

and planning and has been discussed with State and local officials. The estimated intended time of the exchange is March 1995. The public interest will be served by completion of this exchange since it will enable the Bureau of Land Management to acquire lands with high public values, public access, and will increase management efficiency of public lands in the area.

Dated: March 13, 1995.

Dave Mari,

District Manager, Lewistown.

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Availability Notice; Royal Gorge Resource Area Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Royal Gorge Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement. This document is now available to the public for a 30 day protest period.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management, Canon City District, Royal Gorge Resource Area office has prepared a proposed resource management plan (PRMP) and final environmental impact statement (FEIS) for the Royal Gorge Resource Area (RGRA) in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and 43 CFR part 1600. A draft resource management plan (DRMP) and environmental impact statement (DEIS) for the RGRA was made available to the public in September of 1993 for a 90 day review and comment period. Substantial public comment was received through three public hearings and 180+ written letters. More than nine hundred specific comments were received with the largest concern related to and disagreeing with the recommendation not to designate the 126 miles of the Upper Arkansas River and the 20 miles of Beaver Creek as Wild & Scenic River. These comments have been responded to within the PRMP/FEIS. This final plan replaces and supersedes all existing land use plans and other related environmental documents. This final plan establishes ten ecological subregions upon which all the decisions within the plan are focused. This final

plan establishes resource conditions for, provides for managing and allocating of BLM administered land and mineral resources in the RGRA for the next 15 to 20 years. Located in eastern Colorado, the RGRA encompasses 653,000 acres of Federal surface estate and 2,566,000 acres of Federal subsurface mineral estate within Baca, Brent, Chaffee, Crowley, Custer, El Paso, Fremont, Huerfano, Kiowa, Lake, Las Animas, Otero, Park, Prowers, Pueblo, and Teller counties.

Only those parties who made substantial comments to BLM on the RGRA/DEIS during the 90 day review and comment period would be considered to have standing for protest of the decisions within this plan.

DATES: The PRMP/FEIS protest period will begin on March 27, 1995, and will run through close of business on April 26, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may obtain a copy of the PRMP/FEIS from the Bureau of Land Management, Royal Gorge Resource Area, 3170 East Main Street, Canon City, CO 81212.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dave Taliaferro, RMP Project Manager, at (719) 539-7560 or Paul Trentzsch, Royal Gorge Area Manager, at (719) 275-0631.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Some of the highlights of the PRMP/FEIS are:

1. The plan focuses on the principles of multiple use and sustained yield as mandated by section 202 of FLPMA. The plan directs future resource condition objectives, land use allocations, and management actions.
2. The plan designates nine areas of critical environmental concern (ACEC's) these being a. Mosquito Pass (4,036 acres), b. Browns Canyon (11,697 acres), c. Droney Gulch (705 acres), d. Arkansas Canyonlands (23,921 acres), e. Grape Creek (15,978 acres), f. Garden Park (2,728 acres), g. Phantom Canyon (6,096 acres), h. Beaver Creek (12,081 acres), and i. Cucharas Canyon (1,314 acres).
3. The plan serves as the final environmental impact statement required for the Wild and Scenic River Act. Twenty miles of Beaver Creek and 126 miles of the Arkansas River were analyzed and found to be eligible and suitable for potential designation under the Wild and Scenic River Act. BLM management directs within the final plan and all 146 stream miles not be recommended to Congress as a potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic River System. These streams would be managed under a protective interim management prescription for a period of three years after the Approved

Resource Management Plan (ARMP)/ Record of Decision (ROD) is signed.

4. The plan did carry out an analysis and does recommend that 197,000 acres in the Arkansas River Corridor be recommended to Congress to be designated as a National Recreation Area. This would include the segments of the Arkansas River that were determined to be eligible and suitable for Wild and Scenic River designation.

Upon the closing of the protest period the ARMP/ROD will be prepared and would be tentatively scheduled to be completed by September of 1995.

Stuart L. Freer,

Associate District Manager.

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Filing of Plat of Survey; Wisconsin

The plat of the survey of an island in the Milwaukee River, in section 25, Township 10 North, Range 21 East, Fourth Principal Meridian, Wisconsin, will be officially filed in Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia at 7:30 a.m., on May 1, 1995.

The survey was requested by the District Manager, Milwaukee District Office, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

All inquiries or protests concerning the technical aspects of the survey must be sent to the Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, prior to 7:30 a.m. May 1, 1995.

Copies of the plat will be made available upon request and prepayment of the reproduction fee of \$2.75 per copy.

Dated: March 14, 1995.

Stephen G. Kopach,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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Filing of Plat of Survey; Wisconsin

The plat of the survey of an island in the Milwaukee River, in section 28, Township 12 North, Range 21 East, Fourth Principal Meridian, Wisconsin, will be officially filed in Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia at 7:30 a.m., on May 1, 1995.