

MORTON COUNTY

Planning Unit 043: AML Printout #379: T138N, R88W, Section 22, SW

Additional Legal Location: 1) Section 22, NE; 2) Section 21, SE; and
3) Sections 27 and 28, no part section

Name:	Owner:
Lindstrom Coal Mine (1914-1915)	George Monson
Lidstrom Coal Mine (1916-1919)	Charles Lidstrom
Spring Valley Pro. (aka Products) Co. (1920-1922)	Mrs. Anna Lindstrom
Glen Ullin Coal Co. (1923) (possible)	Spring Valley Pro. Co.
Spring Valley Coal Mine (aka Co. (1926- 1929)	Glen Ullin Trust Co.
Glen Ullin Trust Co. (1929-1932)	(years per owner not known definitely)

Category: Commercial/local; Spring Valley Pro. Co. Commercial/regional

Type: Underground, drift, single entry

		Thickness	
Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Mined:	Source:
50 ft.	9-11 ft.	9-10 ft.	SEBR:1916
50 ft.	9-11 ft.	9-10 ft.	SEBR:1918
110 ft.	10 ft.	6 1/2 ft.	CMID:1926
No data	5-13 ft.	No data	Leonard et al.:1925
No data	9 ft. 1 in.	No data	Bureau of Mines:1948

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

A relationship between the Lindstrom (aka Lidstrom) mine and the Spring Valley Mine was noted in Glen Ullin Historical Society (n.d.), which indicates that "The Spring Valley underground mine was owned by Charles Lidstrom. Coal was found there by George Monson in 1901 and he mined in partnership with his brothers . . .some years later the sons of Charles Lidstrom . . .took over the mine and developed four underground tunnels. . .on returning home, he [one of C. Lidstrom's sons] proceeded with plans to enlarge the operation and also to build an electric power-generating plant. . .to acquire the needed financing, shares of mine stock were sold. . .the Nov. 5, 1920, Glen Ullin News stated, "Spring Valley has 160 shareholders now. . ."

The 1916 SEBR indicates that ventilation was secured at the mine (the Lidstrom/Lindstrom mine)by means of a break through into the workings of the old mine. No information was noted to indicate what old mine is referred to; however, Monson and C. Listrom apparently were mining in this area prior to the first listing (1914) noted in connection with this mine. It should be noted that the 1916 SEBR indicates that the main entry of the mine was 150 feet long, and by 1918 the entry had been extended to 200 ft. The 1920 CMID indicates

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that the Spring Valley Pro. Co. was a new mine, from which no coal had been taken. It also indicates "some work is being done in the old mine to supply a local demand." The old mine referred to here likely is the Lindstrom (aka Lidstrom) mine reported from 1914 through 1919.

Although the Spring Valley Products Co. had plans to develop an electric power generating plant, these plans were never realized. According to Glen Ullin Historical Society (n.d.), "mining operations began to dwindle in 1923." The coal supply was becoming exhausted, all mining was done by hand which could not compete with machine mining, and electric devices that had been installed (i.e., electric undercutting equipment) could not be used because the electric power plant was not constructed. Therefore, stockholders dropped out of the company, and the Glen Ullin Trust Co. ("comprised mainly of doctors from the Quain and Ramstad Clinic in Bismarck") assumed ownership of the mine. By 1923 or 1924, the Spring Valley Products Co. was defunct. In about 1926 L.D. Underdahl began to operate the mine, apparently for the Glen Ullin Trust Co.; the 1926 CMID indicates that "this mine has been closed for a while, now operating on a small scale." In the 1932 CMID, the Glen Ullin Trust Co. mine is listed as not operating; no listings were noted following 1932, and it is likely that the mine ceased operations at about that time.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year (pages)]

Bureau of Mines:1948 (80)	Leonard et al.:1925 (136)
CMID: 1920 (21)	SEBR:1916 (142)
CMID: 1921 (22)	SEBR:1918 (154)
CMID: 1926 (40)	WCB Map:1921 (resurveyed 1922)
Glen Ullin Historical Society: n.d. (91-93)	

Notes:

The Lidstrom/Spring Valley mine apparently did not remain at a single location. The Lidstrom mine apparently was located in T138N, R88W, Section 22, NE (which is not identified by a Planning Unit and AML location). Leonard et al. (1925), apparently reporting information recorded in about 1922, indicate that the Spring Valley mine coal bed "is being opened at the mine of the company in the SW1/4 of sec. 22 (this Planning Unit and AML location). Additionally, a WCB map (dated 1921, and resurveyed 1922) places the Spring Valley Products Co. Mine One at T138N, R88W, Section 22, SW (this Planning Unit and AML location). Leonard et al. (1925) also indicate that the Spring Valley Products Company did drilling in T138N, R88W, Sections 21, 27, and 28, and Leonard et al. (1925) also refer to the old company mine in Section 21, SE (none of these sections are identified by Planning Units and AML locations). Magnusson (1960), reporting information collected in 1921, indicates that the Spring

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Valley Products Co. was located in T138N, R88W, Section 28. Since only one listing was noted for a Spring Valley Products Co. mine per year, it is unclear why the 1921 WCB map refers to a Spring Valley Products Co. Mine One, or why various sources refer to the mine in more than one location, apparently in the same year. It is possible that the company was conducting coal tests in some areas, while mining was conducted in Section 22.

It should be noted that no information was noted that definitely relates the Glen Ullin Coal Co. (see 1923 listings on mine table, and mine names listed above) with the Lidstrom (aka Lindstrom)/ Spring Valley Products Co. mine. However, no listing was noted for the Spring Valley Products Co. mine in 1923; other sources appear to indicate that this mine was operating in 1923; the Glen Ullin Trust Co. apparently was connected with the Spring Valley Products Co. Mine; and, the Glen Ullin Coal Co. is listed only that one year. Therefore, production figures for the Glen Ullin Coal Co. have been included with this mine.

Sources (primary and secondary):

Bureau of Mines:1948(80)
CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years
Feser:1983(questionnaire)
Glen Ullin Historical Society:n.d.(91-93)
Leonard et al.:1925(136)
Magnusson:1960
SEBR:see table, next page, for appropriate years
WCB:1921(resurveyed 1922)

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 1929)
 Glen Ullin Trust Co.(1929-1932)

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Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1914	154	3	1.50	1,230	yes	no	Mrs. Anna Lindstrom
1915	132	3	1.50	901	yes	no	Mrs. Anna Lindstrom
1916	150	1	1.60	676	yes	no	Mrs. Anna Lindstrom
1917	150	1	1.90	656	yes	no	Mrs. Anna Lindstrom
1919	191	2	no data	600	no data	no data	F.E. Brown**
1920	45	10	3.00	341	341	none	Jack Hanson**
1921	240	63	2.50	5,361	351	5,011	Ernest Lindstrom**
1922	294	36	2.19	15,427	155	15,272	H. Lidstrom**
1923	no data	26	2.586	11,080	180	10,750	Tom Campbell**
1926	87	4	2.00	1,090	1,090	none	L.D. Underdahl**
1927	200	2	2.00	2,556	2,556	none	L.D. Underdahl**
1928	150	3	2.00	2,056	2,056	none	L.D. Underdahl**
1929	268	3	2.00	2,244	2,244	none	L.D. Underdahl**
1929	Mine is listed as "Glen Ullin Trust Co." mine in production figures tables, and it is listed as "Spring Valley Coal Co." in Summary of Inspection.						
1930	163	3	1.80	1,373	1,373	none	L.D. Underdahl**
1931	50	2	1.60	802	802	none	L.D. Underdahl**
1932	"not operating"						

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

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