

## Public Notice

On December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015, Spring Creek Coal LLC filed with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) an application for amendment of its existing Surface Mining Permit C1979012. The amendment application was determined to be administratively complete on August 2, 2016.

The amendment application requests adding 4334 acres to the current permit area and adding NO additional tons of coal reserves to the mine plan.

The amendment area encompasses lands within the following described:

Township 8 South, Range 39 East, M.P.M. - Section 27, 34

Township 9 South, Range 39 East, M.P.M - Section 3, 4, 9, 10, 15, 16, 21, 28, 29, 32, 33

Township 10 South, Range 38 East, M.P.M - Section 1

All M.P.M., Big Horn County, Montana and contains 4334 acres, more or less.

Mining activity in C1979012 will continue to be conducted within 100 feet of the outside right-of-way of the Youngs Creek County Road.

The application is available for inspection at the following locations:

- 1) Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Airport Industrial Park, Billings, MT
- 2) Montana Department of Environmental Quality, 1218 E 6th Avenue, Helena, MT
- 3) Spring Creek Mine, Lakeshore Drive, Decker, MT
- 4) The application can be viewed online at <http://svc.mt.gov/deq/myCOALPublic/>
- 5) A computer will be available at the Hardin Library to view the application at <http://svc.mt.gov/deq/myCOALPublic/>

Electronic copies of the application may be requested by visiting the website <http://deq.mt.gov/Public/ea/coal> or by emailing [DEQCoal@mt.gov](mailto:DEQCoal@mt.gov).

Written comments, objections, or requests for informal conferences on this application may be submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality, Coal and Uranium Program, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901 within 30 days of receipt of this notice or by going to <http://svc.mt.gov/deq/publiccomment/>.

The State of Montana, Department of Environmental Quality, makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in the above state governmental proceedings. Persons needing accommodation must notify DEQ with their requests to allow adequate time to make needed arrangements. You may call (406) 444-4970, write to the Coal and Uranium Program, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901 or email [DEQCoal@mt.gov](mailto:DEQCoal@mt.gov) to make your request known.