

Timeline of Key Events at the Crandall Canyon Mine

November 2004: Genwal Resources, the operator of the Crandall Canyon Mine, seals shut the Main West section of the mine. Main West provided miners with access to the other sections of the western part of the mine.

August 2006: UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Murray Energy Corporation, acquires Andalex Resources, the parent company of Genwal Resources.

December 2006: A subsidiary of Murray Energy Corporation submits a roof control plan to MSHA for conducting retreat mining of the pillars in the North Barrier of Main West.

February 2007: MSHA approves the roof control plan for retreat mining the pillars in the North Barrier.

February to March 2007: UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. conducts retreat mining of the North Barrier.

March 2007: A bump in the North Barrier forces a temporary work stoppage at the mine and permanently stops the retreat mining in the North Barrier. The North Barrier is sealed shut.

May 2007: A subsidiary of Murray Energy Corporation submits a roof control plan to MSHA for conducting retreat mining of the pillars in the South Barrier of Main West.

June 2007: MSHA approves the roof control plan for retreat mining the pillars in the South Barrier.

July 2007: UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. begins retreat mining in the South Barrier.

August 2007: A bump in the South Barrier traps six miners. The six miners remain entombed in the mine. Three rescuers who attempted to reach them died in the effort.