

Property of Special Collections, University of Washington Libraries



Carbonado Water System History

Bird's eye view of Carbonado the booming coal town, circa 1890-1905. Courtesy of

University of Washington libraries, special collections.

• Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.

- Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.
- 1937 the Carbon Hill Coal Company transferred water rights to Carbonado Improvement Company

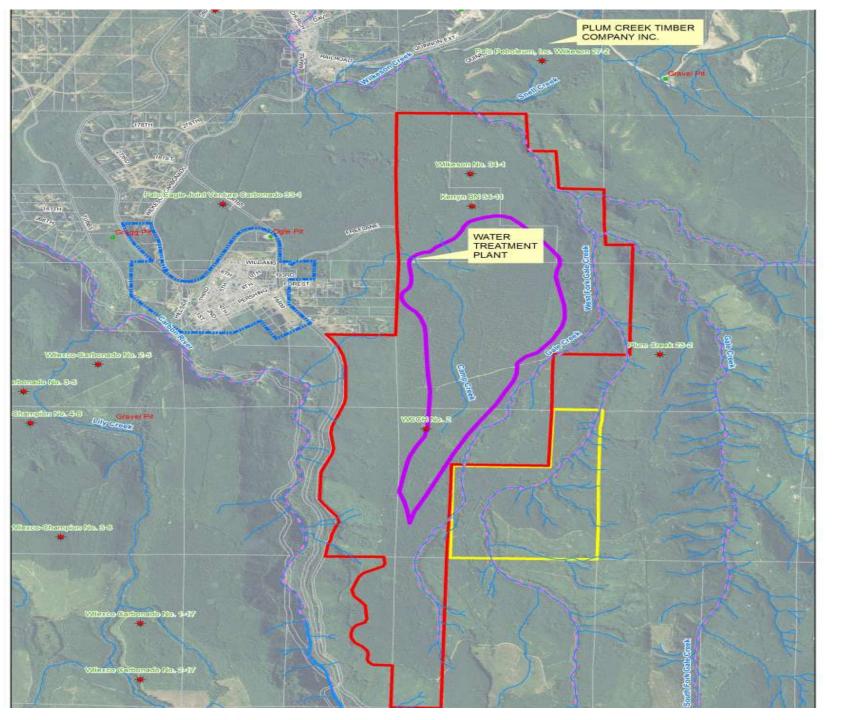
- Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.
- 1937 the Carbon Hill Coal Company transferred water rights to Carbonado Improvement Company
- 1948 Carbonado Improvement Company transferred water rights and easements to the Town of Carbonado, Inc.

- Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.
- 1937 the Carbon Hill Coal Company transferred water rights to Carbonado Improvement Company
- 1948 Carbonado Improvement Company transferred water rights and easements to the Town of Carbonado, Inc.
- 2005 Town of Carbonado attempted property acquisition from Plum Creek Timber Company.

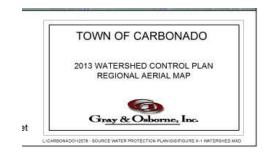
- Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.
- 1937 the Carbon Hill Coal Company transferred water rights to Carbonado Improvement Company
- 1948 Carbonado Improvement Company transferred water rights and easements to the Town of Carbonado, Inc.
- 2005 Town of Carbonado attempted property acquisition from Plum Creek Timber Company.
- 2006 The White River School District traded by way of a special warranty deed from ETP Timberlands Group LLC, which in turn had bought the property from Plum Creek Timber Company.

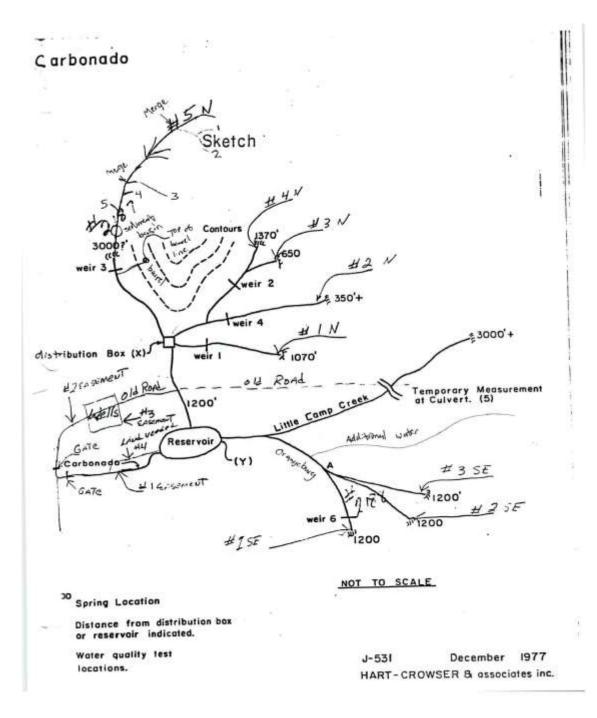
- Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.
- 1937 the Carbon Hill Coal Company transferred water rights to Carbonado Improvement Company
- 1948 Carbonado Improvement Company transferred water rights and easements to the Town of Carbonado, Inc.
- 2005 Town of Carbonado attempted property acquisition from Plum Creek Timber Company.
- 2006 The White River School District traded by way of a special warranty deed from ETP Timberlands Group LLC, which in turn had bought the property from Plum Creek Timber Company.
- The Town of Carbonado has applied for various grants to trade/purchase approximately 800 acres from the White River School District. To date, this has been unsuccessful.

- Carbonado Hill Coal Company was the largest producers of coal in the State of Washington between 1880 to 1937, owned water rights.
- 1937 the Carbon Hill Coal Company transferred water rights to Carbonado Improvement Company
- 1948 Carbonado Improvement Company transferred water rights and easements to the Town of Carbonado, Inc.
- 2005 Town of Carbonado attempted property acquisition from Plum Creek Timber Company.
- 2006 The White River School District traded by way of a special warranty deed from ETP Timberlands Group LLC, which in turn had bought the property from Plum Creek Timber Company.
- The Town of Carbonado has applied for various grants to trade/purchase approximately 800 acres from the White River School District. To date, this has been unsuccessful.
- There are no formal agreements between the Town and the White River School District concerning source water protection. However, the Town of Carbonado has long-established water rights, ownership of all water system infrastructure and limited right of way easements.















Beginning of # 5 N. Spring Line







5 N. springs 1 and 2 collecting to the Y, source of springs surfacing







Merging of # 5 N. springs 1 and 2 and end of line

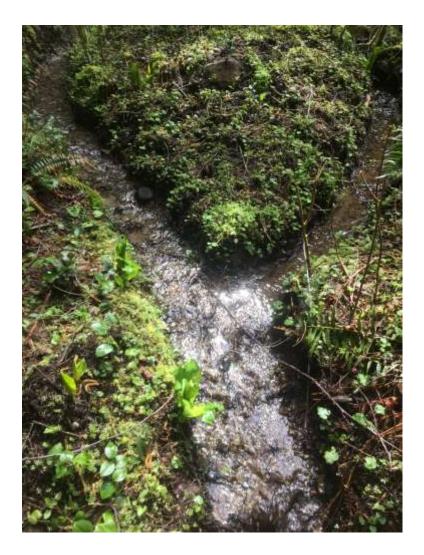






Start of 3rd Spring Line on # 5 N. and merge point





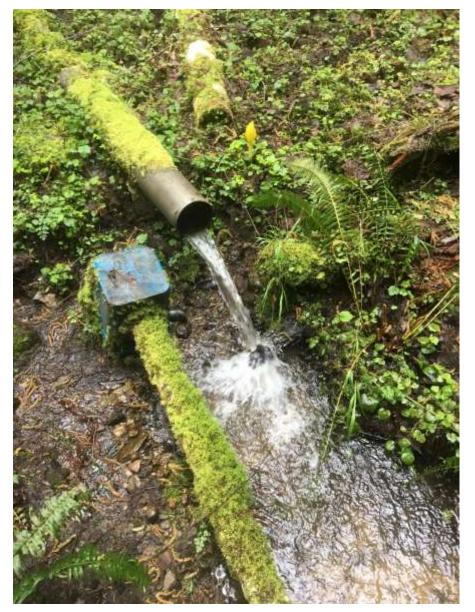


Additional water source (4) # 5 N., continuing to sediment basin





Additional water source (5) # 5 N., continuing to sediment basin





Water leaving the sediment basin, flowing into the catch bucket for the piping to distribution box.



Start of # 5 N. line

Catch barrel tying into # 5 N.



Clean out of # 5 N.





End of piping for #5 N.

Square box are patches in lines



Barrel line settling basin (KISS)



Barrel line bottom cap open during winter and closed during summer



Overhead view of Barrel line, settles debris, reduce turbidity to reduce costs of chemicals for treatment.



Gravity fall to # 5 N. Line









1 N. line beginning to end, notice wood pipe, used to help channel water around a mine shaft that had opened.



Flooded mine shaft opening near wood pipe



Collapsed mine shaft "dry"



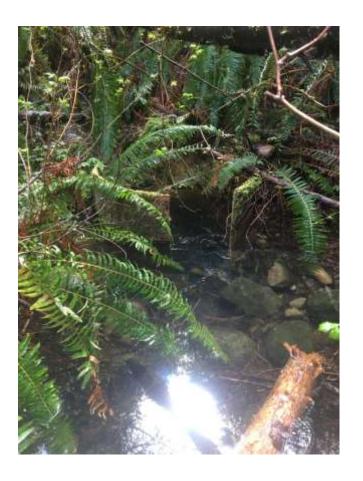
Upper left, end of pipe # 5 N. line



Collection of the N. lines into distribution box and to the raw water reservoir.









Beginning of #1, #2 and #3 SE the Orangeburg Line, source of springs surfacing



End of piping of #1, #2 and #3 SE Orangeburg Line



End of Orangeburg Line prior to piping into Little Camp Creek



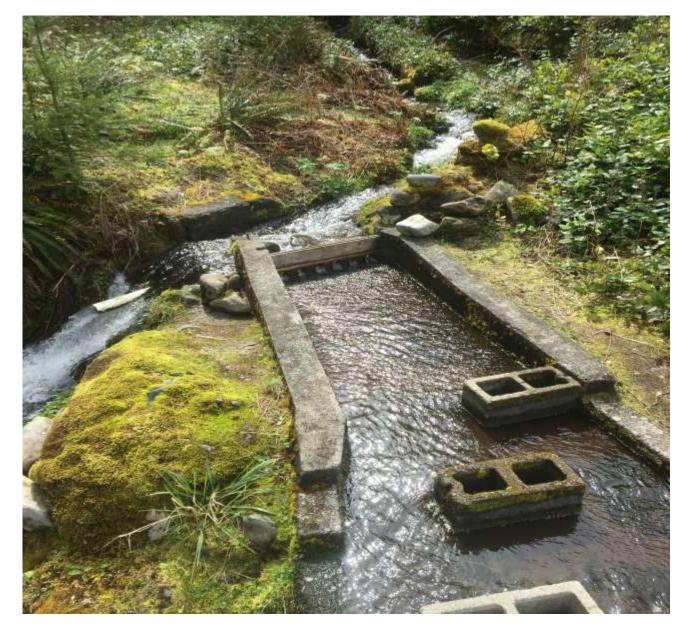








Where Orangeburg Line combines with additional lines and falls into Little Camp Creek



Little Camp Creek intake collection box looking upstream to water source



Little Camp Creek intake collection box looking downstream to water treatment facility and the pipe (at raw water reservoir) for the North Lines (used during summer months)



TOWN OF CARBONADO WATER TREATMENT FACILITY. SETTLING PONDS ARE IN THE FOREGROUND, TREATMENT PLANT BUILDING IS IN THE BACKGROUND RIGHT, AND CYLINDRICAL FINISHED WATER STORAGE TANK IS IN BACKGROUND CENTER.