

required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.

Dated: January 30, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-058-01-1610-DG]

Notice of Availability

February 7, 2001.

AGENCY: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 103-621 (11/2/94) which expanded the boundaries of RRCNCA as designated in the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Establishment Act (Public Law 101-621 11/16/90) and amends portions of the Act, the Las Vegas Field Office, BLM, has completed the Proposed General Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/FEIS) for Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area.

The Proposed Plan and FEIS is available to the public for a 30 day protest period. Originally the protest period was to begin on January 29, 2001 and continue through February 28, 2001. Due to delays in printing of the document, the new protest period will begin on March 1, 2001 and continue through March 30, 2001. The Proposed Plan may be protested by any person who participated in the planning process and who has an interest which is or may be adversely affected by the approval of the Proposed Plan. A protest may raise only those issues which were submitted for the record during the planning process (see 43 Code of Federal Regulations 1610.5-2).

All protest must be written and must be postmarked on or before March 30, 2001 and shall contain the following information:

The name, mailing address, telephone number and interest of the person filing the protest.

A statement of the issue or issues being protested.

A statement of the part or parts of the document being protested.

A copy of all documents addressing the issue or issues previously submitted during the planning process by the protesting party, or an indication of the date the issue or issues were discussed for the record.

A concise statement explaining precisely why the Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Director's decision is wrong.

Upon resolution of any protests, an Approved Plan and record of Decision will be issued. The approved Plan/Record of Decision will be mailed to all individuals who participated in this planning process and all other interested publics upon their request.

ADDRESSES: Protests must be filed with: Director, Bureau of Land Management, Attn. Ms Brenda Williams, Protest Coordinator, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Copies of the Proposed Plan may be obtained from the Las Vegas Field Office, W. Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89108.

Public reading copies are available for review at the Clark County public libraries, all government repository libraries and the following BLM locations:

Office of External Affairs, Main Interior Building, Room 5000, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC:
Public Room, Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, NV;
and the Las Vegas Field Office at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gene Arnesen, GMP Team Leader, at BLM's Las Vegas Field Office listed above or telephone (702) 647-5068.

Dated: February 7, 2001

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-1430-EU, WYW148816]

Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Notice of Scoping on Proposed Exchange, WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Notice of Scoping on a proposal from The Pittsburg and Midway Coal Mining Co. to exchange privately owned lands and minerals in WY for Federal coal in the decertified Powder River Federal Coal Production Region.

SUMMARY: BLM received a proposal to exchange Federal coal in the WY Powder River Basin (PRB) for properties owned by Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co. (P&M) on February 4, 1999. P&M is a wholly owned subsidiary of Chevron Corporation. The Federal coal P&M proposes to acquire is located in northern Sheridan County, WY. The lands and minerals P&M proposes to offer in exchange for the coal are located in Carbon, Lincoln, and Sheridan counties, WY. A portion of the lands being offered in Lincoln County are located within the Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF), and would be administered by the U. S. Forest Service (FS) if an exchange is completed. The exchange would be processed under the provisions of 43 CFR 2200. The Powder River Regional Coal Team (RCT) reviewed this exchange proposal at a public meeting held on October 27, 1999, in Gillette, WY. BLM has determined that the requirements of NEPA would be best served by preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) for this exchange proposal.

DATES: As part of the public scoping process, public scoping meetings are scheduled at the following times and places:

7 p.m., March 5, 2001, LaBarge Town Hall, LaBarge, WY

7 p.m., March 6, 2001, BLM Rawlins Field Office, 1300 N. Third Street, Rawlins, WY

7 p.m., March 7, 2001, Sheridan Holiday Inn, 1809 Sugarland Drive, Sheridan, WY

If you have concerns or issues that you believe the BLM should address in processing this exchange proposal, you can express them verbally at the scoping meetings; or you can mail, e-mail or fax written comments to BLM at the address given below by March 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Please address questions, comments or concerns to the BLM Casper Field Office, attn: Nancy Doelger, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, WY 82604, fax: 307-261-7587, or e-mail comments to the attention of Nancy Doelger at casper_wymail@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Doelger or Mike Karbs at the above address, or phone: 307-261-7600, or Jim Paugh at the BLM Wyoming State Office (921), P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003-1828, 307-775-6306.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 4, 1999, BLM received a proposal from P&M to exchange properties P&M owns in WY, including all minerals owned by P&M under these properties, for Federal coal in Sheridan