

follows: 12,790 Btu/lb., 5.26 percent moisture, 4.68 percent ash, 44.18 percent volatile matter, 45.88 percent fixed carbon and 0.61 percent sulfur. The public is invited to the meeting to make public and/or written comments on the environmental implications of leasing the proposed tract, and also to submit comments on the Fair Market Value and the Maximum Economic Recovery of the tract.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with Federal coal management regulations 43 CFR parts 3422 and 3425, the public meeting is being held on the proposed sale to allow public comment on and discussion of the potential effects of mining and proposed lease. The meeting is being advertised in the Sun Advocate located in Price, Utah and the Emery County Progress located in Emery, Utah. 43 CFR part 3422 states that, No less than 30 days prior to the publication of the notice of sale, the Secretary shall solicit public comments on the Fair Market Value appraisal and Maximum Economic Recovery and on factors that may affect these two determinations. Proprietary data marked as confidential may be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management in response to this solicitation of public comments. Data so marked shall be treated in accordance with the laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of such information. A copy of the comments submitted by the public on fair market value and maximum economic recovery, except those portions identified as proprietary by the author and meeting exemptions stated in the Freedom of Information Act, will be available for public inspection at the Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office during regular business hours (8 a.m.–4 p.m.) Monday through Friday. Comments on the Fair Market Value and Maximum Economic Recovery should be sent to the Bureau of Land Management and should address, but not necessarily be limited to the following information.

1. The quality and quantity of the coal resource;
2. The mining methods or methods which would achieve maximum economic recovery of the coal, including specifications of seams to be mined and the most desirable timing and rate of production;
3. Whether this tract is likely to be mined as part of an existing mine and therefore should be evaluated on a realistic incremental basis, in relation to the existing mine to which it has the greatest value;
4. Whether the tract should be evaluated as part of a potential larger

mining unit and evaluated as a portion of a new potential mine (*i.e.*, a tract which does not in itself form a logical mining unit);

5. Restrictions to mining that may affect coal recovery;
6. The price that the mined coal would bring when sold;
7. Costs, including mining and reclamation, of producing the coal and the time of production.
8. The percentage rate at which anticipated income streams should be discounted, either with inflation or in the absence of inflation, in which case the anticipated rate of inflation should be given;
9. Depreciation, depletion, amortization and other tax accounting factors;
10. The value of any surface estate where held privately;
11. Documented information on the terms and conditions of recent and similar coal land transactions in the lease sale area;
12. Any comparable sales data of similar coal lands; and coal quantities and the Fair Market Value of the coal developed by BLM may or may not change as a result of comments received from the public and changes in the market conditions between now and when final economic evaluations are completed.

DATES: The public meeting is being held on Monday, March 17, 2003 at the Huntington Senior Citizen Center, address 100 North, 176 West, starting at 7 p.m. The building is just east of the Fire Department.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Written comments on the Fair Market Value and Maximum Economic Recovery must be received by April 14, 2003 and should be addressed to Stan Perkes, 801-539-4036, Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, Division of Lands and Minerals, PO Box 45155, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0155. Information on the Joint Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact can be obtained by contacting Mr. Stan Perkes, 801-539-4036 for the Bureau of Land Management or Mr. Karl Boyer or Mr. Carter Reed, 435-637-2817 at the Manti-La Sal National Forest Supervisors Office, Price, Utah. The appeal periods for Joint Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact document for the Forest Service Decision to consent to leasing will end on April 4, 2003 and the appeal period for BLM's decision to lease will end on March 20, 2003. Any appeals must be postmarked as of these dates.

Dated: February 24, 2003.

Kent Hoffman,

DSD, Division of Lands and Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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RIN 1004-AD42

Grazing Administration—Exclusive of Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed amendments of the Bureau of Land Management's grazing administration regulations and announcement of public meetings.

SUMMARY: Under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the BLM will prepare a national, programmatic EIS and conduct public scoping meetings on amending the regulations governing BLM livestock grazing administration on public lands. The current rule, issued in 1995, requires amendment to comply with court decisions, provide greater flexibility to managers and permittees, improve existing administrative procedures and business practices, and promote conservation of public lands. The BLM will work collaboratively with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs as well concerns regarding possible changes to the Grazing Administration Program. The public scoping process will identify issues and develop criteria in the context of the needs and interests of the public. We encourage the public to participate in planned public meetings and to provide comments and suggestions to help us clearly define possible changes to the Grazing Administration Program.

DATES: You must submit your comments by May 2, 2003. BLM may not necessarily consider or include in the Administrative Record for the proposed rule comments that BLM receives after the close of the comment period or comments delivered to an address other than those listed below (*see ADDRESSES*). In addition, BLM will hold public scoping meetings to focus on relevant issues and environmental concerns, identify possible alternatives, and help determine the scope of the EIS. The public scoping meetings will be held

on the following dates at the specified locations and times:

Location	Date and time	Address of meeting	Contact person
Billings, Montana	March 18, 2003, 6–10 p.m	Holiday Inn Grand, Montana, 550 Midland Road, Billings, MT 59101.	Mary Apple, 406–896–5258.
Reno, Nevada	March 20, 2003, 6–10 p.m	Reno Sparks Convention Center, 4590 S. Virginia St., Reno, NV 89502.	JoLynn Worley, 775–861–6515.
Albuquerque, New Mexico	March 25, 2003, 6–10 p.m	Hilton of Albuquerque, 1901 University Blvd., NE., Albuquerque, NM 87102.	Kitty Mulkey, 505–438–7511.
Washington, DC	March 27, 2003, 1–5 p.m	Courtyard By Marriott, (General Scott Room) 1600 Rhode Island Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20036.	Tom Gorey, 202–452–5137.

ADDRESSES: Mail: Director (630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, Attention: RIN 1004–AD42.

Personal or messenger delivery: 1620 L Street, NW., Room 401, Washington, DC 20036. *Direct internet response:* <http://www.blm.gov/nhp/news/regulatory/index.html> or go to BLM's external homepage at <http://www.blm.gov/nhp/index.htm> and click on the link.

You may also comment via email at the following address: WOCComment@blm.gov. We intend this address for use by those who want to keep their electronic comments confidential. Please submit email comments as an ASCII file, avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include "Attn: AD42" and your name and return address in your email message. You may examine documents pertinent to this proposal at the L Street address. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review on the Internet address above and may be published as part of the EIS. 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 prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and 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: For further information relating to the grazing program or the substance of the

regulations to be proposed, contact Kenneth Visser at (202) 452–77434. For information relating to the rulemaking process, contact Cynthia Ellis at (202) 452–5012. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact the above individuals.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In this issue of the **Federal Register**, BLM is also publishing an advance notice of proposed rulemaking on the changes we are considering making to the regulations governing BLM's Grazing Administration Program. BLM is committed to making the changes to reflect the Secretary's "4C's" philosophy of "consultation, cooperation, and communication all in the service of conservation." Since the first set of grazing regulations was issued after passage of the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934 as amended (43 U.S.C. 315, 315a–315r), the regulations have been periodically modified, revised and updated. The last major revision effort culminated when BLM published and implemented comprehensive changes to the grazing regulations in 1995.

The changes BLM is considering would encourage partnerships in public land stewardship and establish new options for BLM and rangeland users in the administration and management of public lands. Our goals are to:

- (1) Enhance community-based conservation and citizen-centered stewardship;
- (2) Improve BLM business practices; and
- (3) Provide greater flexibility for the manager and the permittee.

Description of Information Requested

BLM is committed to carrying out the Secretary's objectives and the Rangeland Management Program established by the

Federal Land Policy Management Act of 1976 (43 CFR 1740), the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978 (43 U.S.C. 1901–1908), and the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934 as amended (43 U.S.C. 315, 315a–315r). We specifically request comments on the topics we are considering for the proposed rule, as they relate to the EIS. These topics include, but are not limited to, the following (the listing is identical to that which appears in the advance notice of proposed rulemaking):

A. Definitions.

We are considering revising or creating definitions of the following terms: Active use; Authorized use; Base property; Grazing lease; Grazing permit; Grazing preference or Preference; Livestock kind or kind of livestock; Monitoring; Reserve common allotment.

B. We are considering changing regulations to clarify current requirements and to allow better rangeland management and permit administration. Changes we are considering include:

- Clarifying the permit renewal performance review requirements when grazing permits are pledged as security for loans.
- Clarifying who is qualified for public lands grazing use and who will receive preference for a grazing permit or lease.
- Clarifying the provisions addressing grazing preference transfers.
- Reinstating an earlier provision that BLM and the permit holder may share title to certain range improvements if the improvement was constructed under a Cooperative Range Improvement Agreement.
- Clarifying that BLM will follow state law with respect to the acquisition of water rights.
- Examining whether BLM should authorize temporarily locked gates on public lands in order to protect private land and improve livestock operations.

- Clarifying which non-permit related violations BLM may take into account in penalizing a permittee.

- Considering ways to streamline the grazing decision appeal process.
- Extending the time period that BLM may approve nonuse of forage from 3 to 5 years for resource improvement, business, or personal needs.

C. We are also considering amendments related to changes in permitted use. Amendments we are considering include:

- Creating provisions re-emphasizing consideration of social, economic, and cultural impacts, in addition to the ecological impacts, of Federal actions to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

- Requiring a permittee/lessee to apply to renew a permit or lease.
- What criteria BLM will consider before approving increases in permitted use.

- Considering whether to amend the provision stating when BLM will implement action that changes grazing management after determining that the allotments used by a permittee or lessee are not meeting or significantly progressing toward meeting land health standards.

D. We are considering adding the following new provisions to the regulations.

- Establishing and administering a new concept called "Reserve Common Allotments" (RCA). RCAs would be managed as reserve forage areas for use by permittees whose allotments are undergoing restoration treatments and require rest from grazing. RCA forage would be allocated on a temporary non-renewable basis to permittees participating in restoration on their allotments.

- Adding a fee schedule for preference transfers, crossing permits, applications for nonuse, and replacement/supplemental billing under existing service charge authority. We do not intend to address grazing fees in this rulemaking.

E. We also plan to make minor revisions to correct typographical errors and to make technical changes to improve the clarity of the rule. One change we will make is to remove references to "conservation use" permits to reflect the decision in *Public Lands Council v. Babbitt*, 929 F.Supp. 1436 (D. Wyo. 1996), *rev'd in part and aff'd in part*, 167 F.3d 1287 (10th Cir. 1999), *aff'd*, 529 U.S. 728 (2000).

Additional information about BLM's Rangeland, Soils, Water, and Air Program is available at <http://web.blm.gov/internal/wo-200/wo-220/index.html>.

Dated: January 17, 2003.

Rebecca W. Watson,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee Public Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee will meet on March 25, 2003. The agenda for the Committee meeting will include discussion of Sacramento Valley Region issues, administrative matters, governance, finance, multi-year planning, priorities, and implementation of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program with State and Federal officials.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, March 25, 2003 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. If reasonable accommodation is needed due to a disability, please contact Pauline Nevins at (916) 657-2666 or TDD (800) 735-2929 at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Chico Masonic Family Center located at 1110 West East Avenue, Chico, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eugenia Laychak, CALFED Bay-Delta Program, at (916) 654-4214, or Diane Buzzard, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, at (916) 978-5022.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established to provide assistance and recommendations to Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton and California Governor Gray Davis on implementation of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. The Committee will advise on annual priorities, integration of the eleven Program elements, and overall balancing of the four Program objectives of ecosystem restoration, water quality, levee system, integrity, and water supply reliability. The Program is a consortium of 23 State and Federal agencies with the mission to develop and implement a long-term comprehensive plan that will restore ecological health and improve water management for beneficial uses of the San Francisco/Sacramento and San Joaquin Bay Delta.

Committee and meeting materials will be available on the CALFED Bay-Delta

Web site: <http://calfed.ca.gov> and at the meeting. This meeting is open to the public. Oral comments will be accepted from members of the public at the meeting and will be limited to 3-5 minutes.

(Authority: The Committee was established pursuant to the Department of the Interior's authority to implement the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, 16 U.S.C. 661 *et. seq.*, the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et. seq.*, and the Reclamation Act of 1902, 43 U.S.C. 371 *et. seq.*, and the acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, all collectively referred to as the Federal Reclamation laws, and in particular, the Central Valley Project Improvement Act, Title 34 of Pub. L. 102-575).

Dated: February 19, 2003.

Nan M. Yoder,

Acting Special Projects Officer, Mid-Pacific Region.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 731-TA-745 (Review)]

Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar From Turkey

Determination

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject five-year review, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to § 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1675(c)) (the Act), that revocation of the antidumping duty order on steel concrete reinforcing bar from Turkey would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time.²

Background

The Commission instituted this review on March 1, 2002 (67 FR 9465) and determined on June 4, 2002, that it would conduct a full review (67 FR 40965, June 14, 2002). Notice of the scheduling of the Commission's review and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** on September 11, 2002 (67 FR 57628). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on December 12, 2002,

¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

² Chairman Deanna Tanner Okun and Commissioner Lynn M. Bragg dissenting.