



March 22, 2021

Daniel Cunningham  
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety  
1313 Sherman St., Rm. 215  
Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Lorencito Canyon Mine  
Permit C-1981-012  
Lorencito Canyon Mine Hydrology Monitoring Plan

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

New Elk Coal Company plans to initiate underground coal mining activities at the Lorencito Canyon Mine (Permit C-1996-084) as soon as a permit revision application can be submitted and approved. As part of the approval process, a hydrology monitoring program needs to be implemented for collection of pre-mine data.

The attached document presents the proposed Hydrology Monitoring Plan. Following your initial review, we would like to have a conference call to discuss the mine plan and the associated monitoring program. A formal Technical Revision to the Permit will be submitted for approval following our discussion.

Please let us know if you have questions on this monitoring plan.

Sincerely,

Randal S. Simpson  
Chief Engineer

Attachments

We appreciate your efforts to review this information promptly. Please call me if you have any questions or comments.