

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

COMPANY NAME: Western Energy Company

DATE: April 26, 2013

PERMIT#: C1984003B

REVISION NO: MR54

LOCATION: T1N R41E, Section 3

Type and Purpose of Action:

A minor revision to the permit was proposed for disturbance of reclamation. Disturbance of reclamation would be needed to accommodate traffic on State Highway 39 while the operator moves equipment across the highway. A temporary detour road would be constructed on previously mined and reclaimed ground. No updates to the permit document were proposed due to the temporary nature of the project.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures:

Approximately 5.3 acres of reclamation would be disturbed. Soil would be removed from within the temporary route. Soil would be stockpiled. A short term road would be constructed from existing spoil material and, if needed, the surface of the road would have rock material added. Vehicular traffic on Highway 39 would be detoured onto the temporary road. Mitigation includes removal of any material not present prior to construction, complete reclamation of all disturbed areas pursuant to the approved permit, and minimizing the amount of time the area would be disturbed and the highway would be closed.

Alternative Actions:

None required

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