

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

COMPANY NAME: Western Energy Company

DATE: February 16, 2012

PERMIT#: C1985003C

REVISION NO: MR89

LOCATION: Rosebud County, Rosebud Mine, Area C-West

Type and Purpose of Action:

The proponent proposed a minor revision to the permit. The revision updated the hydrologic control plan and included a new design for Pond PO-095.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

If approved, Pond PO-095 would be replaced with a fully incised pond. No negative impacts are expected in association with this action other than a better functioning pond. Revisions to the overall hydrologic control plan would have no impact on the environment as the action is purely administrative: clean-up work on the permit.

Alternative Actions:

None required.

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