



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

July 20, 2015

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

**Re: Seneca II-W Mine (Permit No. C-1982-057)
Permit Renewal Application No. 6 (RN-6)**

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 July 10, 2015, an application to renew an existing permit to conduct coal mining operations at the Seneca II-W 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.

Seneca Coal Company, LLC proposes to continue surface coal mining and/or reclamation operations on land located approximately 9 miles South of Hayden, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

T5N, R88W; All of Section 15; Portions of Sections 9, 10, 11, 14, 16, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 34, and 35

T6N, R88W; Portions of Sections 14, 23 and 24

T6N, R87W; Portions of Sections 17, 18, 19

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



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 Hayden Public Library, 201 E. Jefferson Avenue, Hayden, CO 81639, 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 September 8, 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,



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