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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Interim Strategy for Managing Anadromous Fish-Producing Watersheds on Federal Lands in Eastern Oregon and Washington, Idaho, and Portions of California

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA; Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of decision and availability of environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: On February 24, 1995, the Chief of the Forest Service and the Acting Director of the Bureau of Land Management signed a decision adopting an interim strategy for managing anadromous fish-producing watersheds on lands administered by the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management in Eastern Oregon and Washington, Idaho, and portions of California. The decision amends Regional Guides and Forest land and resource management plans that guide the management of National Forest System lands and where compatible, provides management direction consistent with Bureau of Land Management land use plans and, thereby, establishes interim goals, objectives, and standards and guidelines for these anadromous fish-producing watersheds. The intended effect of this decision is to provide additional protective management to the watersheds in the affected areas so as to avoid limiting the choice of reasonable alternatives that may be developed in the geographically specific environmental analyses of long-term

management strategies are being conducted.

EFFECTIVE DATE: For the Forest Service, this decision is effective on March 9, 1995. For the Bureau of Land Management, this decision is effective on April 3, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The decision documents, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Environmental Assessment may be reviewed at the Office of the Wildlife, Fish, and Rare Plants Staff, Forest Service, USDA, Auditors Building, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC. Single copies of these documents are available by request from this office as well as from Forest Service regional offices and national forests or Bureau of Land Management state offices in the affected areas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harv Forsgren (Forest Service) at (202) 205-1791, or Richard Hardt (BLM) at (202) 452-5074. To request a copy of the decision document, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Environmental Assessment by phone, call (202) 205-1791.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management have developed an ecosystem-based interim management strategy for Pacific anadromous fish (i.e., salmon, steelhead, and sea-run cutthroat trout) in response to large declines in anadromous fish populations and widespread degradation of habitat conditions. For the Forest Service the decision amends the Regional Guides for the Forest Service's Northern, Intermountain, Pacific Southwest, and Pacific Northwest Regions and 15 National Forest land and resource management plans (forest plans) to incorporate explicit goals and riparian objectives, and identify those areas where the new interim standards and guidelines will apply. For the Bureau of Land Management, the decision incorporates management direction consistent with seven Bureau of Land Management land use plans to arrest the degradation and begin restoration of anadromous fish-producing watersheds.

Alternative 4 was selected as the interim management direction from five alternatives analyzed in the March 1994 environmental assessment. Notice of the availability of the environmental assessment was published in the **Federal Register** on March 25, 1994 [58

FR 14356]. Comments received from the general public as well as other Federal agencies and state and local government were considered in arriving at a final decision to adopt Alternative 4, which applies additional protective measures to all new activities and ongoing activities that are likely to adversely affect listed salmon or contribute to the need to list additional anadromous fish species under provisions of the Endangered Species Act. The direction is to be in place for an 18-month period while geographically-specific environmental analyses of long term management strategies are being conducted.

Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management biologists have prepared a biological evaluation and assessment, analyzing the potential effects of the alternatives on species listed under the Endangered Species Act and those species identified as sensitive by the agencies. The biologists determined the selected alternative "may effect" listed species and designated critical habitat within the anadromous fish-producing watersheds covered by the decision. Pursuant to that finding, the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management have consulted with the Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Marine Fisheries Service. The Fish and Wildlife Service, through a letter of concurrence, has indicated that the proposed decision would have a neutral or beneficial effect on listed species under their jurisdiction. The National Marine Fisheries Service, through a biological opinion, has determined that the proposed decision is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of listed species under their jurisdiction or result in destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat.

Pursuant to section 102(2)(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR 1508.27), the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management hereby give notice that the actions allowed under Alternative 4 (as adopted) are not a major Federal action and will not significantly affect, either individually or cumulatively, the quality of the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement is not being prepared.

For the Forest Service, this decision may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of 36 CFR 217.7(a) by filing a written notice of appeal with the Secretary of Agriculture, in duplicate, within 45 days of the date of publication of this notice of availability. Review by the Secretary is discretionary. For the Bureau of Land Management, this decision may be appealed to the Department of the Interior, Board of Land Appeals, in accordance with the provisions of 43 CFR 4.20 to 4.31 and 43 CFR 4.400 to 4.415, by filing a written notice of appeal. The notice must be filed with the Director of the Bureau of Land Management within 30 days of the date of publication of this legal notice of availability.

Dated: February 24, 1995.

For the Forest Service:

Jack Ward Thomas,
Chief, USDA Forest Service.

Dated: February 24, 1995.

For the Bureau of Land Management:

Mike Dombeck,
Acting Director, USDI Bureau of Land Management.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Rocky Mountain Region; AA Production, Inc.; Twin-Creeks-Unit; Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests; Gunnison County, CO

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation of a notice of intent.

SUMMARY: On June 2, 1994 a Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement was published in the **Federal Register** on pages 28510-28512 entitled Forest Service; Rocky Mountain; AA Production, Inc.; Twin-Creeks-Unit; Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests; Gunnison County Colorado. The environmental impact statement was to examine a proposal by AA Production, Inc. to drill 4 coal bed methane wells and construct a transportation system to these wells near Paonia, Colorado. Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the environmental analysis and the June 2, 1994 Notice of Intent is cancelled.

The responsible Bureau of Land Management official is Sally Wisley, Area Manager, San Juan Resource Area,

Federal Building, 701 Camino Del Rio, Durango, Colorado 81301.

The responsible Forest Service official is Ray L. Kingston, Paonia District Ranger, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests, PO Box 1030, North Rio Grande Avenue, Paonia, Colorado 81428.

Dated: January 9, 1995.

Ray L. Kingston,
District Ranger.
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California Spotted Owl EIS

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice announces several open houses to which the public is invited to participate in information exchange regarding alternatives being considered in the California Spotted Owl Draft Environmental Impact Statement, as they affect the Plumas National Forest area.

MEETING DATES, TIMES, & ADDRESSES

April 3 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Butte County Library Conference Room, 1820 Mitchell Avenue, Oroville, CA

April 4 from 1:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Plumas County Library Conference Room, 445 Jackson Street, Quincy, CA

April 4 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Portola City Council Chambers, 35 Third Avenue, Portola, CA.

CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: Lee Anne Schramel Taylor, Plumas National Forest Supervisors Office, 159 Lawrence Street, Quincy, CA 95971 (916) 283-2050

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service will release a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to amend the Pacific Southwest Regional Guide and Sierran Province Forest Plans with new management direction for the California Spotted Owl. The purpose of this meeting is to exchange information with the public regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and the preferred alternative. The meeting will be informally structured. Members of the team that prepared the DEIS will be available to answer questions and discuss the DEIS. Visual media depicting the alternatives and selected

environmental consequences will be displayed.

Mark J. Madrid,
Forest Supervisor.
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AGRICULTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has scheduled its next meeting to take place in Arlington, VA on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 14-15, 1995. The purpose of the meeting is to review the mission and programs of the Board following the request of the Vice President under the National Performance Review, Phase II. These meetings are closed to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 14-15, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact Lawrence W. Roffee, Executive Director, (202) 272-5434 ext. 14 (voice) and (202) 272-5449 (TTY).

Lawrence W. Roffee,
Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-469-805]

Amended Final Determination and Antidumping Duty Order: Stainless Steel Bar From Spain

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 2, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Jenkins or Fabian Rivelis, Office of Antidumping Investigations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230;