

the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 834488

Applicant: Gregg B. Miller, Tustin, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) the Pacific pocket mouse (*Perognathus longimembris pacificus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys in Los Angeles, Orange, and San Diego Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 797259

Applicant: Chris Wilcox, Santa Cruz, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect and sacrifice voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Brachinecta sandiegonensis*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys in vernal pools throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 702631

Applicant: Assistant Regional director-Ecological Services, Region 1, Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to remove and reduce to possession specimens of the following plant species: *Cercocarpus traskiae* (Catalina Island mountain-mahogany), *Lithophragma maximum* (San Clemente Island woodland-star), and *Sibara filifolia* (Santa Cruz Island rockcress) throughout their range in conjunction with recovery efforts for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 802086

Applicant: Lisa Webber, Sacramento, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to her permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect and sacrifice voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Brachinecta sandiegonensis*), and the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus woottoni*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys in vernal pools throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

DATES: Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before November 6, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Division of Consultation and

Conservation Planning, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181; FAX: 503-231-6243.

Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments, including names and addresses, received will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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 within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone: 503-231-2063. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

Dated: September 29, 1997.

Don Weathers,

Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Coal Action; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability, cost estimate document (CED) for the Ark Land Company's preference right lease applications (PRLAs) San Juan County, New Mexico.

SUMMARY: The PRLA process requires that a CED be prepared and made available to the public. The CED estimates the costs of compliance with all laws, regulations, lease terms, and special stipulations intended to protect the environmental impacts of mining. This action establishes the availability of the CED for Ark Land Company's PRLAs.

DATES: On or before December 8, 1997, interested parties may submit comments regarding the CED to the Bureau of Land Management at the following address. All comments will be reviewed by the Bureau of Land Management, Farmington District Manager, 1235 La Plata Highway, Suite A., Farmington, New Mexico, 87401.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charlie Beecham, Farmington District, BLM, (505) 599-6370.

Dated: October 1, 1997.

John Phillips,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Salt Lake District Fire Management Plan Preparation

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a fire management plan and associated environmental analysis and plan amendment.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake District, will be preparing a Fire Management Plan (FMP) to address the management of wildland fire within the Salt Lake District. The purpose of the FMP is to provide the framework for the reintroduction of fire into the ecosystem while maintaining first priority on protection of human life, and secondary priority on protection of property and natural and cultural resources. An Environmental Assessment (EA), will be prepared for the FMP and amendment of existing land use plans, Box Elder and Pony Express Resource Management Plans and the Randolph and Park City Management Framework Plans.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted throughout the process of modifying plans and preparation of the EA. However, comments received after December 1, 1997 may not be reflected in the EA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Scott, Fire Management Officer, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake District, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119, telephone (801) 977-4344. Existing planning documents and information are available at the above address or telephone number. Comments on the proposed plan amendment should be sent to the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Salt Lake District is proposing to develop a FMP which sets objectives for integrating wildland fire into resource management. These objectives include wildfire suppression, prescribed fire use, and fuels management targets.

Some goals of the FMP are to identify fire management strategies to achieve desired resource conditions, and reduce the potential for catastrophic wildfires through the management of fuels, while reducing overall wildland fire management costs.

The public is invited to participate in the identification of issues related to the management of fire in the Salt Lake District. Anticipated issues for the plan amendment are:

- Protection of human life.
- Protection of property.
- Protection of natural/cultural resources.
- Safe re-introduction of fire into natural ecosystems.
- Reducing the cost of fire suppression.
- Integration of fire and resource management strategies.
- Air Quality.
- Recreation.
- Watershed management.
- Livestock grazing.
- Visual resources.
- Wildlife habitat.

An EA will be prepared to analyze the impacts of this proposal and alternatives. Public participation is being sought at this initial stage in the planning process to ensure the amendment addresses all issues, problems and concerns from those interested in the management of lands within the Salt Lake District.

Dated: September 30, 1997.

Douglas M. Koza,

Acting State Director, Utah.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-070-1320-00;]

Notice of Intent to Amend Farmington District Resources Management Plan; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Farmington District, is preparing a Resource Management Plan Amendment and an Environmental Assessment (EA) for BLM-managed minerals in San Juan County, New Mexico. The Code of Federal Regulations, Title 43, Subpart 1600 (43 CFR 1600) will be followed in the preparation of this plan amendment. The public is invited to participate in

this land use plan amendment effort. Written comments or suggested additional issues will be accepted through November 14, 1997. The BLM will hold a public scoping meeting at which time oral comments and suggestions will be accepted. This notice is to solicit coal resource information and indications of other interest and needs pursuant to 43 CFR 3420.1-2 and 3500, for inclusion in the Farmington Resources Management Plan (RMP). The public and all local, and state governments are encouraged to participate.

DATES: Comments relating to the identification of additional issues, and responses to this call for coal resource information will be accepted through November 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests to be included on the mailing list should be sent to Bureau of Land Management, 1235 La Plata Highway, Suite A, Farmington, New Mexico 87401. Proprietary data should be identified as such to ensure confidentiality.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charlie Beecham, Farmington District BLM, (505) 599-6370.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed Farmington RMP amendment is to allow coal leasing and development for the Federal coal lease application located in:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 30 N., R. 14 W.

Secs. 17-20, inclusive;

Secs. 29-30, inclusive;

Sec. 31, lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, N $\frac{1}{2}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$.

The proposed lease contains 4,483.88 acres, more or less, in San Juan County, New Mexico.

The proposed mining method for the applied for lands is an underground longwall operation.

This planning issue is presented for public hearing and is subject to change based upon such public hearing. Comments should be received by CLOSE OF BUSINESS November 14, 1997. The planning team will seek public involvement throughout the planning amendment process. A formal public hearing/open house will be held to provide the public an opportunity to participate in this Amendment effort.

Notice is hereby given that the public hearing will start at 6:00 p.m. and is scheduled for October 21, 1997, at the Farmington City Council Chambers at 800 Municipal Drive, Farmington, New Mexico.

Complete records of all phases of the planning process will be available for public review and comment at the Bureau of Land Management,

Farmington District Office, 1235 La Plata Highway, Suite A, Farmington, New Mexico.

The final RMP amendment documents will be available upon request.

Dated: October 1, 1997.

John Phillips,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent to Issue a Concession Contract at Grand Teton National Park

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of Interior.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Public Notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to award a concession contract authorizing the continued operation of a rustic dude ranch located within the Triangle X area of Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming for a period of ten (10) years from January 1, 1998 through December 31, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE: On or before October 17, 1997, a notice will be published in the Commerce Business Daily. The official release date of the Prospectus shall be the date of publication in the Commerce Business Daily. Anyone interested in making an offer for the new contract must do so within 90 days of the date of publication of the Commerce Business Daily announcement.

ADDRESS: Interested parties should contact the Concessions Division, Grand Teton National Park, P.O. Box 170, Moose, Wyoming 83012, to obtain a copy of the Prospectus describing the requirements of the proposed contract.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The contract will be for a period of ten (10) years from January 1, 1998 through December 31, 2007. This ten (10) year term is conditioned upon the Concessioner's completion of a Building and Improvement Program which requires the construction of guest cabins and employee housing. In the event the Concessioner fails to complete this program to the satisfaction of the Secretary of Interior within four (4) years following the execution of the contract, the contract term shall be for the term of five (5) years from January 1, 1998 to December 31, 2002.