KUC South End GW Permits

- 1) Barney's Canyon, UGW 350001
- 2) Copperton Concentrator, UGW 350017
- 3)Bingham Canyon Reservoirs, UGW 350006
- 4)Bingham Canyon Mine and Water Collection System, UGW 350010



Barney's Canyon

- The Ground Water Permit was renewed in 2008.
- However, active mining ceased in Dec. 2001 and only leaching of 3 of the remaining ore piles continues.
- A final mine closure plan for Ground Water is due one year prior to final closure.
- Complete closure of the mine is anticipated to take place in 2013.

State Ground Water Permits and the CERCLA/NRDC process

- Under the three party agreement (State, Federal and KUC), State Groundwater Rules are used to regulate KUC's ongoing operations through several groundwater permits.
- Currently KUC South End operations are regulated by three permits including:
 - 1) The Copperton Concentrator
 - 2) The Bingham Canyon Reservoirs;
 - 3) The Bingham Canyon Mine and Leach Collection System;

Copperton Concentrator

- Monitoring well network used to determine any ground water impacts from operation of the Concentrator.
- Tailings pipeline is permitted "by rule", however, appropriate spill prevention and countermeasures are followed.
- Concrete containment and inspections of all liquid handling facilities decrease the potential for any possible contamination.
- Lined process water pond with leak detection.



Bingham Canyon Reservoirs

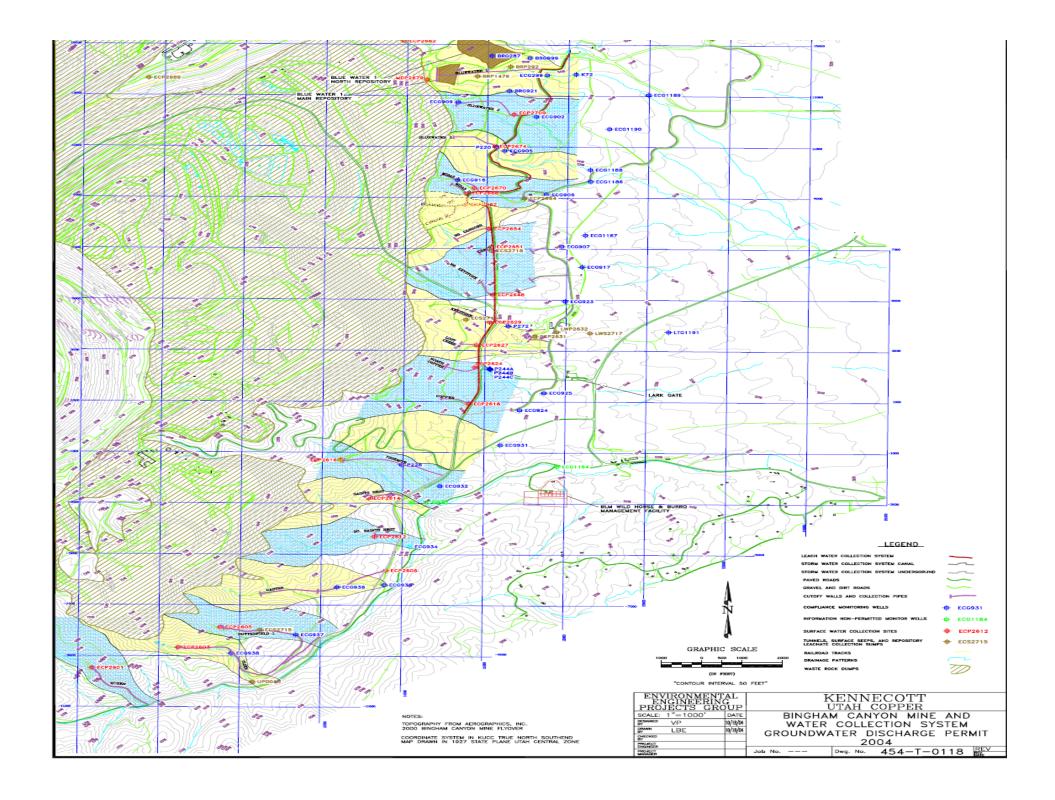
- Currently permits both the Large and Small Reservoirs at the Bingham Canyon site.
- The reservoirs capture and store poor quality meteoric water from the entire mine as well as storm water runoff.
- The reservoirs are double lined with a leak detection system and are monitored regularly.



Large Reservoir at Bingham Creek. View: East

Bingham Canyon Mine and Collection System

- A monitoring well network is used to detect any further contamination of the principal Salt Lake Valley Aquifer.
- Effectiveness Studies and Source Controls have been completed under the permit to minimize any future threats of groundwater pollution.
- Cessation of active leaching in 1999-2000
- East-side cutoff walls
- The permit requires KUC to provide a mine closure plan
- The Closure plan specifies
 - long term maintenance
 - minimization of groundwater pollution, primarily acid mine drainage.

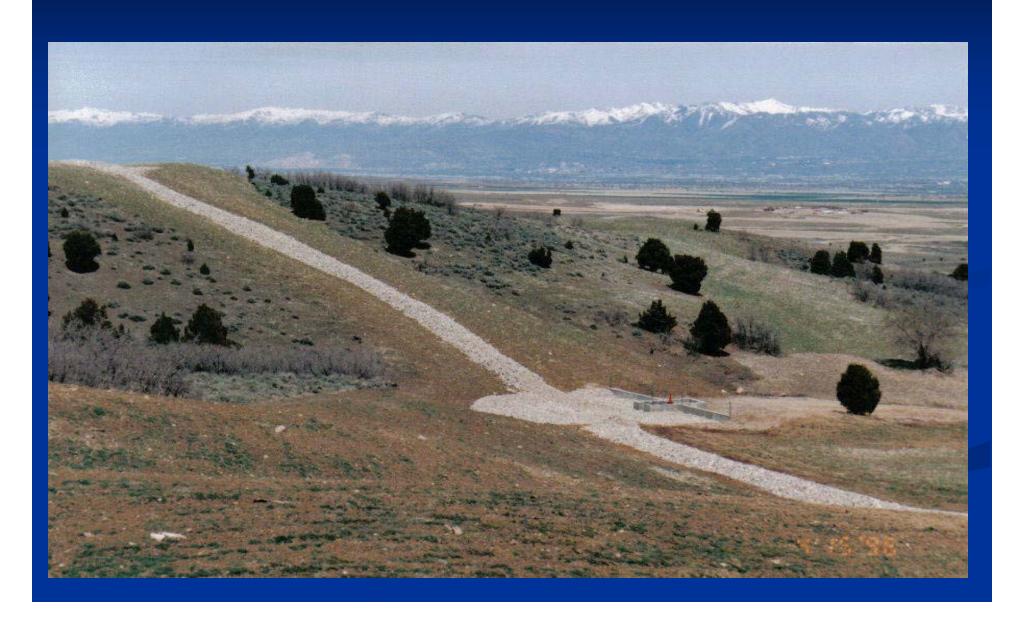


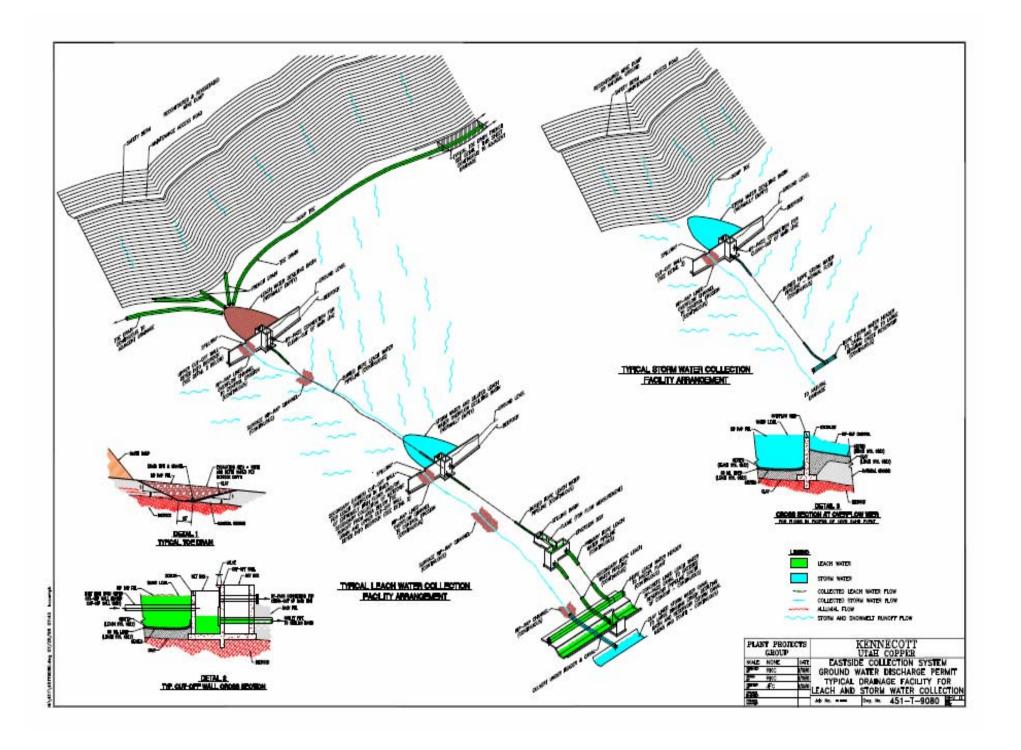


Yosemite Cutoff Wall



Toe Drains





South End Collection Pipeline



Summary

- The State has 3 ground water permits overseeing KUC South End operations, plus Barney's Canyon.
- Source controls, best available technology and ground water monitoring limit the potential for future contamination to the Salt Lake Valley aquifer.