisions at Existing Mines

1. Wolf Mountain Coal Inc.  
Application 00173, Coal Processing Facility  
Received: 4/2/2004  
Declared Complete: 7/20/2004  
Declared Acceptable: 5/17/2005  
Issued: Awaiting submittal of bond
2. Western Energy Company (Area C)  
Application 00172, Area C North-North additional 170 acres  
Received: 2/5/2004  
Declared Complete: 9/21/2004  
Declared Acceptable:  
Issued:
3. Westmoreland Resources Inc.  
Application 00170, Tract III South, additional 1,713 acres  
Received: 6/4/2004  
Declared Complete: 11/19/2004  
Declared Acceptable:  
Issued:
4. Spring Creek Coal Company  
Application 00174, South Fork Extension, additional 157.6 acres  
Received: 6/4/2004  
Declared Complete:  
Declared Acceptable:  
Issued:

### C. Renewals and Transfers at Existing Mines

1. Big Sky Coal Company  
Application for 5-year Renewal of 83004CR  
Received: 3/22/2004  
Declared Complete: 8/12/2004  
Declared Acceptable: 10/13/2004  
Issued: 11/10/2004
  
2. Western Energy Company  
Application for 5-year Renewal of 84003B  
Received: 2/28/2005  
Declared Complete: 5/26/2005  
Declared Acceptable:  
Issued:
  
3. Western Energy Company  
Application for 5-year Renewal of 86003D  
Received: 7/22/05  
Declared Complete: 8/11/05  
Declared Acceptable:  
Issued:
  
4. Decker Coal Company  
Application for 5-year Renewal of 87001C  
Received: 7/29/05  
Declared Complete: 9/8/05  
Declared Acceptable:  
Issued:

II. Small Mines: There are no applications at this time.