

Dated: May 1, 2002.

Neal A. McCaleb,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of amendment to approved Tribal-State Compact.

SUMMARY: Under Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of the approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved the Eighth Renewal of Agreement between the Northern Cheyenne Tribe and the State of Montana regarding the Class III Gaming on the Northern Cheyenne Reservation.

DATES: This action is effective May 31, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

Dated: May 2, 2002.

Neal A. McCaleb,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-660-02-1610-DS]

Notice of Availability of Draft California Desert Conservation Area Plan Amendment for the Coachella Valley, Draft Trails Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Draft California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA) Plan Amendment for the Coachella Valley, Draft Trails Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

SUMMARY: In compliance with Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFF) Part 1610.2(f)(3) and Title 40 CFR part 1500, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hereby gives notice that the Draft CDCA Plan Amendment for the Coachella Valley, Draft Trails Management Plan, and DEIS is available for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments will be accepted until 90-days have elapsed after publication of notice in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ADDRESSES: If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any of several methods. You may mail comments to: James G. Kenna, Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs-South Coast Field Office, P.O. Box 581260, North Palm Springs, CA 92258.

You may also comment via the Internet to emisquez@ca.blm.gov. Please submit Internet comments as an ASCII file, avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include in the subject line: "Draft CDCA Plan Amendment and EIS" and your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message, contact Elena Misquez at (760) 251-4810. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to: Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs-South Coast Field Office, 690 W. Garnet Avenue, North Palm Springs, CA 92258.

Oral comments will be accepted and recorded at any of three public meetings to be held during the month of July, 2002. Notice published in local media will also be provided at least 15 days prior to the scheduled public meetings.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elena Misquez at (760) 251-4810 or emisquez@ca.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A copy of the Draft CDCA Plan Amendment for the Coachella Valley, Draft Trails Management Plan, and DEIS is available for review via the internet at www.ca.blm.gov/palmsprings. Electronic (on CD-ROM) and paper copies may also be obtained by contacting Elena Misquez at the aforementioned addresses and phone number.

This Draft CDCA Plan Amendment for the Coachella Valley and draft Trails Management Plan is being developed in partnership with the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) in support of their efforts to prepare a Coachella Valley Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Area Plan (CVMSHCP). The Trails Management Plan will be incorporated into the CVMSHCP. Upon completion of the environmental impact statement/environmental impact report for the CVMSHCP, BLM may adopt the CVMSHCP as an activity (implementation) level plan in accordance with Bureau Manual guidance and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). A separate record of decision will be prepared for the CDCA Plan Amendment for the Coachella Valley in accordance with the planning regulations at Title 43 CFR 1610 and NEPA.

Dated: May 6, 2002.

James G. Kenna,

Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-040-02-5101-ER-F330; (N-74943)]

Notice of Realty Action; Notice of Availability of Draft Amendment and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action and notice of availability of the Draft Toquop Land Disposal Amendment to the Caliente Management Framework Plan (MFP) and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Toquop Energy Project.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, a DEIS has been prepared by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Ely Field Office for the Toquop Energy Project. This document evaluates the environmental

effects from constructing a 1,100-megawatt (MW) natural gas-fired electric power generating plant and associated features on public lands in Lincoln and Clark Counties, southern Nevada. This document also evaluates the effects of amending the Caliente MFP, to identify 640 acres of land for disposal. This document evaluates the exchange of approximately 640 acres of private land (the Pah Rah parcel) in Washoe County, northwestern Nevada, for a similarly valued parcel of public land at one of the power plant sites under consideration. The Pah Rah parcel would come under BLM administration if the Pah Rah/Toquop land exchange is approved.

DATES: The DEIS will be made available to the public on May 31, 2002. Copies of the DEIS will be mailed to individuals, agencies, or companies who previously requested copies. Mailed comments on the DEIS must be postmarked by August 29, 2002. Written comments on the document should be addressed to Gene A. Kolkman, District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, HC 33, Box 33500, Ely, NV 89301-9408. Oral and/or written comments may also be presented at four scheduled public meetings to be held at the following locations.

- Monday, July 8, 2002, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; City Hall, 100 Depot Avenue, Caliente, Nevada
- Tuesday, July 9, 2002, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; City Hall, 10 E. Mesquite Boulevard, Mesquite, Nevada
- Wednesday, July 10, 2002, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; BLM Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada
- Thursday, July 11, 2002, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Airport Plaza Hotel, 1981 Terminal Way, Reno, Nevada

ADDRESSES: Public reading copies of the DEIS will be available for reading at public libraries listed below:

- Caliente Branch Library, P.O. Box 306, Caliente, NV 89008
- Clark County Library, 1401 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89109
- Las Vegas Public Library, 1726 East Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89104
- Lincoln County Library, P.O. Box 330, Pioche, NV 89043
- Mesquite Library, 121 West 1st North Street, Mesquite, NV 89027
- North Las Vegas Library, 2300 Civic Center, North Las Vegas, NV 89030
- Panaca High School Library, P.O. Box 268, Panaca, NV 89042
- University of Nevada-Las Vegas, James R. Dickinson Library, Documents Department, 4505 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154

- University of Nevada-Reno, Getchell Library, Government Publication Dept., Reno, NV 89507
- Washoe County Library, 301 South Center Street, Reno, NV 89501
- White Pine County Library, 950 Campton Street, Ely, NV 89301
- A limited number of copies of the document will be available at the following BLM offices:
- Bureau of Land Management, Caliente Field Station, U.S. Highway 93, Caliente, NV 89008-0237
- Bureau of Land Management, Carson City Field Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701
- Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, 702 North Industrial Way, Ely, NV 89301-9408
- Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Boulevard, Reno, NV 89502-7147
- Washington Office of Public Affairs, 18th and C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240

Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this definitively at the beginning of your written comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations, businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Netcher, Team Lead, Bureau of Land Management, Ely Field Office, HC 33, Box 33500, Ely, NV 89301-9408.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS addresses alternatives to resolve the following major issues: Air quality, surface water, ground water, threatened or endangered species, transportation, visual resources, noise, cultural and historical resources, Native American religious concerns, and socioeconomics.

The Proposed Action, two other action alternatives, and the No Action Alternative include the following: Proposed Action (MFP Amendment Land Exchange and/or Southern Power Plant Site right-of-way (ROW), Western Utility Alignment ROW, and access road ROW); Alternative 1 (MFP Amendment, Land Exchange and/or Southern Power Plant Site, Eastern Utility Alignment, and access road ROW); Alternative 2 (MFP Amendment, Land Exchange, and/or Northern Power Plant Site, Eastern Utility Alignment ROW, and access road ROW); No Action Alternative.

The Proposed Action and each action alternative include the following project actions and features: amending the Caliente MFP, exchanging BLM-managed public land for a privately owned parcel of land, and/or issuing ROWs by the BLM for Toquop Energy Project construction and operation; constructing, operating, and maintaining a 1,100-MW natural gas-fired electric power generating plant on one of two candidate plant sites with an expected life of 42 years; developing a wellfield in the Tule Desert to meet the water needs of the power plant; and developing the linear infrastructure necessary to connect the power plant to the new water source, to existing natural gas and electric transmission lines serving the region, and to access site facilities. The Proposed Action and Alternative 1 differ primarily in the location of the utility alignment (western vs. eastern). The Proposed Action and Alternative 2 differ primarily in the location of the power plant site (southern vs. northern) and, therefore, the parcel of BLM-managed public land to be exchanged. An option to the Proposed Action, Alternative 1, and Alternative 2 is for the BLM to issue ROWs for all project features rather than amend the Caliente MFP and approve the proposed land exchange.

The No Action Alternative represents the status quo condition of not approving or implementing the Proposed Action or either of the action alternatives. Analysis of the No Action Alternative is required by NEPA guidelines.

Based upon input received during public scoping, the BLM has combined the Toquop Energy Project DEIS with a related Environmental Assessment (EA) that the Carson City field office of the BLM had been preparing for the proposed Pah Rah/Toquop Land Exchange. That EA had been evaluating the exchange of approximately 640 acres of private land owned by the NLRC in the Pah Rah Range in Washoe County for a similarly valued, BLM-managed parcel of public land near the Toquop Wash in Lincoln County. The proposed land exchange is now being evaluated as part of the Proposed Action and Alternative 1 in this DEIS. The separate EA process for the proposed Pah Rah/Toquop land exchange has been discontinued. In addition, BLM elected to initiate amendment of the Caliente MFP.

A different land exchange would occur under Alternative 2. Under this alternative, the same privately owned parcel in Washoe County would be exchanged for a parcel of BLM-managed public land approximately 12 miles

north-northwest of the Toquop Wash plant site. This alternative site would be adjacent to and contiguous with the proposed wellfield in the Tule Desert. That wellfield is necessary for the Proposed Action and both action alternatives. These proposed land exchanges are part of the Proposed Action and action alternatives being addressed in this Draft Caliente MFP Amendment/DEIS. To proceed with the land exchange, the public land to be disposed of must be identified in the Caliente MFP as being suitable for disposal through sale or exchange. It has been determined that additional analysis is needed in the Caliente MFP for the 640 acres of public land that have been identified for exchange under the Proposed Action or action alternatives. Therefore, this document contains a focused Plan Amendment that addresses the proposed land exchange. The Pah Rah section of land to be acquired already meets the criteria for land acquisition in the Lahonton RMP, which is contained within the Consolidated RMP developed and administered by the BLM's Carson City Field Office. Therefore, no amendments to those RMPs are needed. The project might optionally proceed by building the power plant on public land with the issuance of appropriate ROWs from the BLM.

Public participation is occurring throughout the processing of this project. A Notice of Intent was published in the **Federal Register** on November 7, 2001. Two rounds of public meetings were held. Comments presented throughout the process have been considered.

Dated: April 10, 2002.

Eric K. Luse,
Associate Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Klamath Project, Oregon

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Order Establishing Prohibitions in Areas of Bureau of Reclamation Lands and Projects.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR part 423, Public Conduct on Bureau of Reclamation Lands and Projects, the Bureau of Reclamation has established a Closure Order for certain lands and waters of the Klamath Project in the State of Oregon. The Order prohibits

trespassing, entering, or remaining in or upon the closure areas as described; tampering or attempting to tamper with the facilities, structures or other property located within the closure areas; or moving, manipulating, or setting in motion any parts thereof; vandalism or destroying, injuring, defacing, or damaging property or real property that is not under one's lawful control or possession.

In accordance with 43 CFR part 423, Public Conduct on Bureau of Reclamation Lands, Reclamation is publishing the Closure Order in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: April 25, 2002 until October 15, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Klamath Basin Area Office, 6600 Washburn Way, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97603.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Dave Sabo, Area Manager, (541) 883-6935.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By virtue of the authority vested in me under the regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, 43 CFR part 423, public access to the following facilities, lands, or waters is closed until October 15, 2002:

A Canal Headgate Area—The closure area includes all lands, waters and facilities within 100 feet of either side of the centerline of the A Canal which lies between the Highway 97 onramp and the canal's confluence with Upper Klamath Lake. This closure area includes the entire A Canal headgate facility and related structures, walkways, gate operating mechanisms and all lands surrounding such structures within the described area.

Link River Dam—The closure area includes the entire dam structure and surrounding lands and water 100 feet downstream and 50 feet upstream of the dam and 50 feet from the right and left abutments.

Station 48 Drop—The closure area includes the land, water and facilities within and including the existing fence surrounding the headgate structure.

Klamath Basin Area Office Headquarters Area—The closure area includes the land and facilities immediately adjacent to and south of the KBAO office building and lying within and including the existing chain link fence which is bounded on the north by Joe Wright Road and on the east by Washburn Way and excludes the formal offices of the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Reclamation.

The following acts are prohibited on the facilities, lands and waters in the closure area:

1. Trespassing, entering, or remaining in or upon the closure areas described

above. Exceptions: Operations and Maintenance personnel that have express authorization from Reclamation, law enforcement officers and Reclamation employees acting within the scope of their employment, and any others who have received express written authorization from Reclamation to enter the closure areas.

2. Tampering or attempting to tamper with the facilities, structures or other property located within the closure areas or moving, manipulating, or setting in motion any of the parts thereof. Exceptions: see 1 above.

3. Vandalism or destroying, injuring, defacing, or damaging property within the closure areas or real property that is not under one's lawful control or possession. This order is posted in accordance with 43 CFR part 423.3(b).

Dated: May 7, 2002.

Dave Sabo,
Area Manager, Klamath Basin Area Office.
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that on May 2, 2002, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Stallworth Timber Co., Inc.*, Civil Action No. 02-0864 was lodged with the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana.

In this action the United States sought response costs pursuant to Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA") Section 107, 42 U.S.C. 9607. The proposed Consent Decree resolves civil claims of the United States against Stallworth Timber Company, Inc. ("Stallworth"), the former owner and operator at the time of disposal of hazardous substance at the American Creosote Works, Inc. Superfund Site (the "Site") located in the City of Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana. Under the proposed Consent Decree, Stallworth agrees to pay \$100,000 of the United States' past response costs related to the Site in installment payments over the course of four years.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources