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Farrell-Cooper Mining Company, P.O. Box 11050, Fort Smith, AR 72917, has applied to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement for a permit to mine coal by underground methods. Under the federal Indian lands program, permit OK-042F-CC essentially would be a reissue of permit 4285F that had been issued by the Oklahoma Department of Mines in March 2012. Permit OK-042F-CC (462 acres) would be within the Choctaw Nation Reservation in Sections 13, 14, and 15 of Township 8 North, Range 22 East, Haskell County, Oklahoma, as shown on the USGS 7.5-minute McCurtain quadrangle map. Underground workings plus the associated permit area would cover about 6,000 acres.

The permit area is in the watershed of Mule Creek and would be mined and reclaimed in accordance with federal coal regulations. A copy of the permit application is available for public inspection at the Haskell County Courthouse, 202 East Main Street, Stigler, Oklahoma, and Choctaw Community Center, 2208 East Main Street, Stigler, Oklahoma.

Any person whose interest may be adversely affected may make written comments to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 501 Belle Street, Suite 216, Alton, IL 62002. Comments, objections, or request for an informal conference must be submitted within 30 days following the fourth and final publication of this notice.
