

OLIVER COUNTY

Planning Unit 069: AML Printout #438: T142N, R83W, Section 29, NW, S1/2

Additional Legal Location: See Notes, below

Name:	Owner:
Tripp Coal Mine	M.N. Tripp (1914-1915)
M.N. Tripp Coal Mine (1923)	N.O. Nelson (1916-1925)
Tripp Coal Mine (1924)	
M.N. Tripp Coal Mine (1925)	

Category: Commercial/local

Type: Strip (surface)

		Thickness	
Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Mined:	Source:
No data	7 ft.	7 ft.	SEBR:1916
18ft.	10-12 ft.	10-12 ft.	SEBR:1918

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

This mine is not listed as a new mine in 1914, and the 1908 CAL indicates that N.M. Tripp was on a list of operators requested to report and secure a license. Although it is not known definitely that the CAL reference and the first SEBR reference (SEBR 1916) refer to the same Tripp mine at the same location, it does appear that the Tripp mine may have been in operation prior to 1914. The 1918 SEBR indicates that the "Tripp Coal Mine was formerly owned by M.N. Tripp, but has recently been purchased by N.O. Nelson." The report also indicates that "Water is encountered which is drained off by means of a ditch." This mine apparently was operated and reported from 1914 through 1925. The mine is not listed as closed or not operating in 1925; it is not known if the mine ceased to operate at about that time, if it was operated but not reported, or if the mine was operated and reported under some other name (see Notes, below).

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

SEBR:1916(147)	WCB Map:1924
SEBR:1918(158)	

Notes:

Various locational discrepancies were noted in association with this mine:

Tripp Coal Mine (continued)

SEBR:1916. T142N, R83W, Section 23 and "5 miles southeast of Center."

SEBR:1918. T142N, R83W, Section 29 and "5 miles southeast of Center."

Leonard et al.:1925. T142N, R83W, Section 29.

WCB:1924. T142N, R83W, Section 29, NW.

It seems most likely that this mine was located at T142N, R83W, Section 29, since this location is associated with this mine in the majority of cases. This being the case, the 1916 SEBR location is in error. Both the 1916 and 1918 SEBRs do indicate that the mine was situated 5 mi. southeast of Center; this location would more likely be in Section 29 (SEBR 1918) than in Section 23 (SEBR 1916). Given that the mine was situated in Section 29, the WCB map (1924) places it in the NW1/4 of that section, a portion of which is identified by this Planning Unit and AML location.

It should be noted that another Tripp mine existed, apparently from about 1924 through 1928. This Tripp mine apparently was not situated at a location identified by any Planning Unit or AML location; however, some confusion does exist in the CMID reports as to which Tripp mine was in operation in the various years a Tripp mine or two Tripp mines were reported. The WCB map (1924) that illustrates the Tripp mine not located at a Planning Unit/AML location indicates that it was situated at T142N, R83W, Section 19, NE, and it indicates that the mine name was "M.N. Tripp Mine." Two "Tripp" mines are listed only in the 1925 CMID report, and they are listed "Tripp Coal Mine" and "M.N. Tripp Coal Mine"; the "Tripp Coal Mine" is listed as a new mine in the 1925 CMID, and a Tripp mine is listed as the "M.N. Tripp Coal Mine" in the 1923 and 1925 CMID reports. Since no information exists in SEBR or CMID reports from 1914 through 1924 to indicate that a new Tripp mine was put into operation, it has been assumed that the Tripp mine listed in the 1916 and 1918 SEBRs and in the 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, and 1925 CMID reports was referred to as the Tripp Coal Mine and as the M.N. Tripp Coal Mine, and that this is the mine situated at the location identified by this Planning Unit and AML location. It has also been assumed that the Tripp Coal Mine, which is referred to as a new mine in the 1925 CMID, is the M.N. Tripp Mine included on the WCB map that illustrates a mine located at T142N, R83W, Section 19, NE (not identified by any Planning Unit or AML location).

The Schenk Coal Mine also is located at this Planning Unit and AML location.

Sources (primary and secondary):

CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years

Leonard et al.:1925(139)

SEBR:see table, next page, for appropriate years

WCB:1924

Mine: Tripp Coal Mine (1914-1922)
 M.N. Tripp Coal Mine (1923)
 Tripp Coal Mine (1924)
 M.N. Tripp Coal Mine (1925)

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<u>Year</u>	<u>Days Operated</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Price Per Ton</u>	<u>Tons Produced</u>	<u>Tons Local Trade</u>	<u>Tons Shipped</u>	<u>Owner or Superintendent*</u>
1914	183	2	1.00	1,000t	yes	no	M.N. Tripp
1915	180	2	1.00	1,000t	yes	no	M.N. Tripp
1916	120	1	1.25	440	yes	no	N.O. Nelson
1917	180	1	1.35	650	yes	no	N.O. Nelson
1919	240	1	no data	3,044	no data	no data	N.O. Nelson**
1920	152	2	2.00	2,584	2,584	none	N.O. Nelson**
1921	280	10	2.00	1,555	1,555	none	W. Sohenk**
1922	161	no data	2.00	500	500	none	no data
1923	52	1	1.70	300	300	none	no data
1924	90	1	1.65	300	300	none	N.N. Tripp**
1925	Production figures not provided.						

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

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

t"Estimated."