

Section 18, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$; 10.00 acres

These parcels are small and isolated with no legal access. The proposal is to sell the parcels to the adjoining landowners by direct sale or by modified competitive sale where there is more than one adjoining landowner. Where survey hiatuses and unintentional encroachments on public lands are discovered in the future, which meet the disposal criteria, the lands may be automatically assigned Zone 3 for disposal.

Public participation in the amendment process will include publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** and local newspapers and the sending of this notice to state and local governments, private individuals, and interested parties. Depending on the amount of public interest, a public meeting may be held in the Medford District Office.

COMMENTS: Any comments on this notice should be mailed by close of business on August 15, 1997, to the Bureau of Land Management, Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jan R. Miller, Realty Specialist, (541) 770-2221.

Dated: June 19, 1997.

David A. Jones,
District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-040-1430-01]

Notice of Realty Action; Agricultural Lease of Public Lands, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action, agricultural lease of public lands in Sublette and Lincoln Counties.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management has determined that the land described below is suitable for agricultural lease under Section 302 of the Federal Land Management Policy Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1732.

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 31 N., R. 106 W.

Section 22, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 33 N., R. 109 W.

Section 21, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Section 27, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ m,
S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 31 N., R. 110 W.

Section 17, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 20, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 21, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 28, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$,
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 29, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 37 N., R. 110 W.

Section 33, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 26 N., R. 113 W.

Section 19, Lot 1.

T. 29 N., R. 113 W.

Section 13, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 31 N., R. 114 W.

Section 22, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 27, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Section 28, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

These lands contain 201 acres.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Leslie Theiss, Area Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Resource Area, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941, 307-367-4358. The casefiles may be reviewed at the Pinedale Resource Area office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau of Land Management proposes to lease the above described land for haying purposes for a 3 year period on a non-competitive land use permit.

For a period of forty-five (45) days from the date of issuance of this notice, interested parties may submit comments to the Bureau of Land Management, District Manager, Rock Springs, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901. Any adverse comments will be evaluated by the State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any objections, this proposed realty action will become final.

Dated: June 26, 1997.

Leslie Theiss,

Area Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-9800-12] ES-48649, Group 88,
Arkansas

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Arkansas, Suspension Lifted

On Thursday, May 8, 1997, there was published in the **Federal Register**, Volume 62, Number 89, on page 25205, a notice entitled, "Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Arkansas, Suspended." Said notice referenced the suspension of the plat of the dependent resurvey of the north, south and east boundaries, and the subdivisional lines of Township 2 South, Range 24 West, Fifth Principal Meridian, Arkansas, accepted March 5, 1997.

The protest against the survey was withdrawn on June 13, 1997, and the suspension of this plat was hereby lifted.

Dated: June 24, 1997.

Stephen G. Kopach,

Chief, Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Development of a Wetlands Park in Las Vegas Wash in Clark County, Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability and notice of public hearing on draft environmental impact statement (DEIS).

SUMMARY: The purpose of this action is to provide notice of the availability for review and comment, of the DEIS on potential impacts on a proposed Wetlands Park in Las Vegas Wash, Clark County, Nevada. A Public Hearing will be held to receive comments in preparation for finalizing the DEIS.

DATES AND ADDRESSES: A 60-day review period commences with the publication of this notice. Written comments may be submitted to the Regional Director, Lower Colorado Region, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, Nevada 89006-1470. The Public Hearing will be held at the following location: August 6, 1997—7:00 p.m., Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Del Kidd, Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Region, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, NV 89006-1470, telephone: (702) 293-8698. Copies of the DEIS will be available for inspection at local libraries and may be obtained at the above and following address: Department of Parks and Recreation, Clark County Government Center, P.O. Box 551741, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-7110, telephone number 702-455-2452.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed project is a Wetlands Park along a 7 mile reach of Las Vegas Wash in southeastern Nevada, including portions of Whitney and the City of Henderson, and unincorporated portions of Clark County, Nevada. The Park is proposed by the Clark County Department of Comprehensive Planning Parks and Recreation. Some of the lands the Park will be constructed on is administered by Reclamation. Because Reclamation lands are involved in this

proposal, National Environmental Policy Act compliance is required. Also, because Reclamation lands are involved, it was agreed that Reclamation would be the lead agency for NEPA compliance. In 1991, Nevada residents approved by ballot a statewide wildlife and park bond earmarking \$13.3 million for the wetlands park project in Las Vegas Wash.

A critical need for the Las Vegas Wash is to control erosion. Flows in the upper reaches of the Wash and its tributaries are intermittent and occur primarily during storms. Flows in the lower reaches are primarily from treated wastewater effluent. The water from these two areas ultimately is discharged Lake Mead. As urban development continues throughout the Las Vegas Valley, the amount of impervious surface area and subsequent stormwater runoff increase. The increase in wastewater flows and stormwater runoff have accelerated erosion and channelization. In the last 25 years, wetlands have been reduced to approximately 50 acres. This erosion has resulted in 4 to 5 million cubic yards of sediment being deposited in Lake Mead.

Four alternatives are considered in the DEIS: Conservation, Recreation, Full Development, Integrated Alternative. The Conservation Alternative primarily purpose is to protect and enhance wildlife habitat. The Recreation Alternative primary purpose is to create a full range of recreation activities and wildlife viewing opportunities for people of all abilities. The Full Development alternative purpose would be to develop the area as a major environmental and recreational resource that emphasizes the enhancement of natural resources, recreational development, and major facilities for education and large numbers of visitors. The Integrated Alternative (preferred alternative) would be an environmental and recreational resource emphasizing habitat enhancement, and recreational/educational facilities for visitors.

A variety of impacts were addressed; among these were the following: geology, air quality, hydrology, water quality, biological resources, land use, transportation, noise, cultural resources, health & safety, and visual resources.

There are two major areas of controversy, and these are sediment quality and water use.

Dated: June 25, 1997

Laura Herbranson,
Director, Resource Management and Technical Services.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-360]

International Harmonization of Customs Rules of Origin

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Request for public comments on draft proposals for chapters 85 and 90.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 26, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eugene A. Rosengarden, Director, Office of Tariff Affairs and Trade Agreements (O/TA&TA) (202-205-2595), or Craig Houser, Nomenclature Analyst (202-205-2597).

Parties having an interest in particular products or HTS chapters and desiring to be included on a mailing list to receive available documents pertaining thereto should advise Diane Whitfield by telephone (202-205-2610) or by mail at the Commission, 500 E Street SW., Room 404, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin in the Office of External Relations (202-205-1819).

Background

Following receipt of a letter from the United States Trade Representative (USTR) on January 25, 1995, the Commission instituted Investigation No. 332-360, International Harmonization of Customs Rules of Origin, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (60 FR 19605, April 19, 1995).

The investigation is intended to provide the basis for Commission participation in work pertaining to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Rules of Origin (ARO), which has adopted along with the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (WTO).

The ARO is designed to harmonize and clarify nonpreferential rules of origin for goods in trade on the basis of the substantial transformation test; achieve discipline in the rules' administration; and provide a framework for notification, review, consultation, and dispute settlement. These harmonized rules are intended to make country-of-origin determinations impartial, predictable, transparent, consistent, and neutral, and to avoid restrictive or distortive effects on international trade. The ARO provides that technical work to those ends will be undertaken by the Customs Cooperation Council (CCC) (now informally known as the World Customs Organization or

WCO), which must report on specified matters relating to such rules for further action by parties to the ARO.

Eventually, the WTO Ministerial Conference is to "establish the results of the harmonization work program in an annex as an integral part" of the ARO.

In order to carry out this work, the ARO called for the establishment of a Committee on Rules of Origin of the WTO, and a Technical Committee on Rules of Origin (TCRO) of the WCO. These Committees bear the primary responsibility for developing rules that achieve the objectives of the ARO.

A major component of the work program is the harmonization of origin rules for the purpose of providing more certainty in the conduct of world trade. To this end, the agreement contemplates a 3-year WCO program, which was formally initiated in July, 1995. Under the ARO, the TCRO is to undertake (1) to develop harmonized definitions of goods considered wholly obtained in one country, and of minimal processes or operations deemed not to confer origin, (2) to consider the use of change in Harmonized System classification as a means of reflecting substantial transformation, and (3) for those products or sectors where a change of tariff classification does not allow for the reflection of substantial transformation, to develop supplementary or exclusive origin criteria based on value, manufacturing or processing operations or other standards.

The draft U.S. proposed rules for the goods of:

Chapter 85—Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers, television image and sound recorders and reproducers, and parts and accessories of such articles
Chapter 90—Optical, photographic, cinematographic, measuring, checking, precision, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus; parts and accessories thereof

of the Harmonized System that are being made available for public comment cover goods that are not considered to be wholly made in a single country. The rules rely largely on the change of heading as a basis for ascribing origin. Copies of the proposed revised rules will be available from the Office of the Secretary at the Commission, from the Commission's Internet home page (<http://www.usitc.gov>), or by submitting a request on the Office of Tariff Affairs and Trade Agreements voice messaging system (202-205-2592).

These proposals are intended to serve as the basis for the U.S. proposal to the