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Permit Number: TE085016.

Applicant: Merrill B. Tawse, Lucas, Ohio.

The applicant requests a permit to take (trap) the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) throughout Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Dated: March 23, 2004.

James T. Leach,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-020-04-1430-ES; AZA-31787]

#### Notice of Realty Action: Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act Classification; Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The following public lands, located in Maricopa County, Arizona, and found suitable for lease or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869, *et seq.*). The lands are not needed for federal purposes. Lease or conveyance is consistent with current Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land use planning and would be in the public interest.

The following described lands, located in the City of Peoria, Maricopa County, Arizona, and containing approximately 160 acres, have been found suitable for lease or conveyance to the City of Peoria for open space and park and the Northern Municipal Operations Center (MOC) Development and Improvement Plan:

#### Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

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The lease or conveyance would be subject to the following terms, conditions, and reservations:

1. Provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and all applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior.

2. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals.

3. A right-of-way for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Camille Champion at the Phoenix Field Office, 21605 North 7th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85027, (623) 580-5526.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease or conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this Notice, interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed lease, conveyance, or classification of the lands to the Field Manager, Phoenix Field Office, 21605 North 7th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85027.

#### Classification Comments

Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for the proposed Northern Municipal Operations Center Development and Improvement Plan for the City of Peoria. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposals, whether the uses will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the uses are consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the uses are consistent with state and federal programs.

#### Application Comments

Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific uses proposed in the applications and plans of development, whether the BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for proposed uses. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification will become effective 60 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: March 2, 2004.

Teresa A. Raml,

Field Manager.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Folsom Dam Road, Folsom, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is planning to prepare an EIS for a proposed permanent restriction to public access to Folsom Dam. The Folsom Dam Road, which was closed indefinitely for security reasons on February 28, 2003, was closed to preserve and protect the core mission of the facility and for the ultimate safety of the public. The closure followed a series of security reviews, including a final review conducted by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) and subsequent full-scale analysis and evaluation of DTRA's recommendations by Reclamation and the Department of the Interior. The evaluation determined that uncontrolled access to Folsom Dam presents a clear security risk to the facility.

**DATES:** Reclamation will seek public input on alternatives, concerns, and issues to be addressed in the EIS through scoping meetings through scoping meetings in May. The schedule and locations of the scoping meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, May 26, 2004, 4:30-7 p.m., Sacramento, CA
- Thursday, May 27, 2004, 4:30-7 p.m., Folsom, CA

Written comments on the scope of alternatives and impacts to be considered should be sent to Mr. Robert Schroeder at the below address by June 10, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting locations are:

- Sacramento at the Library Galleria—West Meeting Room, 828 I Street
- Folsom at the Folsom Community Center—West Room, 52 Natoma Street

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Schroeder, Reclamation, 7794 Folsom Dam Road, Folsom, California 95630; telephone number (916) 989-7274.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Controlled access by authorized Government personnel is necessary to minimize the security risks and maximize the safety not only of Folsom Dam, but that of the entire Sacramento metropolitan population downstream of the Dam. Reclamation determined that an EIS is needed to examine the effect of the road closure on the natural and human environment.