

research and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species as prescribed by Service recovery documents.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Endangered Species Permits Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, Massachusetts 01035 and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application 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, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, Massachusetts 01035, Attention: Diane Lynch, Regional Endangered Species Permits Coordinator. Telephone: (413) 253-8628; FAX: (413) 253-8482.

Dated: March 16, 1998.

Cathy Short,

Deputy Regional Director, Region 5.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Forum on Ecological Surveys of Aquatic Nuisance Species—Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Forum on Ecological Surveys of Aquatic Nuisance Species. The 1996 amendments to the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act added a new subsection requiring that the Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Task Force, in consultation with the U.S. Coast Guard, conduct ecological surveys in nationally significant estuaries and other waters that are highly susceptible to invasion by ANS resulting from ballast water operations and other operations of vessels and require further study. The surveys shall determine what nonindigenous aquatic species are present and estimate the effectiveness of ballast water and other vessel management guidelines and regulations in abating invasions. Studies of the Chesapeake Bay, San Francisco Bay, and Honolulu Harbor are specifically required.

DATES: The Workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 21, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The Workshop will be held at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, 647 Contees Wharf Road, Edgewater, Maryland 21037. Minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Executive Secretary, ANS Task Force, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 840, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Craig A. Czarnecki, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, by telephone at 703-358-2025 or E-mail at craig_czarnecki@fws.gov or Dr. Gregory Ruiz, Smithsonian Environmental Research Center at 301-261-4190 (ext. 227) or E-mail at ruiz@serc.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces the Forum on Ecological Surveys of Aquatic Nuisance Species pursuant to section 1102(b) of the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4701-4741).

The purposes of this meeting are to (1) provide background on the statutory requirements for ecological surveys, (2) provide an update on past, ongoing, and future studies with a similar focus, (3) discuss standardized approaches for conducting and disseminating results from future ecological surveys, and (4) identify strategies for synthesis and comprehensive analysis among completed surveys.

The meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements at the meeting or submit written statements for consideration.

Dated: March 20, 1998.

Rowan Gould,

Acting Assistant Director—Fisheries, Co-Chair, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Correction to Location of Meeting

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces a meeting of the Klamath Fishery Management Council, established under the authority of the Klamath River Basin Fishery Resources Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 460ss *et seq.*). The Klamath Fishery Management Council makes recommendations to agencies that regulate harvest of anadromous fish in

the Klamath River Basin. The objective of this meeting is to develop management options for the 1998 Klamath fall chinook salmon season, to be presented to the Pacific Fisheries Management Council. The meeting is open to the public.

Dates: The Klamath Fishery Management Council will meet from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 5.

Place: The meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Columbia River, 1401 N. Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Ronald A. Iverson, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1006 (1215 South Main), Yreka, California 96097-1006, telephone (530) 842-5763.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For background information on the Klamath Council, please refer to the notice of their initial meeting that appeared in the **Federal Register** on July 8, 1987 (52 FR 25639).

Dated: March 18, 1998.

Cynthia U. Barry,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Klamath/Central Pacific Coast Ecoregion.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-130-1020-00; GP8-0141]

Notice of Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council

ACTION: Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council; April 30, 1998, in Spokane, Washington.

SUMMARY: A meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council will be held on April 30, 1998. The meeting will convene at 8:00 a.m., at the Spokane District Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, WA 99212. The meeting will adjourn upon conclusion of business, but no later than 4:00 p.m. Public comments will be heard from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. If necessary to accommodate all wishing to make public comments, a time limit may be placed upon each speaker. At an appropriate time, the meeting will adjourn for approximately one hour for lunch. Topics to be discussed include: noxious weeds, the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project, implementation of Standards for

Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management, riparian management, and land exchanges.

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: March 19, 1998.

Joseph K. Buesing,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-050-1430-00; GP8-0060]

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

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Prineville District.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following public lands in Deschutes County, Oregon have been examined and found suitable for classification for lease or conveyance to the City of Redmond under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*). The City of Redmond proposes to use the lands for a golf course.

Willamette Meridian

T. 15 S., R. 13 E.,

Sec. 32, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, that portion lying east of the railroad and power line containing 181.34 acres, more or less.

The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. The lease or conveyance is consistent with current BLM land use planning and would be in the public interest.

The lease or patent, when issued, will be subject to the following terms and conditions:

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, Prineville District, 3050 NE Third, Prineville, Oregon, 97754.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** the lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public lands laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease 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 of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested persons may submit comments regarding the proposed lease or classification of the lands to the District Manager, Prineville District Office, P.O. Box 550, Prineville, Oregon 97754.

Classification Comments. Interested parties may submit written 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 rodeo grounds.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Directory. 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: March 11, 1998.

James L. Hancock,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UTU-51515, UTU-54044, UTU-56984]

Utah; Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Leases

In accordance with Title IV of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act (Pub. L. 97-451), a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas leases UTU-51515, UTU-54044, and UTU-56984 for lands in Summit County, Utah, was timely filed and required rentals accruing from October 1, 1998, the date of termination, have been paid.

The lessees have agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5 per acre and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively. The \$500 administrative fee in the amount of \$500 for each lease has been paid and the lessees have reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of publishing this notice.

Having met all the requirements for reinstatement of these leases as set out

in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate leases UTU-51515, UTU-54044, and UTU-56984, effective October 1, 1997, subject to the original terms and conditions of the leases and the increased rental and royalty rate cited above.

Robert Lopez,

Group Leader, Minerals Adjudication Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: List of restricted joint bidders.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Minerals Management Service by the joint bidding provisions of 30 CFR 256.41, each entity within one of the following groups shall be restricted from bidding with any entity in any other of the following groups at Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales to be held during the bidding period from May 1, 1998, through October 31, 1998. The List of Restricted Joint Bidders published October 9, 1997, in the **Federal Register** at 62 FR 52771 covered the period of November 1, 1997, through April 30, 1998.

Group I. Exxon Corporation; and Exxon San Joaquin Production Co.

Group II. Shell Oil Co.; Shell Offshore Inc.; Shell Western E&P Inc.; Shell Frontier Oil & Gas Inc.; Shell Consolidated Energy Resources Inc.; Shell Land & Energy Company; Shell Onshore Ventures Inc.; Shell Deepwater Development Inc.; Shell Deepwater Production Inc.; Shell Offshore Properties; and Capital II, Inc.

Group III. Mobil Oil Corp.; Mobil Oil Exploration and Producing Southeast Inc.; Mobil Producing Texas and New Mexico Inc.; Mobil Exploration and Producing North America Inc.

Group IV. BP America Inc.; The Standard Oil Co.; BP Exploration & Oil Inc.; and BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.

Dated: March 19, 1998.

Cynthia Quarterman,

Director, Minerals Management Service.

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