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Dr. Dianne R. Nielson, Director
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Dear Dianne:

The Division has reviewed the Responses to Technical Deficiencies for Beaver Creek Coal Company's Trail Mountain #9 Mine. All water sources in the area, including seeps and springs, represent critical valued resources to all of the local area's wildlife. The mine plan addresses the need to monitor the water sources and replace damaged sources. It needs to be specified that mitigation for water loss will occur if the daily flow from a seep or spring is reduced by 50% or more.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment.

Sincerely,

Timothy H. Provan *Acting Director*
Director