

of the LBA in November of 2004. The LBA now includes approximately 2,219 acres and 230 million tons of Federal coal. The RCT will be updated on the new tract and the processing schedule for the Maysdorf LBA.

2. *West Extension-Eagle Butte LBA.* This LBA, filed by Foundation Coal West, Inc., was discussed at the meeting held in May 2002. It is adjacent to the Eagle Butte Mine and includes approximately 1,397 acres and 231 million tons of Federal coal. This LBA was also reduced in size by the applicant. The RCT will be updated on the new tract and the processing schedule for the West Extension-Eagle Butte LBA.

3. *Belle Ayr LBA.* This new LBA, filed by Foundation Coal West, Inc., is adjacent to the Belle Ayr mine. Approximately 1,578.74 acres and 200.0 million tons of Federal coal are involved. The original Belle Ayr LBA was filed in July 2000 and a portion of the original application was subsequently offered for sale. The bid was rejected for not meeting fair market value. At the RCT meeting in 2002, the team instructed the applicant to submit a new application if they were still interested in leasing this tract. RAG submitted a new application in July 2004. The RCT needs to consider the processing schedule for the Belle Ayr LBA.

4. Decker Coal Company has indicated to the Montana BLM State Office that they will be submitting a coal lease application prior to the scheduled April 27, 2005, RCT meeting. The F-Section Extension would be mined in conjunction with their current operations at Decker Coal Mine, located in South-Central Montana. Specific details regarding the acreage and Federal coal tons being applied for will be presented at the upcoming RCT meeting.

5. Spring Creek Coal Company (SCCC) contacted the Montana BLM State Office in December 2004 to discuss a lease application that would add reserves to their leased Federal and State Carbone tracts. SCCC has indicated that they will submit an application for the Spring Creek Expansion Tract, which includes approximately 1,181.3 acres and 111.6 million Federal coal tons. These reserves would be mined in conjunction with their existing Spring Creek Coal Mine, located in South-Central Montana.

6. The BLM is doing a coal review study in the Powder River Basin. This study includes coal development forecasts and an evaluation of cumulative effects. The results of this review will be used in the preparation

of coal related National Environmental Policy Act documents in the Powder River coal region. The RCT will be updated on the progress and results of this study.

7. The BLM received an application from Peabody Energy Company for a coal lease exchange for leased Federal coal in the Gold Mine Draw Alluvial Valley Floor area. The RCT will be updated on the parcels of land being considered for exchange, the public interest determination, and other actions pertaining to this exchange.

8. Update on BLM land use planning efforts in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming and Montana.

9. Other Coal Lease Applications and issues that may arise prior to the meeting. The RCT may generate recommendation(s) for any or all of these topics and other topics that may arise prior to the meeting date.

The meeting will serve as a forum for public discussion on Federal coal management issues of concern in the Powder River Basin region. Any party interested in providing comments or data related to the above pending applications may do so in writing to the State Director (910), BLM Wyoming State Office, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, WY 82003, no later than April 15, 2005, or by addressing the RCT with concerns, in person, at the meeting on April 27, 2005.

#### **Draft Agenda for Regional Coal Team (RCT) Meeting**

1. Introduction of RCT members and guests.
2. Approval of the Minutes of the May 30, 2002, RCT meeting held in Casper, WY.
3. Coal activity since last RCT meeting.
4. Industry Presentations on Lease Applications:
  - Cordero Mining Company, Maysdorf LBA
  - Foundation Coal West, Inc., West Extension-Eagle Butte LBA
  - Foundation Coal West, Inc., Belle Ayr LBA
  - Decker Coal Company, F-Section Extension
  - Spring Creek Coal Company, Spring Creek Expansion
5. BLM presentation on Powder River Basin coal review study.
6. Peabody/BLM joint presentation on Gold Mine Draw lease exchange.
7. BLM land use planning efforts.
8. Other pending coal actions and other discussion items that may arise.
9. RCT Recommendations.
  - Review and recommendation(s) on pending Lease Application(s) and Exchanges(s).

10. Discussion of the next meeting.
11. Adjourn.

**Alan L. Kesterke,**

*Associate State Director.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Bureau of Land Management**

**[NV-050-1430-ES; N-41567-38, N-74936, N-75715, N-75843, N-78352, N-78353, N-78354, N-79018]**

#### **Notice of Realty Action: Conveyance for Recreation and Public Purposes**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management.

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action.

**SUMMARY:** The public land described in this Notice in the Las Vegas Valley, Clark County, Nevada, has been examined and found suitable for conveyance for recreational or public purposes under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et. seq.*).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jacqueline Grattton, BLM Lead Community Specialist, (702) 515-5054.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following described public land in the Las Vegas Valley, Clark County, Nevada, has been examined and found suitable for conveyance for recreational or public purposes under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et. seq.*) and the implementing regulations at 43 CFR part 2740. The Clark County School District proposes to use the land for elementary and middle school sites.

*N-41567-38—Elementary School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 19 S., R. 60 E., sec. 17: Lot 15, 10.3 acres—General location: Northeast of the intersection of Elkhorn Road and Fort Apache Road.

*N-74936—Middle School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 22 S., R. 60 E., sec 25: E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SE<sup>4</sup>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, 20 acres—General location: North of the intersection of West Pyle Avenue and Lindell Road.

*N-75715—Elementary School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 23 S., R. 61 E., sec 4: Lots 14 and 15, N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, 14.63 acres—General location: Southeast of the intersection of Starr Avenue and Placid Street.

*N-75843—Elementary School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 19 S., R. 60 E., sec 12: Lots 3 and 5, 15.02 acres—General location: Southwest of the

intersection of Horse Drive and Bradley Road.

*N-78352—Elementary School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 19 S., R. 59 E., sec 13:

E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 15 acres—General location: Northwest of the intersection of Elkhorn Road and North Hualapai Way.

*N-78353—Middle School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 19 S., R. 59 E., sec 13: E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,

W $\frac{1}{2}$ W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 30 acres—General location: Northwest of the intersection of Elkhorn Road and North Hualapai Way.

*N-78354—Elementary School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 19 S., R. 59 E., sec 24: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ,

E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 15 acres—General location: Northwest of the intersection of Deer Springs Way and Alpine Ridge Way.

*N-79018—Elementary School*

Mount Diablo Meridian

T. 22 S., R. 60 E., sec 18:

S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 12.5 acres—General location: Northwest of the intersection of West Ford Avenue and Grand Canyon Drive.

Consisting of a total of 132.45 acres, more or less.

The land is not required for any Federal purpose. Conveyance is consistent with current Bureau planning for this area and would be in the public interest. The conveyance, when issued, will be subject to the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior and will contain the following reservations to the United States:

1. A right-of-way thereon for ditches and canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).

2. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine and remove such deposits from the same under applicable law and such regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

*And will be subject to:* All valid and existing rights.

Detailed information concerning this action is available for review at the office of the Bureau of Land Management, Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89130.

On March 8, 2005, the above described public land will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, leasing under the

mineral leasing laws and disposal under the mineral material disposal laws.

Interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed classification for conveyance of the lands to the Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89130 until April 22, 2005.

*Classification Comments:* Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for elementary and middle school sites. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposal, whether the use will maximize the future use or uses of the land, whether the use is consistent with local planning and zoning, or if the use is consistent with State and Federal programs.

*Application Comments:* Interested parties may submit comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan 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 lands for elementary and middle school sites. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, these realty actions will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior. The classification of the land described in this Notice will become effective on May 9, 2005. The lands will not be offered for conveyance until after the classification becomes effective.

Dated: January 31, 2005.

**Sharon DiPinto,**

*Assistant Field Manager, Division of Lands, Las Vegas, NV.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-030-05-1232-EA-NV15]

#### Temporary Closure of Public Lands During Competitive Special Recreation Permitted Events: Nevada, Carson City Field Office

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Temporary closure of affected public lands in Lyon, Storey, Churchill, Carson, Douglas, Mineral, Washoe, Nye, and Esmeralda Counties.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carson City Field

Office, announces the temporary closure of selected public lands under its administration in Lyon, Storey, Churchill, Carson, Douglas, Mineral, Washoe and Nye Counties. By agreement with the Las Vegas and Battle Mountain Field Offices and the Tonopah Field Station, those lands affected by the Vegas to Reno and Nevada 1000 OHV Races in Nye and Esmeralda Counties are included in this closure. This action is taken to provide for public and participant safety and to protect adjacent natural and cultural resources during the conduct of permitted special recreation events.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** March through November 2005. Events may be canceled or rescheduled with short notice due to weather, sudden change in resource conditions, emergency actions, or at the discretion of the authorizing officer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fran Hull, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Carson City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada 89701, Telephone: (775) 885-6161.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice applies to public lands directly affected by and adjacent to competitive special events for which a BLM Special Recreation Permit (SRP) has been authorized. Examples of events include: motorized Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) races, mountain bike races; horse endurance rides and dog trials. Race and ride events are conducted along dirt roads, trails, and washes approved for such use. One or more events occur monthly from March through November. Unless otherwise posted, race closure periods are from 6 a.m. race day until race finish or until the event has cleared between affected check point locations. Closures may occupy 2 to 24 hour periods. The general public will be advised of event and closure specifics via on-the-ground signage, public letters, e-mail, or local newspaper notices. The public may call to confirm or discuss closures at anytime prior to an announced event date. Locations commonly used for permitted events include, but are not limited to:

1. Lemmon Valley MX Area—Washoe Co., T.21N R.19E Sec. 8.

2. Hungry Valley Recreation Area—Washoe Co., T.21-23N R.20E.

3. Pine Nut Mountains—Carson, Douglas & Lyon Counties: T.11-16N R.20-24E.

4. Virginia City/Jumbo Areas—Storey and Washoe Counties: T.16-17N R.20-21E.