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A person or party who wishes to protest a survey must file with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Cheyenne, Wyoming, a notice of protest prior to thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication. If the protest notice did not include a statement of reasons for the protest, the protestant shall file such a statement with the State Director within thirty (30) calendar days after the notice of protest was filed.

The above-listed plats represent dependent resurveys, subdivision of sections.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 1828, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

Dated: April 7, 1997.

**John P. Lee,**

*Chief, Cadastral Survey Group.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service (MMS)

#### Minerals Management Advisory Board; Outer Continental Shelf (OCS); Scientific Committee (SC); Announcement of Plenary Session

This Notice is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix I, and the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-63, Revised.

The Minerals Management Advisory Board OCS SC will meet in plenary session on Wednesday, May 21 and on Thursday, May 23, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Hubbs Hall Conference Room, La Jolla, California.

The OCS SC is an outside group of scientists which advises the Director, MMS, on the feasibility, appropriateness, and scientific merit of the MMS' OCS Environmental Studies Program (ESP) as related to information needed for informed OCS decisionmaking.

Discussions will focus on:

- Deepwater Development Issues
- Coastal Marine Institutes
- Moratoria Subcommittee Report
- Committee Business and Resolutions

The meetings are open to the public. Approximately 30 visitors can be accommodated on a first-come-first-served basis at the plenary session.

A copy of the agenda may be requested from the MMS by writing Ms.

Phyllis Clark at the address below or by electronic mail at Phyllis \_\_ Clark @MMS.GOV. Other inquiries concerning the OCS SC meeting should be addressed to Dr. Ken Turgeon, Executive Secretary to the OCS Scientific Committee, Minerals Management Service, 381 Elden Street, Mail Stop 4041, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. He may be reached by telephone at (703) 787-1717, and by electronic mail at Ken \_\_ Turgeon@MMS.GOV.

Dated: April 10, 1997.

**Carolita U. Kallaur,**

*Associate Director for Offshore Minerals Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Availability of Plan of Operations; Mining Operations; Music Valley Claim Group; Joshua Tree National Park, San Bernardino County, CA

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 9.17 (a) of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, Subpart A, that the National Park Service has received from Byron Walls, of Yorba Linda California, a Plan of Operations to conduct exploratory mining operations on the Music #4, #5 and the J & B #1 claims in the Music Valley area, in Joshua Tree National Park, located within Riverside County, California.

The Plan of Operations is available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days from the publication date of this notice. Analysis of the proposal will not be completed until a validity examination has been conducted in accordance with 36 CFR 9A and NPS policy. The document can be viewed during normal business hours at the Office of the Superintendent, Joshua Tree National Park, 74485 National Park Drive, Twenty-nine Palm, California. 92277.

Dated: March 27, 1997.

**Frank Buond,**

*Superintendent, Joshua Tree National Park.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Possession of the National Park Service, Big Cypress National Preserve, Ochopee, FL

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d), of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the possession of the National Park Service, Big Cypress National Preserve, Ochopee, FL.

A detailed assessment of the human remains and associated funerary objects was made by National Park Service professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida, Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, and Mr. Bobby C. Billie, a spiritual leader of the Independent Traditional Seminole Nation of Florida, a non-federally recognized Indian group. Good faith efforts to consult with representatives of the Seminole Tribe of Florida have been unsuccessful.

In 1977, human remains representing a minimum of one individual were collected from Turner River #5, a burial island site located within park boundaries. No known individuals were identified. One fragment of glazed earthenware and one blue glass bead were recovered in association with the remains. On the basis of these funerary objects and the state of preservation of the human remains, the site is dated to ca. 1840 AD at the earliest.

On February 28, 1996, a Federal Register notice was published regarding the completion of Big Cypress National Preserve's inventory. The Turner River #5 site was identified by Miccosukee representatives as being occupied by Seminole people during the middle to the last half of the 19th century. Information brought to the park's attention by Mr. Bobby C. Billie shows that the Turner River #5 site was occupied and utilized by his ancestors, Ingraham and Josie Billie, during the same time period. Documents from representatives of the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida support this claim.

Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the National Park Service have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2(d)(1), the human remains listed above represent