

## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of New Jersey, County of Hudson, ss:

Laquansay Nickson Watkins, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That (s)he is a duly authorized signatory of Column Software, PBC, duly authorized agent of Craig Press, that the same weekly newspaper printed, in whole or in part and published in the County of Moffat, State of Colorado, and has a general circulation therein; that said newspaper has been published continuously and uninterruptedly in said County of Moffat for a period of more than fifty-two consecutive weeks next prior to the first publication of the annexed legal notice or advertisement; that said newspaper has been admitted to the United States mails as a periodical under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1879, or any amendments thereof, and that said newspaper is a weekly newspaper duly qualified for publishing legal notices and advertisements within the meaning of the laws of the State of Colorado.

That the annexed legal notice or advertisement was published in the regular and entire issue of every number of said weekly newspaper for the period of 1 insertion; and that the first publication of said notice was in the issue of said newspaper dated 28 Feb 2024 in the issue of said newspaper.

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

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(Signed) Laguansay Watkins

VERIFICATION

SHANNEA H HOLMES NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY My Commission Expires August 1, 2026

State of New Jersey County of Hudson

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me on this: 02/28/2024

Vancea A. Holmes

Notary Public Notarized remotely online using communication technology via Proof.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Trapper Mining Inc. intends to conduct blasting operations during the one year period commencing March 2024 at its Trapper Mine, surface coal operations, in Moffat County, Colorado.

The blasting program will be conducted within the following areas:

Colt/Ithaca/Jennings – Pit Complex – (Legal Description) Lancaster – Pit – (Legal Description) Nighthawk – Pit – (Legal Description)

The blasting program will be conducted daily between sunrise and sunset. Orange cones and/or 30° red and white octagonal signs stating "Keep Out - Stop – Blasting Area" will identify all active blast patterns. In addition, guards will be placed at all major roadways that access the blast area at least 10 minutes prior to detonation and remain in place until the all clear signal.

The audible warmings prior to all blasts will be:

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- Five (5) long sirens signals at 5 minutes. Twenty (20) short siren signals at 3 minutes. Steady electric siren at 2 minutes. Tone change electric siren at 30 seconds. The all clear signal will be on (1) long siren of 20 seconds in duration. .

Emergency situations may require that blasts be conducted other than daylight hours. Possible situations include:

- Elimination of misfires.
  Adverse weather conditions
  Equipment failure or shutdown
  Safety related reasons.

Trapper Mining Inc.'s general office is located at mine headquarters 6 ½ miles south of Craig, Colorado on State Highways 13. Mailing address for Trapper Mine is:

Michael W. Morriss President and General Manager P.O. Box 187 Craig, CO 81626

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