

West; the Lee Canyon Road (State Route 156), Corn Creek Road and the southern boundary of the Desert Game Range on the North; and the Lake Mead National Recreation Area Boundary on the East.

Maps depicting the area affected by this closure order are available for public inspection at the Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 4765 W. Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Exceptions to Closure

(1) OHV use areas which may be designated by the Las Vegas Field Office Manager. Such designations may be made by the publishing of notice in the local media and by the posting of appropriate signs and marked boundaries; (2) Roads and trails designated and signed for OHV use; (3) Roads included within transportation systems managed by Clark County and/or the cities of Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, and Henderson; and (4) Official travel by government agencies.

Closure Restrictions

Unless otherwise authorized, within the closure area no person shall:

a. Operate an Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) or motor vehicle off of designated roads and/or trails.

b. Take, drive, or operate any OHV or motor vehicle through, around or beyond a restrictive sign, barricade, fence, or traffic control barrier or device.

Definitions

"Designated Road" means a road or roads identified on a map which will be available for public inspection at the Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

"Designated Trails" means a trail, trails or routes, identified on a map available for public inspection at the Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management.

"Designated Areas" means areas that are designated within the closed area by the Las Vegas Field Office Manager as OHV use areas. These areas will be signed with set boundaries. Maps will be made available at the Las Vegas Field Office.

"Off-Highway Vehicle" (OHV) means any motorized or non-motorized mechanized vehicle designed for or capable of travel off maintained roadways including but not limited to 2 and 4 wheel drives vehicles, motorcycles, ATVs, and mountain bikes. OHV as defined herein is synonymous with "Off-road Vehicle" as defined in 43 CFR Part 8440.0-5(a). Off-Highway Vehicle is the term more commonly used.

"Public Lands" means any lands or interest in lands owned by the United States and administered by the Secretary of the Interior through the Bureau of Land Management, except lands located on the Outer Continental Shelf and lands held for the benefit of Indians, Aleuts and Eskimos (43 CFR 1601.0-5(i)).

This closure order is issued under the authority of 43 CFR 8341.1 and Part 8364.1. Violation of any of the terms, conditions or restrictions contained within this closure order, may subject the violator to citation or arrest, with a penalty of fine or imprisonment or both as specified by law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Wolf, Assistant District Manager, Recreation; Ron Crayton, Law Enforcement Ranger; or Ken Burger, Law Enforcement Ranger, at the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 W. Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108, Telephone Number (702) 647-5000.

Dated: November 18, 1998.

Michael F. Dwyer,
Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-040-7122-00-5513; AZA 28793; AZA 29640]

Extension of Public Comment Period for Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Dos Pobres/San Juan Project Case Number AZA 28973 and AZA 29640, Safford Field Office, Graham County, AZ

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Extension of Public Comment Period.

SUMMARY: The notice published in the **Federal Register** on Thursday, September 24, 1998, in Vol. 63, No. 185, page 51091, provided for the acceptance of written comments relating to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Dos Pobres/San Juan Project to be accepted until November 25, 1998. This notice will extend the public comment period to December 18, 1998.

Dated: November 19, 1998.

William T. Civish,
Field Office Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ030-1010-00; AZA-29861]

Notice of Availability of Final Hualapai Mountains Land Exchange Environmental Impact Statement/Plan Amendment and; Notice of Realty Action

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of Availability and Notice of Realty Action.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716), as amended and section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office, Arizona, has prepared an EIS/Plan amendment to analyze the effect of a proposed land exchange and a proposed plan amendment to the Kingman Resource Management Plan. The EIS addresses the effects of a proposal to exchange approximately 70,000 acres of public land for approximately 70,000 acres of private land. The Equal Appraised Value Alternative, the BLM preferred, would result in approximately 70,000 acres coming into public ownership while transferring approximately 60,000 acres to private ownership. The proposed land exchange is entirely within Mohave County, Arizona. The amendment is needed because the Proponent selected public lands that were not identified for disposal in the Kingman Resource Management Plan by Township, Range, and Section. The plan amendment will assess impacts of proposed changes to land tenure classification decisions and resource management.

The Realty Action is in accordance with sections 1 and 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act, 43 U.S.C. 315 and 315f, the selected public lands described in the FEIS are hereby classified for disposal by exchange. This disposal classification is pursuant to the Taylor Grazing Act and the decision to amend the Kingman Resource Management Plan to re-categorize approximately 10,000 acres for disposal will follow the 30 day protest period.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until 30 days following Environmental Protection Agency's **Federal Register** Notice of Filing. The Notice of Filing is expected to occur on December 4, 1998. The EPA Notice of Filing date also begins a 30-day protest

period for the proposed plan amendment.

Comments

Comments should be sent to the Team Leader, Hualapai Mountain Project, Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office, 2475 Beverly Ave., Kingman, Arizona, 86401-3629. Comments should pertain to the overall land exchange as plan protest procedures are explained below.

Plan Protest Procedures

The BLM's planning process includes an opportunity for administrative review via a plan protest to the BLM Director. This plan protest procedure is only applicable to the proposed plan amendment.

The protest must specifically address the proposal to categorize certain parcels as available for disposal (Appendix A, Part 2 of the final EIS). These parcels were not determined to be disposal lands when the Kingman Resource Management Plan (RMP) was approved in March 1995. Currently, no decision has been made on the overall exchange, so the exchange itself cannot be protested. Only the proposal to amend the Kingman RMP to place parcels (Appendix A, Part 2 of the final EIS) into the disposal category can be protested.

To protest the proposed plan amendment, file a letter of protest with: Director, Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Ms. Brenda Williams, Protests Coordinator, WO-210/LS-1075, Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240.

The overnight mail address is: Director, Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Ms. Brenda Williams, Protests Coordinator (WO-210), 1620 L Street NW, Room 1075, Washington, DC 20036.

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.

WO-210 will immediately acknowledge receipt of the protest and fax/e-mail a copy to the appropriate BLM State Director and the assigned field support staff. Protests filed late or filed with the BLM State Director or district, field or area manager shall be rejected by the BLM Washington Office (WO-210).

At minimum, the letter of protest must contain the following information.

1. The name, mailing address, telephone number and interest of the person filing the protest.

2. A statement of which parcel or parcels (by township, range and section) are being protested.

3. A copy of each document addressing the parcels proposed to be categorized as disposal lands, such as letters sent during the plan amendment process that addresses parcels within the proposed plan amendment.

4. A statement of reasons why the BLM State Director's proposed decision to place the lands in the disposal category is believed to be incorrect. All relevant facts need to be included in the statement of reasons. These facts, reasons and documentation are very important to understand the protest rather than merely expressing disagreement with the proposed decision.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the document are available at the following locations: Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office, 2475 Beverly Ave., Kingman, Arizona, 86401-3629 and Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, 222 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL: Don McClure, phone: (520) 692-4400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The land exchange includes both public and non-public land in Mohave County in northwestern Arizona, encompassing approximately 140,000 acres. Issues that have been addressed are ranching, biological resources, socioeconomic, recreation/access, soil erosion, cultural resources, realty, riparian areas, mineral resources, and areas of critical environmental concern. Proposed modifications to the Kingman Resource Management Plan have been integrated with the proposed Hualapai Mountains Land Exchange, and the impacts thereof will be presented in a single EIS-level analysis.

Dated: November 23, 1998.

John R. Christensen,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-180-09-1430-01; CACA-39899]

Notice of Realty Action; Land Use Lease of Public Lands, El Dorado County, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Realty Action; Land Use Lease of Public Lands, CA-39899.

SUMMARY: The following described public land (surface only) located in El Dorado County is being considered for a land use lease pursuant to Section 302 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 as amended (43 U.S.C. 1732):

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 9N., R. 10E.

Sec 12: Portion of lot 1.

El Dorado County, California;

Containing .50 acre more or less.

The above parcel of public land would be leased to Betty J. Luke to resolve a trespass situation. The trespass resulted due to the construction of a home located partially on public land and removal would constitute a severe hardship for the occupant. The lease would be issued for the remainder of Mrs. Luke's life, and upon her death, all improvements would have to be removed from the public land. The rental shall be based on the appraised fair market value. The public interest will be served because it will enable the Bureau to rectify a trespass situation.

All necessary clearances, including clearances for cultural and historical resources, threatened and endangered plants and animals, will be completed on these lands prior to authorization of the lease.

This notice, as provided in 43 CFR 2201.1(b), segregates the above-described public land being considered for this exchange from settlement, location and entry under the public land laws, including the mining laws. The segregative effect shall terminate upon publication in the **Federal Register** of a termination of the segregation.

For a period of 45 days from publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments to the Field Manager, Folsom Field Office, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jodi Lawson, Realty Assistant, BLM Folsom Resource Area, 63 Natoma St., Folsom, CA 95630, (916) 985-4474.

Dated: November 17, 1998.

D.K. Swickard,

Area Manager.

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