

WARD COUNTY

Planning Unit 103: AML Printout #342: T152N, R82W, Section 23, SE SE

Additional Legal Location: Section 23, no part section

Name: West Side Coal Mine Owner: No data

Category: Commercial/local

Type: Underground, slope and/or shaft

Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Thickness 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 1935, and it may have been in operation prior to that time. The mine was operated and reported from 1936 through 1951. No listings were noted following 1951; it is not known if the mine ceased to be operated, if the mine was operated but not reported, or if the mine was operated and reported under some other name following 1951. It should be noted that the 1950 CMID lists this mine as a strip mine; all other CMID reports including this mine list it as a slope or a shaft mine. It is not known if the mine actually was operated as strip mine for one year, or if the 1950 CMID is in error.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

None

Notes:

Brant (1953) indicates that this mine was located at 152 82 23; however, Brant (1953) does not provide a part section. Therefore, it is not known if this mine was situated at this Planning Unit and AML location (152 82 23 SE SE), or if it was situated in some other portion of Section 23.

A portion of the Truax-Traer/Velva Coal Mine also is situated at this Planning Unit and AML location. See information about this mine beginning on page Ward-1.

Sources (primary and secondary):

Brant:1953(21)
CMID:see table; next page, for appropriate years

Mine: West Side Coal Mine

Planning Unit: 103

AML Number: 342

Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1935	no report						
1936	100	7	1.10	1,775	1,775	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1937	67	1	1.00	43	43	none	Gust Reichenberger**
1938	225	5	1.00	1,579	1,579	none	Gust Reichenberger**
1939	248	5	1.00	3,978	3,978	none	G. Reichenberger**
1940	190	9	1.30	5,650	5,650	none	Gust Reichenberger**
1941	168	12	1.15	6,189	6,189	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1942	196	16	1.40	9,968+	9,968+	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1943	269	13	1.70	10,435	10,435	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1944	210	12	1.90	14,000	14,000	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1945	270	14	1.91	7,564	7,564	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1946	200	8	1.90	8,729	8,729	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1947	160	7	1.95	9,668	9,668	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1948	132	4	2.50	7,514	7,514	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1949	94	5	3.00	4,490+	4,400	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1950	144	8	2.75	7,299	6,720	none	C.P. Bechtold**
1951	150	7	3.50	5,427	5,427	none	C.P. Bechtold**

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

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