

WILLIAMS COUNTY

Planning Unit 076: AML Printout #462: T155N, R97W, Section 29, SW

Additional Legal Location: Section 29, SW, NW (Section 29, NW, SW in 1910 and 1911)

Name:

Owner:

Moorman Coal Mine

J.M. Moorman

Category: Commercial/local

Type: Underground, drift, double entries

Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Thickness Mined:	Source:
60 ft.	8 ft.	6 ft.	SEBR:1910
200 ft.	10-11 ft.	6-7 ft.	SEBR:1912
45 ft.	9-10 ft.	7 ft.	SEBR:1914
50 ft.	10 ft.	7-9 ft.	SEBR:1916, 1918
70 ft.	12 ft.	6 1/2 ft.	CMID:1926

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

This mine is not listed as a new mine in 1909, and it may have been in operation prior to that time. The 1910 SEBR indicates, "The mine is located. . . in a deep coulee known locally as Hungry Gulch. This mine which is a small one, is so inaccessible that it only supplies a local trade." The 1912 SEBR indicates that the mine had been opened up in a new place since the previous report; it also indicates, "The steep haul out of the coulee is the chief draw back to the mine." The 1914 SEBR indicates that the main entry of the mine extended 400 ft.; rooms were 100 ft. by 15 ft. to 18 ft. This report also indicates that the mine was nearly dry, and that what little water did collect at the face was "ditched outside." The 1916 SEBR appears to imply that the mine entrance had been changed again (see legal locations listed above); it also indicates "The coal bed. . .outcrops on the bank of the gulch. Two entries have been driven into the coal bed." The main entry of the mine extended 500 ft. by early 1918. The mine continued to be operated from 1909 through 1925, when it was condemned, and a new drift was started. The mine was operated in 1926; the 1927 CMID indicates that the operators of the mine had developed another "new opening." The mine was listed from 1927 through 1934; however, production figures are not provided in 1933 and 1934. No listings were noted for this mine following 1934; it is not known if the mine ceased to be operated, if the mine was operated and not reported, or if the mine was operated and reported under another name following 1934.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

Williams-101

Moorman Coal Mine (continued)

[source:year(pages)]

Bureau of Mines:1948(86) (See Notes)	SEBR:1912(126) SEBR:1914(150)
CMID:1926(59)	SEBR:1916(161)
SEBR:1910(105)	SEBR:1918(172-173)

Notes:

Bureau of Mines (1948--reporting information recorded in 1917) indicates that the "Jim Monuen Mine" was located at T155N, R97W, Section 29. No SEBR or CMID listings or other information were noted for a Jim Monuen Mine. It appears possible that the Bureau of Mines reference actually is to the Jim Moorman Mine; however, no definite information was noted.

Sources (primary and secondary):

Bureau of Mines:1948(86)--reports information recorded in 1917
CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years
NDGS:1920(Bulletin 4)
SEBR:see table, next page, for appropriate years
Wonder of Williams:1976(Vol.II, 1984)

Mine: Moorman Coal Mine

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Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons		Owner or Superintendent*
					Local Trade	Tons Shipped	
1909	no data	no data	1.50	150	yes	no	J. Moorman
1910	50	2	1.50	700	yes	no	J. Moorman
1911	40	2	1.50	600	yes	no	J. Moorman
1912	168	3	1.50	700	yes	no	J.M. Moorman
1913	144	3	1.50	995	yes	no	J.M. Moorman
1914	240	3	1.50	900	yes	no	J.M. Moorman
1915	275	3	1.50	1,000	yes	no	J.M. Moorman
1916	150	3	2.00	1,200	yes	no	J.M. Moorman
1917	180	3	2.00	1,500	yes	no	J.M. Moorman
1919	120	3	no data	1,591	no data	no data	J.M. Moorman**
1920	180	2	2.50	1,453	1,225	none	J.M. Moorman**
1921	no data	2	2.00	1,463	1,463	none	J.M. Moorman**
1922	120	4	2.00	1,340	none	1,340	no data
1923	Production figures not provided.						
1924	no data	2	2.00	757	757	none	Mrs. J.M. Moorman**
1925	150	2	2.00	414	414	none	J.M. Moorman**
1925	"Condemned, New Drift Started."						
1926	240	1	2.00	444	444	none	J.M. Moorman**
1927	125	1	2.00	135	135	none	J.M. Moorman**
1927	"New Opening"						
1928	100	1	2.00	235	235	none	J.M. Moorman**
1929	60	1	2.00	140	140	none	J.M. Moorman**
1930	90	1	2.00	133	133	none	J.M. Moorman**
1931	90	1	1.25	131	131	none	Fred Page**
1932	90	no data	1.00	300	300	none	J.M. Moorman**
1933	Production figures not provided.						
1934	Production figures not provided.						

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

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