

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.

Chris Sitbon,

Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.

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[MT-921-07-1320-01-P; MTM 86091]

Notice of Invitation—Coal Exploration License Application MTM 86091

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office

Members of the public are hereby invited to participate with Western Energy Company in a program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in the following-described lands located in Rosebud County, Montana:

T. 1 N., R. 40 E., P.M.M.,
Sec. 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$.
671.00 acres.

Any party electing to participate in this exploration program shall notify, in writing, both the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800; and Western Energy Company, c/o Western SynCoal Company, P.O. Box 7137, Billings, Montana 59103-7137. Such written notice must refer to serial number MTM 86091, and be received no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice in the Federal Register or 10 calendar days after the last publication of this Notice in the Billings Gazette, whichever is later. This Notice will be published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in the Billings Gazette.

The Proposed exploration program is fully described, and will be conducted pursuant to an exploration plan to be approved by the Bureau of Land Management. The exploration plan, as submitted by Western Energy Company, is 2 available for public inspection at the Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, Granite Tower Building, 222 North 32nd Street, Billings, Montana, during regular business hours (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

Dated: December 2, 1996.

Randy D. Heuscher,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-921-07-1320-01; MTM 80697]

Notice of hearing

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 14, 1997, in the conference room on the Sixth Floor of the Granite Tower Building, Bureau of Land Management, 222 North 32nd Street, Billings, Montana 59107.

Western Energy Company has requested the Bureau of Land Management to reschedule a coal lease sale for Coal Lease Application MTM 80697. The Bureau of Land Management requests additional public comments on the fair market value and maximum economic recovery of certain coal resources it proposes to reoffer for a competitive lease sale. A Decision Record was signed on May 16, 1995, which allows for coal leasing.

The land included in Coal Lease Application MTM 80697 is located in Rosebud County, Montana, and is described as follows:

T. 1 N., R. 39 W., P.M.M.,
Sec. 2: S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.
T. 1 N., R. 40 E., P.M.M.,
Sec. 6: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$;
Sec. 8: E $\frac{1}{2}$, SW $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;
Sec. 14: S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{2}$.
T. 2 N., R. 40 E., P.M.M.,
Sec. 32: All.
2,061.00 acres.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ed Hughes (telephone 406-255-2830), Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, 222 North 32nd Street, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800.

Dated: December 2, 1996.

Randy D. Heuscher,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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[AK-910-0777-51]

Notice of Alaska Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: The Alaska Resource Advisory Council will conduct an open meeting Tuesday, January 21, 1997 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, January 22, 1997 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss mining issues on the Fortymile Wild and Scenic River. The meeting will be held at the BLM Northern District Office, 1150 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska. Public comments regarding mining issues in the Fortymile will be taken from 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, January 21. Written comments may be submitted at the meeting.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries about the meeting should be sent to External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. 7th Ave., #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa McPherson or Janet Malone at (907) 271-5555.

Dated: December 1, 1996.

Tom Allen,

State Director.

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[MT-920-05-131000P; MTM 83298]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease MTM 83298, Fallon County, Montana, was timely filed and accompanied by the required rental accruing from the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10 per acre and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent respectively. Payment of a \$500 administration fee has been made.

Having met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as contained in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease, effective as of the date of termination, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease, the increased rental and royalty rates cited above, and reimbursement for cost of publication of this Notice.

Dated: November 25, 1996.

Karen L. Carroll,

Chief, Fluids Adjudication Section.

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[AZ-040-1430-07-00; AZA 29336]

**Notice of Realty Action;
Noncompetitive Sale of Public Lands;
Arizona**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The following lands in Graham County, Arizona, have been found suitable for direct sale under Section 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1713) at not less than the appraised fair market value. The land will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after the date of this notice.

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 5 S., R. 23 E.,

Sec. 13, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 6 S., R. 25 E.,

Sec. 6, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 15, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$,
N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$;

Sec. 25, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The areas aggregate 55.625 acres.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The land described is hereby segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, pending disposition of this action or 270 days from the date of publication of this notice, whichever occurs first.

This land is being offered by direct sale to Graham County for cemetery purposes. If a determination is reached that the subject parcel contains no known mineral values, the mineral interests may be conveyed simultaneously. Acceptance of the direct sale offer will qualify the purchaser to make application for conveyance of those mineral interests.

The patent, when issued, will contain certain reservations to the United States. Detailed information concerning these reservations, as well as specific conditions of the sale are available for review at the Safford Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 711 14th Avenue, Safford, Arizona 85546.

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 Field Office Manager, Safford District, at the above address. In the absence of timely objections, this proposal shall become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

Dated: December 4, 1996.

Frank L. Rowley,

Acting Field Office Manager.

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(UT-054-1220-00-24-1A)

**Notice of Partial Closure and
Restriction on Public Land**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that, effective December 15, 1996 and until further notice, Antelope Springs Cave will be closed, by means of a locked gate, to all public use from April 1, to September 30 each year. At all other times of the year, use will be by permit only. Permits will be available, at no charge, from the Bureau of Land Management, House Range Resource Area.

Persons that are exempt from the closure include any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty, or any person authorized by the Bureau.

The purpose of the closure is to protect the cave resources including, habitat for a colony of Townsend's big eared bats (*Corynorhinus townsendii*).

The authority for this closure is the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 43 Subpart 8364.1.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rex Rowley, House Range Resource Area Manager, P.O. Box 778 Fillmore, UT 84631 or Phone 801-743-3100.

Dated: December 3, 1996.

Jerry W. Goodman,

District Manager.

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[CA-942-5700-00]

Filing of Plats of Survey; California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public and interested state and local government officials of the latest filing of Plats of Survey in California.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Unless otherwise noted, filing was effective at 10:00 a.m. on the next federal work day following the plat acceptance date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Clifford A. Robinson, Chief, Branch of Cadastral Survey, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), California State Office, 2135 Butano Drive, Sacramento, CA 95825-0451, (916) 979-2890.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The plats of Survey of lands described below have been officially filed at the California State Office of the Bureau of Land Management in Sacramento, CA.

Mount Diablo Meridian, California

T. 18 N., R. 6 E.,

Supplemental plat of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 2, accepted October 3, 1996, to meet certain administrative needs of the BLM, Bakersfield District, Folsom Resource Area.

T. 11 S., R. 35 E.,

Retracement and metes-and-bounds survey, (Group 1258) accepted November 6, 1996, to meet certain administrative needs of the BLM, Bakersfield District, Bishop Resource Area.

T. 35 N., R. 2 W.,

Dependent resurvey, subdivision of sections, and metes-and-bounds survey, (Group 1109) accepted November 8, 1996, to meet certain administrative needs of the US Forest Service, Shasta-Trinity National Forest.

T. 7 N., R. 13 E.,

Supplemental plat of the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of section 20 and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of section 21, accepted November 12, 1996 to meet certain administrative needs of the BLM, Bakersfield District, Folsom Resource Area.

T. 34 N., R. 1 W.,

Supplemental plat of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 30, accepted November 22, 1996, to meet certain administrative needs of the US Forest Service, Shasta-Trinity National Forest.

T. 3 N., R. 11 E.,

Supplemental plat of a portion of sections 19 and 20, accepted November 27, 1996, to meet certain administrative needs of the BLM, Bakersfield District, Folsom Resource Area.

All of the above listed survey plats are now the basic record for describing the lands for all authorized purposes. The survey plats have been placed in the open files in the BLM, California State Office, and are available to the public as a matter of information. Copies of the survey plats and related field notes will be furnished to the public upon payment of the appropriate fee.

Dated: December 2, 1996.

Clifford A. Robinson,

Chief, Branch of Cadastral Survey.

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