

Section 20: Lots 10 (NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and S $\frac{1}{2}$ ) and 11 through 15;  
 Section 29: Lots 1 (W $\frac{1}{2}$ ), 2 through 7, 8 (W $\frac{1}{2}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ), and 9 through 16;  
 Section 30: Lots 5, 6, 11 through 14, 19, and 20.

Containing 1,427.77 acres more or less.

The tract is adjacent to an existing Federal coal lease along the western boundary of the Eagle Butte Mine. It is adjacent to additional unleased Federal coal to the north, west, and south. All of the acreage offered has been determined to be suitable for mining since current plans include moving U.S. Highway 14/16. However, BLM has excluded approximately 80 acres along the northeastern portion of the tract from its economic analysis to provide a blasting buffer between the mining activity and existing residences. Other features such as pipelines, utilities, and Little Rawhide Creek can be relocated to permit coal recovery. In addition, oil and/or gas wells have been drilled on the tract. The estimate of the bonus value of the coal lease will include consideration of depletion and any future production from these wells. An economic analysis of any future income stream will determine whether a well is bought out and plugged prior to mining or re-established after mining is completed. The surface estate of the tract is owned by Foundation Coal West, Inc.

The tract contains surface mineable coal reserves primarily in the Wyodak seam with minor additions from up to four lower splits. The Wyodak is generally mined as two separate seams, the Roland and the Smith, in the area and on the LBA. The total coal thickness ranges from about 95–115 feet thick with the overburden thickness ranging from about 250–450 feet thick on the LBA. The tract contains approximately 255 million tons of mineable coal. This estimate of mineable reserves is primarily from the Roland and the Smith seams and does not include any tonnage from localized seams or splits containing less than 5 feet of coal. It does not include any tonnage from the existing, adjacent Federal coal lease although additional reserves are expected to be recovered in conjunction with the LBA once the highway is moved. The total mineable stripping ratio (BCY/Ton) of the LBA coal is about 2.9:1. Potential bidders for the LBA should consider the recovery rate expected from multiple seam mining.

The Eagle Butte West LBA coal is ranked as subbituminous C. The overall average quality on an as-received basis is 8434 BTU/lb with about 0.4% sulfur. These quality averages place the coal reserves near the lower end of the range

of coal quality currently being mined in the Wyoming portion of the Powder River Basin.

The tract will be leased to the qualified bidder of the highest cash amount provided that the high bid meets or exceeds the BLM's estimate of the fair market value of the tract. The minimum bid for the tract is \$100 per acre or fraction thereof. No bid that is less than \$100 per acre, or fraction thereof, will be considered. The bids should be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or be hand delivered. The Cashier will issue a receipt for each hand-delivered bid. Bids received after 4 p.m., on Tuesday, February 19, 2008, will not be considered. The minimum bid is not intended to represent fair market value. The fair market value of the tract will be determined by the Authorized Officer after the sale. The lease issued as a result of this offering will provide for payment of an annual rental of \$3.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, and of a royalty payment to the United States of 12.5 percent of the value of coal produced by strip or auger mining methods and 8 percent of the value of the coal produced by underground mining methods. The value of the coal will be determined in accordance with 30 CFR 206.250.

Bidding instructions for the tract offered and the terms and conditions of the proposed coal lease are available from the BLM Wyoming State Office at the addresses above. Case file documents, WYW155132, are available for inspection at the BLM Wyoming State Office.

Dated: January 11, 2008.

**Larry Claypool,**

*Acting Deputy State Director, Minerals and Lands.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Indian Gaming

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Deemed Approved Amended Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the Deemed Approved Amendment to the Tribal—State Compact between the State of California and the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* January 18, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** George T. Skibine, Director, Office of

Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA) Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of approved Tribal—State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The compact allows for an increase in gaming devices and any devices or games authorized under State law to the State lottery. Finally, the term of the compact is until December 31, 2030. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, is publishing notice that the Amendment between the State of California and the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians is now in effect.

Dated: December 31, 2007.

**Carl J. Artman,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[MT-100-1430-EU; MTM 95676]

#### Notice of Realty Action; (Non-Competitive) Direct Sale of Public Land; Granite County, MT

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

**ACTION:** Notice of realty action.

**SUMMARY:** A 1.08-acre parcel of public land in Granite County, Montana, is being considered for sale under the provisions of the Federal Land Policy Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), at no less than the appraised fair market value, to resolve a longstanding, inadvertent unauthorized use.

**DATES:** Interested parties may submit comments regarding the proposed sale until March 3, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to the Missoula Field Manager, BLM, Missoula Field Office, 3255 Ft. Missoula Road, Missoula, Montana 59804-7293.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Ledger, Realty Specialist, at the above address or phone (406) 329-3914.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following described public land is being considered for possible disposal by direct sale under Sections 203 and 209 of FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1713 and 1719.

**Principal Meridian, Montana**

T. 12 N., R. 14 W.  
Sec. 15, lot 17.

The area described contains 1.08 acres, more or less, in Granite County, Montana.

The parcel will be offered by direct sale at no less than the appraised fair market value of \$5,800 to Robert C. Nylund and Sandra J. Nylund. The Nylunds are the owners of an adjoining parcel and improvements which lie partially on the subject parcel. The sale meets the disposal criteria in Section 203(a)(3) of FLPMA and 43 CFR 2710.0-3(a)(2). Sale of the parcel also conforms to the criteria of the Garnet Resource Management Plan (RMP) approved January 10, 1986. Disposal by direct sale will protect existing equities in the land and resolve the longstanding, inadvertent unauthorized occupancy of the parcel and is provided for in 43 CFR 2710.0-6(c)(3)(iii).

As proposed, the land will be conveyed subject to:

1. A right-of-way for ditches and canals reserved by the United States pursuant to the Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945);

2. All valid existing rights.

The land will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. Unreserved mineral interests will be conveyed simultaneously with the sale of the land. These unreserved mineral interests have been determined to have no known mineral value pursuant to 43 CFR 2720.2(a). Acceptance of the sale offer will constitute an application for conveyance of those unreserved mineral interests.

On January 18, 2008, the above-described land will be segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, except the sale provisions of the FLPMA. Until completion of the sale, the BLM is no longer accepting land use applications affecting the identified public land. The segregative effect will terminate upon issuance of a patent, publication in the **Federal Register** of a termination of the segregation, or January 19, 2010, unless extended by the BLM State Director in accordance with 43 CFR 2711.1-2(d) prior to the termination date.

To be considered, comments must be received at the BLM Missoula Field Office on or before March 3, 2008. 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 Missoula Field Office will be considered properly filed. E-mail, facsimile or telephone comments will not be considered properly filed.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2711.1-2)

Dated: January 9, 2008.

**Nancy T. Anderson,**  
*Field Manager.*

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

[WY-030-1430-ES; WYW-158818]

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

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has examined and found suitable for classification for lease or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, 1.54 acres of public land in Carbon County, Wyoming. Carbon County proposes to use the land for a historic cemetery.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by March 3, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to the BLM, Rawlins Field Office, 1300 North 3rd Street, Rawlins, Wyoming 82301, Attn: Janelle Wrigley. Detailed information concerning this action, including appropriate environmental documentation, is available for review at the above address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janelle Wrigley, Realty Specialist, at the above address or at (307) 328-4279.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In response to an application from the Carbon County Commissioners, Wyoming, the following public lands have been examined and found suitable for classification for lease and/or conveyance under the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*).

**Sixth Principal Meridian, Wyoming**

T. 22 N., R. 80 W.,

Sec. 26, Lot 4 (metes and bounds survey)  
The area described contains 1.54 acres more or less.

The lands are not needed for Federal purposes. Lease and/or conveyance is consistent with the Great Divide RMP, dated November 9, 1990, and would be in the public interest. The patent, if issued, will be subject to the following reservations, terms, and conditions:

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

(2) The patentee shall comply with all Federal and State laws applicable to the disposal, placement, or release of hazardous substances (hazardous substances as defined in 40 CFR part 302.)

(3) If, at any time, the patentee transfers to another party ownership of any portion of the land not used for the purpose(s) specified in the application and approved plan of development, the patentee shall pay the Bureau of Land Management the fair market value, as determined by the authorized officer, of the transferred portion as of the date of transfer, including the value of any improvements thereon.

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

(5) A reservation of all mineral deposits in the land so patented, and a right of the United States, or persons authorized by the United States, to prospect for, mine, and remove such deposits from the same under applicable laws and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

(6) Any other valid and existing rights and encumbrances of record.

(7) Such other provisions as may be required by law.

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/conveyance under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. The segregative effect shall terminate upon issuance of a patent, upon final rejection of the application, or 18 months from the date of this notice, whichever occurs first.

*Classification Comments:* Interested parties may submit comments involving the suitability of the land for historical cemetery purposes. Comments on the classification are restricted to whether the land is physically suited for the proposed use, 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.