

Availability of a Supplemental Environmental Assessment for Public Review and Comment
Greens Hollow Federal Coal Lease Tract UTU-84102
Mining Plan Modification

In accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality regulations and the Department of the Interior procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 42 U.S.C. 43332(2) (C), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE), Western Region Office, has prepared a supplemental environmental assessment (EA) to analyze environmental impacts of a federal mining plan approval for future underground mining operations into the Greens Hollow Federal Coal Lease Tract UTU-84102, held by Canyon Fuel Company as part of the Sufco. Sufco Mine is located in Sevier County, near Salina, Utah. The Greens Hollow Federal Coal Lease Tract UTU-84102 occurs in Sanpete and Sevier counties. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) sold the Greens Hollow lease on January 4, 2017 to the highest bidder, which was Canyon Fuel Company. The OSMRE has prepared the supplemental EA, consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, based on new information provided in the permit application package. The supplemental EA is tiered to the descriptions and environmental analysis contained in the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Leasing and Underground Mining of the Greens Hollow Federal Coal Lease Tract UTU-84102 and is incorporated by reference into this supplemental EA in accordance with 40 CFR 46.135 and available to the public at: [https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/projects/nepa/65045/128886/156785/0529 February 2015 Greens Hollow Final SEIS 201502_508 Compliant UTU-84102.pdf](https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/projects/nepa/65045/128886/156785/0529_February_2015_Greens_Hollow_Final_SEIS_201502_508_Compliant_UTU-84102.pdf).

OSMRE is responsible for reviewing plans to conduct coal mining and reclamation operations on lands containing leased federal coal. Pursuant to 30 CFR 746, OSMRE must prepare and submit to the ASLM a decision document recommending approval, conditional approval or disapproval of the proposed mining plan modification. Approval of a mining plan modification would authorize underground mining of recoverable coal in the lease of 55.7 million tons. Sufco Mine anticipates production between 5.5 and 6.3 million tons annually. The Greens Hollow lease contains approximately 6,175 acres of federal mineral estate. If the mining plan modification is approved, mining operations would extend approximately 8.7 years.

OSMRE is soliciting public comments on the EA and the unsigned Finding of No New Significant Impact (FONNSI). The EA and unsigned FONNSI are available for review as of January 4, 2018. All comments must be received or postmarked by February 5, 2018, to be considered. Documents are available for review online <https://www.wrcc.osmre.gov/initiatives/greensHollowTract.shtm>.

Printed versions of the EA and unsigned FONNSI are also available for review at the following locations:

Office of Surface Mining and Reclamation
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202
Between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday (Closed Saturday and Sunday)

You are invited to direct these comments by mail:

ATTN: OSMRE, Greens Hollow Supplemental EA

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Comments can also be emailed to osm-nepa-ut@osmre.gov with the subject line: ATTN: OSMRE, Greens Hollow Supplemental EA. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment – including your personal identifying information – will be publicly available. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations or businesses and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be available for public review to the extent consistent with applicable law.

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