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Eric John Monson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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My commission expires on May 12, 2023 STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF LAS ANIMAS} SS



PUBLIC NOTICE

New Elk Coal Company LLC, 12550 Highway 12, Weston, CO 81091, the operator of the Lorencito Canyon Mine, Permit number C-1996-084, is filling a complete application for renewal of the Lorencito Canyon Mine Permit with the State of Colorado, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. For filing purposes, this technical revision application was deemed complete by the Division on April 29, 2022.

The Lorencito Canyon Mine is located approximately 20 miles west of Trinidad, Colorado on State Hwy. 12 in Township 33 and 34 South, Range 66 West, Sections 33 and other un-platted lands on the Hill Ranch. The Hill Ranch is generally located southeast of Weston, Colorado between the South Fork of the Purgatoire River on the west, Highway 12 on the north, Lorencito Canyon on the east and Little Alamosa Canyon on the south. These lands can be located on the USGS 7.5 minute Little Pine topographical quadrangle map. A total of 129.30 acres of surface disturbance from mining related activity is covered by a Letter of Credit Bond and Cash Bond in the amount of \$927.121.00.

The permit renewal will allow New Elk Coal Company's mining permit to be extended for an additional five-year term after its expiration date on November 7, 2022.

A copy of the revision application is available for public inspection at the Clerk/Recorder's Office located in the Last Animas County Court House. Any written comments, objections, or requests for an informal conference on this permit renewal must be submitted to the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203 within 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice.

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