

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office Of Surface Mining Reclamation And Enforcement
ABANDONED MINE LANDS
CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CERTIFICATION AND DETERMINATION

State: Kentucky PA: NA
Project Name: Sammy Maynard Group AML Reclamation Project Waste Area Amendment II
Project Description: Additional waste area for the previously approved project.

I. GENERAL EXCEPTIONS

Does the project type specifically require an EA in 516 DM 6, Appendix 8, as specified in Item I of the attached instructions? No Yes

II. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR EXCEPTIONS

Will the project have any of the following:

A significant adverse effect on public health or safety? No Yes

An adverse effect on any of the following unique geographic characteristics? If 'yes,' check the ones that apply: No Yes

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks (state, local or National) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wild or Scenic Rivers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation or Refuge Lands | <input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness Areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Floodplains |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ecologically Significant or Critical Areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Sole or Principal Drinking Water Aquifers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prime Farmlands | |

Highly controversial environmental effects? No Yes

Highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or unique or unknown environmental risks? No Yes

A precedent for future action or a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects? No Yes

Directly related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects? No Yes

Adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places? No Yes

Adverse effects on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species? No Yes

Require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Wetlands Protection) or The Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
Threaten to violate a Federal, State, Tribal or local law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>

III. RESOURCE IMPACT EXCEPTIONS		
Are there any unresolved issues or adverse effects requiring specialized mitigation for any of the following resources? If yes, check the ones that apply.	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Topography	<input type="checkbox"/> Historic and Cultural	
<input type="checkbox"/> Land Use (includes prime farmland)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation	
<input type="checkbox"/> Soils	<input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality	
<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation (includes wetlands)	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrology	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (includes socio-economics)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish and Wildlife		

IV. ATTACH CONSULTATION LETTERS AND A LOCATION MAP
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V. RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION	
Signature: <u>Robert F. Scott</u>	Date: <u>4/13/2012</u>
Name and Title: <u>Robert F. Scott, Director</u> <u>Division of Abandoned Mine Lands</u>	

VI. OSM DETERMINATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This project conforms with the exclusion criteria in 516 Dm 6, Appendix 8, and is excluded from further NEPA compliance.	
<input type="checkbox"/> This project does not conform with the exclusion criteria in 516 DM 6, Appendix 8, and requires an environmental assessment.	
Signature: <u>Joseph L. Blackburn</u>	Date: <u>5/15/12</u>
Name and Title: <u>Joseph L. Blackburn, Field Office Director</u>	