

considerable recreational use in limited accessible locations. Public health and safety, sanitation and the pollution of water resources are also of concern.

Public comments following initial publication of these supplementary rules strongly recommended the addition of supplementary rules prohibiting the discharge of firearms for purposes other than the lawful taking of game on the above defined public land. Equestrians, bicycle riders, persons involved in recreational fishing and hiking, and adjacent property owners all requested this change.

Nothing herein is intended in any way restrict or prevent access to or use of private property within the designated area. Public officers or employees in the performance of their official duties are exempt from these supplementary regulations. These supplementary regulations are not intended to and will not be enforced to hinder or curtail any valid existing right, permit, or authorization. Access and use by owners or legitimate occupants or adjacent private property is permitted at all times. With the exception of supplementary rule E in the above list, these supplementary rules do not apply to individuals involved in the lawful taking of game. These supplementary rules are in conformance with the May 1997 Caliente Resource Management Plan.

Dated: June 15, 1999.

Al Wright,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-952-09-1420-00]

Filing of Plats of Survey; Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public and interested State and local government officials of the filing of Plats of Survey in Nevada.

EFFECTIVE DATES: Filing is effective at 10:00 a.m. on the dates indicated below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert H. Thompson, Acting Chief, Branch of Geographic Services, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520, 702-861-6541.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. The Supplemental Plat of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada on April 22, 1999:

The supplemental plat, showing new lottings in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec. 8, Township 33 North, Range 70 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, was accepted April 19, 1999.

This plat was prepared to meet certain administrative needs of Big Springs Associates and the Bureau of Land Management.

2. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada on May 20, 1999:

The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the north and west boundaries and a portion of the subdivisional lines, the subdivision of sections 6 and 7, and a metes-and-bounds survey in section 6, Township 6 South, Range 61 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, under Group No. 776, was accepted May 18, 1999.

This survey was executed to meet certain administrative needs of James H. Christianson, Grace K. Christianson, and the Bureau of Land Management.

3. The Supplemental Plat of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada on June 10, 1999:

The supplemental plat, showing amended lottings in sec. 4, Township 20 North, Range 25 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, was accepted June 8, 1999.

This plat was prepared to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management.

4. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada on June 24, 1999:

The plat, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and a metes-and-bounds survey in section 32, Township 20 South, Range 54 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, under Group No. 779, was accepted June 22, 1999.

This survey was executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management.

5. The above-listed surveys are now the basic records for describing the lands for all authorized purposes. These surveys have been placed in the open files in the BLM Nevada State Office and are available to the public as a matter of information. Copies of the surveys and related field notes may be furnished to the public upon payment of the appropriate fees.

Dated: June 30, 1999.

Robert H. Thompson,

Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Nevada.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Change in Noise Evaluation Methodology for Air Tour Operations Over Grand Canyon National Park

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of Disposition of Public Comments and Adoption of Final Noise.

Evaluation Methodology for Air Tour Operations Over Grand Canyon National Park

SUMMARY: On January 26, 1999, the National Park Service (NPS) published a Public Notice of agency policy in the **Federal Register** with the above title (64 FR 3969-3972), requesting comments on refinements to NPS' noise evaluation (i.e., impact assessment) methodology for air tour operations over Grand Canyon National Park (GCNP). Specifically, the refinements contemplated a two-zone system for assessing impacts related to substantial restoration of natural quiet at GCNP. In Zone One, which would encompass about one-third of the Park's area, the threshold of noticeability previously used in noise modeling for environmental analyses related to GCNP air tours would continue to be used (i.e., the average A-weighted natural ambient level plus 3 decibels). In Zone Two, which would encompass about two-thirds of the Park's area, the threshold for the onset of impact would be audibility (i.e., the level at which aircraft can begin to be heard by people with normal hearing, determined to be 8 decibels below the average A-weighted natural ambient level at GCNP).

The NPS received 19 comments in response to the Public Notice. Comments were received from industry associations (e.g., United States Air Tour Association, Helicopter Association International, National Air Transportation Association); environmental groups (e.g., Sierra Club, Grand Canyon Trust, Friends of Grand Canyon); air tour operators; representatives of tribal concerns; and the general public. The NPS considered all substantive comments.

DATES: The noise impact assessment methodology presented herein is effective immediately.