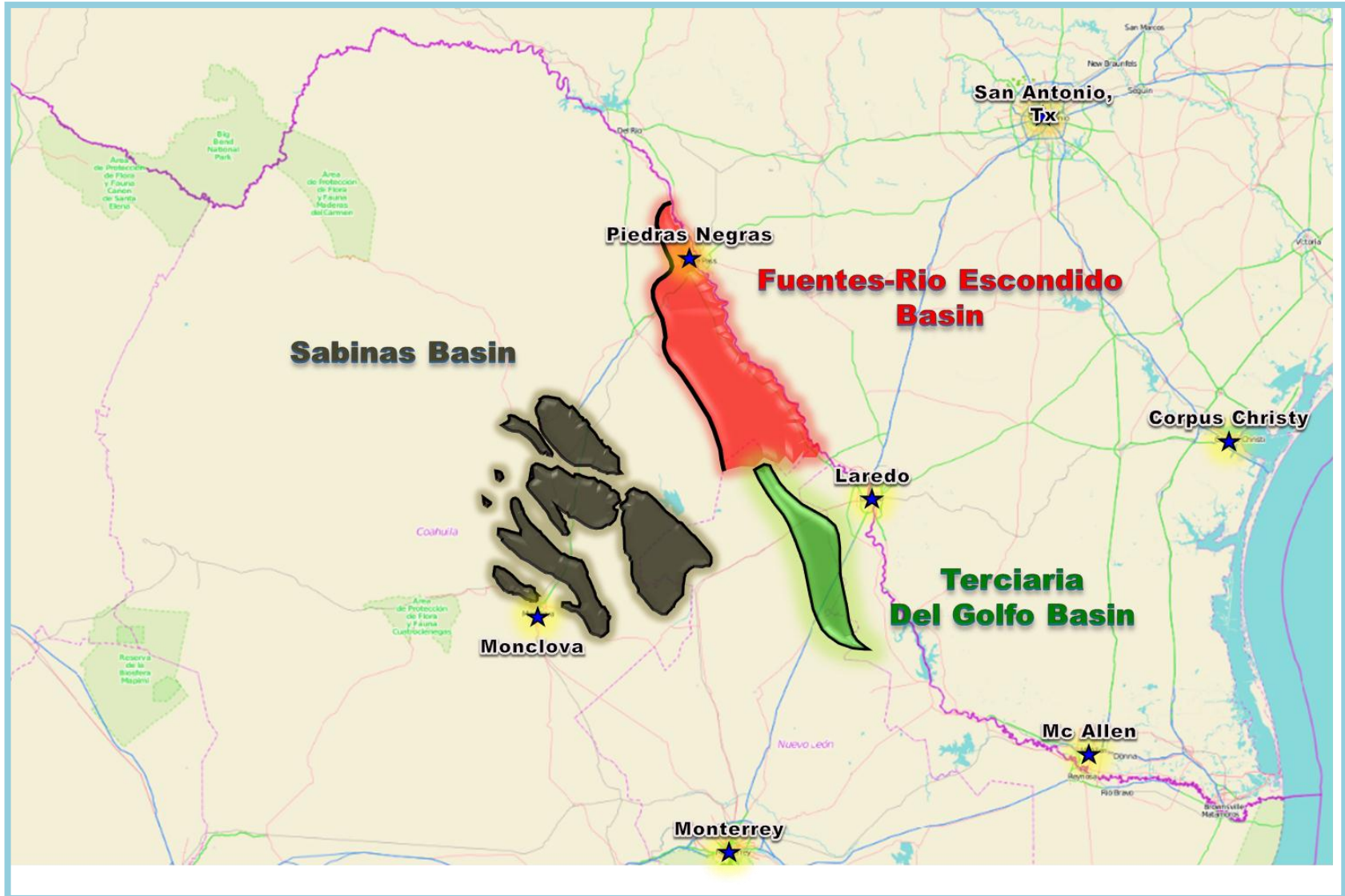




**Mine VII Micare Unit  
Minera del Norte S.A de C.v**

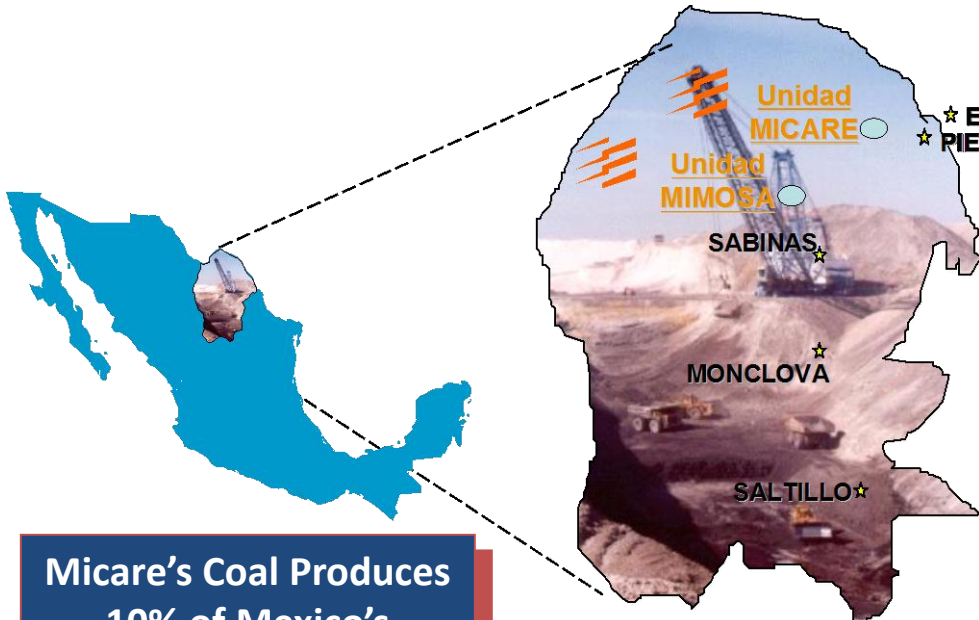
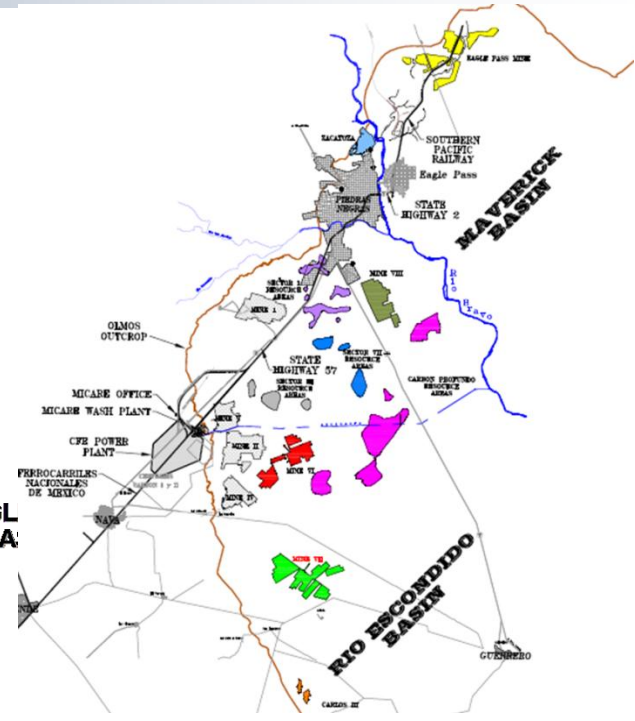


# Coahuila - Mexico Coal Basins





**Micare was established in 1977**

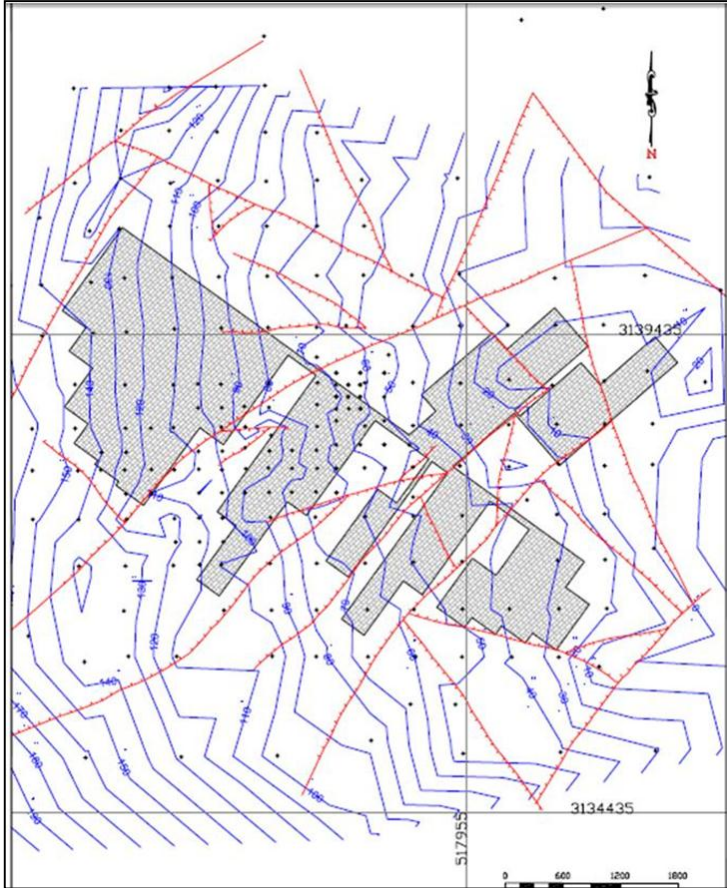


**Micare's Coal Produces 10% of Mexico's Electricity**

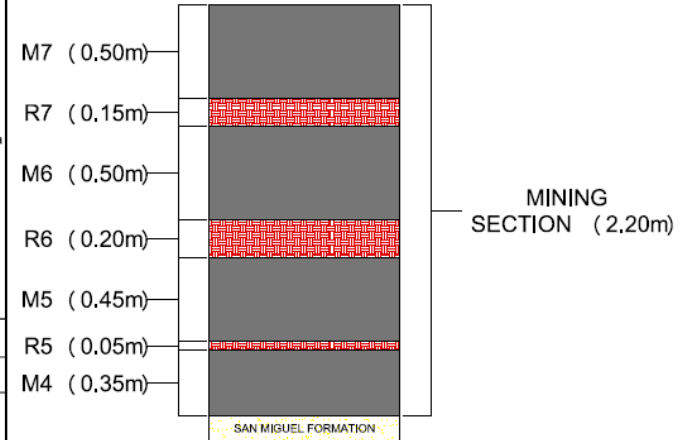
**We Operate:**  
2 Underground Mines  
1 Open Pit Mine  
2 Wash Plants

**Our Thermal Coal Client:**  
"Comision Federal de Electricidad" Mexican Government Entity

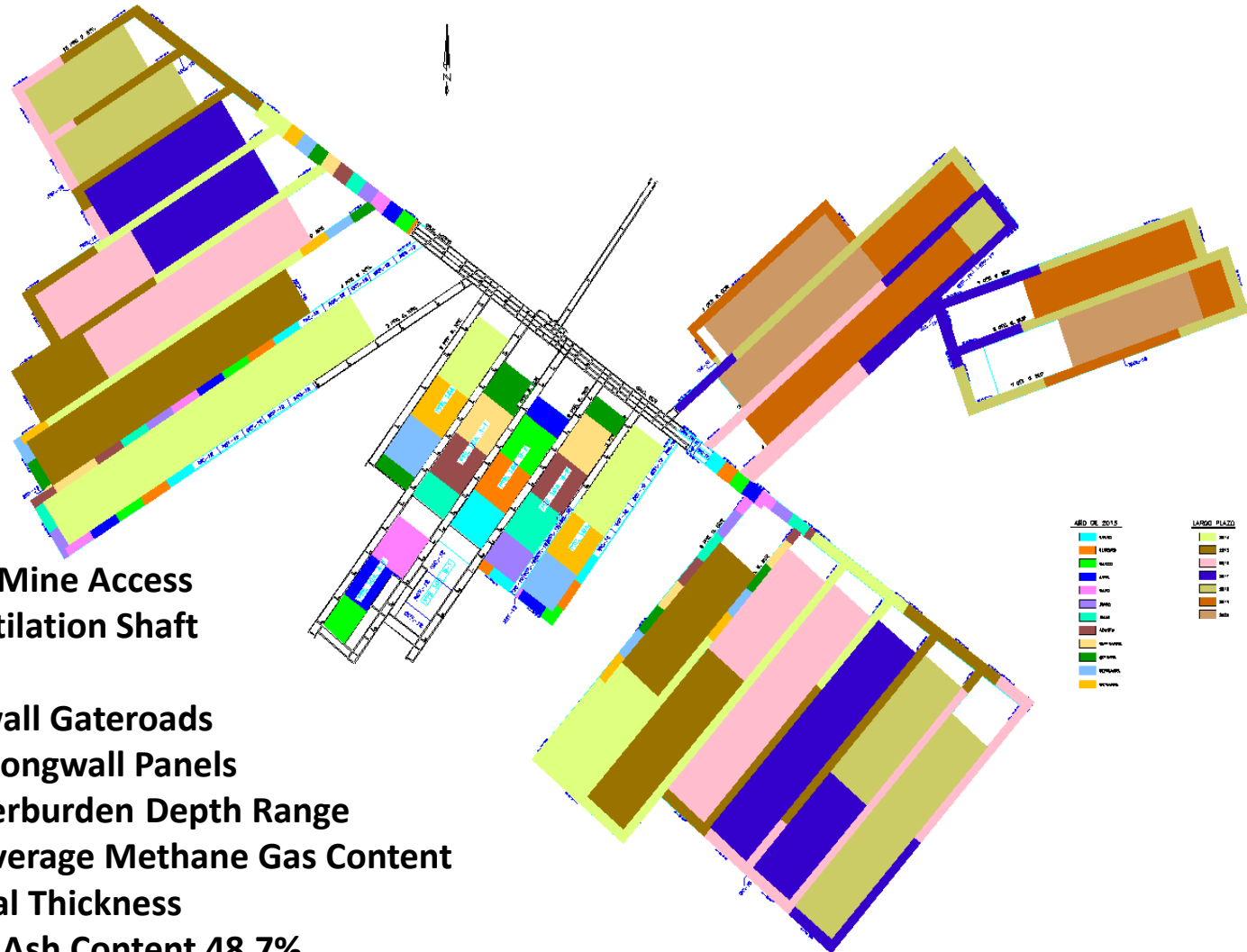
**Micare's Production:**  
7 millions tonnes of thermal coal annually.



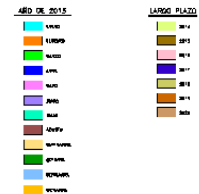
ERA	PERIOD	EPOCH	LITHOLOGY		FORMATION
			MIMOSA	MICARE	
Cenozoic	Neogene	Pleistocene	[Green stippled pattern]		unconsolidated granular material
		Pliocene	[Green stippled pattern]		Sabinas-Reynosa Conglomerate
		Miocene	[Green stippled pattern]		
Mesozoic	Cretaceous	upper	[Green stippled pattern]		Escondido
			[Green stippled pattern]		Olmos
			[Green stippled pattern]		San Miguel







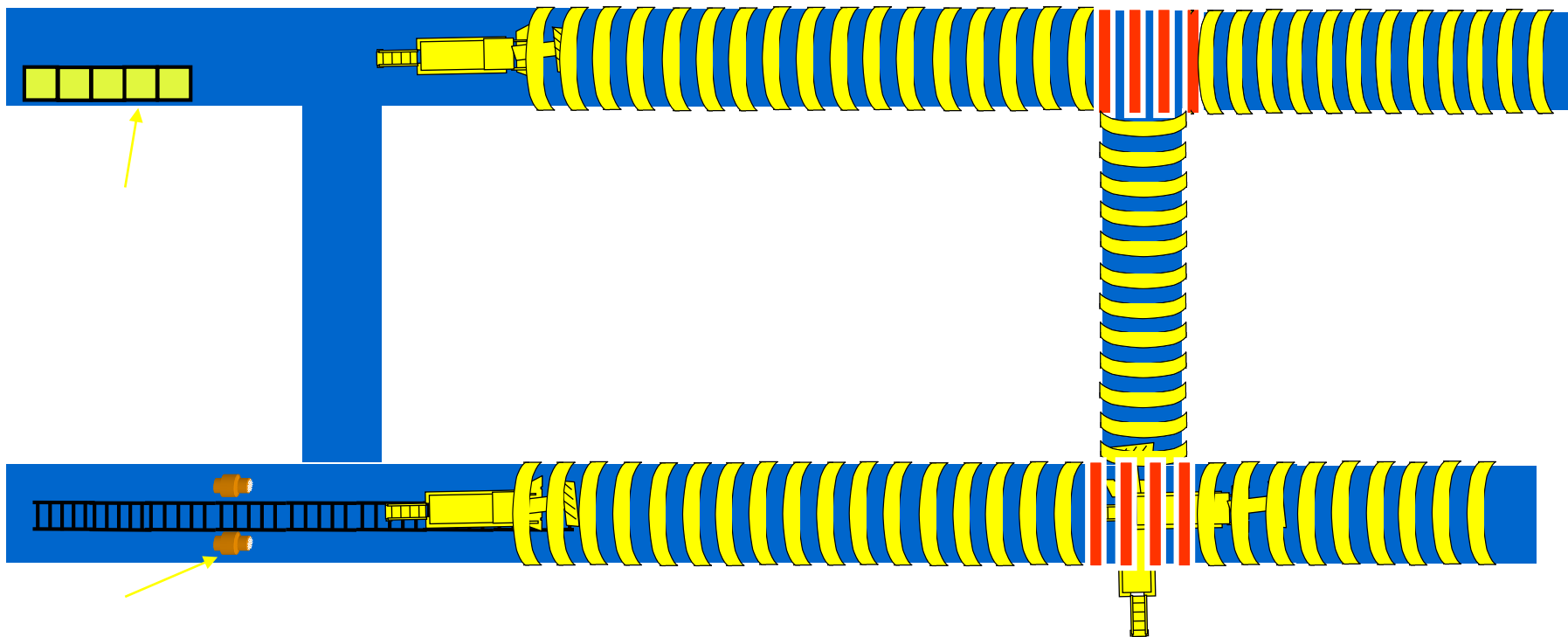
- 2-Entry Slope Mine Access
- 1 Vertical Ventilation Shaft
- 4-Entry Mains
- 2-Entry Longwall Gateroads
- 24 Projected Longwall Panels
- 180-340m Overburden Depth Range
- 7 m<sup>3</sup>/tonne Average Methane Gas Content
- 1.7 – 3.0m Coal Thickness
- Average ROM Ash Content 48.7%

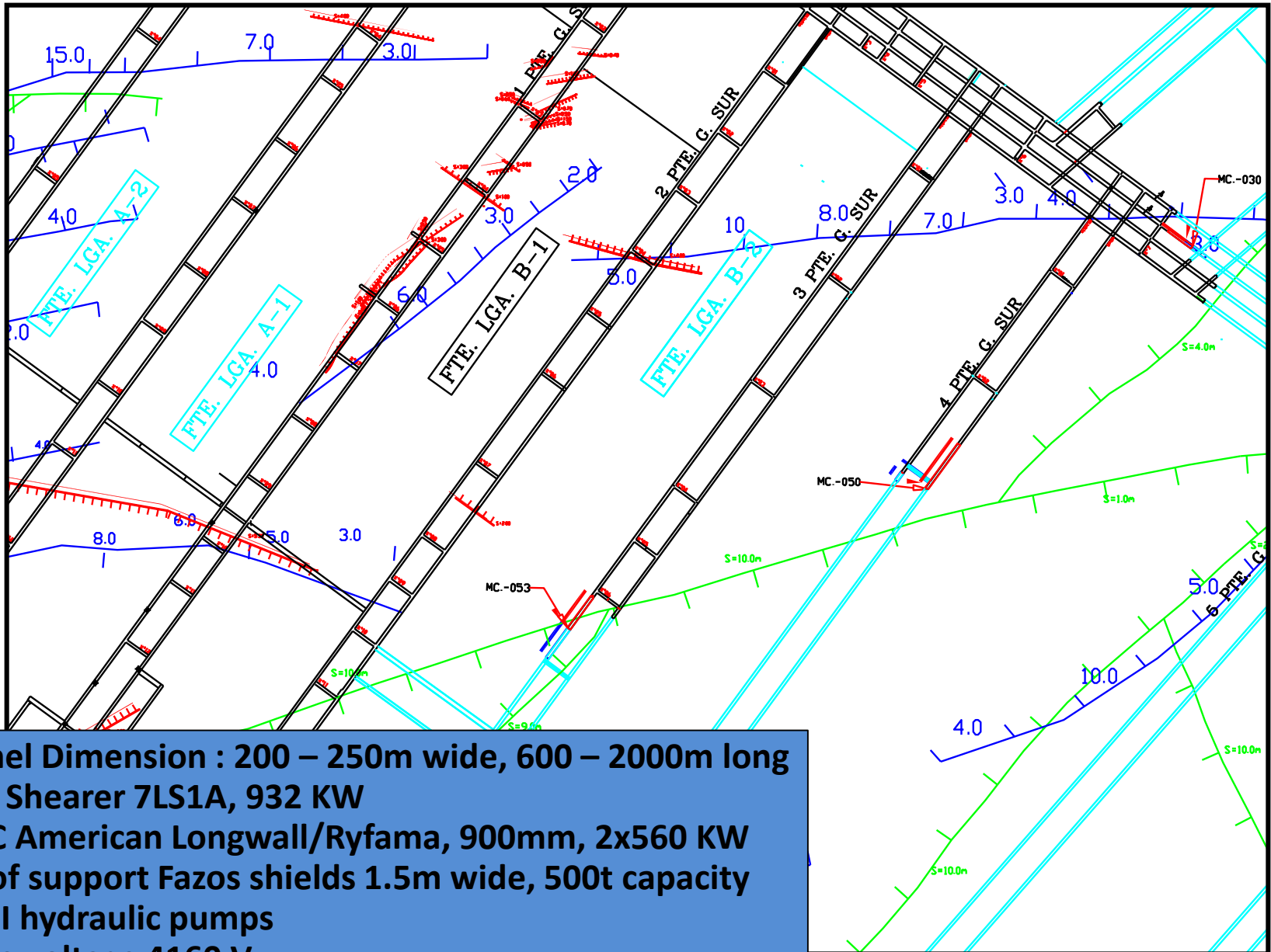


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ceniza	%	62.3	50.2	49.0	48.5	47.3	49.0	47.1	48.1	47.9	48.7
F. Larga	m	12,472.5	20,806.6	20,865.6	20,476.8	17,273.6	12,297.6	12,412.8	4,959.2		121,564.6
Desarrollos	m	437.6	4,275.9	3,453.4	3,712.8	3,819.2	3,570.4	3,557.2	3,157.2	2,728.9	28,712.6



- 8 to 9 Alpine AM-50 or IBS-130 road headers for mains and gateroad development
- 2-entry gateroad, horseshoe shaped entries having dimensions 4m wide x 3m high
- Steel arches 33 kg/m installed on 1m spacing with steel mesh between the arches
- Pillars dimensions 40m x 150m
- 2 face fans/section, 75/150 HP, blowing or exhausting
- 914 x 3000 mm (36"x10') fiberglass ventilation tube
- Advance Rates: 20,000m/year, 190m/month/unit

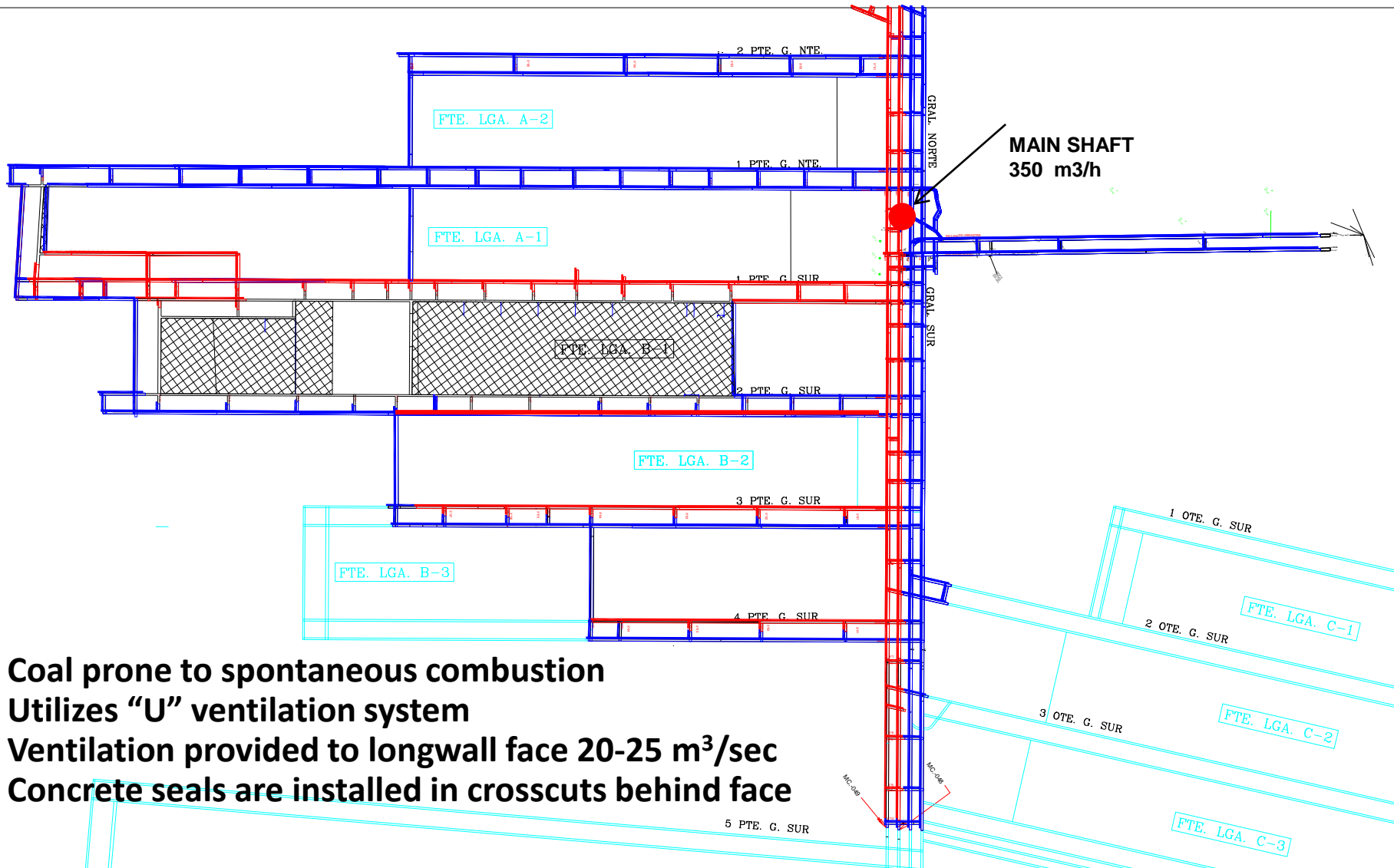




- Panel Dimension : 200 – 250m wide, 600 – 2000m long
- Joy Shearer 7LS1A, 932 KW
- AFC American Longwall/Ryfama, 900mm, 2x560 KW
- Roof support Fazos shields 1.5m wide, 500t capacity
- RMI hydraulic pumps
- Face voltage 4160 V



# Longwall Ventilation System

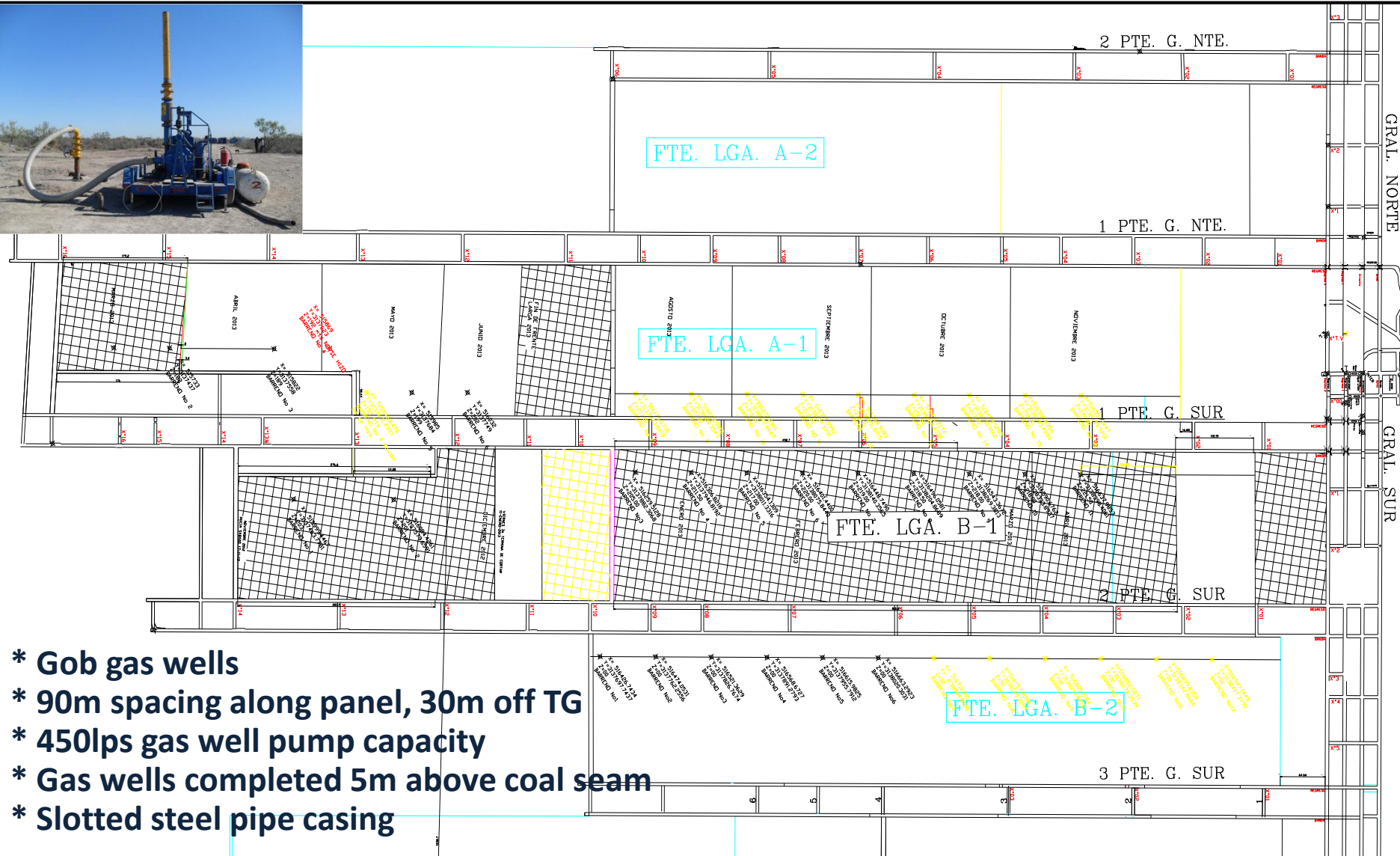


**Coal prone to spontaneous combustion**  
**Utilizes “U” ventilation system**  
**Ventilation provided to longwall face 20-25 m<sup>3</sup>/sec**  
**Concrete seals are installed in crosscuts behind face**





# Longwall Gas Control



Automated Monitoring System (AMS) – The main objective of the AMS is to monitor in real time the gas concentration in the working faces and other mine areas such as conveyor belts and returns, safe guarding the personnel's integrity and mine infrastructure.

The most common measured gases in coal mining are: Methane ( $\text{CH}_4$ ), Carbon Monoxide (CO), CO-Smoke for conveyor belts, among several others.




The system can shut down electrical power to a mine section once the concentration goes above the configured value; the same applies to conveyor belts. This is accomplished by programming the system with the maximum allowed values.

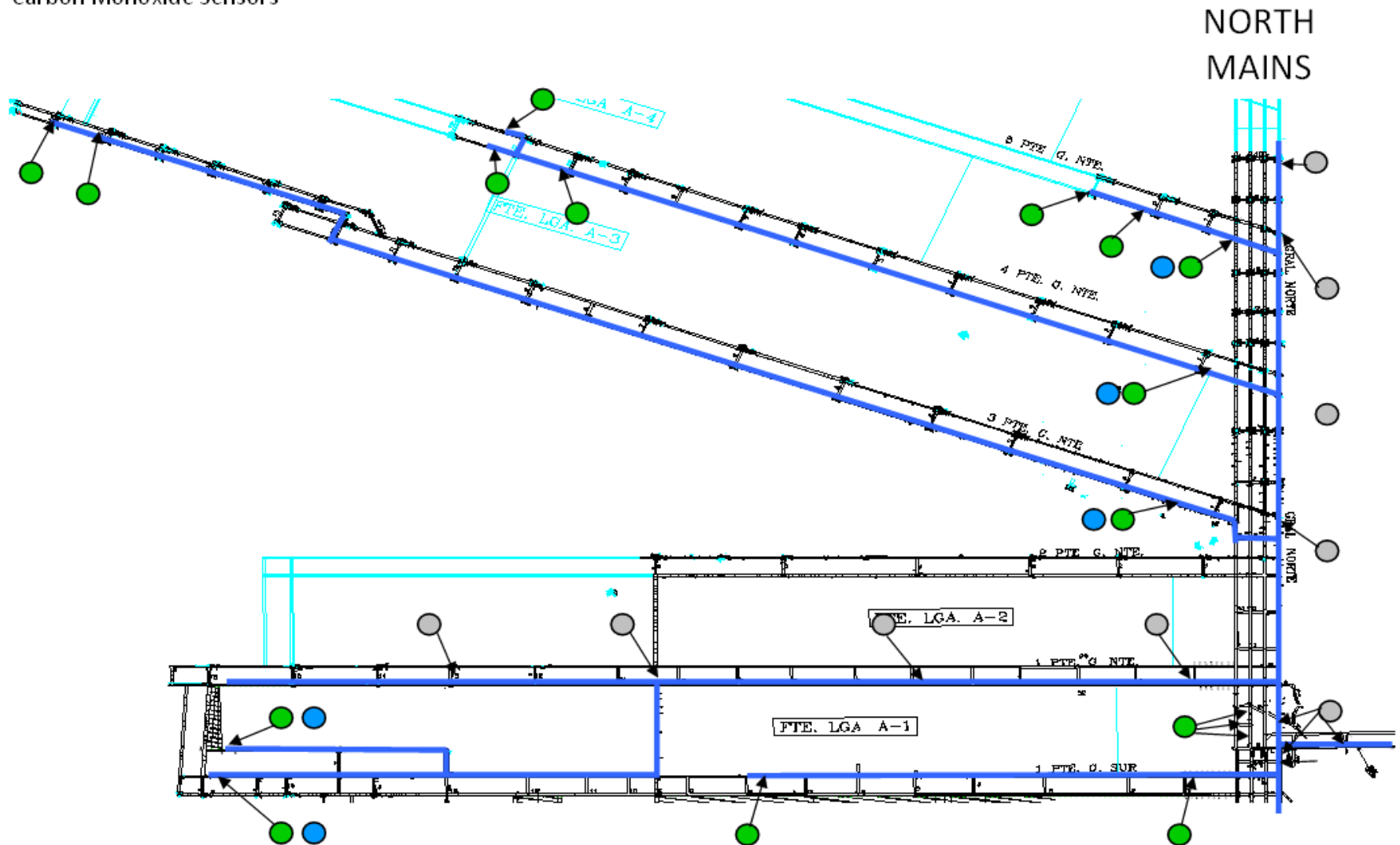
Mine evacuation alarms are also controlled via the Automated Monitoring System.



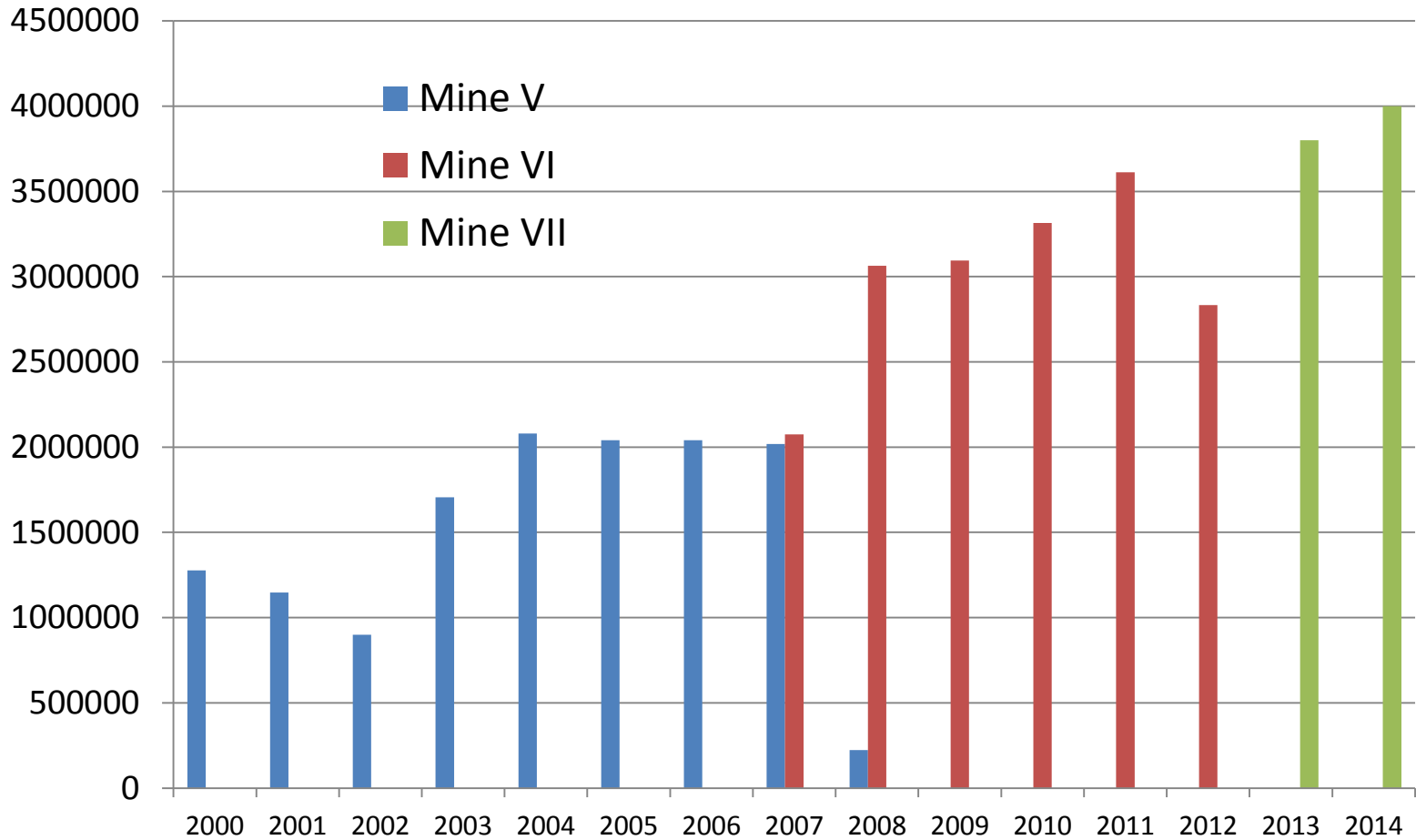
**Mine Control Room** – Personnel are available all shifts to monitor the gas measurements in the mine. Feedback is given to supervisors about the mine gases concentrations and actions are taken accordingly.

## Sensor Type and Location

-  Methane Sensors
-  Carbon Monoxide Sensors
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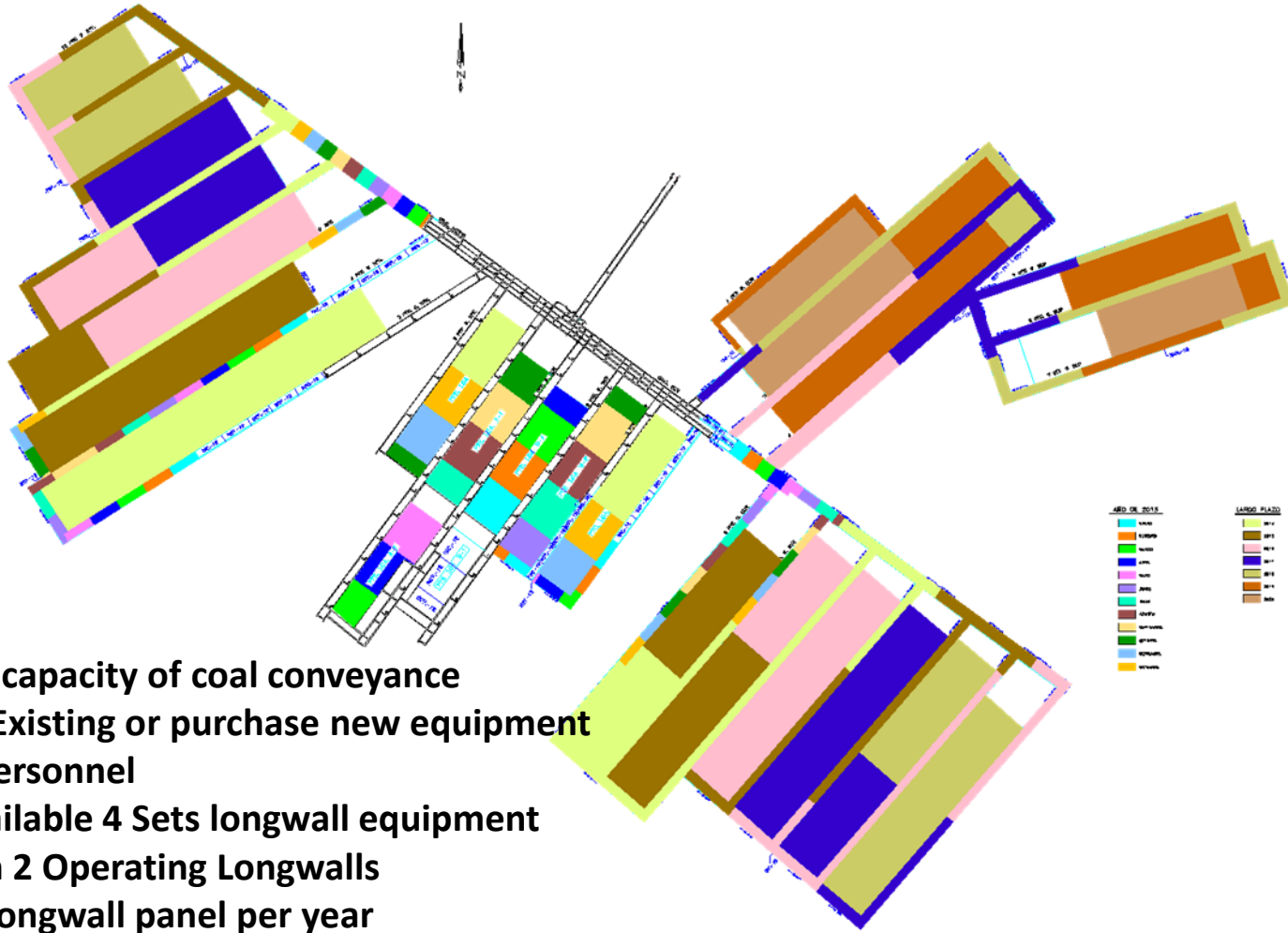


# Historical Underground Mine Production Micare Unit





# 4M Tonne Annual Production Strategy

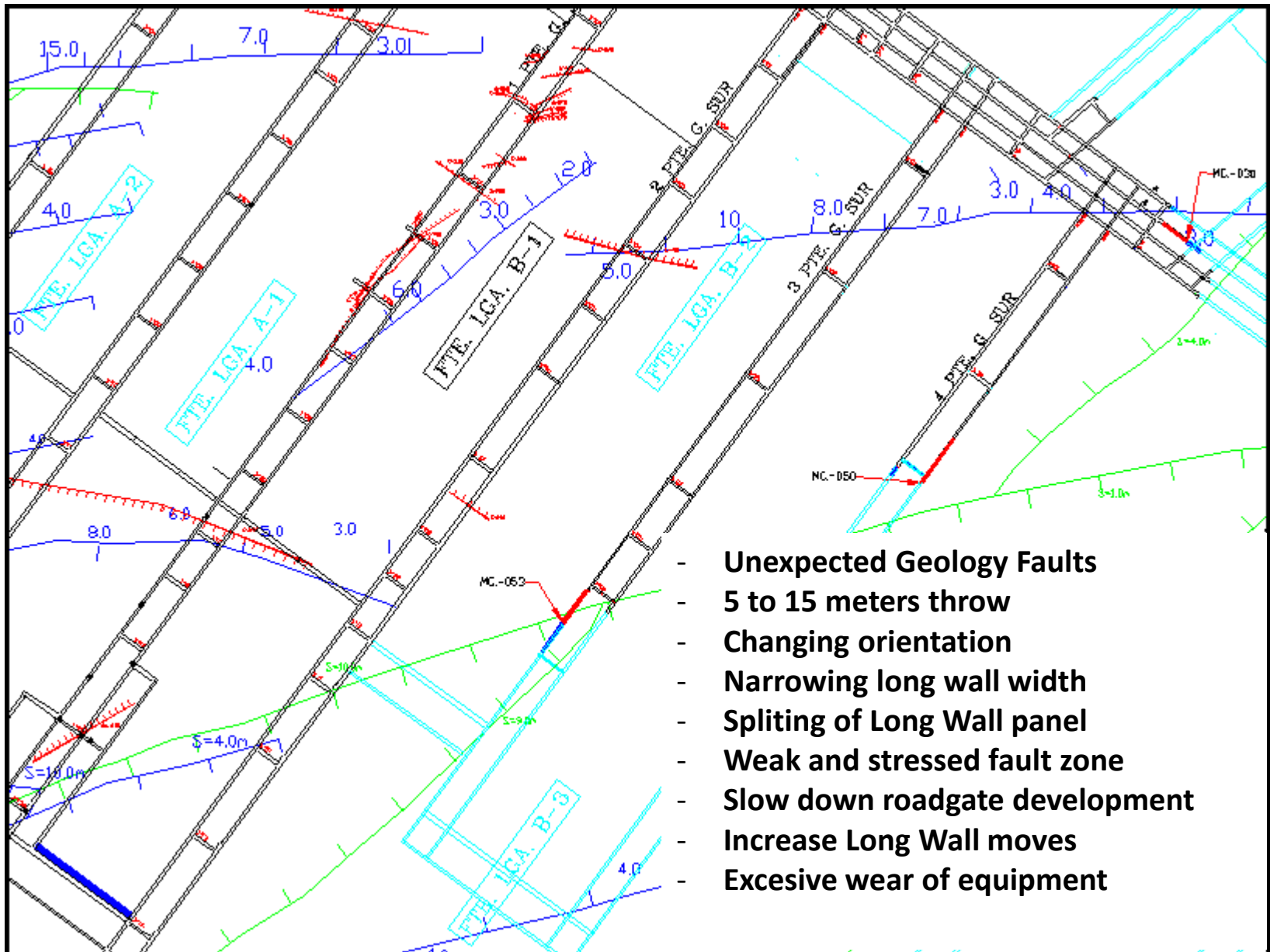


- Increase capacity of coal conveyance
- Rebuild Existing or purchase new equipment
- Skilled Personnel
- Have available 4 Sets longwall equipment
- Maintain 2 Operating Longwalls
- Mine 4 Longwall panel per year

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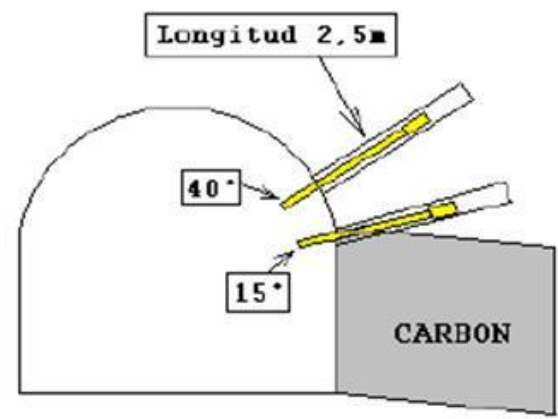
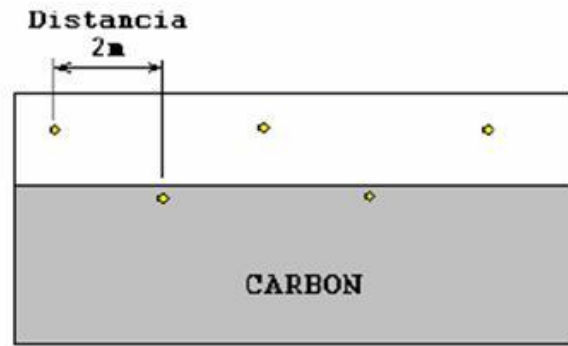
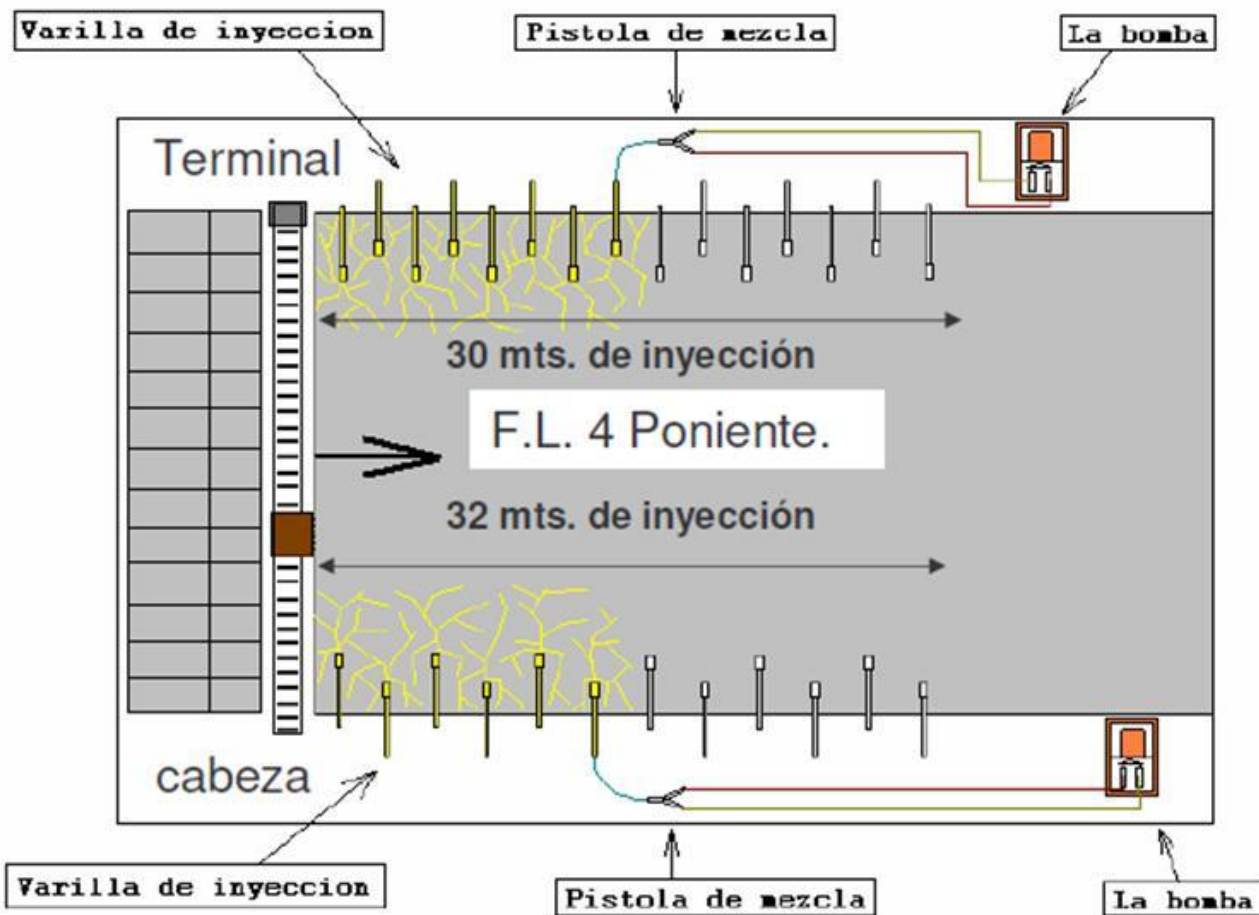
# 4 MM T Production Constraints



- Unexpected Geology Faults
- 5 to 15 meters throw
- Changing orientation
- Narrowing long wall width
- Splitting of Long Wall panel
- Weak and stressed fault zone
- Slow down roadgate development
- Increase Long Wall moves
- Excessive wear of equipment



# Longwall polyurethane injection system







## Timely Fault Detection for Mine Planning

- Reduce the size of the exploration grid (increased drilling)
- Utilize seismic detection methods

## Decrease Longwall Move Duration Times

- Acquire spare components/parts in advance
- Increase gateroad development rates
- Increase productivity
- Increase number of roadheader units
- Reduce roof support cost
- Rebuild equipment in-house







# Geological Fault Detection - Reflection Seismic Method

