

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

COMPANY NAME: Signal Peak Energy LLC

DATE: February 27, 2012

PERMIT#: C1993017

REVISION NO: MR144

LOCATION: Bull Mountain Mine, Musselshell Co., T6N, R26E S33

Type and Purpose of Action:

The mine operator is proposing the mine permit be modified to allow for an additional borehole (#51) to be used for inserting concrete into the mine.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

There will be some surface disturbance associated with setting up the drill rig and in drilling the hole. The disturbance is expected to be relatively minor as the location is fairly level and no earthwork is expected. Since little surface disturbance is needed, topsoil and vegetation will remain in place. The mine permit already commits the Operator to spreading or removing the bore drillings and reclaiming the hole and site once it is no longer needed.

The drill hole site is level and within 100 feet of an existing two track road so the access route will not entail significant disturbance.

Alternative Actions:

No alternative site offers significant advantage over this location.

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