DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement from Craig Settle for competitive oil and gas lease WYW161375 for land in Natrona County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie L. Weaver, Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication, at (307) 775–6176.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of $10 per acre or fraction thereof, per year and 16½ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required $500 administrative fee and $163 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this Federal Register notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW161375 effective December 1, 2009, under the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above. The BLM has not issued a valid lease to any other interest affecting the lands.

Julie L. Weaver,
Chief, Branch of Fluid Minerals Adjudication.

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Realty Action; Direct Sale of Public Lands in Minidoka County, ID

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to sell four parcels of public land totaling 262.11 acres in Minidoka County, Idaho, to the owners of the surrounding private land for the appraised fair market value of $85,200. The private land surrounding the public land is owned by the Western Mortgage and Realty Company.

DATES: Comments regarding the proposed sale must be received by the BLM by August 23, 2010.

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ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement from Quaneco LLC for competitive oil and gas lease WYW154704 for land in Uinta County, Wyoming. The petition was filed on time and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tara Hagen, Realty Specialist, BLM Shoshone Field Office, 400 West F Street, Shoshone, Idaho 83352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following described public land is being proposed for direct sale to the Western Mortgage and Realty Company in accordance with sections 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1713 and 1719), at not less than the appraised fair market value:

Boise Meridian
T. 6 S., R. 24 E., Sec. 30, SW¼SE¼; Sec. 31, lots 1, 4, 5, and 6, and SE¼SE¼.
T. 7 S., R. 24 E., Sec. 4, lots 3 and 4.

The area described contains 262.11 acres in Minidoka County.

The appraised fair market value is $85,200. The public land is identified as suitable for disposal in the 1985 BLM Monument Resource Management Plan (RMP), as amended, and is not needed for any other Federal purposes. The direct sale will allow for the subject parcel to be formally consolidated with adjacent private property, the owner of which currently holds a land use authorization (Cooperative Farm Management Agreement or Land Use Permit) for agricultural purposes. The subject parcels are somewhat isolated and uneconomical to manage due to their location and authorized use for agricultural purposes. Disposal would alleviate the processing and administration of these land use authorizations, as well as generate funding pursuant to the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act (FLTFA) that can be utilized to purchase lands with higher resource values.

The public land was identified for disposal in an approved land use plan in effect on July 25, 2000; therefore, proceeds from this sale will be deposited into the Federal Land Disposal Account authorized under section 206 of FLTFA. FLTFA directs the revenues generated from the sale or disposal of public lands identified for disposal in land use plans as of July 25, 2000, to an account that can be used by the BLM, the U.S. Forest Service, the National Park Service, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to purchase lands located within Federally designated areas or with higher resources from willing sellers.