

Applicant name	Permit No.	Date issued
EWERT, DAVID N .....	120256	4/19/2008
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF DUPAGE COUNTY .....	194651	9/26/2008
HAMM, CHRISTOPHER ALAN .....	175852	5/8/2008
HARVEY, MICHAEL J .....	130493	4/21/2008
HOCKING COLLEGE .....	187501	11/24/2008
HOGGARTH, MICHAEL A .....	194099	11/25/2008
ILLINOIS NATURAL HISTORY SURVEY .....	182436	6/30/2008
ILLINOIS STATE MUSEUM .....	842313-15	6/17/2008
LEWIS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING .....	181256	4/22/2008
MACALESTER COLLEGE .....	089872	5/16/2008
MAINSTREAM COMMERCIAL DIVERS, INC .....	193614	11/28/2008
MCCLANAHAN, ROD DANIEL .....	174386	5/12/2008
MCCLANE, M. BRENT .....	164072	4/25/2008
METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF THE TOLEDO AREA .....	174388	5/22/2008
MICHIGAN NATURAL FEATURES INVENTORY .....	174564-1	6/20/2008
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION .....	120259-1	4/11/2008
NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE .....	118421-1	1/15/2008
OWENS, NICHOLAS L .....	182430	7/7/2008
ROBBINS, LYNN W .....	840524-3	5/12/2008
SANDERS ENVIRONMENTAL INC .....	179707	7/7/2008
SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST .....	131911-1	5/12/2008
SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION .....	125546-2	4/14/2008
ST. LOUIS ZOO .....	135297	4/25/2008
STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES .....	152002-1	5/23/2008
STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES INC .....	128304-5	4/21/2008
STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC .....	174547	5/12/2008
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY .....	838715	11/28/2008
THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION .....	160235-1	5/27/2008
THIRD ROCK CONSULTANTS, LLC .....	049738-3	3/19/2008
TIMPONE, JOHN CHARLES .....	120231	5/5/2008
TOMASI, THOMAS E .....	195082	11/21/2008
U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE .....	163772	4/25/2008
U.S. FOREST SERVICE .....	192348	11/24/2008
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO .....	175862	5/19/2008
USDA FOREST SERVICE .....	127643	5/16/2008
VANDE KOPPLE, BOB .....	135267-1	10/14/2008
VOLK FIELD—CRTC—ANG .....	101150	4/25/2008
WATTERS, GEORGE THOMAS .....	088720-3	5/29/2008

**Authority:** The authority for this notice is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)

Dated: December 30, 2008.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[CA-160-1610DP-025B]

#### Notice of Availability of Draft Carrizo Plain National Monument Resource Management Plan and Draft 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 Draft Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS) for the Carrizo Plain National Monument (CPNM) planning area, managed by the Bakersfield Field Office. This notice announces the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** The BLM must receive written comments on the Draft RMP/EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will announce future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media news releases, and/or mailings.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* [cacarrizormp@ca.blm.gov](mailto:cacarrizormp@ca.blm.gov).
- *Fax:* (661) 391-6143.
- *Mail:* CPNM RMP, Bureau of Land Management, 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield CA 93308.

Copies of the CPNM Draft RMP/Draft EIS are available in the Bakersfield Field Office at the above address; at the BLM California State Office—2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA; and online at <http://www.ca.blm.gov/bakersfield>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** CPNM RMP Line (661) 391-6034.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The planning area for the CPNM RMP is in the Bakersfield Field Office's area of management responsibility. The planning area comprises the Carrizo Plain National Monument located in Coast Range of Central California. The BLM administers 200,000 acres of public lands in the planning area. The planning decisions in the RMP will only apply to the BLM-administered public lands and mineral estate within the planning area. The CPNM Draft RMP/EIS was developed through a collaborative planning process and considers four alternatives including a no-action alternative. The primary issues addressed include: recreation, protection of sensitive natural and cultural resources, livestock grazing; guidance for energy and mineral

development, motorized vehicle route designation, and other planning issues raised during the scoping process.

Please note that public comments and information submitted including names, street addresses, and e-mail addresses of respondents will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

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.

**Timothy Z. Smith,**  
Bakersfield Field Manager.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WY-060-1320-EL, WYW163340]

#### Notice of Availability of the West Antelope II Coal Lease by Application Final Environmental Impact Statement, Wyoming.

**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) announces the availability of the West Antelope II Coal Lease by Application (LBA) Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). The tract is being considered for sale as a result of a coal lease application received from the operator of the adjacent Antelope Mine in Campbell and Converse Counties, Wyoming.

**DATES:** To ensure comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the West Antelope II Coal LBA FEIS within 30 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes their Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* [casper\\_wymail@blm.gov](mailto:casper_wymail@blm.gov).
- *Fax:* 307-261-7587.
- *Mail:* Casper Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Sarah Bucklin, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, Wyoming 82604.

Copies of the FEIS are available at the following BLM office locations: BLM Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009; and BLM Casper Field Office, 2987 Prospector Lane, Casper, Wyoming 82604. The FEIS is available electronically on the following Web site: [http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/info/NEPA/cfdocs/West\\_Antelope\\_II.html](http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/info/NEPA/cfdocs/West_Antelope_II.html).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sarah Bucklin or Mike Karbs at the BLM Casper Field Office address above or telephone 307-361-7600.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FEIS analyzes and discloses to the public direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental impacts of issuing a Federal coal lease in the Wyoming portion of the Powder River Basin. The BLM is considering a coal lease issuance as a result of an April 6, 2005, application submitted by Antelope Coal Company (Antelope) to lease Federal coal near the Antelope Mine approximately 50 miles north of Douglas, Wyoming.

The applicant proposes to lease the tract as a maintenance tract to extend the life of the existing mining operations at the Antelope Mine under the provisions of the Leasing on Application regulations at 43 CFR subpart 3425. This tract, case number WYW163340, is referred to as the West Antelope II tract.

The following lands in Campbell and Converse Counties, Wyoming, are included in the tract as applied for:

T. 40 N., R. 71 W., 6th PM, Wyoming

Section 5: Lot 18;

Section 8: Lots 1 through 3, 6 through 11, 14 through 16;

Section 9: Lots 2 through 16;

Section 10: Lots 5, 6, 11 through 14.

T. 41 N., R. 71 W., 6th PM, Wyoming

Section 9: Lots 9 through 16;

Section 10: Lots 11 through 15;

Section 14: Lots 3 and 4;

Section 15: Lots 1 through 5, 12, 13;

Section 20: Lots 14 through 16;

Section 21: Lots 1 through 16;

Section 22: Lots 2, 7, 8, 14 through 16;

Section 27: Lots 6 through 11;

Section 28: Lots 1 through 8;

Section 29: Lots 1 through 3, 6 through 8.

Containing 4,108.6 acres more or less.

Antelope estimates that approximately 429.7 million tons of Federal coal are included in the tract for which they applied. The Office of

Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM), the USDA-Forest Service, the Land Quality and Air Quality Divisions of the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ), and the Converse County Board of Commissioners are cooperating agencies in the preparation of the FEIS. If the tract is leased as a maintenance tract, the new lease will be incorporated into the existing mining and reclamation plan for the adjacent mine. The Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) must approve the revision to the Mineral Leasing Act (MLA) mining plan before the Federal coal can be mined. If the tract is leased, the OSM is the Federal agency that would be responsible for recommending approval, approval with conditions, or disapproval of the revised MLA mining plan to the Office of the Secretary. The WDEQ has entered into a cooperative agreement with the Secretary to regulate surface coal mining operations on Federal and non-Federal lands within the State of Wyoming.

On October 17, 2006, the BLM published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS for the West Antelope II coal lease application in the **Federal Register**. A notice announcing the availability of the Draft EIS (DEIS) was published in the **Federal Register** by the EPA on February 8, 2008. A 60-day comment period on the DEIS commenced with publication of the EPA's notice of availability and ended on April 8, 2008. The BLM published a Notice of Availability and Notice of Public Hearing in the **Federal Register** on March 17, 2008. The BLM's **Federal Register** notice announced the date and time of a public hearing, which was held on March 24, 2008, in Douglas, Wyoming. The purpose of the hearing was to solicit comments on the DEIS, fair market value, and the maximum economic recovery of the Federal coal. Four statements were given as testimony at the public hearing; they are summarized in an appendix in the FEIS. During the DEIS comment period, the BLM received 14 comment letters, included in an appendix to the FEIS with BLM's responses to the comments. The FEIS analyzes leasing the West Antelope II coal tract as-applied-for as the Proposed Action. Under the Proposed Action, a competitive sale would be held and a lease issued for Federal coal in the tract as applied for by Antelope. As part of the coal leasing process, the BLM identified an alternative tract configuration to assure the maximum economic recovery of the coal, avoid isolating or bypassing marketable coal, and potentially prompt