

to Congress and OMB or at least 30 days from the date this notice is published in the **Federal Register**, whichever is later, providing no comments are received which would result in a contrary determination.

The matching program will be in effect and continue for 18 months with an option to renew for 12 additional months unless one of the parties to the agreement advises the other in writing to terminate or modify the agreement.

Dated: January 18, 2008.

Stanley Buch,

Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of Truckhaven Geothermal Leasing Area Final Environmental Impact Statement, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Truckhaven Geothermal Leasing Area, Imperial County, managed by the El Centro Field Office.

DATES: BLM will issue a Record of Decision (ROD) 30 days after the date of publication of this notice (40 CFR 1506.10(b)(2)).

ADDRESSES: A copy of the FEIS has been sent to affected Federal, State, and local government agencies and interested parties. The document will be available electronically at the following Truckhaven Geothermal Leasing Area, Imperial County EIS Web site: <http://www.ca.blm.gov/elcentro>. Copies of the FEIS will be available for public inspection at the following locations:

- Bureau of Land Management, California State Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1834, Sacramento, CA 95825.
- Bureau of Land Management, El Centro Field Office, 1661 S. 4th Street, El Centro, CA 92243.
- Bureau of Land Management, California Desert District, 22835 Calle

San Juan De Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, CA 92553

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John Dalton, Truckhaven Geothermal Leasing Area EIS Project Manager, at (951) 691-5200, Bureau of Land Management, 22835 Calle San Juan De Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, CA 92553; john_dalton@ca.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Truckhaven Geothermal Leasing Area encompasses approximately 14,731 acres of Federal minerals in western Imperial County, California, north of State Route 78 and generally west and south of County Highway S-22. The area is part of the California Desert Conservation Area. The main issues addressed in the Final EIS are geothermal resource leasing, recreation, and special status species. Three alternatives are analyzed in the Final EIS: (1) No action, which would not lease any geothermal resources; (2) leasing only lands with existing noncompetitive lease applications; and (3) the proposed action, which would offer all BLM managed lands within this area for lease, subject to certain stipulations and mitigation measures to be applied at the development stage. Comments on the Truckhaven Geothermal Leasing Area Draft EIS received from the public and via internal BLM review were incorporated into the Final EIS. These comments resulted in corrections, clarifying text, and the addition of new data used in the analysis of impacts. The Final EIS includes measures to mitigate impacts to off-highway vehicle restriction. The Final EIS addresses comprehensive, long-range decisions for the use and management of geothermal resources in the planning area and management of other resources and uses potentially affected by geothermal resource management decisions. The reasonable foreseeable development scenario for the area projects a potential for two 25-Megawatt geothermal power plants, with a total surface disturbance of 502.25 acres of the 14,731 acres proposed for leasing that are administered by the BLM. The ROD for this project will address only BLM's decisions for public lands and resources administered by the BLM.

Alan Stein,

Acting Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[MT-066-07-1610-DQ-024E]

Notice of Availability of Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument, Montana

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Proposed Resource Management Plan (PRMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument.

DATES: The BLM Planning Regulations (43 CFR 1610.5-2) state that any person who participated in the planning process, and has an interest which is or may be adversely affected, may protest the BLM's approval of an RMP. Protests must be filed within 30 days of the date that the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. Instructions for filing protests are described in the Dear Reader letter of the Proposed RMP and Final EIS for the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument and in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Majerus, RMP Project Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 920 Northeast Main Street, P.O. Box 1160, Lewistown, MT 59457; or by telephone at (406) 538-1924.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument is located in northcentral Montana in Blaine, Chouteau, Fergus, and Phillips Counties. The planning area addressed in the Proposed RMP comprises about 375,000 acres of public land and 42,800 acres of existing oil and gas leases administered by the BLM Lewistown Field Office. The State of Montana and Blaine, Chouteau, Fergus, and Phillips Counties participated in development of the plan as cooperating agencies. The Proposed RMP and Final EIS were developed through collaborative planning and consider six alternatives. The Proposed RMP and Final EIS address the following six major questions: (1) How will human

activities and uses be managed? (2) What facilities and infrastructure are appropriate to provide visitor interpretation and administration of the Monument? (3) How will the BLM manage resource uses and protect the biological, historical, cultural, and visual values of the Monument? (4) How will Monument management be integrated with other agency and community plans? (5) How will transportation and access be managed? (6) How will Monument management affect economic and social conditions in the area?

Copies of the Proposed RMP and Final EIS for the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument have been sent to affected Federal, State, and Local Government agencies and to interested parties. Copies of the Proposed RMP and Final EIS are available for public inspection at the BLM Lewistown Field Office, 920 Northeast Main Street, Lewistown, Montana or at the Missouri Breaks Interpretive Center, 701 Seventh Street, Fort Benton, Montana. Interested persons may also review the Proposed RMP and Final EIS on the Internet at: http://www.blm.gov/mt/st/en/fo/lewistown_field_office/um_rmp_process.html.

Comments on the Draft RMP/EIS received from the public and internal BLM review comments were incorporated into the Proposed RMP and Final EIS. Public comments resulted in the addition of clarifying text, but did not significantly change proposed land use decisions.

Instructions for filing a protest with the Director of the BLM regarding the Proposed RMP and Final EIS may be found at 43 CFR 1610.5-2. E-mail and faxed protests will not be accepted as valid protests unless the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Under these conditions, the BLM will consider the e-mail or faxed protest as an advance copy and it will receive full consideration. If you wish to provide the BLM with such advance notification, please direct faxed protests to the attention of Brenda Hudgens-Williams, Protest Coordinator, at 202-452-5112, and e-mails to Brenda_Hudgens-Williams@blm.gov. All protests, including the follow-up letter (if e-mailing or faxing) must be in writing and mailed to the following address:

Regular Mail: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, P.O. Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035.

Overnight Mail: Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your protest, you should be aware that your entire protest—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your protest to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The Director will promptly render a decision on a protest. The decision will be in writing and will be sent to the protesting party by certified mail, return receipt requested. The decision of the Director is the final decision of the Department of the Interior.

Gene R. Terland,

State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UT-070-1310-EJ]

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the West Tavaputs Plateau Natural Gas Full Field Development Plan, Carbon and Duchesne Counties, Utah

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the West Tavaputs Plateau Natural Gas Full Field Development Plan prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). The DEIS evaluates the impacts of development of natural gas resources on approximately 137,700 acres of public, state, and private lands on the West Tavaputs Plateau in Carbon and Duchesne Counties, Utah. This NEPA analysis will provide a basis for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to amend the applicable land use plan per 43 CFR 1610 if necessary.

DATES: The 90-day public review and comment period of the DEIS will commence on the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its notice of availability in the **Federal Register**. Comments must be submitted to the Price Field Office during this period to assure their consideration. Public open house meetings will be held in Price, Roosevelt, and in the Salt Lake City area to assist the public in its review of the

DEIS and to accept written comments. Notice of these meetings will be publicized through various media, including the Utah BLM Environmental Notification Bulletin Board, at least 15 days prior to the meetings.

ADDRESSES: Address written comments to: Bureau of Land Management, Price Field Office, 125 South 600 West, Price, Utah 84501, Attn: West Tavaputs Plateau Natural Gas Full Field Development Plan DEIS, or submit them electronically at http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/price/energy/oil_gas/.

Comments and information submitted on the DEIS, including names, e-mail addresses, and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address. All comment submittals must include the commenter's name and street address. 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brad Higdon, Environmental Coordinator, Price Field Office at (435) 636-3613. The West Tavaputs Plateau Natural Gas Full Field Development Plan DEIS is available online at http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/price/energy/oil_gas/ or at the Price Field Office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS evaluates a proposal by Bill Barrett Corporation and other operators to develop up to 807 natural gas wells on approximately 538 well pads within the 137,700 acre project area. The development plan proposal also includes a network of access roads, production facilities, and other operational infrastructure.

To address potential effects on the multiple resources which make up the affected environment, the BLM, in coordination with its cooperating agencies, has developed five alternatives in the DEIS. The alternatives include a No Action Alternative, the Proposed Action, a Transportation Impact Reduction Alternative, a Conservation Alternative, and an Agency Preferred Alternative, which includes components from each of the former alternatives. The alternatives incorporate best management practices for oil and gas development and other measures necessary to adequately