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TOPIC: REVEGETATION REQUIREMENTS (Addendum to Report - 53)

INQUIRY: Locate guidelines in the legislative history or regulations that encourage forestry or fish and wildlife enhancement for the revegetation cover of mined areas.

SEARCH RESULTS: At the recent Annual Meeting of the Interstate Mining Compact Commission, Jack A. Muncy, Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) made a presentation on abandoned mined land reclamation.

The following documents, provided by Mr. Muncy, relate specifically to reclamation of surface coal mining areas using both wildlife enhancement and forestry methods, and are enclosed as attachments:

'Surface Mine Reclamation for Wildlife: A Model Reclamation Plan for Southern Appalachia.'
Prepared by Dale K. Fowler and Linda J. Turner. FWS/OBS-81/09. Fish and Wildlife Service,
U.S. Dept. of the Interior (June, 1981).

Muncy, Jack A. "Reclamation of 'Orphan' or Abandoned Coal Surface Mines in Southern Appalachia for Productive Forest and Wildlife Use". Paper presented at the "Better Reclamation with Trees" Conference (June, 1984).

In addition, a listing of applicable TVA Surface Mine Publications is attached, as well as the following paper related to reclamation of non-coal sites:

Muncy, Jack A. "Reclamation of Abandoned Mica, Feldspar, and Kaolin Surface Mines and Associated Tailings Disposal Sites in Western North Carolina". Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Surface Mining and Reclamation, Denver, Colorado, (October, 1985).