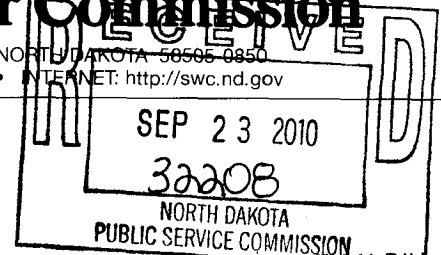


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September 21, 2010

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Dear Mr. Deutsch:

This is in response to your request for review of environmental impacts associated with the Revision No. 36 to Surface Coal Mining Permit BCGH-8204 at Glenharold Mine near Stanton, ND.

The proposed project have been reviewed by State Water Commission staff and the following comments are provided:

- The property is not located in an identified floodplain and it is believed the project will not affect an identified floodplain.
- It is the responsibility of the project sponsor to ensure that local, state and federal agencies are contacted for any required approvals, permits, and easements.
- All waste material associated with the project must be disposed of properly and not placed in identified floodway areas.
- No sole-source aquifers have been designated in ND.

There are no other concerns associated with this project that affect State Water Commission or State Engineer regulatory responsibilities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide review comments. If you have any questions, please call me at 328-4969.

Sincerely,

Larry Knudtson  
Research Analyst

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