

MORTON COUNTY

Planning Unit 051: AML Printout #478: T137N, R81W, Section 23, SE

Additional Legal Location: None

Name:

Owner:

Teppo Coal Mine

Rudolph Teppo

Category: Commercial/local

Type: Underground, shaft, single entry (1924-1934); Underground, slope (1935-1938)

Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Thickness Mined:	Source:
45 ft.	5 ft.	No data	CMID:1926

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

It is unclear whether or not this mine was a new mine in 1923 or 1924, since the 1924 CMID indicates only that "The Teppo Coal Mine should be added to the Fifth Annual Report [i.e., 1923]." The mine was operated and reported continuously from 1924 through 1938, with the exception of 1934, in which year no production figures were included in the CMID. The mine began as a shaft mine but it is listed as a slope mine from 1935, and it is possible that the mine was not operated in 1934 because a new slope was being driven. The mine is not listed as not operating or closed in 1938; it is not known if the mine ceased operations at about this time or if the mine was operated but not reported following 1938 (see Notes, below).

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

CMID:1926(41)

WCB Map:1924

Notes:

The Lehto Coal Mine also is located at this Planning Unit and AML location. It should be noted that the possibility exists that the Teppo Coal Mine and the Lehto Coal Mine were the same mine. Legal locations noted on WCB maps for each mine are T137N, R81W, Section 23, SE. The last listing for the Teppo Coal Mine is in the 1938 CMID, which provides production figures, but does not include the mine in the Summary of Inspection. The first listing for the Lehto Coal Mine is in the 1938 CMID; however, no production figures are provided for the Lehto Coal Mine, it is listed only in the Summary of Inspection as a slope mine (which the Teppo mine was from 1935 through its last listing). This possibility is only an assumption,

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however, since no information was noted that definitely indicated that the two names refer to the same mine.

It should be noted that the Teppo Coal Mine is included on the 1924 WCB map of the Koponen Coal Mine, which is located at Planning Unit 051, AML location 473 (T137N, R81W, Section 25, N1/2).

Sources (primary and secondary):

CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years

Harrington:1934a(13)

School of Mines:n.d.(10)

WCB:1924 (also see 1924 WCB map of Koponen Coal Mine)

Mine: Teppo Coal Mine

Planning Unit: 051

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Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1924	"Teppo Coal Mine should be added to the Fifth Annual Report [i.e., 1923]."						
1925	no data	1	2.50	1,657	1,657	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1926	160	5	2.50	1,285	1,285	none	R. Teppo**
1927	150	5	2.50	1,419	1,419	none	R. Teppo**
1928	114	3	2.50	796	796	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1929	130	4	2.50	800	800	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1930	130	4	2.50	862	862	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1931	140	6	2.25	926	926	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1932	136	5	2.00	900	900	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1933	120	5	1.65	786	786	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1934	no data	no data	no data	no data	no data	no data	no data
1935	168	6	1.50	950	950	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1936	130	5	1.75	287.5	287.5	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1937	100	3	1.50	486	486	none	Rudolph Teppo**
1938	110	5	1.50	682	682	none	Rud. Teppo**
1938t	Not listed in Summary of Inspection; only listed in production figures table.						

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

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

t See Notes in descriptive section, this mine, and see table for Lehto Bros. Coal Mine.
