

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Changes in Approved Drawings and Specifications.  
*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2502-0117.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* Builders who request changes to HUD's accepted drawings and specifications for proposed construction properties as required by homebuyers, or determined by the builder use the information collection. The lender reviews the changes and amends the approved exhibits. These changes may affect the value shown on the HUD commitment. HUD requires the builder to use form HUD-92577 to request changes for proposed construction properties. HUD's collection of this information is for the purpose of ascertaining that HUD does not insure a mortgage on property that poses a risk to health or safety of the occupant.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* HUD-92577.

*Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:* The estimated total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection is 5,000; the

number of respondents is 10,000 generating approximately 10,000 annual responses; the frequency of response is on occasion; and the estimated time needed to prepare the response is 30 minutes.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* This is an extension of a currently approved collection.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 15, 2006.

**Frank L. Davis,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing—Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Reviews of 56 Species in California and Nevada

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of review.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the initiation of a 5-year review of 56 species under section 4(c)(2)(B) of the Endangered Species Act (Act). The purpose of a 5-year review is to ensure that the classification of a species as threatened or endangered on the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants is accurate and based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review. We are requesting submission of any such information that has become available since the original listing of each of these 56 species. Based on the results of these 5-year reviews, we will make the requisite findings under section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act.

**DATES:** We must receive your information no later than May 22, 2006.

However, we will continue to accept new information about any listed species at any time.

**ADDRESSES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for instructions on how to submit information and review the information that we receive on these species.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For species-specific information, contact the appropriate individual in Table 3 under "Public Solicitation of New Information."

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

##### *Why Is a 5-Year Review Conducted?*

Under the Endangered Species Act (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we maintain a List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants at 50 CFR 17.11 (for animals) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act requires that we conduct a review of listed species at least once every 5 years. Then, on the basis of such reviews under section 4(c)(2)(B), we determine whether or not any species should be removed from the List (delisted), or reclassified from endangered to threatened or from threatened to endangered. Delisting a species must be supported by the best scientific and commercial data available and only considered if such data substantiates that the species is neither endangered nor threatened for one or more of the following reasons: (1) The species is considered extinct; (2) the species is considered to be recovered; and/or (3) the original data available when the species was listed, or the interpretation of such data, were in error. Any change in Federal classification would require a separate rulemaking process. The regulations in 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing those species currently under active review. This notice announces our active review of the 56 species listed in Table 1.

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF LISTING INFORMATION FOR 56 SPECIES IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Common name	Scientific name	Status	Where listed	Final listing rule
<b>ANIMALS</b>				
Ash Meadows Amargosa pupfish ..	<i>Cyprinodon nevadensis mionectes</i> .	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (NV) .....	48 FR 40178 (02-SEP-83)
Behren's silverspot butterfly .....	<i>Speyeria zerene behrensii</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 64306 (05-DEC-97)
Blunt-nosed leopard lizard .....	<i>Gambelia silus</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	32 FR 4001 (11-MAR-67)
California freshwater shrimp .....	<i>Syncaris pacifica</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	53 FR 43884 (31-OCT-88)
Conservancy fairy shrimp .....	<i>Branchinecta conservatio</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 48136 (19-SEP-94)
Delta green ground beetle .....	<i>Elaphrus viridis</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	45 FR 52807 (08-AUG-80)
Desert dace .....	<i>Eremichthys acros</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (NV) .....	50 FR 50304 (10-DEC-85)
Fresno kangaroo rat .....	<i>Dipodomys nitratoideis exilis</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	50 FR 4222 (30-JAN-85)
Giant kangaroo rat .....	<i>Dipodomys ingens</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	52 FR 283 (05-JAN-87)

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF LISTING INFORMATION FOR 56 SPECIES IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued

Common name	Scientific name	Status	Where listed	Final listing rule
Inyo California towhee .....	<i>Pipilo crissalis eremophilus</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	52 FR 28780 (03–AUG–87)
Kern primrose sphinx moth .....	<i>Euproserpinus euterpe</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	45 FR 24088 (08–APR–80)
Laguna Mountains skipper .....	<i>Pyrgus ruralis lagunae</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 2313 (16–JAN–97)
Longhorn fairy shrimp .....	<i>Branchinecta longiantenna</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 48136 (19–SEP–94)
Modoc sucker .....	<i>Catostomus microps</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	50 FR 24526 (11–JUN–85)
Pahrump poolfish .....	<i>Empetrichthys latos</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (NV) .....	32 FR 4001 (11–MAR–67)
Paiute cutthroat trout .....	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki seleniris</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	32 FR 4001 (11–MAR–67)
Riverside fairy shrimp .....	<i>Streptocephalus woottoni</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	58 FR 41384 (03–AUG–93)
San Diego fairy shrimp .....	<i>Branchinecta sandiegonensis</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 4925 (03–FEB–97)
San Joaquin kit fox .....	<i>Vulpes macrotis mutica</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	32 FR 4001 (11–MAR–67)
Tidewater goby .....	<i>Eucyclogobius newberryi</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 5494 (04–FEB–94)
Vernal pool fairy shrimp .....	<i>Branchinecta lynchi</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA, OR) .....	59 FR 48136 (19–SEP–94)
Vernal pool tadpole shrimp .....	<i>Lepidurus packardii</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 48136 (19–SEP–94)
White River spinedace .....	<i>Lepidomeda albigallis</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (NV) .....	50 FR 37194 (12–SEP–85)
PLANTS				
Bakersfield cactus .....	<i>Opuntia treleasei</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	55 FR 29361 (19–JUL–90)
Ben Lomond spineflower .....	<i>Chorizanthe pungens</i> var. <i>hartwegiana</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 5499 (04–FEB–94)
Butte County meadowfoam .....	<i>Limnanthes floccosa</i> ssp. <i>californica</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	57 FR 24192 (08–JUN–92)
California jewelflower .....	<i>Caulanthus californicus</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	55 FR 29361 (19–JUL–90)
Catalina Island mountain-mahogany .....	<i>Cercocarpus traskiae</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 42692 (08–AUG–97)
Chorro Creek bog thistle .....	<i>Cirsium fontinale</i> var. <i>obispoense</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 64613 (15–DEC–94)
Coachella Valley milk-vetch .....	<i>Astragalus lentiginosus</i> var. <i>coachellae</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	63 FR 53596 (06–OCT–98)
Colusa grass .....	<i>Neostapfia colusana</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 14338 (26–MAR–97)
Hairy Orcutt grass .....	<i>Orcuttia pilosa</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 14338 (26–MAR–97)
Hoffmann's rock-cress .....	<i>Arabis hoffmannii</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 40954 (31–JUL–97)
Howell's spineflower .....	<i>Chorizanthe howellii</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	57 FR 27848 (22–JUN–92)
Indian Knob mountain balm .....	<i>Eriodictyon altissimum</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 64613 (15–DEC–94)
Kern mallow .....	<i>Eremalche kernensis</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	55 FR 29361 (19–JUL–90)
Lane Mountain milk-vetch .....	<i>Astragalus jaegerianus</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	63 FR 53596 (06–OCT–98)
Menzies' wallflower .....	<i>Erysimum menziesii</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	57 FR 27848 (22–JUN–92)
Monterey gilia .....	<i>Gilia tenuiflora</i> ssp. <i>arenaria</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	57 FR 27848 (22–JUN–92)
Morro manzanita .....	<i>Arctostaphylos morroensis</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 64613 (15–DEC–94)
Munz's onion .....	<i>Allium munzii</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	63 FR 54975 (13–OCT–98)
Otay tarplant .....	<i>Deinandra</i> (=Hemizonia) <i>conjungens</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA); Mexico (B.C.) .....	63 FR 54937 (13–OCT–98)
Orcutt's spineflower .....	<i>Chorizanthe orcuttiana</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	61 FR 52370 (07–OCT–96)
Pismo clarkia .....	<i>Clarkia speciosa</i> ssp. <i>immaculata</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	59 FR 64613 (15–DEC–94)
Sacramento Orcutt grass .....	<i>Orcuttia viscida</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 14338 (26–MAR–97)
San Jacinto Valley crowscale .....	<i>Atriplex coronata</i> var. <i>notatior</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	63 FR 54975 (13–OCT–98)
Santa Cruz Island bush-mallow .....	<i>Malacothamnus fasciculatus</i> var. <i>nesioticus</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 40954 (31–JUL–97)
Santa Rosa Island manzanita .....	<i>Arctostaphylos confertiflora</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 40954 (31–JUL–97)
Showy Indian clover .....	<i>Trifolium amoenum</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 54791 (22–OCT–97)
Slender-horned spineflower .....	<i>Dodecahema leptoceras</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	52 FR 36265 (28–SEP–87)
Slender Orcutt grass .....	<i>Orcuttia tenuis</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 14338 (26–MAR–97)
Soft-leaved paintbrush .....	<i>Castilleja mollis</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	62 FR 40954 (31–JUL–97)
Spreading navarretia .....	<i>Navarretia fossalis</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA); Mexico (B.C.) .....	63 FR 54975 (13–OCT–98)
Steamboat buckwheat .....	<i>Eriogonum ovalifolium</i> var. <i>williamsiae</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (NV) .....	51 FR 24669 (08–JUL–86)
Thread-leaved brodiaea .....	<i>Brodiaea filifolia</i> .....	Threatened .....	U.S.A. (CA) .....	63 FR 54975 (13–OCT–98)
Willow monardella .....	<i>Monardella linoides</i> ssp. <i>viminea</i> .....	Endangered .....	U.S.A. (CA); Mexico .....	63 FR 54937 (13–OCT–98)

#### What Information Is Considered in the Review?

A 5-year review considers all new information available at the time of the review. In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that has become available since the current listing

determination or most recent status review, such as:

A. Species biology including, but not limited to, population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;

B. Habitat conditions including, but not limited to, amount, distribution, and suitability;

C. Conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species;

D. Threat status and trends (see five factors under heading “How Do We Determine Whether a Species is Endangered or Threatened?”); and

E. Other new information, data, or corrections including, but not limited to, taxonomic or nomenclatural changes,

identification of erroneous information contained in the List, and improved analytical methods.

*How Do We Determine Whether a Species Is Endangered or Threatened?*

Section 4(a)(1) of the Act requires that we determine whether a species is endangered or threatened based on one or more of the five following factors:

A. The present or threatened destruction, modification, or curtailment of its habitat or range;

B. Overutilization for commercial, recreational, scientific, or educational purposes;

C. Disease or predation;

D. The inadequacy of existing regulatory mechanisms; or

E. Other natural or manmade factors affecting its continued existence.

Our assessment of these factors is required, under section 4(b)(1) of the Act, to be based solely on the best scientific and commercial data available.

*What Could Happen as a Result of This Review?*

If we find information concerning the 56 species listed in Table 1 indicating that a change in classification may be warranted, we may propose a new rule that could do one of the following: (a) Reclassify the species from threatened to endangered; (b) reclassify the species from endangered to threatened; or (c) remove the species from the List. If we find that a change in classification is not warranted, the species will remain on the List under its current status.

*Public Solicitation of New Information*

To ensure that these 5-year reviews are complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we solicit new information from the public, concerned governmental agencies, Tribes, the scientific community, environmental entities, industry, and any other interested parties concerning the status of the species.

If you wish to provide information for any species included in these 5-year

reviews, submit your comments and materials to the Field Supervisors at the appropriate Fish and Wildlife Office as presented in Table 2. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Respondents may request that we withhold a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name or address, you must state this request prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will not consider anonymous comments, however. To the extent consistent with applicable law, we will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the offices where the comments are submitted.

TABLE 2.—ADDRESSES FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS ON THE 5-YEAR REVIEWS OF 56 SPECIES IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Species	Addresses for comments
Laguna Mountains skipper .....	Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, 6010 Hidden Valley Road, Carlsbad, CA 92009. Information may also be submitted electronically at <a href="mailto:FW85yr06@fws.gov">FW85yr06@fws.gov</a> .
Riverside fairy shrimp	
San Diego fairy shrimp	
Catalina Island mountain mahogany	
Coachella Valley milk-vetch	
Munz's onion	
Orcutt's spineflower	
Otay tarplant	
San Jacinto Valley crownscale	
Slender-horned spineflower	
Spreading navarretia	
Thread-leaved brodiaea	
Willoway monardella	
Inyo California towhee .....	Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, CA 93003. Information may also be submitted electronically at <a href="mailto:fw1vfw05year@fws.gov">fw1vfw05year@fws.gov</a> .
Tidewater goby	
Ben Lomond spineflower	
Chorro Creek bog thistle	
Hoffmann's rock-cress	
Indian Knob mountain balm	
Lane Mountain milk-vetch	
Menzies' wallflower	
Monterey gilia	
Morro manzanita	
Pismo clarkia	
Santa Cruz Island bush-mallow	
Santa Rosa Island manzanita	
Soft-leaved paintbrush	

TABLE 2.—ADDRESSES FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS ON THE 5-YEAR REVIEWS OF 56 SPECIES IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued

Species	Addresses for comments
Blunt-nosed leopard lizard .....	Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2605, Sacramento, CA 95825. Information may also be submitted electronically at <a href="mailto:fw1sfo5year@fws.gov">fw1sfo5year@fws.gov</a> .
California freshwater shrimp	
Conservancy fairy shrimp	
Delta green ground beetle	
Fresno kangaroo rat	
Giant kangaroo rat	
Kern primrose sphinx moth	
Longhorn fairy shrimp	
San Joaquin kit fox	
Vernal pool fairy shrimp	
Vernal pool tadpole shrimp	
Bakersfield cactus	
Butte County meadowfoam	
California jewelflower	
Colusa grass	
Hairy Orcutt grass	
Kern mallow	
Sacramento Orcutt grass	
Showy Indian clover	
Slender Orcutt grass	
Ash Meadows Amargosa pupfish .....	Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Suite 234, Reno, NV 89502. Information may also be submitted electronically at <a href="mailto:fw1nfw_5yr@fws.gov">fw1nfw_5yr@fws.gov</a> .
Desert dace	
Pahrump poolfish	
Paiute cutthroat trout	
White River spinedace	
Steamboat buckwheat	
Behren's silverspot butterfly .....	Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office, 11655 Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521. Information may also be submitted electronically at <a href="mailto:howellsspineflower@fws.gov">howellsspineflower@fws.gov</a> for Howell's spineflower and <a href="mailto:behrenssilverspot@fws.gov">behrenssilverspot@fws.gov</a> for Behren's silverspot butterfly.
Modoc sucker .....	Howell's spineflower Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Office, 6610 Washburn Way, Klamath Falls, OR 97603. Information may also be submitted electronically at <a href="mailto:kfalls@fws.gov">kfalls@fws.gov</a> .

For further information on any of the 56 species, contact the person identified for that species in Table 3.

TABLE 3.—INFORMATION CONTACTS FOR 56 SPECIES UNDERGOING 5-YEAR REVIEW IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Species	Information contact
Laguna Mountains skipper .....	Jim Bartel at the Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office at (760) 431-9440.
Riverside fairy shrimp	
San Diego fairy shrimp	
Catalina Island mountain mahogany	
Coachella Valley milk-vetch	
Munz's onion	
Orcutt's spineflower	
Otay tarplant	
San Jacinto Valley crownscale	
Slender-horned spineflower	
Spreading navarretia	
Thread-leaved brodiaea	
Willow monardella	

TABLE 3.—INFORMATION CONTACTS FOR 56 SPECIES UNDERGOING 5-YEAR REVIEW IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued

Species	Information contact
Inyo California towhee .....	Mike McCrary at the Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office at (805) 644–1766.
Ben Lomond spineflower .....	Tidewater goby Connie Rutherford at the Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office at (805) 644–1766.
Chorro Creek bog thistle	
Hoffmann's rock-cress	
Indian Knob mountain balm	
Lane Mountain milk-vetch	
Menzies' wallflower	
Monterey gilia	
Morro manzanita	
Pismo clarkia	
Santa Cruz Island bush-mallow	
Santa Rosa Island manzanita	
Soft-leaved paintbrush	
Blunt-nosed leopard lizard .....	Craig Aubrey at the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office at (916) 414–6600.
California freshwater shrimp	
Conservancy fairy shrimp	
Delta green ground beetle	
Fresno kangaroo rat	
Giant kangaroo rat	
Kern primrose sphinx moth	
Longhorn fairy shrimp	
San Joaquin kit fox	
Vernal pool fairy shrimp	
Vernal pool tadpole shrimp	
Bakersfield cactus	
Butte County meadowfoam	
California jewelflower	
Colusa grass	
Hairy Orcutt grass	
Kern mallow	
Sacramento Orcutt grass	
Showy Indian clover	
Slender Orcutt grass	
Ash Meadows Amargosa pupfish .....	Jody Brown at the Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office at (775) 861–6300.
Desert dace	
Pahrump poolfish	
Paiute cutthroat trout	
White River spinedace	
Steamboat buckwheat	
Howell's spineflower .....	Dave Imper at the Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office at (707) 822–7201.
Behren's silverspot butterfly .....	Jim Watkins at the Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office at (707) 822–7201.
Modoc sucker .....	Ron Larson at the Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Office at (541) 885–8481.

**Authority**

This document is published under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

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**Paul Henson,**

*Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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

[(WY–060–5410–EQ), WYW3397 & WYW83394]

**Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment and Notice of Public Hearing for an Alluvial Valley Floor Coal Lease Exchange in Campbell County, WY**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability, Notice of public hearing.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received an

application from Powder River Coal Company, Inc., (PRCC) to exchange portions of two Federal coal leases affecting an alluvial valley floor (AVF) designated as significant to farming. The affected leases are located at the Caballo Mine in Campbell County, Wyoming. The AVF lands will be exchanged for new coal leases adjacent to one or more existing coal leases.

This tract, which was applied for as an AVF exchange under the provisions of 43 CFR 3436, is called the Gold Mine Draw Exchange (GMDX) Tract. Consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations, BLM must prepare an environmental analysis prior to