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I, Sheli Steele, do solemnly swear that I am General Manager of the CRAIG PRESS, that the same daily newspaper printed, in whole or in part and published in the County of Moffat, State of Colorado, and has a general circulation therein; that said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterruptedly in said County of Moffat for a period of more than fifty-two consecutive weeks next prior to the first publication of the annexed legal notice or advertisement; that said newspaper has been admitted to the United States mails as a periodical under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof, and that said newspaper is a daily 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 issue of every number of said daily newspaper for the period of 4 insertions; and that the first publication of said notice was in the issue of said newspaper dated 7/10/2020 and that the last publication of said notice was dated 7/31/2020 in the issue of said newspaper.

In witness whereof, I have here unto set my hand this day, 8/11/2020.

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Sheli Steele, General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public in and for the County of Moffat, State of Colorado this day 8/11/2020.

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Holly Hunter, Notary Public My Commission Expires: August 19, 2021

HOLLY HUNTER Notary Public - State of Colorado Notary ID 20054032733 My Commission Expires Aug 19, 2021 Trapper Mining Inc., P.O. Box 187, Craig, CO 81626 (CDRMS Permit No. C-1981-010, approved 11/29/17), intends to request release of Phase I bond liability on 298.3 acres of its reclaimed mine lands. A surety bond in the amount of \$30,500,000.00 is presently in place. No reduction in the amount of the bond is sought with this bond release application.

Those portions of the mine for which Phase I bond release liability is requested were reclaimed from 2017 to 2019 and have been backfilled and regraded, with controlled drainages constructed, retopsoiled and reseeded in accordance with CDRMS regulations. A perennial native grass/forb/mountain shrub community will be established to achieve the post-mining land use of rangeland.

This information is being proposed as bond release request SL-21. All reviews and comment periods as provided in the Act and Regulations promulgated thereunder initiate from this date of filing. Trapper Mine is located 6½ miles south of Craig, Colorado. The specific area to which this proposed bond release request applies is:

T5N, R90WPortions of Sections 5 and 6.T6N, R90WPortions of Sections 31 and 32.T6N, R91WPortion of Section 36.

TeN, Herrw Portion or Section 32. The Castor Gulch USGS 7.5-minute quadrangle map contains the location of the affected area. Written comments or objections or requests for public hearing or informal conference concerning this bond release application may be submitted to, and additional information obtained from, the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 215 Centennial Bidg., 131 Sherman St., Denver CO 80203, (303) 866-3567. The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety must receive comments within 30 days of the last publication of this notice or within 30 days of the onsite inspection, whichever is later. Published in the Craig Daily Press on July 10 thru 31, 2020.

The mailing address for Trapper Mine is: Forrest V. Luke Environmental Manager Trapper Mining Inc. P.O. Box 187 Craig CO 81626

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