#### INSPECTION REPORT

Sedimentation Structure

WW-9A

Black Mesa Mine
Navajo County, Arizona

for

PEABODY COAL COMPANY



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#### INTRODUCTION

Sedimentation Structure WW-9A is an earthen embankment, designed and constructed in 1983 by Peabody Coal Company as a temporary sedimentation structure to control runoff and sediment from the disturbed mining areas of the Black Mesa Mine. The location of Structure WW-9A is shown on Plate 1, Site Plan.

This inspection report contains information specific to Structure WW-9A. Regional site information is presented in the "General Report, Kayenta and Black Mesa Mines, Navajo County, Arizona for Peabody Coal Company," along with the methods and results of analyses used for slope stability, hydrology and hydraulics.

#### INSPECTION

Structure WW-9A was inspected on August 30, 1985 by an inter-disciplinary team of engineers from Dames & Moore. The purpose of the inspection was to assess the safety and general condition of the structure with respect to United States Department of Interior, Office of Surface Mining (OSM) regulations.

Dames & Moore's inspection was performed in accordance with applicable 30 CFR 780 and 816 regulations and included a review of the WW-9A project files and a field inspection of the structure. The most current information contained in the Peabody Coal Company files includes the 1984 and current survey data and inspections performed in 1984 and 1985 by

Peabody Coal Company. The survey data developed in August 1984 was used in the analyses of the structure. Results of the field inspection are included in this report as Appendix A.

#### SITE DESCRIPTION

#### LAND USE

Structure WW-9A has a 12.55-acre tributary drainage area and is located near Yucca Flats Wash at the Black Mesa Mine. The watershed is classified as 94% Sagebrush/grass and 6% disturbed.

#### **EMBANKMENT**

Structure WW-9A is a homogeneous earthen embankment classified as a sidehill embankment. Physical characteristics of the embankment are listed in the following table:

#### Structure WW-9A

Embankment . . . . . Residual Sandstone/Shale Soils

Foundation . . . . . Sandstone

Right Abutment . . . . Residual Shale Soils Left Abutment . . . . Residual Shale Soils

Height . . . . . . . 13.4 ft

Crest Width . . . . . 15 ft

Upstream Slope . . . 2.25 H : 1 V

Downstream Slope . . . 3.3 H : 1 V

A cross-section of the embankment is shown on Plate 2, Existing Maximum Cross Section WW-9A, A-A'. Grass provides erosion protection on the upstream and downstream slopes of the embankment.

#### **ANALYSES**

#### STABILITY

Structure WW-9A is a category A-5 embankment. A standard category A-5 embankment has static and seismic factors of safety equal to or greater than 1.5 and 1.2, respectively, under the following conditions:

- 1. Maximum height = 15 ft
- 2. Maximum upstream slope = 1.75 H : 1 V
- 3. Maximum downstream slope = 3.25 H : 1 V
- 4. Normal pool with steady seepage saturation conditions

The WW-9A embankment is lower in height and has flatter slopes than the category standard; therefore, the embankment has factors of safety greater than the design minimum.

#### HYDROLOGY

The hydrologic analysis was completed using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers generalized computer program HEC-1, Flood Hydrograph Package. Structure WW-9A is not in series with any other structure and therefore the spillway was analyzed using the 25-year, 6-hour storm. The storage capacity of Structure WW-9A was analyzed using the 10-year, 24-hour storm.

The following parameters were used in the hydrologic analysis:

#### HYDRAULICS

The HEC-1 program was used to evaluate inflow to the sedimentation structure, outflow from the structure and the resulting water surface elevations. The initial conditions and results of the analysis are summarized in the following table.

### WW-9A HYDRAULICS

	10-year 24-hour	25-year 6-hour
Units	24-nour Storm	Storm
	эсоги	JC011111
Initial Reservoir Volume		
Condition	Empty	Full to the
		spillway
		elevation
Inflow		
Peak Flow cfs	15	18
Volume acre-ft	0.71	2.20
Storage		
Peak Stage ft	6366.74	6374.43
Spillway Elevation ft	6373.90	
Peak Storage acre-ft	0.71	
Storage Capacity acre-ft	2.75	
Outflow		
Peak Flow cfs	0	3
Embankment Crest		(275 00
Elevation ft Peak Stage ft		6375.90 6374.43
Peak Stage ft Freeboard ft	<b></b>	1.47
rreepoard IL		1.47
Spillway Channel		0.50
Flow Depth ft		0.53 1.8
Critical Velocity fps	<b></b>	0.035
Manning's "n"		0.055
Outflow Channel	<u>s</u>	ection I Section II
Slope		11 20
Normal Velocity fps		2.6 3.1 0.08 0.07
Normal Depth ft Manning's "n"		0.08 0.07
Manning's "n"	_	0.020 0.020

#### Spillway Channel

The existing spillway for WW-9A has a trapezoidal channel with the following dimensions:

There is presently no erosion protection within the channel.

#### Outflow Channel

The structure presently has no outflow channel.

#### STORAGE CAPACITY

The impoundment volume-elevation curve is based on site specific surveys conducted for Peabody Coal Company's August 1984 inspection, and 1985 resurveys, where available. Additionally, the most current topographic maps available were used in developing Plate 3, Volume-Elevation Curve, WW-9A.

The calculations for the sediment load entering Structure WW-9A were made utilizing the Universal Soil Loss Equation with the following parameters:

The hydrologic analysis gives the storage volume required to contain the 10-year, 24-hour storm, and the remaining storage volume available for storing sediment. The existing storage capacity of WW-9A and the results of the sediment inflow analysis are summarized in the following table.

#### WW-9A STORAGE

Total Storage Capacity 2.75	acre-ft
10-year, 24-hour Storm Inflow 0.71	acre-ft
Available Sediment Storage Capacity 2.04	acre-ft
Sediment Inflow Rate 0.016	acre-ft/yr
Sediment Storage Life 128	yrs

Excess storage capacity in Structure WW-9A can be used for storing water produced during maintenance of the nearby water well.

#### REMEDIAL COMPLIANCE PLAN

#### GEOTECHNICS

The inspection of Structure WW-9A indicated that the only geotechnical problems are rills and gullies on the upstream and downstream slopes and the right and left abutments. Correction of erosion is considered a periodic maintenance task and does not require remedial action.

#### HYDRAULICS

The storage capacity and spillway capacity of Structure WW-9A are adequate; however, the spillway does not have an outflow channel or adequate erosion protection. A trapezoidal outflow channel should be constructed along the alignment B-B' shown in Plate I. The channel profile is shown in Plate 4 and the required dimensions are shown in Plate 5. Both the spillway and outflow channel should be protected against erosion using geotextile and gravel as shown in Plate 5.

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The following plates and appendix are attached and complete this inspection report.

Plate 1 - Site Plan WW-9A

Plate 2 - Existing Maximum Cross Section WW-9A, A-A'

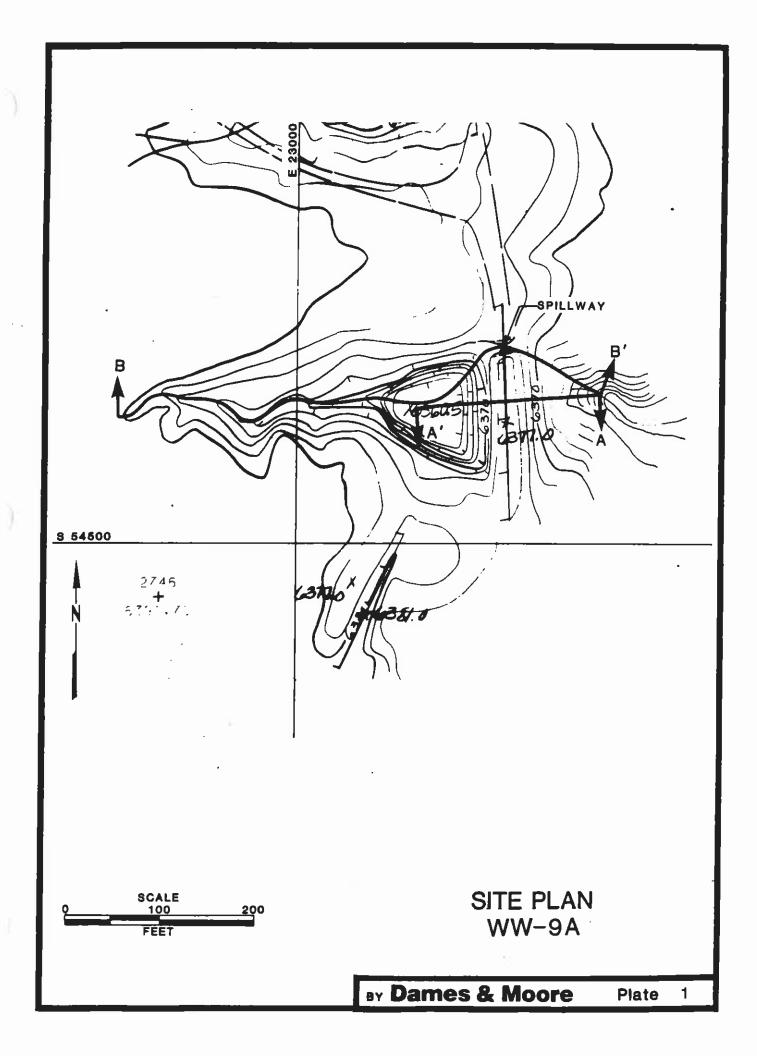
Plate 3 - Volume-Elevation Curve WW-9A

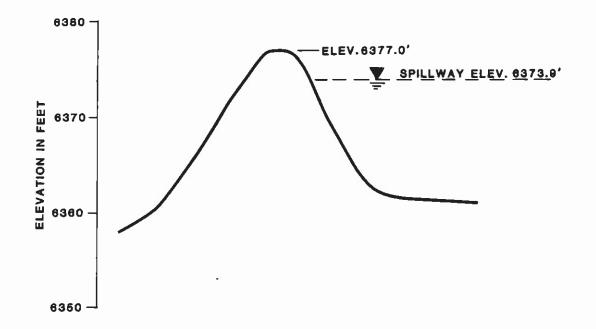
Plate 4 - Channel Profile WW-9A, B-B'

Plate 5 - Spillway and Outflow Channel Cross Section WW-9A

Appendix A - Inspection Check List

Appendix B - Hydrology and Hydraulic Calculations





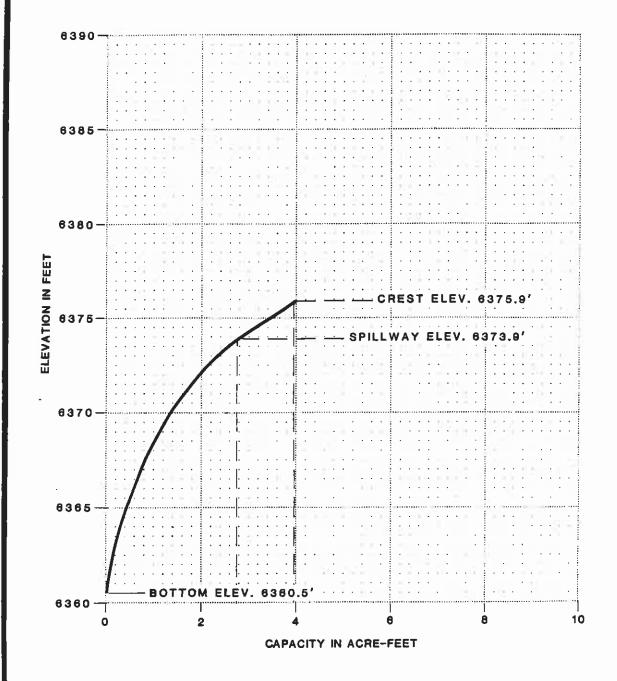


EXISTING
MAXIMUM CROSS-SECTION
A-A'
WW-9A

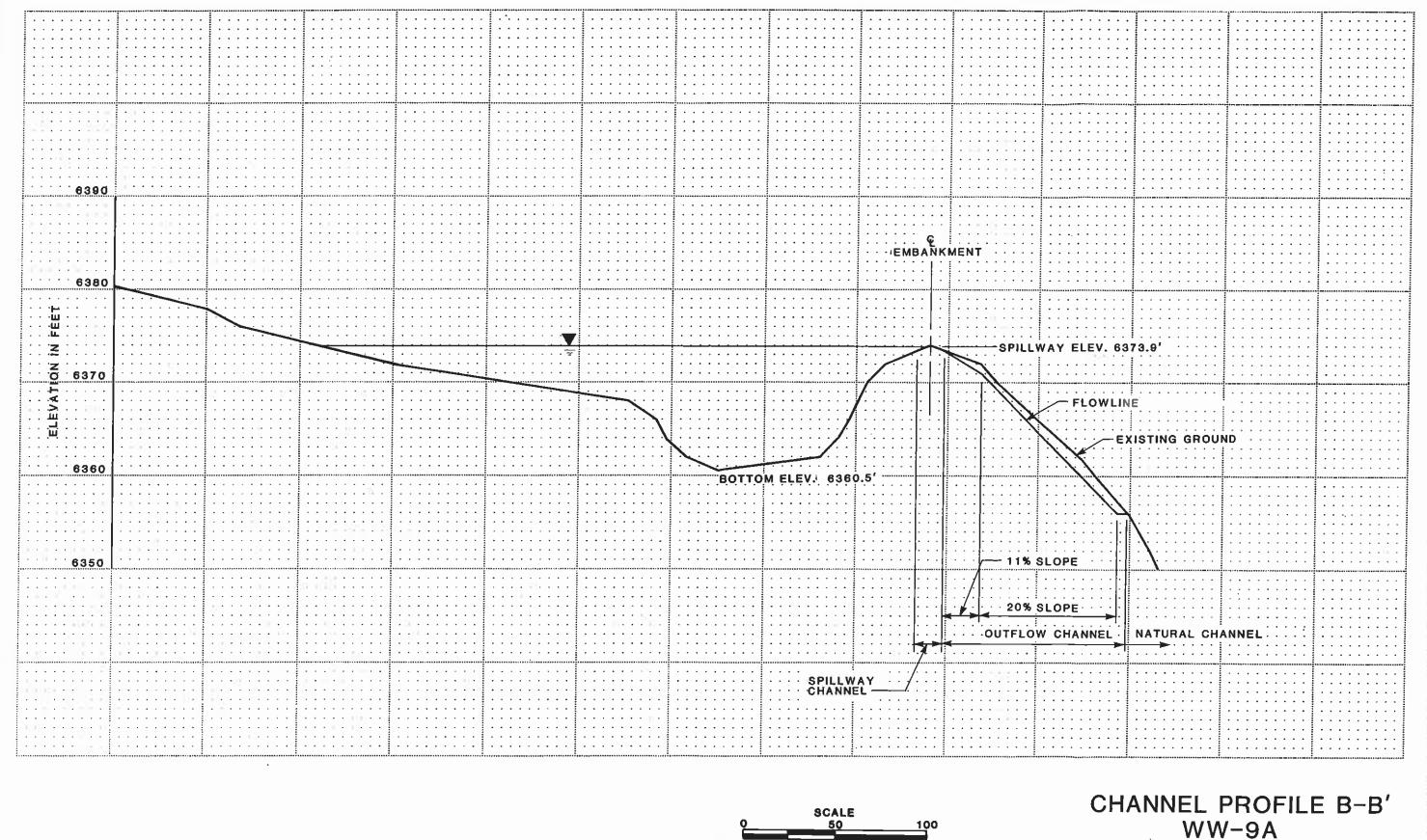
FOR LOCATION SEE PLATE 1

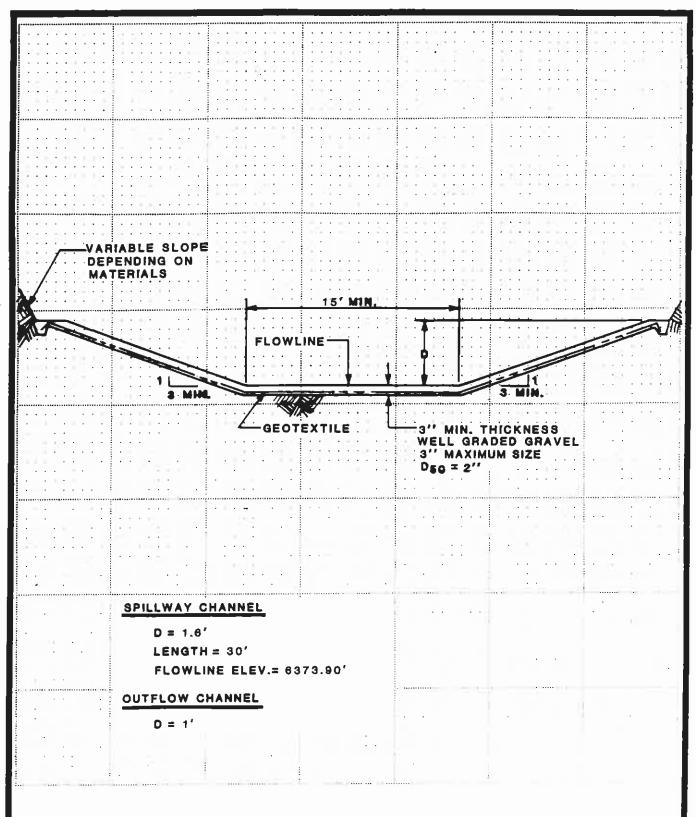
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Plate 2



VOLUME-ELEVATION CURVE WW-9A





SPILLWAY AND OUTFLOW CHANNEL CROSS SECTION WW-9A

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Plate 5

# APPENDIX A INSPECTION CHECK LIST

### INSPECTION CHECK LIST

ITPM	YES	NO	REMARKS
1184	155		
1. CREST			brown (sm)
I. CRESI			
a. Any visual settlements?		X	
b. Misalignment?		X	
c. Cracking?		X	
C. Clacking.			
2. UPSTREAM SLOPE			24°
	'		1.0/
a. Adequate grass cover?	-	X	40% gram
b. Any erosion?	X		Kill3
c. Are trees growing on slope?	_	X	<u></u>
d. Longitudinal cracks?		X	
e. Transverse cracks?	4.7	X	
f. Adequate riprap protection?	X		NA
g. Any stone deterioration?			NA
h. Visual depressions or bulges?		À	
i. Visual settlements?		X	
j. Animal burrows?		X	
			170
3. DOWNSTREAM SLOPE			' 1
		J.	to% cover
a. Adequate grass cover?	. /	X	
b. Any erosion?	X		Rills
c. Are trees growing on slope?		×	
d. Longitudinal cracks?		×	
e. Transverse cracks?		X	
f. Visual depressions or bulges?		×	
g. Visual settlements?		X	
h. Is the toe drain dry?	X		
i. Are the relief wells flowing?			NA
j. Are boils present at the toe?		X	-
k. Is seepage present?		X	
1. Animal burrows?		_	
4. ABUTMENT CONTACT. RIGHT			
	,		11. 91
a. Any erosion?	X		Minor - cil
b. Visual differential movement?		X	
c. Any cracks noted?		X	
d. Is seepage present?		X	
e. Type of Material?			Gray 5 m
5. ABUTMENT CONTACT. LEFT			, ,
a. Any erosion?	X		Minor - rill
b. Visual differential movement?		×	
c. Any cracks noted?		X	
d. Is seepage present?		X	
e. Type of Material?			Rock/gray 31 Sa
44 -164 44 :			

REMARKS ITEM YES NO Does not look to have 6. SPILLWAY/NORMAL been activated at any time a. Location: Left abutment? Right abutment? Towards left abutment Crest of Embankments? b. Approach Channel: Are side slopes eroding? NA Are side slopes sloughing? NA NA Bottom of channel eroding? Obstructed? Erosion protection? NA OPEN CHANNEL TRADEZOIDAL c. Spillway Channel: Are side slopes eroding?  $\overline{\times}$ Are side slopes sloughing? Bottom of channel eroding? Obstructed? Erosion protection? d. Outflow Channel: Are side slopes eroding? NA Are side slopes sloughing? NA Bottom of channel eroding? NA Obstructed? Erosion protection? e. Weir: Condition? 7. SPILLWAY/EMERGENCY NA a. Location: Left abutment? Right abutment? Crest of Embankments? b. Approach Channel: Are side slopes eroding? Are side slopes sloughing? Bottom of channel eroding? Obstructed? Erosion protection? c. Spillway Channel: Are side slopes eroding? Are side slopes sloughing? Bottom of channel eroding? Obstructed? Erosion protection? d. Outflow Channel: Are side slopes eroding? Are side slopes sloughing? Bottom of channel eroding? Obstructed? Erosion protection? e. Weir: Condition?

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8. GENERAL COMMENTS

FENCED IMPOUNDMENT / EMBANKMENT WOULD ELDOE

IF SPILL WAY FLOWED

1X 24 Children inter M3 studed to 5. 5 up needs clean out

43100 guttet needs Toppep

Sediment Impoundment Name:

### B. IMPOUNDMENT

Sacrebrush-grans 90% Road-grawel 10% Ground cover 70%
Cauopy cover 40% 25%
Some sediment in pound
Slopes evolving
Water shed same as derigh
No water

# APPENDIX B HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULIC CALCULATIONS

TIME OF WOLENTRATION

ELEVATION DIFFERENCE = 6424 - 6374 = 50'

WATER (OURSE LEDOUTH = 1050' = 0.20 mi

 $T_{c} = \left(\frac{11.9(0.20)^{3}}{50}\right)^{0.385} = 0.089 \text{ hz} = 5.4 \text{ min M}$ 

LAG TIME = 0.6 To = 0.054 hr = 3.2 min 12

# SCS CURUE NUMBER

REVISIONS

DRAINAGE	COUER	HydroLoak	Soil	WEIGHTED
ARTA (ac)	TYPE	(ONDITION)	TYPE	CURVE NUMBER
0.70 (6%)	Gravel Road.	<del></del>	D	0.06(91) = 5.5
11.85 (94%)	5-G	ave	D	0.94(79) = 74.3
			EH#23	79.8
				USE 80

DRAINAGE BASN AREA

10:55 AC. 0.020 SG. MI.

REVISIONS

BY \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_ TO E0 \_\_\_\_

BY \_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_ TO E0 \_\_\_\_

# UNIVERSAL Soil Loss EQUATION

## RAINFALL FACTOR

R= 40

## SOIL ERODIBILITY FACTOR

Soil TIPE = EH#23

DESCRIPTION =

K= 0.18

# SLOPE FACTOR

LEXTH (FL)	DELEU (fl)	SLOPE (%)	LS
700	51	7	2.20
950	45	6	1.95

USE 2.1

# COVER FACTOR

ARTA (ac)	WUER TYPE	% COVER	CANOPY (%)	WEIGHTED C
615	Grand Rd.			0.06 (1.0) = 50.
141,	S- G	40	25	0.94 (5.13)

C= .18

# EROSION CONTROL FACTOR

### SEDIMENT INFLOW

$$A = 40(0.18)(2.1)(0.18)(1.0) - 2.72$$

ton /acre /yeur

acre-feet / year

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