Method for Evaluating and Establishing Reimbursement Rates for Health Care Services Authorized Under the Indian Health Service Contract Health Service Regulations—Portland, Alaska, and Nashville Areas

AGENCY: Indian Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Extension of Project Date.

SUMMARY: The termination date for the Portland Pilot Project now being conducted in the Portland, Alaska, and Nashville Areas to determine an alternative method of evaluating and establishing reimbursement rates for contract health services has been changed from March 31, 1995 to September 30, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J.T. Garrett, Ed.D., Acting Chief, Health Care Administration Branch, Division of Health Care Administration/Contract Health Services, Room 6A-41, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–8373 (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Indian Health Service (IHS) issued a general notice in 56 FR 10566 on March 13, 1991 to inform the public that the IHS was conducting a pilot project in the IHS Portland Area. This project is designed to determine whether an alternative method of evaluating and establishing reimbursement rates for contract health services will result in greater participation by health care providers and lower costs to IHS.

The project invited providers within the Portland Area to submit their most favorable rate quotations and was scheduled to end on March 31, 1992. The response was far greater than the expectations of the IHS. As a result of this greater than expected response, and the need to develop complex rate quotation analysis methodologies for facilities, outpatient and professional providers, and the need to develop preferred provider lists from these analyses, the termination date was extended to March 31, 1993, 57 FR 10671. The termination date was again extended to March 31, 1995, 58 FR 11864. Additionally, the IHS published notice on June 18, 1992, 57 FR 27262, that additional sites were being added to the pilot project to provide more information from a wide geographic area.

The evaluation of the facility component of the project was completed January 28, 1994. The overall results of the evaluation were positive. The formal review process of the professional provider component has not been completed. Extension of the project termination date to September 30, 1996 will allow the IHS time to complete the evaluation and to assess the results. Based upon the results of the evaluation, IHS will formulate, publish and implement a new payment and procurement policy for contract health services. We are, therefore, extending the termination date of this pilot project from March 31, 1995 to September 30, 1996.

This pilot project does not change the current IHS payment policy requirement that health care services be procured at rates which do not exceed prevailing Medicare rates.


Michel E. Lincoln,
Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development


Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 31, 1995.

ADDRESSES: For further information, contact David Pollack, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7256, 451 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708–1234; TDD number for the hearing-impaired (202) 708–2565, (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1–800–927–7588.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration, No. 88–2503–OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.


Jacquie M. Lawing,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
[CA–019–7123–5759–24–1A]

Emergency Closure Order: California
AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.
ACTION: Emergency closure of public lands in the Hollister Resource Area to all motorized vehicle use.

SUMMARY: This emergency closure will close all public lands in Clear Creek Management Area, in San Benito and Fresno Counties, California (approximately 50,000 acres), to the use or operation of all motorized vehicles except as specified.

The purpose of this emergency closure is to protect human life and safety and to protect sensitive resources, including threatened plants and their habitat, soils, and wildlife habitat.

The authorized officer has determined that recent severe storms resulting in local flooding and slides, have made these areas unsafe for motorized use, and that additionally, any motorized use could result in serious damage to the resources mentioned above.

A map of the areas affected by this closure order is on file and can be viewed at the Hollister Area Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

The following persons are exempt from this closure order:

(1) Federal, State, or Local Law Enforcement Officers, while engaged in the execution of their official duties.
(2) BLM personnel or their representatives while engaged in the execution of their official duties.
(3) Authorized permittees, claimants, or private landowners.
(4) Any member of an organized rescue, fire-fighting force, Emergency Medical Services organization while in the performance and execution of an official duty.
(5) Any member of a federal, state or local public works department while in the performance of an official duty.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This closure is issued under the authority of 43 CFR 8364.1 and 43 CFR 8341.2.

Persons violating this closure shall be subject to the penalties provided in 43 CFR 8360.0–7 and 8340.0–7, including a fine not to exceed $100,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months. Any vehicle or instrumentality used in a violation of this order is subject to seizure and possible forfeiture.

DATES: This order is in effect immediately. The closure for Clear Creek will remain in effect until rescinded by the Authorized Officer. The Order may be rescinded when it is determined that recreationists may safely visit the area and sensitive resources are not jeopardized.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert E. Beehler, Area Manager, Hollister Resources Area, Bureau of Land Management, 20 Hamilton Court, Hollister, CA 95023, (408) 637–8183.
Robert E. Beehler, Hollister Area Manager.
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[ID–942–04–1420–00]
Idaho: Filing of Plats of Survey; Idaho

The plats of the following described land were officially filed in the Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Boise, Idaho, effective 9:00 a.m., March 22, 1995.

The plat representing the dependent survey of portions of the north and west boundaries, and subdivisional lines, the subdivision of section 6, and a metes-and-bounds survey in section 6, T. 7 N., R. 23 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group No. 899, was accepted, March 17, 1995.

The supplemental plat, prepared to correct the parenthetical distances, on the line between sections 7 and 18, T. 18 N., R. 1 W., was accepted March 20, 1995.

These surveys were executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management.

All inquiries concerning the survey of the above described land must be sent to the Chief, Branch of Cadastral Survey, Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3380 Americana Terrace, Boise, Idaho, 83706.
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[ID–943–1430–01; IDI–31261]
Notice of Proposed Withdrawal and Opportunity for Public Meeting; Idaho
AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, had filed an application to withdraw 3,805.87 acres of National Forest System lands for protection of the Howell Canyon Recreation Complex. Publication of this notice in the Federal Register will close the land up to two years from location and entry under the United States mining laws. The land will remain open to all uses, other than the mining laws.

DATES: Comments and requests for a meeting should be received on or before June 29, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the Idaho State Director, BLM, Idaho State Office, 3380 Americana Terrace, Boise, Idaho 83706–2500.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 15, 1995, the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, filed an application to withdraw the following described National Forest System lands from location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights:

Boise Meridian
T. 12 S., R. 24 E., Sec. 36, SW¼NW¼, W¼SW¼ and W¼SW¼
T. 12 S., R. 25 E., Sec. 31, lot 4, NE¼NE¼, SW¼NE¼, W¼SW¼NE¼, SE¼SW¼ and SE¼;
Sec. 32, S½SE¼SW¼NW¼, SE¼NW¼ and N½SW¼
T. 13 S., R. 24 E., Sec. 1, N½ lot 1, lots 2 to 4 inclusive, S½NW¼ and SW¼;
Sec. 2;