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C1980007, West Elk Mine, MR-446, Notice of Formal Public Hearing

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Please find the hearing notification attached.

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**RE: Notice of Formal Board Hearing
West Elk Mine, C-1980-007, MR-446**

Dear Party and/or Interested Person:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has received a written objection to its decision to approve MR-446.

The application for MR-446 was submitted to the Division on June 13, 2020, by Mountain Coal Company, LLC. (Applicant). The decision to approve MR-446 was issued by the Division on June 15, 2020. An objection to the decision and request for formal hearing was initially submitted to the Division on June 23, 2020, by Conservation Groups (Objector); the initial objection was replaced by a supplemental objection on June 25, 2020. The objection and request for formal hearing was made in accordance with Rule 2.08.4(6)(c)(iii).

Pursuant to Rule 2.07.4(3), the Division has scheduled the application for a Formal Board Hearing for consideration. The hearing has been scheduled for the July 22 and 23, 2020 Board meeting, which will be conducted virtually, using Zoom, beginning at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered. Please note, the July Board meeting will be a two day hearing with the agenda to be determined. Additional information concerning the Zoom virtual process will be forwarded under separate letterhead. During the hearing the Board will consider the application with objections and may decide to approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application for MR-446.



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Please contact me by phone on (303) 866-3567 x8121, or by email at leigh.simmons@state.co.us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Simmons', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Leigh Simmons
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