



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

February 3, 2015

Ron Velarde
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Northwest Region Manager
NW Region Administrative Office
711 Independent Ave.
Grand Junction, CO 81505

**Re: Peabody Sage Creek Mine (Permit No. C-2009-087)
Permit Renewal Application No. 1 (RN-1)**

Dear Mr. Velarde:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, in accordance with Title 34, Article 33, Section 118, Paragraph 3, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, that on February 3, 2015, an application to renew an existing permit to conduct coal mining operations at the Peabody Sage Creek Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. All review and comment periods as provided in the Colorado Surface Mining Reclamation Act and the Rules initiate from this date of filing.

Peabody Sage Creek Mining, LLC proposes to continue underground coal mining and/or reclamation operations on land located approximately 9 miles Southeast of Hayden. The permit area is further described as follows:

Township 5 North, Range 87 West, all or portions of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21 and 22; Township 6 North, Range 87 West, all or portions of Sections 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36

Approximately 9 miles south and east of the town of Hayden, CO to the East of Routt County Road 27 at an approximate elevation of 6800 feet AMSL Mount Harris/Milner Quadrangle Map

The above-mentioned tracts of land are shown on the following USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangle map(s): Mount Harris.



Permit Renewal No. 1 submitted by Peabody Sage Creek Mining, LLC proposes to renew the Peabody Sage Creek Mine permit No. C-2009-087.

This renewal application does not propose revisions to the approved mining and reclamation plan, nor is there any proposed surface disturbance outside of the currently approved disturbance area.

A copy of the renewal application is available for public inspection at the Routt County Clerk and Recorder, 136 6th Street, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477, and at the Division office, Room 215, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567.

In order for us to comply with regulatory time frames, we request that comments be submitted to the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety at the above address by April 4, 2015. If no comments are received by this date, we will proceed on the assumption that your agency has no concerns with or objections to the applicant's proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason D. Musick", is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

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