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NDM 85537 (Acquired)

The coal resource to be offered consists of all recoverable reserves in the following-described lands located in Mercer County, North Dakota. The United States owns 50 percent mineral interest in these lands.

T. 146 N., R. 87 W., 5th P.M.
Sec. 31: NE¼

The Federal interest in the 160.00-acre tract contains an estimated 0.51 million tons of recoverable coal reserves. For NDM 85537 (Acquired), the Beulah-Zap seam averages 16.0 feet in thickness with an average overburden depth of 70 feet, 6,766 BTU/lb. in heating value, and 0.46% sulphur content.

Rental and Royalty

Leases issued as a result of this offering will provide for payment of an annual rental of \$3 per acre, or fraction thereof; and a royalty payable to the United States of 12.5 percent of the value of coal mined by surface methods and 8.0 percent of the value of coal mined by underground methods. The value of the coal shall be determined in accordance with 30 CFR 206.

Date

The lease sale will be held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 26, 1997, in the Conference Room on the Sixth Floor of the Granite Tower Building, Bureau of Land Management, 222 North 32nd Street, Billings, Montana 59101.

Bids

Sealed bids must be submitted on or before 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 26, 1997, to the cashier, Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, Second Floor, Granite Tower Building, 222 North 32nd Street, Post Office Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800. The bids should be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or be hand-delivered. The cashier will issue a receipt for each hand-delivered bid. Bids received after that time will not be considered.

If identical high sealed bids are received, the tying high bidders will be requested to submit follow-up sealed bids until a high bid is received. All tie-breaking sealed bids must be submitted within 15 minutes following the Sale Official's announcement at the sale that identical high bids have been received.

Notice of Availability

Bidding instructions for the offered tracts are included in the detailed statement of Lease Sale. Copies of the detailed statement and the proposed coal leases are available at the Montana State Office. Casefile documents are also available for public inspection at the Montana State Office.

Dated: February 26, 1997.
Thomas P. Lonnie,
Deputy State Director, Division of Resources.
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Notice of Availability for the Denton-Rawhide Mine Expansion Project Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability for the Denton-Rawhide Mine Expansion Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), Mineral County, Nevada.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102 (2) (C) of the National Environmental Policy Act, 40 CFR 1500-1508 and 43 CFR 3809, notice is given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared, with the assistance of a third-party consultant, a FEIS for Kennecott Rawhide Mining Company's proposed Denton-Rawhide Mine Expansion, located approximately 55 miles southeast of Fallon, Nevada. Copies of the document are available for public review.

DATES: Written comments on the FEIS will be accepted until close of business on April 7, 1997. No public meetings are scheduled. Following the 30-day availability period of this FEIS, a Record of Decision (ROD) will be issued.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the FEIS can be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District Office, Attn: Terri Knutson, Rawhide Project Manager, 1535 Hot Springs Road 89706.

The FEIS is available for inspection at the following locations: BLM State Office (Reno) and BLM Carson City District Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information, write to the above address or call Terri Knutson at (702) 885-6156.

Dated: February 24, 1997.
John O. Singlaub,
District Manager.
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[(NM-930-1310-01); (NMNM 92169)]

New Mexico: 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 NMNM 92169 for lands in Chaves County, New Mexico, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from December 1, 1996, the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms of rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof and 16⅔ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this Federal Register notice.

The Lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1930 (30 USC 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective December 1, 1996, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

For further information contact: Lourdes B. Ortiz, BLM, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438-7586.

Dated: February 26, 1997.
Lourdes B. Ortiz,
Land Law Examiner
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[NM-070-1430-01; NMNM039649/ NMNM96454, NMNM22493/NMNM97415]

Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) Act

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: R&PP transfer of title and change of use located in San Juan County, New Mexico.

SUMMARY: The following described public land are classified (previously) as being suitable for lease/conveyance under the provisions of the R&PP Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.). An assignment from the City of Farmington to the Farmington Municipal School District #5, with a change of use taking place for the following lands.

New Mexico Principal Meridian
T. 30 N., R. 13 W.,
Sec 25, S½SW¼NE¼SW¼,
SW¼SE¼NE¼SW¼,

S¹/₂SE¹/₄SE¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄,
 S¹/₂NE¹/₄SW¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄,
 S¹/₂NW¹/₄SE¹/₄NE¹/₄SW¹/₄,
 NE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄, W¹/₂NE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄,
 NW¹/₄SE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄,
 N¹/₂SW¹/₄SE¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄,
 N¹/₂S¹/₂SW¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄,
 N¹/₂SW¹/₄SW¹/₄SE¹/₄.

Containing 37.50 acres, more or less.

A transfer of title from the Farmington Municipal School District #5 to the City of Farmington, with a change of use taking place for the following lands.

New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 30 N., R. 13 W.,
 Sec. 25, SW¹/₄.

Containing 40 acres, more or less.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information related to this action, including the environmental assessment, is available for review at the Bureau of Land Management, Farmington District Office, 1235 La Plata Highway, Farmington, NM 87401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Publication of this notice is to provide public notification that this transfer of title and change of use is being considered. The original land classifications remain the same.

Dated: February 28, 1997.

Joel E. Farrell,

Assistant District Manager for Lands and Renewable Resources.

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[CA-067-1230-00]

Establishment of Supplementary Rule for Use Management of Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area, California Desert District

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Establishment of supplementary rule.

SUMMARY: The primary purpose of this supplementary rule is enhancement of public safety in the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area. This rule will provide a safety zone between the heavy traffic on Gecko Road and those camping off the road.

The following rule is therefore recommended:

1. No person shall camp or park on the shoulder of Gecko Road in the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area except where permitted by posted signs. In areas where there is no obvious shoulder, no one shall park or camp within 10 feet of the pavement of Gecko Rd. This includes all portions of Gecko Road. For purposes of this rule, the

shoulder of the road is the compacted road base that extends from the edge of the pavement to where it drops off and resumes the natural contour of the surrounding terrain.

Background

The need for safety rules was identified during a series of public meetings held during preparation of the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area Management Plan, completed in 1987. Safety hazards and methods of reducing them were high priority planning issues identified by participants at the planning meetings.

Additional safety precautions are needed to prevent accident or injury along Gecko Road. Visitors are parking and camping immediately adjacent to the road, and there is a high likelihood of accidents or injuries involving visitors parked or camped on the shoulder of the road.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Effective upon date of publication and will remain in effect until rescinded or modified by the authorized officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chief Area Ranger Robert Zimmer, Bureau of Land Management, El Centro Resource Area, 1661 S. 4th St., El Centro, CA 92243 (619) 337-4407.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The authority for this restriction is provided in 43 CFR 8365.1-6. Violation of this restriction is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100,000.00 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

Dated: February 26, 1997.

Terry Reed,

Area Manager.

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[CO-956-96-1420-00]

Colorado; Filing of Plats of Survey

February 25, 1997.

The plats of survey of the following described land, will be officially filed in the Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Lakewood, Colorado, effective 10:00 am., February 25, 1997. All inquiries should be sent to the Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215.

The plat (in six sheets) representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines, and certain mineral claims and portions thereof and the subdivision of section 29, T. 1 N., R. 71 W., Sixth Principal Meridian, Group 1008, Colorado, was accepted February 3, 1997.

This survey requested by the Forest Service for administrative purposes.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south boundary, subdivisional lines, and the section subdivision lines of section 35, T. 1 S., R. 1 W., Ute Principal Meridian, Group 1144, Colorado, and the completion survey of section 35, the subdivision, the metes-and-bounds survey of lots and private land parcels A & B, the original meander of the left bank, and the informative traverse of the meanders of the actual right bank of the Gunnison River, all in section 35, was accepted February 10, 1997.

This survey was requested by BLM for administrative purposes.

The amended plat correcting the bearings and distances on the west boundary T. 33 N., R. 6 W., New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted January 7, 1997.

The supplemental plat showing the correct position of corner no. 7 and line 7-1 of the Maysville Townsite and creating new lot 20 in section 3, T. 49 N., R. 7 E., New Mexico Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted January 9, 1997.

These plats were requested by BLM for administrative purposes.

Colin R. Kelley,

Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Colorado.

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[ID-957-1420-00]

Idaho; Filing of Plats of Survey; Idaho

The plat of the following described land was officially filed in the Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Boise, Idaho, effective 9:00 a.m. February 24, 1997.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the subdivisional lines and the subdivision of section 15, T. 36 N., R. 2 E., Boise Meridian, Idaho, Group No. 903, was accepted February 24, 1997. This plat was prepared to meet certain administrative needs of the Nez Perce Tribe and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

All inquiries concerning the survey of the above described land must be sent to the Chief, Cadastral Survey, Idaho State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho, 83709-1657.

February 24, 1997.

Duane E. Olsen,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Idaho.

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