

PRT-010661

Applicant: Ronnie May, Bedford, TX

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Canada for personal use.

PRT-010662

Applicant: Leslie Barnhart, Houston TX

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

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 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: April 22, 1999.

MaryEllen Amtower,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of amendments to approved Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. § 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of approved Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of

engaging in Class III (casino) gambling on Indian reservations. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Amendments to the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin and the State of Wisconsin Gaming Compact, which were executed on March 2, 1999.

DATES: This action is effective April 29, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Indian Gaming Management Staff, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 219-4066.

Dated: April 21, 1999.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Closure of Public Land Between Sunset and Sunrise

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management—Interior.

ACTION: Closure of public land between sunset and sunrise.

SUMMARY: Public land located in Owyhee County, known as the Jump Creek Recreation Site, is closed to public use between sunset and sunrise, year round.

The closed area is generally described as: West of State Highway 95, South of State Highway 55, adjacent to Jump Creek, Jump Creek Recreation Site, T. 2 N., R. 5 W., Section 27, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The described area is the site of growing crime, especially during evening hours. Reported incidents of illegal dumping, drug transactions, under-age parties involving drug and alcohol consumption, use of firearms, theft, and destruction of public property, have increased steadily over past years. The purpose of the closure is to provide for public safety and resource protection. The area will be signed to identify the closure. Law enforcement personnel will enforce the closure regularly.

Exceptions to this closure may be approved by the Authorized Officer. Exemptions may be approved for federal, state, and local government personnel on official duty, emergency service personnel including medical,

search and rescue, utility services, and other licensed or permitted individuals.

This closure order is effective 30 days after publication and public review unless otherwise rescinded. It will remain in effect until rescinded or modified by the authorized officer.

The authority for this closure is 43 CFR 8364.1, Closure and Restriction Orders. Failure to comply with this order will subject violators to the penalties provided in 43 CFR 8360.0-7, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FOR EXCLUSION APPROVAL CONTACT: Daryl L. Albiston, Owyhee Resource Area Manager, 3948 Development Ave., Boise, Idaho, 83705. Telephone (208) 384-3300.

Daryl L. Albiston,

Owyhee Area Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UT-050-1610-00]

Notice

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of intent to amend the Henry Mountain Management Framework Plan of the Richfield Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, Utah.

SUMMARY: This notice is intended to inform the public that the Bureau of Land Management intends to consider a proposed amendment to the Henry Mountain Management Framework Plan. This proposed amendment will consider the voluntary, partial relinquishment and retirement of grazing privileges associated with the Robbers Roost Grazing Allotment #0901.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau of Land Management (in coordination with the permittee in the Robbers Roost Allotment and a land conservation group) is proposing to relinquish and permanently retire 4,077 Animal Unit Months (AUMs) within the allotment for the long term benefit of land and wildlife resources. Preliminary issues/impacts that have been identified to be addressed include the following: (1) Economic impacts as a result of the partial elimination of grazing; (2) impact to watershed values as a result of partial elimination of grazing; (3) impacts to wildlife and associated habitat resulting from the re-allocation of AUMs from

livestock to wildlife and burros; and (4) consistency with the Interim Management Policy (IMP) for lands under wilderness review. In order to implement the partial relinquishment of grazing privileges it will be necessary to construct two separate segments of fence in the Horseshoe Canyon (South) Wilderness Study Area (WSA). Public participation is being sought at this time to ensure that the proposed amendment and associated environmental analysis considers all reasonable issues, alternatives, problems, and concerns relative to the proposed action.

DATES: The comment period for this proposed amendment will commence with the publication of this notice. Comments must be submitted on or before May 28, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary L. Hall, Assistant Field Manager, Henry Mountains Field Station, Richfield Field Office, 150 East 900 North, Richfield, Utah 84701 telephone number 435-542-3461 or 435-896-1564.

Mike Pool,

Acting State Director, Utah.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

[OR-084-6332-00; GP-0063]

Off-Highway Vehicle Designations for the Cascades Resource Area, Salem District, OR

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior, Salem District.

ACTION: This notice supplements the, "Availability of the Resource Management Plan and Record of Decision, Salem, Oregon" notice published in the July 20, 1995, edition of the **Federal Register** (60 FR 37464) and establishes the final Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) designations on all public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) within the Cascades Resource Area, Salem District, Oregon. This notice supersedes all other previous notices related to OHV designations or closures pertaining to BLM-administered lands in the Cascades Resource Area. Authority for this action is contained in 43 CFR 8342.1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM-administered lands in the Cascades Resource Area lie within Clackamas, Multnomah, Marion, and Linn Counties in northwest Oregon. The Salem District Resource Management Plan (Salem District RMP, May 1995) allocated acres in each of the three major OHV

designations (Closed, Limited, or Open) and indicated that designations would be mapped in subsequent planning efforts. Areas and acres of land with unique and sensitive resource values were designated in the RMP as "Closed" to use of OHV's. Acreage where OHV's could be used with certain restrictions was listed as "Limited." The remaining area was listed as "Open." The OHV designations completed by BLM-administered lands in the Cascades Resource Area are based on an interdisciplinary team review. Other general information of OHV designation definitions may be found in 43 CFR 8340.0-5.

SUMMARY: Additional information and maps showing the OHV designations can be obtained from the Salem District Office. The OHV designations for the Cascades Resource Area have been completed and are as follows:

Closed

Approximately 11,010 acres are "Closed," to OHV use. These areas include: Carolyn's Crown ACEC/RNA, 261 acres; Larch Mountain Environmental Education Site, 183 acres; Middle Santiam ACEC/ONA, 108 acres; North Santiam ACEC, 31 acres; Sandy River Gorge ACEC/RNA, 400 acres; Soosap Meadows ACEC, 343 acres; Molalla Non-Motorized Shared-Use Trail System, 2,634 acres; White Rock Fen ACEC, 51 Acres; Wilhoit Springs ACEC, 170 acres; Willamette River ACEC, 76 acres; Williams Lake ACEC, 98 Acres; and Table Rock Wilderness, 6,350 acres. There are also 36 progeny test sites totaling 305 acres that are closed to OHV use.

Limited

Approximately 87,300 acres of BLM-administered lands in the Cascades Resource Area are designated as "Limited to Existing Roads and Designated Trails." The remaining 70,700 acres are designated as "Limited to Designated Roads." This includes Riparian Reserves that were listed as "Limited" in the Salem District RMP to help address concerns about erosion and water quality. OHV organizations and users will have the opportunity to propose the designation of existing trails and the development of new trails on BLM-administered lands designated as "Limited to Existing Roads and Designated Trails."

Open

No acres were designated as "Open" for BLM-administered lands in the Cascades Resource Area. When Riparian Reserves were mapped, they significantly fragmented BLM-

administered lands with a potential "Open" designation. Further fragmentation occurs with the ownership pattern of alternating sections of private and BLM-administered lands. An overall "Limited" designation more accurately reflects the current situation, rather than designating very small areas as "Open" in between Riparian Reserves designated as "Limited."

Penalties

Pursuant to the penalties contained in 43 CFR 8340.0-7, any person who violates or fails to comply with the designations set forth in this notice are subject to arrest, conviction, and punishment pursuant to appropriate laws and regulations. Such punishment may be a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not longer than 12 months, or both.

Exemptions

The following persons, operating in their official duties, are exempt from the provisions of the OHV designations: BLM employees; state, local, and federal law enforcement, fire protection, or emergency personnel; holders of BLM road use permits that included roads within a closed area; and purchasers of BLM timber within the closure area including their employees and subcontractors. Access by additional parties may be allowed, but must be approved in advance by the Authorized Officer.

EFFECTIVE DATES: This order is in effect June 1, 1999, and is permanent until canceled, amended or replaced.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Prather, Cascades Area Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Salem District, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon 97306, (503) 375-5683.

Dated: April 19, 1999.

Richard Prather,

Cascades Area Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Environmental Assessment Prepared for Proposed Western Gulf Sale 174 on the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS)

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the environmental assessment on proposed Western Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 174.