

[AK-040-1410-00; AA-44386]

**Notice of Realty Action; Amending a Non-competitive Section 302 Surface Occupancy Lease, Alaska****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Notice of Realty Action involves amending a joint Section 302 Surface Occupancy Lease, to the Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association and Department of Commerce and Economic Development, State of Alaska, for the Eklutna Salmon Hatchery, on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in Alaska. Amending this lease is intended to authorize the construction, operation and maintenance of a wellfield and pipeline to supply the Eklutna Salmon Hatchery with disease-free water. The lease is located between the old Glenn Highway to Palmer and the tailrace for the Eklutna Power Plant.

The land has been examined and found suitable for leasing under the provisions of Section 302 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), of 1976, and 43 CFR Part 2920.

Seward Meridian, Alaska

T. 16 N., R. 2 E.,

Section 18 metes and bounds,

Containing 3.172 acres, more or less.

The reappraised rental for the entire lease is \$1500.00 per year. In addition, the lessee shall reimburse the United States for reasonable administrative and other costs incurred by the United States in processing the lease and for monitoring construction, operation, maintenance and rehabilitation of the facilities authorized. The reimbursement of cost shall be in accordance with the provisions of 43 CFR 2920.6.

This action is a motion by the Bureau of Land Management to make available lands identified in EA No. AK-040-96-019, as not needed for Federal purposes. Amending the Sec. 302 Surface Occupancy Lease would be in the public interest. Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage District, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska.

Lease of the lands would be subject to the same terms, conditions and reservations found in the original Surface Occupancy Lease issued jointly to Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association and Department of Commerce and Economic Development, State of Alaska,

on July 22, 1982 for 30 years, expiring in the year 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathy A. Stubbs, BLM, Anchorage, District Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507-2599, (907) 267-1212.

Dated: December 10, 1996.

Clinton Hanson,

*Acting, District Manager.*

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**Arizona: Notice of Realty Action; Competitive Sale of Public Land in Quartzsite, La Paz County, Arizona****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of realty action, competitive sale.

**SUMMARY:** The following public land has been found suitable for competitive sale under Sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) (90 Stat. 2750, 43 U.S.C. 1713). The land will be offered 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. The land is within the Town of Quartzsite boundary. Specific parcel sizes and locations will be published prior to the sale. Parcel sizes will meet Quartzsite zoning requirements.

In accordance with Section 7 of the Taylor Grazing Act, 43 U.S.C. 315f, and Executive Order Number 6910, the described land is hereby classified for disposal by sale.

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

T. 4 N., R. 19 W.,

Sec. 22, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ;Sec. 23, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ;Sec. 29, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Aggregating 315.00 acres, more or less.

No significant resource values will be affected by this disposal. The land will be sold to support the expansion and economic development of Quartzsite. The sale is consistent with the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) planning for the land involved and will serve important public objectives.

All parcels will be offered using competitive sale procedures as authorized under 43 CFR 2711.3-1. The land will be offered for sale by sealed bid only. Detailed information regarding the number of parcels, specific parcel locations, appraised fair market value of

each parcel, bidding procedures, bid submission and opening dates and location, and terms and conditions of the sale will be made available no less than 45 days prior to bid submission date.

Federal law requires that all bidders must be U.S. citizens, 18 years of age or older, a state or state instrumentality authorized to hold property, or a corporation authorized to own real estate in the state in which the land is located. Bids may be made by a principal or a duly qualified agent. Under competitive sale procedures, an apparent high bid will be declared at the time of bid openings. To eliminate split estates, mineral interests will be conveyed simultaneously with the surface estates. A bid will constitute an application to purchase the mineral estate. All qualified bidder(s) must include with their bid deposit for each parcel a \$50.00 filing fee for conveyance of the mineral estate.

If the land identified in this notice is not sold on the date of first sale offering, the unsold parcels will be offered competitively on a continuing basis until the land is either sold or withdrawn from sale. All over-the-counter sale parcels will be sold subject to the terms and conditions and at no less than the appraised fair market value.

The patents, when issued, will contain certain reservations to the United States and will be subject to any valid existing rights, and as requested by Quartzsite, easement for streets, roads, and public utilities.

**DATES:** For a period for 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register, interested parties may submit comments to the Yuma Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, address below. Objections will be reviewed by the Arizona State Director, BLM, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action and issue a final determination. In the absence of any objections, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Debbie DeBock, Realty Specialist, Yuma Field Office, 2555 East Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, AZ 85365, (520) 317-3208.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** A sale packet will be made available at the Yuma Field Office, address above, prior to the bid submission date.

Upon publication in the Federal Register, the land described above will be segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws. The segregative effect of this Notice of Realty Action shall