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NEW ELK COAL COMPANY

PUBLIC NOTICE

New Elk Coal Company, 12550 Highway 12, Weston, CO 81091, the operator of the New Elk Mine, has submitted to the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety an application for renewal of the New Elk Mine Permit, Number C-81-012. Renewal of the mining permit will allow for continued mining and reclamation activities over the next 5- year permit term. The application was deemed complete by the Division on September 7, 2018.

The New Elk Mine is located approximately 7 miles west of Weston, Colorado in Township 33 South, Range 68 West, in sections 13, 14, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27. These sections can be located on the USGS 7.5 minute Vigil and Weston quadrangle map contains the area of the referenced activity. The permit area encompasses approximately 4,201.90 acres with 223.80 acres of surface disturbance.

A copy of the renewal application is on file for public inspection at the Las Animas County Courthouse, Office of County Recorder and with the Division of Minerals and Geology. Any written comments, objections, or requests for an informal conference on this permit renewal must be submitted to the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203, telephone number (303) 866-3567, within 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice.

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