

June 24, 2021

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

Re: New Elk Mine Permit C-1981-012 PR-5

Dear Mr. Cunningham,

New Elk Coal Company (NECC) hereby submits and request approval of Permit Revision 05 to the current permit (C-1981-012) to expand the permit area for continued coal mining at the New Elk Mine. The expanded area will include room and pillar mining with no secondary extraction that will eliminate subsidence. No new surface disturbance is proposed in the expansion area. The following attached revised materials present the information for the expansion area and will replace existing materials as this revision is approved.

- Permit Revision Pages
  - o Section 2.03
    - SO-4, pages 5 through 8, and 12
  - o Section 2.04
    - TR-68, pages 2.04-1 and 2.04-1a
  - o Section 2.05
    - RN-7, pages 1 through 3
    - RN-6, page 10
    - TR-75, page 11
- Map 1 Surface Ownership
- Map 2 Coal Ownership
- Map 3 Blue Mine Plan
- Map 4 Land Use
- Map 8 Regional Hydrology
- Exhibit 4 Proposed Newspaper Notification
- Exhibit 34 PR-05 area leases for right to enter and legal description

NECC plans to initiate underground coal mining activities in the expansion areas as presented in the mine plan and as soon as Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (CDRMS) approves this permit revision (Permit C-1981-012).

Should you have questions or need additional information concerning this permit revision, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,

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Nick Mason Engineering Technician

Attachments

PR-5 Application Public Notice Section 2.03 pages 5-8, 12 Section 2.04 pages 1-1a Section 2.05 pages 1-3, 10, 11 Maps 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 Exhibit 34