

MORTON COUNTY

Planning Unit 045: AML Printout #403: T139N, R85W, Section 28, NE

Additional Legal Location: No part section

Name: Backsen Coal Mine
Owner: No data
Category: Commercial/local (and small amounts regional)
Type: Strip (surface)

| | | Thickness | |
|-------------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Overburden: | Coal Seam: | Mined: | Source: |
| No data | No data | No data | Not applicable |

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

This mine is not listed as a new mine in 1934, and it may have been in operation prior to that time. The mine was operated and reported continuously from 1934 through 1940, when it is listed as not operating. Given that the mine produced only 39 tons of coal in 1940 and no listings were noted for the mine following 1940, it appears likely that the mine ceased to operate following 1940.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

None

Notes:

Harrington (1934a) indicates that this mine was located at T139N, R85W, Section 28; however, Harrington (1934a) does not provide a part section. Therefore, it is not known if this mine was located at this Planning Unit and AML location (T139N, R85W, Section 28, NE), or if it was situated in some other portion of Section 28.

Sources (primary and secondary):

CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years
Harrington:1934a(13)

Mine: Backsen Coal Mine

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| Year | Days Operated | Employees | Price Per Ton | Tons Produced | Tons Local Trade | Tons Shipped | Owner or Superintendent* |
|------|------------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1934 | 75 | 3 | 1.00 | 500 | 200 | 300 | Wm. Backsen** |
| 1935 | no data | 3 | 1.00 | 347 | 347 | none | W.H. Backsen** |
| 1936 | 29 | no data | 1.00 | 190 | 190 | none | W.H. Backsen** |
| 1937 | 50 | 2 | 1.00 | 220 | 186 | 34 | W.H. Backsen** |
| 1938 | 33 | 4 | 1.00 | 447 | 408 | 39 | W.H. Backsen** |
| 1939 | 60 | 1 | 1.00 | 583 | 546 | 37 | W.H. Backsen** |
| 1940 | 5 | no data | 1.00 | 39 | 39 | none | W.H. Backsen** |
| 1940 | "not operating" | | | | | | |

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

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