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Request for Section 7 Consultations

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Wed, Apr 9, 2025 at 10:06 AM

To: grandjunctiones@fws.gov, Robin Reilley - DNR <robin.reilley@state.co.us>

Dear Mr Darnall,

In conjunction with the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety I am requesting two Section 7 consultations from your office. One is for the Seneca II-W mine site and the other for the Yeast site. Please see the associated attachments and do call me for clarification you may require.

Thank you

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2 attachments

Section7Consult_seneca.pdf
88K **Section7_Yeast_RN6.pdf**
89K



9 April 2025

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Ecological Services
445 W. Gunnison Ave, Suite 240
Grand Junction, CO 81501-5711

**Re: Yoast Mine (Permit No. C1994082)
Permit Renewal and Section 7 Consultation**

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety is reviewing an application to renew an existing permit to conduct coal mining operations at the Yoast Mine. The applicant, Seneca Property LLC, proposes to continue surface coal mining and/or reclamation operations on land located Routt County, Colorado, Colorado. The applicant has applied to renew permit C1994082 for another five-year term. This renewal application does not propose revisions to the approved mining and reclamation plan, nor does it propose surface disturbance outside of the currently approved disturbance area. In fact, the site is in reclamation and not mining coal.

The last Section 7 consultation in accordance with the Endangered Species Act conducted for this mine site appears to have been September of 1999. The Division is requesting your opinion regarding the need for another Section 7 consultation for this permit renewal. . The decision date for the permitting action is on or before 6 June 2025.

Please respond to this letter at your convenience by sending me a letter via email at Robin.Reilley@state.co.us. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me via that email address or call me at 720.646.0277.

Sincerely,

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