

RMP and the Thunder Basin National Grasslands Land and Resource Management Plan. No additional coal screening determinations with associated coal planning decisions are planned for the Buffalo RMP, unless public submissions of coal resource information or surface resource issues indicate a need to update these determinations.

29. The RMP/EIS will address the Pennaco Court Decision (Docket No. 02–CV–116–CAB) requiring analysis of coalbed natural gas development for fluid mineral leasing decisions in the Powder River Basin.

3. Public Participation

You may submit comments on issues, planning criteria, and resource information in writing to the BLM at any public scoping meeting, or you may submit them to the BLM using one of the methods listed in the **ADDRESSES** section above. To be most helpful, you should submit comments within 30 days after the last public meeting. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. The minutes and list of attendees for each scoping meeting will be available to the public and open for 30 days after the meeting to any participant who wishes to clarify the views he or she expressed.

4. Categorization of Issues

The BLM will evaluate identified issues to be addressed in the plan, and will place them into one of three categories:

1. Issues to be resolved in the plan;
2. Issues to be resolved through policy or administrative action; or
3. Issues beyond the scope of this plan.

The BLM will provide an explanation in the plan as to why we placed an issue in category two or three. The public is also encouraged to help identify any management questions and concerns that should be addressed in the plan. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs and concerns.

5. Call for Coal and Other Resource Information

Parties interested in leasing and development of Federal coal in the planning area should provide coal resource data for their area(s) of interest. Specifically, information is requested on the location, quality, and quantity of Federal coal with development potential, and on surface resource values related to the 20 coal unsuitability criteria described in 43 CFR 3461. This information will be used for any necessary updating of coal screening determination (43 CFR 3420.1–4) in the area and in the environmental analysis.

In addition to coal resource data, the BLM seeks resource information and data for other public land values (e.g., air quality, cultural and historic resources, fire/fuels, fisheries, forestry, lands and realty, non-energy minerals and geology, oil and gas (including coalbed natural gas), paleontology, rangeland management, recreation, soil, water, and wildlife) in the planning area. The purpose of this request is to assure that the planning effort has sufficient information and data to consider a reasonable range of resource uses, management options, and alternatives for management of the public lands.

Proprietary data marked as confidential may be submitted in response to this call for coal and other resource information. Please submit all proprietary information submissions to the Buffalo Field Manager at the address listed above. The BLM will treat submissions marked as “Confidential” in accordance with the laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of such information.

6. Interdisciplinary Team Approach

The BLM will use an interdisciplinary approach to develop the plan in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Specialists with expertise in the following disciplines will be involved in the planning process: Air quality, archaeology, fire/fuels, fisheries and wildlife, forestry and other vegetative communities, hydrology, hazardous materials, lands and realty, minerals and geology, paleontology, rangeland management, recreation, soils, sociology, and economics.

Authority: 43 CFR 1610.2(c) and 3420.1–2.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK–011–08–1610–DR–087L]

Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Bay Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS)

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: The BLM announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) and Approved RMP for the Bay planning area, located in southwest Alaska. The State Director signed the ROD on November 4, 2008. This constitutes the final decision of the BLM and makes the approved RMP effective immediately.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Bay ROD and Approved RMP are available on request from the Field Manager, Anchorage Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 4700 BLM Road, Anchorage, AK 99507, or on the Internet at <http://www.blm.gov/ak>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James M. Fincher, Field Manager, Anchorage Field Office, 4700 BLM Road, Anchorage, AK 99507, (907) 267–1285 or toll free (800) 478–1263.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bay RMP was developed with broad public participation through a three-year collaborative planning process. This RMP/ROD addresses management of approximately 1.9 million acres of BLM-administered public lands and mineral estate in the planning area. The Bay RMP/ROD is designed to achieve or maintain desired future conditions identified through the planning process. It includes management direction to meet the desired resource conditions for upland and riparian vegetation, wildlife habitats, cultural and visual resources, and recreation.

The approved Bay RMP is nearly the same as Alternative D in the Bay Proposed RMP/Final EIS, published in December 2007.

As a result of protests and the Governor's consistency review, minor modifications and clarifications were made to portions of the analysis presented in the Bay Proposed RMP/Final EIS and are discussed in the Record of Decision.

No inconsistencies with State or local plans, policies, or programs were identified during the Governor's consistency review of the Proposed RMP/Final EIS.

Authority: H-1790-1 National Environmental Policy Act Handbook—January 30, 2008.

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Acting State Director.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 731-TA-1146-1147 (Final)]

1-Hydroxyethylidene-1,1-Diphosphonic Acid (HEDP) from China and India

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Scheduling of the final phase of antidumping duty investigations.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the scheduling of the final phase of antidumping duty investigation Nos. 731-TA-1146-1147 (Final) under section 735(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1673d(b)) (the Act) to determine whether an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of less-than-fair-value imports from China and India of 1-Hydroxyethylidene-1,1-diphosphonic acid (HEDP),¹ provided for in statistical reporting number 2931.00.9043 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.²

For further information concerning the conduct of this phase of the investigations, hearing procedures, and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and C (19 CFR part 207).

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 21, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nathanael Comly (202-205-3174), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special

assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for these investigations may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background. The final phase of these investigations is being scheduled as a result of affirmative preliminary determinations by the Department of Commerce that imports of HEDP from China and India are being sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 733 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b). These investigations were requested in a petition filed on March 19, 2008, by Compass Chemical International LLC, Huntsville, TX.

Participation in the investigations and public service list. Persons, including industrial users of the subject merchandise and, if the merchandise is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations, wishing to participate in the final phase of these investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in section 201.11 of the Commission's rules, no later than 21 days prior to the hearing date specified in this notice. A party that filed a notice of appearance during the preliminary phase of the investigations need not file an additional notice of appearance during this final phase. The Secretary will maintain a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list. Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in the final phase of these investigations available to authorized applicants under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made no later than 21 days prior to the hearing date specified in this notice. Authorized applicants must represent interested parties, as defined by 19 U.S.C. 1677(9), who are parties to the investigations. A party granted access to BPI in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not reapply for such access. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Staff report. The prehearing staff report in the final phase of these investigations will be placed in the nonpublic record on February 17, 2009, and a public version will be issued thereafter, pursuant to section 207.22 of the Commission's rules.

Hearing. The Commission will hold a hearing in connection with the final phase of these investigations beginning at 9:30 a.m. on March 3, 2009, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Requests to appear at the hearing should be filed in writing with the Secretary to the Commission on or before February 24, 2009. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the hearing. All parties and nonparties desiring to appear at the hearing and make oral presentations should attend a prehearing conference to be held at 9:30 a.m. on February 26, 2009, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Oral testimony and written materials to be submitted at the public hearing are governed by sections 201.6(b)(2), 201.13(f), and 207.24 of the Commission's rules. Parties must submit any request to present a portion of their hearing testimony *in camera* no later than 7 business days prior to the date of the hearing.

Written submissions. Each party who is an interested party shall submit a prehearing brief to the Commission. Prehearing briefs must conform with the provisions of section 207.23 of the Commission's rules; the deadline for filing is February 24, 2009. Parties may also file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the hearing, as provided in section 207.24 of the Commission's rules, and posthearing briefs, which must conform with the provisions of section 207.25 of the Commission's rules. The deadline for filing posthearing briefs is March 11, 2009; witness testimony must be filed no later than three days before the hearing. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the investigations may submit a written statement of information pertinent to the subject of the investigations, including statements of support or opposition to the petition, on or before March 11, 2009. On March 31, 2008, the Commission will make available to parties all information on which they have not had an opportunity to comment. Parties may submit final comments on this information on or before April 2, 2009, but such final comments must not contain new factual information and must otherwise comply with section 207.30 of the Commission's

¹ HEDP is identified by CAS registry number 2809-21-4.

² For purposes of these investigations, the Department of Commerce has defined the subject merchandise as "all grades of aqueous, acidic (non-neutralized) concentrations of 1-hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-diphosphonic acid, also referred to as hydroxyethylidenediphosphonic acid, hydroxyethanediphosphonic acid, acetodiphosphonic acid, and etidronic acid."