

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF FWS STOCK ASSESSMENT REPORTS FOR MARINE MAMMALS THAT OCCUPY WATERS UNDER U.S. JURISDICTION. (NOTE: DRAFT REVISED STOCK ASSESSMENT DATA IS IN BOLD PRINT.)

Species	Stock area	SRG region	FWS region	N _(min)	R _(max)	F _(r)	PBR	Annual estimated average human-caused mortality	Annual fish-ing-caused mortality	Strategic status
West Indian manatee-Florida stock.	Southeastern U.S.A..	ATL	4	2,229	0.04	0.1	4	49 ¹	<1	Yes.
West Indian manatee-Antillean stock.	Puerto Rico	ATL	4	101	0.04	0.1	0	2	Unknown ..	Yes.
Southern sea otter-California stock.	Central California and San Nicolas Island.	PAC	1	2,295	0.06	0.1	² N/AP	Unknown ³	Unknown ⁴	Yes.
Northern sea otter-Washington stock.	Neah Bay to Destruction Island, WA.	PAC	1	430	0.12	0.5	12	Unknown ⁵	Unknown ⁴	No.
Polar bear-Chukchi/Bering Seas stock.	Chukchi and Bering Seas-Alaska and Russia.	AKA	7	⁶ N/AV	⁶ N/AV	1.0	⁶ N/AV	55	0	No.
Polar bear-Beaufort Sea stock.	Beaufort Sea-Alaska and Canada.	AKA	7	1,579	0.06	1.0	⁷ 72	63	0	No.
Sea otter-Alaska stock.	Alaska	AKA	7	100,000	0.2	1.0	10,000	506	<1	No.
Pacific walrus	Alaska and Russia	AKA	7	188,316	0.08	1.0	7,533	5,894	16	No.

¹ Estimated average human-caused mortality for the West Indian manatee-Florida stock from 1984 to 1992. The estimated average annual human caused mortality from 1974 to 1992 is 36 animals.

² N/AP indicates Not Applicable. Although the PBR level for the southern sea-California stock was calculated to be 6, their incidental take is not governed under Section 118 of the 1994 amendments to the Marine Mammal Protection Act.

³ Unknown. Human-caused mortalities of sea otters have been attributed to drowning in gill nets and lobster/crab pots, shootings, boat collisions, disease, and oil spills. However, data are insufficient for estimating annual losses. See stock assessment report for additional information.

⁴ Unknown. Observer coverage is inadequate to estimate annual fishery mortality.

⁵ Unknown. Sea otters in Washington State are susceptible to the same sources of human-caused mortality as they are in California.

⁶ N/AV indicates Not Available.

⁷ Adjusted upwards to 72 animals from the calculated PBR of 48 to reflect the approximate 2 male: 1 female sex ratio of the harvest. See stock assessment report for additional information.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Application for Approval

The following applicant has applied for approval to conduct certain activities with birds that are protected in accordance with the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 112(4) of the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992, 50 CFR 15.26(c).

Applicant: Susan Boyer, Julian, CA. The applicant wishes to establish a cooperative breeding program for the Javan Hill Myna (*Gracula religiosa religiosa*) and the Sumatran Hill Myna (*Gracula religiosa robusta*). Ms. Boyer wishes to be an active participant in this program with one other private individual. The American Federation of Aviculture, Inc. has assumed the responsibility for the oversight of the program.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: April 22, 1997.

Susan Lieberman,

Chief, Branch of Operations, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-933-97-1990-00-24A]

Mining Claims Under the General Mining Laws; Surface Management: Forms of Legal Financial Guarantees Allowable Under Colorado State Law

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public notice of legal financial guarantees allowable under Colorado state law.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) amended the surface management regulations at 43 CFR subpart 3809 on February 28, 1997 (62 FR 9093). The amendment requires each BLM State Director to consult with the appropriate State authorities to determine which financial instruments in section 43 CFR 3809.1-9(k) are allowable under State law.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This list is effective April 28, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Inquires should be sent to the Bureau of Land Management,

Colorado State Office, Division of Resource Services, Mining Law Administration Team, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy H. Drew, (303) 239-3772.

ALLOWABLE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS: The Bureau of Land Management has consulted with appropriate Colorado State authorities to determine which of the financial instruments in section 3809.1-9(k) are allowable under Colorado State law to satisfy the financial assurance requirements related to mining reclamation requirements. Colorado State law allows cash bonds, cash escrow accounts, corporate surety bonds, irrevocable letters of credit, certificates of deposit, deeds of trust and security agreements, self-insurance, individual reclamation funds, salvage credit, and first priority liens on project-related fixtures and equipment as forms

of financial guarantees related to reclamation requirements.

Dated: April 21, 1997.

James E. Edwards,

Solid Minerals Group Leader.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Proposed Modified Competitive Sale of Public Lands in Texas County, Oklahoma.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following described public land in Texhoma, Texas County,

CIMARRON MERIDAN, OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma, has been examined and in accordance with section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act, 43 U.S.C. 315f, and Executive Order No. 6964 are hereby classified for disposal by sale under the authority of section 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), as amended (43 U.S.C. 1701, 1713). Method of sale will be through modified competitive seal bids. Sales will not be made at less than the fair market value as shown below and any bid for less than fair market value will be rejected. The Bureau of Land Management may accept or reject any and all offers or withdraw any land or interest in the land for sale if the sale would not be consistent with FLPMA or other applicable law or if the opinion of the Authorized Officer, consummation of the sale would not be in the best interest of the United States.

Tract	Legal description	Acres	Value
TX-50 OKNM 68915	T. 1S., R. 12 E., Sec. 5, lots 6 & 7, Blk. 4, Texhoma Townsite	0.161	\$200.00
TX-51 OKNM 68916	T. 1 S., R. 12 E., Sec. 5, lot 27, Blk. 4, Texhoma Townsite067	100.00

DATES: For a period of 45 days from the date of this notice, interested parties may submit comments to the District Manager. Any adverse comments will be evaluated by the District Manager, who may vacate or modify this realty action and issue a final determination. In the absence of any action by the District Manager, this realty action will become final determination of the Department of Interior. The 45-day comment period ends on June 9, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Sealed bids, delivered or mailed, must be received by the Bureau of Land Management, 221 N. Service Road, Moore, Oklahoma 73160-4946, by 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 30, 1997. The sealed bid envelope must be marked in the front lower left-hand corner with the words "Sealed Bid, June 30, 1997 Public Land Sale, Tract TX-50" or "Sealed Bid, June 30, 1997 Public Land Sale, Tract TX-51." Comments and suggestions should be sent to: District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 7906 E. 33rd Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74145-1352.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Detailed information concerning this sale can be obtained by contacting John Ledbetter, Realty Specialist, at (405) 790-1014.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The minimum acceptable bid is listed above. Sale will be conducted utilizing

modified competitive sealed bidding pursuant to 43 CFR 2711.3-2. Mr. Robert Richards (fee owner of adjacent lots) will be allowed preference consideration to meet the highest qualifying bid. All bidders shall be United States citizens 18 years of age or older, or, in the case of a corporation, subject to the laws of any state of the United States. Proof of citizenship shall accompany the bid (ie., a copy of voters registration or birth certificate). Bids sent by mail must be in clearly marked, sealed envelopes. A separate written bid must be submitted for each tract. The sealed bids must be accompanied by a certified check, postal money order, bank draft, or cashiers check for at least twenty percent of the total bid, made payable to the USDI—Bureau of Land Management. All bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 30, 1997. If two or more qualified sealed bids for the same amount are received, then the apparent high bidder will be determined by supplemental bidding. The apparent high bidder and the designated bidder (Mr. Robert Richards) will be notified immediately following the opening of the bids. If the designated bidder (Mr. Robert Richards) fails to exercise his preference consideration to meet the highest bid within 15 days of the sale, the BLM will offer the lands to the apparent high bidder. If the apparent high bidder is disqualified, the next

highest qualified bid will be accepted. The successful bidder will be required to submit the remainder of the payment within 180 days of the date of the sale. Failure to pay the full bid price within 180 days shall result in the cancellation of the sale of the tract, and the deposit shall be forfeited and disposed of as other receipts of the sale. All bids will be either returned, accepted, or rejected within 30 days of the sale date.

If the identified parcels are not sold, they will be available for sale by sealed bid for six months following the sale date. The sealed bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. the first Tuesday of each of the subsequent six months, August 1997 through January 1998. Publication of this notice will segregate the land from all appropriation, under the public land laws for 270 days, or until issuance of patent, or the segregation is terminated by publication in the **Federal Register**, whichever occurs first.

The lands, when patented, will be subject to the following terms, reservations and restrictions:

1. A reservation to the United States for ditches and canals.
2. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals.
3. Title will be issued by a patent subject to all prior valid existing rights.