

T. 43 N., R. 71 W., 6th P.M., Wyoming
 Sec. 2: Lots 5–20;
 Sec. 11: Lots 1–16;
 Sec. 12: Lots 2 (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ & S $\frac{1}{2}$), 3–16;
 Sec. 13: Lots 1–16;
 Sec. 14: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Lots 1–15;
 Sec. 24: Lots 1–16;
 Sec. 25: Lots 1–16; T. 44 N., R. 71 W., 6th P.M., Wyoming
 Sec. 35: Lots 1–16.
 Containing 5,063.6875 acres, more or less.

All of the coal in the above-described land consists of unleased Federal coal within the Powder River Basin Known Coal Leasing Area. The purpose of the exploration program is to obtain data on the Wyodak coal seam.

ADDRESSES: The proposed exploration program is fully described and will be conducted pursuant to an exploration plan to be approved by the Bureau of Land Management. Copies of the exploration plan are available for review during normal business hours in the following offices (serialized under number WYW153411): Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003; and, Bureau of Land Management, Casper Field Office, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, WY 82604.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice of invitation will be published in The News-Record of Gillette, WY, once each week for two consecutive weeks beginning the week of May 28, 2001, and in the **Federal Register**. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the Bureau of Land Management and Ark Land Company no later than thirty days after publication of this invitation in the **Federal Register**. The written notice should be sent to the following addresses: Ark Land Company, Attn: Michael Lincoln, P.O. Box 460, Hanna, WY 82327, and the Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, Branch of Solid Minerals, Attn: Julie Weaver, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

The foregoing is published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to 43 CFR 3410.2–1(c)(1).

Dated: May 14, 2001.

Phillip C. Perlewitz,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR–014–01–1430–EU; HAG–01–0177]

Notice of Direct Sale of Public Land

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of direct sale of public lands in Klamath County, Oregon (OR 56099).

SUMMARY: The following land has been found suitable and is classified for direct sale under Section 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1713 and 43 U.S.C. 1719, and Section 7 of the Taylor Grazing (43 U.S.C. 315f). The land will be sold at no less than the fair market value of \$18,200 .00. The land will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after this notice.

Willamette Meridian,

T. 38 S., R. 10 E.

Section 6 Lot 7

Section 7 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing approximately 120.12 acres.

The above described land is hereby segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, but not from sale under the above cited statutes, for 270 days or until title transfer is completed or the segregation is terminated by publication in the **Federal Register**, which ever occurs first.

This land is difficult and uneconomic to manage as part of the public lands and is not suitable for management by another Federal agency. No significant resource values will be affected by this disposal. The sale is consistent with BLM's planning for the land involved and the public interest will be served by the sale.

Purchasers must be U.S. citizens, 18 years of age or older, a state or state instrumentality authorized to hold property, or a corporation authorized to own real estate in the state in which the land is located.

The lands are being offered to Meadow Lake Incorporated using the direct sale procedures authorized under 43 CFR 2743.3–3. Direct sale is appropriate because there is no public access to the public lands and lands owned Meadow Lake Inc. surround the public lands.

The terms, conditions, and reservations applicable to this sale are as follows:

1. A right-of-way for ditches and canals will be reserved to the United States in under 43 U.S.C. 945.
2. All oil and gas and geothermal resources in the land will be reserved to

the United States in accordance with Section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

3. The mineral interests being offered for conveyance have no known mineral value. The acceptance of a direct sale offer will constitute an application for conveyance of the mineral estate, with the exception of the oil and gas and geothermal interests which will be reserved to the United States in accordance with Section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

4. Patents will be issued subject to all valid existing rights and reservations of record.

If land identified in this notice is not sold it will be offered competitively on a continuing basis until sold.

Detailed information concerning the sale, including the reservations, sale procedures, and planning and environmental documents, is available at the Klamath Falls Field Office 2795 Anderson Ave. Building 25 Klamath Falls, OR 97603.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments to the Field Manager, Klamath Falls Resource Area Office at the above address. Objections will be reviewed by the District Manager who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In absence of any objections, this realty action will become the final action of the Department of the Interior. Questions should be directed to Tom Cottingham at the above address or by phone at 541/885–4141.

Dated: April 27, 2001.

Teresa A. Raml,

Manager, Klamath Falls Resource Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO–14000–01–1610–DU]

Resource Management Plan Amendment

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Glenwood Springs Field Office, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare a Fire Management Plan and Environmental Assessment (EA) and Amend the Glenwood Springs Field Office Resource Management Plan (RMP).

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Glenwood Springs Field Office (GSFO) has fire protection responsibility on more than 550,000 acres of public land in Eagle, Garfield, Pitkin, Routt, Mesa and Rio Blanco Counties in Colorado. A fire management plan (FMP) plan will provide managers and the public a framework for managing wildland fire and prescribing vegetation treatments. The Environmental Assessment (EA) will serve as the analysis for implementing wildland fire management. Public lands will be managed under one of four management categories for purposes of wildland fire management. The description of these categories follows:

A. The values in these areas are threatened by all types of fire. Fires will be aggressively suppressed and no prescribed fire management would be planned. Mechanical and/or chemical fuel treatments would be utilized to reduce hazard fuel loadings in this zone.

B. These areas also have values that are threatened by wildfires, but might benefit from the careful application of fire. Wildfires will be aggressively suppressed, but prescribed fire with other fuel treatment reduction methods (mechanical or chemical) will be considered as a management alternative in certain situations.

C. The natural resource values in these areas are not significantly threatened or benefitted by wildfires. Wildfires will be managed by an appropriate management response (AMR) as provided for in the FMP. Suppression options will range from aggressive suppression, to a nonaggressive containment action that considers least cost as a primary consideration. Predetermined constraints (ecological, air quality, political, fire load, time of year, etc.) will be included in a wildfire situation analysis (WFSA) to help the line officer in decision making. These areas do contain values that may benefit from the application of fire, so prescribed fires will be an option for natural resource management. Mechanical and/or chemical fuel treatments could also be utilized to reduce hazard fuel loadings in this zone.

D. These areas have no natural resource values that are threatened by wildfires, and contain some natural resources that would benefit from fire, both wildfire and prescribed fire. If pre-existing conditions are met (ecological, air quality, political, fire load, time of year, etc.) wildfires may be allowed to burn without suppression actions to benefit natural resources. Fires that are suppressed will be managed with the

AMR range of alternatives. A WFSA will be conducted on all fires where aggressive suppression does not take place, the line officer's decision will be documented. Prescribed fire will also be a management alternative to meet resource objectives. Mechanical and/or chemical fuel treatments could also be utilized to reduce hazard fuel loadings.

DATES: The BLM can best utilize your input if you submit comments pertaining to important values, wildland fire management and prescribed (fire, mechanical and chemical) vegetation treatments before June 30, 2001. Public meetings (dates to be announced) are tentatively planned for Eagle, Glenwood Springs and Rifle, Colorado.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Field Manager—Fire Management Plan, Glenwood Springs Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 50629 Highway 6 & 24, P.O. Box 1009, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests to be placed on a mailing list and notified of public meetings should be mailed to the address above. You can also telephone Brian Hopkins at (970) 947-2840 or e-mail him at bhopkins@co.blm.gov. Documents and maps relevant to the planning process will be available for public review at the Glenwood Springs Field Office and, as feasible, available on the Glenwood Springs Field Office website at <http://www.co.blm.gov/gsra/gshome.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FMPs are being updated to comply with the 1995 Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy and the 2001 Review and Update of the 1995 Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy. The Policy directs Field Offices to have an approved FMP for every area with burnable vegetation. In addition, land uses, land issues and vegetation (fuels) have changed since the completion of the 1984 RMP, especially along the private land—public land interface. The GSFO FMP will update fire and vegetation management in light of these changes.

The goals of the FMP are to address issues including: (1) Human safety; (2) Protection of improvements, property, cultural resources, threatened or endangered species and high value resources; (3) Return fire to its natural role in the ecosystem; (4) Protection and enhancement of other natural resources; (5) Hazardous fuel reduction; and (6) Fiscal efficiency of fire management operations.

We will provide opportunities for local governments, state agencies and the public to participate in the planning process. Individuals will have the opportunity to attend public meetings,

write letters, telephone and meet directly with the interdisciplinary planning team.

Anne Huebner,

Glenwood Springs Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-200-1040-PH]

Notice of Intent To Prepare the Cache Creek Travel Management Plan and Amend the Royal Gorge Resource Management Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an amendment to the Royal Gorge Resource Management Plan, and prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA).

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the initiation of a Resource Management Plan (RMP) amendment for the Cache Creek Travel Management Plan, pursuant to the BLM planning regulations in 43 CFR 1600. The proposed Travel Management Plan will convert BLM's current Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) designation of "limited to existing roads and trails" to one of "limited to designated roads and trails", to implement a decision in the Royal Gorge Resource Management Plan, approved in May 1996. The EA will analyze and compare the impacts of the change in OHV designation and management with continuing current management, and other alternatives that may be identified. The Travel Management Plan is being prepared through coordination with other federal, state and local agencies, and affected public land users.

DATES: Interested parties may submit written comments to the Field Office Manager at the address listed below. Comments will be accepted until June 15, 2001.

ADDRESSES: If you wish to comment, request additional information or request to be put on the mailing list, you may do so by any of several methods. You may mail or hand deliver your comments or requests to: Field Office Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Royal Gorge Field Office, 3170 East Main Street, Canon City, CO 81212, (719) 269-8500. You may also comment via email to: RGFOWEB@blm.gov. Please submit email comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special