

PERMITTED AND DISTURBED ACREAGE

Company	Permit No	Permitted Acreage ¹	Current Disturb	Facilities ²	Active Mining ³	Rough Backfill ⁴	Current Backfill ⁵	Current Soiled/seeded ⁶	10-Year seeded ⁷	Cumul. Disturb ⁸	Cumul Backfill	Cumul soiled/seeded	Cumul 10-year seeded
Western Energy*	86003A	4,161.9	13.3	421.8	446.8	481.2	90.2	73	72.3	2760.3	1410.5	1341.9	1192.0
Western Energy*	84003B	6058.5	111.4	434.4	992.9	711.2	54.3	2.6	28.9	3283.3	1144.8	1090.5	746.5
Western Energy*	85003C	9365.5	155.6	711.5	1339.9	979.2	0	5.8	99.9	4750.1	1719.5	1719.5	1031.2
Western Energy*	86003D	4,554.4	257.4	310.3	654.2	574.3	22.1	22.4	119.9	2565.9	1027.1	1017.4	408.9
Western Energy*	81003E	1,485.0	0	18.6	0	12.1	77.9	63.5	194.8	1263	1232.3	1217.9	913.3
Western Energy*	85003P	520.9	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	22.2	22.2	-0.1	512.2	512.2	512.2	490
Westmoreland*	85005	5496	103	447	406	279.5	22.5	185.5	94	3567	2524.5	2555	1153.5
Decker Coal Co.*	83007	4361.4	0	946.4	568.5	125.2	44.7	0	0	2047.1	407	362.3	51.3
Decker Coal Co.*	87001C	7339	202	1292.5	1395.3	374.6	11.6	20.5	17.8	4874.2	1811.8	1604.2	502.8
Big Sky Coal Co.*	83004CR	2161.1	0.0	202.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	1687.4	1485.4	1469.1	910.9
Big Sky Coal Co.*	88004B	5472	14.9	376.5	71.1	31.1	305.2	118.2	0.0	2213.9	1735.2	862.1	0.0
Westmoreland Savage*	84002	874.0	16.2	50.1	180.	89	0	0	0	490	170.9	196.2	144.7
Spring Creek Coal*	79012	6706.2	46.2	1266.9	945.4	174.1	24.2	24.2	0	2938.7	552.3	552.3	16.2
Warburton*	78011R	10	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	10	0
Warburton*	86016	7	0	0.0	0	0	0	7	0	7	7	7	0
BMP Investments*	93017	4216.91	0.0	44.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	44.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Totals		62,789.81	920	6522.5	7000.1	3831.5	674.9	544.9	627.5	33014.1	15750.5	14517.6	7561.3

* Updated for FY 05

These numbers are collected from the current year's Annual Report for each mine; most annual reports are submitted between January and June. Occasionally a minor revision or incidental boundary change may be approved during the year; the permitted acreages will be updated as that occurs.

All acres permitted are not scheduled for disturbance. There are various levels of disturbance, ranging from "associated" to "mine level". Associated disturbance consists of soil stockpiles, sediment ponds, other facilities, and mine level disturbance is actual coal removal area. Bonding is calculated partially on the type of disturbance an area is scheduled for. For those permitted areas not subject to any surficial disturbance, bonding is minimal.

1 Permitted Acreage is the total acreage included in the surface mine permit area.

2 Includes facilities that will be in place for about one year or more, such as: roads, railroads, loadout facilities, mine offices, equipment storage areas, coal storage barns, dams and impoundments, conveyor routes or other routes, powerlines, pipelines, etc.

3 Pits, spoil peaks and areas in advance of the pits stripped of topsoil

4 This includes acreage at the end of the report period where spoil peaks have been graded or where spoil has been moved or spoil has been brought into a spoil peak area in anticipation of achieving final elevation of backfilled areas.

5 That acreage backfilled and graded to the approved postmine topography, elevation, slope, and aspect with drainages and drainage divides rough graded.

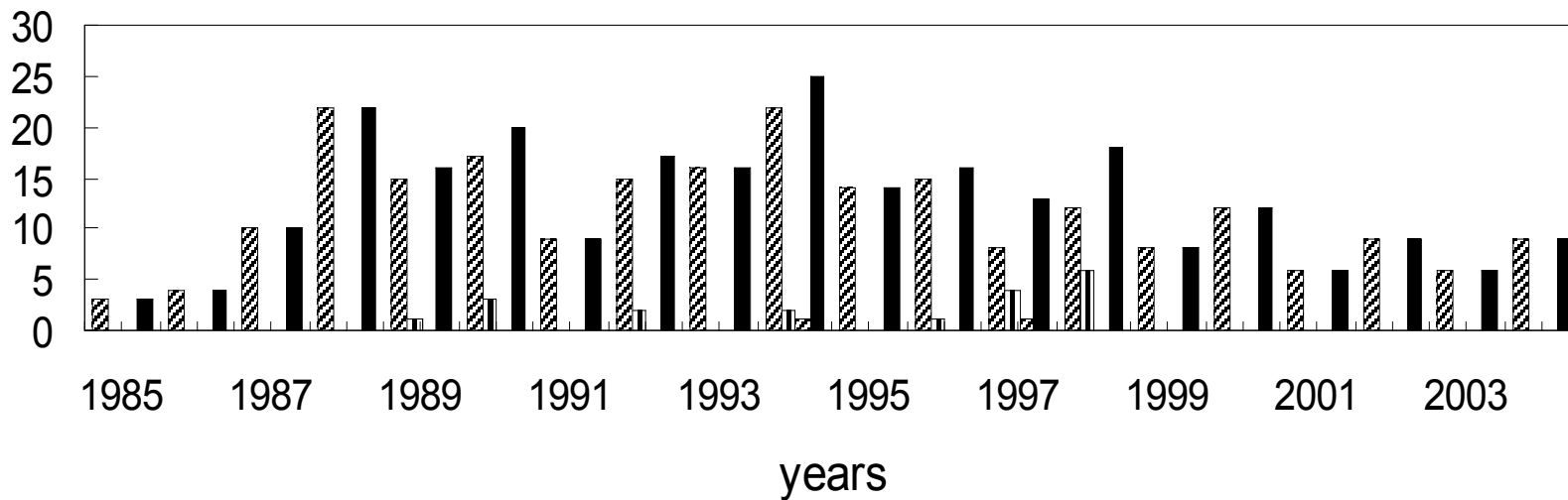
6 Acreage intended as final reclamation, soiled and seeded, and planted with permanent seed mixtures and seedlings (ARM 17.24.702 and 725)

7 Acres which were planted in the reporting period 10 years prior (ARM 17.24.725).

8 Includes all surface which has been disturbed. (Cumulative Disturbance = **Facilities + Active Mining + Rough Backfill + Cumulative Backfill**)

Coal Enforcement

History of Coal Violations



VIOLATIONS C.O. SHOW CAUSE TOTALS

The above chart shows the historic coal/uranium violation database for the period 1985 through 2004. Active current violations are listed below.

Active Violations from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004

COMPANY	N.O.N.#	FID	DATE ISS	VIOLATION	A.R.M./M.C.A.#	TOA ISSUED	NOV ISSUED	FFCLO ISS	RLS SENT
Blackjack I Coal Mine	04-11-01	810	29-Jan-04	Failure to keep Liability insurance active	82-4-222(5), 17.24.416(5) and 1125	12-Feb-04	27-Feb-04	19-May-04	08-Feb-05
Blackjack II Coal Mine	04-16-01	810	29-Jan-04	Failure to keep Liability insurance active	82-4-222(5), 17.24.416(5) and 1125	12-Feb-04	27-Feb-04	19-May-04	08-Feb-05
Bull Mtn Coal Mine #1	05-17-01	931	25-Jan-05	Failure to mine as per approved mine plan; underground workings did not show a change in azimuth at or before crosscut #38; it did not turn until crosscut 55	82-4-221(3); 17.24.413(1), 415(1)(a) and (2)	04-Mar-05	25-Feb-05	14-Apr-05	03-Jun-05
Absaloka Coal Mine	04-05-03		28-Oct-04	Failure to regrade to approved PMT; soil placed while approved PMT was not met	82-4-231(1) and 234; 17.24.501(6) (d), 17.24.702(1) and (2)				
Bull Mtn Coal Mine #1	04-17-01	921	21-Dec-04	Permittee had placed mine development and coal processing waste well beyond the upper highwall bench area in violation of specifications approved in MR 02-17-02 and on pages 920-12a through d and Map 308-2(A) of their permit	17.24.413(1) and (2); 415(1); 924(3) and 920(1)		02-Mar-05		
Bull Mtn Coal Mine #1	05-17-01	931	25-Jan-05	Failure to mine as per approved mine plan; underground workings did not show a change in azimuth at or before crosscut #38; it did not turn until crosscut 55	82-4-221(3); 17.24.413(1), 415(1)(a) and (2)	04-Mar-05	25-Feb-05	14-Apr-05	03-Jun-05

-01- is West Decker; -02- is Savage Mine; -03- is Rosebud Mine; -04- is Big Sky Mine; -05- is Absaloka Mine; -07- is East Decker; -12- is Spring Creek Mine; -17- is Bull Mountain Mine #1.; -11- is Blackjack I; -16- is Blackjack II; and -17- is Bull Mountains Mine #1.

INSPECTIONS, MAINTENANCE ITEMS AND MINOR REVISIONS

MINE NAME	COMPLETE INSPECTIONS	PARTIAL INSPECTIONS	NEW MAINT. ITEM	COMPLETED MAINT. ITEM	ACTIVE MAINT. ITEM	MINOR REVISIONS RECEIVED	MINOR REVISIONS COMPLETED	ACTIVE MINOR REVISIONS
Big Sky A*	6	6	0	1	0	1	1	1
Big Sky B*	6	6	5	5	3	5	2	7
Coal Creek	2	1	0	0		0	0	0
East Decker *	8	6	1	1	4	5	1	2
West Decker	8	6	14	17	10	13	5	7
Westmoreland Savage	6	5	5	4	4	4	3	3
BMP Investments Inc.	5	8	7	7	13	8	2	6
Warburton BJ I*	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Warburton BJ II	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Spring Creek	9	7	16	16	8	8	1	7
Western Energy A	6	7	12	6	9	2	5	8
Western Energy B	6	6	4	3	6	1	3	2
Western Energy C	6	6	9	8	10	2	8	9
Western Energy D	6	7	11	14	4	4	5	9
Western Energy E	6	6	1	4	1	0	2	1
Western Energy Pit 6	6	6	0	1	0	6	0	1
Westmoreland	7	8	21	20	10	19	10	7
Totals	101	91	107	107	82	78	48	70

For those mines marked with "*", Maintenance items are not broken out by location; All Decker maintenance items are together, all Warburton, etc. Western Energy has some "mine-wide" minor revisions that are counted in the Area A section, instead of having a minor revision counted for each area.

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Reclamation Activity reflected by Bond Release

I. Completed Bond Releases

A. Phase I Bond Release Applications **

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
20	Westmoreland		17-Apr-91	05-Aug-91	0	I	276.5
21	WESTMORELAND		04-May-93	24-Aug-93	0.00	I	247.0
28	WESTMORELAND		03-Jul-95	06-Jun-96	0	I	262.0
4	Westmoreland		18-Jun-85	20-Feb-86	\$916,983.00	I	370
5	Western Energy	B	20-Oct-86	23-Jul-87	\$1,135,794.00	I	449.5
6	Warburton	BJ I	30-Dec-86	25-Feb-87	\$9,528.75	I	10
7	Western Energy	A	26-Mar-87	04-Jan-88	\$1,295,206.00	I	521
8	Hathaway		20-Mar-87	27-May-87	\$34,939.20	I	17
9	Westmoreland		04-Apr-89	03-Jan-90	0	I	70.7
53	Westmoreland		08-Aug-01	22-Mar-02	0	I	608.5
68	Westmoreland		30-Aug-04	19-Jan-05	0	I	276.5
39	Westmoreland		17-Aug-98	13-May-99	700,965	I	126.3
51	Wesmoreland		10-May-00	19-Nov-01	\$1,051,725	I	189.5
10	Big Sky Coal	A	26-Jan-88	8-Dec-2003	9,085,762.85	I	823.43
57	Decker Coal	East Pits	24-Sep-02	13-Jan-2004	943,737.91	I	362.3
58	Decker Coal	West Pits	24-Sep-02	13-Jan-2004	198322.51	I	1384.5
11	Western Energy	A	04-Mar-88	07-Jun-96	0	I	64
12	Western Energy	B	04-Mar-88	07-Jun-96	0	I	151.5
13	Western Energy	C	04-Mar-88	07-Jun-96	0	I	72
					\$15,372,964.22		6283.73

** Phase I Bond Release Applications released prior to 1989 are equivalent to Phase I and II bond release now.

B. Phase I and II Bond Release Applications

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
19	Warburton	BJ II	03-Dec-90	12-Jul-91	0	I & II	22.6
22	Western Energy	E	19-Sep-94	07-Jun-96	449,475	I & II	47.1
24	Western Energy	A	23-Mar-95	07-Jun-96	0	I & II	218
25	Western Energy	B	23-Mar-95	07-Jun-96	0	I & II	85.8
26	Western Energy	C	23-Mar-95	07-Jun-96	0	I & II	145
27	Western Energy	E	23-Mar-95	07-Jun-96	4,010,932	I & II	420.3
29	Meridian	TEST PIT	11-Jul-95	09-Apr-96	0	I & II	6.09
31	Western Energy	A	10-Jun-96	31-Jul-97	0	I & II	200
32	Western Energy	B	10-Jul-96	31-Jul-97	0	I & II	1
33	Western Energy	C	10-Jul-96	31-Jul-97	0	I & II	565
34	Western Energy	D	10-Jul-96	31-Jul-97	0	I & II	177.8
35	Western Energy	E	10-Jul-96	31-Jul-97	2,196,799	I & II	230.2
37	Western Energy	B	16-May-97	03-Sep-98	0	I and II	25
38	Western Energy	C	16-May-97	03-Sep-98	0	I and II	154
36	Western Energy	A	16-May-97	14-Feb-00	0	I and II	115
41	Western Energy	D	29-Jul-98	14-Feb-00	0	I & II	118.1
42	Western Energy	E	29-Jul-98	14-Feb-00	1,452,445	I & II	152.2
44	Western Energy	A	10-Sept-99	12-6-00	0	I & II	91
46	Western Energy	D	10-Sept-99	12-6-00	0	I & II	91.9
52	Spring Creek		2-Mar-01	12-Dec-01	0	I and II	63.9
48	Western Energy	B	10-Apr-00	29-Jan-04	0	I and II	42.8
49	Western Energy	D	10-Apr-00	29-Jan-04	0	I and II	91.7
50	Western Energy	E	10-Apr-00	29-Jan-04	0	I and II	251.2
Total bond amount and acres released					8,109,651		4697.79

C. Phase II Bond Release Applications

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
39	Westmoreland		07-Oct-98	13-May-99	0	II	847

51	Westmoreland		10-May-00	19-Nov-01	0	II	62.50
57	Decker Coal	East Pits	24-Sep-02	13-Jan-04	198,322.51	II	81.4
58	Decker Coal	West Pits	24-Sep-02	13-Jan-04	943,737.91	II	523.9
Total bond amount and acres released					1,142,060.42		1514.8

D. Phase IV and Full Bond Releases -- Includes Permit Area Adjustments

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
A	Western Energy	B	26-Jan-79	31-Jan-79	\$10,167.50	Full	2.5
B	Western Energy	A	01-Jul-80	28-Jul-80	\$46,832.10	Full	14.0
C	Western Energy	A	10-Dec-82	25-Oct-83	\$195,398.50	Full	57
D	Western Energy	B	30-Apr-87	23-Jun-89	\$11,551.00	Full	4.4
18	Western Energy	PIT 6	13-Feb-90	08-Jul-91	\$134,692.00	Full	63.9
29	Meridian	Huntley Load Out	11-Jul-95	12-Oct-95	\$11,394	Full	6.91
59	Jesse Minor	Hathaway Coal Mine	23-Jan-2004	8-June-2004	\$23,292.8	Full	18.08
30	WESTERN ENERGY	C	21-Sep-00	16-Mar-2004		0 FULL	49.6
Total bond amount and acres released					\$433,327.90		216.39

E. Administrative, or Lands Not Disturbed

The following releases of either lands or bond obligation occurred as a result of either taking undisturbed lands out of the permit area, recalculation of bond resulting in a significantly lower bond, or a ruling that the lands in question were double permitted, and an Act, other than the Montana Strip and Underground Mine Reclamation Act, had primacy.

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
1	WESTERN ENERGY	E	04-Oct-83	29-Nov-83	\$1,003,757.12	full	240
14	Spring Creek		14-Nov-88	08-Mar-89	\$2,942,816.00	NA*	NA*
15	Western Energy	D	06-Feb-89	28-Mar-89	\$1,206,539.00	NA*	NA*
16	Western Energy	E	06-Feb-89	28-Mar-89	\$5,643,638.00	NA*	NA*
17	Western Energy	B	06-Feb-89	28-Mar-89	\$2,142,954.00	NA*	NA*
19	Warburton	BJ II	03-Dec-90	12-Jul-91	\$23,125.00	I, II and full*	22.6

	Decker Coal Co.	East	20-Jul-2002	6-Mar-03	2,428,178	NA	0
	Decker Coal Co.	West	20-Jul-2002	6-Mar-03	24,557,298	NA	0
	Western Energy Co.	E		10-1-02	10,279,065	NA	0
Total bond amount and acreage released					\$50,227,370.12		262.6

II. Bond Release Applications Pending

A. Phase I Applications

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT TO BE RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
61	Big Sky Coal Co.	B	31-May-05		1,199,308	I	996
62	Western Energy	A	04-Aug-04		327,000	I	101.6
71	Western Energy	D	01-Feb-05		106,862	I	83.1
Total bond amount and acres requested for release					1,633,170		0

B. Phase I and II (combined) or Phase II Applications

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT TO BE RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
45	Western Energy	C	10-Sep-99	WITHDRAWN	0	I and II	201
54	Western Energy Co.	B	25-Sep-2002	WITHDRAWN	497,546.74	I and II	202.3
55	Western Energy Co.	C	25-Sep-2002	WITHDRAWN	693,171.36	I and II	252.0
56	Western Energy Co.	D	25-Sep-2002		1,163,135.10	I and II	442.6
61	Big Sky Coal Co.	B	31-May-05		1,185,939	II	494
66	Western Energy	C	21-Sep-04		0	I and II	623
60	Big Sky Coal Co.	Area A	26-Apr-05		6,565,265	I and II	595
Total bond amount and acres requested for release					10,105,057.2		2809.9

C. Phase III Applications

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT TO BE RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD

Total bond amount and acres requested for release			
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D. Phase IV or Full Applications

APP. #	COMPANY	AREA	DATE REC'D	DATE RLSD	AMT TO BE RLSD	PHASE	ACRES RLSD
43	Western Energy	Pit 6	17-Feb-99		\$1,129,783	IV (Full)	508.10
Total bond amount and acres requested for release					\$1,238,035		1000.23