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### **BLM Issues Coal Lease Assessment for Public Review**

CRAIG, Colo. – The Bureau of Land Management has released an environmental assessment for public comment on a proposal to lease an additional 400 acres for coal production adjacent to the Twentymile Coal Mine southeast of Hayden, Colo.

As proposed, the new underground mine operation will operate as Sage Creek Mine and will eventually replace the Twentymile Mine, which should be depleted in four-to-five years.

The BLM will be holding a public hearing at 6 p.m. on August 17, 2011, at the Little Snake Field Office, 455 Emerson Road in Craig, Colo. The BLM will be taking public comments at the hearing on the EA, as well as the fair market value and the maximum economic recovery of the coal resource, which is part of the coal leasing process.

For a copy of the environmental assessment and more information about how to comment, log onto <http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/lsfo.html> or stop by the Little Snake Field Office at the address above. Written public comments will be accepted until September 16, 2011.

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