

the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The BLM will receive and analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for approval from the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

The Helium Privatization Act of 1996 requires the Department of the Defense, the Atomic Energy Commission, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and other Federal agencies to purchase major helium requirements from authorized contractors. These contractors are then required to purchase an equivalent amount of crude helium from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management.

The respondents are Federal agencies and helium suppliers (contractors) who purchase major helium requirements and report to BLM the sales information for an accurate account of helium to Federal agencies from Federal helium suppliers.

BLM estimates an average of 76 respondents and 304 responses annually. The frequency of response is once for the In-Kind Crude Helium Sales Contract and quarterly for the required helium sales information under 43 CFR 3195. Based on the BLM's experience, it will take a respondent approximately one hour to supply the requested information in the In-Kind Crude Helium Sales Contract. It will take a respondent from 15 minutes to 2 hours to supply the required helium sales information under 43 CFR 3195. The estimated total annual burden is 912 hours collectively.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 20, 2000.

Michael Schwartz,

BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[OR-035-5900-DH: GP1-0031]

Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Lookout Mountain Landscape Area Management Plan and Baker Resource Management Plan Amendment in Baker County, Oregon

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, USDI.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Lookout Mountain Landscape Area Management Plan and Baker Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment in Baker County, Oregon and Notice of Scoping.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management, Vale District, Baker Field Office, will be preparing an EIS on the impacts of proposed management activities in the Lookout Mountain geographic management area and a Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment (43 CFR 1610.5-5). Proposed projects include, range improvements, vegetation manipulation, forest health enhancement, watershed restoration and wildlife habitat enhancement. At a minimum, the proposed RMP Amendment would change the Visual Resource Management (VRM) allocations within the Lookout Mountain geographic area based on new inventories.

DATES: Written comments for the initial scoping will be accepted until January 8, 2001. A public meeting will be held in Baker County prior to finalizing the alternatives for the DEIS. The time, place and date of the public meeting will be published in Baker City Harold, Hells Canyon Journal, and the Argus Observer. Additional meetings will be considered as appropriate. Comment period length will be noted at each point in the planning and analysis process.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The project area consists of approximately 25,000 acres of public lands located between the Brownlee Reservoir of the Snake River and Durkee, Oregon. The area includes portions of the Morgan Creek, Hibbard Creek, Fox Creek, Conner Creek, Daley Creek and Sisley Creek drainages. Potential activities may include, but are not limited to, timber harvesting, tree thinning, prescribed burning, tree planting, juniper removal, fence construction, noxious weed

treatment, rangeland seeding, riparian planting, placement of large woody debris in stream channels, new road construction, road improvements and road closures. Interdisciplinary team disciplines to be represented will include; forestry, recreation, range conservation, hydrology, wildlife, fisheries, botany, archeology, geology and engineering.

The Baker Field Office originally started public scoping for these projects with a letter that went out on May 21, 1999 and a field trip to the area in the fall of 1999. Based on this scoping and the initial assessment, the analysis has been elevated from an Environmental Assessment to an Environmental Impact Statement. Comments received during the initial scoping have been retained and will be carried forward through the planning process.

The Tentative Project Schedule Is as Follows:

File Draft EIS—Spring, 2001

File Final EIS—Fall, 2001

Record of Decision—Winter, 2002

Public participation will be especially important at several points during the analysis and planning process. The scoping process (40 CFR 1501.7) for this analysis will include;

1. Identification of the issues to be addressed,
2. Identification of viable alternatives,
3. Identifying and notifying interested groups, individual and agencies to determine level of participation and obtain additional information concerning issues to be addressed in the EIS.

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Baker Field Office during normal working hours (7:45 AM to 4:30 PM except holidays), and may be published as part of the EIS or other related documents. Individuals may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this promptly at the beginning of your comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety. The planning documents and direct supporting record for the analysis and plan amendment will be available for inspection at the Baker Field Office during normal working hours. Historical records may also be posted on the BLM inter-net site to facilitate public access.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Penelope Dunn Woods, Field Manager,

Baker Resource Area, Vale District, Bureau of Land Management, 3165 10th St, Baker City, Oregon 97814. Comments may also be sent by e-mail to Baker_Mail@or.blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dick Watson, Bureau of Land Management, 3165 10th Street, Baker City, Oregon 97841, (541) 523-1339.

Penelope Dunn Woods,

Field Manager, Baker Resource Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-930-1310-01; NMNM 0 48342]

New Mexico: Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NMNM 0 48342 for lands in Eddy County, New Mexico, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from December 1, 1999, the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5.00 per acre or fraction thereof and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The Lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective December 1, 1999, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margo C. Sena, BLM, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438-7457.

Dated: November 16, 2000.

Margo C. Sena,

Land Law Examiner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-1310-01; WYW141441]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

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 WYW141441 for lands in Lincoln 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 \$5.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively.

The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$158 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 WYW 141441 effective September 1, 2000, 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

National Park Service

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the Final Recreational Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, Big Cypress National Preserve, Florida.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service has prepared this Record of Decision (ROD) on the Final Recreational Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement, for Big Cypress National Preserve, Florida. This ROD includes a description of the need for the plan, a summary of the planning process, a statement of the decision made, the basis for the decision, a synopsis of other alternatives considered, a description of the environmentally preferable alternative, and a listing of

the measures to minimize environmental harm.

DATES: This ROD became effective upon signature by the Director of the National Park Service on September 28, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Record of Decision for the Big Cypress Final Recreational Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan/Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement are available from the Superintendent, Big Cypress National Preserve, HCR 61, Box 110, Ochopee, Florida 34141, telephone 941-695-2000. The ROD is also on the Internet at <http://www.nps.gov/BICY>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The intent of the selected action is to limit and control the use of off-road vehicles (ORV) use in a manner that will ensure the natural and ecological integrity of the preserve. The selected action will result in long-term benefits to vegetation, soils, surface water flows, and water quality. Further, the selected action may benefit the Cape Sable seaside sparrow and the Florida Panther.

The selected action will limit ORV use to approximately 400 miles of primary trails. Trails would be designated in the Bear Island, Turner River, Corn Dance and Stairsteps Units. The Deep Lake and Look Units will remain closed to ORV use.

Dated: November 16, 2000.

Jerry Belson,

Regional Director, Southeast Region.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-421]

Processed Foods and Beverages: A Description of Tariff and Non-tariff Barriers for Major Products and Their Impact on Trade

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institute of investigation and scheduling of public hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 17, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information, Karl Rich (202-205-3317), Vince Honnold (202-205-3314), or Cathy Jabara (202-205-3309), Agriculture and Forest Products Division, Office of Industries, or for information on legal aspects, William Gearhart (202-205-3091), Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission. Hearing impaired persons can obtain information on this