

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR MINOR REVISION  
COAL AND URANIUM PROGRAM  
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

COMPANY NAME: Signal Peak Energy

DATE: December 6, 2011

PERMIT#: C1993017

REVISION NO: MR131

LOCATION: Bull Mountain Mine, Musselshell Co, T6N, R26E, NW1/4S18

Type and Purpose of Action:

The mine operator is proposing to drill a bore hole (#30) from the surface into the underground mine works. The hole is needed to provide air to a barricade chamber directly below as is being required by MSHA.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

There will some disturbance associated with the construction of an access road several hundred feet in length as well as a level pad for the drill rig. The operator will windrow top soil in locations where leveling or cut and fills are required. The mining permit requires BTCA be installed prior to disturbance to limit sediment transport. The permit also commits the operator to reclaim the disturbed area when no longer needed.

Alternative Actions:

No reasonable alternatives exist.

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