

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

COMPANY NAME: Western Energy Company

DATE: April 3, 2013

PERMIT#: C1981003E

REVISION NO: MR83

LOCATION: Western Energy Area E, Rosebud Co.

Type and Purpose of Action:

With this MR the mine will be decommissioning a sediment pond which is no longer needed. The pond embankment is a road fill. The drop inlet will be removed and replaced with a horizontal culvert converting the outlet to a road culvert with no storage.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

The permit requires sediment ponds to be removed and reclaimed when no longer needed. A minor amount of sediment cleanout and earthwork will be needed. The permit currently commits the Operator to use of BTCA for sediment control for short term disturbance. Impacts are expected to be very minor.

Alternative Actions:

None considered.

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