

application for a lease with an option to purchase the 5-acre parcel of land for construction of a veterans' memorial hall and associated facilities, including a rest area and play area. Lease/conveyance is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest. The lease/patent, when issued, will be subject to the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and the following reservations to the United States:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).

2. All mineral deposits in the land so patented, and to it, or persons authorized by it, the right to prospect for, mine and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and regulations to be established by the Secretary of the Interior.

And will be subject to:

Those rights for highway purposes granted to the Nevada Department of Transportation, its successors or assigns, by right-of-way CC-018095 pursuant to the Act of November 9, 1921 (42 Stat 216).

Those rights for buried gas pipeline purposes granted to Southwest Gas Corporation, its successors or assigns, by rights-of-way Nev-060169 and N-32376 pursuant to the Act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat 437).

Those rights for buried communication cable purposes granted to AT&T, its successors or assigns, by right-of-way N-46266 pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761).

Upon publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws but not the mineral leasing laws, the material disposal laws, or the Geothermal Steam Act. The segregation shall terminate upon issuance of a conveyance document or publication in the Federal Register of an order specifying the date and time of opening. For a period of 45 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register, interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed lease/conveyance or classification to the Assistant District Manager, Non-Renewable Resources, Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District.

Classification Comments

Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal,

whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments

Comments on the application should address the proposed use in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for a veterans' memorial hall.

Objections will be reviewed by the Carson City District Manager who may sustain, vacate or modify this realty action. In the absence of any objections, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

Dated this 11th day of September, 1996.

James M. Phillips,

Assistant District Manager, Non-Renewable Resources, Carson City District.

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Filing of Plats of Survey; Idaho

The plat of the following described land was officially filed in the Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Boise, Idaho, effective 9:00 a.m., September 12, 1996.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west and north boundaries, and the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of section 6, T. 5 S., R. 7 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group No. 957, was accepted, September 12, 1996.

This survey was executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management. All inquiries concerning the survey of the above described land must be sent to the Chief, Cadastral Survey, Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3380 Americana Terrace, Boise, Idaho 83706-2500.

Dated: September 12, 1996.

Duane E. Olsen,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Idaho.

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[ID-957-1020-00]

Filing of Plats of Survey; Idaho

The plats of the following described lands were officially filed in the Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land

Management, Boise, Idaho, effective 9:00 a.m., September 12, 1996.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of sections 23, 24, and 25, T. 4 S., R. 5 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group No. 946, was accepted, September 12, 1996.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west boundary, the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of sections 30 and 31, T. 4 S., R. 6 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group No. 946, was accepted September 12, 1996.

These surveys were executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management. All inquiries concerning the survey of the above described land must be sent to the Chief, Cadastral Survey, Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3380 Americana Terrace, Boise, Idaho 83706-2500.

Dated: September 12, 1996.

Duane E. Olsen,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Idaho.

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Amendments to Proposed Withdrawal; Montana

AGENCY: Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, with concurrence from the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, has amended the withdrawal petition and application for the proposed Cooke City Area Mineral Withdrawal to include additional Federal lands, non-Federal minerals within the withdrawal boundary which may be acquired by the United States, and segregation from mineral leasing, except oil and gas. This amendment will segregate the lands described below from location and entry under the mining laws and the mineral leasing laws, except oil and gas. This amendment will also segregate those lands in the original application from the mineral leasing laws, except oil and gas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Comments should be sent to the Cooke City Area Mineral Withdrawal Team, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107, by December 19, 1996.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 27, 1996, and September 13, 1996, petition amendments were approved, and on September 16, 1996, an application amendment was approved.

These amend the original petition and application to include the following Federal lands and non-Federal minerals within the withdrawal boundary which may be acquired by the United States, and to withdraw the following lands and those in the original petition from mineral leasing, except oil and gas. The segregative period for all lands in this proposed withdrawal remains the same.

Principal Meridian, Montana

Federal Lands—

T. 15 E.,

Sec. 32, that part of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ lying outside of the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness Boundary.

T. 9 S., R. 15 E.,

Sec. 21;

Sec. 22;

Sec. 23, lots 2 and 3, N $\frac{1}{2}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and bed of Kersey Lake riparian to lots 2 and 3;

Sec. 26, bed of Kersey lake riparian to NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 27, lots 1 and 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and bed of Kersey Lake riparian to lots 1 and 2;

Sec. 28, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, and 6 to 9, inclusive, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and that part of lot 5 and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying outside of the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness boundary;

Sec. 33, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, and NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and that part of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying outside of the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness Boundary;

Sec. 34, lot 4, and that part of lot 3 and W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ lying outside of the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness Boundary.

The areas described aggregate approximately 2,965.00 acres.

Non-Federal Minerals—Approximately 4,158.00 acres—

All non-Federal minerals, if returned to Federal ownership, would without further action become subject to the terms and conditions of the subject withdrawal.

The purpose of the proposed withdrawal is for protection of the watersheds within the drainages of the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone River, Soda Butte Creek, and the Stillwater River, and the water quality and fresh water fishery resources within Yellowstone National Park. The amendments are to include lands identified during public scoping meetings and to meet the intent of the New World Mine Agreement signed August 12, 1996, by Crown Butte Mines, Inc., the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, and the United States.

A withdrawal application, as amended, will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR part 2300.

Existing uses of the segregated lands may be continued except for the location or relocation of mining claims during the pendency of the segregative period, including but not limited to all legal ingress and egress to valid mining claims and patented claims, all rights-of-way, all access to non-Federal lands, all current recreational uses, and all

commercial uses requiring special use permits.

Thomas P. Lonnie,

Deputy State Director, Division of Resources.

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National Park Service

General Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement for Whitman Mission National Historic Site, Washington

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service will prepare a General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for Whitman Mission National Historic Site.

A General Management Plan sets forth the basic management philosophy for a unit of the National Park System and provides the strategies for addressing issues and achieving identified management objectives for that unit. In the GMP/EIS and its accompanying public review process, the National Park Service will formulate and evaluate the environmental impacts of a range of alternatives to address distinct management strategies for the park, including resource protection and visitor use. The plan will guide the management of natural and cultural resources and visitor use of those resources for the next 15 years. Development concept plans for selected facilities may be included with the GMP.

Scoping is the term given to the process by which the scope of issues to be addressed in the GMP/EIS is identified. Representatives of Federal, State and local agencies, American Indian tribes, private organizations and individuals from the general public who may be interested in or affected by the proposed GMP/EIS are invited to participate in the scoping process by responding to this Notice with written comments. All comments received will become part of the public record and copies of comments, including any names, addresses and telephone numbers provided by respondents, may be released for public inspection.

Among the major issues likely to be addressed in the Whitman Mission GMP/EIS are (1) a clarification of what is to be memorialized at the Site and how that is to be accomplished; (2) the effects of adjacent land uses on park resources; (3) the staffing levels needed to adequately manage resources and

visitor use; (4) future interpretive treatment of the Mission grounds; and (5) infrastructure concerns such as internal road circulation and suitability of existing storage facilities. A full range of alternatives, including "no action" and "minimum requirements" alternatives, will be considered in the GMP/EIS to address these and other issues that may emerge during the planning process.

The draft GMP/EIS is expected to be available for public review by the summer of 1997 with the final version of the GMP/EIS and the Record of Decision to be completed by May 1998.

Because the responsibility for approving the GMP/EIS has been delegated to the National Park Service, the EIS is a "delegated" EIS. The responsible official is Stanley T. Albright, Field Director, Pacific West Area, National Park Service.

DATES: Public scoping meetings will be held Monday, 21 October 1996, 7:00–9:00 p.m. at the park's Visitor Center, located seven miles west of Walla Walla, Washington, and Wednesday, 23 October 1996, 7:00–9:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Dining Room, Walla Walla Community College, 500 Tausick Way, Walla Walla, Washington. Written comments on the scope of the issues and alternatives to be analyzed in the GMP/EIS should be received no later than 31 December 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning the GMP/EIS should be sent to the Superintendent, Whitman Mission National Historic Site, Route 2, Box 247, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Whitman Mission National Historic Site, at the above address or at telephone number (509) 522-6360.

Dated: September 9, 1996.

William C. Walters,

Deputy Field Director, Pacific West Area, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

In accordance with Department of Justice policy, 28 C.F.R. § 50.7 and 42 U.S.C. § 9622(d)(2), notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree in *United States versus Browning-Ferris*