

The plan will fulfill the needs and obligations set forth by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), and BLM management policies. The BLM will ask the Park County Commissioners and the Colorado Division of Wildlife to be cooperators on the plan amendment. BLM will work with interested parties to identify the management decisions that are best suited to local, regional, and national needs. The public scoping process will identify planning issues and develop planning criteria. The BLM will prepare the land tenure plan through coordination with other federal, state and local agencies, and affected users of BLM-administered lands.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments to Bureau of Land Management, Royal Gorge Field Office, ATTN: South Park Land Tenure Plan, 3170 East Main Street, Canon City, CO 81212; FAX 719-269-8599.

DATES: This notice initiates the public scoping process. Comments on issues and concerns can be submitted in writing to the address listed above and will be accepted throughout the creation of the Draft RMP amendment/EA. All public meetings will be announced through the local news media, newsletters, and the BLM Web site at: <http://www.co.blm.gov/ccdo/canon.htm>, at least 15 days prior to the event. The minutes and list of attendees for each meeting will be available in the Field Office and at the Web site, and they will be open for 30 days to any participant who wishes to clarify the views they expressed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information and/or to have your name added to the mailing list, contact Pete Zwaneveld, Co-Team Leader, at the Royal Gorge Field Office address listed above or by calling (719) 269-8559, or e-mail at rgfo_comments@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM will hold public meetings during the plan scoping period. Early participation is encouraged and will help determine the future land tenure status of the BLM-administered lands involved in this amendment. In addition to the ongoing public participation process, the BLM will provide formal opportunities for public participation by requesting comments upon BLM's publication of the draft RMP amendment, the EA, and the (unsigned) Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The BLM will notify the Governor of Colorado, the Park County Commissioners, adjacent landowners, and potentially affected members of the public on the proposed changes in land

tenure. Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined at the Royal Gorge Field Office. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Royal Gorge Field Office during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EA. 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 or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

The BLM-managed lands in Park County are scattered and, in many cases, difficult to manage and hard for the public to access or use. The current RMP decisions call for disposal of most of these lands. Since approval of the RMP in 1996, several new issues have arisen that bring into question the disposal of some of these lands. These issues include an expression by local citizens and the Park County Commissioners of the value of the BLM-administered lands to the public as a whole; the status of the mountain plover as a BLM sensitive species; the recognition by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service of the importance of fens (wetlands of concern); and the completion of a Strategic Master Plan for Park County. The plover and fen issues restrict BLM in the disposal of BLM-administered lands. Consolidation of BLM-administered lands to accommodate these issues has become a more desirable option. To do this, BLM would have to amend the Royal Gorge RMP with new decisions on land tenure.

Preliminary issues and management concerns have been identified by BLM personnel, other agencies, and in meetings with individuals, the Park County Commissioners, and user groups. They represent the BLM's knowledge to date on the existing issues and concerns with current management. The preliminary issues include: impacts to users of BLM-administered lands and adjacent private landowners; impacts to wildlife habitat; and impacts to water quality, vegetation, including riparian and wetland areas, and soils. These issues, along with others that may be identified through public participation,

will be considered in the planning process. After gathering public comments on what issues the plan amendment should address, the suggested issues will be placed in one of three categories:

1. Issues to be resolved in the plan amendment;
2. Issues resolved through policy or administrative action; or
3. Issues beyond the scope of this plan amendment.

Rationale will be provided in the plan for each issue placed in category two or three. In addition to these major issues, a number of management questions and concerns will be addressed in the plan amendment. The public is encouraged to help identify these questions and concerns during the scoping phase.

An interdisciplinary approach will be used to develop the plan amendment in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Disciplines involved in the planning process will include specialists with expertise in rangeland management, minerals and geology, forestry, outdoor recreation, law enforcement, archaeology, wildlife and fisheries, lands and realty, hydrology, soils, vegetation, and fire.

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Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-910-04-1020-PH]

New Mexico Resource Advisory Council, Notice of Call for Nominations

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting dates are February 26-27, 2004, has been moved from Marbob Energy, 2208 West Main, Artesia, New Mexico. The new location is the Artesia Country Club, 2701 W. Ritchie, Artesia, New Mexico. The meeting begins at 8 a.m. on both days and will adjourn at approximately 5 p.m. on Thursday and 11:30 a.m. on Friday. The three established RAC

working groups may have a late afternoon or an evening meeting on Thursday, February 26, 2004.

An optional field trip is planned for Wednesday, February 25, 2004. The public comment period is scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, from 6–8 p.m. at the Best Western Pecos Inn, 2209 West Main Street. The public may present written comments to the RAC. Depending on the number of individuals wishing to comment and time available, oral comments may be limited.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member RAC advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in New Mexico. All meetings are open to the public. At this meeting, topics for discussion include:

Rehabilitation of older oil and gas well sites, access issues on Cooke's Peak, oil and gas and cultural management in the Carlsbad Area, the Preferred Upstream Management Practices (PUMP) III Project (a cultural resources Geographic Information System database focused on oil and gas fields), update on noxious weeds program, and proposed RAC initiatives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Theresa Herrera, New Mexico State Office, Office of External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 27115, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-0115, (505) 438-7517.

Dated: February 3, 2004.

Ron Dunton,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES-960-1430-BJ] ES-052046, Group 43, Illinois

Notice of Filing of Plat of Survey; Illinois

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will officially file the plat of the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and the survey of a portion of the subdivision of section 17, which define the Great River National Wildlife Refuge acquisition boundary in Township 7 South, Range 5 West, Fourth Principal Meridian, Illinois, accepted on January 29, 2004, in the Eastern States Office, Springfield, Virginia, 30 calendar days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

The survey was requested by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

All inquiries or protests concerning the technical aspects of the survey must be submitted in writing to the Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Eastern States, Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153, prior to the date of the official filing.

We will place a copy of the plat we described in the open files. Copies of the plat will be made available upon request and prepayment of the appropriate fee.

Dated: January 29, 2004.

Stephen D. Douglas,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-458]

Commercial Availability of Apparel Inputs (2004): Effect of Providing Preferential Treatment to Apparel From Sub-Saharan African, Caribbean Basin, and Andean Countries

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 2, 2004.

SUMMARY: Following receipt of a request from the United States Trade Representative (USTR) on January 27, 2004, the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-458, *Commercial Availability of Apparel Inputs (2004): Effect of Providing Preferential Treatment to Apparel from Sub-Saharan African, Caribbean Basin, and Andean Countries*. The Commission instituted the investigation under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)) to provide advice regarding the probable economic effect of granting preferential treatment to apparel made from fabrics or yarns that are the subject of petitions filed in 2004 with the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) under the "commercial availability" provisions of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), the United States-Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA), and the Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA). The Commission conducted similar investigations in the years 2001-03 to provide advice with respect to petitions filed in those years.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information, contact Jackie W.

Jones (202-205-3466, jones@usitc.gov) of the Office of Industries; for information on legal aspects, contact William Gearhart (202-205-3091, wgearhart@usitc.gov) of the Office of the General Counsel. The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Public Affairs Officer (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information about the Commission may be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) <http://edis.usitc.gov>.

Background: The Commission will follow procedures similar to those followed in the commercial availability reviews in 2003 under investigation No. 332-450. Thus, in 2004, the Commission will provide advice for each commercial availability review under one investigation number. In addition, the Commission will post a notification letter announcing the initiation of each review on its Internet site (<http://www.usitc.gov>) and send the notification letter to a list of interested parties who wish to be automatically notified via facsimile about any requests for which the Commission initiated analysis. Interested parties may be added to this list by notifying Jackie W. Jones (202-205-3466, jones@usitc.gov). The notification letter will specify the article(s) under consideration, the deadline for submission of public comments on the proposed preferential treatment, and the name, telephone number, and Internet e-mail address of a staff contact for additional information. The Commission has a special area on its Internet site (<http://www.usitc.gov/332s/shortsup/shortsupintro.htm>) to provide the public with information on the status of each request for which the Commission initiated analysis. CITA publishes a summary of each request from interested parties in the **Federal Register** and posts them on its Internet site (U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Textiles and Apparel, at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov/fr.htm>).

The Commission will submit its reports to the USTR not later than the 42nd day after receiving a request for advice. The Commission will issue a public version of each report as soon as possible thereafter, with any