

## Noncoal Mining Permits

### NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION FOR A MINE PERMIT VARIANCE

W.S. §35-11-601(a) - Single Publication

Upon notification by the Land Quality Division the applicant shall commence the following.

1. Publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the operation is located once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks (see sample format below).
2. All persons who may be affected by the grant of the variance shall be notified of the operator's intent to request a variance. The operator shall send via certified mail to all affected persons, a letter which contains the same information as the newspaper notice or a letter with the newspaper notice attached. Submit one copy of each of the letters sent to the appropriate LQD District Office.
3. On completion of publication, submit a sworn affidavit from the newspaper and a copy of the notice to the Land Quality Division.

#### SAMPLE FORMAT FOR VARIANCES

##### Public Notice

The (Company Name) of (Main Company Location) has applied for a permit variance from the Land Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality for the State of Wyoming. (Describe the nature of the variance being requested). The mineral being mined is (e.g., sand & gravel, limestone, trona, bentonite, etc.). The variance request and information on the currently approved mining operation and reclamation procedures may be reviewed in the Office of the Land Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality in Cheyenne and (Lander or Sheridan, Wyoming), the office of (Company Name) in (location). Written statements or objections to the variance request must be received by the Administrator of the Land Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality, Herschler Building, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, WY 82002, before the close of business (Date 30 days after the last publication). A hearing on this variance request is scheduled for (date) beginning at (time), in (name and address of place) in (city), Wyoming.

Any interested parties are encouraged to review the application and contact the appropriate Land Quality Division District Supervisor with questions about the application. Upon request by an interested party, the Land Quality Division may schedule a public meeting to discuss the application.