

Porger Coal Mine (continued)

Section 10, SW (identified by Planning Unit 080, AML location 480) and T156N, R94W, Section 9, SE (not identified by any Planning Unit and AML location). The mine was operated continuously as an underground mine from 1925 through 1939, when it is listed as not operating. Considering that the Bureau of Mines (1948), reporting information recorded in 1928, indicates that the life of the mine was estimated to be 15 years in 1928, it seems likely that the mine ceased operating following 1939.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

Bureau of Mines:1948(82)	SEBR:1916(145)
CMID:1926 (47)	SEBR:1918(156)
SEBR:1910(90-91)	WCB Map:1924
SEBR:1914 (135)	

Notes:

Information about locations at which the Porger Coal Mine was operated include:

T156N, R94W, Section 16, NW, E1/2 (SEBR 1910, 1914)
T156N, R94W, Section 15 (SEBR 1916, 1918)
T156N, R94W, Section 9 (NDGS 1921)
T156N, R94W, Section 10, SW and Section 9, SE (WCB 1924)
T156N, R94W, Sections 10 and 9 (Gauger et al. 1928b)
T156N, R94W, Sections 10 and 9 (Harrington 1934)

It appears that George Porger owned at least four contiguous quarter-sections of land (i.e., T156N, R94W, Section 16, NE; Section 15, NW; Section 10, SW; and Section 9, SE), and that he situated his mining operation throughout this area. Legal locations listed above definitely indicate that this mine was situated at Planning Unit 080, AML location 480 (T156N, R94W, Section 10, S1/2). If the assumption that Porger owned at least the four contiguous quarter-sections of land is correct, the area of Section 15 in which the mine would have been operated would be the NW quarter, which is not identified by any Planning Unit or AML location. However, since no information was noted that definitely indicated in what portion of Section 15 Porger operated his mine, information about the mine has been included both with Planning Unit 080, AML location 480 and with Planning Unit 080, AML location 481 (T156N, R94W, Section 15, S1/2).

The Barto Coal Mine also may be located at Planning Unit 080, AML location 480 (T156N, R94W, Section 10, S1/2). The Altenthaler Coal Mine also is located at Planning Unit 080, AML location 481 (T156N, R94W, Section 15, S1/2).

Sources (primary and secondary):

Bureau of Mines:1948(82)

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CAL:1912(162)

CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years

Gauger et al.:1928b(4)

Harrington:1934(15)

Leonard et al.:1925(161)

NDGS:1921(Bulletin 4)

School of Mines:n.d.(6)

SEBR:see table, next page, for appropriate years

WCB:1924

Mine: Porger Coal Mine (aka George Porger)

Planning Unit: 080

AML Number: 480

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AML Number: 481

Year	Days		Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons		Owner or Superintendent*
	Operated	Employees			Local Trade	Tons Shipped	
1909	no data	1	1.50	240	yes	no	George Porger
1910-	Porger Coal Mine "operating in 1908 and 1909 and closed during 1910 and 1911."						
1911							
1912-							
1913	"This mine has been opened up in a new place..."						
1913	78	2	1.50	1,088	yes	no	Geo. Porger
1914	76	2	1.50	500t	yes	no	Geo. Porger
1915	40	1	1.75	60	yes	no	Geo. Porger
1916	120	2	2.00	540	yes	no	Geo. Porger
1917	60	2	2.00	265	yes	no	Geo. Porger
1923	"new mine"						
1924	no report						
1925	144	2	2.00	979	979	none	Geo. Porger**
1926	60	2	2.00	918	918	none	Geo. Porger**
1927	120	3	2.25	810	810	none	Geo. Porger**
1928	170	3	2.25	1,150	1,150	none	Geo. Porger**
1929	180	4	2.25	1,473	1,473	none	Geo. Porger**
1930	140	5	2.25	1,960	1,960	none	Geo. Porger**
1931	150	5	2.25	1,000	1,000	none	Geo. Porger**
1932	100	3	1.55	285	285	none	Geo. Porger**
1933	Production figures not provided.						
1934	108	no data	1.50	472	472	none	George Porger**
1935	no data	no data	1.75	332.5	332.5	none	Geo. Porger**
1936	109	2	1.25	419	419	none	Geo. Porger**
1937	no data	no data	1.50	250	250	none	George Porger**
1938	no data	1	1.50	200	200	none	George Porger**
1939	90	no data	1.50	180	180	none	Geo. Porger**
1939	"not operating"						

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

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

t "Estimated."