

TAKINGS CHECKLIST

	CRITERIA	YES	NO
1.	Does the action affect private property? (If no, no further inquiry is necessary.)		
2.	Is the action mandated by State or federal law? (If yes, go to question 3. If no, go to question 4.)		
3.	Does the proposed action advance a statutory purpose?		
4.	Does the action result in permanent occupation of private property?		
5.	Does the action require the property owner to dedicate property or grant an easement?		
6.	Does the regulatory action interfere with the owner's investment-backed expectations?		
7.	Does the character of the government action balance the public interest and private burdens?		
8.	Does the action deprive the owner of all economically viable uses of the property?		
9.	Does the action have a significant impact on the landowner's economic interest?		
10.	Does the action deny the owner a fundamental attribute of ownership?		
11.	Does the action serve the same purpose that would be served by directly prohibiting use of the land?		
12.	Could the problem which has necessitated the action be addressed in a less restrictive manner?		

If these questions are answered yes, legal counsel should be consulted, for it is possible the proposed action will be a taking.

LAND QUALITY DIVISION (LQD)
Coal Chapter 14 – Exploration of Coal by Drilling
TAKINGS ANALYSIS

1. Private Property Affected? – NO

The proposed revisions to Chapter 14 were drafted in response to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement October 24, 2023 concern letter regarding a previously submitted formal amendment package. The revisions include minor grammatical and spelling corrections, and the addition of the word “Division” used in reference to the Land Quality “Division” Rules and Regulations in several instances.

2. Mandated by State/Federal law? – NA

3. Advance Statutory Purpose? – NA

4. Permanent Occupation of Private Property? – NA

5. Dedication of property of grant an easement? – NA

6. Action interfere with investment-backed expectations? – NA

7. Does character of government action balance public interest and private burdens? – NA

8. Action deprive owner of all economically viable uses of the property? – NA

9. Does the action have a significant impact on the landowner’s economic interest? – NA

10. Does the action deny the owner a fundamental attribute of ownership? – NA

11. Action serve same purpose that would be served by prohibition on use of land? – NA

12. Could be addressed in less restrictive manner? – NA