210), 1620 L Street, N.W., Rm. 1075, Washington, D.C. 20036 (Phone: 202–452–5110).

To expedite consideration, in addition to the original sent by mail or overnight mail, a copy of the protest may be sent by FAX to: 202–452–5112 or E-mail to bhudgens@wo.blm.gov.

The protest shall contain:

- 1. The mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.
- 2. A statement of the issue or issues being protested.
- 3. A statement of the part or parts of the amendment being protested.
- 4. A copy of all documents addressing the issue or issues that were submitted during the planning process by the protesting party or an indication of the date the issues were discussed for the record.
- 5. A concise statement explaining why the decision is believed to be wrong.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kurt Pavlat, Snake River Resource Area Range Conservationist, Burley Field Office, 15 E 200 S, Burley, ID 83318 (Phone: 208–678–5514).

Dated: February 10, 1999.

Kurt Pavlat,

Range Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management [UT-930-07-1320-00]

Final Environmental Impact Statement; The Pines Federal Coal Lease

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (Utah), Interior.

ACTION: Availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) on final environmental impact statement to lease "The Pines" Federal Coal Lease Tract; Coal Lease Application UTU–76195; approve issuance of Coal Lease Modification for Lease U–63214.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces it has completed the ROD and made the decision to issue the subject coal lease modification and competitively lease a Federal coal lease tract known as "The Pines" Tract. The areas are located in Sevier County, Utah, approximately 5 to 7 miles northwest of Emery, Utah on public land located in the Manti-LaSal National Forest. This ROD follows Manti-LaSal National Forest decisions from a ROD that provided consent for

leasing and terms and conditions as provided for in 43 CFR subpart 3425.3(b). A Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and ROD was completed on The Pines Project and released on January 28, 1999. The alternatives in the EIS range from no action to offering all of the area under consideration with alternative terms and conditions. The primary impacts identified were from subsidence of the surface with potential impacts on water resources and riparian vegetation that may adversely affect wildlife and livestock. The public lands included in the tracts are described as follows:

The Pines Tract (UTU-76195):

T. 20 S., R. 5 E., SLM Section 35, S¹/2NE¹/4, SE¹/4NW¹/4, NE¹/4SW¹/4, S¹/2SW¹/4, SE¹/4; Section 36, W¹/2SW¹/4, SE¹/4SW¹/4.

T. 21 S., R. 5 E., SLM Section 1, lots 3–4, S¹/₂SW¹/₄, SW¹/₄SE¹/₄;

Section 2, lots 1–4, S¹/₂S¹/₂;

Section 10, E¹/₂; Sections 11–14, all;

Section 15, E1/2;

Section 22, $E^{1/2}$;

Section 23–24, all;

Section 25, N¹/₂, N¹/₂S¹/₂; Section 26, N¹/₂, NE¹/₄SW¹/₄,

E¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, SE¹/₄.

T. 21 S., R. 6 E., SLM

Section 19, lots 3–4 E½SW½; Section 30, lots 1–3, E½NW¼, NE¼SW¼.

Containing 7,171.66 acres more or less Coal Lease Modification (U–64213):

T. 21 S., R. 5 E., SLM

Section 10, SE¹/₄NW¹/₄, E¹/₂SW¹/₄, E¹/₂E¹/₂SW¹/₄SW¹/₄, E¹/₂E¹/₂NW¹/₄SW¹/₄, E¹/₂E¹/₂SW¹/₄NW¹/₄.

Containing 150 acres more or less.

The Tracts have one potentially minable coal seam, the Upper Hiawatha. The minable portions of the seam in this area are from 6 to 14 feet in thickness and average 10.9 feet. These tracts contain an estimated 65–70 million tons of recoverable high-volatile C bituminous coal. The coal quality in the seam on an "as received basis" is as follows: 11,539 Btu/lb., 8.37 percent moisture, 8.78 percent ash, 36.87 percent volatile matter, 45.98 percent fixed carbon, and 0.5 percent sulfur. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A copy of the ROD on these actions may be obtained by contacting the BLM Litah.

the ROD on these actions may be obtained by contacting the BLM Utah State Office, P.O. Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145–0155.

DATES: The ROD will be available from the BLM February 22, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Alan Rabinoff, 801–539–4228, Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, Division of Natural Resources, Salt Lake City, Utah. Copies of a Final Environmental Impact Statement that considered these leasing actions may be obtained by contacting Janette Kaiser, Forest Supervisor at the Manti-LaSal National Forest, 599 West Price River Dr. in Price, Utah (801–637–2817).

Dated: February 12, 1999.

Douglas M. Koza,

Deputy State Director for Natural Resources, Utah.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-030-1430-01; IDI-30867]

Notice of Action—Amendment of the Pocatello Resource Management Plan (RMP)/Notice of Realty Action (NORA), Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) Act Classification; Bingham County, ID

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Action/Notice of Realty Action.

NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the BLM has amended the Pocatello RMP to allow for the disposal of certain public lands in Bingham County, Idaho.

SUMMARY: The following public lands in Bingham County, Idaho have been examined and found suitable for classification for conveyance to Bingham County under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purpose Amendment Act of 1988. Bingham County proposes to use the land, which is legally described below, in conjunction with other lands controlled by them, for a landfill.

T. 2 S., R. 38 E., Boise Meridian Section 5: S¹/2NE¹/4NE¹/4SE¹/4, E¹/2SW¹/4NE¹/4SE¹/4, SE¹/4NE¹/4SE¹/4

The area described contains 20 acres, more or less, in Bingham County.

The parcel is proposed to be used predominantly as a buffer area to the proposed Rattlesnake Canyon Landfill.

The above described lands are not needed for Federal purposes. The conveyance of these lands is consistent with the Pocatello RMP, as amended on February 4, 1999, 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 Amendment Act and to all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.
- 2. Those rights for powerline purposes granted to Idaho Power Co. by right-of-way IDI–4250.

- 3. A right-of-way for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States.
- 4. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine and remove the minerals.
- 5. The patentee shall comply with all Federal and State laws applicable to the disposal, placement or release of hazardous substances.
- 6. The patentee, its successors or assigns, assumes all liability for and shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the United States and its officers, agents, representatives and employees (hereinafter referred to in this clause as the United States), from all claims, loss, damage, actions, causes of action, expense and liability (hereinafter referred to in this clause as claims) resulting from, brought for or on account of, any personal injury, threat of personal injury or property damage received or sustained by any person or persons (including the patentee's employees) or property growing out of, occurring or attributable, directly or indirectly, to the disposal of solid waste on, or the release of hazardous substances from (T. 2 S., R. 38 E., B.M., Sec. 5, S1/2NE1/4NE1/4SE1/4, $E^{1/2}SW^{1/4}NE^{1/4}SE^{1/4}$, $SE^{1/4}NE^{1/4}SE^{1/4}$), regardless of whether such claims shall be attributable to: (1) the concurrent, contributory or partial fault, failure or negligence of the United States, or (2) the sole fault, failure or negligence of the United States.
- 7. Provided, that the title shall revert to the United States upon a finding, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, that the patentee has not substantially developed the lands in accordance with the approved plan of development on or before the date five years after the date of conveyance. No portion of the land shall, under any circumstance, revert to the United States if any such portion has been used for solid waste disposal or for any other purpose which may result in the disposal, placement or release of any hazardous substance.
- 8. If, at any time, the patentee transfers to another party ownership of any portion of the land not used for the purpose specified in the application and approved plan of development, the patentee shall pay the Bureau of Land Management the fair market value, as determined by the authorized officer, of the transferred portion as of the date of transfer, including the value of any improvements thereon.
- 9. The above-described land has been conveyed for use as a solid waste disposal site. Records describing location of cells and other information

about the solid waste disposal site are available from the patentee. Solid waste commonly includes small quantities of commercial and household hazardous waste as determined in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976. as amended (42 U.S.C. 6901), and defined in 40 CFR 261.4 and 261.5. Although there is no indication these materials pose any significant risk to human health or the environment, future land uses should be limited to those which do not penetrate the liner or final cover of the landfill unless excavation is conducted subject to applicable State and Federal requirements.

Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the offices of the Bureau of Land Management, Pocatello Resource Area, 1111 N. 8th Avenue, Pocatello, Idaho or Snake River Resource Area, Burley Field Office, 15 E. 200 S., Burley, Idaho.

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 Purpose 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 classification or conveyance of the lands to the Area Manager, Pocatello Resource Area Office, 1111 N. 8th Avenue, Pocatello, Idaho 83201-5789.

Planning protest: Any party that participated in the plan amendment and is adversely affected by the amendment may protest this action only as it affects issues submitted for the record during the planning process. The protest shall be in writing and filed with the Director, Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Ms. Brenda Williams, Protests Coordinator, WO-210/LS-1075, Department of the Interior, Washington D.C. 20240. The Overnight Mail address is: Director, Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Ms. Brenda Williams, Protests Coordinator (WO-210), 1620 L Street, N.W., Rm. 1075, Washington, D.C. 20036 [Phone: 202-452-5110]. To expedite consideration, in addition to the original sent by mail or overnight mail, a copy of the protest may be sent by: FAX to 202–452–5112 or E-mail to bhudgens@wo.blm.gov.

Classification comments: Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for landfill purposes in Bingham County's proposed Rattlesnake Canyon Landfill. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for

the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses 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 landfill purposes.

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: February 10, 1999.

Scott D. Barker,

Realty Specialist.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing its intention to request approval for the collections of information under 30 CFR Part 872, Abandoned mine reclamation funds; and 30 CFR Part 955 and the Form OSM–74, Certification of Blasters in Federal program States and on Indian lands.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by April 23, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to John A. Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave, NW, Room 210—SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

To request a copy of the information collection request, explanatory information and related forms, contact John A. Trelease, at (202) 208–2783.