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Good Morning,

Please see the draft public notice for completeness determination for the major permit revision application for Spring Creek Mine. Please let me know if you have questions or if edits are needed.

Thank you,

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## Public Notice

Pursuant to A.R.M. 17.24.401(3), notice is hereby given that Spring Creek Coal LLC, Spring Creek Mine (SCM), with its offices located in Decker, Montana, mailing address: P.O. Box 67, Decker, MT 59025 has filed a major permit revision application with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, to revise coal surface mining permit SMP 79012.

The SCM, located near Decker in Big Horn County, is approximately 30 miles north of Sheridan, Wyoming. The SCM is accessible from the south via Wyoming State Highway 338 becoming Montana State Highway 314 at the Montana/Wyoming border. An access road to the mine site intercepts Highway 314. The Mine is accessible from the north by the same Montana State Highway.

The major permit revision will add approximately 68 million tons of recoverable coal reserves inside the current mine permit boundary. These recoverable coal reserves will be added in all or portions of the following areas:

- T.8S., R.39E., Sections 27, 26, 25, and 36
- T.8S., R.40E., Sections 30 and 31
- T.9S., R.40E., Section 6

US Geological Survey 7.5 minute quadrangle maps, Decker (045106a7) and Pearl School (045106a8), contain the area affected by this major permit revision.

A complete copy of the Spring Creek Coal LLC application for a major permit revision is available for inspection at the following locations:

1. Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Airport Industrial Park, Billings, Montana,
2. Montana Department of Environmental Quality, 2001 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Helena, Montana,
3. Spring Creek Mine, Lakeshore Drive, Decker, Montana and
4. Big Horn County Clerk and Recorder's Office, 121 West Third Street, Hardin, Montana.

Written comments, objections or requests for informal conferences on these materials may be submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality, Attention Chris Yde, at the above address, or by e-mail ([deqcoalcomments@mt.gov](mailto:deqcoalcomments@mt.gov)) within 30 days following the last advertisement of this application.