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## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

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I, Tanner Nelson, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that I am the Representative of San Miguel Basin Forum, a publication that is a "legal newspaper" as that phrase is defined for the Town of Nucla, for the County of Montrose, in the State of Colorado, that this affidavit is Page 1 of 1 with the full text of the sworn-to-notice set forth on the page that follows, and that the attachment hereto contains the correct copy of what was published in said legal newspaper in consecutive issues on the following dates:

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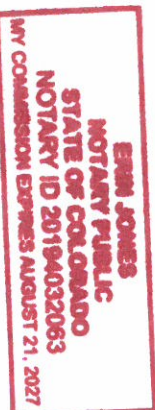
STATE OF COLORADO

COUNTY OF MONTROSE

Signed or attested before me on this

07 day of September, A.D. 20 23

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## LEGAL PUBLICATION

### ELK RIDGE MINING AND RECLAMATION - SL-26

to the Rules and Regulation of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board published August 1980, and pursuant to the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act 34-33-101, et seq., notice is hereby given of the filing of an application for Phase I, II, and III Bond Release of a portion of the New Horizon Mine site. The application is denoted as SL-26 and pertains to the New Horizon Mine, Permit No. C-1981-008 (approved April 6, 1983) by Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LLC, P. O. Box 628, Nucla, Colorado 81424, filed with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (CDRMS), Colorado Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203. The New Horizon Mine is located approximately 2 miles west of Nucla, Colorado.

The Phase I, II, and III bond release area applied for is a post mine stock pond named SP2 and a small surface water conveyance channel called C-15 Ditch. This bond release areas includes approximately 0.1 and 1.7 acres respectively and are shown in detail on Map 1 within the application. The status of the areas being applied for is consistent with the requirements of the reclamation plan, which includes constructing the stock pond and ditch per the approved designs. Listed below is a general legal description of the area:

SE ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ of Section 36, Township 47 North, Range 16 West of the 6th P.M.

The New Horizon Mine currently holds a surety bond in the amount of \$1,685,639, which includes the above listed area. With this application, the New Horizon Mine will be requesting relinquishment of 100% of the bond held for this parcel.

A copy of the bond release application is on file at the Montrose County Courthouse Annex, 300 Main Street, Nucla, Colorado and the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety at Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference concerning this bond release application should be addressed to the Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety, Department of Natural Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203.

Comments must be filed within thirty (30) days from the last date of this publication, or within thirty (30) days of the completed inspection by the CDRMS, whichever is later.

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