

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

COMPANY NAME: Westmoreland Resources, Inc.

DATE: February 16, 2012

PERMIT#: C1985005

REVISION NO: MR255

LOCATION: Throughout Absaloka Mine permit and adjacent areas.

Type and Purpose of Action:

The groundwater monitoring plan has been updated to identify and implement changes in the wells and analytes which must be monitored to meet the intent of 17.24.314, 17.24.645 and 17.24.646.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

This minor revision was an improvement on the existing groundwater monitoring plan. It includes additional analytes for water quality monitoring and identifies wells and monitoring frequency essential for monitoring potential impacts to groundwater associated with mining.

Alternative Actions:

Continue with unmodified monitoring plan, which is not desirable.

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