

State of California, announces the availability of the response to public comments on the Final Tubbs Island Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment (Plan/Assessment) for a wetland restoration project at Lower Tubbs Island, Sonoma County, California. The Tubbs Island Restoration Project was selected by the United Heckathorn Natural Resource Trustee Council (Trustees), consisting of representatives of the agencies listed above, as the preferred alternative to compensate the public for impairment of fish and wildlife habitat resulting from releases of dichlorodiphenoltrichloroethane (DDT) at the United Heckathorn Superfund Site in Richmond, California. Funds to carry out the restoration program were obtained via Consent Decrees between the government and the responsible parties in July 1996, and the Final Tubbs Island Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment was completed in August 1998, along with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The Plan/Assessment describes the approach, schedule, and budget for completing and monitoring the restoration project. A public hearing was held on March 22, 2000, to present the Trustees' proposal to fund the Tubbs Island Restoration Project with funds from the United Heckathorn settlement, and all interested parties were invited to submit comments on the proposal. Following a review of comments and consideration of additional proposals submitted by the City of Richmond and the East Bay Regional Parks District, the Council ratified its original decision to fund the project at Lower Tubbs Island.

ADDRESSES: Written requests for the Response to Comments or the Final Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment should be sent to: Field Supervisor, Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2605, Sacramento, CA 95825 (facsimile 916/414-6713). Documents will also be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address. The Response to Comments and Plan/Assessment are also on file at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge P.O. Box 2012, 1404 Mesa Road, Mare Island, CA 94952; (707) 562-3000. They are available for public inspection during normal business hours, by appointment, at that address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Haas, Fish and Wildlife Service,

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The primary author of this notice is James Haas (see **ADDRESSES** section).

Authority

The authority for this action is the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*).

Dated: February 15, 2001.

Elizabeth H. Stevens,

Acting Manager, California-Nevada Operations Office, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Pedestrian and Vehicular Closure on Certain Public Lands Managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Pedestrian and vehicular closure on selected public lands in Clark County, Nevada.

SUMMARY: The Manager of the Las Vegas Field Office announces a pedestrian and vehicular closure on selected public lands under the Office's administration. The perimeter of the subject lands has been previously fenced to aid in the protection of sensitive heritage and traditional values. Closure will aid in law enforcement efforts to protect these lands. This action is being taken to ensure public safety, prevent unnecessary environmental degradation and prevent impacts from pedestrian or vehicular use of these lands. In the area subject to this closure, ongoing access-related damage to significant resources is adversely affecting their continuing importance to Indian tribes and the public.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The closure is effective immediately and will remain in effect for a period of one year.

Closure Area: Public lands affected are within the following described area: Township 15 South, Range 66 East, Sections 7 and 8. Maps depicting the area affected by this closure order are available for public inspection at the Las Vegas, Field Office, Bureau of Land Management at the address listed below.

Exceptions to Closure: Certain persons authorized or permitted by the Las Vegas Field Manager may be allowed within the selected lands.

Closure Restrictions: Unless otherwise authorized by the Las Vegas Field Office Manager, no person shall be allowed within the boundaries of the presently fenced enclosure legally described above. This applies to all types of access.

Definitions: "Authorized persons refers to those groups or individuals specifically authorized for official business. This includes certain BLM employees and contractors, volunteers, tribal members, University personnel or any other persons authorized by the Las Vegas Field Manager."

This closure order is issued under the authority of 43 CFR 8364.1. Violation of any of the terms, conditions, or restrictions contained within this closure order, may subject the violator to citation or arrest, with a penalty of fine or imprisonment or both as specified by law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stanton D. Rolf, District Archaeologist, at the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas, Field Office, 4765 W. Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108, telephone number (702) 647-5055.

Dated: February 20, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Draft Northern & Eastern Colorado Desert Coordinated Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement: an Amendment to the California Desert Conservation Area Plan, 1980 and Sikes Act Plan With the California Department of Fish and Game

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District Office, Riverside, California.

ACTION: Notice of availability of draft Northern & Eastern Colorado Desert Coordinated Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Draft Northern and Eastern Colorado Desert Coordinated Management Plan (Plan) and Environmental Impact Statement is available for public review and comment. The Plan will amend BLM's 1980 California Desert