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I, **Mary Culver** do solemnly swear that I am **Secretary of Forum Newspapers, Inc.**; that the same is a weekly newspaper printed in whole or in part, and published in the County of Montrose, State of Colorado, and has a general circulation therein; that said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterrupted in said County of Montrose for a period of more than fifty-two weeks prior to the first publication of the annexed legal notice or advertisement; that said newspaper has been admitted to the United States mails as second-class matter under the provisions of Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof, and that said newspaper is a weekly newspaper duly qualified for publishing legal notices and advertisements within the meaning of the laws of the State of Colorado.

That the annexed legal notice or advertisement was published in the regular and entire issues of every number of said weekly newspapers for the period of 2 consecutive insertions; and that the first publication of said notice was in the issue of the newspaper dated March 19 A.D., 20 20, and that the last publication of said notice was in the issue of said newspaper dated March 26 A.D., 20 20

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand

this 26 day of March A.D., 20 20  
Mary Culver

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public  
in and for the County of Montrose, State of Colorado

this 26 day of March A.D., 20 20

[Signature]  
(Notary Public)

My Commission Expires 03-04-2021

### Legal Publication

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED DECISION

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has issued a proposed decision to approve Bond Release Application No. 22 (SL-22) for the New Horizon Mine, Permit No. C-1981-008. Phase I release of 3.0 acres, Phase II release of 132.4 acres, and Phase III release of 157 acres. The surface operation is operated by Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LLC under the provisions of the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act of 1979. The bond release application was submitted by Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LLC on June 24, 2019. The operator is requesting a partial bond release consisting of Phase I bond release on 3.0 acres, Phase II bond release on 132.4 acres, and Phase III bond release on 157.0 acres. The affected area is located in Montrose County, approximately 1.7 miles Northwest of Nueda, Colorado.

Copies of the proposed decision are available for review at the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety office, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203, and on the Division's website at <http://mining.state.co.us/ReportsMiningData/Pages/ImageDocumentData.aspx>. A user's guide for our document imaging system is also available in pdf format at the same web address.

Any person who has an interest which is or may be adversely affected may request an adjudicatory hearing regarding this proposed decision. Requests for a hearing must be made in writing within thirty (30) days of the first publication of this notice, and shall state with reasonable specificity the reasons for the request and objections to the proposed decision.

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