

did not consider the entire relevant legal record and did not construe accurately the provisions of the 1866 Treaty with the Delaware and the 1867 Agreement between the Delaware and Cherokee. Based on this review, the Assistant Secretary has made a preliminary determination that the position of the Department stated in the 1979 letter should be retracted. Nothing in this preliminary decision should be construed as affecting allotments with federally imposed restrictions against alienation under the Act of August 4, 1947, 61 Stat. 731.

DATES: The public has until July 29, 1996 to comment on this preliminary decision.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Maddox, Director, Office of Tribal Services, (202) 208-3463.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs (ASIA) by 209 DM 8. Comments on the preliminary decision and/or requests for a copy of the Associate Solicitor Memorandum of June 19, 1996, should be addressed to the Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20242, Attention: Office of Tribal Services, Mail Stop 4603 MIB. The final decision of the Department will follow a review of the public comments.

Dated: June 21, 1996.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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Bureau of Land Management

[AK-962-1410-00-P; F-19155-16]

Alaska Native Claims Selection

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that a decision to issue conveyance under the provisions of Sec. 14(e) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971, 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613(e), will be issued to Doyon, Limited for approximately 35 acres. The lands involved are in the vicinity of Galena, Alaska, within T. 8 S., R. 8 E., Kateel River Meridian, Alaska.

A notice of the decision will be published once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner*. Copies of the decision may be obtained by contacting the Alaska State Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 222 West Seventh

Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 ((907) 271-5960).

Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision, an agency of the Federal government or regional corporation, shall have until July 29, 1996 to file an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

Elizabeth Sherwood,

Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.

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[OR-130-1020-00; GP6-0193]

Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District, Interior.

NOTICE: Notice of Meetings of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project Subgroup of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council, the Standards for Rangeland Health and Livestock Grazing Guidelines Subgroup of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council, and the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council.

ACTION: Meetings of the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project Subgroup and the Standards for Rangeland Health and Livestock Grazing Guidelines Subgroup of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council; July 18, 1996, in Spokane, Washington. Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council; July 19, 1996, in Spokane, Washington.

SUMMARY: Meetings of two Subgroups of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council will be held on July 18, 1996: The Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project (ICBEMP) Subgroup, and the Standards for Rangeland Health and Livestock Grazing Guidelines (S&G) Subgroup. Both meetings will convene at 9:00 a.m., at the Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District Office, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, Washington, 99212-1275. The meetings will adjourn at approximately 4:00 p.m. or upon completion of business. At an

appropriate time, the meetings will recess for approximately one hour for lunch. Public comments will be received from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. The purpose of the ICBEMP Subgroup meeting is to discuss ICBEMP Alternatives. The purpose of the S&G Subgroup meeting is to develop recommendations to the full Council concerning Standards for Rangeland Health and Livestock Grazing Guidelines.

A meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council will be held on July 19, 1996. The meeting will convene at 9:00 a.m. at Cavanaugh's Inn at the Park, 303 West North River Drive, Ballroom "D", Spokane, Washington, 99201, 509-326-8000. The meeting will adjourn at approximately 4:00 p.m. or upon completion of business. At an appropriate time, the meeting will recess for approximately one hour for lunch. Public comments will be received from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. The purpose of meeting is to address the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project and to consider recommendations for Standards for Rangeland Health and Livestock Grazing Guidelines.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Hubbard, Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District Office, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, Washington, 99212; or call 509-536-1200.

Dated: June 20, 1996.

Joseph K. Buesing,

District Manager.

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[CO-934-96-1310-01; COC47017]

Colorado; Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease COC47017, Garfield County, Colorado, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from April 1, 1996, the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5 per acre and 16-2/3 percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee for the lease and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this Federal Register notice.

Having met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral

Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, (30 U.S.C. 188 (d) and (e), the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective April 1, 1996, subject to the original terms and condition of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Questions concerning this notice may be directed to Milada Krasilnec of the Colorado State Office (303) 239-3767.

Dated: June 17, 1996.

Milada Krasilnec,
Land Law Examiner, Oil and Gas Lease Management Team.

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Office of the Secretary

Statement of Findings, Implementation of the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 1994, Public Law No. 103-434

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the statement of findings required by the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act 1994.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catherine E. Wilson, Chair, Implementation Team for the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 1994, P.O. Box 10, Phoenix, AZ 85001, (602) 379-6789.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: It is the policy of the United States, in fulfillment of its trust responsibility to Indian Tribes, to promote Indian self-determination and economic self-sufficiency, and to settle, wherever possible, the water rights claims of Indian tribes without lengthy and costly litigation. On October 31, 1994, the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 1994, Pub. L. No. 104-434, 108 Stat. 4526, (Settlement Act) was enacted to settle the water rights claims of the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe (Tribe) located in Yavapai County, Arizona. Section 112 of the Settlement Act provides that the waivers and releases of all present and future claims of water rights or injuries to water rights required to be executed by the Tribe and the United States as part of the settlement shall become effective as the date the Secretary to be published in the Federal Register a statement of findings that certain conditions, as prescribed in Section 112 (a)(1)-(4), have been met. Accordingly, in compliance with Section 112(a), the Secretary of the Interior issues the following Statement of Findings.

Statement of Findings

Pursuant to Section 112(a)(1)-(4) of the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 1994, Pub. L. No. 104-434, 108 Stat. 4526 (1994), the Secretary of the Interior hereby finds:

1. On December 27, 1995, an acceptable party, The City of Scottsdale, Arizona, executed contracts for assignments of the Tribe's CAP contract and the City of Prescott's CAP subcontract. The proceeds paid by the City of Scottsdale for such assignments were deposited into the Verde River Basin Water Fund on December 29, 1995.

2. On December 15, 1995, the stipulation of the settling parties was approved by Judgment entered by the Superior Court of Arizona, in the case titled, In re the General Adjudication of All Rights to Use Water in the Gila River System and Source.

3. The Settlement Agreement dated June 29, 1995, consistent with the terms of the Settlement Act, was executed by the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, pursuant to authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior.

4. On October 24, 1995, the contribution to the Settlement Act appropriated by the State of Arizona, in the amount of \$200,000, was deposited into the Verde River Basin Water Fund.

Dated: June 17, 1996.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs.

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Bureau of Land Management

[UT-912-06-0777-52]

Meeting of the Utah Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Utah.

ACTION: Notice of Meeting of the Utah Resource Advisory Council.

SUMMARY: The Utah Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on July 15, 1996, at the Bureau of Land Management's Utah State Office, Room 302, 324 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. The entire meeting will be devoted to the preparation of draft Standards & Guidelines for grazing management. RAC meetings are open to the public. A 30-minute comment period, whereby members of the public may address the Council, is scheduled at 9:00 a.m. Any member of the public interested in addressing the Council should contact Sherry Foot, Special Programs

Coordinator, (801) 539-4195, by July 10, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sherry Foot, Utah State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 324 South State Street, Salt Lake City, 84111; phone (801) 539-4195 or 539-4021.

Dated: June 19, 1996.

David Little,

Utah BLM Associate State Director.

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[AZ-055-96-1430-01; AZA 15957, AZA 28915, and AZA 29255]

Arizona: Notice of Realty Action

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Classification of Public Land for Recreation and Public Purposes Leases/Conveyances, Yuma County, Arizona.

SUMMARY: The following described public land in Yuma County, within the City of San Luis, Arizona, has been examined and found suitable for classification for lease and conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.). Public land affected and the proposed land uses are identified as follows:

AZA 28915—San Luis Water Treatment Facility and Park

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 11 S., R. 25 W.,

Sec. 1, lots 1 to 5, inclusive.

Containing 27.24 acres, more or less.

AZA 15957—San Luis Library

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 11 S., R. 25 W.,

Sec. 1, north half of lot 11.

Containing 1.05 acres, more or less.

AZA 29255—Gadsden District/AWC School Facility

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 11 S., R. 25 W.,

Sec. 1, lot 14, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing 14.41 acres, more or less.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The City of San Luis (City), Arizona, and the Gadsden Elementary School District (with Arizona Western College—AWC) have filed R&PP lease and conveyance applications for parcels within the City limits. The City intends to construct a library resource center, a water treatment facility, and a park. The School District and AWC plan to construct and share a school facility which will be an expansion of the existing elementary school. This land is identified in the Yuma District Resource Management Plan, as amended, as