

**BOWMAN COUNTY**

Planning Unit 016: AML Printout #270: T131N, R100W, Section 25, NW,  
N1/2

Additional Legal Location: Section 25, N1/2; Section 25, NE; Section  
25, NW, Center

Name: Owner:

Buffalo Creek Mine (aka Coal Company) No data

Category: Commercial/regional and local; Industrial/local Type:

Open pit (strip, surface)

Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Thickness Mined:	Source:
18 ft.	10-15 ft.	6-9 ft.	CMID:1926
15 ft.	10 ft. 8 in.	No data	Bureau of Mines:1948

Cultural Resource Site Number: 32B078

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

This mine is not listed as a new mine in 1924, and it is possible that it was in operation prior to that time. At least by 1926, a Monighan dragline (2 yd. capacity) was used for stripping at the mine, and the 1927, 1928, and 1929 CMIDs indicate that at least part of the coal sold locally was "used at plant." The plant supplied by this mine was not identified. The mine is listed as "not in operation" in 1930; since no further reports were noted for the mine, it is assumed that the mine ceased operation in about 1930; however, it is possible that the mine continued to be operated but was not reported or that the mine was operated and reported under some other name following that year.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:  
[source:year(pages)]

Bureau of Mines:1948(72-73) SHSND:NDCRS Site Files (32B078)  
CMID:1926(19) WCB Map:1925

Notes:

The 1925 WCB map indicates that this mine was located at T131N, R100W, Section 25, N1/2 and the NDCRS site form (32B078) indicates that this mine was located at T131N, R100W, Section 25, NW, Center, both of which locations are identified recording information from 1928) indicates that this mine was located at T131N, R100W, Section 25, NE, which is not identified by this Planning Unit and AML location. It appears likely that the Bureau of Mines part-section is in error.

Buffalo Creek Mine (continued)

The P.A. Harder Coal Mine also is located at this Planning Unit and AML Location.

Sources (primary and secondary):

Bureau of Mines:1928, 1948(72-73)  
CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years  
School of Mines:1927, 1930, n.d.(2,4)  
SHSND:NDCRS Site Files (32B078)  
WCB:1925

Mine: Buffalo Creek Mine  
 (aka Buffalo Creek Coal Company)

Planning Unit: 016  
 AML Number: 270

Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1924	no data	10	1.75	6,240	no data	6,240	H.E. Badger**
1925	149	10		12,800	none	12,800	H.E. Badger**
1926	240	10	1.10	19,110	3,500	15,610	H.E. Badger**
1927	240	8	1.10	22,700	3,500t	19,200	C.M. Hardy**
1928	84	12	1.50	8,940	940t	8,000	C.M. Hardy**
1929	85	10	1.50	7,920	1,420t	6,500	C.M. Hardy**
1930	no data	no data	no data	not in operation	no data	no data	no data

\*Unless otherwise indicated, name listed is that of owner.

t Portion of coal produced was "used at the plant."

\*\*Individual was superintendent of the mine; owner not listed.