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**Jim Ruby, Executive Secretary
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Proposed Revisions to Chapters 1, 2, 4, 11, 12 and 16

Coal Rules and Regulations addressing requirements for
topsoil depth, self-bonding and miscellaneous deficiencies as
identified by the Office of Surface Mining

Craig Hults

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Dear Mr. Hults:

The staff of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department has reviewed the proposed revisions to Chapters 1, 2, 4, 11, 12 and 16 Coal Rules and Regulations addressing requirements for topsoil depth, self-bonding and miscellaneous deficiencies as identified by the Office of Surface Mining. We have no terrestrial wildlife or aquatic habitat concerns with the proposed revisions.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Scott Gamo, Staff Terrestrial Biologist, at 307-777-4509.

Sincerely,

John Emmerich
Deputy Director

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cc: USFWS