

appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

BLM administers the livestock grazing program consistent with land-use plans, multiple-use objectives, sustained yield, environmental values, economic considerations, and other factors. When BLM authorizes livestock use on public lands it is an important and integral part of program administration. The implementing regulations (43 CFR 4130.1) provide for the timely filing of applications for grazing permits or leases, free-use grazing permits, and other authorized grazing uses with the appropriate BLM office.

BLM will continue to use Form 4130-3a to document applications for livestock grazing use on public lands and to annually amend authorized grazing levels within the terms and conditions of existing permits or leases. The BLM requests information that the applicant either confirms or changes to reflect their desired grazing use, include the name and number of the grazing allotment to verify the authorized location, the number of livestock and periods of use for billing purposes, the recorded brands to verify ownership, and if requested, reasons for any nonuse. Without this information, BLM would not be able to properly administer uses of the public lands as required by law and resulting in unauthorized use, improper billings, and nonpayment of fees due the Federal Government.

Based upon BLM experience and recent tabulations of activity, we process approximately 7,665 applications each year. The public reporting information collection burden takes 14 minutes. Depending on the complexity of the applications, some responses vary from 5 minutes to 30 minutes to complete. We estimate 7,665 responses per year and a total annual burden of 1,794 hours.

BLM will summarize all response to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 16, 2001.

Michael H. Schwartz,

BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO-310-1310-PB-24 1A]

Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Approval Number 1004-0184

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend an existing approval to collect information from lessees, operators, record title holders, operating rights owners, and the general public on oil and gas leasing and operations on Federal lands. The revised implementing regulations will be found at 43 CFR part 3100 to authorize BLM to collect the new required nonform information.

DATES: You must submit your comments to BLM at the address below on or before October 1, 2001. BLM will not necessarily consider any comments received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: Regulatory Affairs Group (630), Bureau of Land Management, Mailstop 401LS, 1840 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

You may send comments via Internet to: *WOCComment@blm.gov*. Please include "ATTN: 1004-0184" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

You may deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Barbara Gamble on (202) 452-0338 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Ms. Gamble.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 CFR 1320.12(a) requires that we provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information to solicit comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The BLM is revising its Federal oil and gas leasing and operations regulations (43 CFR Part 3100). The implementing regulations will improve procedures and clarify requirements. The Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*); the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands of 1947, as amended (30 U.S.C. 351-359); the various Indian leasing acts; the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); the Federal Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing Reform Act of 1987 (Pub. L. 100-203, 101 Stat. 1330-256); the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act; and the various requirements in 43 CFR 3100, authorize BLM to maintain records and provide information pertaining to data submitted by the lessees, operators, record title holders, operating rights owners, and the general public.

Based upon our experience managing oil and gas activities, we estimated the new public reporting information collection burden in a **Federal Register** notice (63 FR 66840). We estimated 22,945 responses per year and an estimated total annual burden of 4,102 hours.

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 16, 2001.

Michael H. Schwartz,

BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK-962-1410-HY-P; AA-8104-2]

Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Ahtna, Inc., for 130.45 acres, located in the vicinity of Copper Center and Chistochina, Alaska, in the following townships: Tps. 1 S., Rs. 1 and 3 E., and T. 11 N., R. 5 E., Copper River Meridian. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Copper Valley Weekly.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until August 30, 2001 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nora A. Benson (907) 271-3323.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2650.7(d)).

Nora A. Benson,

Land Law Examiner, Branch of ANCSA Adjudication.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-025-1220-EA; Special Recreation Permit #NV-023-01-12]

Public Land Closures; Prohibition of Certain Activities; Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, Nevada.

ACTION: Notice to the public of public lands closure, and prohibition of certain activities on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office, Nevada.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that certain lands would be temporarily closed or restricted, and certain activities would be temporarily prohibited, in and around the Burning Man Festival event site, Pershing and Washoe counties, Nevada, for camping,

vehicle use, fire use, and aircraft landing from 6 a.m., August 27, 2001, to 12:00 pm, September 3, 2001. Certain lands would be temporarily closed or restricted, and certain activities would be temporarily prohibited, in the Winnemucca District, Pershing and Washoe Counties, Nevada, for fireworks use and firearms use from 6 a.m., August 10, 2001, to 12:00 pm, September 10, 2001. These closures, restrictions and prohibitions are being made in the interest of public safety at and around the public lands location of an event known as the Burning Man Festival. This event is expected to attract at approximately 30,000 participants this year. The lands involved are located in the Mount Diablo Meridian and located northeast of Gerlach, Nevada.

Public Camping Is Prohibited in the Following Areas: T33N, R24E, Sec. 1: W¹/₂; Sec. 2; Sec. 3; Sec. 4; Sec. 9; Sec. 10; Sec. 11; Sec. 12: W¹/₂; Sec. 15: N¹/₂ of the NW¹/₄; Sec. 16: N¹/₂; T33¹/₂N, R24E, Sec. 33; Sec. 34; Sec. 35; Sec. 36: W¹/₂. These areas are closed during the event period, August 27, 2000 to September 3, 2001, with the exception of defined camping areas designated and provided by the Black Rock City LLC, an authorized "pilot camp" and BLM-authorized event management-related camps.

Operation of Motorized Vehicles Is Prohibited on the Following Public Lands: T33N, R24E, Sec. 2, Sec. 3, Sec. 4, Sec. 9, Sec. 10, Sec. 11. T33¹/₂N, R24E, Sec. 33; Sec. 34; Sec. 35. These areas within the event boundary are closed during the Burning Man event period, August 27, 2001 to September 3, 2001, with the following exceptions: participant arrival at the event and departure following event completion on designated routes, art vehicles registered with Burning Man; Black Rock City LLC staff and support, BLM, medical, law enforcement, and firefighting vehicles. "Art Cars" must register with Burning Man/Black Rock City LLC and must provide evidence of registration at all times.

The following Public Lands are Closed: T33N, R24E, Sec. 4: NW¹/₄; Sec. 4: S¹/₂; Sec. 5: SE¹/₄; Sec. 8: NE¹/₄; Sec. 8: S¹/₂; Sec. 9; Sec. 10: W¹/₂; Sec. 15: N¹/₂ of the NW¹/₄; Sec. 16: N¹/₂. T33¹/₂N, R24E, Sec. 33: NE¹/₄; Sec. 34: NW¹/₄. For event safety during entry, exit and airstrip operations, Playa areas southwest, west and northwest of the event are closed during the Burning Man event period, August 27, 2001 to September 3, 2001, with the exception of BLM personnel, law enforcement, emergency medical services, Burning Man staff as designated by the BLM

authorized officer, entrance road and the airstrip.

Fire Restriction Orders are in effect pursuant to 43 CFR 9212.2, 36 CFR 261.50(a)(b) for all lands managed by the BLM, Winnemucca Field Office. Black Rock City LLC/Burning Man will abide by fire restriction orders, except for the following as officially approved by Black Rock City LLC in coordination with BLM: Official art burns, authorized event fireworks, and other authorized fires only in Black Rock City LLC/Burning Man-supplied fire pans and fire barrels.

The use, sale or possession of personal fireworks within the Burning Man Event/Black Rock City boundary fence is prohibited on the following public lands from August 10, 2001, through September 10, 2001: T33N, R24E, Sec. 2; Sec. 3; Sec. 4; Sec. 9; Sec. 10; Sec. 11; T33¹/₂N, R24E, Sec. 33; Sec. 34; Sec. 35, with the exception of those fireworks that have been approved by Black Rock City LLC as part of an official Burning Man art burn event.

Possession of Firearms Is Prohibited on the Following Public Lands from August 10, 2001, through September 10, 2001: T33N, R24E, Sec. 2; Sec. 3; Sec. 4; Sec. 9; Sec. 10; Sec. 11; T33¹/₂N, R24E, Sec. 33; Sec. 34; Sec. 35. This closure is in effect inside the Burning Man event/Black Rock City boundary fence, with the exception of county, state and federal certified law enforcement personnel under the color of law. "Firearm" means any device designed to be used as a weapon from which a projectile may be expelled through the barrel by the force of any explosion or other form of combustion (NRS 202.253).

Discharge of Firearms Is Prohibited on the Following Public Lands from August 10, 2001, through September 10, 2001: T33N, R24E, Sec. 1; Sec. 2; Sec. 3; Sec. 4; Sec. 5; Sec. 6: E¹/₂; Sec. 8; Sec. 9; Sec. 10; Sec. 11; Sec. 12; Sec. 13: N¹/₂; Sec. 13: SW¹/₄; Sec. 14; Sec. 15; Sec. 16; Sec. 17: E¹/₂; Sec. 17: NW¹/₄; Sec. 21: NE¹/₄; Sec. 22: N¹/₂; Sec. 23: NW¹/₄; T33N, R25E, Sec. 4; Sec. 9: W¹/₂; Sec. 9: NW¹/₄ of the NE¹/₄; T33¹/₂N, R24E, Sec. 25; Sec. 26; Sec. 27 Sec. 28; Sec. 29; Sec. 32; Sec. 33; Sec. 34; Sec. 35; Sec. 36; T34N, R24E, Sec. 33: NE¹/₄; Sec. 33: S¹/₂; Sec. 34; Sec. 35; Sec. 36: S¹/₂; T34N, R25E, Sec. 33. This closure applies for two miles in all directions from the event boundary, with the exception of law enforcement officers under color of law.

Aircraft are prohibited from landing, taking off, and taxiing on the following public lands from August 27, 2001, through September 3, 2001: T33N, R23E, Sec. 25: E¹/₂; T33N, R24E, Sec. 1; Sec. 2; Sec. 3; Sec. 4; Sec. 5: SE¹/₄; Sec.