DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Opening of Land in a Proposed Withdrawal: Idaho

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The temporary 2-year segregation of a proposed withdrawal of 20.00 acres of National Forest System land for the protection of the Nez Perce Indian Chinook Salmon Rearing Ponds expires June 24, 1998, after which the land will be open to mining. The land has been and will remain open to surface entry and mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 24, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gay Street, S.W., Suite 500, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Supplementary Information: A Notice of Proposed Withdrawal has been published in the Federal Register (61 FR 123, June 25, 1996), which segregated the land described therein for up to 2 years from the mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, but not from the general land laws and the mineral leasing laws. The 2-year segregation expires June 24, 1998. The withdrawal application will continue to be processed unless it is canceled or denied. The land is described as follows:

Boise Meridian

T. 35 N., R. 6 E., Sec. 1, S 1/2, SE 1/4

The area described contains 20.00 acres in Idaho County.

At 9 a.m. on June 24, 1998, the land shall be opened to location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, but not from the general land laws and the mineral leasing laws. The provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. Appropriation of land described in this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (1988), shall vest no rights against the United States. Acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession are governed by State law. The Bureau of Land Management will not intervene in disputes between rival locators over possessory rights since Congress has provided for such determinations in local courts.


Jimmie Buxton,
Branch Chief, Lands and Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Draft Petition Evaluation Document/ Environmental Impact Statement; Tennessee

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the draft petition evaluation document/environmental impact statement (PED/EIS) for Fall Creek Falls State Park, Tennessee.

SUMMARY: The Office of Surface Mining (OSM) of the United States Department of the Interior is making available for public comment, the draft PED/EIS for a petition to designate certain lands in the watershed and viewshed of Fall Creek Falls State Park and Natural Area, Van Buren and Bledsoe Counties, Tennessee, as unsuitable for all surface coal mining operations.

DATES: Written comments: OSM will accept written comments on the draft PED/EIS until July 30, 1998.

Public Hearing: A public hearing will be held at 7 p.m., C.D.T. on Thursday, June 18, 1998, at the address given below.

ADDRESS: Copies of the PED/EIS: Single copies of the draft PED/EIS may be obtained by contacting Beverly Brock at the address and telephone number listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. A copy of the PED/EIS is available for inspection at that address, and also at the Bledsoe and Van Buren County Clerk’s offices.

Written Comments: Written comments may be hand delivered or mailed to Beverly Brock, Supervisor, Technical Group, Office of Surface Mining, 530 Gay Street, S.W., Suite 500, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Public Hearing: A public hearing will be held at the Cumberland County High School Gymnasium, Crossville, Tennessee, at the date and time listed under DATES.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Brock, Supervisor, Technical Group, Office of Surface Mining, 530 Gay Street, S.W., Suite 500, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902. Telephone: (423) 545-4103, ext. 146. E-Mail/Internet: bbrock@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OSM has been petitioned by Save Our Cumberland Mountains, Tennessee Citizens for Wilderness Planning, and forty-nine citizens to designate the watershed and viewshed of Fall Creek Falls State Park and Natural Area, Tennessee, as unsuitable for all types of surface coal mining operations. OSM has prepared a draft PED/EIS as required by Section 522(d) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The draft PED/EIS evaluates the potential coal resources of the area, the demand for coal resources, and the impacts of alternative unsuitability decisions on the human environment, the economy, and the supply of coal.

A public hearing has been scheduled as indicated above. Anyone who wishes to speak will be given the opportunity to do so, but initial comments will be limited to 10 minutes. Time limits may be extended at the discretion of the presiding official. Persons wishing to present testimony are encouraged to contact OSM at the address given above. OSM would appreciate receiving a written copy of the speaker’s comments four days prior to the public hearing, if possible. The hearing will be transcribed. Filing a written statement at the time of oral presentation is encouraged as this will facilitate the job of the court reporter. A transcript of the hearing will be available at a nominal fee approximately ten working days after the hearing.


Michael K. Robinson,
Acting Regional Director, Appalachian Regional Coordinating Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; FY 1998 Community Policing Discretionary Grants

AGENCY: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services ("COPS") announces the availability of Universal Hiring Program (UHP) grants to pay up to 75 percent of the total salary and benefits for new officers over three years, and up to a maximum of $75,000 per officer, with the remainder to be paid by state or local funds. Funding will begin once the new officers have been hired or on the