

Internet will be conducted from September 25, 2000, through October 24, 2000. Internet bidding procedures will be available on or before September 25, 2000 at [www.auctionrp.com](http://www.auctionrp.com). All sealed bids must be received in the BLM's Las Vegas Field Office (LVFO), 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89108, by no later than 4:15 p.m. PST, October 30, 2000. Sealed bid envelopes must be marked on the lower front left corner with the parcel number and sale date. Bids must be for not less than the appraised fair market value (FMV), with a separate bid submitted for each parcel.

Each sealed bid and the highest written Internet bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, money order, bank draft, or cashier's check made payable to the Bureau of Land Management, for not less than 10 percent of the amount bid.

The bid deposit for the highest qualified written Internet bid must be received at the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89108 by 4:15 PST on October 27, 2000. The highest qualified written Internet bid or sealed bid on each parcel will determine the starting monetary point for oral bidding. If no written Internet bids or sealed bids are received, oral bidding will begin at the appraised FMV. The parcels will be offered for competitive sale by oral auction beginning at 9 a.m. PDT, November 2, 2000, at the Clark County Commission Chambers, Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. Registration for oral bidding will begin at 8 a.m. the day of sale and will continue throughout the auction. All bidders oral are required to register.

The highest qualifying bid for any parcel, whether written Internet, sealed, or oral, will be declared the highest bid. The apparent high bidder, if an oral bidder, must submit the required bid deposit immediately following the close of the sale in the form of cash, personal check, bank draft, cashier's check, money order, or any combination thereof, made payable to the Bureau of Land Management, for not less than 20 percent of the amount bid.

The remainder of the full bid price, whether written Internet, sealed or oral, must be paid within 180 calendar days of the date of the sale. Failure to pay the full price within the 180 days will disqualify the apparent high bidder and cause the bid deposit to be forfeited to the BLM. Unsold parcels may be offered on the Internet beginning November 13, 2000. Internet auction procedures will be available at [www.auctionrp.com](http://www.auctionrp.com) on or before November 13, 2000. If unsold on the Internet, parcels may be offered

at future auctions without additional legal notice.

Federal law requires that bidders must be U.S. citizens 18 years of age or older; a corporation subject to the laws of any State or of the United States; a State, State instrumentality, or political subdivision authorized to hold property; or an entity, including but not limited to associations or partnerships, capable of holding property or interests therein under the law of the State of Nevada. Certification of qualification, including citizenship or corporation or partnership, must accompany the bid deposit.

In order to determine the fair market value of the subject public lands through appraisal, certain assumptions have been made on the attributes and limitations of the lands and potential effects of local regulations and policies on potential future land uses. Through publication of this notice, the Bureau of Land Management gives notice that these assumptions may not be endorsed or approved by units of local government. Furthermore, no warranty of any kind shall be given or implied by the United States as to the potential uses of the lands offered for sale; conveyance of the subject lands will not be on a contingency basis. It is the buyers' responsibility to be aware of all applicable local government policies and regulations that would affect the subject lands. It is also the buyers responsibility to be aware of existing or projected use of nearby properties. When conveyed out of federal ownership, the lands will be subject to any applicable reviews and approvals by the respective unit of local government for proposed future uses, and any such reviews and approvals would be the responsibility of the buyer. Any land lacking access from a public road or highway will be conveyed as such, and future access acquisition will be the responsibility of the buyer.

Detailed information concerning the sale, including the reservations, sale procedures and conditions, planning and environmental documents, is available at the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89108, or by calling (702) 647-5114. Some but not all of this information will also be available on the Internet at <http://www.nv.blm.gov>. Click on Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act, then click on Land Sale Information.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the general public and interested parties may submit comments to the Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4765 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas,

Nevada 89108. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior. The Bureau of Land Management may accept or reject any or all offers, or withdraw any land or interest in the land from sale, if, in the opinion of the authorized officer, consummation of the sale would not be fully consistent with FLPMA or other applicable laws or is determined not in the public's interest. Any comments received during this process, as well as the commentor's name and address, will be available to the public in the administrative record and/or pursuant to a Freedom of Information Act request. You may indicate for the record that you do not wish your name and/or address made available to the public. Any determination by the Bureau of Land Management to release or withhold the names and/or addresses of those who comment will be made on a case-by-case basis. A commentor's request to have their name and/or address withheld from public release will be honored to the extent permissible by law.

Lands will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: June 30, 2000.

**Mark T. Morse,**  
*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-050-00-1230-00; 8371]

#### Arizona: Long-Term Visitor Area Program for 2000-2001 and Subsequent Use Seasons; Revision to Existing Supplementary Rules, Yuma Field Office, Arizona, and California Desert District, California

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

**ACTION:** Publication of supplementary rules for Long-Term Visitor Areas within the California Desert District, El Centro Resource Area.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Yuma Field Office and California Desert District announce revisions to the Long-Term Visitor Area (LTVA) Program. The program, which was instituted in 1983, established

designated LTVAs and identified an annual long-term use season from September 15 to April 15. During the long-term season, visitors who wish to camp to public lands in one location for extended periods must stay in the designated LTVAs and purchase an LTVA permit.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 15, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mark Lowans, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Yuma Field Office, 2555 East Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, Arizona 85365, telephone (520) 317-3210; and Anna Atkinson, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Palm Springs-South Coast Research Area, 690 West Garnet Avenue, North Palm Springs, California 92258, telephone (760) 251-4800; or Bob Haggerty, Outdoor Recreation Planner, El Centro Resource Area, 1661 South Fourth Street, El Centro, California 92243, telephone (760) 337-4400.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the LTVA program is to provide areas for long-term winter camping use. The sites designated as LTVAs are, in most cases, the traditional use areas of long-term visitors. Designated sites were selected using criteria developed during the land management planning process, and environmental assessments were completed for each site location.

The program was established to safely and properly accommodate the increasing demand for long-term winter visitation and to provide natural resource protection through improved management of this use. The designation of LTVAs assures that specific locations are available for long-term use year after year, and that inappropriate areas are not used for extended periods.

Visitors may camp without an LTVA permit outside of LTVAs, on public lands not otherwise posted or closed to camping, for up to 14 days in any 28-day period.

Authority for the designation of LTVAs is contained in Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 8372, Sections 0-3 and 0-5(g). Authority for the establishment of an LTVA program is contained in Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 8372, Section 1, and for the payment of fees in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 71. The authority for establishing supplementary rules is contained in Title 43, Subpart 8365, Section 1-6. The LTVA supplementary rules have been developed to meet the goals of individual resource management plans. These rules will be available in each local office having jurisdiction over the lands, sites, or facilities affected, and

will be posted near and/or within the lands, sites, or facilities affected. Violations of supplementary rules are punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

The following are the supplemental rules for the designated LTVAs and are in addition to rules of conduct set forth in Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 8365, Section 0.1 through 1-7.

The following supplementary rules apply year-long to all public land users who enter the LTVAs.

1. The Permit. A permit is required to camp in a designated LTVA between September 15 and April 15. The permit authorizes the permittee to camp within any designated LTVA using those camping or dwelling unit(s) indicated on the permit between the period from September 15 to April 15. There are two types of permits: Long-term and short-visit. The long-term permit fee is \$100.00, U.S. funds only, for the entire season and any part of the season. The short-term permit is \$20.00 for seven (7) consecutive days. The short-visit permit may be renewal an unlimited number of times for the cost of \$20.00 for seven consecutive days. *No refunds are made on permit fees.*

2. The Permit. The be valid, the short-visit permit decal or long-term permit decal must be affixed at the time of purchase, with the adhesive backing, to the bottom right-hand corner of the windshield of all transportation vehicles and in a clearly visible location on all camping units. A maximum of two (2) secondary vehicles is permitted.

3. Permit Transfers. The permit may not be reassigned or transferred by the permittee.

4. Permit Revocation. An authorized BLM officer may revoke, without reimbursement, any LTVA permit issued to any person when the permittee violates any BLM rule or regulation, or when the permittee, permittee's family, or guest's conduct is inconsistent with the goal of BLM's LTVA Program. Failure to return any LTVA permit to an authorized BLM officer upon demand is a violation of this supplemental rule. Any permittee whose permit is revoked must remove all property and leave the LTVA system within 12 hours of notice. The revoked permittee will not be allowed into any other LTVA in Arizona or California for the remainder of the LTVA season.

5. Unoccupied Camping Units. Camping units or campsites must not be left unoccupied within any LTVA for periods of greater than 5 days unless approved in advance by an authorized BLM officer.

6. Parking. For your safety and privacy, you must maintain a minimum of 15 feet of space between dwelling units.

7. Removal of Wheels and Campers. Campers, trailers, and other dwelling units must remain mobile. Wheels must remain on all wheeled vehicles. Pickup campers may be set on jacks manufactured for that purpose.

8. Quiet Hours. Quiet hours are from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. in accordance with applicable State time zone standards, or as otherwise posted.

9. Noise. Operation of audio devices or motorized equipment, including generators, in a manner that makes unreasonable noise as determined by the authorized BLM officer is prohibited. Amplified music is allowed only within La Posa and Imperial Dam LTVAs and only in locations designated by BLM or when approved in advance by an authorized BLM officer.

10. Access. Do not block roads or trails commonly in public use with your parked vehicles, stones, wooden barricades, or by any other means.

11. Structures and Landscaping. Fixed structures of any type are prohibited and temporary structures must conform to posted policies. This includes, but is not limited to fences, dog runs, storage units, and windbreaks. Alterations to the natural landscape are not allowed. Painting rocks or defacing or damaging any natural or archaeological feature is prohibited.

12. Livestock. Boarding of livestock (horses, cattle, sheep, goats, etc.) within LTVA boundaries is permitted only when approved in advance by an authorized BLM officer.

13. Pets. Pets must be kept on a leash at all times. Keep an eye on your pets. Unattended and unwatched pets may fall prey to coyotes or other desert predators. Pet owners are responsible for clean-up and sanitary disposal of pet waste.

14. Cultural Resources. Do not disturb any archaeological or historical values including, but not limited to, petroglyphs, ruins, historic buildings, and artifacts that may occur on public lands.

15. Trash. Place all trash in designated receptacles. Public trash facilities are shown in the LTVA brochure. Depositing trash or holding-tank sewage in vault toilets is prohibited. An LTVA permit is required for trash disposal within all LTVA campgrounds except for the Mule Mountain LTVA. The changing of motor oil, vehicular fluids, or disposal and possession of these used substances within an LTVA is strictly prohibited.

16. Dumping. Absolutely no dumping of sewage, gray water, or garbage on the ground. This includes motor oil and any other waste products: Federal, state and county sanitation laws and county ordinances specifically prohibit these practices. Sanitary dump station locations are shown in the LTVA brochure. LTVA permits are required for dumping within all LTVA campgrounds except for the Midland LTVA.

17. Self-Contained Vehicles. In Pilot Knob, Midland, Tamarisk, and Hot Springs LTVAs, camping is restricted to self-contained camping units only. Self-contained units must have a permanent affixed waste water holding tank of 10-gallon minimum capacity. Port-a-potty systems, or systems which utilize portable holding tanks, or permanent holding tanks of less than 10-gallon capacity are not considered to be self-contained. The La Posa, Imperial Dam, and Mule Mountain LTVAs are restricted to self-contained camping units, except within 500 feet of a vault or rest room.

18. Campfires. Campfires are permitted in LTVAs subject to all local, state, and Federal regulations. Comply with posted rules.

19. Wood Collection. No wood collection is permitted within the LTVAs. Possession of native firewood is prohibited. Please contact the nearest BLM office for current regulations concerning wood collection.

20. Speed Limit. The speed limit in LTVAs is 15 mph or as otherwise posted.

21. Off-Highway Vehicle Use. Motorized vehicles must remain on existing roads, trails, and washes.

22. Vehicle Use. It is prohibited to operate any vehicle in violation of State or local laws and regulations relating to use, standards, registration, operation, and inspection.

23. Firearms. The discharge or use of firearms or weapons is prohibited inside or within 1/2 mile of the LTVAs.

24. Vending Permits. Any commercial activity requires a vending permit. Please contact the nearest BLM office for information on vending or concession permits.

25. Aircraft Use. Landing or taking off of aircraft, including ultralights and hot air balloons, is prohibited in LTVAs.

26. Perimeter Camping. No camping is allowed within 1 mile of Hot Spring, Tamarisk, Pilot Knob LTVAs and within 2 miles of Midland LTVA.

27. Hot Spring Spa and Day Use Area: Food, beverages, glass containers, soap, and pets are prohibited within the fenced-in area at the Hot Springs Spa. Day use hours are 5 a.m. to midnight.

28. Mule Mountain LTVA. All camping within Wiley's Well and Coon Hollow campgrounds is restricted to designated sites only and is limited to one (1) camping or dwelling unit per site.

29. Imperial Dam and La Posa LTVAs. Overnight occupancy is prohibited in desert washes in Imperial Dam and La Posa LTVAs.

30. La Posa LTVA. Access to La Posa LTVA is restricted to legal access roads along U.S. Highway 95. Construction and use of other access points are prohibited. This includes removal or modification of barricades, such as fences, ditches, and berms.

31. Posted Rules. Observe all posted rules. Individual LTVAs may have additional specific rules. If posted rules differ from these supplemental rules, the posted rules take precedence.

32. Other Laws. LTVA permit holders are required to observe all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations applicable to the LTVA and shall keep the LTVA and, specifically, their campsite, in a neat, orderly, and sanitary condition.

33. Length of Stay. Length of stay in an LTVA between April 16 and September 14 is limited to 14 days in a 28-day period. After the 14th day of occupation campers must move outside of a 25-mile radius of the previous location.

Violation of these supplementary rules may result in revocation of the LTVA permit, issuance of a citation, and/or arrest which may require appearance before a U.S. Magistrate or penalties up to \$100,000 and/or one-year imprisonment.

This notice is published under the authority of Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, Subpart 8365, Section 1-6.

Dated: June 30, 2000.

**Gail Acheson,**

*Field Manager, Yuma Field Office.*

**James G. Kenna,**

*Field Manager, Palm Spring-South Coast Field Office.*

**Elayn Briggs,**

*Acting Field Manager, El Centro Field Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Regulated Fire Closure for Bureau of Land Management Public Lands in the State of Washington

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the following acts are prohibited on public lands within the Spokane District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) including Juniper Forest/Juniper Dunes Recreation Area, and areas surrounding Hog Canyon, Miller Ranch/Fishtrap, Pacific Lake, Twin Lakes, Coffeepot, Yakima River Canyon, Douglas Creek, Chopaka/Palmer Mountain, Split Rock, Liberty, Saddle Mountains, Lakeview Ranch/Lake Creek, Boundary Dam, and Escure Ranch/Rock Creek recreation sites, beginning at noon July 15, 2000 until further notice.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire (43 CFR 9212.2).

**Note:** Liquefied and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted provided that they are within an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or clear of all flammable material.

2. Smoking while traveling in timber, brush or grass areas, except in vehicles on roads, on barren or cleared areas at least 3 feet in diameter or boats on rivers and lakes.

3. Operating any type of motorized vehicle off developed roadways. Parking of vehicles off roadways must be done in an area barren of flammable materials (43 CFR 9212.2(b)(1)).

**Note:** Developed roadways are those which are clear of flammable debris, berm to berm. Juniper Dunes Recreation Area is Exempt.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.3(a) the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit that specifically authorized the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

2. Any Federal, State or local officer or a member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or to imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Scott Boyd, Fire Management Officer, Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District Officer, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane Washington, 99212; or call (509) 536-1200.

Dated July 11, 2000.

**Joseph K. Buesing,**

*District Manager.*

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