

information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001-1025) authorized the Secretary of the Interior to issue leases for geothermal development. The Geothermal Steam Act Amendments of 1988 (PL 100-443) supplemented and amended the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 by requiring that the BLM receive additional information from Federal geothermal lessees. The legislation allowed for lease extensions when the Secretary of the Interior determines that a lessee has made a substantial investment. It also allowed leases to continue beyond their primary terms if there are wells capable of producing but not actually producing geothermal resources. The BLM issues geothermal leases both competitively and noncompetitively. The regulations in Group 3200 of Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations contain procedures for obtaining a lease to explore for, develop, produce, and utilize geothermal resources located on Federal lands. The regulations at 43 CFR part 3203 specifically address extended terms of a lease.

Respondents for this information collection supply information in a diligent efforts report, bona fide efforts report, and/or a significant expenditures report for the authorized officer to determine if a lessee qualifies for a lease extension.

Respectively, some of the information required will be used by the authorized officer to determine if lessees are making "diligent efforts" toward commencing utilization of producible geothermal wells. By submitting this information, a lessee could have a lease continue beyond its primary term. Other information will be used by the authorized officer to determine if a different group of lessees (those not having producible wells) have made "bona fide efforts" to produce or utilize geothermal resources. By submitting the required information (by report), those lessees may be granted a 5-year lease extension. A second extension can be obtained at the end of the first, but another bona fide effort is required. If lease extensions are granted, the lessee would be required to submit additional information on an annual basis that would indicate that "significant expenditures" were being made on the leases. In all cases, the information is

submitted in person or by mail to the proper BLM office.

It is estimated that approximately 75 reports will be filed annually with an estimated completion time of 2 hours each, for a total annual burden of 150 hours. Respondents are individuals, small businesses, and large corporations.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become part of the public record.

Dated: March 27, 1998.

Carole Smith,

Bureau Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-930-1430-01; COC 28245]

Public Land Order No. 7323; Partial Revocation of Secretarial Order dated September 14, 1937; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes a Secretarial order insofar as it affects 27.73 acres of National Forest System land withdrawn for the Bureau of Reclamation's Green Mountain Reservoir, Colorado-Big Thompson Project. The land is no longer needed for this purpose and the revocation would permit disposal of the land under the General Exchange Act of 1922. This action will open the land to such forms of disposition as may by law be made of National Forest System land. The land is temporarily closed to mining by a Forest Service exchange proposal. The land has been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7076, 303-239-3706.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. The Secretarial Order dated September 14, 1937, which withdrew National Forest System land for the Bureau of Reclamation's Green Mountain Reservoir, Colorado-Big Thompson Project, is hereby revoked

insofar as it affects the following described land:

Sixth Principal Meridian

T. 2 S., R. 80 W.,

Sec. 13, lots 12 and 13.

The area described contains 27.73 acres in Summit County.

2. At 9 a.m. on May 7, 1998, the land described above shall be opened to such forms of disposition as may by law be made of National Forest System land subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law.

Dated: March 13, 1998.

Bob Armstrong,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID-933-1430-00; IDI-21007 et al.]

Public Land Order No. 7324; Revocation of 19 Executive Orders and 5 Secretarial Orders; Idaho

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes 19 Executive orders and 5 Secretarial orders insofar as they affect 95,716.41 acres of lands withdrawn for certain Bureau of Land Management Powersite Classifications and Reserves in the State of Idaho. Of the lands being revoked, 52,886.56 acres will be opened to surface entry. The remaining 42,829.85 acres will remain closed to surface entry and mining due to overlapping withdrawals or having been conveyed out of Federal ownership. All of the lands containing Federally owned minerals have been and will remain open to mineral leasing. The lands still in Federal ownership and not overlapped by other withdrawals, have been and will remain open to mining.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry R. Lievsay, BLM Idaho State Office, 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Boise, Idaho 83709, 208-373-3864.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. The following 19 Executive orders and 5 Secretarial orders are hereby revoked insofar as they affect the lands