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**Public Land Order No. 7212;  
Withdrawal of Public Lands for the Gila  
River Cultural Area of Critical  
Environmental Concern; Arizona**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management,  
Interior.

**ACTION:** Public Land Order.

**SUMMARY:** This order withdraws 1,720 acres of public lands from surface entry and mining for a period of 50 years for the Bureau of Land Management to protect the archaeological resources within the Gila River Cultural Area of Critical Environmental Concern. The lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing. An additional 1,900 acres of non-Federal lands, if acquired by the United States, would also be withdrawn by this order.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 5, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Debbie DeBock, BLM Yuma Resource Area, 3150 Winsor Avenue, Yuma, Arizona 85365, 520-726-6300.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1988), it is ordered as follows:

1. Subject to valid existing rights, the following described public lands are hereby withdrawn from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2(1988)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, to protect the Bureau of Land Management's Gila River Cultural Area of Critical Environmental Concern:

Gila and Salt River Meridian

Public Lands

T. 6 S., R. 11 W.,

Sec. 1, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 3, S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 9, N $\frac{1}{2}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 10, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 11, N $\frac{1}{4}$ N $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ ,

S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 12, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The areas described aggregate 1,720 acres in Yuma County.

2. The following described non-Federal lands are located within the boundary of the Gila River Cultural Area of Critical Environmental Concern. In the event these lands return to public ownership, they would be subject to the terms and conditions of this withdrawal as described in Paragraph 1:

Non-Federal Lands

T. 6 S., R. 11 W.,

Sec. 2, S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 3, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 9, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Sec. 10, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 11, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 15, N $\frac{1}{2}$ ;

Sec. 16, N $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The areas described aggregate 1,900 acres in Yuma County.

3. The withdrawal made by this order does not alter the applicability of those public land laws governing the use of the lands under lease, license, or permit, or governing the disposal of their mineral or vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

4. This withdrawal will expire 50 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1988), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: August 27, 1996.

Bob Armstrong,

*Assistant Secretary of the Interior.*

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**Public Land Order No. 7214; Partial  
Revocation and Modification of Public  
Land Order No. 5279; Arizona**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management,  
Interior.

**ACTION:** Public land order.

**SUMMARY:** This order revokes a public land order insofar as it affects 103.81 acres of National Forest System lands withdrawn for the Payson Administrative Site and the Cline Cabin Wildlife Enclosure. The revocation is needed to accommodate a proposed land exchange. Of the 103.81 acres being revoked, 63.81 acres are temporarily closed to mining by a Forest Service land exchange proposal, and 40 acres will be opened to mining. This order also modifies the withdrawal on the remaining 296.41 acres to establish a 20-year term under which these lands would remain closed to mining. All of the lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 16, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cliff Yardley, BLM Arizona State Office, P.O. Box 16563, Phoenix, Arizona 85011, 602-650-0509.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1988), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 5279, which withdrew lands for an administrative site and a wildlife enclosure, is hereby revoked insofar as it affects the following described lands:

Gila and Salt River Meridian

*Tonto National Forest*

1a. Payson Administrative Site

T. 10 N., R. 10 E.,

Sec. 2, lots 5, 7, 9, and 11.

1b. Cline Cabin Wildlife Enclosure

T. 4 N., R. 9 E.,

Sec. 3, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The areas described aggregate 103.81 acres in Gila and Maricopa Counties.

2. The land described under Paragraph 1a above is temporarily segregated by a pending land exchange and will not be opened at this time.

3. At 10 a.m. on October 7, 1996 the land described under Paragraph 1b above will be opened to location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law.

Appropriation of any of the land described under Paragraph 1b of this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (1988), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law where not in conflict with Federal law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.

4. Public Land Order No. 5279 is hereby modified to expire 20 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted before the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1988), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended insofar as it affects the following described land:

Gila and Salt River Meridian

*Tonto National Forest*

T. 10 N., R. 10 E.,

Sec. 2, lots 6, 8, 10, and 12, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

The area described contains 296.41 acres in Gila County.

5. The land described in Paragraph 4 continues to be withdrawn from location and entry under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2