

	Workshops	Hearings
Alturas, CA, City Hall, 200 North Street	Monday, 3/13/95, 6 p.m.	Monday, 4/17/95, 6 p.m.
Susanville, CA, Monticola Club, 140 S. Lassen St	Tuesday, 3/14/95, 6 p.m.	Tuesday, 4/18/95, 6 p.m.
Loyalton, CA, Loyalton High School, 700 Fourth Street	Wednesday, 3/15/95, 6 p.m.	Wednesday, 4/19/95, 6 p.m.
Reno/Sparks, NV, Best Western, Airport Plaza Hotel, 1981 Terminal Way, Reno	Thursday, 3/16/95, 6 p.m. ...	Thursday, 4/20/95, 6 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: This Federal Notice of Availability of Draft EIR/S is issued by the District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 705 Hall Street, Susanville, California 96130. For further information write to the District Manager or call Peter Humm, BLM Project Manager, at (916) 257-0456.

Dated: February 28, 1995.

Herrick E. Hanks,

District Manager.

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Bureau of Land Management

[WY-040-05-1310-01]

Texaco's Stagecoach Draw Unit; Wyoming; Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of draft environmental impact statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of Texaco's Stagecoach Draw Draft EIS analyzing the environmental consequences of a proposed natural gas development and production operation in the Stagecoach Draw Unit approximately 7 miles southwest of Farson, Wyoming, Sweetwater County. The project area encompasses 23,575 acres within portions of Townships 22, 23, and 24 north, ranges 107 and 108 North.

DATES: Comments on the Draft EIS will be accepted for 45 days following the date that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes their Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The EPA notice is expected to be published on March 10, 1995. There are presently no plans to hold a public hearing on the Texaco Stagecoach Draw Unit Draft EIS because of apparent lack of substantial environmental controversy concerning the proposed project. Reviewers are encouraged to visit the local BLM offices in Cheyenne and Rock Springs, Wyoming and talk with the Managers about any concerns. If enough people indicate a desire to testify by returning the tear-out sheet provided in the Draft EIS, a public hearing(s) will be

scheduled. Information on the hearing(s) will be published in state and local newspapers and other media sources, and direct mailing to the recipients of the Draft EIS to give the public enough notice.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the Draft EIS should be sent to Bureau of Land Management, Bill McMahan (Project Coordinator), P.O. Box 1869, Rock Springs, WY 82902-1869.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Draft EIS analyzes a proposed action, one development alternative, and the no action alternative. Texaco USA proposes to develop a 23,575 acre natural gas field by drilling 72 wells on an average spacing of 320 acres over the next 6 to 10 years. Texaco's plans and drilling schedules would be contingent upon both an increased demand for natural gas supplies in response to the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990 and an adequate price for the gas at the wellhead. The Draft EIS describes the physical, biological, cultural, historic, and socioeconomic resources in and surrounding the project area. The focus for impact analysis was based upon resource issues and concerns identified during the public scoping. Potential impacts of concern from development were to antelope migrations and crucial winter range; sage grouse and raptor breeding and nesting; sediment increases to the Big Sandy River; groundwater contamination; Oregon, Mormon Pioneer, Pony Express, and California Historic Trails condition and viewshed; changes in livestock and wild horse management; and cumulative effects. The Draft EIS, in compliance with Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (as amended), includes the Biological Assessment for the purpose of identifying any endangered or threatened species which are likely to be affected by the proposed action.

Dated: March 2, 1995.

Alan L. Kesterke,

Associate State Director.

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Notice of Realty Action, Sale of Public Lands in Owyhee County, Idaho

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Sale of public lands in Owyhee County.

SUMMARY: The following-described public land has been examined and through the public-supported land use planning process has been determined to be suitable for disposal by direct sale pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 at no less than appraised fair market value. The lands will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Boise Meridian, Idaho

T. 5 S., R. 3 W.,

Sec. 6: Lot 70.

The area described contains .06 acres, more or less.

DATES: Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the land described above will be segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except the sale provision of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. The segregative effect will end upon issuance of patent or 270 days from the date of publication, whichever occurs first.

ADDRESSES: Boise District Office, 3948 Development Avenue, Boise, Idaho 83705.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kelley Moore, Land Law Examiner, at the address shown above or (208) 384-3452.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This land is being offered by direct sale to Kenneth M. and Linda R. Jantz, and Erik A. Jantz, of Elkhorn, Nebraska, the current building owners, at fair market value in order to give the Silver City community a more permanent character and the building owners a tenure interest in the land on which the building is located. Selling this parcel to the building owners will provide incentive to maintain the building in the historical nature in which it was built, thus maintaining a valuable part of our

early history in this historic mining district.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments to the District Manager, Boise District, at the above address. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the District Manager, who may vacate or modify this realty action to accommodate the protest. If the protest is not accommodated, the comments are subject to review of 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 reservations, terms and conditions of this sale are as follows:

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

2. All mineral deposits in the lands so patented pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, (90 Stat. 2757; 43 U.S.C. 1719), and to it, or persons authorized by it the right to prospect, mine and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

3. Excepting and reserving to the public a right-of-way for existing roads over the lot for public access.

4. The patent will be subject to Silver City Zoning Ordinance No. 88-03, dated October 11, 1988.

Dated: March 1, 1995.

J. David Brunner,

Ecosystem Manager.

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Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT-799196

Applicant: Patricia Wainright, New Brunswick, NJ.

The applicant request a permit to import dropped feathers and blood taken from captive Cuban parrots (*Amazona leucocephala*) in Cuba for the purpose of the survival of the species through scientific research.

PRT-799556

Applicant: Charles Whitlow, Nunica, MI.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus dorcas dorcas*) culled from the captive herd maintained by J.B. Pohl, Shenfield, Grahamstown, Riebeeck East, Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 420(c), Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 420(c), Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: March 3, 1995.

Caroline Anderson,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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Withdrawal of Proposed Guidelines on African Elephant Sport-hunted Trophy Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of withdrawal of proposed guidelines.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces the withdrawal of the proposed guidelines for the issuance of Scientific Authority advice on permit applications under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species on Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) for the import of sport-hunted African elephant trophies.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

At the seventh meeting of the CITES Conference of the Parties, held on October 9-20, 1989, the Party nations voted to transfer the African elephant from Appendix II to Appendix I, and this action became effective on January

18, 1990. As a result of this action, Appendix I import permits for the importation of the sport-hunted African elephant trophies are required under CITES.

Under CITES, Appendix I import permits can be issued if the Scientific Authority of the importing country has advised the Management Authority of the importing country that the import will be for purposes not detrimental to the survival of the species. Additional guidance for issuance of such advice was provided by CITES resolution Conf. 2.11 on "Trade in Hunting Trophies of Species Listed in Appendix I," which had been adopted at the second meeting of the Conference of the Parties in 1979. Paragraph c of that resolution called for the Scientific Authority to conduct a "comprehensive examination concerning the question of whether the importation is serving a purpose which is not detrimental to the survival of the species," including whether the killing of the animals whose trophies are intended for import would enhance the survival of the species.

In reviewing permit applications for the importation of sport-hunted African elephant trophies, the Service believes that the populations to be hunted should be of sufficient size and stability to allow for the projected off-take and that the country's management and enforcement authorities should have the ability to ensure adequate management of the species. In addition, the Service has considered whether the activity associated with the importation would enhance the survival of the elephant. For these reasons, the Service developed internal guidelines that described all of the factors that might be considered in issuing a Scientific Authority advice, especially if the expected off-take approached the maximum allowable to sustain a population. One aspect of the guidelines called for clear evidence that the sport hunting activities enhance the survival of the species.

In response to the Service's use of these guidelines, Safari Club International filed suit challenging the procedure and substantive adequacy of the guidelines, *see Safari Club International v. Lujan, Civ. No. 91-2523* (D.D.C., filed Oct. 8, 1991). As a consequence, the Service voluntarily sought public review and comments on its guidelines through a February 9, 1993, **Federal Register** notice of proposed guidelines (58 FR 7813).

The U.S. Scientific Authority has issued general "non-detriment" advices covering African elephant trophies lawfully taken in South Africa and Zimbabwe and has issued "non-detriment" advices for trophies taken in