

II. What is the status of the 3 year plan and how is the reclamation getting done? At what cost?

LAND RECLAMATION SITES ADVANCED

OPTION	# PROGRAM UTILIZED	COST/ACRE
Act 181/Licensed Operator	10	3000 – 5000 K/acre
Repermitting and Remining	6	0
Act 181/Landowner	3	< 1000/acre
Bond Credits	2	0
Reclamation Approved by Department (BAMR Projects)	2	Info not compiled
Reclaimed Corps of Engineers	1	0
Competitive Bidding	1	9 – 22 K/acre
GFCC	1	0

LAND RECLAMATION SITES NOT ADVANCED

OPTION	# OF SITES	COST/ACRE
Refuse – Future Co Gen Use	5	0
Project Not Advanced	6	0

*Surety Reclamation – By far the best and most cost effective method for reclaiming abandoned sites is through surety reclamation and by far most of DMO’s abandoned sites are reclaimed by this method.

III. How is the Conventional Bonding Program working as it applies to new PBF’s?

**Statewide we have competitive bid 2 PBF sites, one which was conventionally bonded and one which was not, but we did a conventional bond calculation on the site that was not.

<u>Case</u>	<u>Conventional Bond Calculation</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Low Bid</u>
Site 1	\$77,000	15	\$136,050
Site 2	\$212,000	15	\$327,500

IV. What have we learned?

Some obstacles in completing reclamation PBF's in addition to the funding shortfall are:

- remining proposals which are sometimes on again off again. While remining has always been one of the most cost effective method of reclaiming BF's they can cause significant delays in reclamation being completed and if the remining plan falls thru the Department often starts from scratch to reclaim the BF often at an increased cost because of the time delay.
- property owners who see potential for remining when none exists.
- change of property ownership with less than clear documents filed with deed at some county courthouses.

V. What are the future priorities now that we have advanced successfully with our land reclamation obligations?