

following the day of the sale, will result in the forfeiture of the bid deposit to the BLM, and the parcel will be offered to the second highest qualifying bidder at their original bid.

Federal law requires that bidders must be: (1) United States citizens 18 years of age or older; (2) A corporation subject to the laws of any State or of the United States; (3) An entity legally capable of acquiring and owning real property, or interests therein, under the laws of the State of Michigan; or (4) A State, State instrumentality, or political subdivision authorized to hold real property. Certifications and evidence to this effect will be required of the purchaser prior to issuance of a patent.

Publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register** segregates the subject land from appropriation under the public land laws, except sale under the provisions of FLPMA. The segregation will terminate upon issuance of a patent for the land, upon publication in the **Federal Register** of a termination of the segregation, or on February 26, 2015, unless extended by the BLM State Director, Eastern States, in accordance with 43 CFR 2711.1–2(d) prior to the termination date.

Any conveyance document issued would be subject to the following terms, conditions, and reservations:

1. The conveyance will be subject to all valid existing rights of record;
 2. All minerals, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe shall be reserved to the United States;
 3. An appropriate indemnification clause protecting the United States from claims arising out of the patentee's use, occupancy, or operations on the patented land; and
 4. Additional terms and conditions that the authorized officer deems appropriate to ensure proper land use and protection of the public interest.
- No warranty of any kind, expressed or implied, is given by the United States as to the title, physical condition or potential uses of the land proposed for sale, and conveyance will not be on a contingency basis. To the extent required by law, the parcel is subject to the requirements of Section 120(h) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9620(h)) (CERCLA), as amended. It is the buyer's responsibility to be aware of all applicable local government policies and regulations that may affect the subject land or its future uses. It is also the buyer's responsibility to be aware of existing or

prospective uses of nearby properties. Any land lacking access from a public road or highway will be conveyed as such, and future access acquisition will be the responsibility of the buyer. Detailed information concerning the proposed land sale, including the appraisal, planning and environmental documents is available for review at the BLM Northeastern States Field Office (See **ADDRESSES** above).

Interested parties and the general public may submit written comments concerning the parcel being considered for sale, including notification of any encumbrances or other claims relating to the identified land, to the Field Manager, BLM, Northeastern States Field Office (See **ADDRESSES** above) on or before April 12, 2013. Comments will be available for public review at the BLM's Northeastern States Field Office during regular business hours, except holidays. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. The BLM will make available for public review, in their entirety, all comments submitted by businesses or organizations, including comments by an individual in their capacity as an official or representative of a business or organization.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the BLM State Director, Eastern States, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of adverse comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

Authority: 43 CFR 2711.1–2.

Mark Storzer,
Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of Record of Decision for the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska Final Integrated Activity Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR–A) Final Integrated Activity Plan (IAP). The Secretary of the Interior, Ken Salazar, signed the ROD on February 21, 2013. The ROD constitutes the final decision of the Department on the plan and is effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: The ROD is available on the BLM-Alaska Web site at www.blm.gov/ak. Hard copies of the ROD are available upon request from Serena Sweet 907–271–4543 and at the BLM Public Room at 222 West 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513–7504. The NPR–A Final Integrated Activity Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (IAP/EIS), which provides the analysis upon which the decision is based, is also available at the above Web site address, the Anchorage BLM Public Room, and by telephoning Serena Sweet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information contact Serena Sweet, telephone 907–271–4543 or by email at ssweet@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPR–A IAP/EIS planning process began with the publication of the Notice of Intent in the **Federal Register** on July 28, 2010, which began the formal scoping period. Formal scoping ended October 1, 2010. After the scoping period, the BLM, in consultation with the cooperating agencies and tribes and with additional input from the public, researched information on the resources and uses of the area, developed a range of reasonable future management alternatives, and analyzed the impacts

of those alternatives. These analyses underwent review within the BLM and among the cooperating agencies, resulting in the Draft IAP/EIS released on March 30, 2012. The comment period was originally scheduled to end on June 1, 2012, but in response to public requests, the BLM extended the comment period to June 15, 2012. The public and agencies commented on the Draft IAP/EIS. Based on these comments and additional analysis, the BLM developed the preferred alternative and revised the Draft to issue a Final IAP/EIS on December 19, 2012.

The ROD provides opportunities for oil and gas leasing and development as required by the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act, as amended, and for application for onshore infrastructure in support of offshore development, while protecting surface values, most notably subsistence resources and access and a wide range of important wildlife and wildlife habitat. This decision reflects the Preferred Alternative B-2 in the NPR-A Final IAP/EIS issued in December 2012, with minor modifications to clarify intent, provide greater assurance of the consistency of the plan with onshore infrastructure to support offshore development, and to establish an NPR-A working group as a means for future ongoing dialogue regarding BLM management of the NPR-A.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6.

Ted A. Murphy,
Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Draft Environmental Impact Statement for General Management Plan, Everglades National Park, Florida

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(a)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the General Management Plan (GMP) and East Everglades Wilderness Study (EEWS) for Everglades National Park (park). After it is finalized, the GMP/EEWS will guide the management of the park over the next 20+ years.

The last comprehensive planning effort for the Park was completed in 1979. Patterns and types of visitor use have changed, the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan was approved, and in 1989 the East Everglades Addition of approximately 109,600 acres was added to the park to protect and restore the Northeast Shark River Slough. Recent studies have enhanced the understanding of resources, resource threats, and visitor use in the Park. The GMP will provide updated management direction for the entire park. The EEWS provides a forum for evaluating lands within the East Everglades Addition for possible recommendation to Congress for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System.

DATES: The NPS will accept comments from the public on the DEIS for 60 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The date, time, and location of public meetings will be announced through the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site <http://parkplanning.nps.gov>, the Everglades National Park Web site, and in media outlets in winter 2013.

ADDRESSES: The DEIS will be available for public review and comment online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov>. CDs and a limited number of printed copies will be made available at Everglades National Park headquarters and various local libraries. You may request a copy by contacting Everglades National Park, 40001 State Road 93363, Homestead, FL 33034; 305-242-7700.

If you wish to comment, you may do so by any one of several methods. The preferred method is commenting via the Internet at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov>. An electronic public comment form is provided through this Web site. You may also mail comments to Superintendent, Everglades National Park, 40001 State Road 9336, Homestead, FL 33034-6733. Comments may also be hand-delivered to the Everglades National Park address provided above. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public scoping for the GMP was initiated in 2003. The EEWS was added to the scope of the project in 2006. Public meetings, five newsletters, and internet updates have kept the public informed and involved throughout the planning process. The GMP EEWS will provide a framework for management, use, and development of the Everglades National Park for the next 20 or more years. The DEIS presents and analyzes four alternative ways of managing the Park—alternative 1 (no action/continue current management); the NPS preferred alternative; alternative 2; and alternative 4. (Alternative 3 was dismissed from detailed analysis).

Alternative 1 (no action/continue current management) provides a baseline for evaluating changes and impacts of the three action alternatives. No wilderness is proposed for the East Everglades Addition in alternative 1.

The NPS preferred alternative would support restoration of natural systems and enhanced protection of cultural resources, while providing improved opportunities for quality visitor experiences. It proposes about 80,100 acres for designation as wilderness within the East Everglades Addition, as well as about 9,900 acres for designation as potential wilderness.

Alternative 2 would strive to maintain and enhance visitor opportunities and protect natural systems while preserving many traditional routes and ways of visitor access. It proposes 39,500 acres for designation as wilderness within the East Everglades Addition. No potential wilderness is proposed under this alternative.

As noted above, alternative 3 was dismissed from detailed analysis.

Alternative 4 would provide a high level of support for protecting natural systems while improving opportunities for certain types of visitor activities. Alternative 4 would eliminate commercial airboat tours within the park. It proposes 42,700 acres for designation as wilderness within the East Everglades Addition and 59,400 acres for designation as potential wilderness.

All four alternatives would enhance Flamingo concessions services and facilities. The NPS preferred alternative, alternative 2, and alternative 4 would build the “Marjory Stoneman Douglas Visitor Center” at Everglades City, and each of these three alternatives would provide new and different visitor opportunities. The four alternatives are described in detail in chapter 2 of the DEIS and summarized in table 5 of that chapter. The key aspects of the four alternatives and the impacts of