

The issues analyzed in the Draft EIS include the physical, biological, cultural, socioeconomic, and other resources that have the potential to be affected by the proposed project and alternatives. In addition, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is analyzing impacts on air quality, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change; geology and soils; hazards and hazardous materials; fire and fuels; water resources, hydrology and water quality; land use, lands and realty; noise; recreation; traffic; visual resources; paleontological resources; public health and safety; lands with wilderness characteristics; socioeconomic and environmental justice; special designations; transportation and public access; cumulative effects, pre and post construction and operations; and areas with high potential for renewable energy development.

The BLM will host one or more public meetings, to be announced separately, which will be held to allow oral or written comments to be presented to the lead agencies. Please see BLM's Web page at http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/barstow/renewableenergy/soda_mountain.html for information about the location, date, and time of any such meeting.

All substantive issues raised during the comment period will be considered, and modifications may be made to develop the Final PA/EIS/EIR based on these comments. Please note that public comments and information submitted including names, street addresses, and email addresses of persons who submit comments will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6, 40 CFR 1506.10, 43 CFR 1610.2.

Thomas Pogacnik,

Deputy State Director, Natural Resources, BLM California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Realty Action: Direct Sale of Public Land in Graham County, AZ

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Safford Field Office (SFO), is considering a noncompetitive direct sale of approximately 15 acres of public land in Graham County, Arizona, to Gilligan and Blanca Bowman (proponents) for not less than the appraised fair market value (FMV).

DATES: In order to ensure consideration in the environmental analysis of the proposed sale, the BLM must receive comments by January 13, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning the proposed direct sale should be sent to Scott Cooke, Field Manager, BLM Safford Field Office, 711 14th Avenue, Safford, AZ 85546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Peru, Realty Specialist, at the above address, or phone 928-348-4439. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described parcel of public land in Graham County, Arizona, is being considered for direct sale under Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), as amended (43 U.S.C. 1713 and 1719) and the regulations at 43 CFR subparts 2710 and 2720:

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

Township 7 South, Range 27 East, sec. 8, S1/2SW1/4NE1/4SW1/4 and SE1/4NE1/4SW1/4,

The area described contains approximately 15 acres.

Consistent with Section 203 of FLPMA, a tract of public land may be sold where, as a result of land use planning, sale of the tract meets the disposal criteria of that section.

The public lands described above were identified as suitable for disposal by the BLM Safford District Resource Management Plan in August 1991. The parcel is not needed for any other

Federal purpose and has become difficult and uneconomical to manage due to public lands in Sections 7 and 8 being encumbered on three sides by private land.

The regulations found at 43 CFR 2710.0-3(a) and 43 CFR 2711.3-3(a)(5) permit the BLM to make direct sales of public lands when a competitive sale is not appropriate and the public interest would be best served by a direct sale. The regulations at 43 CFR 2711.3-3(a)(5) permit direct sales to occur to resolve inadvertent unauthorized use or occupancy of the lands.

With respect to the lands above, there is an inadvertent unauthorized occupancy on the land that consists of an access road and buildings associated with a residence.

The unauthorized developments have been in place for approximately 10 years. The proponents of the direct sale wish to purchase the parcel to resolve this inadvertent unauthorized occupancy, and the BLM has concluded that the public interest would be best served by a direct sale of those lands. No significant biological and cultural resource values have been identified on the lands in questions. As a result, there are no impacts to resource values that are expected from this action. The BLM prepared a mineral potential report, dated June 22, 2012, and the lands identified for sale have no known mineral value. The BLM proposes that the conveyance of the Federal mineral interest occur simultaneously with the sale. The proponents will be required to pay a \$50 non-refundable filing fee in conjunction with the final payment for processing of the conveyance of the mineral interests. The project is not expected to affect the San Carlos Indian Reservation located about 12 miles away. In addition to this Notice of Realty Action (NORA), notice of this sale will also be published once a week for 3 weeks in the Eastern Arizona Courier.

Pursuant to the requirements of 43 CFR 2711.1-2(d), upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands identified above will be segregated from all appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws. Upon publication of this NORA, and until completion of the sale, the BLM will no longer accept land use applications affecting the identified public land, except applications for the amendment of previously filed right-of-way applications or existing authorizations to increase the term of the grants in accordance with 43 CFR 2807.15 and 43 CFR 2886.15. This segregation will terminate upon issuance of a patent, publication in the

Federal Register of a termination of the segregation, or November 30, 2015, whichever comes first unless extended by the BLM Arizona State Director in accordance with 43 CFR 2711.1–2(d) prior to the termination date. The following terms and conditions would appear as reservations to the United States on the conveyance document for this parcel:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945);

2. Right-of-way AZAR–02060 is reserved for a water pipeline granted to the City of Safford, its successors or assigns, pursuant to the Act of February 15, 1901 (43 U.S.C. 959);

3. Right-of-way AZA–9015 is reserved for a transmission line granted to Southwest Transmission Cooperative, its successors or assigns, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761); and

4. Additional terms and conditions that the authorized officer deems appropriate.

A map delineating the proposed direct sale parcel and Mineral Potential Report are available for public review at the BLM SFO, which is located at the address above. Upon receipt of an approved appraisal, publication of a subsequent NORA will include the FMV for the sale parcel and will be available for review 60 days prior to the sale date. An environmental assessment (EA) is being prepared for the proposed direct sale. When completed, the EA will be available for review at the address above.

Public comments concerning the proposed direct sale may be submitted in writing to the attention of the BLM Safford Field Manager at the address above. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM SFO during regular business hours. Before including your address, phone number, email 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 may ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Any comments regarding the proposed direct sale will be reviewed by the BLM Safford Field Manager or other authorized official of the Department of the Interior, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action in whole or in part. In the absence of timely filed

objections, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior not less than 60 days from November 29, 2013.

Authority: 43 CFR 2711.1–2, 43 CFR 2720.1–1(b)

Scott C. Cooke,

BLM Safford Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Request for Comments for 1029–0024

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

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 renewed approval for the collection of information for the Procedures and Criteria for Approval or Disapproval of State Program Submissions.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by January 28, 2014, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to John A. Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave. NW., Room 203–SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Comments may also be submitted electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request contact John Trelease at (202) 208–2783, or via email at jtrelease@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)]. OSM will be requesting that the Office of Management and Budget extend its approval for the collection of information for 30 CFR part 732.

OSM has revised burden estimates, where appropriate, to reflect current reporting levels or adjustments based on reestimates of burden or respondents. OSM will request a 3-year term of approval for these information collection activities.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for part 732 is 1029–0024, and may be found in OSM's regulations at 30 CFR 732.10.

Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany OSM's submission of the information collection request to OMB.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

This notice provides the public with 60 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

Title: 30 CFR Part 732—Procedures and Criteria for Approval or Disapproval of State Program Submissions.

OMB Control Number: 1029–0024.

Summary: Part 732 establishes the procedures and criteria for approval and disapproval of State program submissions. The information submitted is used to evaluate whether State regulatory authorities are meeting the provisions of their approved programs.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once and annually.

Description of Respondents: 24 State and 4 Tribal regulatory authorities.

Total Annual Responses: 40.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,775.

Dated: November 25, 2013.

Andrew F. DeVito,

Chief, Division of Regulatory Support.

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