

## Coal Mine Reclamation in Montana

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**Video Abstract:** This is a short film produced by Montana Department of Environmental Quality and Backcountry Media. Initiated by MT DEQ the film collaborates with active coalmine operations of Montana. We aimed to show the scale of land disturbance while focusing on reclamation work accomplished over 40 years of regulated coal mining in Montana. We were fortunate to secure statements from people involved from the beginning of coal mining law while capturing surface and aerial imagery of mining and reclamation. This film is a glimpse into surface coal mining and reclamation processes attainable today.

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