

comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles Horsburgh, Project Manager, BLM Idaho Falls District, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401, phone 208-524-7530, or fax 208-524-7505.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: L&W Stone Corporation mines locatable flagstone on public lands administered by the BLM's Challis Field Office in Custer County, Idaho. L&W Stone submitted an Amended Plan of Operations for its quarry under the 43 CFR part 3809 Regulations in December 2002. In 2004, the BLM completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) regarding the Amended Plan of Operations, signed a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and approved the project. As a result of a lawsuit that was filed objecting to that approval, the BLM was ordered by the Federal District Court to prepare an EIS for the Amended Plan of Operations.

The DEIS analyzes and discloses the effects of four alternatives, including the No Action and BLM's Preferred Alternative. Alternative A, the No Action Alternative, would result in the cessation of quarrying activities and the implementation of reclamation measures that would stabilize disturbed areas. Alternative B would be a continuation of the interim mining plan that was developed by L&W Stone and approved by the District Court, which has allowed L&W Stone to mine while the EIS is being prepared. Alternative C would be a continuation of mining under the Preferred Alternative from BLM's 2004 EA. Alternative D, the BLM's Preferred Alternative described in the DEIS, would be similar to Alternative C, but would allow for the expansion of quarrying operations into two new areas that contain flagstone resources.

All Alternatives are consistent with the Challis Resource Management Plan and would protect public health, protect surface and groundwater resources, meet post-mining land use

requirements, and minimize view-shed impacts.

L&W Stone will be required to submit an updated Plan of Operation that would incorporate the requirements of the Alternative that is selected by the BLM Authorized Officer.

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BLM Challis Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Realty Action: Lease/Conveyance for Recreation and Public Purposes of Public Lands in Clark County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Realty Action.

SUMMARY: Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Act request for lease and subsequent conveyance of approximately 10 acres of public land in the City of Henderson, Clark County, Nevada. The City of Henderson proposes to use the land for a city fire station and public park.

DATES: Interested parties may submit written comments regarding the proposed lease/conveyance of the lands until January 28, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments to the BLM Field Manager, Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV, 89130-2301.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Phil Rhinehart, (702) 515-5182.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described public land in Clark County, Nevada has been examined and found suitable for lease and subsequent conveyance under the provisions of the R&PP Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*). The parcel of land is located in the southeast corner of St. Rose Parkway via the newly adopted alignment of Rancho Destino Street and Bowles Street, Henderson, Nevada, and is legally described as:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada

T. 23 S., R. 61 E.,

Sec. 9, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The area described contains 10 acres, more or less.

In accordance with the R&PP Act, the City of Henderson has filed an R&PP application to develop the above described land as a city fire station and

public park with related facilities to meet the emergency service and park space needs of this rapidly growing area. Related facilities include a fire warehouse, outdoor vehicle storage, training facilities, parking, public restrooms, shade structures, and pedestrian trails. Additional detailed information pertaining to this application, plan of development, and site plan is in case file N-81544, which is located in the BLM Las Vegas Field Office at the above address.

Cities are a common applicant under the public purposes provision of the R&PP Act. The City of Henderson is a political subdivision of the State of Nevada and is therefore a qualified applicant under the R&PP Act. The land is not required for any Federal purpose. The lease/conveyance is consistent with the BLM Las Vegas Resource Management Plan, dated October 5, 1998, and would be in the public interest. The lease/conveyance, when issued, will be subject to the provisions of the R&PP 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 or 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.

The lease/conveyance will be subject to:

1. Valid existing rights;

2. A right-of-way for an underground distribution line granted to Nevada Power Company, its successors and assigns, by right-of-way N-75952, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, 090 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761;

3. A right-of-way for roads, drainage, and municipal utilities granted to the City of Henderson, its successors or assigns, by right-of-way N-77148, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, 090 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761;

4. A right-of-way for fiber optic facilities granted to Nevada Power Company, its successor and assigns, by right-of-way N-78680, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, 090 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761;

5. A right-of-way for power transmission lines granted to Nevada Power Company, its successors and assigns, by right-of-way N-78683, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, 090 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761;

6. A right-of-way for power transmission lines granted to Nevada Power Company, its successors and assigns, by right-of-way N-78827, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, 090 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761;

7. A right-of-way for an underground distribution line granted to Nevada Power Company, its successors and assigns, by right-of-way N-83665, pursuant to the Act of October 21, 1976, 090 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the land described above will be segregated from all other forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the general mining laws, except for lease/conveyance under the R&PP Act, leasing under the mineral leasing laws and disposals under the mineral material disposal laws.

Interested parties may submit written comments regarding the specific use proposed in the application and plan of development, whether BLM followed proper administrative procedures in reaching the decision to lease/convey under the R&PP Act, or any other factor not directly related to the suitability of the land for R&PP use. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the BLM Nevada State Director, who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Only written comments submitted by postal service or overnight mail to the Field Manager, BLM Las Vegas Field Office, will be considered properly filed. Electronic mail, facsimile, or telephone comments will not be considered properly filed. Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review.

In the absence of any adverse comments, the decision will become effective on February 12, 2008. The lands will not be available for lease/conveyance until after the decision becomes effective.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2741.5)

Dated: November 30, 2007.

Mark Chatterton,

Assistant Field Manager, Non-Renewable Resources, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

[Docket No. MMS-2007-OMM-0072]

MMS Information Collection Activity: New Information Collection; Lease of Submerged Lands for Alternative Energy Activities on the OCS; Comment Request

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of a new information collection (1010-NEW) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), MMS is 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 that address new Form MMS-0001, Lease of Submerged Lands for Alternative Energy Activities on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), which is printed within this **Federal Register** notice. This form is used to enter into a leasing agreement between MMS and a respondent to conduct data collection and/or technology testing on the OCS. The MMS is also asking for comments on the lease form.

Section 388 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-58), amended section 8 of the OCS Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)) and gave responsibility to MMS to grant a lease, easement, or right-of-way on the OCS for alternative energy-related uses not otherwise authorized under the Lands Act.

DATES: Submit written comments by February 12, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods listed below.

- *Electronically:* go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, select "Minerals Management Service" from the agency drop-down menu, then click "submit." In the Docket ID column, select MMS-2007-OMM-0072 to submit public comments and to view any supporting and related materials available. Information on using Regulations.gov, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the

comment period, is available through the site's "User Tips" link. All comments submitted will be published and posted to the docket after the closing period.

- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; *Attention:* Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference "Information Collection 1010-NEW" in your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch at (703) 787-1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of section 388 of the Energy Policy Act. You may contact Maureen A. Bornholdt, Program Manager, Alternative Energy Programs at 703-787-1300 for lease questions.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title:

Lease of Submerged Lands for Alternative Energy Activities on the OCS.

Form(s): MMS-0001.

OMB Control Number: 1010-NEW.

Abstract: Section 388 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-58) amended the OCS Lands Act to add a new paragraph (p) to section 8 of the Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(p)) to allow the Department of the Interior, acting through the Minerals Management Service (MMS), to grant a lease, easement, or right-of-way on the OCS for alternative energy-related uses not otherwise authorized under the Lands Act. An early step in the process entails data collection and/or technology testing in order to assess alternative energy resources and production methodologies. This lease form and its requisite information collection are needed for MMS to authorize and convey rights under limited-term leases to conduct data collection and/or technology testing activities on specific areas of the OCS.

This information collection request (ICR) addresses the form and accompanying information, which will be used by MMS and the emerging alternative energy industry as a contract instrument to bind both parties as to their rights and responsibilities under the lease.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2). No items of a sensitive nature are collected. Responses are required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: Approximately 30 alternative energy respondents.