

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Realty Action; Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; Arizona, Correction****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

*Correction:* In notice issued in Volume 65 Number 152 beginning on page 48250 in the issue dated August 7, 2000, make the following correction: On page 48250 under SUMMARY:, in the third column, "25, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ " should read "25, E $\frac{1}{2}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Dated: August 28, 2000.

**Deborah K. Rawhouser,***Assistant Field Manager, Resources, Use & Protection.*

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[OR-957-00-1420-BJ; GP0-0348]

**Filing of Plats of Survey; Oregon/ Washington****AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Oregon State Office, Portland, Oregon, thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication.

**Williamette Meridian**

Oregon

T. 25 S., R. 2 W., accepted August 4, 2000

T. 22 S., R. 3 W., accepted August 16, 2000

Washington

T. 2 N., R. 7 E., accepted August 10, 2000

T. 30 N., R. 38 E., accepted August 11, 2000

T. 12 N., R. 8 E., accepted August 11, 2000

If protests against a survey, as shown on any of the above plat(s), are received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest(s). A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

The plat(s) will be placed in the open files of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1515 S.W. 5th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201, and will be available to the public as a matter of information only. Copies of the plat(s) may be obtained from the

above office upon required payment. A person or party who wishes to protest against a survey must file with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, Oregon, a notice that they wish to protest prior to the proposed official filing date given above. A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State Director within thirty (30) days after the proposed official filing date.

The above-listed plats represent dependent resurveys, survey, and subdivision.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bureau of Land Management, (1515 S.W. 5th Avenue), P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208.

Dated: August 24, 2000.

**Robert D. DeViney, Jr.,***Branch of Realty and Records Services.*

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**BILLING CODE 4310-33-M****DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service****Gaviota Coast Seashore Feasibility Study, Santa Barbara County, CA; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement**

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the National Park Service (NPS) is undertaking a conservation planning and impact analysis process to identify and assess potential impacts of alternative resource protection and visitor use concepts and other considerations within the Gaviota Coast Seashore Feasibility Study area in Santa Barbara County. Notice is hereby given that a public scoping process has been initiated to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) and feasibility study report. The purpose of the scoping process is to elicit public comment regarding the full spectrum of public issues and concerns, including a suitable range of alternatives, appropriate boundaries, and the nature and extent of potential environmental impacts and appropriate mitigation strategies which should be addressed in the EIS process.

*Background:* As authorized by Pub.L. 106-113, and H.R. 3194 Conference Report, November 17, 1999, Title III, § 326, the NPS is conducting a feasibility study to determine the potential for designating the Gaviota Coast as a unit of the National Park System. The Gaviota Coast study area

includes approximately 76 miles of coastline and 200,000 acres of land. It is entirely within Santa Barbara County, California, and extends from Coal Oil Point in Isla Vista northerly to Point Sal at the northern boundary of Vandenberg Air Force Base. The study area boundary extends inland to the watershed crests except in the Santa Ynez Valley, where it is primarily limited to Vandenberg Air Force Base. Inshore coastal waters will also be addressed in the feasibility study.

In conducting the Gaviota Coast feasibility study, the NPS will evaluate the national significance of the area's natural, cultural, and recreational resources. The NPS will also assess the area's suitability and feasibility to be a unit of the National Park System, whereby factors which the NPS study team will evaluate include: Whether the Gaviota Coast includes types or quality of resources not already adequately represented in the National Park System; whether long-term protection and public use of the area are feasible, and; whether the area can be adequately protected and administered at a reasonable cost.

The NPS will also consider: alternative boundaries and strategies for the management, protection and use of significant resources within the overall study area, including management by other public agencies or the private sector; technical or financial assistance available from established programs or special initiatives and partnerships; alternative designations to a National Seashore (e.g., Heritage Area), and; cooperative management by NPS and other entities.

After public input and review of a draft feasibility study report, alternatives will be identified and evaluated, and the results transmitted to Congress in a final feasibility study report.

*Scoping to Date/Comments:* Various newsletters and press releases issued during the initial scoping process for environmental impact analysis indicated initial consideration had been given to preparing an Environmental Assessment. Preliminary public information activities were undertaken beginning in January 2000. These included three public meetings in Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Lompoc, as well as two invitational workshops in Gaviota to explore desired future conditions for the coast. In addition, scoping meetings were held with a wide representation of stakeholder groups and interested organizations. Approximately 200 responses were received by letter, comment sheets, e-mail, and Internet web page forms. Two newsletter

mailings describing the planning process and preliminary identification of issues were also widely distributed. Upon consideration of public responses obtained through this initial public involvement, it has been determined that an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared.

All comments received during the initial phase have been fully documented and have already aided this conservation planning and environmental impact analysis process, as noted above. A summary of all issues and concerns generated to date is available on request—this summary and additional information about the study can also be obtained on the Internet at <http://www.nps.gov/pwro/gaviota/>.

In addition to the extensive public involvement undertaken to date, formal scoping for the feasibility study and EIS is hereby initiated. All interested individuals, organizations and agencies wishing to provide additional comments, suggestions, or relevant information (or those wishing to be added to the project mailing list) should respond to Gaviota Coast Feasibility Study Team, Attn: Ray Murray, National Park Service, 600 Harrison Street, Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94107. All written comments must be postmarked not later than October 9, 2000 (or if via e-mail, transmitted no later than this date to [PGSO\\_Gaviota@nps.gov](mailto:PGSO_Gaviota@nps.gov)).

If individuals submitting comments request that their name or/and address be withheld from public disclosure, it will be honored to the extent allowable by law. Such requests must be stated prominently in the beginning of the comments. There also may be circumstances wherein the NPS will withhold a respondent's identity as allowable by law. As always: NPS will make available to public inspection all submissions from organizations or businesses and from persons identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations and businesses; and, anonymous comments may not be considered.

**Decision Process:** Availability of the draft EIS for review and written comment will be announced by **Federal Register** notice, via local and regional news media, and direct mailing. At this time the draft EIS is anticipated to be available for public review in June 2001, and that subsequently a final EIS will be completed in January 2002. To afford additional opportunity to comment on the draft EIS after it is distributed, public meetings will be held in the Gaviota Coast area (dates and locations to be determined). Notice of the availability of the final EIS will likewise be published in the **Federal Register**.

The official responsible for the initial recommendation is the Regional Director, Pacific West Region, National Park Service. The official responsible for amending or ratifying the recommendation and transmitting to the Secretary of the Interior is the Director, National Park Service. The Secretary determines whether to forward the recommendation to Congress for their consideration.

Dated: August 31, 2000.

**Holly Bundock,**

*Acting Regional Director, Pacific West Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Commercial Services Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement, Glacier National Park, Montana

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Commercial Services Plan, Glacier National Park.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Park Service is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement for the Commercial Services Plan for Glacier National Park. This plan and Environmental Impact Statement will be approved by the Intermountain Regional Director. This plan will implement decisions previously made in the newly completed General Management Plan.

The approved General Management Plan (GMP) for Glacier National Park committed the park to rehabilitate the historic lodging facilities in Glacier and outlined general direction for the park and its commercial services. The GMP states, "Historic visitor lodging experiences would continue. . .from camping cabins to the grand hotels, as appropriate to the geographic area and management zones."

The GMP also required the park to develop a commercial services plan to deal more specifically with concessioner activities.

"The overall mix of services to be offered would be determined through the development of a commercial services plan. The type and level of these services would be guided by the management philosophy of the General Management Plan, to retain Glacier's classic western park character. A minimum of approximately 500 rooms would be retained. . .Develop a commercial service plan that analyzes visitor needs, expectations and demands; resource constraints and

implications; and determine economic feasibility to establish the number of rooms and service that should be made available in the park. . ." GMP 1999

The effort will result in a comprehensive Commercial Services Plan. Alternatives to be considered include no-action and alternatives that address the following. A preferred alternative will be identified in the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

1. Determine the overall mix of commercial services.
2. Establish the framework for future decisions.
3. Establish the types and level of service by park area based on need, expectations, economic feasibility, resource concerns, etc.
4. Provide a vision and implementation strategy for rehabilitating the historic hotels and continuing a wide range of visitor experiences.

5. Provide the specific information necessary for issuance of new concession contracts including those that allow the rehabilitation efforts.

Congress defined concession activity and enacted Title IV of the National Parks Omnibus Management Act of 1998, under which the National Park Service (NPS) authorizes park concession operations. It requires that development "be limited to those accommodations, facilities, services that are necessary and appropriate for public use and enjoyment. . ." of the national park area in which they are located ". . .and that are consistent to the highest practicable degree with the preservation and conservation of the resources and values of the unit."

The plan will tier down from the General Management plan to provide a framework or broad, general direction for commercial services as well as specific information such as the number of a particular facility type in a given area. It would also provide site-specific schematic design for key areas of the park. While providing direction for the park's commercial services, the plan would also provide the information necessary for development of prospectuses for new concession contracts.

A scoping newsletter will be prepared which details the issues identified to date. Copies will be distributed in the fall of 2000 and will be available online on the Commercial Services Plan website at: <http://www.nps.gov/planning/glac/> or by writing to: Commercial Services Plan/EIS Glacier National Park West Glacier, MT 59936-0128.

If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of