

EXPLANATION

NON-FEDERAL COAL LAND - Land for which the Federal Government does not own the coal rights.

AREA OF COAL LEASE ON FEDERAL LAND - Showing coal lease number.

ISOPACH - Showing thickness of coal, in feet. Arrow points toward area where coal zone is 5 feet or more thick.

Fa - Fairfield coal group

COAL ZONE SYMBOLS AND NAMES - Coal zones identified by bracketed numbers are not formally named, but are numbered for identification purposes in this quadrangle only.

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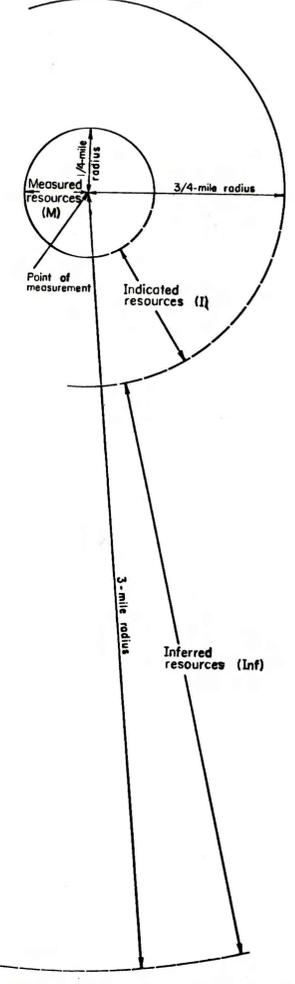
TRACE OF COAL BED OUTCROP - Showing symbol of name of coal zone as listed above. Arrow points toward coal-bearing area. Short dashed where projected by present authors.

INFERRED LIMIT OF BURNED AND CLINKERED COAL - Arrow points toward area of baked and fused rock.

STRIPPING-LIMIT LINE - Boundary for surface mining (in this quadrangle, the 200-foot-overburden isopach). Arrow points toward the area suitable for surface mining where the recovery factor is 85 percent, and away from the area suitable for subsurface mining (down dip to the 3,000-foot-overburden isopach) where the recovery factor is 50 percent.

RB	R(85%)	RB	R(50%)
4.77	1.24	7.60	2.84
0.33	0.16	0.05	0.04
			(Measured)
			(Indicated)
			(Inferred)

IDENTIFIED COAL RESOURCES - Showing totals for Reserve Base (RB) and Reserves (R), in millions of short tons, for each section or part of section of non-leased Federal coal land, both within and beyond the stripping-limit line. Reserve (R) tonnage is calculated by multiplying the Reserve Base (RB) tonnage by the appropriate recovery factor. Dash indicates no resource in that category. Underground Reserves have been calculated for only that part of the Reserve Base that is suitable for underground mining. Reserves have been calculated for a constant thickness of 12 feet for areas where the coal beds are more than 12 feet thick. Therefore, in some instances, underground Reserves may be less than 50 percent of the Reserve Base.



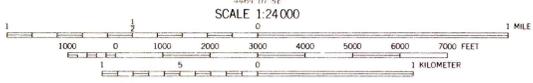
BOUNDARY LINES - Enclosing areas of measured (M), indicated (I), and inferred (Inf) coal resources. Dashed where projected from adjacent quadrangles.

To convert short tons to metric tons, multiply short tons by 0.9072.

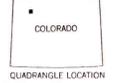
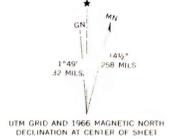
To convert feet to meters, multiply feet by 0.3048.

To convert miles to kilometers, multiply miles by 1.6093.

Base from U.S. Geological Survey, 1966



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COAL RESOURCE OCCURRENCE MAP OF THE NINEMILE GAP QUADRANGLE, RIO BLANCO AND MOFFAT COUNTIES, COLORADO

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PLATE 15
AREAL DISTRIBUTION AND IDENTIFIED RESOURCES MAPS OF THE FAIRFIELD COAL GROUP, COAL ZONES [12] AND [219]