

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice for Publication, AA-12373;
Alaska Native Claims Selection**

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that a decision to issue conveyance under the provisions of Section 14(h)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971, 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613(h)(1), will be issued to Doyon, Limited, for a portion of land located within Sec. 30, T. 22 N., R. 59 W., Seward Meridian, containing approximately 16.06 acres, in the vicinity of Holy Cross, Alaska.

A notice of the decision will be published once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the Tundra Drums. Copies of the decision may be obtained by contacting the Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 (907) 271-5960.

Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision, an agency of the Federal government or regional corporation, shall have until August 17, 1995, to file an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

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Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement Analyzing the Impacts of a Proposed Expansion of Castle Mountain Mine, San Bernardino County, California

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management will be directing preparation of a joint Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)/Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in conjunction with San Bernardino County's administration of the California Environmental Quality Act. The EIS/EIR will be prepared by a

third party contractor on the impacts of the proposed mine expansion and ten year extension of mining and processing activities at the Castle Mountain open pit, heap leach gold mine located in northeastern San Bernardino County, California. Public scoping meetings will be held in connection with the document's preparation.

DATES: The public is invited to participate in defining the scope of analysis. Public meetings will be held at the following times and locations: 7 p.m., Wednesday, August 2, 1995, at the Searchlight Community Center, Parks and Recreation Department, 200 Michael Wendall Way, Searchlight, Nevada; 7 p.m., Thursday, August 3, 1995, at the Holiday Inn, 1511 East Main Street, Barstow, California. Written comments will be accepted through August 14, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to U.S.D.I., Bureau of Land Management, Needles Resource Area, 101 W. Spikes Road, Needles, California 92363.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George R. Meckfessel, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, telephone (619) 326-3896.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Viceroy Gold Corporation has proposed expanded development of additional ore deposits adjacent to deposits currently being mined at the Castle Mountain open-pit, heap-leach gold mine. Under the mine's present permits, mining and processing activities could continue through December 31, 2010. Under the proposed expansion, these activities could continue through December 31, 2020. The proposal consists of expanding existing and planned open pit areas, consolidating two heap leach pads and eliminating two others, creating a new overburden storage area as well as expanding existing overburden piles, expanding growth media storage areas and partially backfilling the Jumbo South/Lesley Ann open pits. The proposed ten-year extension of the mining and processing phases of the mine would ultimately affect up to 1,437 acres of public and private lands, as compared to a total of 890 acres presently authorized.

The EIS/EIR will consider alternative sitings of heap-leach pads and waste dumps, and backfilling alternatives. The EIS/EIR will examine potentially significant impacts to visual resources, air quality, cultural resources, groundwater quality/quantity, land use,

vegetation, wildlife and cumulative effects.

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Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability, Proposed Final Upper Klamath Basin and Wood River Wetland Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), gives notice of the availability of the proposed Upper Klamath Basin and Wood River Wetland Resource Management Plan and final Environmental Impact Statement (PRMP/FEIS). The FEIS was prepared pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, section 202(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, and the BLM's planning procedures (43 CFR 1610). The PRMP/FEIS describes and analyzes the effects of restoring land of the acquired Wood River property, approximately 3,220 acres in Klamath County, Oregon, to a functioning wetland community.

Preparation of the proposed final Upper Klamath Basin and Wood River Wetland Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (PRMP/FEIS) is a separate process from the recently completed Klamath Falls Resource Area Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement process. Although both plans are comparable (that is, guiding future management actions in specified areas), they were prepared separately due to the geographical distance between the Wood River property and the rest of the BLM-administered lands in the Resource Area.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Public participation has occurred throughout the planning process. A Notice of Intent was filed in the **Federal Register** in October 1993. Since that time, many public meetings, mailings, and briefings were conducted to solicit comments and ideas. The draft RMP/EIS was available for public review from March 1, 1994 to June 17, 1994. Written comments were received from agencies, organizations, and individuals. Oral comments were also heard in eighteen public meetings with interested groups, organizations,