

ACTION: Call for nominations for the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to solicit public nominations to fill seven positions on the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area Advisory Committee, which was established pursuant to Section 104 of the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-696.

DATES: Nominations must be received by June 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Bureau of Land Management, Tucson Field Office, 12661 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85748.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Childress, Program Manager, at (520) 458-3559.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee is comprised of seven members. Nominees to fill some of these positions will serve three-year terms ending December 31, 2001. Other members will serve shorter terms consistent with the committee's staggered-term arrangement. Nominations for two positions of the seven positions will be submitted by the Arizona Governor's Office and the Cochise County Board of Supervisors. Anyone interested in filling either of those two positions should submit their name to those offices for consideration. The Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to this call, will ensure continued representation of specific categories of interest on the Committee. Nominees must be persons with recognized expertise in recreation, wildlife conservation, archaeology, paleontology, water resources, riparian ecology or other disciplines directly related to the primary purpose for which the conservation area was created.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide informed advice to the BLM's Tucson Field Manager on the management of the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area, as required by Section 103 of the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act of 1988, Pub. L. 10-696.

Members will serve without salary, but will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for government employees. The Committee normally meets at least twice yearly. Additional meetings may be called by the Field Manager or representative in connection with special needs for advice.

Persons wishing to serve on the Committee, or to nominate individuals to serve, must do so in writing. Each

nomination must include the name, address, and phone number of the nominee along with biographical information such as education, profession, experience, and interests related to management of the Conservation Area. Nominations should be addressed to the Bureau of Land Management, Tucson Field Office, Tucson Field Manager, 12661 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85748.

Dated: April 28, 1998.

Jesse J. Juen,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-050-1120-00: GP8-0180]

Notice of availability Northeast Oregon assembled land exchange Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Prineville District Office, Central Oregon Resource Area.

ACTION: Notice of availability, Northeast Oregon assembled land exchange Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act, the Prineville and Vale Districts have prepared a FEIS analyzing the potential environmental impacts of a proposed land exchange in Grant, Umatilla, Morrow, Wheeler and Union counties. The FEIS is expected to be available for review on or about May 20, 1998.

Clearwater Land Exchange has proposed to trade lands within and adjacent to both the North and South Forks of the John Day River for scattered tracts of public land located in the above mentioned counties. Other tracts yet to be identified would be acquired within the Vale District in future phases of the exchange.

DATES: This notice announces the beginning of the 30 day comment period. The comment period will officially close 30 days from the date the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency publishes its notice of availability of the FEIS.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the FEIS should be sent to James Hancock, Prineville District Manager, BLM, P.O. Box 550, Prineville, OR. 97754.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain additional information or to get a copy of the FEIS, contact Steve Davidson at (541)-523-1349 or Ron Lane at (541)-416-6752.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Those individuals, organizations, Native American tribes, agencies and other governments with a known interest in the proposal have been sent a copy of the FEIS.

Dated: April 28, 1998.

James L. Hancock,

District Manager,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-958-1430-01; GP7-0070; OR-22155 (WA)]

Public Land Order No. 7328; Revocation of Executive Order Dated October 29, 1910; Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes an Executive order in its entirety, as it affects the remaining 20.36 acres of public lands withdrawn for Bureau of Land Management Powersite Reserve No. 158. The lands are no longer needed for the purpose for which they were withdrawn. This action will open 11.38 acres to surface entry. The remaining 8.98 acres are included in an overlapping withdrawal and will remain closed to surface entry. All of the lands have been and will remain open to mining and mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Betty McCarthy, BLM Oregon/ Washington State Office, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208-2965, 503-952-6155.

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. The Executive Order dated October 29, 1910, which established Powersite Reserve No. 158, is hereby revoked in its entirety:

Willamette Meridian

T. 32 N., R. 9 E.,

Sec. 24, lots 15 to 19, inclusive, and those portions of lots 9 and 12 lying in the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The areas described aggregate approximately 20.36 acres in Snohomish County.

2. The following described lands are included in the Skagit Wild and Scenic River withdrawal, and will remain closed to surface entry:

Willamette Meridian

T. 32 N., R. 9 E.,

Sec. 24, lots 16 to 19, inclusive, and a portion of lot 12.

The areas described aggregate approximately 8.98 acres in Snohomish County.

3. At 8:30 a.m. on August 6, 1998, the lands described in paragraph 1, except as provided by paragraph 2, will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 8:30 a.m., on August 6, 1998, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

4. The State of Washington has a preference right for public highway rights-of-way or material sites for a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this order and any location, entry, selection, or subsequent patent shall be subject to any rights granted the State as provided by the Act of June 10, 1920, Section 24, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 818 (1994).

Dated: April 17, 1998.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[MT-926-08-1420-00]

Montana: Filing of Plat of Survey

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, Interior

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described land are scheduled to be officially filed in the Montana State Office, Billings, Montana, thirty (30) days from the date of this publication.

The plat, representing the survey of an island in the Missouri River, Township 2 North, Range 2 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

The plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south and east boundaries, a portion of the subdivisional lines, the adjusted original meanders of the right and left banks of the Missouri River through sections 12, 22, and 34, the subdivision of sections 12, 22, and 34, and the

survey of certain islands in the Missouri River, Township 3 North, Range 2 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

The plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the east boundary, a portion of the subdivisional lines, the adjusted original meanders of the right and left banks of the Missouri River through sections 2, 12, and 24, the subdivision of sections 2, 12, and 24, and the survey of certain islands in the Missouri River, Township 4 North, Range 2 East, Principal Meridian, Montana. This same plat, in two sheets, also representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, the adjusted original meanders of the right and left banks of the Missouri River through sections 6 and 18, the subdivision of sections 6 and 18, and the survey of certain islands in the Missouri River, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

The plat, representing the survey of certain islands in the Missouri River, Township 5 North, Range 2 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the First Standard Parallel North, the west boundary, the subdivisional lines, the adjusted original meanders of the right and left banks of the Missouri River, and the subdivision of section 31, Township 5 North, Range 3 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the north boundary, subdivisional lines, and certain boundaries of Amended Mineral Survey Nos. 5090A and 5090B, Placers, Township 6 North, Range 1 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

The plat, in two sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the west boundary, subdivisional lines, the adjusted original meanders of the right and left banks of the Missouri River through sections 7, 8, 17, 18, 20, 17, 20, and 28, and the survey of certain islands in the Missouri River, Township 6 North, Range 2 East, Principal Meridian, Montana, was accepted April 16, 1998.

This survey was executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, Headwaters Resource Area and was necessary to identify omitted islands. Copies of the preceding described plats will be immediately placed in the open files and will be

available to the public as a matter of information.

If a protest against this survey, as shown on these plats, is received prior to the date of the official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. This particular plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been accepted or dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bureau of Land Management, 222 North 32nd Street, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: April 28, 1998.

Steven G. Schey,

Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Minerals Management Service**

Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sale 172 in the Central Gulf of Mexico (March 1999)

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service.

ACTION: Preparation of an environmental assessment (EA).

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) is beginning preparation of an environmental assessment (EA) for proposed Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Lease Sale 172 (scheduled for March 1999) in the Central Gulf of Mexico Planning Area (CPA). In August 1996, the MMS issued a Call for Information and Nominations/Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS (Call/NOI) for all five proposed Central Gulf of Mexico oil and gas sales in the current 5-year leasing program. In 1997, MMS prepared a single EIS for all five sales. The multisale final EIS, filed in November 1997, included an analysis of a single, "typical" oil and gas sale and a cumulative analysis that included the effects of holding all five sales, as well as the cumulative effects of the long-term development of the planning area. The MMS stated in the EIS that an EA would be prepared for each lease sale after the first sale covered in the EIS (Sale 169).

The preparation of this EA is the first step in the prelease decision process for Sale 172. The proposed action and alternatives for Sale 172 were identified by the Director of MMS in November 1996 following the Call/NOI and were analyzed in the Central Gulf multisale