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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-933-1990-00]

Notice of Availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact and the Programmatic Environmental Assessment for Selected Actions for Mining Claim Use and Occupancy in Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and Use and Occupancy Under the Mining Laws regulations (43 CFR 3715), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) that evaluates the impacts of typical mining claim and/or millsite occupancies. This EA describes and analyzes the proposed action, consisting of seven typical occupancy scenarios, and the no action option. The BLM provided a 30-day comment period. Analysis and response to the comments received have been incorporated into the present document and the final Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

DATES: Copies of the EA and the Finding of No Significant Impact will be provided to any person, agency, or other interested parties, upon request.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies should be addressed to: Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, AZ-933, 222 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004-2203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph Costa, Mining Engineer, Arizona State Office. Telephone: (602) 417-9349.

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Gary D. Bauer,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[(CA-067-7122-6606); CACA-35511]

Environmental Statements; Availability, Etc.; Imperial Project Proposed Gold Mining/Processing Operation; Imperial County

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Imperial Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the Imperial Project Proposed Gold Mining/Processing Operation, Imperial County.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the availability of the joint Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Impact Report (DEIS/EIR) prepared by the Bureau of Land Management and the County of Imperial for a 60-day public review.

DATES: Written comments must be received no later than January 27, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Area Manager, Attn: Imperial Project, El Centro Resource Area, 1661 South Fourth St., El Centro, California 92243.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Romoli (909) 697-5237.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Imperial Project is a proposal by Glamis Imperial Corporation (a sister corporation of the former project applicant Chemgold Inc.) to develop an open-pit, gold mining operation utilizing a heap leach process. Located in eastern Imperial County, California, approximately 45 miles northeast of El Centro, California and 20 miles northwest of Yuma, Arizona, the proposed project area comprises approximately 1,625 acres. Up to 150 million tons of ore would be leached, and 300 million tons of waste rock would be deposited at the proposed waste rock stockpiles or the mined-out portions of the three planned open pits. The maximum average mining rate would be 130,000 tons per day. Five alternatives besides the proposed action were analyzed in the DEIS/EIR. Impacts on air quality, noise, groundwater, vegetation, desert tortoise among other resources were analyzed. Impacts on cultural resources and Native America values were identified. Two public hearings have been scheduled:

December 10, 1997 at 7:00 p.m., Comfort Inn, 8000 Parkway Drive, La Mesa, CA
December 11, 1998 at 7:00 p.m., Barbara Worth Country Club, 2050 Country Club Dr., Holtville, CA

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be

available for public review. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or business, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organization or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: November 24, 1997.

Alan Stein,

Acting District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Approved Collections

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of approval of information collections (1010-0006 and 1010-0050).

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, this notice informs the public and other Federal agencies of the approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of two collections of information. The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

ADDRESSES: Direct all correspondence to the Rules Processing Team, Minerals Management Service, Mail Stop 4020, 381 Elden Street, Herndon, VA 20170-4817.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alexis London, Rules Processing Team, telephone (703) 787-1600. You may also contact Alexis London to obtain a copy of these collections of information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Titles: 30 CFR 250, Subpart J, Pipelines and Pipeline Rights-of-Way; and 30 CFR Part 256, Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the Outer Continental Shelf. OMB Control Numbers: 1010-0050 and 1010-0006.

Abstract: On July 24, 1997 MMS published a final rule on Pipeline Right-