

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

September 8, 2015

Assistant State Supervisor U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Ecological Services 445 W. Gunnison Ave, Suite 240 Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711

Re: Munger Canyon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-020)
Technical Revision No. 26 (TR-26)
Incorporate Changes Requested in Midterm MT-7.

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety hereby issues notice, in accordance with Title 34, Article 33, Section 116, Paragraph 4, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, that on September 4, 2015 an application to revise coal mining operations at the Munger Canyon Mine was considered complete for the purposes of filing. The revision was submitted by CAM Mining, LLC. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

TR-26 incorporates the requested changes by DRMS to the Munger Canyon Mine's permit as part of the Midterm No. 7 process. 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 18 miles North of Loma, Colorado. The permit area is further described as follows:

18 miles North of Loma, Colorado in Munger Canyon (mine site) and 1/2 mile east of Loma (rail loadout site)

The above-mentioned tracts of land are shown on the following USGS 7.5 minute Quadrangle map(s): Howard Canyon, Garvey Canyon, Mack.



Because the above referenced technical revision application may incorporate additional lands into the permit area or might otherwise alter previously approved permit conditions or mitigation measures, the Division is coordinating with the Office of Surface Mining on evaluation of the potential for impacts to threatened or endangered species of plants or animals, or wildlife species otherwise protected by federal law. A copy of the permit section addressing potential effects of the operation to threatened and endangered (T&E) species has been forwarded to the Office of Surface Mining. The OSM will prepare any biological assessment necessary for approval based on the information provided in the application, and OSM will coordinate with your office as necessary. This coordination is required to ensure mitigation of potential impacts to federally protected wildlife species.

The applicant is required to publish notice in the *The Daily Sentinel* that this application has been deemed complete. At the time of publication of this notice, the applicant is additionally required to place a copy of this application at the Mesa County Clerk and Recorder, 200 S. Spruce Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, and at the Division office. For additional information or to provide written comments, contact the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 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 within ten (10) days of this letter.

Please contact me at the number above if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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