

2. Road Management. Roads are recognized as having the potential to impact some terrestrial and aquatic species in various ways. Conservation measures would be developed considering (but not limited to) the following factors—human disturbance associated with road access, seasonal security, road construction requirements, road maintenance, road amounts, road locations, sedimentation/erosion potential, legacy management, and fish passage.

3. Watershed/Riparian Area Management. Alteration of forest vegetation associated with watershed function and riparian habitat is recognized as having the potential to impact some terrestrial and aquatic species in various ways. Conservation measures would be developed to regulation activities that could potentially impact watersheds and riparian areas. Such measures would include consideration of the following—water quality, stream shade, structure, woody debris recruitment, and riparian vegetation management.

4. Grazing on Classified Forest Lands. Livestock grazing in forested landscapes is recognized as having the potential to impact some terrestrial and aquatic species in various ways. Conservation measures would be developed to address impacts associated with riparian and upland rangelands on classified forest lands resulting from grazing. Such measures would include consideration of the following—condition of riparian vegetation, range condition, stream bank disturbance, season of use, browse utilization, plant species composition, and erosion.

5. Weed Management. Herbaceous weed species are recognized as having the potential to impact some terrestrial species in various ways. Conservation measures would be developed to address impacts associated with weed spread and control. Such measures would include consideration of the following—integrated weed management, education, biological controls, herbicide application, re-vegetation, minimization of disturbance, and prevention strategies.

6. Land Use Planning. The DNRC administers property in the planning area that may ultimately have long-term uses other than forestry. The DNRC also may buy, sell, or trade land in the planning area. Land use planning measures would be developed to mitigate the impacts of future development or adjustment of land ownership.

7. Administration and Implementation. The DNRC would initiate a program to track significant

elements of the HCP and develop a program to inform and educate contractors and employees on standards and practices to be implemented.

As currently envisioned, the HCP would incorporate active adaptive management features, including terrestrial and watershed analysis. Research and monitoring would help determine the effectiveness of the HCP, validate models used to develop the HCP, and provide the basic information used to implement “mid-course corrections” if necessary.

The Service will conduct an environmental review of the proposed HCP and prepare an EIS. The environmental review will analyze the proposal as well as a full range of reasonable alternatives and the associated impacts of each. The Service and the DNRC are currently in the process of developing alternatives for analysis. The scoping process will be used to identify reasonable alternatives in addition to the No Action alternative.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), Council of Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508), other appropriate Federal laws and regulations, and policies and procedures of the Service for compliance with those regulations. It is estimated that the draft EIS will be available for public review during the second quarter of calendar year 2004.

Comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties to ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed action are addressed and that all significant issues are identified. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the environmental review should be directed to the Service (*see ADDRESSES*).

Dated: April 4, 2003.

Ralph O. Morgenweck,
Regional Director, Denver, Colorado.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO–930–1430–ET; COC–17286]

Public Land Order No. 7562; Revocation of Public Land Order No. 5386; Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes a Public Land Order in its entirety as it affects

approximately 40,760 acres of public land withdrawn to protect scenic and primitive values. The land is located within the boundary of the Powderhorn Wilderness Area and the withdrawal is no longer needed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 28, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, CO 80215–7076, 303–239–3706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The land is located within the Powderhorn Wilderness Area and will remain closed to surface entry, mining, and mineral leasing.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 5386 which withdrew approximately 40,760 acres of public land to protect scenic and primitive values is hereby revoked in its entirety.

Dated: April 8, 2003.

Rebecca W. Watson,
Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO–350–1430–ET; UTU–79769]

Public Land Order No. 7563; Transfer of Jurisdiction, Development of Air Force Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Facility; Utah

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order transfers administrative jurisdiction of 26.61 acres of public land near Park City, Utah from the Secretary of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management to the Secretary of the Air Force for development as a morale, welfare, and recreation facility. This transfer of jurisdiction is authorized by section 2862 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (Pub. L. 107–107).

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 28, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Mike Nelson, Salt Lake Field Office, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119, 801–977–4355.