

COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

May 7, 2015

Alan Boehms Office of Surface Mining Western Regional Coordinating Center 1999 Broadway, Suite 3320 Denver, CO 80202

Re: Bowie No. 2 Mine (Permit No. C-1996-083) Technical Revision Application No. 101 (TR-101) Incorporation of a Baseline Vegetation Report and a Phase II Bond Release Vegetation Report.

Dear Mr. Boehms:

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 May 7, 2015, an application to revise coal mining operations at the Bowie No. 2 Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

Technical Revision No. 101 (TR-101) incorporates a vegetation resources inventory report and a Phase II bond release vegetation report into the Bowie Resources, LLC's Bowie No. 2 Mine Permit No. C-1996-083. In addition, TR-101 includes a soil loss comparison for 77 gob vent bore holes and associated roads located east of Terror Creek. The applicant is not proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

The underground coal mining operation is on land located approximately 5 miles Northeast of Paonia, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

Portions of Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 22, Township 13 South, Range 91 West of the 6th P.M. Portions of Sections 33 and 34, Township 12 South, Range 91 West of the 6th P.M.



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

The Division has interpreted 30 CFR 746.18 to determine that this application as submitted does not constitute a Mining Plan Action. If the proposal is significantly changed during our review process, we will consult with you on whether a Mining Plan Action should be initiated and direct the applicant to send the revision application materials to your office for review as necessary.

Sincerely,

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