

## PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that will analyze the impacts of the San Juan Coal Company's (SJCC) mining plan modification for the Deep Lease Extension (DLE) at the existing underground San Juan Mine, located near Waterflow, New Mexico (NM). The EIS will also analyze potential coal combustion related impacts from the Public Service Company of New Mexico's (PNM) San Juan Generating Station (SJGS).

OSMRE is requesting public comments on the scope of the EIS, alternatives to be considered, and resources that should be addressed in the EIS.

This notice is hereby given that:

1. The Name and Business Address of the Applicant is:

San Juan Coal Company  
San Juan Mine  
P.O. Box 561  
Farmington, New Mexico 87421

2. Federal Coal Lease NM-99144 encompasses 4,484 acres and is located approximately 15 miles west of Farmington, New Mexico. The proposed project area is located within the following lands of San Juan County, New Mexico which are described relative to the New Mexico Principal Meridian (NMPM):

Township 30, North, Range 14 West, NMPM

Section 17: All;

Section 18: All;

Section 19: All;

Section 20: All;

Section 29: All;

Section 30: All;

Section 31: Lot 1 (41.70 acres), Lot 2 (41.21 acres), Lot 3 (40.73 acres), Lot 4 (40.24 acres), N1/2, N1/2S1/2

3. Locations of where copies of the 2008 Mine Plan Decision Document are available for public review and/or inspection are:

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement  
Western Region Office  
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320  
Denver, CO 80202-3050  
(303) 293-5088

4. Five public scoping meetings will be held on the following dates and venues where interested citizens can learn about the proposed project, EIS process, and key issues. Meetings will be held in an open house format with information stations and subject matter experts available to answer questions.

- On Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center at 2401 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
  - On Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Ute Community Center at 785 Sunset Road, Towaoc, Colorado.
  - On Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Shiprock High School approximately a half-mile west on US-64 from US-491 in Shiprock, New Mexico.
  - On Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Farmington City Civic Center at 200 West Arrington St., Farmington, New Mexico.
  - On Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Durango Community Recreation Center at 2700 Main Avenue, Durango, Colorado.
5. OSMRE is soliciting public comments on the proposed Project, scope of the EIS, and the significant issues that should be analyzed in the EIS. The name, email, and address of the OSMRE representative where written comments may be submitted by **May 8, 2017**, is:
- Address: Gretchen Pinkham, OSMRE  
C/O Catalyst Environmental Solutions  
P.O. Box 56539  
Sherman Oaks, CA 91413
- Email: [osm-nepa-nm@osmre.gov](mailto:osm-nepa-nm@osmre.gov)
6. Interested persons may view information about the proposed Project on the OSMRE website at: <https://www.wrcc.osmre.gov/initiatives/sanJuanMine.shtm>. The website contains information related to: the SJCC's proposed mining plan modification for the DLE; the public comment period; the locations, dates, and times of public scoping meetings; and the NEPA/EIS process.