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PUBLIC NOTICE

Seneca Property, LLC, 29515 Routt County Road 27, Oak Creek, Colorado 80467, has requested release of Partial Phase I liability on 94.9 acres and Partial Phase III liability on 277.2 acres of it reclaimed lands at the Seneca Yoast Mine (CDRMS Permit No. C 1994-082, approved August 5, 1995).

The Seneca Yoast Mine is located approximately 8.5 mile southwest of the Town of Hayden, Colorado, off of Routt County Road 27. The specific area to which this bond release request applies is included within the Permit Area located as follows:

T6N, R87W
Section 28: Portions of NW ¼, NW¼ SW ¼, SW ¼ NE ¼
Section 29: Portions of SE ¼
Section 32: Portions of NW¼ NE ¼, W ½ E ½

T5N, R87W
Section 5: Portions of W ½ E ½
Section 8: Portions of NW¼, SW¼, W ½ NE¼, and W ½ SE¼
Section 16: SW¼NW¼, NW¼SW¼, and portions of SW¼SW¼, NW¼NW¼, SE¼NW¼, NE¼SW¼, and SW¼ SE¼
Section 17: All
Section 18: NE¼SE¼, S ½ SE¼
Section 19: E ½ and portions of E ½ W ½
Section 20: SW¼NW¼, N ½ NW¼, W ½ SW¼ and portions of N ½ NE¼
Section 29: NW¼ NW¼
Section 30: N ½ NW¼

in the Seneca Yoast Mine Permit Application Package located at the Twentymile Mine Office, Oak Creek, Colorado.

A copy of the SL-6 bond release application is available for public inspection at the Twentymile Mine Office, 29515 Routt County Road 27, Oak Creek, Colorado 80467. Written comments or objections or requests for public hearing or informal conference concerning this application may be submitted to, and additional information obtained from, the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203-2273, (303) 866-3567. Comments must be received within 30 days of the last publication of this notice or within 30 days of the onsite inspection, whichever is later.

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All located west of the 6th Principal Meridian; totaling 2318.3 acres, of which 94.9 acres for Phase I Release and 277.2 acres for Phase III release are requested in the combined Partial Bond Release (SL 6). The USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangle maps for Dunckley and Mt. Harris contain the described affected area.

A Corporate Surety Bond in the amount of \$2,221,677.26 is currently in place of which \$399,605 is being requested for release. Pursuant to Rule 3.01.1, a permittee may request Phase I bond Release upon successful completion of backfilling, regarding, and drainage control in accordance with the approved reclamation plan. A permittee may request Phase III Bond Release upon completion of all surface mining operations in accordance with the approved reclamation plan, and the final inspection and procedures of Rule 3.03.2 have been satisfied, achieving postmining land used of Rangeland. Phase III shall not be released prior to a ten year liability period specified for vegetation responsibility and success. The portion of the mine for which Bond Release is being requested consists primarily of permanent roads, permanent ponds, and previously released areas. Reclamation of the disturbed mining areas and demolition of non-permanent structures occurred throughout the reclamation phases from 1997 through 2013. The approved reclamation plan can be viewed in its entirety



Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of Routt,

State of Colorado

the 11th day of Jan. A.D. 2017.


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