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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 866-0354 Amendment #2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that B & W Resources Inc., 300 Liperote Way, London, Kentucky 40741 has applied for an Amendment to an existing surface coal mining

and reclamation operation located 2.7 miles northeast of Lower McIntosh in Leslie and Perry Counties. The amendment will add 134.1 acres and delete 104.1 acres making a total area of 415.0 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.2 miles north west from HWY 80 junction with Mudlick Road and located 0.2 miles West of Mudlick Fork of Right Fork of Big Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the Hyden East U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Kentucky River Properties LLC., Mountain Mission Foundation, Land Resources and Royalties LLC, Archie Sizemore, Paul Sizemore, and Plymouth Energy, Inc. The operation will use the contour / area method of surface mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 E. Cumberland Avenue, Middlesboro, Kentucky 40965. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601.

Have A Great Day!

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission proposes regulation changes

from front

via the department’s website.

Create a regulation to establish the parameters for when seized wildlife is impounded and either held alive or euthanized and preserved as evidence until adjudication. This regulation would allow the department to conform with the Kentucky Attorney General Opinion OAG 24-08. It would establish parameters that outline when wildlife is impounded in a criminal case and when the animal may be euthanized and preserved as evidence in the criminal case. It would also exempt captive wildlife permit holders (301 KAR 2:081) and wildlife rehabilitator permit holders (301 KAR 2:075) from holding requirements to allow willing permit holders to serve as agents of the state to hold impounded wildlife as requested by the agency, and outline how the department may contract with an individual or entity to hold impounded wildlife.

Amend 301 KAR 1:201 to modify traditional fishing regulations on selected waterbodies, including: Remove the catch and release regulations for sport fish on Clear Fork (Logan and Warren counties).

Remove the 4-fish daily limit for Channel Catfish and 15-fish daily limit on sunfish from ponds at Kentucky River Wildlife Management Area (WMA), Boone Tract.

Add a 10-inch minimum size limit for crappie on Nolin River Lake and Rough River Lake.

Add an 18-inch to 26-inch protective slot limit and 2-fish daily limit for native walleye on the Rockcastle River.

After a discussion, the commission decided to move an action item concerning a proposed transfer of the Otter Creek Outdoor Recreation Area (OCORA) deed to Meade County Fiscal Court back to a new business item at this meeting to allow for the commission and staff to further study the option and receive additional public feedback.

If approved by the legislature, proposed administrative regulation changes are generally anticipated to take effect within six to nine months of their filing.

Other actions approved by the commission (legislative approvals not required) included:

A re-approval of a research project for “Thoroughbred Bass” due to higher than anticipated costs with the genetics laboratory than previously presented to the commission at the August 30, 2024 meeting. The research project will identify genetic markers for trophy size in native Largemouth Bass with the goal of eventually propagating bass with those genetics in department hatcheries to support future stocking of these fish in Kentucky waters. Using federal funds to study the effectiveness of an experimental low-voltage fish fence in the Salt River to harvest invasive carp.

Finally, the commission unanimously approved a land project in open session after discussing it in closed session. Details regarding land projects are typically discussed in closed session, as allowed under Kentucky’s open meetings law, to help preclude adverse impacts to the commonwealth’s interests in its negotiations and legal proceedings.

The commission also voted unanimously to re-elect its standing officers to continue in their positions for 2025, as follows: Josh Lillard, Chair; Greg Cecil, Vice-Chair; Jerry Ferrell, Secretary.

The commission also heard new business and discussion items that will be considered further at its next quarterly meeting, including a recommendation to amend 301 KAR 5:022 to establish a biennial adjustment for license and permit fees using the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers as a guide.

Business items on the commission’s meeting agenda that include proposed changes to regulations typically follow a three-step process at successive quarterly meetings, with items introduced first as new business, then proceeding for further discussion, and finally appearing as action items (at the commission’s discretion). This general stepwise process was adopted by the commission in 2020 to allow adequate time for public awareness and comment on proposed regulatory changes, instead of changes being acted on in a single meeting of the commission. Agendas for commission meetings are posted at fw.ky.gov in advance of the meeting dates, and details about meeting logistics and submitting public comments are included therein.

The meeting was livestreamed on the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources’ YouTube channel, where a replay of the meeting is available on demand.

Individuals or organizations may contact their district representative on the commission about any pertinent topic of concern. Contact information is available on Kentucky Fish and Wildlife’s district commission members’ webpage. Procedures for submitting public comments about current business items via email or in person are outlined in the agenda for each meeting, which is generally posted on the agency’s website one to two weeks before the meeting date.

The commission, a nine-member board comprised of volunteers who serve four-year terms, recommends hunting, fishing and boating regulations on behalf of the anglers, hunters and other wildlife-related stakeholders in the commonwealth. Any recommendation by the commission to amend or create a state administrative regulation must receive legislative approval before becoming law. The next quarterly commission meeting date is scheduled for Friday, March 14 in Frankfort. An agenda will be posted at fw.ky.gov when available.

5 Prep Tips to Brace Your Home for the Winter Cold

(StatePoint) With temperatures dropping nationwide, it’s essential that your home and yard are prepared to face the challenges freezing temperatures and snowstorms can bring.

Moen, a leader in water experiences, shares five top tips to prep for the cold.

Store and Secure Your Outdoor Living Space

If left unprotected, patio sets, lawn decorations and outdoor equipment can face rusting from water exposure, and breakage from large amounts of snow and ice. To prevent these issues, invest in waterproof patio covers for larger items like tables and grills. Store smaller objects such as chairs, children’s toys, outdoor pillows, planters and decorative signs away in dry areas like garages, sheds or basements.

Protect Pipes

While snow and ice might look magical, that thought quickly fades when pipes burst or spring a leak. When water freezes, it can expand and put pressure on pipes, increasing the chance of them bursting. Having weak or corroded pipes increases this risk. Proactively protect your plumbing through a smart leak detection device, such as the Moen Flo Smart Water Monitor and Shutoff. This innovative product connects directly to the home’s main water line and constantly monitors water flow rate and pressure to identify potential problems. If an issue is found, like low flow rate or high pressure, which can indicate a frozen pipe, it will alert you in real-time via the smartphone app so you can take action. It can even be set to automatically turn off the water before damage occurs. As a bonus, some insurance companies offer discounts for installing a smart leak detection device, helping you save money and providing peace of mind.

On top of protecting plumbing with smart leak detection, don’t forget to check on sprinklers and exterior hoses. Properly shut off water supplies to these areas and drain any existing water to eliminate the chance they’ll cause a frozen or burst pipe. Beat the Chill By Checking Doors and Windows Properly sealed windows and doors can act as a vital barrier against winter’s harsh conditions. By preventing heat

loss and maintaining consistent indoor temperatures, proper sealing helps reduce heating and energy costs while enhancing comfort. Determine where better insulation is needed by feeling around for cold drafts coming in through windows, doors and even unexpected areas like electrical sockets. To block the chill, do easy upgrades like weatherstripping around windows and doors, covering windows entirely with shrink film, adding covers around electrical sockets and using slide-on draft blockers at door bottoms.

Prep Heating and Alarm Systems

A home’s heating system gets a workout in the colder months. Hire a professional to do a checkup and install a fresh air filter. Getting your furnace in



top shape will help maintain a comfortable temperature, keep utility bills steady and help prevent fires. Don’t leave out carbon monoxide and smoke alarms. Having functional alarms can be life-saving if a space heater catches fire or there’s a leak from your gas furnace.

Attend to Your Home’s Exterior Providing a little extra love and care to your home’s exterior and lawn can ease stress. To avoid a roofing collapse or leaks from heavy snowfall, check your roof – or have a professional check it – for any prior damage and ad-

dress it as soon as possible. Clean out gutters to remove debris buildup and trim tree branches that may pose risks for falling if piled with heavy snow or ice. Don’t forget to take inventory of snow removal tools, and stock up on supplies like snow shovels and salt to be ready for when bad weather hits.

For more information from Moen, visit moen.com.

A comprehensive winterization checklist can be a significant factor in how much wear and tear winter storms cause on the home – and help ensure a stress-free cold weather season.

CROSSWORD

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- Bungle
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- Dao, alt. sp.
- Between mar- quess and vis- count
- Super garb?
- Inlet in Nor- way
- Cogito ____ sum
- Long story
- Deprived of a limb
- *Half-time headliner
- Ice, dark or middle ____
- *Cindy Craw- ford wore “____ Dukes” in a Super Bowl ad
- Flightless bird
- *Last year’s Super Bowl win- ners
- A cheap, run- down motel
- “____ the fields we go”
- Merry
- Actor’s part
- Expensive
- Not him
- Cell phone bill item
- Civil Rights icon
- *David Tyree’s ____ Catch
- Letters of dis- tress

- What rule fol- lower does
- Get cozy
- Greed, bibli- cally-speaking
- Grieve for the dead
- Time period
- *Team with most Super Bowl appearances
- 3600 seconds, pl.
- Casino chip
- Salmon’s out- put
- En ____, all together
- Like Piper of Hamelin
- Uber alterna- tive
- ____ Robin- son
- Acronym, abbr.
- “Come Sail Away” band
- DOWN
- Service charge
- Songbird
- Craving
- Marilyn Mon- roe, e.g.
- ____ lazuli
- Hot
- 52 cards
- Hefty volume
- Greek god of war
- 1, e.g.
- Cherry red
- Post vitriol
- *Team with no Super Bowl ap- pearances
- Looney Tunes

- duck
- Architectural add-on
- Meat of coco- nut
- Roman king of Judea
- Like certain whiskey
- Grow crop
- Brag
- Algorithmic language
- Ganders’ com- panions
- Tom Jones’s “____ a Lady”
- Rolodex abbr.
- *____ Super- dome
- Wombs
- Lady lobster
- Hardened
- Follows wash
- Pig sounds
- Bouncing off the walls
- Weasel’s aquatic cousin
- Fly like an ea- gle
- Boot-wearing kitty
- Mama Bear’s husband
- To perfection (3 words)
- *Justin Tim- berlake’s “____ Back,” sung in Super Bowl show
- Expression of doubt
- *Steelers’ number of Super Bowl trophies

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