

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

April 27, 2021

Louis Head New Elk Coal Company, LLC 12250 Highway 12 Weston, Co 81091

New Elk Coal Mine, Permit C-1981-012 RE: 1st Quarter 2021 – New Elk Coal Mine Quarterly Sediment Pond Inspections

Dear Ms. Head,

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has reviewed the above referenced report. The first quarter sediment pond inspection reports and the pond capacity data were received by the Division on March 29th, 2021. Sediment pond inspections were conducted by New Elk Coal Company on March 17 2021 by a qualified impoundment inspector according to the report and the report was stamped by you a Colorado Licensed Professional Engineer. This report appears to be in compliance with the applicable sections of Rule 4.05.9(14), (15) and (17).

No issues were noted on the report.

Thank you for submitting this report and for conducting the maintenance on the sediment ponds.

Sincerely,

Daniel Cunningham

Environmental Protection Specialist, DRMS

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