

SUMMARY: The purpose of this vehicle restriction is to limit all motorized use to designated routes, and limit camping to within 300 feet of the designated route. All types of motor vehicles would be allowed on the first one-half mile of the designated route ending at a All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Trailhead. Camping would be allowed during the first one-half mile, and within 300 feet of either side of the route. ATV use only would be allowed to continue on the designated route to the fence located on the east side of Cougar Butte. No motor vehicle use would be allowed beyond this fence. The route would be clearly marked by signs and a user map would be provided at key access points. The need for reduced motorized use to designated routes only is due to resource degradation by motorized vehicles on steep slopes having erosive soils, trespass and adjacent private lands and unauthorized motorized use in the Hampton Butte Wilderness Study Area east of these legally described public lands.

The creation of new vehicle routes continues to increase during hunting seasons. New motorized routes are created on public and adjacent private lands, due to limited public land acreage, rugged steep topography and irregular shaped public land ownership pattern.

This designated order maintains natural and scenic values by limiting motorized use to designated routes and avoid unauthorized cross-country motorized use. More specifically, this closure restricts motorized use to designated routes to reduce impacts to natural values, including soils and vegetation, and to prevent unauthorized trespass on adjacent private lands.

Exemptions to this closure order apply to administrative personnel or landowners accessing their property. Other exemptions to this closure order may be made on a case-by-case basis by the authorized officer. The authority for this vehicle restriction is 43 CFR 8364.1(a): Closure and restriction orders.

Penalties

Violation of this closure order is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months as provided in 43 CFR.

EFFECTIVE DATE: These supplementary rules will become effective 30 days from the published date of this notice, to allow for analysis of public comments and will remain in effect year-around until further notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Brothers/LaPine Resource Management Plan/Record of Decision was finalized July 1989. Public lands surrounding Cougar Butte were designated as Open for motorized use, so cross-country vehicle use was allowed. North of Hampton, Oregon, Motorized vehicle use in the Hampton Butte and Cougar Well Wilderness Study Areas are restricted to existing routes. User maps at key access points into both these WSAs identify routes open to motorized use. All other routes and public lands in both WSAs are closed year-round to motorized use.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Berry Phelps, BLM Prineville District Office, P.O. Box 550, Prineville, Oregon 97754 or call 541-416-6700.

Dated: August 9, 1999.

James L. Hancock,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[Docket No. WY-921-41-1310; WYW132170]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

August 17, 1999.

Pursuant to the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3(a) and (b)(1), a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease WYW132170 for lands in Converse County, Wyoming, was timely filed and was accompanied by all the required rentals accruing from the date of termination.

The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16⅔ percent, respectively.

The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$125 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW13270 effective May 1, 1999, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the

increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Pamela J. Lewis,

Chief, Leasable Minerals Section.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-921-41-1310; WYW144497]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

August 17, 1999.

Pursuant to the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 1889 (d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3 (a) and (b)(1), a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease WYW144497 for lands in Converse County, Wyoming, was timely filed and was accompanied by all the required rentals accruing from the date of termination.

The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16⅔ percent, respectively.

The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$125 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW144497 effective June 1, 1998, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

Pamela J. Lewis,

Chief, Leasable Minerals Section.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Realty Action; Competitive Sale of Public Lands in Clark County, Nevada

The following lands have been designated for disposal under Pub. L. 105-263, the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2343), and will be sold competitively in accordance with section 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management