

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

[WY-010-2822JL]

Emergency Closure to Motorized Vehicle Use on Public Lands Administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Worland Field Office, Within the Enos Complex Fire area, Hot Springs and Park Counties, Wyoming**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Emergency closure.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Worland Field Office, hereby gives notice that, effective immediately, all tracks and other areas disturbed by fire-fighting equipment in the Enos Complex Fire area are closed to motorized vehicle use. The purpose for this emergency closure is to facilitate reclamation of the public lands disturbed or damaged during suppression of the 13,664-acre Enos Complex Fire.

An Emergency Fire Rehabilitation Plan has been prepared and approved for this burned area. Some of the rehabilitation actions include reseeding areas with native vegetation and constructing water bars on fire lines. Areas disturbed by fire-fighting equipment will be signed as "Closed to Motor Vehicle Use." Motorized vehicle travel on these disturbed areas and other areas affected by the fire could increase soil erosion, impair wildlife habitat, damage cultural resources, and jeopardize the rehabilitation efforts.

This emergency closure includes some roads and trails which existed before the fire.

EFFECTIVE DATES: This closure to motorized vehicle use is effective immediately and will remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the authorized officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Darrell Barnes, Field Manager, Worland Field Office, P.O. Box 119, 101 South 23th Street, Worland, Wyoming 82401-0119. Telephone (307)347-5100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Enos Creek Complex Fire began with lightning strikes on July 27, 2000. The fires encompassed 13,664 acres of federal, state, and private lands. The purpose of this emergency closure is to eliminate unnecessary vehicle use while providing a minimum amount of access into the area for recreation. This order will help facilitate the area's rehabilitation from the fire. Vehicles traveling off-road in a burned area may

damage reemerging plants, increase erosion, and spread noxious weeds.

The management of off-road vehicles is addressed in the Grass Creek Resource Management Plan (BLM, Sept. 1998).

The Enos Creek area is an important wildlife habitat and hunting area. The recent fire burned more than 90 percent of the area, leaving very little in the way of security cover for wildlife. Keeping vehicle traffic away from some areas for one or two growing seasons will help in the rehabilitation. There is also a need to allow some vehicle access so hunters can harvest big game animals. The Worland Field Office specialists will analyze the effects of this closure in the summer of 2001 and extend, modify, or rescind this order as deemed necessary by the authorized officer.

The following described BLM-administered lands are included in this Emergency Road Closure.

6th Principal Meridian

T. 46 N., R. 99 W., sec. 15, 17, and 18;
T. 45 N., R. 100 W., sec. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 21;
T. 46 N., R. 100 W., sec. 13 through 29, 33, 34, and 35;
T. 47 N., R. 100 W., sec. 27, 28, 33, 24, and 35.

Authority for Off-Road Vehicle Management, closure and restriction orders is provided under 43 CFR subpart 8341.2 (a and b), and 8364.1. Violations of this management plan are punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and (or) imprisonment not to exceed 12 months.

Dated: October 13, 2000.

Darrell Barnes,*Worland Field Manager.*

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[CA-180-1430-EU; CACA-42586]

Notice of Realty Action: Direct Sale of Public Sale, Mariposa County, CA

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) examined the following described federal lands and through the NEPA process determined them suitable for disposal by direct sale, including the mineral estate with no known value, pursuant to sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1713 and 1719), at no less than fair market value.

Federal lands determined suitable for direct sale are described as:

Mount Diablo Meridian, California

T. 3 S., R. 16 E.,

Sec. 11: portion of the SESW.

Containing approximately 3.31 acres.

The lands are not required for federal purposes, and it has been determined that disposal of these parcels would be in the public's interest. The land is being offered by direct sale to Dr. Raymond Bessemer. It has been determined that the subject parcels contain no known mineral values. Acceptance of a direct sale offer will constitute an application for conveyance of those mineral interests having no known value. The applicant will be required to pay a \$50.00 non-refundable filing fee for conveyance of the said mineral interests. The land will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Montgomery, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Land Management, Folsom Field Office, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630; (916) 985-4474.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public lands being offered to Dr. Raymond Bessemer are currently encumbered by Dr. Bessemer's improvements. The above described land is hereby segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, but not from sale under the above cited statutes, for 270 days from the date of publication of this notice, or until title transfer is completed or the segregation is terminated by publication in the **Federal Register**, whichever occurs first.

A patent, when issued, will contain the following reservations to the United States: 1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States pursuant to the Act of August 30, 1890 (26 Stat. 391; 43 U.S.C. 945).

Application Comments: For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested persons may submit comments regarding the proposed conveyance of the land to the Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Folsom Field Office, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630. Objections will be reviewed by the Field Manager who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action.

Dated: November 6, 2000.

D.K. Swickard,*Field Manager, Folsom Field Office.*

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