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Subject: Local regulation of DOE mill tailings removal project 9/23/87  
To: Karl Metzner

Mesa County plans to require DOE obtain a conditional use permit for the disposal site. Have we determined whether current regulations would require DOE to obtain some kind of city authorization before proceeding? Or could we adopt any such regulations? Or could we adequately impose our conditions through the county conditional use permit?

The city may have preferences regarding the control of dust, noise, hours of operation, traffic control, street maintenance as well as routing. I would appreciate your thoughts on how we might best address our concerns.  
cc: J Shanks

Electronic Mail - MEMO

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To: Mark Achen

The only part of the tailings pile removal in the city limits is the 40 acre state property east of the old pile. We would require a Conditional use for the removal from that property. Criteria for approval of such a conditional use include control of adverse impacts (dust, noise, etc.), traffic circulation, safety, Damage/congestion on streets, and reclamation of the site. The question is whether we can impose our requirements on the D.O.E.

We also will be a review agency for the county conditional use application and can state our concerns. It depends on the county to incorporate our concerns into the approval. One stratage we might want to consider is to annex the old tailings pile as soon as the state has aquired it. We would thus have full control over the entire removal process. I'm not sure how upset the county might get over such a move.

Karl

xc Jim Shanks

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Subject: Conditional Use Permit - Mill Tailings Removal - Gerry Ashby discussed the issue of the City's requirement of a conditional use permit in addition to what the County is doing. The consensus is that we do not need to add the additional requirement. We can present our comments and concerns of the project during the County process.

Comments on UMTRAP Conditional Use Permit by City of Grand  
Junction Department of Public Works & Utilities

The following items pertaining to the truck haul alternative to Cheney Reservoir Site remain unresolved:

1. What hours during the day, days of the week and months of the year will the truck be allowed to haul? The D.O.E. and Jacobs Engineering has proposed everything from daylight hours (EIS p. 263) to 24 hours per day (meeting on February 17).
2. What size and type of trucks will be used? There are no restrictions on trucks now being used in the vicinity properties cleanup program. Many of the beds and tail gates being used have holes in the beds and tail gates which leak tailings and dirt all over the City streets.
3. Who will be responsible to insure that the loaded trucks are properly covered? What are the specifications for covering the trucks. Private trucks which are currently hauling vicinities properties materials are not properly covered and tailings sand, dust and debris are allowed to blow all over the City.
4. The turning radius at the northeast corner of Kimball Avenue and South 9th Street does not appear to be adequate for long trucks. This would result in <sup>encroaching into the</sup> northbound traffic lane on South 9th Street when making the turn from Kimball Avenue.
5. At the 5th Street Viaduct, the southbound acceleration lane onto 5th Street (Highway 50) and sight distance back to the north are both inadequate for unrestricted merge conditions. This merge is and will continue to be controlled by a yield sign facing the southbound traffic in the acceleration lane.
6. How will the slime, muck and other saturated materials be prevented from spilling from the trucks onto City streets?
7. Drawing No. GRJ-PS-10-0208: A temporary drainage ditch is shown on top of existing storm drainage channel. How is this possible?
8. Drawing No. GRJ-PS-10-0213: Final grading plan should include flood control dike in accordance with Army Corps of Engineers Section 205 Flood Study and final design. This study is now in progress.
9. During the 1950's and 60's, many thousands of tons of uranium mill tailings were used as road base under City streets and bedding material around utilities such as water and sewer

mains. It is our understanding that these tailings are not going to be removed under D.O.E. UMTRA program.

After the UMTRA program is completed and the repository site at the Cheney Reservoir site is capped and sealed, City crews and contractors will continue to excavate mill tailings from water main breaks, water and sewerline replacements, street reconstruction projects, etc. What site will be available and what will be the plan for the disposal of these mill tailings?