

Decision No. C23-0015

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

PROCEEDING NO. 21A-0575R

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NEW ELK COAL CO., LLC FOR  
AUTHORITY TO REPAIR AND UPGRADE A COUNTY ROAD RAILROAD GRADE  
CROSSING AT COUNTY ROAD 47.3 AND NEW ELK COAL CO., LLC (COUNTY ROAD  
47.3 IN VALDEZ, LAS ANIMAS COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO).

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**COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING MOTION  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE PROJECT  
CONSTRUCTION**

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Mailed Date: January 11, 2023  
Adopted Date: January 11, 2023

**I. BY THE COMMISSION**

**A. Statement**

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of a letter requesting an extension of time to complete project construction (We will construe this letter as a Motion for Extension of Time To Complete Project Construction (Motion)) filed by New Elk Coal (New Elk) on December 27, 2022 requesting an extension of time to December 31, 2024 to complete the crossing improvement project approved by the Commission by Decision No. C22-0068 mailed January 31, 2022.

2. As grounds for the Motion, New Elk states that due to unforeseen circumstances, New Elk would like to extend the date to complete the subject project to December 31, 2024.

3. A crossing that trains could occupy currently does not exist, so there will be no highway-rail grade crossing safety issue by delaying completion of the project to December 31, 2024.

4. Now being fully advised in the matter, we grant the Motion.

## II. **ORDER**

### A. **The Commission Orders That:**

1. The Motion for Extension of Time To Complete Project Construction filed by New Elk Coal on December 27, 2022 requesting an extension of time to December 31, 2024 to complete the project approved by the Commission by Decision No. C22-0068 mailed January 31, 2022 is granted.

2. New Elk Coal shall file a notice that the project has been completed in this matter shall be filed within ten days of December 31, 2024.

3. The Commission retains jurisdiction to enter further decisions, as necessary.

4. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
January 11, 2023.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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G. Harris Adams.,  
Interim Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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