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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Advisory Committee on Water Information

ACTION: Notice of a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Water Information (ACWI).

SUMMARY: This is to inform the public about the August 1998 meeting of the ACWI. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will begin on August 17, 1998, at 1:00 p.m. EST, and will adjourn on August 19 at 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Embassy Suites Hotel and Athletic Club at Denver Place, 1881 Curtis Street, Denver, Colorado 80202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Lopez, Executive Secretary of the ACWI, at telephone number: (703) 648-5014 or facsimile number: (703) 648-5644. Her address is 417 National Center, U.S. Geological Survey, Reston, VA 20192. If you need special arrangements or services to participate effectively in the meeting, please talk to Meredith Tatum at telephone number (703) 648-5015. For special arrangements please let Ms. Tatum know by noon EDT, Wednesday, August 12, so that we can accommodate your needs.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ACWI is the major national mechanism for implementing Office of Management and Budget Memorandum No. 92-01, Coordination of Water Resources Information. With over 30 member organizations, the ACWI represents a wide range of water-resources interests and functions. The members include all levels of government and the private sector. The ACWI advises the Federal Government on activities and plans related to Federal water-information programs and the effectiveness of those programs in meeting the Nation's water information needs.

Also, member organizations of the ACWI collaborate with others to sponsor workshops, symposia, and other forums that foster better communication among Federal and non-Federal sectors about water-information activities and needs.

At this meeting, the ACWI will discuss a variety of topics including:

water-resources aspects of the Federal Year 1999 Budget, watershed information requirements, streamgaging, monitoring roles of different groups, the proposed external review of the USGS Federal-State Cooperative Water Resources Program, contracting with the private sector for water-resources information, and the proposed Subcommittee on Spatial Water Data. Also, the subgroups of ACWI will report on their activities. The meeting will include a field trip to the Upper Cherry Creek Watershed in the Denver area. For more detailed information about the program, please contact Ms. Lopez as shown above.

The meeting will include an opportunity for public comments. To make public comments, please provide a written request by noon EST, August 12, 1998, to Ms. Lopez. The request should include the name of the person that will be speaking and the general topic. Verbal comments to the ACWI may not exceed 5 minutes. At the meeting please provide 40 written copies of the comments to the registration desk for distribution and archiving as required by law. Anyone wishing to provide written information to the ACWI may do so at anytime by providing 40 copies to Ms. Lopez.

Dated: July 17, 1998.

Lewis Wade,

Acting Assistant Chief Hydrologist Office of Information.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-962-1410-00-P; AA-11774]

Alaska Native Claims Selection

In accordance with Departmental regulation 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that a decision to issue conveyance under the provisions of Sec. 14(h)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971, 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613(h)(1), will be issued to Koniag, Inc., Regional Native Corporation for approximately 2.7 acres. The lands involved are in the vicinity of Sutwik Island, Alaska.

Seward Meridian, Alaska

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A notice of the decision will be published once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the *Anchorage Daily News*. Copies of the decision may be obtained by contacting the Alaska State Office of the Bureau of Land

Management, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599 ((907) 271-5960).

Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision, an agency of the Federal government or regional corporation, shall have until August 24, 1997 to file an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

Patricia A. Baker,

Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-130-2810-00;GP8-0264]

Regulated Fire Closure State of Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a regulated fire closure for Bureau of Land Management Lands in the State of Washington.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, the following acts are prohibited on public lands within the Spokane District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) including Juniper Dunes Recreation Area, and areas surrounding Hog Lake, Fishtrap, Pacific Lake, Twin Lakes, Coffeepot, Yakima Canyon, and Douglas Creek recreation sites, beginning at noon on July 20, 1998 until further notice.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, including charcoal briquette fire (43 CFR 9212.2).

Note: Liquefied and bottled gas stoves and heaters are permitted provided that they are used within designated campgrounds or picnic areas. Campfires are only allowed in designated campgrounds or picnic areas within BLM fire rings or grills.

2. Smoking while traveling in timber, brush or grass areas, except in vehicles on roads, on barren or cleared areas at least (3) feet in diameter or boats on rivers or lakes (43 CFR 9212.2).