

MORTON COUNTY

Planning Unit 048: AML Printout #427: T134N, R84W, Section 15, NE

Additional Legal Location: Section 15, NE, N1/2

Name:	Owner:
Coopenhaver Coal Mine	Coopenhaver Mining Co. (1914-1915) A.N. Coopenhaver (1916)

Category: Commercial/local

Type: Strip (surface)

		Thickness	
Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Mined:	Source:
16 1/2 ft.	4 1/2 ft.	4 1/2 ft.	SEBR:1916
16 1/2 ft.	4 1/2 ft.	4 1/2 ft.	SEBR:1918

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

It appears that this mine may have been in operation prior to 1914, since the 1916 SEBR indicates that "The mine was formerly operated by Mr. Coopenhaver, the coal being stripped during the summer months by team and scraper." As indicated on the Coopenhaver Mine table, no coal was mined at this mine in 1915, because no stripping had been done the fall before. During 1915, a company (Coopenhaver Mining Company) was incorporated in the state of North Dakota, and plans were made during 1916 to use a drag line excavator to strip the coal and work the mine more extensively, and there was a large local demand. However, the 1917 listing indicates that "This mine has not been in operation since the fall of 1915," (note that some coal was produced in 1916 according to production records in the 1918 SEBR) and it indicates that the mine was "abandoned." No listings were noted for this mine following 1917, and it is assumed that the mine was not operated following that year.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

SEBR:1916(141)

SEBR:1916(152)

Notes:

None

Sources (primary and secondary):

SEBR:see table, next page, for appropriate years

Mine: Coopenhaver Coal Mine

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Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1914	76	4	1.50	800	yes	no	Coopenhaver Co.
1915	"No coal was mined in 1915 as no stripping was done the fall before."						
1916	60	6	2.00	1,115	yes	no	A.N. Coopenhaver
1917	"This mine has not been in operation since the fall of 1915. Abandoned."						

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

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