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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Notice of Intent To Prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Long Lake National Wildlife Refuge Complex, Moffit, ND****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service intends to gather information necessary to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and associated environmental documents for the Long Lake National Wildlife Refuge Complex located in central North Dakota. The Service is issuing this notice in compliance with its policy to advise other organizations and the public of its intentions and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be considered in the planning process.

DATES: Written comments should be received by July 1, 2004.**ADDRESSES:** Comments and requests for more information should be sent to: Long Lake NWR Planning Project, 12000 353rd Street SE, Moffit, ND 58560-9740.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Kelly, Refuge Planner, Division of Refuge Planning, PO Box 25486, DFC, Denver, CO 80225; (303) 236-8132.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Service has initiated comprehensive conservation planning for the Long Lake National Wildlife Refuge Complex for the management of its natural resources. This Refuge is located in central North Dakota.

Comprehensive planning will develop management goals, objectives, and strategies to carry out the purposes of the Complex's refuges and Wetland Management District, and comply with laws and policies governing refuge management and public use of refuges. Opportunities will be provided for public input at open houses to be held near Long Lake Refuge.

All information provided voluntarily by mail, phone, or at public meetings becomes part of the official public record (*i.e.*, names, addresses, letters of comment, input recorded during meetings). If requested under the Freedom of Information Act by a private citizen or organization, the Service may provide copies of such information.

The environmental impact assessment of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), other appropriate Federal laws and regulations, Executive Order 12996, the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations.

Dated: March 3, 2004.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[WY-060-1320-EL]

Notice of Availability of the Record of Decision for the South Powder River Basin Coal Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), NARO South LBA Tract, Wyoming**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the ROD for South Powder River Basin Coal FEIS; NARO South LBA Tract.

ADDRESSES: The document will be available electronically on the following Web site: <http://www.wy.blm.gov/>. Copies of the ROD are available for public inspection at the following BLM office locations:

- Bureau of Land Management, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming.
- Bureau of Land Management, Casper Field Office, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, Wyoming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Bob Janssen, Wyoming Coal Coordinator, (307) 775-6206 or Ms. Mavis Love, Land Law Examiner (307) 775-6258. Both Mr. Janssen's and Ms. Love's offices are located at the BLM Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As stated in the FEIS, a ROD will be issued for each of the five Federal coal tracts considered for leasing in the South Powder River Coal FEIS. This ROD covered by this NOA is for coal tract

NARO South (WYW-154001) and addresses leasing an estimated 345 million tons of in-place Federal coal administered by the BLM Casper Field Office underlying approximately 2,950 acres of private surface in Campbell and Converse Counties, Wyoming.

Because the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Lands and Minerals Management, has concurred in this decision it is not subject to appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals as provided in 43 CFR part 4. This decision is the final action of the Department of the Interior.

Dated: March 22, 2004.

Robert A. Bennett,
State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[NV-040-1430-ET-007F; 4-08807]

Notice of Public Meetings; Notice of Intent to Amend the Caliente Management Framework Plan, Schell Management Framework Plan, Tonopah Resource Management Plan, and the Las Vegas Resource Management Plan; Nevada**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has received an application from the Department of Energy (DOE) to withdraw certain public lands from surface entry and mining for a period of 20 years. The purpose of the withdrawal is to evaluate the lands for the potential construction, operation, and maintenance of a branch rail line (Caliente Rail Corridor) for transportation of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste to a geologic repository at Yucca Mountain. Because the proposed withdrawal exceeds 5,000 acres, at least one public meeting is required. The BLM may need to amend four land use plans in order to address the proposed construction, operation, and maintenance of a branch rail line to support the DOE project.

As an alternative to the issuance of a withdrawal under Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the BLM could potentially issue a linear right-of-way under Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act.

This notice announces that the BLM will hold two scoping meetings on the

proposed withdrawal and possible land use plan amendments in addition to the five meetings identified by DOE in its Notice of Intent (69 FR 18565–18569 and 69 FR 22496). The locations of all seven meetings are referenced in this notice.

DATES: Those who have comments on the proposed withdrawal and possible amendments to the land use plans must respond in writing no later than June 30, 2004. Comments received after June 30,

2004, will be considered to the extent practicable. The BLM will hold public scoping meetings on the proposed withdrawal and possible land use plan amendments at the dates and locations listed below in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments on issues regarding the proposed withdrawal and possible land use plan amendments and planning criteria to Dan Netcher, Ely Field Office, BLM,

HC33 Box 33500, Ely, Nevada 89301–9408.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Netcher, Ely Field Office, BLM, HC33 Box 33500, Ely, Nevada 89301–9408, 775–289–1872.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public scoping meetings for the DOE Rail Alignment EIS, proposed withdrawal, and BLM Land Use Plan amendments in June are shown below.

Meeting date	Location	Time
June 22, 2004	Tonopah Convention Center, 301 W. Brougher, Tonopah, NV.	1 p.m. to 3 p.m., 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
June 23, 2004	Lincoln County Court House, 1 North Main, Pioche, NV.	1 p.m. to 3 p.m., 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The DOE sponsored five public meetings in Nevada at which BLM representatives were present. Those meetings were in Armagosa Valley on May 3, in Goldfield on May 4, in Caliente on May 5, in Reno on May 12, and in Las Vegas on May 17. All comments received at the DOE meetings will be considered along with those provided at the BLM scoping meetings. If you have already attended one of these meetings, there is no need to attend a subsequent meeting, unless you desire to provide additional comments. Persons attending the meetings in Tonopah or Pioche may choose to attend either the afternoon or evening sessions.

The DOE has filed an application (NVN 77880) to withdraw a one-mile wide corridor which contains 308,600 acres in Esmeralda, Nye, and Lincoln Counties. A notice of proposed withdrawal was published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 74965–74968, December 29, 2003). This withdrawal approximates the land encompassed by the Caliente rail corridor as described in the DOE’s Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada, February 2002. The purpose of the withdrawal is to evaluate the land for the potential construction and operation of a branch rail line for the transportation of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

The DOE issued a Notice of Intent to Prepare an EIS for the Alignment, Construction, and Operation of a Rail Line to a Geologic Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada (69 FR 18565–18569, April 8, 2004) announcing public scoping meetings at

the times and locations referenced in this notice. The BLM is a cooperating agency in the EIS.

The BLM may need to amend the Caliente Management Framework Plan, Schell Management Framework Plan, Tonopah Resource Management Plan, and the Las Vegas Resource Management Plan to address the proposed construction, operation, and maintenance of a branch rail line. All land use decisions associated with the potential construction, operation, and maintenance of a rail line will be developed through the land use planning amendment process. In addition to the proposed withdrawal, this notice adds land use planning as an issue to the scoping being conducted by the DOE and the BLM.

Additional options for the rail corridor could include the issuance of a Title V right-of-way for the operation of the rail line. Under this alternative the BLM would issue a right-of-way for the development and operation of the rail line.

Public Involvement

Release of the draft amendments to the Caliente Management Framework Plan, Schell Management Framework Plan, Tonopah Resource Management Plan and the Las Vegas Resource Management Plan will be announced in the local news media, as well as the **Federal Register**, as these dates are established.

(Authority: 43 CFR 1610.2(c); 43 CFR 2310.3–1(c)(2))

Dated: May 4, 2004.

Amy L. Lueders,

Associate State Director, Nevada.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of a currently approved information collection (1010–0114).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 250, Subpart A, General.

DATES: Submit written comments by July 20, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Rules Processing Team; Mail Stop 4024; 381 Elden Street; Herndon, Virginia 20170–4817.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cheryl Blundon, Rules Processing Team at (703) 787–1600. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations that require the subject collection of information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: 30 CFR Part 250, Subpart A, General.

OMB Control Number: 1010–0114.
Abstract: The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of the