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Disturbed Lands

Open pit mines are usually large operations.

Land Reclamation

South Korea National University Jae Yang was involved with fly ash use. Once the contour operator reaches the point where the height of the highwall makes it uneconomical to remove further overburden, the operator may choose to extract further coal, before beginning reclamation, by drilling into the face of the highwall with a mining auger.

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The challenge of topographic reconstruction is to produce landforms that approximate a state of dynamic equilibrium under prevailing environmental and climatic conditions Toy and Black and that meet the objectives for post-mining land uses Skousen and Zipper. Most miners were searching for gold and silver prospects.

Disturbed Lands

For example, with the general mining law 146 of 1854, the Emperor of the Austrian Hungarian Empire established an obligation to return mined landscapes to their original use by reclamation.

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As a result, most contour miners must dispose of their excess spoil in another fill or disposal area. Wildlife Damage often suffers severely as a result of strip mining. Topographic reconstruction is a critical step in the reclamation process, as the rebuilt landform is the foundation for all following reclamation practices Toy and Chuse.

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But while the guidelines laid out by OSMRE were hailed in many circles as an environmental advance that forced states to improve lax reclamation rules, many conservationists and land managers have long maintained that these guidelines lacked scientific rigor. The operator then extracts the coal and transports it to a power plant or to a rail line for shipment to a power plant.

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