



**COLORADO**  
Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety  
Department of Natural Resources

September 9, 2024

Chris Walker/Registered Agent  
New Elk Coal Company, LLC  
12250 Highway 12  
Weston, CO 81091

**Re: Notice of Informal Public Hearing for Cessation Order No. CO-2024-001  
Lorencito Canyon Mine, C-1996-084**

Dear Registered Agent,

Pursuant to Rule 5.03.2(6), the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division/DRMS) has scheduled an informal public hearing for the Cessation Order (CO-2024-001) issued to New Elk Coal Company, LLC (Operator/Permittee) for the Lorencito Canyon Mine, permit no. C-1996-084. The hearing will consider the Cessation Order issued to the Operator for failing to abate Violation No. CV-2024-001. The informal public hearing has been set to begin at 1:00 PM on Monday September 23, 2024, and will be conducted virtually. The Operator/Representative shall contact the Mined Land Reclamation Board (MLRB) Administrator, Camille M. Mojar at: [Dnr\\_drms\\_mlrbsubmittals@state.co.us](mailto:Dnr_drms_mlrbsubmittals@state.co.us) to receive the link to the virtual meeting.

Pursuant to Rule 5.03.2(6), the Operator may instead request to waive the opportunity for an informal public hearing by requesting to do so in writing, prior to September 23, 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact me via email at [amber.gibson@state.co.us](mailto:amber.gibson@state.co.us) or by phone at 720-836-0967.

Sincerely,

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