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Dated: November 4, 2009.

John R. Craynon,

Chief, Division of Regulatory Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029-0098

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection request for 30 CFR part 769—Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 14, 2009, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Department of the Interior Desk Officer, via e-mail at OIRADocket@omb.eop.gov, or by facsimile to (202) 395-5806. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John A. Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave., NW., Room 202-SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov. Please reference 10290098 in your correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request, contact John Trelease at (202) 208-2783. You may also contact

Mr. Trelease by e-mail at jtrelease@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)]. OSM has submitted a request to OMB to renew its approval for the collection of information found at 30 CFR part 769—Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations. OSM is requesting a 3-year term of approval for this collection. This collection is required to obtain or retain a benefit.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this collection of information is 1029-0098.

As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), a **Federal Register** notice soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 13, 2009 (74 FR 40834). No comments were received. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

Title: 30 CFR Part 769, Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations.

OMB Control Number: 1029-0098.

Summary: This part establishes the minimum procedures and standards for designating Federal lands unsuitable for certain types of surface mining operations and for terminating designations pursuant to a petition. The information requested will aid the regulatory authority in the decisionmaking process to approve or disapprove a request.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once.

Description of Respondents: People who may be adversely affected by surface mining on Federal lands.

Total Annual Responses: 1.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,000.

Send comments on the need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the

information collection; and ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information, to the offices listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Please refer to the appropriate OMB control number in all correspondence.

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.

Dated: October 21, 2009.

John R. Craynon,

Chief, Division of Regulatory Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of Carrizo Plain National Monument Proposed Resource Management Plan and 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) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Proposed Resource Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement (PRMP/FEIS) for the Carrizo Plain National Monument (CPNM).

DATES: BLM planning regulations at 43 CFR 1610.5-2 state that any person who meets the conditions as described in the regulations may protest BLM's PRMP. A person who meets the conditions and files a protest must file the protest within 30 days of the date that the Environmental Protection Agency publishes this notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the CPNM PRMP/FEIS have been sent to affected Federal, State, and local government agencies, Native American tribes, and to interested parties. Copies of the CPNM PRMP/FEIS are available for public

inspection at BLM's Bakersfield Field Office (3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308) and the California State Office (2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825). Interested persons may also review the CPNM PRMP/FEIS at the following Web site: <http://www.blm.gov/ca/bakersfield>. All protests must be in writing and mailed to the following addresses:

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

Overnight Mail (non-U.S. Postal Service): Director (210), Attention: Brenda Williams, 1620 L Street, NW., Suite 1075, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Johna Hurl, Carrizo Plain National Monument Manager, 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308, (661) 391-6093.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The planning area for the CPNM PRMP/FEIS falls within the Bakersfield Field Office's area of management responsibility. The planning area comprises the Carrizo Plain National Monument. A total of 200,000 acres of public lands are administered by the BLM in the planning area.

The decisions in the RMP will only apply to the BLM-administered public lands and mineral estate within the planning area.

Comments on the Draft RMP/EIS received from the public and internal BLM review were considered and incorporated, as appropriate, into the PRMP. Public comments resulted in the addition of clarifying text and several changes to the decisions contained in the PRMP, including adding lands to be managed for Wilderness characteristics and limiting vehicle use on monument roads to street licensed vehicles only. However, these comments did not result in significant changes to the decisions in the PRMP. Instructions for filing a protest with the Director of the BLM regarding this plan may be found in the Dear Reader Letter of the CPNM PRMP/FEIS and 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. If these conditions are met, 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 the BLM 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 appropriate address, as set forth in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

Timothy Z. Smith,
Bakersfield Field Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Bald Mountain Mine North Operations Area Project in White Pine County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Nevada Ely District has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed expansion of the existing plans of operation for Barrick Gold U.S. Inc.'s Bald Mountain Mine and Mooney Basin Mine. The two existing mines would be combined into one new expanded operation which would be called the North Operations Area. The Final EIS analyzes the environmental effects of the Proposed Action, two action alternatives, and the No Action Alternative.

DATES: The BLM will not issue a final decision on the proposal for a minimum of 30 days following the Environmental Protection Agency's publication of a Notice of Availability of the Final EIS in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Print and compact disk copies of the North Operations Area Final EIS are available in the Ely District Office at 702 North Industrial Way, HC33 Box 33500, Ely, NV 89301. The document is available at: http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/ely_field_office.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynn Bjorklund, phone: 775 289-1893, e-mail: Lynn_Bjorklund@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Barrick Gold U.S. Inc. has submitted a proposal to expand and combine its existing Bald Mountain and Mooney Basin mines into one project area to be administered

under the North Operations Area Plan of Operation. The mines are located approximately 65 miles northwest of Ely, Nevada. This proposed expansion is entirely on unpatented mining claims on BLM-administered public land. The proposed North Operations Area would include 4,160 acres of previously permitted disturbance and 3,920 acres of new disturbance, for a total of 8,080 acres. The project would consist of extending existing open pits, expanding existing rock disposal areas and heap leach facilities, construction of a truck shop, additional exploration, concurrent reclamation, and continuing operation of existing facilities. The projected life of the existing mine operation would increase by approximately ten years under this proposed project.

The Draft EIS analyzed the Proposed Action and two action alternatives. The alternatives were a partial pit backfill and a leach pad alternative whereby the expansion of the Mooney Basin leach pad would be reduced by processing the ore at the existing Bald Mountain leach pad. Both the BLM and the Nevada Department of Wildlife have designated the partial pit backfill as the Preferred Alternative.

The Draft EIS was released for public review on December 19, 2008. Public meetings were held in Nevada during a 45-day public comment period in Ely, Elko, and Eureka, Jan. 6-8, 2009. A total of 17 comment letters were received throughout the comment period. All comments were analyzed and appropriate changes or clarifications were incorporated into the Final EIS. The BLM will prepare a Record of Decision for the proposed project no earlier than 30 days following the publication of the Notice of Availability by the Environmental Protection Agency of the Final EIS.

Authority: 43 CFR part 3809.

Jeffrey A. Weeks,

Associate District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Proposed New Central Valley Project Water Service Contract, El Dorado County Water Agency, El Dorado County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Reopening of comment period for review of the Draft Environmental