RECLAMATION Managing Water in the West

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Recent Work Accomplishments at Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel and Treatment Plant

- 2001: A tracer dye test conducted near the Marion Shaft to better identify drainage pathways in the mining adits and tunnels under Leadville
- 2001: Reclamation hosts an Open House tour of the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel Treatment Plant
- 2001: Reclamation installs a water level indicator alarm that initiates the plant's auto-dialer for employees, if there is a malfunction
- 2001: Reclamation implements and completes much of its exploration plan. Part of this plan includes installation of new measuring equipment near the Tunnel
- 2001: Reclamation completes an Emergency Action Plan for the Leadville Mine Drainage Tunnel and Treatment Plant
- 2002: An audible warning system installed to alert nearby Village at East Fork residents in the event of an emergency. The system plays an alert message in English and Spanish
- 2003: Completion of the main access road improvements from Hwy 91 to the Treatment Plant and Village at East Fork
- 2003: Completion of secondary access road from the Village at East Fork to Hwy 24
- 2004: Reclamation participates in emergency response exercise with local authorities to test its Emergency Action Plan
- 2003-present: Testing of the audible warning system every other year