

3. Those rights for distribution line purposes which have been granted to Nevada Power Company by Permit No. N-57071 under the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761).

4. Those rights for roadway purposes which have been granted to Clark County by Permit No. N-60903 under the Act of October 21, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761). Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 W. Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the above described land will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease/conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, leasing under the mineral leasing laws and disposals under the mineral material disposal laws.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed lease/conveyance for classification of the lands to the Las Vegas Field Office Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108.

Classification Comments

Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for park sites. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

Application Comments

Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for a park site.

Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification of the land described in this Notice will become effective 60 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. The lands will not be offered for lease/conveyance until after the classification becomes effective.

Dated: April 6, 1999.

Rex Wells,

Assistant Field Office Manager, Las Vegas, NV.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-050-1610-00]

Public Notification of a 30-Day Period for Submission of Proposed Plan Amendments to the Approved Las Vegas Resource Management Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of plan amendment process. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is designating a 30 day period for public submittal of proposed amendments to the Las Vegas Resource Management Plan.

SUMMARY: An integral step in ensuring a Resource Management Plan remains current is by amendment. The following criteria must be met before a plan amendment will be considered: (1) The proposed amendment is based on new data not considered when the plan was developed. (2) The information represents a change in legal or regulatory mandate. (3) The supporting detail is sufficient and the problem is clearly stated to allow consideration of the request. (4) The information represents a formal change in State or local government or agency plans.

If the proposed amendment cannot be considered due to legal or regulatory constraints or to improper submission, or if the situation can be resolved without a plan amendment, the amendment process will end at this point.

If a determination is made by the Las Vegas BLM Field Office Manager to proceed with the amendment process, the proposed plan amendments will be presented to the Resource Advisory Council for discussion and recommendations. The Council will serve only in an advisory capacity and their recommendations will not be binding on the District Manager.

The recommendations of the District Manager and the Resource Advisory Council will be forwarded to the State Director, who will decide to either: (1) Reject the proposed plan amendment, in which case the requestor will be notified of the decision and its rationale. (2) Further consider the proposed plan amendment, in which case the Director will determine the category of the

amendment with regard to the level of environmental analysis.

DATES: A 30 day period starting September 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 1999, is identified as the designated time period for plan amendment submission to the BLM Las Vegas Field Office Manager.

ADDRESSES: All recommendations you may have are to be submitted to: Bureau of Land Management, Attention: Las Vegas District Manager, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89108.

Recommendations can also be hand delivered to the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael F. Dwyer, Las Vegas Field Office Manager, or Jeffrey G. Steinmetz, Environmental Protection Specialist, at (702)-647-5000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Plan amendments would fall into either Category 1 of Category 2. Category 1 amendments would not involve a significant change to the goals, objectives, terms, conditions or decisions of the Resource Management Plan, whereas Category 2 amendments would involve a significant change.

Dated: April 8, 1999.

Michael F. Dwyer,

Field Office Manager, Las Vegas.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Filing of Plats of Survey: Oregon/ Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Oregon State Office, Portland, Oregon, thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication.

Willamette Meridian

Oregon

T. 39 S., R. 13 W., accepted February 3, 1999

T. 18 S., R. 2 W., accepted February 8, 1999

T. 20 S., R. 5 W., accepted February 26, 1999

T. 38 S., R. 4 E., accepted March 29, 1999

T. 27 S., R. 12 W., accepted March 29, 1999

Washington

T. 20 N., R. 12 W., accepted April 1, 1999

If protests against a survey, as shown on any of the above plat(s), are received prior to the date of official filing, the

filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest(s). A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

The plat(s) will be placed in the open files of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1515 S.W. 5th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201, and will be available to the public as a matter of information only. Copies of the plat(s) may be obtained from the above office upon required payment. A person or party who wishes to protest against a survey must file with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, Oregon, a notice that they wish to protest prior to the proposed official filing date given above. A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State Director within thirty (30) days after the proposed official filing date.

The above-listed plats represent dependent resurveys, survey, and subdivision.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, (1515 S.W. 5th Avenue) P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208.

Dated: April 6, 1999.

Sherrie L. Reid,

Acting Chief, Branch of Realty and Records Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Revision to List of Restricted Joint Bidders.

In accordance with the joint bidding provisions of 30 CFR 256.41, the Minerals Management Service published in the **Federal Register** on March 26, 1999, at 64 FR 14751, the List of Restricted Joint Bidders covering Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales to be held during the period from May 1, 1999, through October 31, 1999.

That List of Restricted Joint Bidders inadvertently omitted from Group IV two new entities resulting from the merger of the BP group of companies and the Amoco group of companies.

The list of companies published under Group IV of the List of Restricted

Joint Bidders is, by this Notice, revised to include these two additional companies:

BP Amoco Corporation; and
Amoco Production Company.

Dated: April 13, 1999.

Ralph V. Ainger,

Chief, Leasing Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Availability of Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment for Proposed 3-D Seismic Survey; Cobra Exploration Company, Big Thicket National Preserve, Hardin County, TX

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 9.52(b) of Title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, Subpart B, that the National Park Service has accepted a Plan of Operations from Cobra Exploration Company for Three Dimensional Seismic Survey within Big Thicket National Preserve, Hardin County, Texas.

The Plan of Operations and corresponding Environmental Assessment are available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days from the publication date of this notice. Both documents can be viewed during normal business hours at the Office of the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve, 3785 Milam Street, Beaumont, Texas. Copies can be requested from the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve, 3785 Milam Street, Beaumont, TX 77701.

Dated: April 7, 1999.

Richard R. Peterson,

Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Scoping for Environmental Analysis of a Study Recommending a Timbisha Shoshone Tribal Homeland in and Around Death Valley National Park Inyo County, California and Esmeralda and Nye Counties, NV

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et. seq.*) that public scoping is being initiated for an environmental

impact analysis process for a Draft Secretarial Report to Congress regarding a proposal to establish a permanent Timbisha Shoshone Tribal land base in and around Death Valley National Park. The purpose of this scoping effort is to identify public issues and concerns, and to assess the nature and extent of potential environmental impacts which should be addressed.

Background

During 1994 Congress enacted the California Desert Protection Act (Pub. L. 103-433), which in part addressed the need of the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe for a recognized land base. The Secretary of the Interior was directed (in Section 705(b) of the act) to conduct a study to identify lands suitable for a reservation for the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe.

As a direct result, a joint Federal-Tribal negotiating team was convened for the purposes of drafting a suitability study. In drafting their proposal, the factors scrutinized to date include: basic tribal needs for a land base (for housing, tribal administration, economic development, and cultural restoration); mandates prescribing federal land stewardship; complementary interests of the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe and the Federal government; geographical constraints; climate and availability of water; mining claims; special resource limitations such as Congressionally designated Wilderness and also Areas of Critical Environmental Concern; and availability of infrastructure such as roads, power, and other services. With due diligence the efforts of this government-to-government team have culminated in a comprehensive integrated draft proposal to establish a permanent Homeland for the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe.

Comment and Approval

As noted, the Department of the Interior including the National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Bureau of Reclamation have undertaken government-to-government negotiations with the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe to address suitable strategies and actions for establishing a permanent Timbisha Shoshone Tribal land base in and around Death Valley National Park. At this time, it has not been determined whether an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared; however, this scoping process will aid in the preparation of either document.

As part of this effort, a series of public scoping meetings will be held during May, 1999. California and Nevada cities