DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-950-5700-00; CACA 35718]

Public Land Order No. 7280; Withdrawal of National Forest System Land for the Jordan Creek/Bower Cave Special Interest Area; California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,

Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws 1,236.31 acres of National Forest System land from mining for 50 years to protect the Jordan Creek/Bower Cave Special Interest Area. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing. EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Duane Marti, BLM California State Office (CA–931.4), 2135 Butano Drive, Sacramento, California 95825; 916–978– 4675

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described National Forest System land is hereby withdrawn from location and entry under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1994)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, to protect the Jordan Creek/Bower Cave Special Interest Area:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Stanislaus National Forest

T. 2 S., R. 17 E.,

S1/2SE1/4;

Sec. 13, SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, S¹/₂SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, E¹/₂SE¹/₄, S¹/₂NE¹/₄, and SE¹/₄SE¹/₄NW¹/₄; Sec. 14, NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, N¹/₂SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄SW¹/₄, and

Sec. 15, SE¹/4NE¹/4, SW¹/4NE¹/4NE¹/4, SE¹/4NW¹/4NE¹/4, E¹/2SW¹/4NE¹/4, and NE¹/4NE¹/4SE¹/4;

Sec. 23, lots 1 and 5, and a portion of MS 2108:

Sec. 24, N¹/₂ of lot 1, N¹/₂NE¹/₄, NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄SE¹/₄, E¹/₂NE¹/₄SE¹/₄, E¹/₂SE¹/₄NE¹/₄, and NW¹/₄SE¹/₄NE¹/₄.

T. 2 S., R. 18 E.,

Sec. 18, lot 3;

Sec. 19, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, \$\frac{\sum_{\paralle} \text{N}^{1}}{4}\text{SW}^{1}/4, \text{N}^{1}/2\text{SW}^{1}/4\text{SE}^{1}/4, \$\frac{\sum_{\paralle} \text{S}^{1}}{4}\text{, and }\text{SE}^{1}/4\text{SE}^{1}/4;

Sec. 20, S1/2SW1/4SW1/4;

Sec. 29, N¹/₂NW¹/₄, NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, and N¹/₂SE¹/₄NW¹/₄.

The area described contains 1,236.31 acres in Mariposa County.

2. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those land laws governing the use of the National Forest System land under lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their mineral or vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

3. This withdrawal will expire 50 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior. [FR Doc. 97–22713 Filed 8–27–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310–40–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management [NM-018-1430-01; NMNM 93823]

Public Land Order No. 7281; Withdrawal of Public Lands for the Embudo Canyon Area of Critical Environmental Concern; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order withdraws 2,057.67 acres of public lands from surface entry and mining for a period of 50 years for the Bureau of Land Management to protect the riparian, scenic, and recreational values of the Embudo Canyon Area of Critical Environmental Concern. The lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing. An additional 880 acres of non-Federal lands, if acquired by the United States, would become subject to the withdrawal.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lora Yonemoto, BLM Taos Resource Area, 226 Cruz Alta Road, Taos, New Mexico 87571, 505–758–8851.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public lands are hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1994)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, to protect the Bureau of Land Management's Embudo Canyon Area of Critical Environmental Concern:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 22 N., R. 10 E.,

Sec. 1, NE¹/₄. T. 22 N., R. 11 E.,

Sec. 5, lots 2 to 4, inclusive, NW¹/₄, and

N1/2SW1/4;

Sec. 6, N¹/₂. T. 23 N., R. 11 E.,

Sec. 27, lots 7 and 8, and SW1/4;

Sec. 28, S¹/₂S¹/₂;

Sec. 29, $S^{1/2}SE^{1/4}$;

Sec. 31, S¹/₂;

Sec. 33, N1/2 and NW1/4SW1/4;

Sec. 34, lot 5 and NW1/4.

The areas described aggregate 2,057.67 acres in Taos and Rio Arriba Counties.

2. The following described non-Federal lands are located within the boundary of the Embudo Canyon Area of Critical Environmental Concern. In the event these lands return to public ownership, they would be subject to the terms and conditions of this withdrawal:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 23 N., R. 10 E.,

Sec. 36, S¹/₂NE¹/₄ and SE¹/₄.

T. 23 N., R. 11 E.,

Sec. 32.

The areas described aggregate 880 acres in Taos and Rio Arriba Counties.

3. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of the lands under lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their mineral or vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

4. This withdrawal will expire 50 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-320-1430-01-CA-38592]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands in Modoc County, California have been

examined and found suitable for classification for conveyance to the County of Modoc under the provisions of the Recreation Public Purpose Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*). The county of Modoc proposes to use the lands for a tactical shooting range.

Mount Diablo Meridian

T39N, R13E

W2NESW, W2SW, SESW, W2W2SWSE, W2E2NESW, of Section 11

Containing 150 acres, more or less.

The lands are not needed for Federal Purposes. Conveyance is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest.

The patent, when issued, will be subject to the following terms, conditions and reservations.

- (1) Provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.
- (2) A right-of-way for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States.
- (3) All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Alturas Resource Office, 708 West 12th Street, Alturas, CA 96101, (916) 233–4666.

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, except for conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and leasing under the mineral leasing laws. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, interested persons may submit comments regarding the proposed conveyance or classification of the lands to the address above.

CLASSIFICATION COMMENTS: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for a tactical shooting range. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use 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: Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed 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 shooting range.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 21, 1997.

Scott Lieurance,

Acting Area Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1910-12] ES-48891, Group 29, Illinois]

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Illinois, Stayed

On Monday, July 21, 1997, there was published in the **Federal Register**, Volume 62, Number 140, on page 39249, a notice entitled, Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Illinois. Said notice referenced the filing of the plat of the dependent resurvey of a portion of U.S. Survey No. 578, and the survey of the Locks and Dam No. 27 acquisition boundary, Township 3 North, Ranges 9 and 10 West, Third Principal Meridian, Illinois, accepted July 11, 1997.

This plat filing is hereby stayed, pending the consideration of additional information which may bear upon this survey.

Dated: August 20, 1997.

Stephen G. Kopach,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

(CO-930-1920-00-4357; COC-61013)

Proposed Withdrawal; Opportunity for Public Meeting; Colorado

August 18, 1997.

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy proposes to withdraw approximately 209.2 acres of public land for 5 years to protect the construction area of the permanent

disposal site near Maybelle, Colorado. This order closes this land for up to two years from operation of the public land laws, including the mining and the mineral leasing laws.

DATES: Comments on this proposed withdrawal or requests for public meeting must be received on or before November 26, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for a meeting should be sent to the Colorado State Director, BLM, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215–7093.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris E. Chelius, 303–239–3706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 18, 1997, the Department of Energy filed an application to withdraw the following described public lands from settlement, sale, location or entry under the general land laws, including the mining laws and the mineral leasing laws:

T. 7 N., R. 94 W.,

Sec. 19, Lots 9, 11, 13, and 15, and E¹/₂NE¹/₄.

The area described contains 209.20 acres of public land in Moffat County.

The purpose of this withdrawal is to protect the Maybelle Uranium Mill Tailings construction site. For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all parties who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections, in connection with this proposed withdrawal, may present their views in writing to the Colorado State Director. If the authorized officer determines that a public meeting should be held, the meeting will be scheduled and conducted in accordance with 43 CFR 2310.3–1(c)(2).

This application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR Part 2310.

For a period of two years from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, this land will be segregated from the mining laws as specified above unless the application is denied or cancelled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date. During this period the Bureau of Land Management, in conjunction with the Department of Energy, will continue to manage these lands.

Jenny L. Saunders,

Realty Officer.

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