

# Western States Coal Strategies Forum Coal's Economic Benefits and Challenges in the West

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### **Wolverine Fuels Overview**

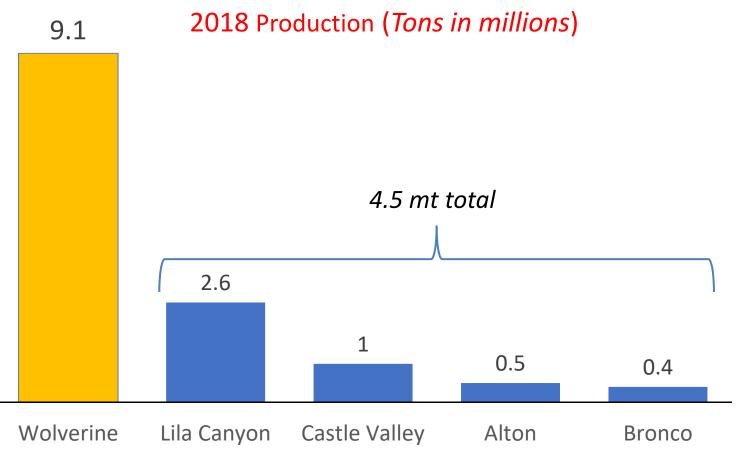
#### **Location Map**





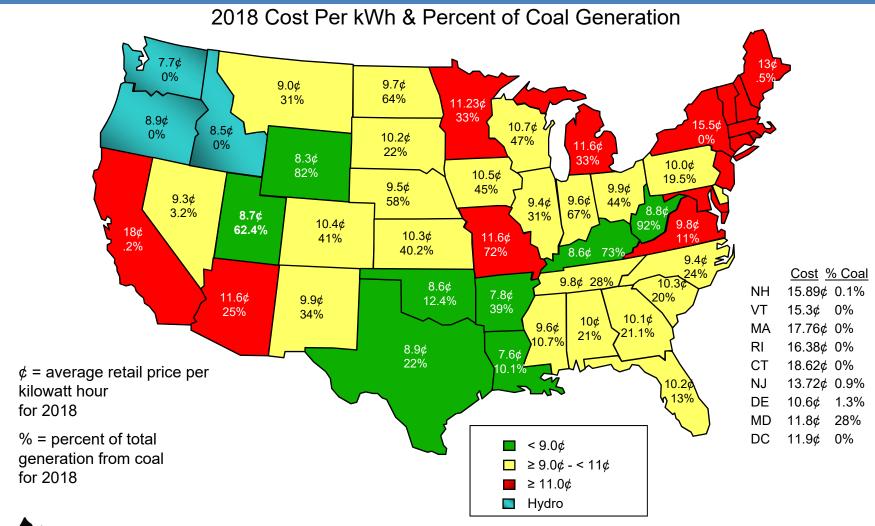
# Wolverine is the largest producer in Utah and largest supplier in the Western Bituminous Region

### Largest Utah Production Footprint by a Wide Margin





# In Utah, Fuel Matters Current Power Prices





### We are a Major Exporter of Utah Coal

#### Wolverine is the only major coal producer with exclusive US West Coast export capacity



- In 2018, Wolverine exported ~3 million tons of Utah coal!
- WF coal is branded internationally as a premium, lower sulfur, high btu product
- Our coal has been shipped to Central America, South America and Asia
- Vessels are primarily loaded at the Port of Stockton and topped off at the Port of Richmond

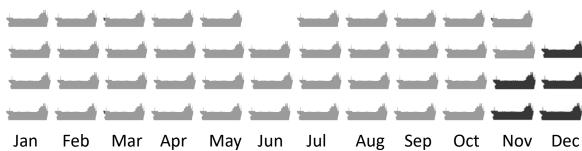


Wolverine (Utah) Coal bound for Japan



FD Angelica berthing at the Port of Stockton

#### 2019 Vessel Schedule





## Wolverine's Impact on Utah's Economy in 2018

	<u>Sufco</u>	<u>Skyline</u>	<u>Dugout</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total Production	4,895,041	3,614,000	566,682	9,075,723
Sales Value	\$169,613,171	\$128,333,140	\$20,768,895	\$318,715,206
Employment				
Full &Part Time	418	339	122	879
Contractor	43	36	12	91
Indirect Employment				
Contract Trucking	300	90	73	463
Other Support (3:1)	1,254	1,017	366	2,637
Total Jobs	2,015	1,482	573	4,070
Direct Economic Impact				
Payroll	\$44,284,730	\$31,151,000	\$9,855,000	\$85,290,730
Supplies, Services, Gov't Req., & Admin.	\$43,772,852	\$33,062,250	\$7,509,000	\$84,344,102
Utilities	\$3,980,463	\$5,086,000	\$1,268,000	\$10,334,463
Subtotal	\$92,038,045	\$69,299,250	\$18,632,000	\$179,969,295
Taxes & Royalties				
Property Taxes	\$1,398,710	\$946,750	\$325,000	\$2,670,460
Production Taxes	\$5,405,339	\$3,486,000	\$563,000	\$9,454,339
Royalties	\$10,296,869	\$17,433,000	\$2,025,000	\$29,754,869
Subtotal Taxes & Royalties	\$17,100,918	\$21,865,750	\$2,913,000	\$41,879,668
Total Direct Benefit	\$109,138,963	\$91,165,000	\$21,545,000	\$221,848,963
Indirect Economic Impact				
Trucking & Freight	\$34,674,674	\$35,920,000	\$3,802,000	\$74,396,674
Total Direct & Indirect Benefit	\$143,813,637	\$127,085,000	\$25,347,000	\$296,245,637



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### **Potential Future Economic Impact of Wolverine**

Future Royalties from Existing Leases at Sufco, Skyline, Dugout, and Fossil Rock Mines

\$291,270,000

Future Lease Costs and Economic Impact for Planned Additional Reserves

Projected Royalties

\$295,170,000

**Projected Costs** 

\$358,557,000

(NEPA/Permitting, Bonus Bid, CAPEX, etc.)

Regular Direct and Indirect Cost Over Projected Life of Mines

(Taxes, Payroll, Trucking Costs, Services, Supplies,

Regulatory Compliance, Administrative Costs, etc.)

\$6,841,756,000

**Total** 





#### Challenges Facing Wolverine Fuels, LLC

- Need market certainty that will encourage capital investments
  - Current long-term plans for the Hunter and Huntington Plants indicate life at least through 2036 and 2042, respectfully. These dates need to be maintained.
  - Incentivize Rocky Mountain Power to continue to burn Utah coal.
  - o Remove, to the extent possible, regulatory uncertainty.
- Access to capital
  - O How can financial institutions be incentivized to invest in Utah coal?
  - Are there Federal and State tax incentives that can be created to encourage investment?
- Significant funding for Clean Coal Technology
- Finding and keeping qualified employees



