

authorizes the Secretary of Interior to reduce royalty rates to a rate lower than the legal minimum for Federal minerals. This authority to reduce the royalty rate for coal leases is defined in 43 CFR 3485.2(c)(1). The purpose of a royalty reduction must be to encourage the greatest ultimate recovery of Federal coal and to conserve the resource; *i.e.*, to prevent Federal coal from being bypassed. Royalty reduction is warranted when it is necessary to promote development or if the Federal lease cannot be successfully operated under the terms of the lease.

The "Fort Union Category 5 Royalty Rate Reduction Study" requested by the State Director, Montana State Office, Bureau of Land Management, was completed by the Northwest Regional Evaluation Team of the Bureau of Land Management of the Department of Interior in 1991. The 1991 study recommended that a Category 5 Royalty Rate Reduction be granted for the Fort Union Coal Region. The study determined that all five (5) criteria for a Category 5 reduction were met. Based on royalty rate information at that time, the study recommended that the Federal royalty rate be set at 2.0 percent. The rate took effect on applications filed, beginning in 1992.

The BLM *Royalty Reduction Guidelines for Coal and Solid Leasable Minerals* require that a review of the competitive non-Federal coal royalty rate, within the Qualified Geographic Area, be completed every 2 years in order to determine if the rate is still appropriate. Subsequent review studies, by the Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, determined that the prevailing rates remained at 2.0 percent from 1991 through 1996; increased to 2.6 percent from 1997 through 2000; and decreased to 2.4 percent from 2001 through 2003. The most recent study, completed in March 2004, is the basis for the following determinations.

A. Geographic Area Qualification—The Counties of McLean, Mercer, and Oliver, North Dakota, and Richland County, Montana, continue to meet the established five (5) criteria to qualify under Category 5 for royalty rate differentials as follows: (1) The Federal Government is not market dominant in this area; (2) Federal royalty rates are above the current market royalty rate for non-Federal rates in the area; (3) Based on a mine-by-mine examination, it is apparent that there are instances where Federal coal can be expected to be bypassed in the near future due to the royalty rate differential between Federal and non-Federal coal; (4) All three (3) previous criteria considerations have

been found to exist throughout the region; and (5) A Category 5 Royalty Rate Reduction is not likely to result in undue competitive advantages over neighboring areas.

B. Establishment of Competitive Royalty Rates—The competitive royalty rate of 2.2 percent is established to promote development of Federal coal reserves situated in the Counties of McLean, Mercer, and Oliver, North Dakota, and Richland County, Montana, that may otherwise be bypassed in favor of non-Federal coal having a lower royalty rate.

C. Category 5 Reduction in Royalty Applications—Federal lease-specific applications for Category 5 Reduction in Royalty for Coal deposits within the Counties in North Dakota and Montana named above will be accepted by the Montana State Office, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 36800, Billings, Montana 59107-6800. The Category 5 Royalty Rate of 2.2 percent will be effective upon publication of this notice. Applications will be processed pursuant to the regulations at 43 CFR part 3485 as established by the "Royalty Rate Reduction Guidelines for the Solid Leasable Minerals."

The geographic area qualification and the establishment of the competitive royalty rate under Category 5 of the "Royalty Rate Reduction Guidelines for the Solid Leasable Minerals" will be reviewed again and updated 2 years from the effective date hereof.

Dated: May 11, 2004.

Randy D. Heuscher,

Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-957-04-1420-BJ]

Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has filed the plats of survey of the lands described below in the BLM Wyoming State Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming, on May 28, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Land Management, and

are necessary for the management of resources. The lands surveyed are:

The plat and field notes representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines, and the subdivision of section 10, Township 14 North, Range 106 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming, was accepted May 28, 2004.

The plat and field notes representing the dependent resurvey of the Seventh Standard Parallel North, through Range 108 West, the Thirteenth Auxiliary Guide Meridian West, through Township 29 North, between Ranges 108 and 109 West, the east and north boundaries and subdivisional lines, Township 29 North, Range 108 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming, was accepted May 28, 2004.

Copies of the preceding described plats and field notes are available to the public at a cost of \$1.10 per page.

Dated: June 1, 2004.

John P. Lee,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Support Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the General Management Plan, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, GA

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(c), the National Park Service announces the availability of a draft Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan (DEIS/GMP) for the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, Georgia. This notice is being published in accordance with 40 CFR 1506.6.

The DEIS/GMP evaluates four alternatives for the park. The document describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of three action alternatives and a no-action alternative. The no-action alternative would continue current management practices into the future. When approved, the plan will guide management actions during the next 15-20 years.

DATES: The National Park Service will accept comments from the public on the draft General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for 60

days after publication of this notice. Public meetings have not been scheduled at this time but are anticipated to be conducted at various locations in the vicinity of the National Recreational Area during late spring of 2004. Public notice of the specific dates, times, and locations of the meetings will be provided in a newsletter, announced in local media, and posted on the Internet at <http://www.nps.gov/chat/pphtml/news.html>. Representatives of the National Park Service will be available at the public meeting to receive comments, concerns, and other input from the public related to the DEIS/GMP.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the DEIS/GMP are available from the Superintendent, Kevin Cheri, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, 1978 Island Ford Parkway, Atlanta, Georgia 30350-3400. Public reading copies of the DEIS/GMP will also be available for review at the following locations:

- Office of the Superintendent, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, 1978 Island Ford Parkway, Atlanta, Georgia 30350-3400. Telephone: 678-538-1210.
- Division of Planning and Compliance, Southeast Regional Office, National Park Service, Attention: David Libman, 100 Alabama Street, 1924 Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Telephone: 404-562-3124, ext. 685.
- An electronic copy of DEIS/GMP is available for download in .pdf format on the Internet at <http://planning.nps.gov/plans.cfm> under the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kevin Cheri, Superintendent, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, 1978 Island Ford Parkway, Atlanta, Georgia 30350-3400. Telephone: 678-538-1210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, Superintendent, 1978 Island Ford Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30350-3400.

You may also comment via the Internet by going to the Chattahoochee River NRA Web site at <http://www.nps.gov/chat> and selecting the "Contact Us" link. Please submit Internet comments as a plain text file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include "Attn: General Management Plan Team" and your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your

Internet message, contact the park directly at Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, Phone 678-538-1210. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to the Superintendent, Chattahoochee River NRA at 1978 Island Ford Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30350-3400.

Please note that names and addresses of people who comment become part of the public record. Anonymous comments will not be considered. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

The responsible official for this Environmental Impact Statement is Patricia A. Hooks, Regional Director, Southeast Region, National Park Service, 100 Alabama Street, SW., 1924 Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Dated: April 12, 2004.

Patricia A. Hooks,

Regional Director, Southeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion: Denver Museum of Nature & Science, Denver, CO

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory of human remains in the possession of the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, Denver, CO. The human remains were removed from the Native Village of Kivalina, near Point Hope, AK.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d)(3). The determinations within this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum,

institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American human remains. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations within this notice.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by the Denver Museum of Nature & Science professional staff in consultation with the Native Village of Kivalina.

In 1921, human remains representing one individual were removed from the Native Village of Kivalina, near Point Hope, AK, by Dr. A.M. Bailey during a museum-sponsored biological field expedition to Alaska. According to Dr. Bailey's field notes, the human remains were recovered "off the ground surface in the village of Kivalina in the lee of Point Hope, Alaska." No further information is recorded. The human remains were accessioned into the collection in 1921. No known individual was identified. No associated funerary objects are present.

Provenience information in museum records and consultation with the Native Village of Kivalina indicate that the human remains are those of a Native American who was an earlier inhabitant of the village.

Officials of the Denver Museum of Nature & Science have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001, (9-10), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of one individual of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Denver Museum of Nature & Science also have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the Native American human remains and the Native Village of Kivalina.

Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the human remains should contact Dr. Ella Maria Ray, NAGPRA Officer, Department of Anthropology, Denver Museum of Nature & Science, 2001 Colorado Boulevard, Denver, CO 80205, telephone (303) 370-6056, before July 7, 2004. Repatriation of the human remains to the Native Village of Kivalina may proceed after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

The Denver Museum of Nature & Science is responsible for notifying the Native Village of Kivalina that this notice has been published.

Dated: April 23, 2004.

John Robbins,

Assistant Director, Cultural Resources.

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