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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT

October 29, 2020

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HIGH COUNTRY CONSERVATION ADVOCATES; WILDEARTH GUARDIANS; CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY; SIERRA CLUB; WILDERNESS WORKSHOP,

Plaintiffs - Appellants,

v.

UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; DANIEL JIRON, in his official capacity as Acting Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment, U.S. Department of Agriculture; SCOTT ARMENTROUT, in his official capacity as Supervisor of the Grand Mesa Uncompany and Gunnison National Forests; UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR; BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT; KATHERINE MACGREGOR, in her official capacity as Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, U.S. Department of Interior,

Defendants - Appellees,

and

MOUNTAIN COAL COMPANY, LLC,

Defendant Intervenor - Appellee.

No. 20-1358 (D.C. No. 1:17-CV-03025-PAB) (D. Colo.)

ORDER

Before **BRISCOE**, **KELLY**, and **LUCERO**, Circuit Judges.

Appellants filed an Emergency Motion for Injunction Pending Appeal on October 5, 2020. We ordered Appellees to respond to the motion and entered a temporary stay to facilitate our consideration of the motion and responses. Having now considered the motion and responses in light of the governing standard, *see Nken v. Holder*, 556 U.S. 418, 434 (2009), we vacate the temporary stay and grant the Emergency Motion for Injunction Pending Appeal. Pending our consideration of the appeal, we enjoin Appellee Mountain Coal Company "from imminently bulldozing additional drilling pads on [the road constructed after issuance of this court's April 24, 2020, mandate in No. 18-1374] and drilling methane ventilation boreholes in preparation for coal mining in the Sunset Roadless Area." Mot. at 3.

Entered for the Court

CHRISTOPHER M. WOLPERT, Clerk