

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Indian Affairs****Indian Gaming**

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Amended Gaming Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), 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 gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Amended Gaming Compact between the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians and the State of North Dakota, which was executed on September 29, 1999.

DATES: This action is effective November 12, 1999.

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

Dated: October 25, 1999.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Indian Affairs****Indian Gaming**

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of approved Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 Public Law 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 gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Tribal-State Compact For Regulation of Class III Gaming Between the Siletz Indian Tribe and the State of Oregon, which was executed on September 14, 1999.

DATES: This action is effective November 12, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

Dated: October 29, 1999.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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

[AZA 31073]

Notice of Proposed Withdrawal; Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, proposes to withdraw 11,565 acres of National Forest System land to protect the unique prehistoric, recreational, historical, and interpretive integrity of the Perry Mesa area. This notice segregates the land for up to 2 years from location and entry under the United States mining laws. The land will remain open to all other uses which may by law be made of National Forest System land.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before February 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Forest Supervisor, Tonto National Forest, 2324 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, Arizona 85006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Delvin Lopez or Kelly Jardine, Cave Creek Ranger District, 480-595-3300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 25, 1999, the Forest Service filed an application to withdraw the following described National Forest System land from location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

Gila and Salt River Meridian

Tonto National Forest

T. 9 N., R. 3 E., (protracted sections)

Secs. 1 and 2;

Secs. 10, 11, and 12;

Secs. 15 and 16;

Sec. 21, W $\frac{1}{2}$.

T. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ N., R. 3 E.,

Sec. 23, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 24, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Secs. 25 and 26;

Secs. 35 and 36.

T. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ N., R. 4 E.,

Sec. 19, lots 1 to 6, inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, and SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 20, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, and S $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 29;

Sec. 30, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$;

Sec. 31, lots 1 to 4, inclusive, E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$.

T. 10 N., R. 4 E.,

Sec. 31, lots 1 to 4, inclusive E $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$, and E $\frac{1}{2}$.

The area described contains approximately 11,565 acres in Yavapai County.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the Forest Supervisor of the Tonto National Forest.

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting in connection with the proposed withdrawal will be held at a later date. A notice of time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** and a newspaper in the general vicinity of the lands to be withdrawn at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR part 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the land will be segregated as specified above unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date.

Dated: November 1, 1999.

Alvin L. Burch,

Acting Deputy State Director,

Resources Division.

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

[WY-920-1430-06; NEW 119497]

Notice of Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; Nebraska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) proposes to withdraw approximately 92.67 acres of public land in Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska, to protect and manage public domain for migratory bird and riparian wildlife habitat. This notice closes the land for up to 2 years from surface entry and mining. The land will remain open to mineral leasing.

DATE: Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by February 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests should be sent to the BLM Wyoming State Director, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003-1828.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet Booth, BLM Wyoming State Office, 307-775-6124.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 20, 1999, a petition/application was approved allowing the Fish and Wildlife Service to file an application to withdraw the following described public land from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the general land laws, including the mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

Sixth Principal Meridian, Nebraska

T. 22 N., R. 55 W.,
Sec. 17, lots 10 and 11;
Sec. 20, lot 6;
together with all accreted lands thereto.

The area described contains 92.67 acres, more or less, in Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

The purpose of the proposed withdrawal is to protect and manage the public domain for migratory bird and riparian habitat values. The withdrawal would also transfer administrative jurisdiction from the Bureau of Land Management to the Fish and Wildlife Service. For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the undersigned officer of the BLM.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting is afforded in connection with the proposed withdrawal. All interested persons who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being heard on the proposed withdrawal must submit a written request to the Wyoming State Director within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. Upon determination by the authorized officer that a public meeting will be held, a notice of time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the land will be segregated as specified above unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date. The temporary uses which may be

permitted during this segregative period are licenses, permits, rights-of-way, cooperative agreements, or discretionary land use authorizations of a temporary nature which would not significantly disturb the surface of the land or impact the existing values of the area.

The temporary segregation of the land in connection with a withdrawal application or proposal shall not affect administrative jurisdiction over the land, and the segregation shall not have the effect of authorizing any use of the land by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Dated: November 4, 1999.

Alan R. Pierson,
State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of a currently approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1010-0048).

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, MMS invites the public and other Federal agencies to comment on a proposal to extend the currently approved collection of information discussed below. We intend to submit this collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATES: Submit written comments by January 11, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Rules Processing Team; Mail Stop 4024; 381 Elden Street; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the rulemaking record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There may be circumstances in which we

would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by the law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alexis London, Rules Processing Team, telephone (703) 787-1600. You may also contact Alexis London to obtain a copy of the collection of information at no cost.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 30 CFR Part 251, Geological and Geophysical (G&G) Exploration of the OCS (1010-0048).

Abstract: The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, 43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*, gives the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) the responsibility to preserve, protect, and develop oil and gas resources in the OCS, consistent with the need to make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; balance orderly energy resource development with protection of the human, marine, and coastal environments; ensure the public a fair and equitable return on the resources of the OCS; and preserve and maintain free enterprise competition.

The OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1340) also states that "any person authorized by the Secretary may conduct geological and geophysical explorations in the [O]uter Continental Shelf, which do not interfere with or endanger actual operations under any lease maintained or granted pursuant to this OCS Lands Act, and which are not unduly harmful to aquatic life in such area." The section further requires that, permits to conduct such activities may only be issued if it is determined that the applicant is qualified; the activities are not polluting, hazardous, or unsafe; they do not interfere with other users of the area; and do not disturb a site, structure, or object of historical or archaeological significance. Applicants for permits are required to submit form MMS-327 to provide the information necessary to evaluate their qualifications.

Regulations at 30 CFR part 251 implement these statutory requirements. We use the information to ensure there is no environmental degradation, personal harm or unsafe operations and conditions, damage to historical or archaeological sites, or interference with other uses; to analyze and evaluate