

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Notice of Invitation To Participate; Coal Exploration License Application WYW180763, Wyoming**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended by the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, and to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regulations, all interested parties are hereby invited to participate with Cordero Mining LLC, on a pro rata cost-sharing basis, in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States in Campbell County, Wyoming.

DATES: This notice of invitation has been published in the *Gillette News-Record* once each week for 2 consecutive weeks beginning the week of May 14, 2012, and in the **Federal Register**. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the BLM and Cordero Mining LLC, as provided in the **ADDRESSES** section below, no later than 30 days after publication of this invitation in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the exploration plan are available for review during normal business hours in the following offices (case file number WYW180763): BLM, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003; and, BLM, High Plains District Office, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, Wyoming 82604. The written notice should be sent to the following addresses: Cordero Mining LLC, c/o Cloud Peak Energy, Attn: Mark Arambel, Caller Box 3009, Gillette, Wyoming 82717, and BLM, Wyoming State Office, Branch of Solid Minerals, Attn: Mavis Love, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mavis Love, Land Law Examiner, at 307–775–6258. 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: Cordero Mining LLC, has applied to the BLM for

a coal exploration license on public land adjacent to its Cordero Rojo Coal Mine. The purpose of the exploration program is to obtain structural and quality information about the coal. The BLM regulations at 43 CFR part 3410 require the publication of an invitation to participate in the coal exploration in the **Federal Register**. The Federal coal resources included in the exploration license application are located in the following described lands in Wyoming:

6th Principal Meridian

- T. 46 N., R. 71 W.,
 Sec. 9, lots 6 through 8 inclusive;
 Sec. 10, lots 7 through 10 inclusive;
 Sec. 11, lots 13 through 16 inclusive;
 Sec. 14, lots 1 through 6 inclusive and lots 11 through 14 inclusive;
 Sec. 15, lots 1 through 16 inclusive;
 T. 47 N., R. 71 W.,
 Sec. 7, lots 6 through 11 inclusive and lots 14 through 19 inclusive;
 Sec. 17, lots 1 through 15 inclusive and SW¼NW¼;
 Sec. 18, lots 5, 6, 11, 12;
 Sec. 20, lot 1;
 Sec. 21, lot 4;
 T. 47 N., R. 72 W.,
 Sec. 1, lots 9 through 13 inclusive and NW¼SE¼; and
 Sec. 12, lots 1 through 16 inclusive.

Containing 3,747.91 acres, more or less, in Campbell County.

The proposed exploration program is fully described in, and will be conducted pursuant to, an exploration plan to be approved by the BLM.

Authority: 43 CFR 3410.2–1(c)(1).

Donald A. Simpson,

State Director.

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Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Hollister Underground Mine Project, Elko County, NV**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (FLPMA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Hollister

Underground Mine Project and by this notice is announcing the opening of the public comment period.

DATES: To ensure that comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the Hollister Underground Mine Project Draft EIS within 45 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will announce future meetings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices, news media releases, and/or mailings.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments related to the Hollister Underground Mine Project by any of the following methods:

- **Email:** BLM_NV_ELDOHollisterEISTeam@blm.gov
- **Fax:** 775–753–0255
- **Mail:** Bureau of Land Management, Hollister Underground Mine Project, Attention: Janice Stadelman, Project Manager, 3900 Idaho Street, Elko NV 89801

Copies of the Hollister Underground Mine Project Draft EIS are available in the BLM Elko District Office at the above address and online at: http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko_field_office.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Janice Stadelman, Project Manager; telephone 775–753–0346; address 3900 Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801; email: BLM_NV_ELDOHollisterEISTeam@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, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Rodeo Creek Gold, Inc. proposed an amendment to its plan of operations for the Hollister Underground Mine Project. The proposed amendment would transition its existing underground exploration operations into an underground gold and silver mining operation. Most of the necessary infrastructure to support a mining operation was authorized and built in conjunction with the underground exploration activities. The proposed project would be located 47 miles northwest of Elko in Elko County, Nevada. The proposed project is estimated to provide approximately 200 jobs and to operate for 20 years.