

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

[OR-080-08-5420-00-H011; GP8-0025; OR-53981]

Recordable Disclaimer of Interest; Oregon**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Proposed issuance of recordable disclaimer of interest, Oregon.

SUMMARY: An application has been filed by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company for a recordable disclaimer of interest involving 200 acres of land in Columbia County, Oregon, to remove a cloud on the title. The cloud is a result of an exclusion contained in the patent conveying title from the United States. The patent excluded "the timber thereon." Subsequently, the United States interest in the said timber was extinguished when a timber sale contract was issued; however, no instrument was recorded to show that the interest was extinguished. The applicant desires to have clear title. The United States of America hereby gives notice of its intention to disclaim and release all interest in the timber to the owner of record.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Until February 2, 1998, all persons who wish to submit comments may do so in writing to the Salem District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon 97306.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Radosta, Realty Specialist, Salem District Office, (503) 375-5664.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. 1745, an application has been filed by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company for issuance of a recordable disclaimer of interest by the United States, affecting the following described land:

Willamette Meridian

T. 3 N., R. 2 W.,

Sec. 9, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The subject land (and other land) was conveyed by the United States by Coal Patent No. 646950, dated August 18, 1918. The patent conveyed the land "exclusive of the timber thereon." On January 10, 1941, the United States (General Land Office) issued Timber Contract I6g-428, in which the reserved timber was sold. When the timber contract was terminated in 1946, the landowner requested that a release or

relinquishment of the timber interest be recorded so as to provide him with clear title. The response was that the General Land Office had no authority to do so.

Section 315 of FLPMA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue a recordable disclaimer of interest in land where the disclaimer will help to remove a cloud on the title under certain criteria. One criterion is where a record interest of the United States in the land has terminated by operation of law or is otherwise invalid. The Bureau of Land Management has reviewed the official records and has determined that the United States has no claim to or interest in the above described land and that the issuance of a recordable disclaimer of interest will help to remove a cloud on the title to the land. Accordingly, a recordable disclaimer of interest will be issued shortly after the 90-day comment period.

Dated: October 23, 1997.

Robert D. DeViney, Jr.,*Chief, Branch of Realty and Records Services.*

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

[NV-030-98-1020-00-24-1 A]

Sierra Front/Northwest Great Basin Resource Advisory Council—Notice of Meeting Locations and Times**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Resource Advisory Council Meeting Locations and Times.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA) the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Council meetings will be held as indicated below. The agenda includes a business meeting, public comment period and a tour of the Walker River Basin.

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the council. Each formal council meeting will have a time allocated for hearing public comments. The public comment period for the council meeting is listed below. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment, and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meetings, or need special assistance such as sign language

interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Joan Sweetland, Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701 (702) 885-6107.

DATE, TIMES: The dates are November 20 and 21, 1997. Depart BLM Carson City Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City at 7:00 a.m. November 20, and begin tour of Walker River Basin. Arrive Hawthorne, Nevada, 5:00 p.m. At 6:00 p.m. the Council will have dinner at the El Capitan, Hawthorne, followed by the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The Agenda will include a business meeting, approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting, remarks by State Director Robert Abbey, discussion of the proposed Black Rock Desert Management Plan. The public comment period will be at 8:30 p.m., with adjournment for the evening at 9:00 p.m. At 8:00 a.m. the council will depart Hawthorne to continue tour of Walker River Basin and will return to Carson City at 5:00 p.m.

All council meetings and tours are open to the public, but the public is responsible for their own transportation, food and lodgings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John Singlaub, Carson City District Manager, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada 89701 (702) 885-6000.

Dated: October 22, 1997.

John O. Singlaub,*District Manager.*

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

[AZ-910-0777-61-241A]

State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting, notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Arizona Resource Advisory Council. The meeting will be held December 2, 1997, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Montana Room at the Bureau of Land Management National Training Center, 9828 N. 31st Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. The agenda items to be covered at the one-day meeting include: Review of previous meeting minutes; BLM State Director's Update on legislation, regulations and statewide planning efforts; Grazing Issues and Update on FWS Biological Opinion;